# Palau Community College



# MESEKIU'S NEWS



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## PCC PTK-Beta Omicron Zeta induction Ceremony



New and existing members of Beta Omicron Zeta with Dean of Continuing Education, Pastor Hedrick Kual, Dean of Students, Mrs. Hilda Reklai, and PCC President Dr. Tellei

On October 19, 2023, the Palau Community College Phi Theta Kappa (PTK) - Beta Omicron Zeta Chapter held its induction ceremony at the Assembly Hall. The invocation was given by Dean Hedrick Kual followed by opening remarks from PCC President Dr. Patrick Tellei. The emblem was then given by Mr. Kerengel J. Jerome, who is the current president of Beta Omicron Zeta SY 2023-2024. Induction was given by PCC President Dr. Tellei to seven (7) students. The new inductees are Mr. Alonzo Sumor, Ms. Jemimah S. O. Andry, Ms. Lwaylynn Feliciano, Ms. Suanda D. Obakerbau, Mr. Weber T. Santiago, Ms. Xara R. Leemansky, and Mr. Yuji S. Chibana. The officer of PTK SY 2023-2024 include the president, Ms. Kerengel Jerome, vice president, Ms. Quirah D. Elechuus, and treasurer/secretary, Mr. Yuji S. Chibana. Phi Theta Kappa in Greek means wisdom, aspiration, and purity. The purpose of the society is to recognize scholastic achievements of respective students and motivate them to achieve the best they can.

## CEREMONY OF MHHS BAI HANDOVER AT MANTEKANG



Attended the ceremony were both MHHS staff and PCC staff, including PCC Board of Trustees member, Dr. Emais Roberts, Minister of Health and Human Services, Mr. Gaafar Uherbelau, and PCC President Dr. Tellei

On October 25, 2023, PCC President Dr. Tellei and MHHS Minister Gaafar Uherbelau along with their respective staff gathered to appreciate the beautiful Mantekang summer house made by PCC Physical Plant staff. The turnover ceremony began with a prayer by Dean and Pastor Hedrick Kual followed by the details of the project by PCC President Dr. Patrick Tellei and a message by the Minister of Human Health and Services and Dr. Emais Roberts, who is also a member of the Board of Trustees of PCC.

The first hospital bai project was gifted by the Association of Governors of Palau when the Chairman was Governor Lazarus Kodep. In 2017, the bai project was then renovated by Ngara Mecherocher, which is a Melekeok men's cheldebechel. Finally, this year, PCC was contracted by Melaitul and Busonge, which are Peleliu Cheldebechel of Peliliu people living both in Koror and Peleliu. Their leader is Dr. Emais Roberts, who is also a board member of the PCC Board of Trustees. PCC thanks the contractors for their faith in PCC staff for contributing to the community.

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.

## KOROR ELEMENTARY SCHOOL STUDENTS VISIT R&D STATION







Students of Koror Elementary School joining in on the activities led by CRE staff at R&D Station at Ngermeksang, Ngeremlengui

On October 18 and 19, a total of 82 eighth grade students from Koror Elementary School had a field trip to the Research and Development (R&D) station in Ngermeskang, Ngeremlengui. The students were split into groups and got to rotate in six (6) different stations with activities that included: mixing soil, potting and planting, nursery education, tissue culture, dry litter systems, and collecting dry litter. Each station had an assigned CRE staff to explain the importance of each activity. After lunch, the students were quizzed on what they learned and won stickers. They also were able to share one new thing they learned. Their last activity included a new game called "Plants vs. Threats" that was created by Youth Extension Agent, Elchung Hideyos. In this game, you basically need to grow your garden with the plant cards and add booster cards that could strengthen your garden or even protect your plants from dying. But there are also threat cards that could kill your plants or destroy your whole garden. This game helped the students understand the many different threats to plants, and also solutions to protect your plants. This newly developed game is still in its trial-anderror phase, but the awesome feedback we got from the 8th graders is that we need to publish the game now! Thank you to our CRE staff and Associate Professor of Agricultural Science, Fredrick Ikertang for teaching.



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## FACULTY SENATE ASSOCIATION (FSA) Awards Schoalrships



FSA members and FSA scholarship recipients

Congratulations to all recipients of the Faculty Senate Association (FSA) Scholarship. FSA scholarship has two categories: first year and second year student scholarship. First year scholarship recipients are Righteous Adaba and Jovan Ngirmekur and second year recipients are Kerengel Jerome and Justin Orville.

Present to laud the recipients were the FSA officers and members. The FSA scholarships are awarded annually to students at PCC who maintained 3.0 cumulative grade point average (CGPA), among other criteria.

Faculty Senate Association is a registered nonprofit organization with membership composed of full-time and part-time non administrative faculty, instructors, teaching assistants, and counselors. PCC thanks FSA for its continued support to the students.

## NOONTIME SEMINAR WITH Ms. Lisa Ruther







Dean of Continuing Education, Pastor Hedrick Kual, with Ms. Lisa

Ms. Lisa Ruther with PCC Vice President, Mr. Jay Olegeriil

Miss Lisa Ruther came to PCC on October 25, 2023, to explain how the region of Palau is one of two regions where the air and water in it can travel to high altitudes and the importance of that. Thank you for visiting, Ms. Ruther.

#### **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

Sun. & National Holidays

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For more information, call: 488-3540.

## Available to Interested Readers: Solar Today



Solar Today is here to get you updated about what is going on in the solar energy industry by providing quality solar energy news regarding different aspects.

#### Academic Calendar

#### October 30 (M)

Last Day to Remove Continuing Progress Grades for Spring 2023

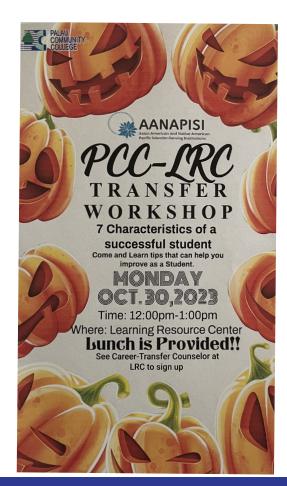
#### **News/Stories Wanted**

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 hherman@

#### palau.edu.

Articles from MOC/PCC Alumni are also welcome.

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



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
Eventwill 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 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 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 http://pcc.palau.edu.

#### ALUMNI NOTES

#### Mr. Ian Bukurrou Small Engine



Mr. Ian Bukurrou is a 2020 graduate with an AAS degree in Small Engine. He now works at the Division of Maritime Security and Fish and Wildlife. He will soon leave to Australia for training.



& 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.

## Celebrating Birthdays October 28-November 3, 2023







Shaik Higa

#### VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

- (8) Instructor, Information Technology Program Academic Affairs Division salary ranges: \$16,010 - \$28,280 per annum
- (9) Math Coordinator Acadmic Affairs Division salary ranges: \$19,000-\$23,000 per annum

#### **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!

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



Location of new Academic and Health Science Building between PCC Library and Track & Field



FSM leaders that came to the Mechesil Belau came to PCC Cafeteria to visit FSM students attending PCC



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