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Palau Community College

MESEKIU'S NEWS



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MESEKIU GYM RIBBON CUTTING CEREMONY



NECO Construction representative along with Taiwan Embassy's representative, ASPCC President Elect-Elect, Student Trustee, Student Activities Supervisor, ASPCC President, Minister of MPII and PCC President cutting the ribbon to the newly renovated Mesekiu Gym

On December 22, 2023, all contributors to the renovation of Mesekiu Gym along with students were excited to finally cut the ribbon and open the gym for use. The gym's court is now very comfortable and more convenient and safe for students and anyone to use. PCC thanks everyone who are the reason for the renovation, especially since it only took three weeks to finish. Students and staff are excited to put both volleyball court and basketball court to use, especially with the new activities this coming new year.

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 2023 CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON



On December 21, 2023, PCC faculty, staff and students celebrated the holidays with the annual PCC Christmas Luncheon. Cheerful music was played as they enjoyed each others company with delicious food made by their very own PCC cafeteria. PCC faculty, staff and students invited their loved ones as well to join us as we get together as a family and remind each other of the importance of the holiday season. PCC would like to thank all who attended event and appreciates everyone for their unwavering support and hard work this year. Let's venture into the new year with love, new goals and a positive mindset.

NEW ACADEMIC AND HEALTH SCIENCE BUILDING CONSTRUCTION APPROVED



Ongoing construction of the new building between PCC Library and PCC Track & Field

On December 19, 2023, the building permit was finally signed by all parties and approved the continuation of the construction of the new Academic and Health Science Building. PCC thanks all parties for their support of this new building that will benefit students, staff and the community in the future. It is said that the building will be ready by March 2025. PCC looks forward to sharing the progress of the building as the construction moves forward.

Moments from Christmas Luncheon



PCC President and Vice President delivering their remarks



PCC staff with their kids



PCC staff and students enjoying the luncheon

REGULAR BOARD MEETING HELD



Board of Trustees with PCC President and Student Trustee

The Board of Trustees held their regular meeting on December 27, 2023 and for the first time in a while they all were able to attend the meeting. PCC thanks the Board, Chariman Billy G. Kuartei, Vice Chairperson Romana Wong, Secretary/Treasurer Kione Isechal, Trustee Alvina Timarong, BOR Chairman Dr. Emais Roberts, and Student Trustee Weber Santiago, for their hard work this year and every year. PCC looks forward to another successful year with you!

IMPORTANT STAKEHOLDER UPDATE: POLICY CHANGES AND PROPOSED MODIFICATIONS TO WAGES AND SALARY TAX REFUND PROCESS OF THE BRT



BUREAU OF
REVENUE &
TAXATION

December 20, 2023

PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT

The Bureau of Revenue & Taxation informs the public, particularly all employers that the Bureau has begun the process of reviewing wages and salary tax records in preparation for the upcoming wages and salary tax refund. All employers are reminded that wages and salary tax withheld for 2023 shall be filed and paid to ensure eligible employees receive their refunds in a timely manner.

Additionally, all employers are reminded that a written statement (W2) outlining each employee's wages or salaries paid during the year, along with the amount of tax withheld, shall be provided to each employee. A duplicated copy should be submitted to the Bureau of Revenue & Taxation no later than **Wednesday, January 31, 2024**. Failure to comply with this requirement, as set forth in 40 PNC Chapter 17(d), may result in a penalty of \$50 for each employee statement not filed.

We are here to assist you therefore, please do not hesitate to visit our office or contact us via email to taxhelp@palaugov.org or by phone call to (680) 488-3303/2702.

The Bureau of Tax & Revenue recently announced that they have policy changes and proposed modifications to the application for refunds for wages and salary tax. Contributors to the PCC endowment fund are encouraged to read and understand the new changes as they have an effect on their tax refund.

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: FOOD SERVICE & HOSPITALITY



Foodservice and Hospitality magazine is the authoritative voice of Canada's foodservice and hospitality industry. Established in 1968, Foodservice and Hospitality has a long history of engaging foodservice and hospitality decision makers — those with the authority to choose or recommend products and services.

Academic Calendar

January 1 (M)

Holiday - New Year's 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.

Articles from MOC/PCC Alumni are also welcome.

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

PCC SPRING 2024 REGISTRATION

CONTINUING +
RETURNING STUDENTS

Started On
**MONDAY
NOVEMBER
20, 2023**

RETURNING STUDENTS

- pay the \$10.00 READMISSION fee @ Business Office
- Bring receipt to Admissions and pick up form
- See your Academic Advisor

CONTINUING STUDENTS

- proceed to Business Office for clearance

FOR MORE DETAILS PLEASE CALL
(680) 488-2470 ext. 248 or 269

Join the 2024 Nautilus Exploration Program!

Ocean Exploration Trust is now accepting applications for students and educators to gain professional experience applying science, technology, engineering, storytelling, and math to explore the deep ocean aboard Exploration Vessel Nautilus.



**FOR EDUCATORS:
SCIENCE
COMMUNICATION
FELLOWSHIPS**

Paid science storytelling opportunities for classroom educators, informal educators, and artists to bring the excitement of discovery to your learners and home community

**FOR STUDENTS:
SCIENCE & ENGINEERING
INTERNSHIPS**

Paid internships for community college, undergraduates, graduate students in ocean science, remotely operated vehicle engineering, video engineering, and seafloor mapping

Apply by January 2: NautilusLive.org/education



Palau Community College Board of Trustees, Staff, Faculty & Students

WISHES EVERYONE A VERY HAPPY NEW YEAR!



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>.

Celebrating Birthdays January 1-7, 2024



Lyndon Masami



Christine Rengiil



Wiles Tmecherur

PCC Endowment

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

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

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.

ALUMNI NOTES

MYNER PANUEL ELECTRICIAN TECH



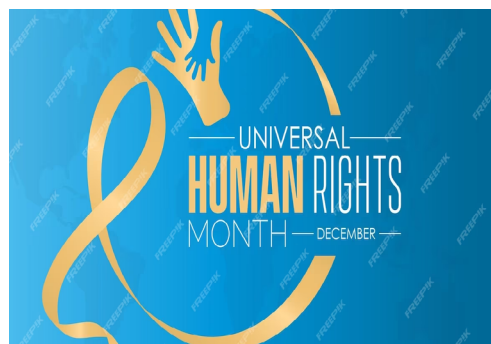
Mr. Myner Panuel graduated with an AAS in Electrician Tech in 2013. He currently resides in Pohnpei, FSM. Congratulations on all your achievements since graduating!



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- (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



December Is
AIDS
Awareness
Month

UNAIDS WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION

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.

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