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Palau Community College

MESEKIU'S NEWS



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Weekly Newsletter

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PCC Undergoes Extensive Building Makeover



Top: PCC Cafeterium, bottom photo: classroom 66 & 67

For the past weeks, Palau Community College has been the site of one too many construction projects all in preparation for the upcoming 7th Our Ocean Conference slated for August 17-18, 2020.

Ongoing repairing, rebuilding, and renovating of college facilities such as cafeteria, continuing education training room, restrooms, classrooms, and walkways including campus landscape have not been sluggish due to the impact of COVID-19 pandemic.

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Goodbye Thomas Taro



Vice President Thomas Taro

Palau Community College honors and recognizes the services of its former Cooperative Research & Extension (CRE) Vice President Thomas Taro.

Thomas had been working at PCC for nearly thirty years (30) having first started as an instructor, in 1997, Director of the Research/Demonstration Station, and in 2000 became Interim Vice President of CRE, assuming full vice presidency in 2005.

Thomas was a well known fisherman and also best known in the Palau Community as the expert on root crops, particularly the many varieties of taro.

His passing on April 9, 2020 brought deep sorrow and grief not only to his family but also the entire college family. PCC extends its deepest sympathies to the family of Thomas Taro and may he be remembered and cherished on our hearts.

Funeral service is tomorrow Saturday, April 25, 2020. He will be laid to rest in his home State of Ngerchelung.



2019 Christmas Party

Palau Community College is an accessible comprehensive 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.



Ksid Bldg. Restrooms



CE training room



Cafeterium extension



PCC front lawn landscaping

ROP President Signed COVID-19 Borrowing Act of 2020

On April 22, 2020 Republic of Palau President Tommy E. Remengesau Jr. signed RPPL 10-55 which allows for ROP President to borrow and approve the borrowing from any financial institution or any government entity for the purpose of alleviating economic and social impact caused by COVID-19 pandemic.

The bill authorized the ROP President to borrow a maximum of \$60 million dollars from any financial institutions to ensure continuous operations of the national and state governments, Judicial and Legislative Branch, and State Block Grants. This bill took effect on the day the ROP President Remengesau's approval.

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PCC Congratulates former Dean of Academic Affairs, Robert Ramarui

The Palau Community College and its Board of Trustees, President, Faculty, staff, and students would like to express its congratulations to Mr. Robert Ramarui.

On March 23, 2020, Palau National Communications Corp. (PNCC) appointed Robert Ramarui as its Chief Financial Officer (CFO). In making this announcement, Mr. Ramarui has done an excellent job as the Dean of Academic Affairs for the past 8 years.

Mr. Ramarui had served as an Assistant Professor of Business Administration of the institution since January 2006 and, for the preceding years, served as an instructor and also a tutor for Computer, Math and Business. Ramarui earned his Master of Business Administration (MBA) Degree from University of Guam in year 2000, and his Bachelor of Business Administration (BBA) from University of Guam in 1997.

Congratulations and well done Mr. Ramarui, PCC will miss you for sure, but we know that your new workplace will not miss valuing your excellence and efficiency. A lot of best wishes for the new journey.

BITS AND PIECES...

Tan Siu Lin PCC Library

Hours of Operation

Monday to Thursday 7:30AM - 7PM

Friday 7:30AM - 5PM

Saturday 9AM - 6PM

Sunday CLOSED

For more information, call:
488-3540.

AVAILABLE TO INTERESTED

READERS:

Consumer Reports Magazine



Consumer Reports magazine provides the latest ratings and reviews plus rigorous reporting on issues that impact consumers. Consumer Reports is one of the most trusted sources for information and advice on consumer products and services, with more than 7 million paying members.

Academic Calendar

May 01, 2020

Last Day of Instruction

May 05, 2020

Holiday: Seniors' Citizen Day

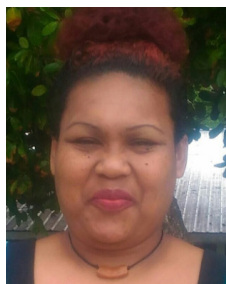
News/Stories Wanted

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 Contributors to the PCC Endowment Fund



Sheliza Ngirturong



Shirley Kembo

Palau Community College would like to recognize our newest endowment fund contributors, Ms. Sheliza Ngirturong and Ms. Shirley Kembo.

Ms. Ngirturong works at Ministry of Health (MOH) - Physical Therapy Dept. Ms. Kembo works for Aimeliik State Government.

Thank you Ms. Ngirturong and Ms. Kembo for your contributions to Palau's only institution of higher learning! Your donations will help sustain the future stability of our college.

Ministry of Health COVID -19 Update

As of April 23, 2020:

- At least 2,623,415* confirmed cases of COVID-19 globally, including 136 in Guam, 14 in the Northern Mariana Is. (CNMI), 592 cases in Hawaii, 57 in French Polynesia, 18 in New Caledonia, 18 in Fiji, and 8 in Papua New Guinea.
- 136,271** confirmed cases within the Western Pacific Region.
- 183,027* deaths reported globally – 5,793** deaths in the Western Pacific Region, 5 deaths on Guam, 12 in Hawaii, 2 in CNMI.
- 709,694* people have recovered from COVID-19 globally.

