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Accrediting Commission Accepts Follow-Up Report

In June 2011, the Accrediting Commission for the Community and Junior Colleges (ACCJC) required Palau Community College to complete a Follow-Up Report by March 15, 2012 to address four recommendations. The recommendations were not to meet accreditation standards but for institutional improvements. The report was completed and submitted on time followed by an Evaluation Team visit from April 1-4, 2012.

At its June 2012 meeting, the ACCJC considered PCC's Follow-Up Report and the Evaluation Team Report and after determining that the college has sufficiently responded to the four recommendations and has in place appropriate structures, policies

and procedures to ensure institutional effectiveness, acted to accept PCC's Follow-Up Report. With this, the college's next report is the Midterm Report due to the Commission by March 15, 2013, a required report from all the colleges.

The action letter along with the Evaluation Team Report has been distributed throughout the college community, including the Board of Trustees. The two documents are also available on the college website (www.palau.edu).

On behalf of the entire college, Dr. Tellei would like to thank the Accreditation Steering Committee and the entire college com-

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2012 SKP Completed

The 2012 Summer Kids Program (SKP) came to an end on Friday, June 29, 2012. The program through the Continuing Education (CE) Office had students from 3rd grade through 8th grade who registered for SKP and took courses in Math, English - Reading & Writing, Palauan Orthography, Marine Science and Keyboarding. Each student received a certificate of achievement for completing the program.

To conclude their summer program, Instructors and CE staff planned a day

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BPS Workshop for UB Students



Students attending the Information Workshop.

On June 21, 2012, Upward Bound (UB) by Bureau of Public Safety's Division of students attended a workshop presented

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Happy Constitution Day Palau!

From the Board of Trustees, President, Faculty, Staff and Students.

Palau Community College is an accessible public educational institution helping to meet the technical, academic, cultural, social, and economic needs of the students and communities by promoting learning opportunities and developing personal excellence.

ALUMNI NOTES

Class of 2008

Jeremy Alonz



Earned his Associate of Applied Science (AAS) degree in General Electronics. He interned at PNCC, worked at Budget for 6 months, then decided to continue his education at the University of Guam, where he is pursuing his Public Administration degree.

Message: School is

hard but don't give up. Once you complete, you can choose a career in life that you enjoy.

Class of 2008

Janee Kloulechad



Earned her Associate of Applied Science (AAS) degree in Office Administration. She worked at Computer's Plus for 8 months then moved to Bureau of Immigration where she is currently an Immigration Officer. *Message: Continue your education and study hard to become successful.*

Class of 2011

Alexandra Patris



Earned her Associate of Applied Science (AAS) degree in Agricultural Science. She is working at Palau Pacific Resort in the Housekeeping Department as a Room Attendant. *Message: Study hard!*

Alumni Notes showcases MOC & PCC alumni who are positive role models and contribute to the quality of life in their local communities. If you are that alumnus/alumna or know someone who is, please contact the PCC Development Office at telephone number 488-2471. We would like to feature you in future issues of the *Mesekiu's News*.



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Celebrating Birthdays

Sheree Sengebau	Jul 09
Sesasrio Sewralur	Jul 11
Norma Etibek	Jul 12
Hilda Ngiralmu	Jul 14
Lesley Adachi	Jul 15

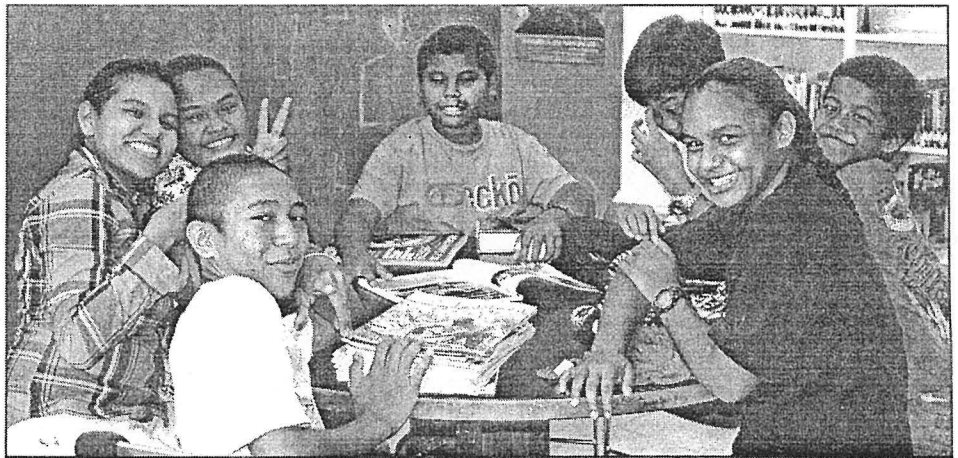
Happy Birthday To You!



