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# Palau Community College

## MESEKIU'S NEWS



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## PCC HOLDS 2024 THANKSGIVING ENDOWMENT FUNDRAISER



*Members of the Ngara Maiberel women's group who attend the fundraiser every year to show their support*

On November 27, 2024, Palau Community College (PCC) held its Annual Thanksgiving Endowment Fundraising. PCC President Dr. Tellei, Student Trustee Ms. Suanda Obakerbau, Associated Students of PCC and members of the Executive Committee gave remarks via live radio talkshow courtesy of the Ministry of State "Eco Paradise 87.9 FM Radio." The college fundraising event was able to raise over \$73,000 due to the support of the community members who purchased raffle tickets at \$10 each and cash donations from local businesses, elected government leaders, individuals, and local women's group. Some local businesses also donated in-kind prizes for the raffle drawing to help with the fundraiser. This year, the college fundraising had a total of 60 prizes including the Baby Grand Prize and Grand Prize. The Grand Prize, same as last year, is a 14' x 24' Summer House valued at \$8,500 with a \$200 cash prize. This year the winner of the first prize went to Ngarachamayong (chainsaw with Palauan CD and cassette), Baby Grand Prize went to the Women's Group Ngara Maiberel (Twin tub washer), and the grand prize went to National Development Bank (NDBP). Thank you, Palau, for all your support!

## TAIWAN DIGITAL OPPORTUNITY CENTER HANDOVER CEREMONY



*Minister Kaleb Udoi, Jr., Her Excellency Ambassador Jessica Lee, Dean Hilda Reklai of Student Services, and President Dr. Patrick U. Tellei with the donated technology*

On November 21, 2024, the Ambassador of the Republic of China- Taiwan, Her Excellency Ambassador Jessica Lee, Minister of Finance Kaleb Udoi Jr., and PCC President Dr. Patrick U. Tellei along with a few members of the PCC Executive Committee joined together at PCC Chibokill Conference/Training room for a handover ceremony of the Taiwan Digital Opportunity Center (TDOC). The college is very fortunate and grateful to have received twenty-one (21) laptops, one (1) projector, one (1) router, and one (1) printer from Her Excellency Ambassador Lee. TDOC has been running for almost a year now, helping and assisting PCC students, staff and faculty, as well as outside guests in using the equipments when utilizing the Chibokill facilities. The PCC Board of Trustees, President, students, staff and faculty extend their heartfelt gratitude to the Embassy of the Republic of China-Taiwan, in Palau, and Her Excellency Ambassador Jessica Lee for all their assistance and support to the college.

*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 LIBRARY STAFF AT PIALA



*PIALA participants*

On December 3, 2024, the opening ceremony of the 33<sup>rd</sup> Annual PIALA Conference, “Indigenizing Libraries, Archives, and Museums in the Pacific,” was held at the Guam Museum in Hågatña, Guam. During the ceremony, the PIALA Association and Guampe-dia honored the legacy of Toni “Malia” Ramirez by presenting the family with the Lifetime Achievement Award. We thank PCC Library’s Ms. Nikita Adachi and Ms. Merii Besebes for attending on behalf of the college.

## PCC STAFF AND BOT AT APAFS



*APAFS participants*

The Annual Asia Pacific Association for Fiduciary Studies (APAFS) Fiduciary Events Week (FEW) officially commenced on November 18, 2024, at the New World Makati Hotel, Philippines. PCC Vice President Jay Olegeriil, Executive Assistant to the President Ms. Vera Kanai, and Board of Trustees members were all able to attend this year’s conference. It has been 17 years since BrandSpeakAsia has been organizing this conference and every year, many high-ranking officials of Palau and the college attend to gain more knowledge about important topics in the world today.

