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CYBERSECURITY AWARENESS & AI TRAINING ON CAMPUS



Ms. Johvanna Yaoch, PCC Computer Analyst, giving the lecture to PCC faculty and staff

On May 21 to May 22, 2024, the Palau Community College (PCC) Computer Services Division, in collaboration with the Center for Teaching Excellence, conducted a Cybersecurity Awareness/Internet Safety and AI training to the PCC staff and faculty. In the modern world today, there have been millions of unsafe links shared everywhere. The PCC Computer Services Division and Center for Teaching Excellence aimed to have the training as a way of teaching the safest ways to keep institution and personal technologies from getting affected by scammers. Along with Ms. Johvanna Yaoch to deliver the training are instructor Mr. Raymund Yutis and computer services staff Mr. Shinji Higa and Mr. Alik Ulechong. The training covered the common types of cyber attacks, how to detect them, what to do, and also introduce Artificial Intelligence (AI) to the staff. The AI introduced was Chatgpt, which makes doing work efficient, as well as Copilot, which can assist in drawings. There has been instances where other profiles in Facebook pretend to be PCC to false advertise credits and tuition, and this training shed light on how to handle situations like those. Thank you, Computer Services Division and Center for Teaching Excellence for the insightful training.

YAP CRE STAFF VISIT PALAU



Ms. Lei Rechelluul, Ms. Jacqueline Loomrang, Mr. Devon Mirey, PCC President Dr. Tellei, Ms. Viviancella Ken, Mr. Perkins Waayan, and Director Lyndon Masami

On May 21, 2024, PCC President Dr. Patrick Tellei met with PCC Cooperation Research and Extension (CRE) and Yap CRE. The impact of climate change has led Micronesia to look toward sustainable aquaculture development in the islands. Yap is one of the island in the western pacific that is trying to revive its marine resources, specifically giant clams (*Tridacna gigas* and *Hippopus porcellanus*). Therefore, Yap CRE, under the COM Land Grant, collaborated with the PCC-CRE Aquaculture division and purchased 30 *T.gigas* "Otkang" and 30 *H. porcellanus* "Duadou" from two local clam farmers (Mr. Billy Watson and Mr. Kenneth Mereb). On May 21, 2024, four Yap CRE staff members (Jacqueline Loomrang, Viviancella Ken, Devon Mirey and Perkins Waayan) arrived in Palau to assist PCC-CRE aquaculture staff members with the cleaning and shipping process. The next day, seven Styrofoam boxes filled with 60 live clams plus one gonad sample were safely packed and inspected by a Bureau of Fisheries staff member. The boxes were then transported to the airport, where they were shipped out to Yap along with the Yap CRE staff members.

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NGERMID HEADSTART FIELD TRIP TO PCC-CRE FACILITIES



Students, ages 3-5 years old

On May 16, 2024, Ngermid Headstart had a field trip to the Research and Development Station and the Multi-Species Hatchery in Ngeremlengui. A total of 19 students plus their parents toured the facilities and saw many different vegetables, fruits, pigs and chickens, and marine species (shrimp, rabbitfish, mangrove crab). One parent expressed their excitement as this was the first ever field trip for Ngermid Headstart students. Thank you Ngermid Headstart and parents for visiting PCC-CRE's facilities!

NOONTIME SEMINAR: DR. THERESA KREIF



Dr. Theresa Kreif giving her presentation

On May 27, 2024, Dr. Theresa Kreif, MSW, LSW University of Hawaii Thompson School of Social Work & Public Health, visited PCC to discuss the opportunities that college students have with University of Hawaii at Manoa, specifically in Social Work and Public Health. Dr. Kreif is a professional social worker and in her presentation, she went in to details on what it takes to be a good social worker. With regards to education, social work is flexible because it branches out to psychology, counseling, and sociology. There are hundreds of jobs a social worker can work at. Now that PCC has signed an MoU with University of Hawaii at Manoa, social work degrees and many other degrees, as well as job opportunities, are now available to anyone who is interested. Thank you for flying all the way here to give this presentation, Dr. Kreif.

PHS PRACTICUM AND MENTORING STUDENTS COMPLETE THEIR PRO-



PCC Agriculture students, PHS Seniors, PHS Juniors with Agriculture instructor Frederick Ikertang

A total of 8 Palau High School (PHS) seniors completed their practicum program on May 24, 2024. The 8 seniors are Marlon Bautista, Iara Ngiruos, Limei Orukei, Cole Sato, Jovan Takada, Marley Edeluchel, Ruruul Hasinto, and Tamrad Ngirakesau. They started on January 22, 2024 and worked from 12:30 PM to 3:30 PM participating in various agriculture and aquaculture activities. The seniors also worked with PCC AG students in various activities in horticulture and livestock. They also peer-mentored 8th graders in greenhouse and garden activities. We would like to thank the seniors for their hard work, and we wish them an early congratulations! We hope you learned a lot and we wish you all the best in your future endeavors!

