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Palau Community College

MESEKIU'S NEWS



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Weekly Newsletter

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PCC DORMITORY'S VOLLEYBALL COURT RENOVATIONS



Mr. Wiles Tmecherur, Maintenance and Operation Supervisor; and Mr. Clement Kazuma, Director of Physical Plant with the Sergeant Edwards and his team

On Tuesday, January 16, 2024, the renovation of the PCC Dormitory's Volleyball Court came to an end as Sergeant Brodie Edwards and his team do the finishing touches. Sergeant Edwards' team includes Corporal David Caccres, Corporal David Velazquez, Lance Corporal Micah Townzen, Corporal David Merino, and Corporal Keywan Wellington. They are all from the 7th Engineer Support Battalion and with their help and assistance, PCC now has a better volleyball court for the students. Sergeant Edwards and his team have been here all week and have finally finished the work and for that PCC is grateful for their time and support.

FINANCIAL AID OFFICE RENOVATIONS

UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

FOR ANY FINANCIAL AID INQUIRIES,
PLEASE PROCEED TO THE CE
TRAINING ROOM. THANK YOU, AND
WE APOLOGIZE FOR THE
INCONVENIENCE.

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PCC BEGINS SPRING 2024



Students and their teacher during the first day of class

Spring semester's first day of instructions started on January 15, 2024, and PCC is excited to welcome new and continuing students. As we enter the new semester, we would like to remind the students not to miss opportunities that will come up and or attend their meetings, see their counselors, attend noontime seminars, use their PCC email address, and most importantly, keep their grades up. There are also extracurricular activities that students can sign up for as well as PCC activities that will be for everyone to participate.

PCC PRESIDENT MEETS WITH PCC ASSISTANTS



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PCC PRESIDENT SUPPORTS BELAU MODEKNGEI SCHOOL ON ITS 50TH ANNIVERSARY



PCC President Dr. Tellei presenting his donation to BMS Principal Mr. Henry Yuji and BMS Chairman of the Board of Directors, Mr. Ngirchoitoluk Mike Renguul



PCC President Dr. Tellei with H.E. President Whipps and distinguished guests along with the cake made and molded using taro

On Friday, January 12, 2024, PCC President Dr. Patrick Tellei joined the celebration of Belau Modekngai School's 50th Anniversary. Dr. Tellei presented his donation of \$500 dollars to the school in support of what the school stands for and what it means to the people of Palau. The program began at 10 in the morning all the way until 4 in the afternoon. The program consisted of welcoming remarks by the Chairman of the Board of Directors, Mr. Ngirchoitoluk Mike Renguul, special remarks from His Excellency Surangel Whipps, Jr., reading of resolution by Honorable Delegate Lee Otobed (in English) and Honorable Senator Andrew Tabelual (in Palauan), reading of president's proclamation by Chief of Staff, Ms. Landisang Kotaro, brief history of BMS, and closing remarks by Vice Chairman of the Board of Directors Mr. Alan Seid. Cake cutting, ticket raffle and entertainment then followed to end the day. BMS has been around since 1974 with about 500 proud alumni. Thanks to Ibobang's people and their will to keep the school standing, it has reached its golden year. With love and support from PCC, Happy 50th anniversary, BMS!

PCC WELCOMES ITS NEWEST EMPLOYEE



PCC is proud to welcome its newest employee, Miss Lisa Rafael. She is the new Director of Admissions and Records. PCC would like to welcome her to the PCC family.

CALVO'S SELECT CARE HEALTH INSURANCE PREMIUM RATES

Monthly Rate (Single)	Class Type (Single)	Percentage Split	12 Months	Bi-Weekly 24 PP
\$125.00	Employer (60%)	\$75.00	\$900.00	\$37.50
	Employee (40%)	\$50.00	\$600.00	\$25.00
Monthly Rate (Couple)	Class Type (Couple)	Percentage Split	12 Months	Bi-Weekly
\$250.00	Employer (60%)	\$150.00	\$1,800.00	\$75.00
	Employee (40%)	\$100.00	\$1,200.00	\$50.00
Monthly Rate (Family)	Class Type (Family)	Percentage Split	12 Months	Bi-Weekly
\$400.00	Employer (60%)	\$240.00	\$2,880.00	\$120.00
	Employee (40%)	\$160.00	\$1,920.00	\$80.00

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PCC Financial Aid office is under renovations until further notice, so as the picture states, proceed to the training room. Financial Aid is a crucial office at PCC and we are happy to announce that it is being renovated to better accommodate students, staff and guests.

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PCC President Dr. Patrick Tellei had the opportunity to meet with PCC's assistants to thank them for their hard work. They are all hard workers and without them, PCC would not be able to reach its success as it always does. As we begin a new semester, President Dr. Tellei reminds them of their importance in the college and hopes that they are able to continue to work hard for our students and staff. Thank you all for your hard work.

BITS AND PIECES...

