

## ALUMNI NOTES

### Class of 2006

Begonia Tewid



Earned her Associate of Science (AS) degree in Education - Special Education. She transferred to University of Guam where she completed her Bachelor's degree in Special Education. She returned to Palau and continued her work at the Special Education while completing her masters degree at San Diego State University (SDSU) in 2011. *Message: It's never too late to go back to school and get a higher education.*

### Class of 2012

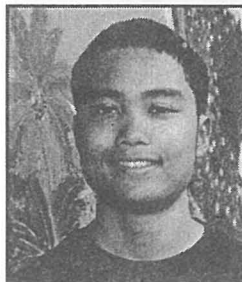
Dilmowais Rechirei



Earned her Associate of Science (AS) degree in Environmental/Marine Science. She was hired immediately at Mindszenty High School as the Science Teacher's Assistant. She is also the Freshmen class home-room teacher. *Message: Do your best to finish your education.*

### Class of 2012

Timothy Rafael



Earned his Associate of Applied Science (AAS) degree in Tourism & Hospitality - Tour Services. He is working now at Palau Pacific Resort as a Guest Service Agent. *Message: Stay in school, spend time with your families and friends and invest in your education.*

**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

Rogelio Vergara Sep 20  
Hedrick Kual Sep 23

Happy Birthday To You!

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Graduate School of USA was extensive, covering courses on basic to advance finance courses, auditing, and regulations. The training enhanced the staff's knowledge on new regulations; new tactics of keeping track of assets, revenue and finances; knowing new regulations for 2012 FY; and understanding what audi-

tors look for when they audit an institution. With everything moving forward technologically, it was important to train participants on transitions that will provide services that are customer friendly. Close to 300 participants throughout the region, including Palau learned and networked during the four-day training.

## Thanksgiving Endowment Fundraiser Coming Soon!

*Support the PCC Thanksgiving Endowment Fundraiser by purchasing your tickets for a chance to win fabulous prizes on November 21, 2012 (Wednesday).*

Contact Development Office at 488-2470/2471 ext. 251, 252, 253 for information.

Donations are tax deductible.

### 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](http://www.palau.edu)

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# Palau Community College



# MESEKIU'S NEWS



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## EducationUSA Center Opens On Campus



L-R: Minister Emesiochl, Ambassador Reed-Rowe, Director Edmond, Pioria Asito & Dr. Tellei.

On the agreed date, September 10, 2012, the EducationUSA Advising Center located at the PCC Library had its ribbon cutting ceremony. Dr. Patrick U. Tellei welcomed

the audience gathered to celebrate the opening of the center. Ambassador Helen Patricia Reed-Rowe of the US Embassy spoke EducationUSA cont'd on p.2

## Yap Scholarship Coordinator Meets Yap Students at PCC

Submitted by TessMarie Kodep



Yap students in a photo op with Brian Southwick of the Yap State Scholarship Office.

On September 04, 2012, Brian Southwick from the Yap State Scholarship Office met with PCC Yap students to discuss the Yap

State Scholarship requirements and the need for students to do well in school. He Yap cont'd on p.3

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## IAC Meets

Contributed by Deikola Olikong

The Institutional Assessment Committee (IAC) is a committee tasked with overseeing the college's assessment strategy which includes systematic program review, both academic and non-academic. IAC met on July 31st to review IAC tasks and responsibilities; review/approve August - December 2012 Meeting Schedule; revisit program review timetable; set new submission date for overdue program reviews; and identify additional departments/offices for the Program Review Timetable such as the Institutional Research Office and Accreditation Office. Once the Program Review Timetable is finalized, it will be communicated throughout the campus through the President.



L-R: Dean Tutii Chilton, Dean Sherman Daniel, AALO Marianne Temaungil and ALO Deikola Olikong. Not in the picture: IR Ligaya Sara and Dean Willy Wally.

## New Dorm Residents Tour Babeldaob

Contributed by Arlene Fel

On Sunday September 09 the new students from the dorm had an island tour around Babeldaob. The first stop was the national capitol at Melekeok where Dorm Manager Ephraim Ngirachitei gave them a brief history of the capitol. After the capitol visit, the students continued to Ngarchelong dock where they enjoyed their snacks and drinks provided by Student Life. Students were able to spend time together, enjoying the view while having their

snacks. The students, excited to be out of the dorms took pictures and simply enjoyed the outdoors. On the return trip to Koror, they had their last stop at the Japan - Palau Friendship Bridge where they took some more pictures and watch the sunset. All the new students had a great time, exploring Babeldaob and taking pictures for their memories. Thank you dorm managers, Nena George who drove the bus and Student Life for a fun filled cultural trip.



New dorm residents at the Capitol with Dorm Manager Ephraim Ngirachitei and AG Assistant Instructor Nena George.

