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MESEKIU'S NEWS



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21ST CAREGIVER TRAINING CONCLUDES



PCC President Dr. Patrick U. Tellei, Dr. Gregory Dever, Dr. Sylvia Osarch, Dr. Louisa Santos, Instructors: Philip Gepty and Amos Solomon with caregiver training participants

On August 27, 2021 Palau Community College Continuing Education, Ministry of Health and Human Services, and former MOH Director of the Bureau of Hospital & Clinical Services Dr. Gregory Dever witnessed another awarding ceremony for caregiver training at PCC Assembly Hall. PCC President Dr. Patrick U. Tellei gave a special remarks on behalf of the Board of Trustees and the entire college followed by Dr. Gregory Dever, a former Director of MOH Bureau of Hospital & Clinical Services and also a member of the Pacific Island Health Officers Association (PIHOA) gave an overview of the caregiver training since its first inception on June 20, 2013. Also present to stress lessons learned from the training was Dr. Sylvia Osarch who is the lead instructor of the training. Training assistant instructors present to witness the ceremony were Dr. Louisa Santos, Amos Solomon, and Philip Gepty.

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HAPPY LABOR DAY!

From the PCC Board of Trustees,
President, Administration, Faculty,
Staff, and Students

MINISTER OF EDUCATION DR. DALE JENKINS VISITS PCC



MOE Minister Dr. Dale Jenkins and PCC President Dr. Patrick U. Tellei

On Wednesday, September 01, 2021 a newly sworn in Minister of the Ministry of Education Dr. Dale Jenkins visited Palau Community College and met with President Dr. Patrick U. Tellei to discuss future collaboration and educational initiatives.

On August 26, 2021, The 11th Senate of Olbilil Era Kelulau (OEK) confirm Dr. Dale Jenkins as the second american citizen to hold one of the top executive cabinet position in Palau government. Minister Jenkins is a retired educator having served 38 years as a teacher and school administrator. Republic of Palau President Surangel Whipps Jr. in his nomination letter to the Senate said " Dr. Jenkins has practical teaching experience to know exactly what

Minister of MOE Dr. Jenkins, continued on p. 2



Save the Date!

9-11

Commemoration Ceremony



Join Us!

FRIDAY
SEPTEMBER 10, 2021
PALAU COMMUNITY COLLEGE
ASSEMBLY HALL
6:00 P.M.

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.



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August 23, 2021

SPECIAL BULLETIN #13

TO : ALL STUDENTS, FACULTY AND STAFF
FROM : PCC PRESIDENT
SUBJECT : UPDATE ON COVID-19 (CORONA VIRUS)

On Friday, August 20th, the Ministry of Health and Human Services (MHHS) announced the confirmation of two imported positive cases of COVID-19. The two infected individuals arrived on Palau on the August 15th flight from Guam and were identified by the fifth-day mandatory testing. They were immediately isolated (quarantined) and contact tracing is ongoing.

At this point, based on guidance from the MMHS Public Service Announcement on Sunday August 22nd, the College continues its normal operation, including instructional programs and services. However, as advised by MHHS, all students, faculty and staff are urged to remain calm and to continue to practice preventive measures including getting vaccinated, proper and frequent hand-washing, physical distancing, wearing masks when appropriate, cleaning and disinfecting frequently touched objects, limiting large indoor gatherings, covering coughs and sneezes, and calling the hospital for advice if you feel sick or exhibit any or combination of the following symptoms of flu:

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| *Fever or feeling feverish/having chills | *Cough |
| *Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing | *Sore throat |
| *Fatigue (tiredness) | *Headache |
| *Muscle pain or body aches | *Runny or stuffy nose |

Effective today August 23rd until rescinded in writing, all PCC students, employees and customers are required to wear masks inside all buildings including classrooms, shops, offices, Library, etc. Mask wearing is HIGHLY ENCOURAGED if you are on campus grounds. Any College vehicle carrying two (including the driver) or more people will require wearing of masks as well.

Director Anderson-Nabeyama of HR (488-2470/2471/1658, Extension 228, cell phone 775-5021) is available to provide any assistance to faculty and staff. For students, Dear Reklai is available at 488-2470/2471/1658, Extension 234 or cell phone #775-2236.

Again, everyone is urged to remain calm as we continue our normal operations and await further guidance from the MHHS. Thank you for your understanding and participation in our response to this new virus and the College will provide updates when additional information is received.