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full of games, movies and more. Students were able to hang out with friends and teachers before having to say their farewells to each other.

The CE Office provides summer programs to children every year. For more information on programs offered at CE, contact 488-6223 or 488-2470 ext 237.



SKP participants have fun reading magazines at the Library.

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email: tellei@palau.edu

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Vacancy Announcement

- (1) English Instructor, Learning Resource Center
Salary range: \$14,802 - \$24,647 per annum
- (2) Math Instructor, Learning Resource Center
Salary range: \$14,802 - \$24,647 per annum
- (3) Counselor, Student Life Office
Salary range: \$12,650 - \$19,479 per annum
- (4) CHL Palau Outreach Educator
Salary range: \$12,653 - \$21,000 per annum
- (5) Researcher/Aquaculturist
Salary: \$30,000 per annum
- (6) Assistant Director of Admissions & Financial Aid
Salary range: \$16,010 - \$24,647 per annum

Vacancy Announcement

- (7) Librarian
Salary range: \$16,010 - \$24,647 per annum
- (8) Associate Professor, Business Accounting
Salary range: \$18,009 - \$27,725 per annum
- (9) Associate Professor, Library & Information Serv.
Salary range: \$18,009 - \$27,725 per annum
- (10) Instructor, Air Conditioning & Refrigeration
Salary range: \$16,010 to \$21,191 per annum

For application forms and information, please contact Karen Mobel at PCC Human Resources Office at 488-2470/71, ext. 227, email hr@palau.edu or download form at www.palau.edu

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BITS AND PIECES...

Internship Application

Application forms for Fall 2012 Internship Training are ready for pick up anytime during working hours from Monday to Friday. See Vincent Ito, Curriculum/Student Training Coordinator.

Deadline for submission: July 27, 2012

Information

Student Life Counselors will be holding workshops from 12pm - 12:45pm at the Assembly Hall.

July 2 - 4 Information Workshop
July 5, 10 & 11 Study Skills Workshop

Scholarship Information

Taiwan Fellowship

The Taiwan Fellowship is established by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MOFA) to award foreign experts and scholars interested in researches related to Taiwan, cross-strait relations, mainland China, Asia-Pacific region and Chinese studies to conduct advanced research at universities or academic institutions in Taiwan.

Application Period: May 1- July 15, 2012.

Online application:
<http://taiwanfellowship.ncl.edu.tw/>

Financial assistance:

- * Monthly grants
- * One round-trip, economy class ticket to Taiwan
- * Terms for fellowship are 3-12 months
- * Accident insurance

More information on website or contact the R.O.C. Embassy at 488-8150.

News/Stories Wanted

MESEKIUS NEWS welcomes stories/ articles/ announcements from students, faculty, and staff. Submission deadline is Monday at 4:30 p.m. in hard and electronic copies to adoraa@palau.edu, dilubchs@palau.edu and alvinam@palau.edu.

Please call ext. 250/252/253 if you intend to submit your article after Monday or for more information.

