## Palau Community College



# MESEKIU'S NEWS



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### PCC 28<sup>th</sup> Charter Day President's Run & Walk Event



28th Charter Day Presidents's Run & Walk Moments (photos contributed by FSA-Rangtta Mayor)

On Wednesday, March 31, 2021 PCC marked the 28th Charter Day of the College. In celebrating this event, PCC hosted the President's Run & Walk where it began at PCC Basketball court to Palau Cove Resort and back. Over two-hundred seventy runners and walkers joined the 5k run & walk event. With a substantial number of participants, the college charter day committee provided complimentary T-shirts to everyone who signed up. In addition, all participants were treated to a complimentary breakfast courtesy of PCC Cafeteria.

The first 20 runners to reach the finishing line were

#	Name	Gender	Time
1	Gomer Miguel	Male	20:37
2	Aaron Salvador	Male	20:49
3	Marinelo Salapara	Male	21:28
4	Arnaud Bene	Male	21:32
5	William Tejada	Male	21:35
6	Christian Funa	Male	22:08
7	Yong Rang	Female	22:16
8	Meltel William	Male	22:38
9	Imee Delo Santos	Female	22:39

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Dr. Christopher U. Kitalong Named Vice President of Cooperative Research & Extension



l to r: HR Director Marie A. Nabeyama, Dr. Christopher U. Kitalong, and PCC President Dr. Patrick U. Tellei

On Wednesday, March 24, 2021 Palau Community College President Dr. Patrick U. Tellei named Dr. Christopher U. Kitalong as the new Vice President of PCC Cooperative Research and Extension (CRE). The announcement came to fruition after the passing of Vice President of CRE, Thomas Taro in April of 2020. Mr. Taro had been working at PCC for over 28 years having first started as an instructor, then in 1997 he became Director of the Research/Demonstration Station, and in 2000 became Interim Vice President of CRE, assuming full vice presidency in 2005. As Vice President of PCC-CRE, Thomas oversaw the College's Land Grant program which included research activities that ultimately support local farming and fish farm ventures. He was well known fisherman who liked to fish when he found time, but he is perhaps best known in the Palau Community as the expert on root crops, particularly the many varieties of taro.

DR. KITALONG NEW VP-CRECONTINUED ON PAGE 2

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.

## PCC FACULTY SENATE ASSOCIATION FUNDRAISING A SUCCESS

On March 27-28, 2021 Palau Community College Faculty Senate Association (FSA) held a two-day fundraising event to raise funds for student scholarship program. On Saturday March 27th, the FSA members from Automotive Mechanics Technology and CTE lab school students fundraised by changing automobile motor oil and car wash/vacuum cleaning. On sunday, All members of FSA from Construction Technology, Agricultural Science, Information Technology, Small Engine & Outboard Motor, Tourism & Hospitality, and Palauan Studies programs fundraised at PCC Parking lot by selling various items from refurbished desktop computers, tables and benches, plants and vegetables, local food and drinks to garage sales at reasonable price. A free testing for blood pressure and glucose were also provided to the public by PCC Nursing program instructor and students. FSA Officers and members are thanked the college for their support and a successful fundraising event.



FSA Fundraising Event
Photos contributed by Faculty Senate Association

#### DR. KITALONG NEW VP-CRE

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From February 17, 2020 to March 24, 2021, Vice President of Adminsitration & Finance Jay Olegeriil assumed the acting position of Vice President of CRE to carry on the former Vice President Thomas Taro's tutelage and legacy. Under his supervision, Cooperative Research and Extension continued services to the community. PCC Board Board of Trustees and President Dr. Patrick U. Tellei commend Vice President Olegeriil for his service and dedication. Dr. Christopher U. Kitalong assumes this Vice President of CRE position having graduated from University of Notre Dame in 2002 with Bachelor in Science-Business, Master of Science from Toyoma Medical and Pharmaceutical University in 2007, Master of Philosophy in Biology from City University of New York (CUNY), and Doctorate of Philosophy (PhD) in Biology from CUNY in 2014.

Dr. Kitalong has coauthored eight (8) publications to date with a recent study titled "DAK", a traditional decoction (extraction process) in Palau, as adjuvant for patients with insufficient control of diabetes mellitus type II which was published in the Journal of Ethnopharmacology in 2017. Dr. Kitalong's numerous and immense work experience have had practical outgrowth in supporting the science community in Palau. He is currently an adjunct science instructor at PCC; a laboratory manager of PCC STEP-UP/PoC-RIE program; a National Environment Specialist for ADB, PPUC, and Koror-Airai Sanitation Project; a member of Palau National Scholarship Board; and secretary-treasurer of Palau Academic Institute for Research (PAIR).