Patrick U. Tellei, EdD

Xc: Chairman & Members, Board of Trustees
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PCC WELCOMES NEWEST CONTRIBUTOR TO THE COLLEGE ENDOWMENT FUND



Palau Community College would like to welcome its newest contributors to PCC endowment fund through a bi-weekly allotment. Thank you Ms. Najwa Blduchel Sadang and Mr. Sean Pangelinan. Both are former students at PCC with Ms. Sadang enrolled in Liberal Arts while Mr. Pangelinan pursue Office Administration. They are currently employed at the Palau National Communications Corporation as B2B Sales Agent. Thank you Ms. Sadang and Mr. Pangelinan for your contributions to Palau's only institution of higher learning! Your donations will help sustain the future stability of our college.

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There were a total of 31 caregiver participants attending this cycle of training. They are Abito Ochavillo, Ariel Dela Cruz, Cheryl T. Fagolor, Clyd Earvin S. Tito, Daniel De Leon Jr., Dave Bullos, Febbie Mae Morabe, Gemma T. De Leon, Jane Gentapan, Jasmin Umali, Jaypee Dela, Jennifer C. Apilado, Joseph Kinton Bonus, Jovita M. Martin, Leoraine Carandang, Ligaya Bandary, Lovella Crudo, Luzviminda M. Santos, Magdalena C. Pere, Michelle Bullos, Nimfa F. Caponong, Ralph B. Venezuela, Raguel P. Nicolas, Rey John S. Sorioso, Reynaldo De Leon, Rhia Pedroso, Ricky Martinez, Ruth A. Rubin, Salvé G. Sugiyama, Tina D. Baudista, and Virlyn Obaldo.

Minister of MOE Dr. Jenkins, continued from p. 1
students and teachers need to succeed in the classroom and has the leadership experience and education to foster an engaged and successful ministry". Palau Community College extends its congratulations to Dr. Dale Jenkins.

YOUR OPPORTUNITY

PNCC SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM 2021

4 AWARDS of \$1,000 EACH + PAID Internship at PNCC

Open to all 2nd year Palauan students enrolled full-time at Palau Community College

DEADLINE TO APPLY: September 30, 2021

ABOUT THE SCHOLARSHIP	ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA	FIELDS OF STUDY	APPLICATION TIMELINE
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> PNCC will award \$1,000 each to four qualified applicants (\$500 each per semester during the same academic year as the award) Three-month paid internship at PNCC immediately after graduation May be offered a 2-year paid contract after the internship program with full benefits. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Palauan citizen Second-year student at PCC Minimum GPA of 2.5 Must have completed 32 or more credit hours Full-time student with 12 credits per semester Must complete their program in spring or summer of the same academic year as the scholarship award. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Air Conditioning & Refrigeration Automotive Technology Business Accounting Construction Technology Electrical Technology General Electronics Technology Information Technology Office Administration Small Engine & Outboard Marine Technology Tourism and Hospitality 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Deadline for submission of PNCC Scholarship Application is September 30. Review and approval of applications will take place 1st week of October Scholarship awards will be announced 2nd week of October Download application form at pnccpalau.com or pcc.palau.edu

pnccpalau.com
☎ 775-3965 or 775-9125
pcc.palau.edu

BITS AND PIECES...

Tan Siu Lin PCC Library

Hours of Operation

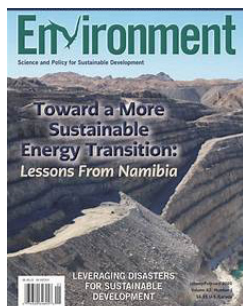
Monday to Thursday	8:00AM - 5PM
Friday	8:00AM - 5PM
Saturday	9:00AM - 6PM
Sunday & Holiday	CLOSED

For more information, call:
488-3540.

AVAILABLE TO INTERESTED

READERS:

Environment: Science & Policy for Sustainable Development



Environment: Science and Policy for Sustainable Development analyzes the problems, places, and people where environment and development come together, illuminating concerns from the local to the global. More readable than specialized journals and more timely than textbooks, Environment offers peer-reviewed articles and commentaries from researchers and practitioners who provide a broad range of international perspectives.

Academic Calendar

September 6 (M)

Holiday: No Class

September 30 (Th)

Last Day to Remove Incomplete Grades for Spring 2021

News/Stories Wanted

Mesekiu'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.

FSA SCHOLARSHIP

Available \$\$\$\$
to Support Your Education!!

