

FREE!!!



# Palau Community College

# MESEKIU'S NEWS



Friday, April 26, 2024

Weekly Newsletter

Volume 26, Issue 17

## PCC BIDS FAREWELL To JICA VOLUNTEER MR. KODAMA YOICHI



PCC Vice President Jay Olegeriil, Mr. Wiles Tmecherur of Physical Plant, Mr. Kodama Yoichi, and PCC President Dr. Patrick U. Tellei



Mr. Kodama Yoichi with CRE staff, students and PCC Vice President Jay Olegeriil

On April 18, 2024, Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) volunteer to Palau Community College's (PCC) Cooperative Research and Extension (CRE) Mr. Kodama Yoichi gave his last presentation to PCC staff, faculty and students before his return back to Japan. Mr. Kodama Yoichi has been with PCC CRE since March 2022 and has helped the CRE staff and students with his knowledge in agriculture. His time here has been memorable and he leaves us many trees that he has planted in PCC and in the CRE R&D station at Ngeremlengui. He has made the college a better place and for that we thank him for his years here and the knowledge he has so generously shared with us. Thank you, Mr. Yoichi and we wish you well on your trip back home.

### PCC CRE's BOOTH AT AGRI FAIR



CRE staff and students at their booth during the Agriculture Fair

On April 19, 2024, the PCC CRE had the opportunity to have their own booth to showcase their way of farming as well as displaying the different plants they have grown. In celebration of Earth Day, they promoted sustainable aquaculture development, focused on food insecurity, assist the community with regards to agriculture, make sure people know about climate change and its effects, and the importance of "Garden to Table" diet and more. Thank you PCC CRE, for always taking the time to promote the increase of agriculture and aquaculture, while simultaneously educating the community about it.



*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 AGRICULTURE STUDENTS VISIT LIVESTOCK FARM



*PCC Agriculture students touring the livestock farm*



*Bureau of Agriculture (BOA) staff and specialists teaching the PCC students and instructor*

For the past two months, the livestock farm has been accepting visitors and PCC Agriculture class was fortunate to have the opportunity to be one of the visitors. The Agriculture class instructor, Mr. Fredrick Ikertang exposed the students to practical skills and knowledge. They were fortunate to have the livestock specialists, Dr. Lee, Mr. Shin, assistant technician Tim, and the members of the livestock division under the Bureau of Agriculture (BOA) join them at the farm to introduce the characteristics of different periods of pigs and chicken, feeding styles, and showed how to identify male and female chicken easily. We thank the livestock farm, the specialists, and the BOA staff for the opportunity for our students to learn first hand and we look forward to more opportunities.

## ON APRIL 17, 2024, PCC STUDENTS & STAFF WENT TO THE FRIGATE DI- HUA. THANK YOU TAIWAN, R.O.C!

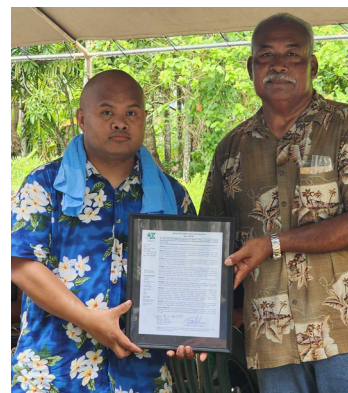


## MATSON'S VICE PRESIDENT AND GENERAL MANAGER, GUAM/ MICRONESIA VISITS PCC



*Mr. Kesolei, Vice president Bulaon, & Vice president Olegeriil*

On April 16, 2024, Mr. Ngirarisong Jason Kesolei, Manager of Palau Shipping Company, and Mr. Patrick Bulaon, who is Vice President and General Manager of Matson in Guam/Micronesia, visited PCC's Vice President Jay Olegeriil. The visit was for the purpose of updating Vice President Bulaon on the Matson Scholarship at PCC. Since its founding in 1882, Matson Navigation Company Inc. has supported the needs of the communities that it serves and in which its employees live and work. The company has been a strong supporter of the degree programs and academic services provided at Palau Community College by continuously donating to the PCC Endowment Fund. Applications for the Matson Scholarship are available at the PCC Development Office. Students must be enrolled full-time in order to apply. The scholarship is open to students from the Republic of Palau, the Republic of the Marshall Islands (RMI) and the Federated States of Micronesia (FSM). Since its launch in 2016, the Matson Scholarship has been awarded to 10 PCC students. Out of the 10 students, 9 graduated with their degrees and have since moved on to further pursue their education or have found jobs. Palau Community College would like to express its gratitude to Matson for continuing the scholarship for the purpose of supporting our community and youth. Thank you for visiting, Manager Kesolei and Vice President Bulaon.



