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# Palau Community College

## MESEKIU'S NEWS



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## PALAU STUDENTS JOIN VOYAGING EXPEDITION TO JAPAN ON STATSRAAD LEHMKUHL



*l to r: Yuji Chibana, Macy Mekilt Nagata, ROP President Surangel Whipps, Jr., Dean JR Rudimch, Bryce K. Bonicacio, Associate Professor of EMS Rilang Roberto, and PCC President Dr. Patrick U. Tellei*

On August 25, 2022 four Palau Community College (PCC) students were selected to participate in a sixteen (16) days, life changing journey, voyaging journey to Yokohama, Japan on a 322 feet Statsraad Lehmkuhl ship. PCC Environmental Marine Science students and one Information Technology student will join this leg of journey to Japan. Students are Bryce Keruul Bonicacio, Macy Mekilt Nagata, Yuji Chibana, and Dean JR Rudimch. Another Palauan students who is currently pursuing her master's degree in Marine Biology at the University of Ryukus, Ms. Meangeldil Ayal Azuma Malsol will join the expedition as well. The students departed Palau on August 27 and will arrive in Yokohama, Japan on September 12, 2022. The circumnavigation by the Norwegian ship, Statsraad Lehmkuhl is part of the "The One Ocean Expedition 2021-2023". One Ocean Expedition is a recognized part of the United Nations Decade of Ocean Science for Sustainable Development. The goal is to create attention and share knowledge about the important role of the ocean for sustainable development in a global perspective. This circumnavigation is a twenty month long journey around the globe.

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### UH Manoa Dean of College of Social Sciences Dr. Konan Visits Campus



*l to r: Dean of CE Hedrick Kual, Associate Dean of Academic Affairs Marianne Temaungil, Dean of Students Hilda N. Reklai, Dean of Academic Affairs Deikola Olikong, UH Manoa Dean of Social Sciences Dr. Denise E. Konan, and PCC President Dr. Patrick U. Tellei*

On August 26, 2022 Dr. Denise E. Konan from University of Hawaii at Manoa College of Social Sciences met with PCC President Dr. Patrick U. Tellei, Dean of Academic Affairs Deikola Olikong, Associate Dean of Academic Affairs Marianne Temaungil, Dean of Students Hilda N. Reklai, and Dean of Continuing Education Hedrick Kual to discuss future partnership on college academic programs and services.

### PCC Hosts NoonTime Seminar with Former ROP President Johnson Toribiong



*Dean Hedrick Kual, Irene Olkeriil, Johnson Toribiong, Olympia Morei, Julita Tellei, Elicita Morei, and Todd Ngiramengior*

*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 Hosts 24<sup>th</sup> Caregiver Training Awarding Ceremony at Assembly Hall



*Caregiver Training participants with PCC President Dr. Tellei, Dr. Gregory Dever, Dr. Sylvia Osarch, Jason Nolan, and Vanessa Espangel*

On Friday, August 26, 2022, Palau Community College Continuing Education, Ministry of Health and Human Services (MHHS) and Palau Area Health Education Center (AHEC) held an awarding ceremony for thirteen caregiver participants. Present to congratulate the 24<sup>th</sup> Class of Caregivers were PCC President Dr. Patrick U. Tellei, Dr. Gregory Dever, Dr. Sylvia Osarch, Jason Nolan, Ms. Vanessa Espangel, and Dean of Continuing Education Hedrick Kual. This training reintroduces basic concepts of aging and general principles of caring for the aged adult. With assistance from partners such as Ministry of Health & Human Services (MHHS) Geriatric Program, AHEC, and PCC, the training was conducted to the community free of charge. Participants were Analyn S. Isabel, Renato Cayetano, Eva Marie Castelo, Rommel Castelo, Robert Tarkong, Lucky Tarkong, Lisa Rafael, Josie Lyn A. Pataray, Praxedes C. Pascual, Juliana F. Moredo, J Evelyn B. Majait, Sonia Elab, and Vicky Ngirdengoll.