## THANKSGIVING ENDOWMENT FUNDRAISING MOMENTS



*Mindszenty High School Principal Alan Marbou presenting their donation to PCC Endowment*



*Members of the Palau Veterans Association with ASPCC President Elect and Student Trustee*



*Mr. Tom Bowling from Pacific Oceans Explorer Inc. presenting their donation to the college*



*CTE Students with their Instructor Bradley Augustine presenting their donation*



*Pastor Jon Clapp presenting the donation of Omkulul a Biblia to Student Trustee and ASPCC President*



*Mrs. Kiruu Kanai presenting Bem Ermii Burgers & Fries donation*



*PCC President Dr. Tellei, ASPCC President and Student Trustee receiving donation from Mr. Danny Buxani from GLOBUS*



*Mr. Villiany Thomas presenting his donation to ASPCC President Ms. Shamira Cruz and Student Trustee Suanda Obakerbau*



*Kemedool Ben Tellei with PCC Student Trustee Ms. Suanda Obakerbau*

## 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.

#### AVAILABLE TO INTERESTED READERS: MOTOR TREND



Read to get the latest in car news and have editor curated stories sent directly to your inbox.

### Academic Calendar

**December 13**  
Grades due by 11am

**December 16-20**  
Placement Testing for Spring  
2025

**December 25**  
Holiday-Christmas 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](mailto:hherman@palau.edu). Articles from MOC/PCC Alumni are also welcome. Please call 488-2470/2471 (extensions 251 or 252) for more information.

## PCC BUSINESS LAW CLASS HOLDS STUDENTS DEBATE AT ASSEMBLY HALL



*Business Law students discussing their topics*

On December 4, 2024, PCC Business Administration students enrolled in BU 214 "Business Law" held a student debate on more contentious issues in Palau. BU 214 course enables students to demonstrate knowledge they acquired from various theories of business law and put them into practice by debating on local issues pertinent to local the community. Two main topic assigned for this event were Topic #1: Is the imposition of traditional law "Bul" by the House of Traditional Leaders in Koror an effective solution to rising crime rates?, and Topic #2: Should Palau prioritize environmental laws over economic development projects? BU 214 instructor Frederick D. Mascardo served as the moderator while Director of Development Harriette Herman, Director of Library Services Cecil Meteolechol, Associate Dean Marianne Temaungil and Instructor Arlyn Ignacio served as the judges. The students were split into two teams, one served as the affirmative as the other was the opposition. The winners of topic one was the opposition team, while the affirmative team took the win on the second topic.

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#### "End-Of-The-Year Get Together Of All Bi-Weekly Contributors"

**When: Friday, December 27, 2024**

**Where: PCC Mesekiu Bai**

**Time: 11:30 a.m - 3:30 p.m.**

**Tax Refund Forms  
Are Available!**

**Each Contributor Will Receive  
2 Raffle Drawing Tickets & a  
Chance to Win Many  
Wonderful Prizes**



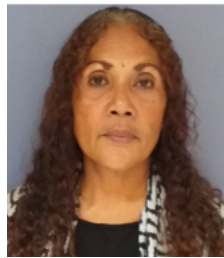
## VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

- (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 Instructor  
*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
- (8) Administrative Assistant  
*Upward Bound Program*  
Salary range: \$12,001 - \$21,312 per annum
- (9) Accounting Technician (Payroll)  
*Administration Department (Business Office)*  
Salary ranges: \$13,081-\$23,230 per annum

## Celebrating Birthdays December 9 - December 15, 2024



*Dawkins Dingilius*



*Rolmii Aderkeri*

## VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

- (10) Accounting Technician (Receivable)  
*Administration Department (Business Department)*  
Salary range: \$13,081-\$23,230 per annum
- (11) Financial Aid Counselor  
*Student Services - Office of Financial Aid*  
Salary range: \$12,049 - \$20,607 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."**

## **PCC Endowment**

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To SUPPORT,  
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If you want to join the Bi-Weekly  
Allotment Program, contact us NOW!

Interested in Learning Trans-  
ferrable Media and Marketing  
skills? Volunteer with the PCC  
Development Office. Stop by at  
the Dort building to sign-up.

## **ALUMNI NOTES**

**DAHLIA RACHEAL RENEE FABIAN**  
**NURSING**



Ms. Dahlia Fabian graduated with her AAS this Spring 2024. She now works as a Nurse at the Belau National Hospital. Congratulations on all your achievements and thank you for helping Palau.



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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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