From May 20-24, 2024, four (4) PHS juniors completed their mentoring program with PCC-CRE. The students' names are Malvern Trolii, Angel Theodore, Joselly Roduk, and Wade Haruo. They were also immersed in various agriculture and aquaculture activities and worked with the seniors in the field, in the lab, and at the hatchery. It was a great experience to have PCC AG students, PHS Seniors, and PHS Juniors working together in various field activities. Peer-mentoring is something we strive for to develop more youth engagement and development in research and extension work.

To our students, we are rooting for you!



Former Student Trustee Mr. Weber Santiago receiving the donation

PCC would like to thank the Emergency Medical services (EMS) for their donation during the EMS week. PCC thanks you for all your hard work and services!

BITS AND PIECES...

Tan Siu Lin PCC Library

Hours of Operation

Monday to Friday 8:00AM - 5:00 PM

Saturday 9:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Sunday & National Holidays CLOSED

For more information, call: 488-3540.

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Academic Calendar

June 3

New Student Orientation

June 6-7

Late Student Registration

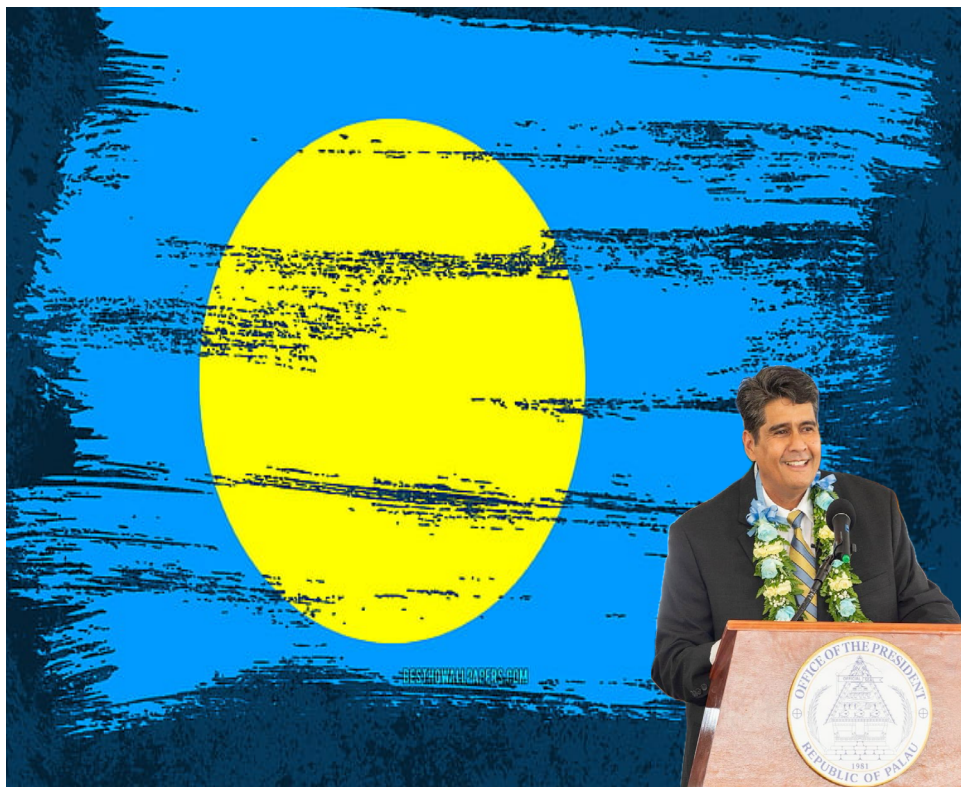
June 10

First Day of Instruction

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 or 252) for more information.

HAPPY PRESIDENT'S DAY!



June 1, 2024

Earn Your HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA

through PCC Adult High School Program

To apply you must:

- be a Palauan Citizen.
- be 18 yrs. old or older.
- have not earned a high school, GED or HiSet diploma.

Registration

Registration is ongoing until June 10, 2024.

Orientation

June 7, 2024

First Day of Instruction

Classes will begin on Monday, June 10, 2024. Adult High School classes meet from Monday through Thursday, from 8:30 AM to 3:00 PM during the day and 6:00 PM to 8:30 PM.

For more information, call CE Office at 488-2471 ext. 267

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, or download forms at <http://pcc.palau.edu>.

“PCC is an Equal Opportunity Employer.”

Celebrating Birthdays

June 3- June 9, 2024



Sasha Kyota



Volette Polloi



Carol Masao



Direng B. Emesiochel

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.

ALUMNI NOTES

SABINO KYOTA JR.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE



Mr. Sabino Kyota Jr. graduated with his AS in Criminal Justice this Spring 2024. He has been working in the Bureau of Public Safety for a long time. Congratulations on all your achievements and thank you for your service!



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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 *Mesekiu's News* issues.



Please Hire PCC Graduates!

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