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WELDING INSTRUCTOR WHO BUILT THE PACIFIC MINI GAMES CAULDRON WINS GRAND PRIZE AT PCC THANKSGIVING ENDOWMENT FUNDRAISER



FROM LEFT TO RIGHT: GRAND PRIZE WINNER, PCC WELDING INSTRUCTIONAL ASSISTANT MR. ROX B. GUNAYAN, ALONGSIDE PCC PRESIDENT DR. PATRICK U. TELLEI.

On November 26, 2025, Palau Community College (PCC) hosted its Annual Thanksgiving Fundraiser at the PCC Mesekiu Bai and Courtyard, gathering community members, local organizations, and businesses to support a noble cause. The event featured notable attendees such as Bilung Gloria Salii, former ambassador Dilmei Olkeriil, Dr. Dever, with PCC President Dr. Patrick U. Tellei, Board of Trustees Chairperson Ms. Alvina Timarong, Student Trustee Kara Rechelulk, ASPCC President Righteous Adaba, and members of the Executive Committee. The Ngara Maiberel women's group was also present, as they have been dedicated supporters

of the endowment fundraiser for many years.

The event was broadcast live on "Eco Paradise 87.9 FM Radio" in collaboration with the Ministry of State, and included updates on college programs, the announcement of raffle prizes, and live fundraising progress.

Thanks to the generosity of community members, organizations, and businesses that purchased \$10 tickets and made cash donations, this year's fundraiser successfully raised over \$76,000. Local businesses also

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PRESIDENTIAL HIGHLIGHT



(FRONT L-R) DR. NICOLE YAMASE AND PCC PRESIDENT DR. PATRICK U. TELLEI. (BEHIND) PCC AND HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS ATTENDING THE SCREENING OF THE REMATHAU DOCUMENTARY FILM

Dr. Yamase Visits Palau Community College for Documentary Screening

On November 20, 2025, Dr. Nicole Yamase visited Palau Community College, where she met with PCC President Dr. Patrick U. Tellei, Dean Hedrick Kual of the Continuing Education department, and science faculty members, Associate Professor Vernice Yuji and Dr. Rilang Roberto.

The visit included a screening of the documentary *Remethau: People of the Ocean*, which took place on November 24 at the New Science Building Theater. The event attracted high school students from across Palau, who were invited to watch the film. Following the screening, Dr. Yamase held an engaging Q&A session, expressing her excitement to share the film with her fellow Micronesians. *Remethau* has been well-received, having reached over 1,000 students in Hawaii and earned the prestigious Pasifika award at the Hawaii International Film Festival.

Palau Community College Board of Trustees Attends 23rd Pacific Region Investment Conference



AN APAFS CONFERENCE UNDERWAY, WITH A PANELIST PRESENTING THEIR INSIGHTS

DANIEL ROLAND OF RAYMOND JAMES & ASSOCIATES TALKS WITH JAY OLEGERIL, VICE PRESIDENT OF PCC ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE

Members of the Palau Community College Board of Trustees attended the 23rd Pacific Region Investment Conference hosted by the Asia Pacific Association for Fiduciary Studies from November 18–21, 2025, joining more than 360 delegates from six countries. The conference featured panel discussions on the expanding role of artificial intelligence (AI) in

the global economy, including insights from leading investment firms. Participants also emphasized a strong commitment to responsible investing across the Pacific region, highlighting the importance of applying fiduciary best practices to evolving market trends.

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contributed in-kind donations for raffle prizes, which were greatly appreciated.

Notable winners included the Palau Conservation Society, which won the first prize of a Husqvarna Bushcutter, a 1-gallon gas can, an orange trimmer line (142 ft), and a Skobang, courtesy of Tiuladokow Woodshop, along with \$150 in cash. The Baby Grand prize was awarded to the Koror State Legislature, featuring a Whirlpool Twin Tub washer and \$200 in cash. The Grand Prize, a stunning 14' x 24' summer house valued at \$9,000, went to PCC Instructor Mr. Rox Gunayan.

PCC extends its heartfelt gratitude to all the sponsors for the unwavering support from the community towards the college's endowment fund and congratulates all the raffle winners.

Moments Captured at the Thanksgiving Endowment Fundraiser



PALAU BEHAVIORAL HEALTH ADVISORY COUNCIL CHAIR ELENITA BREL PRESENTS DONATION WITH STUDENT TRUSTEE KARA RECHELULK, PCC BOT CHAIR ALVINA TIMARONG AND PCC PRESIDENT DR. TELLEI



DR. SINTON SOALABLA AND MR. DANNY BUXANI OF GLOBUS PRESENTING THEIR DONATION WITH STUDENT TRUSTEE KARA RECHELULK, PCC BOT CHAIR ALVINA TIMARONG AND PCC PRESIDENT DR. TELLEI



CTE STUDENTS, ACCOMPANIED BY THEIR INSTRUCTOR, BRADLEY AUGUSTINE, PRESENT THEIR DONATION ALONGSIDE STUDENT TRUSTEE KARA RECHELULK AND ASPCC PRESIDENT RIGHTEOUS ADABA



BILUNG GLORIA SALII AND FORMER AMBASSADOR DILMEI OLKERIL PRESENTS THEIR DONATIONS WITH STUDENT TRUSTEE KARA RECHELULK AND ASPCC PRESIDENT RIGHTEOUS ADABA



UNITED STATES ARMED FORCES VETERANS ASSOCIATION OF PALAU OFFICERS PRESENTING THEIR ORGANIZATION'S DONATION ALONGSIDE STUDENT TRUSTEE KARA RECHELULK AND ASPCC PRESIDENT RIGHTEOUS ADABA.



