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29TH CAREGIVER TRAINING: AWARDING CEREMONY



Training instructors, training participants, with PCC President Dr. Patrick U. Tellei and CE Dean Hedrick Kual

On March 22, 2024, the 29th Caregiver Training concluded as their instructors, along with PCC President Dr. Patrick U. Tellei and Continuing Education's Dean Hedrick Kual, awarded the students for passing all the course. The instructors included Dr. Sylvia Osarch (lead instructor), Dr. Louisa Santos (Dentist), Mr. Jason Nolan (Physical Therapist), and Ms. Vanessa Espangel (Home Health Nurse). There were 16 participants in this 29th training and they are Adrian Edeyaoch, Alberta Tamara, Amber Tabelual, Angela Page, Biurayasi Daucakacaka, Braelynn Sambal, Demi Sungino, Dilmei Olkeriil, Ella Martinez, Francisco Ramirez, Ilebrang Olkeriil, MA. Julieta Amboloquio, Maricel Cabatuan, Rachel Letasiugmal, Shania Rally, and Y. Carmella Rechelulk. Also attended the ceremony to give special remarks was Dr. Gregory Dever. Dr. Sylvia Osarch had the honor of summarizing everything that the participants had learned from simple things like how to treat patient to complicated things like how to deal with them on a daily basis. Dr. Dever also introduced Ms. Erica Davis to talk and thank each and every one of the instructors for their hard work and in keeping this program on its feet. In this ceremony, the chosen participant representative to speak was former Ambassador of Palau to Republic of China, Taiwan, Ms. Dilmei Olkeriil. PCC congratulates all participants and thanks all instructors for a job well done.

PCC ADMISSIONS AND RECORDS AND STUDENT SERVICE CONDUCT RECRUITMENT IN YAP, FSM



Yap High School Students with PCC Admissions and Records Director Lisa Rafael and Student Life Counselor Nicole Gabriel

The Palau Community College recruitment team led by Admissions and Records Director Lisa Rafael went to Colonia, Yap to meet with Yap High School seniors. The purpose of the trip was to meet with the Yap seniors and share with them various PCC programs. The PCC recruitment team left on March 15 and returned on March 24. During those days, they met with the Director of Education, who facilitated these meetings with Yap high schools and its students. Ms. Nicole Gabriel, PCC Academic Counselor had the opportunity to share with the students the many programs they can enroll in, while Director Lisa Rafael shared the process of the Admissions Application. The recruitment team also conducted sessions regarding the Federal Student Aid and FAFSA application process. PCC has always been eager to recruit students from other Micronesian nations for the benefit of the students and their respective countries. The recruitment program has been proved successful by the number of students who enroll every school year. The PCC recruitment team convey their sincerest gratitude to the Director of Education for helping these annual trips come to life and PCC hopes to recruit more students in the upcoming years.

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.

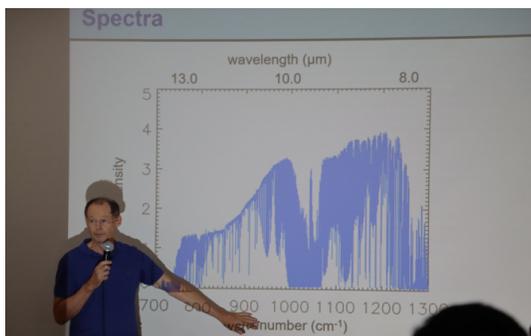
BELAU MODEKNGEI SCHOOL STUDENTS JOB SHADOW AT PCC



BMS students with Director Thomas Borja, Director Lisa Rafael, Director Isumchraard Ngirairikl, and PCC Vice President Olegeriil

On March 13-14, 2024, seven students from Belau Modekngai School had the opportunity to job shadow in different offices in PCC as a part of their Cultural Awareness Week (CAW). The students were all senior and included Ricco Orrukem, Rechelulk Madracheluib, Teyah Trolii, Toyomi Chiokai, Jeanaya Secharmidal, Mase Iyechad and Lucky Truce, and their teacher is Ms. Meliza Oiterong. The students were scattered in three offices, Learning Resource Center (LRC), Admissions Office, and Financial Aid Office. The students did a great job in the two days they worked. We hope to see more of these opportunities in the future, to expose our youth in the workplace and expand their knowledge. Thank you for choosing PCC, BMS seniors.

NOONTIME SEMINAR: MR. JUSTUS NOTHOLT



Mr. Justus Notholt during his presentation

On March 21, 2024, PCC had the honor to welcome Mr. Justus Notholt from the University of Bremen, Germany. Mr. Notholt has a PhD degree in physical chemistry and his interest is in atmospheric science. He has been studying Palau’s atmosphere, environment and winds. In his presentation, titled “Remote Sensing, how does it work, and what do we learn about the climate with it? Why are we measuring in Palau?,” he used graphs to show Palau’s unpolluted air, showed the ocean and atmosphere around Palau, and measurements of several trace gases in Palau’s atmosphere. **Noontime Continued on Page 3**

NOONTIME SEMINAR: PROFESSOR SATOSHI OGATA



Professor Satoshi Ogata presenting to PCC Vice President Olegeriil, Ambassador Orikasa, and the students and guests



PCC Vice President Olegeriil, Ambassador Orikasa, Professor Satoshi and his wife and twin daughters along with PCC students and staff

