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# Palau Community College

## MESEKIU'S NEWS



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Weekly Newsletter

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## PCC LIBRARY WRAPS UP ITS SUMMER ACTIVITY

### 7<sup>TH</sup> ESB CTF 75 24.2 COLLABORATES

### WITH THE COLLEGE



*Dr. Pamela Hernandez from the Palau Animal Welfare Society (PAWS) with the students*

The annual library Summer Activity Program started on June 24th and concluded on June 30th, 2024. Nineteen (19) kids aged 7 to 11 attended the free one-week program at the Tan Siu Lin PCC Library. Each day of the week was filled with educational, interactive activities, including reading activities, simple STEM projects, crafting the solar system, and journal-making. These learning activities helped students enhance their reading comprehension, creativity, and team-building skills. The program participants also looked forward to the scavenger hunt. The focus of this year's scavenger hunt was for the students to explore some of the collections in the library. The winners of the Library Scavenger Hunt were Aya O. Wilkie and Beltikerreng Reke-mesik. In addition to these fun activities, our young program participants were fortunate to attend insightful presentations—one about solid waste management and another about responsible pet care. From Koror State Government-Solid Waste Management Office (KSG-SWM), Ngirbechat Arsenio enlightened the students about mindful practices with waste management. Students also learned to plant herbs in biodegradable plant pots with SWM's very own potting soil. On Friday, June 28th, Dr. Pamela Hernandez, Ebsang Taima, and Cinna Ruamtin from the Palau Animal Welfare Society (PAWS)-

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*Physical Plant Director Clement Kazuma, members of the ESB, and PCC President Dr. Patrick U. Tellei*

On June 26, 2024, the 7<sup>th</sup> Engineer Support Battalion (ESB) CTF 75 24.2 visited the college to meet with Palau Community College (PCC) President Dr. Patrick U. Tellei and Physical Plant Director Clement Kazuma. The people standing include Physical Plant Director Kazuma, Sgt. Kemp, David, LCPI Nans, Mathew, CPI Lopes, Kalealani, Sgt. Preston Seth, and PCC President Dr. Tellei. The two on the bottom are CPI Rodriguez Gutierrez, Gusten and LCPI Marks, Erik. As the previous 7<sup>th</sup> ESB CTF 75 24.1 has recently left after their time here in Palau, this new unit will take their place. The college is grateful for the previous Battalion as they accomplished many projects while here and is excited to complete many other work with this new Battalion. The meet was for both parties to familiarize themselves with each other, discuss upcoming projects, and to welcome them to Palau and PCC. PCC thanks them for supporting the college.



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Koror State Government-Solid Waste Management Office (KSG-SWM), Ngirbechat Arsenio with the students



PCC Library Director Cecil Meteolechol with the students delivered an insightful presentation about being responsible pet owners or guardians. The highlight of their presentation was Chica, their fur companion and mascot. The PCC Library extends its appreciation to the staff, student workers, and presenters whose efforts made this year's summer activity successful.

## GLOBUS TRADING COMPANY DONATES TO PCC



Mr. Danny Buxani, Ms. Anna Sakuma, Director Harriette Herman, and PCC President Dr. Patrick U. Tellei

On July 1, 2024, Mr. Danny Buxani and Ms. Anna Sakuma from Globus Trading Company visited PCC President Dr. Tellei to present their donation to the PCC endowment fund. Director of Development Harriette Herman, who is responsible for the college's endowment fundraiser, was there to receive the donation with President Dr. Tellei. Globus Trading Company has been a big supporter of the college's endowment fund for a long time and continuously donate. PCC Board of Trustees, staff, faculty and students thank them for their commitment, support, and generous donations that will be for the benefit of the college, its students and the community.

## COURTESY VISIT OF JAPAN EMBASSY IN PALAU'S NEW COUNSELOR



Mr. Ono Shunsuke with PCC President Dr. Patrick U. Tellei

On June 28, 2024, Mr. Ono Shunsuke, the new Counselor of Japan's Embassy in Palau, visited PCC President Dr. Patrick U. Tellei. It was a courtesy visit for Mr. Ono Shunsuke to familiarize himself with our island and its only college. It's his first time in Palau and we welcome him. PCC looks forward to assisting and working with him in the future. Thank you for visiting.

