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PCC TRIO PROGRAMS ATTEND COUNCIL FOR OPPORTUNITY IN EDUCATION CONFERENCE



His Excellency Surangel Whipps, Jr., First Lady and PCC Staff at COE.

From September 10-13, 2023 Palau Community College TRiO programs: Upward Bound Classic, Upward Bound Math & Science, Educational Talent Search, and Asian American & Native American Pacific Islander-Serving Institutions (AANAPISI) staff attended Council for Opportunity in Education in Washington D.C. The annual conference is gathering of all TRiO programs in U.S. and its territories including Freely Associated States in Micronesia including Palau to provide needed educational training, resources, and best practices to serve under -represented, low income, and first generation students.

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HAPPY INDEPENDENCE DAY, PALAU from the PCC Board of Trustees, President, Administration, Faculty, Staff & Students!

STUDENT TRUSTEE AND ASPCC Installation



PCC President Dr. Tellei along with members of the Board of Trustees with the newly elected officers.

On September 20, 2023, Palau Community College Student Services held its Induction Ceremony for Board of Trustees-Student Trustee, Associated Students of Palau Community College (ASPCC), and ASPCC Senators at the PCC Assembly Hall. Attended the ceremony was PCC President Dr. Patrick Tellei, including some of the members of the Board of Trustees. Students that were officially inducted are as follows:

| BOT Student Trustee Elect | Mr. Weber T. Santiago |
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| ASPCC OFFICERS | |
| President Elect | Mr. Kato Remeliik |
| President-Elect Elect | Ms. Shamira R. Cruz |
| Secretary Elect | Ms. Jada Osiik |
| Treasurer Elect | Mr. Caley S. Adolf |

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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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This year, President Surangel S. Whipps, Jr. and First Lady Valerie Whipps were recognized with the TRIO Family Achievement Award. They thanked the U.S. government for supporting the program for all students in the U.S., its Territories as well as Palau and other freely associated states. They encouraged the U.S. Government to continue supporting Palau's TRIO programs, such as the Upward Bound Program, the Talent Search Program, and the Student Support Services. These programs play a huge role in shaping young Palauan students' lives by preparing them for college. By promoting education among our youth, we also build a better and brighter Palau.

The Upward Bound Program started serving 50 participants during its inception and now is serving a total of 110 participants per year. As of August 2023, the total number of participants served is 1,470. Since its inception, the rate of participants who graduated in high school and immediately enrolled into a post-secondary institution is about 95% each year. Of those, about 40% went on to complete their baccalaureate degree within six years.

According to program officials, notable Alumni of Upward Bound Program include: Senator Mark Rudimch, Palau Congress, Salvador Remoket- Private Attorney, Dr. Louisa Santos -Dentist (MHHS), Dr. Myra Adelbai – Medical Doctor (MHHS), Dr. Rilang Roberto – Dept. Chair, Environmental & Damp; Marine Science (PCC), Jay Olegeriil - Vice President of the Administration & Finance (PCC), Deikola Olikong - Dean of Academic Affairs (PCC), Capt. Marlon Elbelau - US Army, Eyos Rudimch - Koror State Governor, Leilanie Ngirturong Reklai – Former Governor of Aimeliik, business owner and reporter, Elway Ikeda – Director of Bureau of Revenue & Taxation, Caryn Koshiba – Interim Director, Palau International Coral Reef Center.

Other alumni include educators and counselors at Palau Community College and local schools, as well as nurses, business owners and others in the public and private sector.

DONATION OF CARVING TOOLS





Carving tools donated by Mr. Wulf Köpke



PCC President Dr. Patrick Tellei, Honorary Consul Wulf Köpke and Director Olympia Morei of Belau National Museum

The Honorary Consul of the Republic of Palau to Germany, Mr. Wulf Köpke, along with Ms. Olympia Morei, Director of Belau National Museum visited Palau Community College to present carving tools as donations to PCC President Dr. Tellei and PCC. These unique carving tools were given to Mr. Köpke by German Sculptor Mr. Heinrich Moshage. Because Mr. Köpke has been a recipient of these tools before, he decided to bring said tools to Palau and donate to PCC, instead of bringing them to the museum. PCC thanks Honorary Consul Mr. Wulf Kopke for his generous donations to PCC President Dr. Patrick Tellei and the PCC family.