### Tan Siu Lin PCC Library

PCC Library is offering an Overdue Fines Amnesty Program from August 1st to September 2nd, 2022. Your accrued fines will be forgiven if you return all overdue materials (books, DVDs, etc.) back to the library and have your account cleaned out to ZERO. This is also your opportunity to re-activate your library account with us. If you have any questions, please call PCC Library @ 488-3540.

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*l to r: Chargé d'affaires of Royal Norwegian Embassy Geir Michalsen, Yuji Chibana, Dean JR Rudimch, Macy Nagata, Associate Professor Rilang Roberto, PCC President Dr. Patrick U. Tellei, Royal Norwegian Embassy Claus Gaasvig, and Bryce K. Bonicacio*



*PCC students with Minister of State Gustav Aitaro during dinner reception at PRR*

The ship serves as both a floating university and sail training vessel bringing students, scientists, voyaging crew, and professionals together on different leg of the journey. The 107 year old grand ship has been converted into a state-of-the-art research vessel that collects high quality data throughout its journey. Equipped with modern instruments that measures levels of CO<sup>2</sup>, micro-plastic, ocean acidification, biodiversity, and ocean temperature. With its quiet movement sailing in the water, it can collect acoustic data from the upper ocean in both passive listening and active echo sounders. PCC is grateful to have EMS and IT students take part of this lifetime adventure that was made possible through the leadership of Minister Gustav Aitaro who orchestrated commitments and fundings from Norway, Japan, and Palau government.

### 9/11 Memorial Service Planning Committee



*9/11 committee is in the process of preparing, planning, and implementing the upcoming 21<sup>st</sup> memorial service to be held at PCC Assembly Hall on September 12, 2022 @ 6 p.m.*

# BITS AND PIECES...

## Tan Siu Lin PCC Library

### Hours of Operation

Monday to Thursday 7:30AM - 7:00PM

Friday 7:30 - 5:00 PM

Saturday, Sunday & National Holidays CLOSED

For more information, call:  
488-3540.

### AVAILABLE TO INTERESTED

#### READERS:

### COMMUNITY COLLEGE JOURNAL



The Community College Journal is an AACC's bi-monthly magazine. It features articles by leading experts, opinions that put the news in perspective, coverage of higher education issues, and profiles of the field's leaders.

### Academic Calendar

**September - 05 (M)**

Holiday: Labor Day

**September 30 (F)**

Last Day to Remove Incomplete Grades

### 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](mailto:tchuziet@palau.edu) or [tchuziet@gmail.com](mailto:tchuziet@gmail.com).

Articles from MOC/PCC Alumni are also welcome.

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

## Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges (ACCJC), the Commission Third-Party Comment

A third-party comment assists the Commission as it considers applications for candidacy, accreditation, or reaffirmation of accreditation. When an institution is undergoing a review, the Commission requires the institution's chief executive officer to notify the campus community and public of the opportunity for submission of third-party comments and the process for doing so. Any member of the college community or public may submit a third-party comment by completing the Commission's online third-party comment form, available via the institution's website or ACCJC's website. In order to ensure evaluation of applicable third-party comments by the peer review team, third-party comments should be received by the Commission staff no later than five weeks before the peer review team visit.

Palau Community College will submit its Institutional Self-Evaluation Report (ISER) to the Commission no later than August 1, 2022; Teams ISER is October 4, 2022; and the College Focus Site Visit is scheduled during the week of March 13, 2023. Should any member of the College community or the public who may wish to submit a third-party comment must complete the Commission's online third-party comment form available at <https://accjc.org/forms/third-party-comments/>.

The third-party comment should be received by the Commission five weeks prior to March 13, 2023.