## PCC EDUCATIONAL TALENT SEARCH PROGRAM AND PICRC STEM SUMMER CAMP 2024

Written by: Demy Emesiochel



Students with PICRC staff and instructor Vernice Yuzi

A one-week STEM Summer Camp has been designed for participants in the Palau Community College Educational Talent Search Program (ETS) in partnership with the Palau International Coral Reef Center (PICRC). From all of our target schools, 17 students took part in the camp. The following are some of the things the students were able to study about marine science: reef fisheries monitoring, ecology of different species, introduction to the PNMS and research overview, Ocean Exploration Trust ship-to-shore interaction, mangrove research presentation, Ngiwal mangrove cruise, Kayak, and hike to waterfall, field trip: Snorkeling in Ngermid bay, field trip: Kayangel coastal clean-up and Student Award Ceremony.

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# BITS AND PIECES...

## Tan Siu Lin PCC Library

### Hours of Operation

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

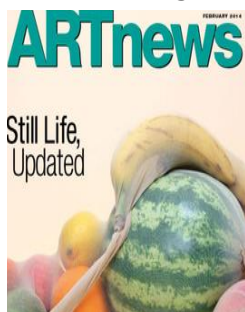
Saturday 9:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Sunday & National  
Holidays CLOSED

For more information, call:  
488-3540.

### AVAILABLE TO INTERESTED READERS:

#### ARTnews



*ARTnews is an American art magazine, based in New York City. It covers visual arts from ancient to contemporary times. It is the oldest and most widely distributed art magazine in the world.*

## Academic Calendar

### July 9

Holiday-Constitutional Day

### July 12

Last Day for All Withdrawals

### July 15

Registration for Fall 2024 Begins

## 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 [hberman@palau.edu](mailto:hberman@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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*Students during one of their field trips*



*Student awarding ceremony*

The students had the opportunity to participate in hands-on activities with their peers and learn more about marine science during the entire week. Although some of the students had never visited the waterfall, we are pleased that we had the opportunity to tour Ngiwal's Waterfall. The students learned about the various animals and plants that call the mangroves home. Over the entire week, the camp was a huge success, and we can't wait for the next one.

## NOONTIME SEMINAR: YOUTH-TO-YOUTH PROGRAM BY BANGIKOI SOCIETY



*Bangikoi Society members with guest, PCC President, staff, students and faculty*

On July, 1, 2024, the Bangikoi Society, in partnership with the Division of Behavioral Health, Ministry of Human Health and Services, and Palau Behavioral Health Advisory Council, visited the college to give a seminar. The purpose of the Bangikoi (Butterfly in English) Society is to be a physical space for the youth by the youth to steer them in the right direction in life. They offer mentorship programs, capacity building, strengthening families program, and do various projects such as Project Klemat: The Youth Leadership Initiative. The seminar began with opening remarks from Minister of MHHS, Mr. Gaafar Uherbelau where he discussed his life decisions that led him to now. He reiterated that it's not the result of the actions that matter, but what you choose to do with those results that makes the difference. After Minister Uherbelau was Ms. Shuri Chibana, who has been a member of the society since 2021-2022. She attend University of Hawaii at Manoa majoring in Psychology, which is why she is fascinated with helping and encouraging the youth to promote education, healthy lifestyles, etc. The Bangikoi Society does their work based on data they get from surveys given to the Palauan Youth. PCC thanks them for their time and is excited to witness their society grow and succeed.

## 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>.

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## Celebrating Birthdays

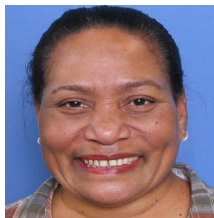
July 8 - July 14, 2024



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## PCC Endowment

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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

### OMKEDELAD ITO

#### LIBERAL ARTS



Ms. Omkedelad Ito graduated with her AA in Liberal Arts this Spring 2024. She has been working at WIOA since 2023. In Fall 2024, she will attend University of Hawaii at Hilo. Congratulations on all your achievements!



### Please Hire PCC Graduates!

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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.

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