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DEAN KIND KANTO'S WELCOMING REMARKS

It is with great pleasure, at this time and place, to welcome all of our students to COM-FSM Chuuk Campus, the venue for quality education at home.

Here in Chuuk are three post-secondary institutions: (1) COM-FSM Chuuk, your only public post-secondary institution; (2) Caroline College and Pastoral Institute (CCPI); and (3) Faithwalk College on Tol Island. I sincerely thank you for choosing our Chuuk Campus.

Chuuk Campus offers a number programs: (1) 3rd-Year Certificate in Teacher Preparation; (2) A.A. Degree in Teacher Preparation, (3) Certificate in Bookkeeping, (4) Certificate in Secretarial Science, (5) Certificate in Pre-Nursing Assistance, and (6) Certificate in Basic Public Health. A seventh program will begin in Fall 2019: B.S. Degree in Elementary Education.

We are committed to your success at COM-FSM Chuuk Campus. We have a mentor in math and another in English as well as two part-time tutors in other subjects. We have full-time counselor, campus nurse, and student services specialists who will assist you with your financial aid matters (including the PELL grant applications and other financial aids). We have 24/7 security services. We have full-time faculty who have office hours during which you are encouraged to meet them for academic assistance. They will also advise you on which courses you need to complete in your chosen program. And, yes, we have a small snack bar, bookstore, and dispensary.

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS (AUGUST)

- Aug 9-10 (ThF): New Student Orientation
- Aug 13-14 (MT): Faculty Workshops/Mini-Summit
- **Aug 15-17 (W-F): Regular Fall 2018 Registration**
- **Aug 20 (M): First Day of Instruction**
- Aug 20-22 (M-W): Add/Drop Courses
- Aug 20-24 (M-F): SBA Nominations of Officers (deadline of nomination papers: Aug 27, 11:00 am)
- **Aug 22 (W): All-Campus Meeting**
- Aug 23 (Th): Faculty Verification of Class Lists
- Aug 23 (Th): Assessment Committee Meeting
- Aug 27 (M): Platform Speeches by SBA Candidates
- **Aug 28-29 (TW): SBA Elections of Officers**
- Aug 29 (W): Management Council Meeting
- Aug 30 (Th): SBA Election Results Announcement
- Aug 31 (F): Student Services Committee Meeting

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Chuuk Campus News

OUR SEAWALL HUT IS REBUILT AND EXPANDED

(Tuesday, July 31) A diligent team of 10 persons rebuilt the campus hut by the seawall. Dean Kind Kanto and his family were joined by other staffers and students and completed the hut-rebuilding project. They started about 7:30 am and ended 7 hours later. Enjoy the hut!

Time spent was time rewarded. Since a picture speaks a thousand words, let the following photos from Counselor Wilson Bisalen tell us the story.



10X10 WORD SEARCH: COM-FSM Chuuk Campus Names

R	E	K	G	M	I	C	E	M	A
E	O	I	E	A	A	T	K	I	N
H	N	B	N	R	D	N	A	U	O
C	N	I	E	A	S	N	N	T	S
L	H	N	V	R	D	W	I	Y	L
A	O	K	Y	I	T	M	E	K	I
S	J	A	T	L	D	S	I	E	W
C	L	A	E	K	I	T	O	K	T
C	N	I	K	K	A	B	E	N	E
B	R	A	I	E	L	K	C	I	R

There are 24 names in this word search. Find and circle all 24 names:

- AKKIN
- ANDITA
- ATKIN
- BEN
- BRAIEL
- CAREN
- CLAY
- DANIE
- DIVINE
- EKIT
- GENEVY
- JOHN
- KERSWEET
- KIND
- LYNN
- MANNY
- MARAR
- MIKE
- MIUTY
- RICK
- ROBERTSON
- SALCHER
- WILSON
- YESIKI

Here are 6 more COM-FSM Chuuk Campus names — all scrambled. Your task is to unscramble them back to their real names:

- (1) AEIMR =
- (2) AIMORS =
- (3) AAABHMR =
- (4) ACEELMN =
- (5) AEELMNR Y =
- (6) AIJMNN OOSX =

The six names are spelled correctly on page 4.

OUR FIVE CORE VALUES: Think Acronym C-L-E-P-T
An Open Message to Administrators, Faculty, and Other Staff

Commitment, Learner-centeredness, Excellence, Professionalism, and Teamwork — the five COM-FSM core values. Last year (2017) our Board of Regents approved the values as the **quintessence** of our performance of duties and responsibilities. Whose performance? Administrators, faculty, and other staff, of course!

However, fact may **belie** truth. During our 2018 Spring Semester, 54 employees took a survey on how well they perceived themselves in performing these core values. On a Likert scale from “strongly agree” to “strongly disagree”, the cumulative results reveal less-than-strong agreement. Percentages of “strongly agree” were 44% Professionalism, 41% Teamwork, 34% Learner-Centeredness, 31% Excellence, and only 29% Commitment.

What do these results really reveal? (1) 56% not as strongly **professional** as they should be. (2) 59% not as strongly involved in **teamwork** as they should be. (3) 66% not as strongly **learner-centered** as they should be. (4) 69% not as **excellent** as they should be. (5) **WORSE OF ALL**, 71% not as strongly **committed** as they should be.

Before we **admonish** our students, we the administrators, faculty, and other staff should look at ourselves in the mirror first. The faces which we see may not be as capable as we want to perceive ourselves. Rather, we may be **culpable** of not reflecting quality. Let us truly work to achieve CLEPT — our five core values. We can do it. ☺

Campus Dean Kind Kanto’s Welcoming Remarks — *(continued from page 1)*

We have three computer labs, plus a library equipped with computers to help you with your research assignments. We have available Wi-Fi anywhere on campus for your communications needs; however, Wi-Fi can be distracting when you fail to use it with caution.

Let me add another word of caution. There are fellow students who will try to lure you to do things not allowed on campus. These things include use, sale, and possession of alcohol and marijuana. That will get you suspended or even expelled from college. Please remember that your purpose at Chuuk Campus is to concentrate on your studies, to complete your program, and to graduate with a degree or certificate. You are not here to be punished, suspended, or expelled. What you do will impact on your personal and professional future and on your family’s well-being and welfare.

Once again, welcome to your COM-FSM Chuuk Campus. Your success is our success. Thank you very much. ☺



Answers: SCRAMBLED NAMES
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 SVNOI NOXIM (9)
 (4) MACLEEN, (5) MARYLENE,
 (1) MARIE, (2) RAISON, (3) ABRAHAM,

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