# Palau Community College



# MESEKIU'S NEWS



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### **Mangrove Crab Hatchery Training Concludes**



back row: CRE Aquaculturist Miguel Delo Santos, Dean of Students Sherman Daniel, Dean of CE Jefferson Thomas, PCC President Dr. Patrick U. Tellei, Vice President of CRE Thomas Taro and Vice President of Administration & Finance Jay Olegeriil; front row: Trainees Selven Wolemal, Jonathan Dewey, Manoj Nair, Itaia Fred, Justin Gaan-Yong, and Leilanie Rechelluul

On Friday, April 12, 2019 Palau Community College Continuing Education and PCC Cooperative Research Extension held an awarding ceremony for ten trainees from Pohnpei, Yap and Palau. The training was designed to equip participants knowledge and skills needed in brackish water and mariculture to grow mangrove crab. Participants were introduced to the tools and skills needed in the management of mangrove crab hatchery, nursery, and growout methods.

Knowledge acquired during this training include collection of brood stock and spawners, managing spawning, egg incubation, and hatching. Rearing of mangrove crab larvae, preparation of tanks for spawing and nursery operations including food production such as microalgae and rotifers.

Present to witness and congratulate the trainees were PCC President Dr. Tellei, Vice President of Administration & Finance Jay Olegeriil, Vice President of CRE Thomas Taro, Dean of Students Sherman Daniel, Dean of CE Jefferson Thomas, and Aquaculture instructor Miguel Delo Santos. During the awarding ceremony,

 $\textbf{Mangrove Crab Ceremongy} \ \ \text{Continued on page 2}$ 

**Matson Donates to PCC Endowment** 



PCC students Dicaprio Siksei and Adrian Ililau receiving donation from Matson Navigation Co. Inc.

On Wednesday, April 10, 2019 Matson Navigation Company Inc. donated to Palau Community College Endowment Fund. On hand to receive the company check of \$500 were Mr. DiCaprio Siksei and Adrian Ililau. Both students are currently a work-study at PCC Development Office.

Matson Navigation Company Inc. has been the supporter of the college PCC Based Scholarship program. Each year, Matson awards two scholarships to students in programs such as Small Engine & Outboard Marine Technology, Automotive Mechanics Technology, and Non-Instrumental Navigation training. Matson Foundation contributes each year to support not only education in Pacific but also material goods and services to assist non profit organizations, charitable and community organizations. Palau Community College thanks Matson Navigation for its continued support to the college endowment fund.

# McREL's Pacific Center for Changing the Odds



PCC President Dr. Patrick U. Tellei and Minister Sinton Soalablai attended McREL's Board of Directors meeting in Honolulu, Hawaii

Mangrove Crab Ceremony CONTINUED FROM the training will be further developed and offered in the future in a course format so that we can train more aquaculture technicians.

President Dr. Tellei gave a special remarks with a brief history of Land Grant program in Micronesian colleges and the importance of having mangrove crab farm in Micronesia. He reiterated that a mangrove crab is currently sold at \$10 a pound in Palau. This training is crucial in supporting the needs and sustainabilities of mangrove crab.

Participants of the first mangrove crab training were Itaia R. Fred, Jonathan A. Dewey, and Manoj R. Nair from Pohnpei, Justin Gaan-Yong, Selven Wolemal, and Steven Young-uhk from Yap, Bernice Ngirkelau, Latii Palacios, Leilanie Rechelluul, and Rodney Marino from Palau.

#### IVAN PROPST DONATED TO PCC LIBRARY



Donor and author Ivan Propst donated a book titled: *Perseverance and Grit* to PCC Library. The book contains record of the contributions of Agnes Manglona PcPhetres to education in Micronesia that have value and benefit to present and future generations of educators, students, historians, humanities scholars, researchers, and citizens interested in understanding the history of education in the region.

#### Shuji Uchida Visits PCC



l to r: Dean of CE Jefferson Thomas, Shuji Uchida, Master Navigator Sesario Sewralur, PCC President Dr. Patrick U. Tellei

## 56th Commencement Exercises of Palau Community College



A Palau Community College (PCC) a chodengeseterir a rokui el ngalek ra skuul el mo tuobed er chelechal rrak ra rokui el skuul er Belau. Dirrek el nguu tial techall e mengemedaol ra buai el mei ra mong meng okeim ma elolem el omelilt (56<sup>th</sup> Commencement Exercises) ra skuul el mo er ngii ra ongeim el lureor el teruich ma euid (May 17, 2019) el kebesengil elechal ongeim el buil ra teruich el klok ra tutau (10AM) ra PCC Cafeteria. Mei me desterir a rengeleked er tial sils er tir el mocha ngmai a babilengir ra daingak.

Palau Community College (PCC) congratulates all the 2019 Graduates of all the schools in Palau. The college also takes this opportunity to cordially invite the community to its 56<sup>th</sup> Commencement Exercises on Friday, May 17, 2019 at 10AM. The event will take place at the PCC Cafeteria. Please join us as we commemorate and recognize the achievements of the PCC Graduating Class of 2019.

Palau Community College is an accessible public educational institution helping to meet the technical, academic, cultural, social, and economic needs of students and communities by promoting learning opportunities and developing personal excellence.