Commission's Address: Accrediting Commission for Community and Junior Colleges  
331 J Street, Suite 200  
Sacramento, CA 95814  
P: (415) 506-0234 | E: [accjc@accjc.org](mailto:accjc@accjc.org)

## 2022-2023 PCC BASED SCHOLARSHIP APPLY NOW!

**DAVID W. SHIPPER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**

**DEBBIE O. NGIRAIKAI BUSINESS ACCOUNTING  
SCHOLARSHIP**

**MATSON NAVIGATION COMPANY  
INC. SCHOLARSHIP**

**MOYLAN'S INSURANCE SCHOLARSHIP**

**PIERANTOZZI SCHOLARSHIP**

**PRINCE LEBUU SCHOLARSHIP**

**TERRY T. NGIRMANG NURSING SCHOLARSHIP**

**WILHELM R. RENGIL MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**

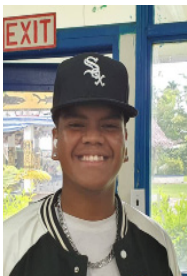
**YAMAZAKI RENGIL MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**

## VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

- (1) Instructor, Liberal Arts program  
Academic Affairs Division  
salary ranges from \$16,010 - \$28,280 per annum
- (2) Instructor, Construction Technology  
Academic Affairs Division  
salary range: \$18,730 - \$33,262 per annum
- (3) Instructor, Small Engine & Outboard Marine Tech.  
Academic Affairs Division  
salary range: \$12,653.00 - \$22,349 per annum
- (4) Accounting Technician  
Administration Dept. Business Office  
salary ranges: \$13,081 to \$21,312.00
- (5) Instructor Assistant - General Mechanics  
Academic Affairs Division  
salary ranges: \$12,653 - \$22,349 per annum
- (6) Instructor-Air Condition & Refrigeration  
Academic Affairs Division  
salary ranges: \$16,010 - \$28,280 per annum
- (7) Extension Agent (EFNEP Program)  
(PCC Cooperative Research & Extension)  
salary range: \$11,010 - \$19,552 per annum
- (8) Nursing Instructor  
Academic Affairs Division  
salary ranges: \$16,010 to \$28,280
- (9) System Analyst  
Administration & Finance - Computer Room  
salary range: \$16,010 - \$28,431 per annum

## ALUMNI NOTES

### NGIRATEBEL CANSECO MEREP CONSTRUCTION TECHNOLOGY



Ngiratebel Canseco Meref graduated from PCC in Spring 2022 with an Associate of Applied Science in Construction Technology. Mr. Meref currently works for PCC Recreation Office as Student Activities Supervisor



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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 Birthdays September 02 - 11, 2022



**Deluise Ngirusong**



**Didlich Albert**

## VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT CONT

- (10) Library Assistant  
PCC Library  
salary ranges: \$7,800 to \$13,852.00
- (11) Instructor, Automotive Technology  
Academic Affairs Division  
salary ranges: \$16,010 - \$28,280 per annum
- (12) Math Instructor  
Academic Affairs Division  
salary ranges: \$16,010 - \$28,280 per annum
- (13) Instructor, Tourism & Hospitality  
Academic Affairs Division  
salary ranges: \$16,010 to \$28,280.00
- (14) Extension Agent X2  
PCC-CRE  
salary ranges: \$11,010 to \$19,552.00
- (15) Instructor, Community & Public Health  
Academic Affairs Division  
salary ranges: \$16,010 to \$28,280.00

## PCC Endowment

**INVEST IN THE FUTURE  
To SUPPORT,  
CONTACT US TODAY!**

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96940

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

e-mail: [tellei@palau.edu](mailto: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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Show your support for the 2022 PCC Thanksgiving Endowment Fundraising Event by purchasing a \$10 Raffle Ticket! Your support will help Palau's only institution of higher learning continue to provide the much needed academic programs & trainings for generations to come.

**2022 PCC Thanksgiving  
Endowment Fundraising Event  
will take place on Wednesday,  
November 23, 2022  
from 12AM - 5PM at the  
PCC Mesekiu Bai**

For more information about the fundraiser, please contact the PCC Development Office at (tel): 488-2470/2471 ext. 251, 252

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