

ALUMNI NOTES

Class of 2005

Dana Antipas



Earned her Certificate of Achievement (CA) in Office Administration. She is a classroom teacher in Palau High School Special Education, beginning her career in 2008. *Message: Education is the key to succeed in life!*

Class of 2010

Katsumi Ngirchokebai



Earned her Associate of Science (AS) degree in Education-Elementary Education. She has been working in Special Education for the past 8 years. She was a Special Ed classroom teacher at KES from 2004 until 2010 and moved to PHS Special Ed to be a classroom

teacher. *Message: Do your best & never give up!*

Class of 2011

Aileen Sallel



Earned her Associate of Applied Science (AAS) degree in Office Administration. She is working at Gibbons Enterprises as the Assistant Secretary. *Message:*

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*.

Mesekiu's News
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Celebrating Birthdays

Vincent Ito	Aug 23
Clara Maile Andreas	Aug 24
Arlene Ignacio	Aug 24
Hamilton Maech	Aug 25
Diliaur Franz	Aug 26

Happy Birthday To You!

Fitness Activities You Can Join

Insanity Fitness Training

Where: PNOC
When: Mon - Fri at 5:00pm - 6:00pm
Moderator: Joe Chilton
Contact: 488-2470 ext. 245

Paddling

Where: Meyuns Ramp
When: M/W/F at 4:30pm - 6:00pm
Moderator: Tino Faatuaala
Contact: 488-6562

Ping Pong

Where: PNOC
When: T/F/Sat at 6:00pm - 9:00pm
Moderator: Samuel Saunders
Contact: 488-6562

Soccer

Where: PCC Track & Field
When: T/Th/Su at 4:30pm - 7:30pm
Moderator: Sergio Ngiraingas
Contact: 778-6021

Wrestling

Where: PNOC
When: Mon - Fri at 5:00pm - 7:00pm
Moderator: J. Tarkong & E. Elwais
Contact: 488-6562

Yoga

Where: Ngarachamayong Cultural Cntr.
When: Wed at 5:00pm - 6:00pm
Moderator: Ellen Marcia

Zumba

Where: Mindszenty Gym
When: MT/Th/F at 7:00pm - 9:00pm
Moderator: Marivic de Villa
Fee: \$2.00 per session

Judo

Where: PNOC
When: M/W 5:30pm - 7:30pm
T/Th 7:00pm - 8:00pm
Moderator: Ishmael Aguon
Contact: 775-3339
Fee: \$2.00 per month

Continuing Education Office

Learn to appreciate & utilize the natural and renewable resources of coconut leaves and master the basic skills of weaving mats, baskets & making leis from the Halik Island of Yap, FSM.

Mat Weaving

Fee: \$10.00
Time: 9am - 3pm (6 hrs)
Call 488-6223 to sign up!

Lei Making

Fee: \$10.00
Time: 8am - 12pm (4 hrs)
Call 488-6223 to sign up!

Basket Weaving

Fee: \$10.00
Time: 9am - 2pm (5 hrs)
Call 488-6223 to sign up!

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 & Refrigerations
Salary range: \$16,010 to \$21,191 per annum

For application forms and information, please contact Harline Haruo 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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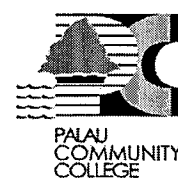
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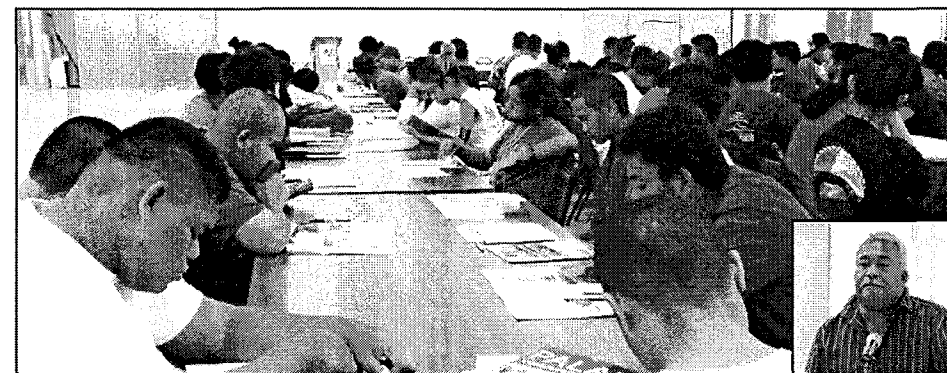


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2012 Fall Orientation & Registration



Dr. Tellei (inset) addresses students during orientation.