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| ASPCC SENATORS | |
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| Sophomore Representative Elect | Ms. Arenka A. O. Filibert |
| | Mr. Melusech A. Mobel |
| Freshmen Representative Elect | Mr. Mathew Yanruw |
| | Mr. Stanislaus Tellei |
| Republic of Palau Student Org., President Elect | Ms. Humiko Kebekol |
| Republic of Marshall Islands Student Org., President Elect | Mr. Moses Iosia |
| Pohnpei Student Org., President Elect | Ms. Sumileen Peter |
| Yap Student Org., President Elect | Ms. Rachel Letasiugmal |

PCC President Dr. Tellei administered the Oath of Office to elected ASPCC Officers, while Rev. Billy G. Kuartei, Chairman of the Board of Trustees, administered the Oath of Office to the elected Student Trustee. PCC faculty and students congratulates all newly elected officials and wishes good luck on the new SY 2023-2024!

BITSAND PIECES...

Tan Siu Lin PCC Library

Hours of Operation

Mon to Thu 7:30AM - 7:00 PM

Friday 7:30 AM - 5:00 PM

Sat 9:00 AM - 6:00 PM

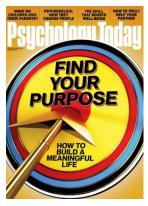
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Holidays

For more information, call: 488-3540.

Available to Interested Readers: Psychology Today



The Psychology Today website features therapy and health professionals directories and hundreds of blogs written by a wide variety of psychologists, psychiatrists, social workers, medical doctors, anthropologists, sociologists, and science journalists.

Academic Calendar

September 30

Last Day to Remove Incomplete Grades for Spring 2023

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 tellei@palau.edu. Articles from MOC/PCC Alumni are

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

also welcome.

ARE YOU INTERESTED? APPLY NOW





2023-2024 PCC BASED SCHOLARSHIP APPLY NOW! DEADLINE: October 13, 2023

DAVID W. SHIPPER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

DEBBIE O. NGIRAIBAI BUSINESS ACCOUNTING SCHOLARSHIP

MATSON NAVIGATION COMPANY INC. SCHOLARSHIP

MOYLAN'S INSURANCE SCHOLARSHIP

PIERANTOZZI SCHOLARSHIP

PRINCE LEBUU SCHOLARSHIP

TERRY T. NGIRMANG NURSING SCHOLARSHIP

WILHELM R. RENGIIL MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

YAMAZAKI RENGIIL MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

NGISELACHEOS RENGIIL MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Applications are Available at the PCC Development Office. for more information about the PCC-based Scholarships Contact: Development Office @ 488-2470/2471 ext. 252 or 253

VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

- (1) Instructor, Construction Technology Academic Affairs Division salary range: \$16,010 - 28,280 per annum
- (2) Instructor, Small Engine & Outboard Marine Tech. Academic Affaris Division salary range: \$12,653.00 - 22,349 per annum
- (3) Extension Agent (EFNEP Program) (PCC Cooperative Research & Extension) salary range: \$11,010 - \$19,552 per annum
- (4) Instructor Assistant General Mechanics Academic Affairs Division salary ranges: \$12,653 - \$22,349 per annum
- (5) English Instructor Academic Affairs Division salary range: \$16,010 - \$28,280 per annum
- (6) Math Instructor Academic Affairs Division salary ranges: \$16,010 - \$28,280 per annum
- (7) Instructor, Community & Public Health Academic Affairs Division salary ranges: \$16,010 to \$28,280.00

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.

Celebrating Birthdays September 22-29, 2023





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Macey Ellery Courtney Joshua

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PCC Endowment

INVEST IN THE FUTURE

TO SUPPORT, CONTACT US TODAY!

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

VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

(8) Instructor, Information Technology Program Academic Affairs Division salary range: \$16,010 - \$28,280 per annum

ALUMNI NOTES

O'KEEFE RENGIIL KOKICHI INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY



Mr. O'Keefe Rengiil Kokichi is an Information Technology graduate of Spring 2023 with an AS degree. He recently got accepted to Eastern Oregon Univeristy to continue his studies this Fall 2023. Congratulations Mr. Kokichi!



& 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 Mesekiw's News issues.



Open to all 2nd year Palauan Students enrolled full-time at



Deadline

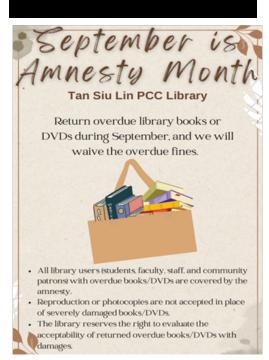
Apply Now

September 29, 2023

- 4 Awards of \$1,000 each
- + PAID Internship at PNCC

For more info visit pcc.palau.edu or call 775–3965 or 775–9125

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