The Palau Community College Board of Trustees, President, Administrators, Faculty, and staff extend their warm welcome and congratulations to Dr. Christopher U. Kitalong as he assumes the position of Vice President of CRE.

#### BITS AND PIECES.

## Tan Siu Lin PCC Library Hours of Operation

Mondays to Fridays 7:30AM - 7PM

Saturday 7:30AM - 5PM

Sunday & Holidays CLOSED

For more information, call: 488-3540.

## AVAILABLE TO INTERESTED READERS:

#### **Successful Farming Magazine**



Successful Farming magazine serves the diverse business, production, and family information needs of families who make farming and ranching their business. Get Successful Farming digital magazine subscription today and learn how to make money, save time, and grow your satisfaction in the farming business. True to its name, Successful Farming magazine is all about success.

#### **Academic Calendar**

**April 1 -2 (Th-F)** Students' Spring Break

April 2 (F)
PCC Charter 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 welcome.

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

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#	Name	Gender	Time
10	Raymond Yutis	Male	22:43
11	Manabu Chibana	Male	22:44
12	Pinen Su	Male	23:42
13	Biengie Torre	Male	23:48
14	Salomon Ucherbelau	Male	23:51
15	John Mark Aventura	Male	24:07
16	Nestor Parenas	Male	24:18
17	Mayumi Sone	Female	24:36
18	Anthony Bruzula	Male	24:58
19	RJ Navero	Male	25:23
20	Yoshikashu Ichihara	Male	25:26

28th Charter Day Moments

Photos contributed by FSA Renetta D. Meyar

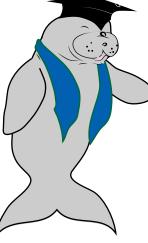




Palau Community College in partnership with Palau Red Cross Society will be conducting a 12 hour course teaching skills on Adult Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) and First Aid training. For more information contact PCC Human Resource @ 488-2470/1 ext.227/228







The college takes this opportunity to cordially invite the community to its 58th Commencement Exercises on Friday, May 14, 2021 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 2021!

#### VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

- (1) Computer Technician (Computer Service Office) salary ranges from \$13,081 - \$23,230 per annum
- (2) Extension Agent EFNEP (PCC Cooperative Research & Extension Program salary ranges from \$11,010 - \$19,552.00 per annum
- (3) Director of Library Services (Administration) salary range: \$18,730 - 33,262 per annum
- (4) Instructor Assistant Small Engine PCC Education and Training Department/ Academic Affaris Division) depending on qualifications and work experience salary range: \$12,653.00 - 22,349 per annum
- (5) Maintenance & Operations Supervisor Physical Plant - Administration Department depending on qualifications and work experience salary range: \$16,941.00 - 30,085 per annum
- (6) Math Instructor
  Learning Resource Center
  Student Services
  depending on qualifications and work experience
  salary range: \$14,802 22,000 per annum
- (7) Academic Advisor/Counselor PCC Talent Search Program salary range: \$17,000 - 20,000 per annum
- (8) Director, Student Life (PCC Student Life Office) depending on qualificatins and work experience salary ranges from \$16,010 - \$28,431 per annum

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 <a href="http://www.palau.edu">http://www.palau.edu</a>.

"PCC is an Equal Opportunity Employer."

#### ALUMNI NOTES

#### KIEO LANGBATA

#### **EDUCATION - SECONDARY EDUCATION**



Kieo Langbata is a graduate of Palau Community College in 2020 with an Associate of Science in Secondary Education Program. She is currently employed at PCC CTE Lab School program.



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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 Mesekiw's News issues.

## Celebrating Birthday April 02 - 12, 2021





Tessmarie Kode



Glendalynn Ngirmeriil



Gaylord Rdechor

Palau Community College upcoming training at CE Training Room.

> Palauan Orthography Class

> > **CPR Training**

Fundamentals of Geographic Information System (GIS) Training

Registration is ongoing at CE Office. For more information contact 488-2470/1 ext. 243

#### **PCC** Endowment

#### Invest in the future To Support, Contact Us Today!

P.O. BOX 9 Koror, Palau 96940

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If you want to join the Bi-Weekly Allotment Program, <u>contact us NOW!</u>

FIND PCC ONLINE FOR MORE INFORMATION



http://www.palau.edu



Palau Community College

#### Unifying Principles

Unifying Principles are highly valued statements or beliefs which form the basis for policy setting, planning, our daily interaction with one another, and our decision making. They serve as cornerstones on which we build a successful institution.

Palau Community College believes in:

Teamwork - Oba tal tekoi

More unifying principles in the forthcoming issues

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