On August 08, 2012, New Student Orientation was held at the Cafeteria with over 95 students participating. Students were introduced to service providers in the Student Services division. They were informed of scholarship opportunities for specific ma-

jors by Dr. Patrick Tellei and VP Thomas Taro. Students had the opportunity to work with Admissions & Financial Aid to complete all required paper work. They were given a tour of the campus led by continuing education staff.

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Dean Chilton Meets Faculty For SY 2012

Welcome back Faculty! With summer over, the faculty returned to campus and met with Dean Tutii Chilton of Academic Affairs on August 03, 2012. Dean Chilton discussed the Academic Affairs Calendar, Fall 2012 Semester Calendar and the Academic Affairs Personnel Manual. He also spoke about the

new online grading system by the Registration & Records Office and how it works. He reminded the faculty of students with special needs, the use of advisory groups beginning this fall, and classroom management including rules and expectations for each class.

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Dean Chilton addressing the faculty.

Dr. Tellei On Radio Talk Show

August 9, 2012: Dr. Tellei appeared on the popular Radio Talk Show with Patrick Moses to kick off the new school year. He discussed the new school year and the programs available at Palau Community College, including the new programs Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) and Public Health program. He also discussed the recently inked MOU between PCC, Ministry of Health and the Fiji National University which enables the three parties to address and undertake health workforce activities designed to build local capacities. Dr. Tellei updated the public of the status of the PCC Endowment Funds which has reached \$2,300,000.00, only \$700,000.00 shy of the \$3 million Challenge for this year. The college continues to raise funds to reach this goal and those who wish to donate may contact Development Office at 488-2470 ext. 251/253. Tellei also spoke about the role of the community in higher education, especially the leadership and those who seek public office. He appealed to the community to consider individuals who support higher education and education in general. He cautioned the community to scrutinize the candidates to distinguish between true supporters of education and those who simply present themselves as such in order to gain votes. Finally, he encouraged those who have not registered to vote to register by the September 7th deadline.



Patrick Moses and Dr. Tellei in the studio (T8AA).

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.

Macimise Institute In Palau

Contributed by Epi Moses

The Macimise Program held its third annual meeting at Palau Community College this summer from July 22 to July 29. The first meeting took place in Saipan and the second meeting took place in Pohnpei. Macimise stands for Mathematics and Culture in Micronesia: Integrating Societal Experiences. One of the main objectives

of the program is to produce culturally relevant mathematics curriculum units for elementary grades 1, 4, and 7. The program also has a professional development component that will allow the participants to earn their Master's degrees or Doctorate degrees at University of Hawaii-Manoa.

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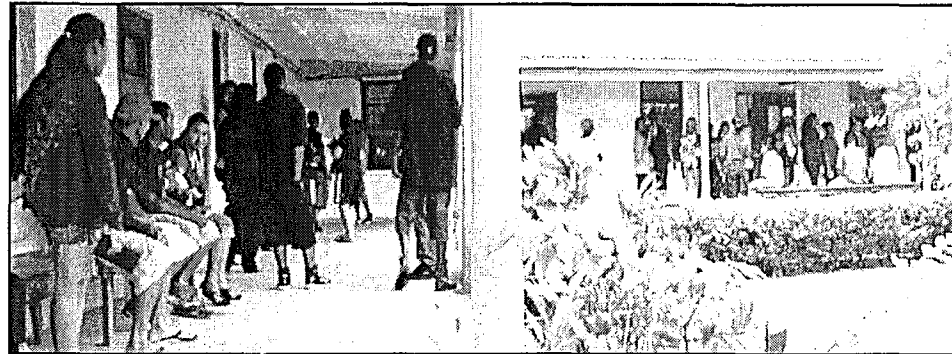
Participants of the Macimise Program with UH Professors.

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ing students who volunteered to show them the ropes around campus. After lunch, students were split into groups by majors and met with academic advisors to learn about their majors and their requirements. The new student orientation is designed to give students a "good start" and contribute to

their success in college.

Advising and Registration was on August 09-10, 2012. Continuing students who didn't pre-register and returning students met with advisors and registered for their classes.



Students lined up to pay their registration fee and get clearance to register.



Students packed into Student Life, awaiting their advisor's signature in order to register for their classes.