Tan Siu Lin PCC Library

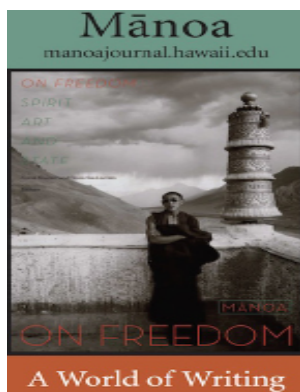
Hours of Operation

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:

MANOA: JOURNAL OF INTERNATIONAL WRITING



Launched in 1989, MĀNOA brings the literature of Asia, the Pacific, and the Americas to English-speaking readers. The journal has published over sixty volumes, 10,000 pages, and 1,400 writers, translators, reviewers, and editors.

Academic Calendar

February 12 (M)

Non-Instructional Day-No Classes

News/Stories Wanted

Mesekü'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 or 252) for more information.

Join a voyage to explore Palau National Marine Sanctuary!

Exploration Vessel Nautilus will visit Palau in fall 2024 to explore the deep ocean and share data to support Palau National Marine Sanctuary. Local students and educators are invited to join the expedition for 2-3 weeks at-sea to build professional skills and experiences in science, technology, engineering, and storytelling.

FOR STUDENTS: SCIENCE & ENGINEERING INTERNSHIPS

Paid internships for community college and undergraduate students in ocean science, underwater technology (remotely operated vehicle engineering) or broadcast media (video systems engineering).

FOR TEACHERS: SCIENCE COMMUNICATION FELLOWSHIPS

Bring the ocean, new technology, and the excitement of discovery to your students as a paid expedition science storyteller! Collaborate with others across the Pacific and the world in this paid program open to classroom or community educators.

Deadline Extended to January 21!
Apply Now!
<https://bit.ly/PalauInterns> <https://bit.ly/PalauTeachers>

NAUTILUS LIVE
OCEAN EXPLORATION TRUST

Deadline Extended!

Apply by January 21st to join an exploration expedition into Palau National Marine Sanctuary

Two ocean exploration expeditions are being planned for fall 2024 with Ocean Exploration Trust, Palau International Coral Reef Center, NOAA Ocean Exploration, and other Palauan and U.S. agencies working closely together to map and explore Palau National Marine Sanctuary!

The team seeks educators and students to sail aboard E/V Nautilus, gaining paid hands-on experience in ocean exploration and serving as STEM role models for the next generation.

For educators

Sail for ~2 weeks in Palau National Marine Sanctuary as onboard educators to bring the excitement of ocean exploration to students. Host live broadcast connections with classrooms and get hands-on experience with the science, technology, engineering, and biocultural parts of exploring the deep ocean!

Attend a science communication training workshop in April in Hawaii (expenses paid) and work together with a community of educators across the Pacific to share stories of ocean exploration and inspire learners in Palau and beyond.

Educators of all kinds — classroom teachers, community educators, and artists — are eligible to sail on the ship as expedition storytellers through the Science Communication Fellowship.

<https://bit.ly/PalauTeachers>

For community college or undergraduate students

Learn about the ocean hands-on with paid ocean science, underwater technology (remotely operated vehicle engineering), or broadcast media (video systems engineering) themed internships.

Advance your skills and apply learning from the classroom as a key part of the team at sea for ~2 weeks on a deep ocean exploring expedition in Palau National Marine Sanctuary working alongside mentors and experts in the field.

Internships pay \$900/ week and all travel costs are paid.

<https://bit.ly/PalauInterns>

2024 Science & Engineering Internship Program
Deadline extended! Applications due: January 21, 2024
Program contact: Megan Cook or Kelly Guarino via education@oet.org

PALAU COMMUNITY COLLEGE PRESENTS

PALAU.EDU
email addresses for students

Did you know?

With a palau.edu email address, you will have access to many free or significantly discounted software packages and online services including Amazon Prime, Microsoft Office 365 Education, Adobe Creative Cloud which includes Adobe Photoshop, Spotify, Norton anti-virus, Autodesk which includes AutoCAD, and Apple Music. You will also have access to discounted equipment and products from Apple, Dell, Samsung, Best Buy and many others.

To activate your palau.edu email address:

1. Open a web browser (Chrome, Internet, Safari, Firefox, etc.) and navigate to the site mail.palau.edu or gmail.com.
2. Once the page loads, enter your username and password. Your username is your firstname plus your lastname (all lowercase and no spaces). Your password is your PCC student ID number. If your ID number contains 7 or less numbers, add 0s at the end so that you have at least 8 numbers.

For assistance, stop by the PCC Online Lab or Computer Services Office

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 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

HOPE RONALD NURSING



Ms. Hope Ronald graduated with an AS in Nursing. She is currently working at MHHS as a Nurse. Congratulations on all your achievements since graduating!



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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 or 252).

We would like to feature you in future *Mesekii's News* issues.

Celebrating Birthdays January 22-28, 2024



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VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

- (8) Instructor, Information Technology Program
Academic Affairs Division
salary ranges: \$16,010 - \$28,280 per annum
- (9) Math Coordinator
Academic 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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e-mail: tellei@palau.edu

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

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



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