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BITS AND PIECES

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7:30 AM to 7:00 PM

Friday
8:00 AM to 5:00 PM

Saturday
9:00 AM to 1:00 PM

*Closed on Sundays and National Holidays

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ACADEMIC CALENDAR

DECEMBER 12 (F)
GRADES DUE BY 11:00 AM



We sincerely appreciate your continued support of our endowment fundraising efforts. We are delighted to announce that, together, we have successfully raised over \$76,000. Thank you for your invaluable contribution to this important initiative.

TRIVIA QUESTION

To solve this riddle, you'll need to visit the PCC Main Campus:

*I stand with arms open, no need for a key,
A place where all minds are welcome to be.
No matter your journey, your past, or your name,
Here, every learner is treated the same.
Step through my doors and follow your goal,
With staff and teachers cheering your way,
What kind of place invites you to stay?*

No trivia question this week. Please stay tuned for updates.

@ Your Mission:

Take a selfie with someone from this office (ask permission)
Submit the photo (read the guideline)

Trivia Submission Guideline

Only PCC students are eligible to participate.

To submit your answers, use your @palau.edu email and send them to okokichi@palau.edu. The lucky winner will be contacted to claim their prize.
If you don't have access to your @palau.edu email, please visit the PCC Computer Services Office in the Ukall Building for assistance.

Vacancy Announcement

(1) *Federal Work Study Coordinator*
Student Services Division - Office of
Financial Aid
 Salary Range: \$16,010 - \$28,280 per
 annum

(2) *Administrative Assistant,*
Student Services Division - Dorm
 Salary Range: \$12,001 - \$21,312 per
 annum

(3) *Accounting Technician (Payroll),*
Administration & Finance
Department - Business Office
 Salary Range: \$13,081 - \$23,230 per
 annum

(4) *Financial Aid Counselor,*
Student Services Division - Office of
Financial Aid
 Salary Range: \$12,049 - \$20,607 per
 annum

(5) *Dean of Academic Affairs,*
Academic Affairs Division
 Salary Range: \$21,911 - \$38,911 per
 annum

(6) *Instructor, English*
Academic Affairs Division
 Salary Range: \$16,010 - \$28,280 per
 annum

For more vacancies and to apply,
 please visit:
[https://pcc.palau.edu/about/jobs-
 pcc/](https://pcc.palau.edu/about/jobs-pcc/)

*"PCC is an Equal Opportunity
 Employer."*

Celebrating Birthday

Dec 05 - Dec 11, 2025



**Danka
Lendgerwood**



**Dawkins
Dingilius**



**Abigail
Esebei**

HOLIDAY WREATH CONTEST

CALLING ALL PCC DEPARTMENTS,
DIVISIONS, AND OFFICES!

**SHOW YOUR
CREATIVITY!**

Join this fun and festive challenge by
designing a unique holiday wreath
made entirely from recycled materials.

HOW IT WORKS

- Call or email the PCC Human Resources Division to register your department, division, or office for this contest.
- Each participating department, division, or office will create one (1) wreath using only recycled materials.
- Wreaths will be displayed on campus and photos posted online on PCC's Facebook Page.
- Everyone will get a chance to vote online for their top three (3) favorite wreaths.
- The top three (3) wreaths will win great prizes!

IMPORTANT DATES

- Submission Deadline: Dec. 17, 2025
- Online Voting Opens: Dec. 18, 2025
- Voting Platform: PCC's Facebook Page
- Winners announced: During our Annual Christmas Luncheon

**SPREAD THE
HOLIDAY CHEER!**

Bring your creativity, teamwork, and festive spirit. Let's make this a fun, friendly, and joyful competition!

For more information, please contact PCC Human Resources Division at ext. 227 / 228 or hr@pcc.palau.edu

ALUMNI NOTES

Francis Dante



Francis Dante successfully attained his Associate of Science degree in Business Administration in the summer of 2025. Following this accomplishment, he secured a position as an Administrative Assistant at the PCC Admissions and Records Office, where he is currently employed. We extend our best wishes to him as he embarks on his professional journey.

PCC ENDOWMENT

**INVEST IN THE FUTURE
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 transferrable media and
 marketing skills? Volunteer with
 the PCC Development Office. Stop
 by at the Dort building to sign-
 up.**



**Please Hire PCC
 Graduates!**

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 pccdev@palau.edu

Articles from MOC/PCC Alumni are
 also welcome. Please call
 488-2470/2471 (extensions 251 or 252)
 for more information.