Science Instructors Attend Genetics Workshop

Science instructors Vernice Yuzi and Geraldine Rengiil visited the Kewalo Marine Laboratory, a partner in the Centers for Ocean Sciences Education Excellence (COSEE) Network, on August 6 - 8, 2012 to learn about genetic linkages. The 3 day workshop was a collaboration between community college instructors from the Pacific Islands and ocean scientist to provide for faculty to access the scientists, garnering curriculum support in integrating current ocean research into the courses at the community colleges. The faculty took part in the lectures and the hands-on laboratory activities involving population genetics and DNA extraction, marine management law and policy, and the tagging and biologging methods of studying the movement of marine animals.



Vernice Yuzi (center) doing a DNA extraction in the laboratory (Photo courtesy of Michael Hadfield).



Community college instructors from the Pacific Islands and ocean scientists (Photo courtesy of Michael Hadfield).

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He encouraged all faculty and adjunct instructors to meet with ALO Olikong on Aug. 06, 2012 to go over the Course Learning Outcomes (CLO) assessments, updates and reviews.

BITS AND PIECES...

Non Instrument Navigation

Classes for Sailing & Star Watching

Classes begin on Aug. 20, 2012 until May 20, 2013.

Long distance voyage to Yap and return begins on Nov. 15, 2012.

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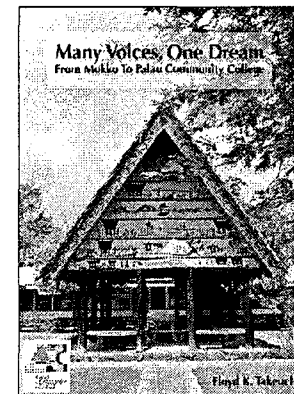
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MESEKIUS NEWS welcomes stories/ articles/ announcements from students, faculty, and staff. Submission deadline is Monday at 4:30 p.m. in hard and electronic copies to adoraa@palau.edu, dilubchs@palau.edu and alvinam@palau.edu.

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

ASDPH Launched This Fall 2012

On August 06, 2012, prospective students of the Associate of Science (AS) Degree in Public Health program convened in the PCC Assembly Hall as a first step in their application and enrollment process. Led by Dr. Cuboni of PIHOA, Minister Kuartei and President Tellei, the prospective students of mostly Ministry of Health (MOH) employees and few current PCC students were informed that as a duly approved program, interested students may now enroll in the program beginning this semester (Fall 2012), even though the program is currently under review by the Substantive Change Committee of the Commission. In attendance to support the MOH employees in their pursuit of an AS degree in Public Health were Director Maireng Sengebau (Bureau of Public Health), Elissa McKenzie (AusAid Volunteer at College of Health) and Coordinator Dorcas Ngriruchelbad (College of Health).

The program itself is unique that it focuses on problem based learning in which the issues students learn about arose from a community assessment done in Palau in 2003. Tutors who were involved in the assessment are tasked to assist students as they work on their courses. Dr. Tellei assured participants that PCC will assist those who wish to attain their educational goals. Assistance from PCC was provided by Admissions & Financial Aid Director Dahlia Katosang and Admissions Counselor Mekreos Silil took place on August 08, 2012 at the Health Enhancement Center (HEC), where students were informed of all requirements and the enrollment process, including federal financial aid application process.

The response of the MOH staff to the ASDPH program has been encouraging.



Discussion of the ASDPH program to interested MOH staff.

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The 22 participants comes from Palau, Yap, Guam, Chuuk, Pohnpei, Kosrae, Marshall Islands, American Samoa, and Hawaii. Ten participants are pursuing their Doctorate degrees and twelve are pursuing their Master's degrees. The two participants from Palau are Epimachus Moses (PCC, PhD) and Lucia Tabelual (Harris Elementary School, MEd). In addition to 9 professors (faculty members) from University of Hawaii, there were advisory members which included Arthur Powell (Rutgers University), Beatriz D'Ambrosio (Miami University), Shandy Hauk (WestEd), Betsy Brenner (UC Santa Barbara), Jerry Lipka (University of Alaska), Katherine Ratliffe (University of Hawaii), and Bill Barton (University of Auckland).

tested this coming school year in the various places across the Pacific where the student participants are from. The Master's degree students will implement and assess these curriculum units. In addition, the Doctoral students had a chance to take their comprehensive exams and work on their dissertation proposals.

On the last day, everyone agreed that it has been a productive week where most of the tasks have been completed successfully. The participants also acknowledge the hospitality and "sulung" to Palau Community College, Ministry of Education, Koror State, and Palasia Hotel for their generous support of the program. In addition, everyone agreed that Palau was a great place for the meeting. In fact, one of the program advisors said that Palau was a magical place that he is very happy he had a chance to visit.

The whole week was spent finalizing the curriculum units which will be pilot