## **Acknowledgements**

Welcome, Mogethin, Hafa Adai, Kaselelia, Ran Annim, Alii, Kamoltata, Mabuhai!! It is indeed a privilege and a happy occasion for us to welcome the many VIPs, special guests and visitors to our Islands of Stone Money to experience and share in for a moment our humble island lifestyle.

On this 52<sup>nd</sup> anniversary of the Yap Day Annual Celebration, it is appropriate that we recognize and acknowledge our friends and supporters both on and off-islands. We can't emphasize enough the tremendous appreciation we have for these generous contributors including but not limited to the following:

ETG Paradise Islands International Bank of the FSM FSM Development Bank Micronesian Forwarders Diving Seagull, Inc IBEDUL - Yutaka M Gibbons Ambros, Inc. FSM Petroleum Corporation FSM National Leadership Embassy of the Republic of China National Fisheries Corp. Carolineship to the following:

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That said, The Yap Day Committee also would like to recognize Government entities, individuals, private groups, friends from abroad and extend our utmost appreciation for contributing your time and resources to successfully assist with this event. A special "Thank You" to Rull and co-hosts Gilman, Kanifay and Dalipebinaw Municipalities for responding to the call of hosting this special event. The state of Yap takes pride with all that you've accomplished and stands tall with you. Kammagar gad......

### Council of Pilung's Message

#### Mogethin and Welcome:

OnThis 52nd Yap Day Annual Celebration, On behalf of the State Leadership and residents of the State of Yap, the Council of Pilung deeply expresses its honor to welcome dignitaries , VIPs, partners and off-island special guest to our humble island home. I hope your trip to Waab (Yap) was tolerable considering the distance you had to travel to get to this island of stone money in this remote part of the vast Pacific Ocean. Having said that and you being here presents to us the opportunity to share this unique days together while you flavor the land, the hospitality and our off-grid island lifestyle.

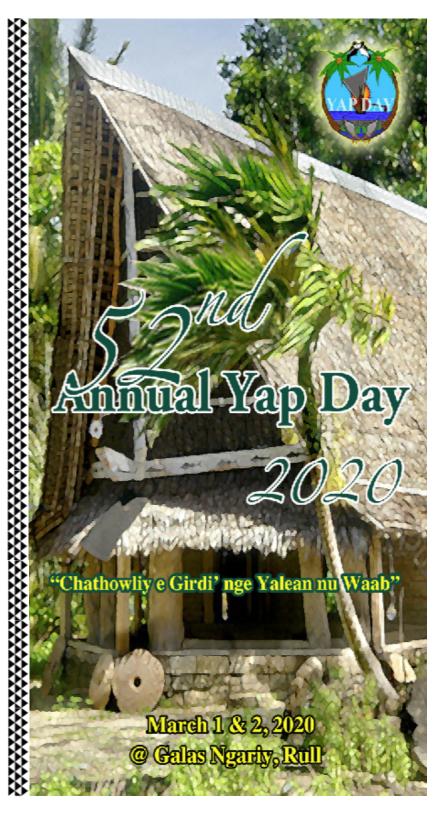
This 52nd Annual Celebration Reminds us that this celebration had been continuous for the last 52 years. The Yap Day 52nd Annual Celebration like previous years will showcase traditional Yapese practices that still exist and others that exist only in folktales; nevertheless I can only wish that throughout your visit you can capture a foretaste of the island's respect for people, village living protocols and the practices of making strangers, non-strangers by friendly nods, wave of the hand, uplift of eyebrows or acknowledge smiles, all meant to reassure that we are not strangers, we are friends. WELCOME!! I urge also that you reserve the time to explore our home islands of Waab by land and sea as time permits. And in doing so, may it be a cherished experience that in some ways enriching and refreshing. Lastly, I hope that as we part you will find another opportunity to visit us again in the future.

Kamagar and Thank you,

Chief Bruno Tharngan Chairman, Council of Pilung







### Yap Day 52nd Annual Celebration March 1st, 2020 @ Galas, Ngariy Rull

### **Opening Ceremony**

Conch Shell Blow

Opening Remarks MC

Presentation of Colors \*Public Safety

Yap State Anthem

Prayer TBD

Welcome Remarks Chief of Rull/Rep

Welcome Remarks Governor/rep

Tam' \*Presentation or showcase of local currency(Rull)

Tiyor

Local Attire Presentation Men & Women

Tattoo Display

Traditional Dance#1

Agriculture Products \* Competition

### **School Competition**

Juggling \*Elementry Female

Coconut Spearing \* Elementry schools

Totang Race \*Elementry Schools

Bambooo swim Race \*Elementry Schools

Traditional Dance #2

Swimming Contest \*Elementry Schools

Micro All-Around Relay (Basket Weaving, Copra husking, Copra grinding and Yowgil)

Traditional Dance # 3

Traditional Cock Fighting \*Semi-Finals

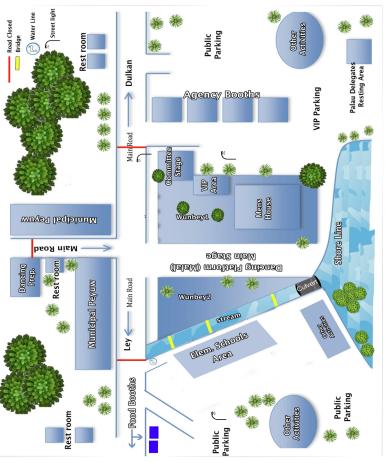
Traditional Dance #4

# On-Going Demonstrations of Traditional Practices and Activities (a) Galas, Rull

- 1. Basket Weaving
- 2. Cooking (7-Varieties)
- 3. Lei Making (5-Varieties)
- 4. Coconut Oil Making -2 Person teams
- 5. Tie & Rope Making
- 6. Handicraft (6-Varieties)



### YAP DAY SITE MAP



# Yap Day 52nd Annual Celebration March 2nd, 2020 @ Galas, Ngariy Rull

### **OPENING CEREMONY:**

Conch shell Blow

Opening Statement

MC

Local Stone Money Presentation

\* Fal'egewaath

Traditional Dance #5 \*

### **Open Local Competition**

**Agriculture Products** 

Catching Crab

Betelnut climbing Race \*2- participants from each municipality

Traditional Dance#6

Marathon Relay

\* 6 Person team (Male/Female)

Traditional Cock Fighting

Traditional Dance#7

Traditional Beach Wrestling

Beach Volley Ball

\* 3 Person Team

\*Finals

Traditional Dance #8

**END Of YAP DAY 20** 