## EducationUSA cont'd from p.1

about how the center came about, and the assistance that the US Embassy sees as important means for a student to achieve his/her goal in continuing post secondary education in the United States. Rosie Edmond, the Regional Director of the North East Asia & the Pacific spoke about how the center can provide services that will assist the community, both parents and students find the college that is the right fit for students. Minister Emesiochl gave a presentation about what Ministry of Education was doing in encouraging students to find services to assist them in their quest to achieve a college education.

EducationUSA provides advice to students and community members who wish to study in the United States by helping students find the right college, learn about the FAFSA and how to apply to colleges, including tips on writing a personal essay. Also available are webinars that deal with issues on getting into a school in the U.S.

For more information, visit the EducationUSA Center in the PCC Library or contact Pioria at 488-2470 ext. 230.



Rosie Edmond giving a brief description of services to those who toured the center.

## JOIN THE ENDOWMENT FUND TODAY!

Invest in the future of Our Students, Our College, and Our Nation  
To support, contact us today

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## BITS AND PIECES...

### Act of Congress Acoustic Rock Band

*Come and join the US Embassy, PVA, MCCA & PCC as they bring to you ACT OF CONGRESS, an acoustic rock band.*

#### Concert Schedules:

**September 19, 2012**  
*International Night*

**5pm - 9pm**  
**Bethlehem Park**

**September 20, 2012**  
*Concert*

**7pm - 9pm**  
**PCC Cafeteria**

## ELECTION TIME!

### Attention Students:

Don't forget to *VOTE* for your:

STUDENT TRUSTEE  
ASPPC OFFICERS

**VOTING IS ON: SEPTEMBER 19, 2012**

## New Endowment Donor



PCC announces its newest bi-weekly Endowment Donor, Froline Bultedaob. She is working at the Bureau of Land & Survey. Froline is also an alumni of PCC. She graduated in 1996 & 1998 with her Certificate of Achievement (CA) degree in Secretarial Science and an Associate of Arts (AA) degree in Liberal Arts Program. Thank you for your support!

## News/Stories Wanted

MESEKIU'S 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](mailto:adoraa@palau.edu), [dilubchs@palau.edu](mailto:dilubchs@palau.edu) and [alvinam@palau.edu](mailto:alvinam@palau.edu).

Please call est. 251/252/253 if you intend to submit your article after Monday or for more information.

## UH-Manoa Professor Visits PCC President & Science Faculty

Contributed by Vernice Yuzi

Dr. Bob Richmond, UH-Manoa Professor and Kimberly Puglise, NOAA's National Ocean Service Program Officer met with PCC President, Dr. Patrick Tellei and the science faculty on September 05, 2012. Topics discussed included activities and plans for the upcoming NSF-ATE grant renewal proposal. Dr. Richmond is the Principal Investigator for the National Science Foundation Advanced Technological Education Program grant (NSF-ATE grant) which PCC was awarded for three years; this is the third year of the grant.

NSF-ATE is a regional grant and include institutions of the U.S. Affiliated Pacific Islands: American Samoa Community College (ASCC), College of the Marshall Islands (CMI), Northern Marianas College (NMC) and College of Micronesia-FSM (COM-FSM), and Palau Community Col-

lege with a specific goal of attracting future generations of under-represented minorities into the science and technology fields.

The assistance of NSF-ATE grant has provided the Environmental/Marine Science (ES) students with more hands-on experience with relation to the focus of the program. Not only do students get to learn of the concepts inside the classroom, they are also allowed, through the NSF-ATE grant, to go out into the field and learn the actuality of such through field trips, field studies, and internships which generally are integral constituents of the ES program. The NSF-ATE funds has also support faculty to develop curriculum material, supervise students on research programs, and partner with stakeholders to improve the instruction, curriculum and direction of the program into the future.



L-R: Gamberlynn Ngirmeriil, Dr. Patrick U. Tellei, Kimberly Puglise, Vernice Yuzi and Dr. Bob Richmond.

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instructed students on the application process, the deadlines for applications and the requirements for scholarships. He stressed the importance of maintaining at least 2.5 or above Cumulative GPA in order to be eligible for the scholarship. Mr. Southwick also informed students of a new scholar-

ship available to them, the Asian & Pacific Islanders Scholarship (API). To ensure that one is eligible for the scholarship, Mr. Southwick reminded students that all the required documents need to be submitted to the Yap State Scholarship Office for those who have met the eligibility requirements.

## Prince Leeboo Scholarship Available

**PCC Based - Prince Leeboo Scholarship**  
Development Office is now accepting Applications for Prince Leeboo.  
Pick up an application at Development Office

## Finance Staff Attend APIPA



Third Row (L-R): Director Uroi Salii, Dr. Patrick Tellei & Debbie Ngiraibai. Second Row (L-R): Arlene Ignacio, Sasha Lirow and Jackline Immanuel. Front: Demy Emesiochl.

The Associate of Pacific Islands Public Auditors (APIPA) held its annual training in Palau from August 20 - 24, 2012. Six PCC employees from the Account-

ing & Procurement Office attended the training. The training, funded by the US Department of Interior and taught by

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