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# Palau Community College

## MESEKIU'S NEWS



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## PCC CELEBRATES 23RD OLECHOTEL BELAU FAIR



*PCC CRE Booth at Airai side*



PCC celebrated Olechotel Belau Fair on September 30, 2023 with a booth at Airai side. The booth was sponsored by the Cooperative Research and Extension (CRE) of the Palau Community College. It consisted of plants and offered games with which if you win, you get a free t-shirt. Many people showed up to the booth to play games, win prizes and were able to become plant owners. PCC family would like to wish a Happy 23rd Olechotel Belau Fair and Happy 30th Independence Day to our Belau!

## PCC MOURNS THE LOSS OF BELOVED CMI PRESIDENT



*Dr. Irene Taafaki, President of the College of Marshall Islands (CMI)*

PCC family extends its dearest condolences to Dr. Irene Taafaki's family and friends for her untimely death. She has brought so much joy and help in her time working with PCC along with her beautiful personality and kindness. You will be missed, Dr. Taafaki!

## PCC TURNS OVER RENOVATED AIMELIHK BAI RA KEAI TO CHIEF



*PCC President Dr. Patrick Tellei and PCC Vice President Olegeriil with Rengulbai Kalistus Ngirturong, Ibedul Lebua Littler, and Melkeok Delegate Frutoso Tellei at Bai ra Keai.*

PCC President Dr. Tellei and Vice President Olegeriil visited Aimeliik Bai ra Keai along with Rengulbai Kalistus Ngirturong, Ibedul Lebua Littler, and Melkeok Delegate Frutoso Tellei. The men had the chance to go in the Men's Meeting House, called Bai, and were able to open the doors with stories of the bai and chanting.

PCC President Dr. Patrick Tellei was a part of this special occasion because of his help and assistance in helping Rengulbai Kalistus Ngirturong and the Governor of Aimeliik Honorable Browny Simer in the building of the bai (what they call okedecherul a bai). With the PCC President and Vice President are PCC staff who went to assist and also the men who helped in building the bai.

Bai ra Keai is now officially open to the public and anyone can visit.

*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.*

## BREAST CANCER SIGNING WITH PCC HR DIRECTOR



*Senator Rukebai Inabo, President Whipps, Reklai Bao Ngirmang, Speaker Sabino Anastacio, with PCC HR Director Marie Nabeyama and other community members witnessing the signing of Proclamation No. 23-353 of Breast Cancer Awareness Month*

PCC's Director of Human Resource, Mrs. Marie Nabeyama, was invited to be a part of a Cancer Screening Task Force, coordinated jointly by the Non-Communicable Disease Unit of the Ministry of Health and Human Services and the Belau Cancer Society. They received additional help from medical anthropologist, Dr. Chad Morris, who has been conducting research in Palau since 2010, including recent research and perception and ideas about improving mammography rates here in Palau.

She was invited as a member of the community and as a representative of Palau Community College, to offer her input on the matter.

To begin their work together, they planned a three-day workshop, scheduled for 8:45am to 1:00pm in the Ming's Court at Palau Royal Resort on May 16, 17 and 18. Dr. Morris led them through the existing data and to transform that data into a marketing plan that they will launch this fall.

They have made some headway and learned a lot. As we all know, the complexity of the challenge of cancer in Palau - invasive screening, concerns about off-island treatment, and low knowledge of treatment options and outcomes - demands that the whole community be involved if we are to give cancer the best fight possible. Mrs. Nabeyama's input and presence was a big help and for that we thank her and all the community members that were able to be a part of the Cancer Screening Task Force and those who were present to witness the signing of Breast Cancer Awareness Month.

## RED CROSS TRAINING HEALTHCARE WORKERS CPR



*Professor Evangeline Andrew with the Healthcare Trainees learning how to do CPR with Red Cross staff*

Palau Community College's new batch of healthcare workers have been learning in class for weeks and recently had the chance to train with Red Cross staff on how to apply CPR correctly. The students learned to apply CPR for all ages and all the appropriate ways to handle human beings during CPR from beginning to end. PCC thanks Red Cross for their continued assistance in this very important healthcare training.

## PCC PRESIDENT GIVES SPEECH AT THE 30<sup>TH</sup> MECHECIL BELAU



*PCC President Dr. Tellei giving his speech at the 30th Mechesil Belau Conference*



*PCC President Dr. Tellei talking with other panelists of the 30th Mechesil Belau*

PCC President Dr. Patrick Tellei had the opportunity to give a speech this 30<sup>th</sup> Mechesil Belau Conference. He mentioned in his speech all the accomplishments of Mechesil Belau in the past 29 years and reiterated how important it is for it to continue. President Dr. Tellei thanks Bilung Gloria M. Salii for the invitation to be one of the panelist and to give a speech on the importance of Mechesil Belau.



## **BITS AND 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
Sun. & National Holidays	CLOSED

For more information, call:  
488-3540.

#### **AVAILABLE TO INTERESTED READERS:** **SCHOOL ARTS**



*Art teachers incorporate visual language, written language, spoken language, sign language, computer programming language, and more into their lessons.*

### **Academic Calendar**

**October 3-6 (T-F)**  
Mid-Term Period

**October 24 (T)**  
Holiday: United Nation Day

### **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 [hherman@palau.edu](mailto:hherman@palau.edu).

Articles from MOC/PCC Alumni are also welcome.  
Please call 488-2470/2471 (extensions 251, 252, or 253) for more information.

## **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. RENGIL MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**

**YAMAZAKI RENGIL MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**

**NGISELACHEOS RENGIL 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

Show your support for the 2023 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.

**2023 PCC Thanksgiving  
Endowment Fundraising Event  
will take place on Wednesday,  
November 22, 2023  
from 12PM - 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

## 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 Affairs 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](mailto:hr@palau.edu), or download forms at <http://pcc.palau.edu>.

## ALUMNI NOTES

### O'KEEFE RENGIL KOKICHI INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY



Ms. Britney Pedro is a 2023 graduate with an AS degree in Nursing. She recently got hired as a new nurse to the Belau National Hospital. Congratulations Ms. Pedro!



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Palau Community College

**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 October 7-October 13, 2023



*Miano Sowraenpiy*

## VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

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

## PCC Endowment

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To SUPPORT,  
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Allotment Program, contact us NOW!

Interested in Learning Trans-  
ferrable Media and Marketing  
skills? Volunteer with the PCC  
Development Office. Stop by at  
the Dort building to sign-up.



PCC would like to take this  
opportunity to congratulate Ms.  
Dee Raya Antonio, Class of 2023  
Cohort, for her success in the Miss  
Belau 2023! Good luck in your future  
endeavors!



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