IYAIP 2012 Kicks Off On Campus

The International Youth Ambassador Interactive Program (IYAIP) is in its 3rd year of interactive program between Taiwan and Palauan youths. Beginning in 2009, the Republic of China's Ministry of Foreign Affairs have chosen students from a university in Taiwan to bring to Palau to meet with our young people for intensive interactive activities. This year, six students and one professor from the National Taiwan Normal University and 25 high school students from Palau High School, Emmaus High School, Mindszenty High School, Palau Mission Academy and Belau Modekngei School are involved in the cultural exchange. The two-week intensive program aims

to create and improve relationships, educate the youths and exchange cultural experiences include learning Mandarin, dances (Palauan & Taiwan), painting, music, martial arts, and other types of art.

During the opening ceremony, Ambassador Maggie Taiching Tien of the Embassy of the Republic of China gave a brief history of the Republic of China. Parents, community members and students are encouraged to come join the youths in their closing ceremony as they demonstrate what they have learned. The ceremony will be held at the PCC Cafeteria on July 13, 2012 from 6pm - 8pm.



Ambassador Maggie T. Tien giving a brief history of the ROC to students.

Welcome To New Employees



Sasha Lirow.

PCC welcomes three new employees. Joining our forces are PCC alumni Sasha Lirow, Accounting Technician and Demy Emesiochel, Accounting Technician. Lirow completed her Associate of Science (AS) degree in Business Accounting in 2010. She worked at Palau Trading Co. for a year and took time out to help family before returning back to Palau. Demy Emesiochel, a 2nd year student completing her internship at the Business Office, was hired 4 weeks into her internship program. Iloi Rabuka joins PCC as a



Iloi Rabuka

short term contract Nursing Instructor. She will be working along Nursing Instructors Terry Ngirmang and Damiana Kunihiro for the Fall 2012 Semester. Ms. Rabuka graduated from Fiji School of Nursing majoring in Public Health and is an Associate Professor at Fiji National University in the College of Medicine, Nursing & Health Science.

More information of PCC online



www.palau.edu



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Tellei Meets Dr. Byerley of UCSF

On June 28, 2012, Dr. Tellei met with Dr. William Byerley, Professor of Psychiatry at University of California - San Francisco. Dr. Byerley's visit was to interview Dr. Tellei about the late Dr. Antonio H. Polloi, who was a prominent doctor and a relative of Dr. Tellei. Dr. Byerley studied schizophrenia in Palau in the early 80's with the

assistance of Dr. Polloi. His work continued after the death of Dr. Polloi, leading to the publishing of manuscripts attributed to the assistance of Dr. Polloi, J. "Seba" Tiobech, Dr. Caleb Otto and others. He has conducted interviews of over 170 cases and their families including blood samples for gene mapping.



L-R: MOH staff Pearl Marimoto, Seba Tiobech, Dr. William Byerley & Dr. Patrick Tellei.

Cultural Summer Youth Program

The Cultural Summer Youth Program by the Koror State Government is held on PCC Campus each summer. Since June 11, 2012 youths participating in the program are seen learning about their cultural heritage. In the mornings, Dirrengchel Sariang Timulch instructs girls on weaving mats (*chedecholl*) using pandanus leaves (*such*) while Floriano Felix instructs the boys on weaving a trap

(*bub*) using bamboo and other local materials. In the afternoon, all participants join together to learn chants (*chesols*) from Dembert Obak and Dirrengchel. The chants include: *rebetii*, *omengesekes era rengalk*, *chesols* and more.

The program ends on July 20, 2012 when the participants will have the opportunity to showcase their newly acquired skills.



Students in a group project to build a "Bub".



Dirrengchel observes as students practice "Chesols".

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community for their participation in the accreditation process. More importantly, Dr. Tellei would like to acknowledge everyone's contributions to student learning and overall student success.

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Criminal Investigation & Drug Enforcement Officers John Gabriel and Jovian Adelbai. The topic was on negative effect of a student's criminal record on his/her college choices and opportunities. They focused on opportunities for continuing education outside of Palau being limited if a student has criminal record including misdemeanor. It was stressed that once an individual has a felony/misdemeanor record, one will not be allowed to enter the United States unless a visa is approved as required by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security. The officers also mentioned that Japan and Australia are looking into initiating the same entry requirements. They advise students to be law abiding citizens so they do not compromise their educational opportunities.

NEW BOOK

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