On March 22, 2024, Professor Satoshi Ogata had the honor of doing an NCD Lecture to commemorate the 30th year of diplomatic relations between Japan and Palau. Attended to hear the lecture was PCC Vice President Jay Olegeriil and His Excellency Ambassador of Japan to Palau Orikasa Hiroyuki. As Professor Satoshi said during his lecture, this is “For the Sake of Children’s Future Health.” Mr. Satoshi Ogata is from Hiroshima, Japan and is a professor at Hiroshima International University, Department of Clinical Nutrition, with over 30 years of experience dedicated to the medical field. With a proven track record of numerous awards in medicine and scientific publications, he has shown commitment through his work and is poised to contribute valuable insights to drive positive outcomes in the field of clinical nutrition. He first visited Palau in 2000. Since then, he has visited Palau over 40 times, including his stay as a JICA expert for health screening projects between 2005 and 2008. He has contributed to the improvement of public school lunch in Palau in an initiative to change unhealthy eating habits. Palau is very fortunate to have Professor Satoshi to do these kinds of experiments to provide implications for the Palauans. He has done a lot, as well, with the Japan community, for example donating a garbage truck. PCC would like to thank Professor Satoshi, Ambassador Orikasa, the Japan Embassy, and Japan for 30 years of friendship and more to come.

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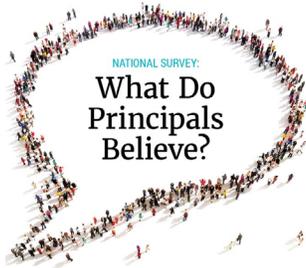
Tan Siu Lin PCC Library

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: TECHNOLOGY COUNTS



This issue of Technology Counts tackles questions in an effort to help K-12 school district leaders, principals, and teachers tackle the technological challenges they will face in the year ahead.

Academic Calendar

April 2
PCC Charter Day

April 5
PCC Charter Day Celebration

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.

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Remote sensing has been established as a powerful tool in climate research. Mr. Notholt discussed on the specific observations that he and his team are performing in Palau. He also covered remote sensing data obtained by satellites to demonstrate the potential part of his technique. Mr. Notholt is one of the authors who wrote the article "Measurement Report: The Palau Atmospheric Observatory and its Ozonesonde Record – Continuous Monitoring of Tropospheric Composition and Dynamics in the Tropical Western Pacific," released on February 21, 2024. It is available to read on <https://acp.copernicus.org/articles/24/2169/2024/>. PCC would like to thank Mr. Justus Notholt for his time in sharing this very useful knoweldge to the students and the people of Palau.

IT 220 STUDENTS AND STAFF COLLABORATE TO UPGRADE OFFICE SYSTEMS



Omurreng Hamilton and Norma Norman with IT staff Alik Ulechong

On March 27, 2024, Students from the IT 220 Troubleshooting Microcomputer Systems course at Palau Community College collaborated with Computer Services staff to upgrade the RAM and hard drive of the Business and HR office computers. Held last March 27, 2024; the hands-on activity allowed students to apply their classroom knowledge in a real-world setting. Under the guidance of the computer services office and with the support of their IT Instructor, students upgraded the RAM from 8GB to 16GB and replaced the Hard Disk Drive(HDD) with a faster Solid-State Drive(SDD). The students also cloned existing HDD to the SSD and configured the computer operating systems BIOS to boot up using the faster Solid-State Drive. This collaborative activity between students and staff not only enhanced the office systems but also provided students with valuable real world practical experience. We extend our gratitude to the Computer Services Office for their support in this activity and the Business and HR office for their cooperation in this endeavor. Such collaborations exemplify the college's commitment to experiential learning and community engagement.

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, Community & Public Health
Academic Affairs Division
Salary ranges: \$16,010 - \$28,280.00 per annum
- (5) Nursing Instructor
Academic Affairs Division
Salary range: \$16,010 - \$28,280 per annum
- (6) Air Conditioning and Refrigeration
Admissions and Records Office
Salary ranges: \$12,049 - \$20,607 per annum
- (7) Registration and Records Specialist
Academic Affairs Division
Salary ranges: \$16,010 - \$28,280 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>.

“PCC is an Equal Opportunity Employer.”

ALUMNI NOTES

**DOUGHMAR ICHIRO
EDUCATION**



Mr. Doughmar Ichiro graduated with his AS in Education in Spring 2022. He is now a teacher at Palau High School. Congratulations on all your achievements!

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 *Mesekiu's News* issues.



**Celebrating Birthdays
April 1- April 7, 2024**



Vera Dilsils Kanai

**WALK &
RUN**



PLACE: PCC MESEKIU GYM

TIME: REGISTRATION -
4:00 A.M -5:00 A.M

WARM UP - 5:20 A.M

EVENT - 5:30 A.M

DATE: APRIL 5, 2024

ROUTE: SOCIO & BACK TO PCC

- ONLY ON THE RIGHT SIDE OF THE ROAD
- THERE WILL BE POLICE ESCORTS

BREAKFAST & WATER WILL BE PROVIDED

T-SHIRTS WILL BE PASSED OUT!

PCC Endowment

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NOONTIME SEMINAR

**“MAY THE FORCE BE WITH THE MANGROVES:
USING FUTURISTIC TECHNOLOGY TO
MONITOR PALAU’S MANGROVES”**



DR. ROB CHANCIA

April 2, 2024
12:00 PM – 1:00 PM
Assembly Hall, PCC



DR. JAN VAN AARON



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