*Mr. Colby Ramarui Anastacio & PCC President Dr. Tellei*

PCC staff, faculty and students offer their condolences to Mr. Huan Anastacio's family and friends for his untimely loss. Mr. Anastacio was a dear friend to the college and never failed to support the students. May he rest peacefully.

## 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: TROPICAL AGRICULTURE



*Tropical Agriculture is a journal published by University of the West Indies. This journal covers the area[s] related to Agronomy and Crop Science, Development, etc.*

### Academic Calendar

**April 26**

Last day of Instruction

**April 29-May 1**

Final Examination Period

**May 6**

Holiday-Senior  
Citizen's Day Observed

### News/Stories Wanted

*Mesekui'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 or 252) for more information.

# ★ ATTENTION

## GRADUATING PCC STUDENTS

### Class of 2024



For those who chose to participate in PCC's Annual Commencement Exercises, we will have a very important meeting on

Friday, May 10, 2024, from  
1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. at the  
PCC Assembly Hall

Light snacks will be provided



### Attention All Current PCC Students enrolled in Spring 2024

# Your Feedback Matters

Your insights help us understand what's working well and where we can improve. Your input directly shapes the services and support we offer, making your academic journey smoother and more enjoyable.

**Check your email inbox for the Institutional Effectiveness  
Survey link and share your feedback today.**

#### Your Privacy Matters:

Rest assured, your responses are completely anonymous. Feel free to share your thoughts openly and candidly.



QUESTIONS ON THE SURVEY??

You may call us at 488-2470 ext 250 or visit us at  
Institutional Research and Evaluation Office  
Palau Community College

## VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

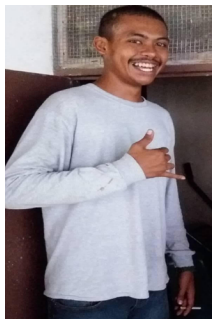
- (1) Instructor, Construction Technology  
Academic Affairs Division  
Salary range: \$16,010 - \$28,280 per annum
- (2) Instructor, Small Engine & Outboard Marine Tech.  
Academic Affairs Division  
Salary range: \$12,653.00 - \$22,349 per annum
- (3) Extension Agent (EFNEP Program)  
PCC Cooperative 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  
Academic Affairs Division  
Salary ranges: \$12,049 - \$20,607 per annum
- (7) Registration and Records Specialist  
Admissions and Records Office  
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](mailto:hr@palau.edu), or download forms at <http://pcc.palau.edu>.

"PCC is an Equal Opportunity Employer."

## ALUMNI NOTES

### CHANCE OLKERIIL DEMEI AUTOMOTIVE TECHNOLOGY



Mr. Chance Olkeriil Demei graduated with his AAS in Automotive Technology in Spring 2022. He has since left to U.S to enlist as a soldier. 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.



*Mesekiu's News*

Palau Community College

## Celebrating Birthdays

May 1 - May 5, 2024



Jack Meltel



Likiaklik Thomson

## RMI STUDENTS TOUR PCC CAMPUS



On April 12, 2024, students and teachers from Ebeye Island in the Republic of the Marshall Islands came to PCC for a tour given by the Associated Students of PCC (ASPCC). They had been planning their trip since freshmen year and finally made it happen. Thank you for visiting and enjoy your stay in Palau.

## PCC Endowment

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

P.O. BOX 9

Koror, Palau 96940

Phone: 488-2470/2471 (ext. 251/252)

e-mail: [tellei@palau.edu](mailto: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.



APRIL IS NATIONAL  
**AUTISM**  
AWARENESS  
MONTH

stamp here