1st Year Assistance Scholarship

2nd Year Assistance Scholarship

Applications are available at PCC Development Office. For more information, Pls. contact 488-2470/1 ext. 252 or 253

Deadline to Apply
is
September 30, 2021
Faculty Senate Association Announces the 2021-2022
Assistance Scholarships for Eligible PCC Students

Palau COVID-19 Situation Report

Ministry of Health & Human Services
Daily Report as of 30 August 2021 - 5PM PWT

2 Active Cases (Travel)

0 Recovered

2 Historical Cases (positive test from past infection, not-contagious)

8,480 COVID-19 tests conducted (since April 2020)

3,645 inbound travelers placed under quarantine or restriction of movement (since April 2020)

14,427 adults (18+ yrs old) fully vaccinated against COVID-19

835 adolescents (12 to 17 yrs old) fully vaccinated against COVID-19

15,262 total fully vaccinated against COVID-19

86% fully vaccinated against COVID-19*

0 Active Cases (Community)

26 Under Quarantine

MHHS COVID-19 Hotline remains open to serve the public:
[+680-488-0555](tel:+680-488-0555)
Visit www.palauhealth.org for latest MHHS COVID-19 guidance and directives.

Follow MHHS social media channels for regular updates:
[@MHHSPalau](#)
[@MHHSPalau](#)
[@mhhsPalau](#)

*17,651 projected total population for Palau

August 31, 2021

MHHS UPDATES ON COVID-19 CASES AND CLOSE CONTACTS

The Ministry of Health and Human Services (MHHS) would like to inform the public of the following updates on testing, quarantine and isolation of identified cases of COVID-19 and close contacts:

- The individuals who tested positive for COVID-19 on August 20, 2021 remain in isolation. For these initial cases, MHHS is using US CDC's test-based criteria for releasing COVID-19 cases from isolation. These criteria require two negative COVID-19 test results at least twenty-four (24) hours apart. Isolation of these two cases continue until the criteria is met.
- Of the twenty-six close contacts for the two individuals who tested positive of COVID-19 on August 20, 2021:
 - Twenty-two of these close contacts have been cleared of self-quarantine requirements after testing negative of COVID-19 on days 1, 3, and 10.
 - Four (4) of these individuals remain in self-quarantine pending day 10 testing.
- Repeated confirmatory tests (antigen and PCR) revealed that the individual who was initially identified as a probable case of COVID-19 on August 29, 2021 is currently negative of COVID-19. The individual has been released from isolation, placed into the standard restriction of movement (ROM) for inbound travelers and will undergo final testing on day 5.

MHHS continues to thank all residents and guests for their support and commitment in keeping our community safe.

If you have any questions or need further information, please contact MHHS Incident Commander, Ms. Ritter Udoi at 775-0084 or Deputy Incident Commander/Liaison Officer, Mr. Gaafar Uherbelau at 775-1310. For all other COVID-19 related information, please contact the MHHS COVID-19 Hotline, 488-0555.

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

CONTACT: Ministry of Health and Human Services
Public Information Officer
Tel: +680-775-1138 Fax: +680-488-1211
Email: admin@palauhealth.org Website: www.palauhealth.org

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 Affairs 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: \$24,000 - 26,000 per annum
Federally funded program
- (8) Director, Student Life
(PCC Student Life Office) depending on
qualifications and work experience
salary ranges from \$16,010 - \$28,431 per annum

ALUMNI NOTES

LALII M. KUMANGAI TOURISM & HOSPITALITY - HOTEL MANAGEMENT



Lalii Myokang Kumangai is a graduate of Palau Community College (PCC) in 2021 with an Associate of Science (AS) Degree in Tourism & Hospitality Hotel Management program. Ms. Kumangai is currently a candidate for a position at PPUC.



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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.

Celebrating Birthday September 03-12, 2021



Didlich Albert



Dahlia Katosang



Jenelle I. Blesam



Dr. McClain Worswick

VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT CON'T

- (9) Instructor Assistant - Auto Mechanics
(Academic Affairs)
salary ranges from \$12,653 - \$22,349 per annum
- (10) Academic Advisor/Counselor
Upward Bound Program
salary: \$19,000 annually
- (11) Tracking and Data Coordinator
PCC Talent Search Program
salary range: \$17,000 - 19,000 per annum
Federally funded program
- (12) Part-time Tutors
PCC Talent Search Program
salary range: \$500 - 1,200 per annum
School Year 2021-2022
Federally funded program

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 Endowment

**INVEST IN THE FUTURE
To SUPPORT,
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If you want to join the Bi-Weekly
Allotment Program, contact us NOW!

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