#### **BITS AND PIECES...**

#### Tan Siu Lin PCC Library

#### **Hours of Operation**

Monday to Thursday 7:30AM - 7PM

Friday 7:30<sub>AM</sub> - 5<sub>PM</sub>

Saturday 9<sub>AM</sub> - 6<sub>PM</sub>

Sunday CLOSED

For more information, call: 488-3540.

# AVAILABLE TO INTERESTED READERS:

SCIENTIFIC AMERICAN



Scientific American, the longest continuously published magazine in the U.S. has been bringing its readers unique insights about developments in science and technology for more than 170 years.

In an era of rapid innovation, Scientific American founded the first branch of the U.S. Patent Agency in 1850 to provide technical help and legal advice to inventors. A Washington, D.C., branch was added in 1859.

#### **Academic Calendar**

April 18 - 19 (TH - F) Students' Spring Break

May 3 (F)
Last Day of Instruction

#### **News/Stories Wanted**

Mesekiw's News welcomes stories/articles/ announcements from students, faculty, and staff. Submission deadline is Wednesday at 4:30 p.m. in hard and/or electronic copies to tchuziet@ palau.edu or tchuziet@gmail.com.

Articles from MOC/PCC Alumni are also welcomed

Please call 488-2470/2471 (extensions 251, 252, or 253) for more information.

#### **Newest Contributor to the PCC Endowment Fund**



Harden Hasinto

Palau Community College would like to recognize our newest endowment fund donor, Mr. Harden Hasinto. Mr. Hasinto is currently employed with the Ministry of Finance. Thank you Mr. Hasinto for your contribution to Palau's only institution of higher learning! Your donation will help sustain the future stability and programs of Palau Community College.

# PCC Faculty Senate Association 10 th Gentlemen's Commet Theme: International Cuisine

PCC Faculty Senate Association is hosting its

10th Annual Gentlemen's Gourmet food tasting event on

Saturday, April 13, 2019 from 7:00 pm to 10:30 pm at the Ngarachamayong Cultural Center.

Come and enjoy the culinary creations of local gentlemen & chefs.

Buy a ticket for only \$20.00 each and you will be entered for a chance to win fabulous prizes. Not only that, you will get 1 complementary drink of your choice and the opportunity to taste some of the most delicious dishes from around the world.

# Money raised will help secure scholarships for current and future PCC students.

If you would like to be a chef, buy a ticket, or make a donation, please call 488-2471 ext. 240 and ask for Emngel Meteolechol, Samantha Bells, Margie Buban, Danka Ledgerwood, or email Suzette Hinojales at suzetteg@palau.edu.



#### CAMPUS PROFILE

GUESS WHO WINNER!! Mesekiu's News Vol. 21 Issue 13 & 14







John Chilton

RULES: IDENTIFY THE PEOPLE FEATURED IN THE PHO-TOGRAPH BELOW AND WIN A PRIZE COURTESY OF THE PCC DEVELOPMENT OFFICE. ALL STUDENTS ARE ELI-GIBLE TO ATTEMPT THIS CHALLENGE.



Palau Community College (PCC) has continued to strive because of the dedication & commitment of its employees. The photograph above features staff members who have been employed at the college for many years. If you could identify all four (4) staff as well as their current positions/job titles, the PCC Development Office will reward vou. All students (except students who are working for any PCC Offices) are eligible to attempt this challenge. Please visit the PCC Development Office to submit your answer or call (tel): 488-2470/2471 ext. 251, 252, or 253 for more information. An answer will be featured in next week's newsletter!

#### ALUMNI NOTES

#### ERIC REKLAI

ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE IN POLICE SCIENCE

Eric Reklai is a graduate of Palau Community College in 1991 with an Associate of Science in Police Science. Currently works at Ministry of Education.





Your studentwifi account is activated and ready for your use throughout the semester. But, you need a username and a password to access it.

Following these steps will help you figure out your USERNAME and PASSWORD:

- 1. Your username must be your first name plus the first letter of your last name
  - a. Example: E-Van Ongrung.....e-vano
  - b. Example: Mary Jane Goodman.....maryjaneg
  - c. Example: O.J. Woodward.....ojw
- 2. Your password is your student ID number and it can be found on your PCC student ID card.
  - a. NOTE: Social Security number is not a password so if your ID number on your student ID card is your SS number then please kindly stop by at Registrars Office and request for your correct student ID number.

#### REMINDER **Upcoming Meetings**

Graduation Committee April 16th @ 10 a.m.

Vision & Mission Task Force: April 18th @ 11a.m.

#### **PCC** Endowment Fund

#### INVEST IN THE FUTURE

#### TO SUPPORT. **CONTACT US TODAY!**

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Phone: 488-2470/2471 (ext. 251/253)

e-mail: tellei@palau.edu If you want to join the Bi-Weekly Allotment Program, contact us NOW!

#### FIND PCC ONLINE FOR MORE INFORMATION



http://www.palau.edu



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#### **Celebrating Birthdays** in April









Glendalynn Ngirmeriil





Kazue Melphy







Merii Ngirakesau



Richard Saburo





Tessmarie U. Kodep

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ALUMNI NOTES showcases MOC & PCC alumni who are positive role models and contribute to the quality of life in their local communities.

If you are that Alumna/Alumnus or know someone who is, please contact the PCC Development Office at telephone numbers 488-2470/2471 (extensions 251, 252, or 253).

We would like to feature you in future Mesekiu's News issues.

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