Palau Readiness & Response

- *There are NO SUSPECTED or CONFIRMED CASES of COVID-19 in Palau.*
- *Belau National Hospital (BNH) has reduced non-essential services and clinics and is prepared to receive and care for critically ill suspected cases.*
- *BNH ventilators: 2* in use, 12 available on-hand, 5 currently on order, 19 total expected capacity.*
- *On-island PCR testing for COVID-19 commenced on Apr. 14 for targeted priority groups including frontline workers (providers and first-responders).*
- *COVID-19 testing (since Apr. 14): 158 tests conducted**, 0 total positive, 153 total negative.*
- *Alternative Care Site (ACS) is currently being prepared to receive and care for critically ill suspected cases.*
- *Health screening continues at Palau International Airport for chartered and private aircrafts; health screening at Malakal seaport continues for incoming vessels.*
- *The public is urged not to panic and to continue practicing public health measures to prevent respiratory infections:*
 - *Hand Hygiene: Frequent hand-washing with soap and water or hand rub with 70% alcohol-based sanitizer.*
 - *Respiratory Etiquettes: Cover cough and sneeze with clean tissue or shirt sleeve.*
 - *Physical Distancing: Avoid close contact with others (at least 6 feet) and stay home if you are sick.*

VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

- (1) Vice President Cooperative Research & Extension
(PCC Cooperative Research & Extension Office)
depending on qualifications & hrs,
salary ranges from \$21,911 - \$38,911 per annum
- (2) Director of Research and Development
(PCC Cooperative Research & Extension Office)
depending on qualifications & hrs,
salary ranges from \$18,730 - \$33,262 per annum
- (3) Computer Technician
(Computer Service Office)
depending on qualifications & hrs,
salary ranges from \$13,081 - \$23,230 per annum
- (4) Field Assistant (2)
(PCC CRE Multi-species Hatchery)
depending on qualifications & hrs,
salary ranges from \$7,800 - \$13,852 per annum
- (5) Extension Agent
(PCC Cooperative Research & Extension Program)
depending on qualifications & hrs,
salary ranges from \$11,010 - \$800 biweekly
- (6) Admissions Counselor (2)
(PCC Student Services Division-Registrar)
salary range: \$15,542 - \$27,600 per annum
- (7) Social Science/Humanities-Instructor
(PCC Education and Training Department/
Academic Affairs Division) depending on
qualifications and work experience
salary range: \$16,010 - \$28,280 per annum
- (8) Director of Library Services
(Administration)
salary range: \$18,730 - \$33,262 per annum
- (9) Construction Technology Instructor
(PCC Education and Training Department/
Academic Affairs Division) depending on qualifications
& work experience
salary range: \$16,010 - \$28,280 per annum
- (10) Instructor Assistant - Construction Technology
(PCC Education and Training Department/
Academic Affairs Division) depending on
qualifications and work experience
salary range: \$12,653.00 - \$22,349 per annum

ALUMNI NOTES

MARCIANA KERMONG RENGUOL

OFFICE ADMINISTRATION



Ms. Marciana Kermong Renguol is an alumna of Palau Community College. She graduated in 2016 with an Associate of Applied Science Degree (AAS) in Office Administration. Ms. Renguol works for Ministry of Health (MOH)- Public Health.



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ALUMNI

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.

...Condolences...

Palau Community College (PCC) would like to express its sincere condolences to our HR Director Marie Anderson and Maile Andreas for the loss of their brother, Mark Anderson.

PCC would also like to extend its deepest sympathies to Development Office Director Tchuzie Tadao for the untimely loss of his father, Redelchesong Tadao Ngotel. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family during such a time of difficulty.

Celebrating Birthday from April 24 - May 01, 2020



Taulima R. Inosencio



Kazue Melphy

VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT CONT'

- (11) Instructor Assistant - Small Engine
PCC Education and Training Department/
Academic Affairs Division) depending on
qualifications and work experience

For application forms and information, contact Harline Haruo at the PCC Human Resources Office at 488-2470/2471 extension 227, or e-mail: hr@palau.edu, or download forms at <http://pcc.palau.edu>.

"PCC is an Equal Opportunity Employer."



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<http://www.palau.edu>



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For more updates on
COVID-19, PPUC and Spring 2020
Academic Calendar follow us on PCC
Facebook Page!

AVAILABLE SCHOLARSHIP

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES FOR CONSTRUCTION TECHNOLOGY AND TOURISM & HOSPITALITY STUDENTS

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS ARE NOW AVAILABLE AT PCC DEVELOPMENT OFFICE

FOR MORE INFORMATION
VISIT DEVELOPMENT OFFICE OR CALL 488-2470/1 ext. 251/252/253
or email tchuziet@palau.edu

PCC Endowment

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