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**"Crime si poa" event**

On 2nd March, our students interacted with some of the prisoners from King'ong'o prison Nyeri during a 2hour's event branded "Crime Si Poa". The main goal of the event was to allow the participants interact and exchange ideas in regards to crime engagement and the consequences. The visit was organized by the Presidential Award DeKUT under the Directorate of Students' affairs

**Climb to Educate 2nd Edition**

At exactly 11.40 on 4th March 2016, the Vice chancellor led the official flagging off of the climb to educate 2nd edition. This is an initiative we are proud of, as a University, and together we will achieve the objectives:

- To create a pool of funds to help needy students; The Endowment Fund.
- To enhance a cohesive DeKUT family; among students and staff and between the members of staff and the students.
- To celebrate individual and collective talents.

A total of 180 students and members of staff participated in the expedition

**Quote of the month**

"You cannot teach a man anything, you can only help them find it within themselves" Galileo

**MOTTO**

Better Life through  
Technology

**VISION STATEMENT**

A Premier Technological  
University Excelling in  
Quality Education,  
Research, and Technology  
Transfer for national  
development.

**MISSION STATEMENT**

To provide academically  
stimulating, culturally  
diverse and quality  
learning environment that  
fosters research, innovation  
and technology  
development towards  
producing relevant  
technical and managerial  
human resource and  
leaders to contribute to  
attainment of national  
development goals.

## Pedagogy Workshop

On 8th, 9th and 10th March the University held an in house training on Effective Teaching Skills at the University Conservancy. This was aimed at increasing efficiency in teaching and learning.



## DeKUT Chemistry club tree planting



On 10th March 2016, Dedan Kimathi University Chemistry Club (DKUCC) planted trees around the university grounds as a way of conserving the environment. "Trees absorb indicated green house gases such as carbon dioxide thereby purifying our atmosphere."

About the club:

Motto: Chemistry for life.

Vision: To achieve clean and conducive environment by using knowledge of Chemistry.

Mission: To promote, enlighten and apply Chemistry in real life situation to our environment through Green Chemistry.

## ICT Open Day



DeKUT held an ICT open day on 11th March 2016. The key speakers were Mr. Muthui, Founder BCX and a DeKUT alumnus, and Mr. Ndung'u Wanderi, partner BCX (Business Connexion), a company based, headquarters, in South Africa.

Some of the tips from the guest speaker:

- When you invest, invest in solving problems. Take a commercial approach and create your presence where somebody is willing to pay.
- In approaching a saturated market, use market disruption method and do things differently. This will be achieved through observation and taking time. Don't just focus on the present but future value

- In creating success, look up to people you admire then engage them. Who becomes your friend determines a lot who you become.
- Be abreast on what's happening around you, notice the gaps and move towards filling them. A small change can result to a huge change in the world of today
- Practice Intrapreneurship
- Focus on what the customer wants and not what you want as the developer. Otherwise, the innovation may be great but of no use
- Ask yourself what you thirst for every day and what you need to do to get there

The visit brought along with it a lasting partnership between DeKUT and BCX in seeing to it that students are not only theoretically equipped but are linked to the business world and are equipped to be contributors to National Development through Innovation and Entrepreneurship

## Coffee Productivity Project Launch



The coffee productivity Project (CPP) between the European Union (EU) and Coffee Research Institute (CRI), being the contracting authority, and Dedan Kimathi University of Technology was officially launched on 18th March 2016, by Mr. Robert Thuo, County Executive Secretary ministry of Agriculture Nyeri County (on behalf of the Nyeri County Governor Hon. Nderitu Gachagua). Among the guests were Dr. Elijah K. Gichuru from Coffee Research Institute, Elizabeth Njuguna and Mr. Joseph Mathenge from Agriculture Fisheries and Food Authority (AFFA). Farmers can now get healthy and high quality Arabica and Batian coffee seedlings from DeKUT farm. This project will also involve the youths as an empowerment program





Staff members who retire after the normal retirement age need to be assisted to make a smooth transition from an employed to self- employed status and enabling them to fit into the economic societies that they retire into. It is for this reason that DeKUT held a pre retirement workshop at the University conservancy on 23rd March 2016.

## Plight for Support

An alumnus Mr. Antony Maina, 2013 graduate from the School of Engineering, Telecommunication and Information Engineering (TIE), in need of Ksh. 8 million for a liver transplant. He has a fundraising campaign through [gofundme.com](https://www.gofundme.com/3ktxcy4s) which you can access by going to the website. So far he has managed to raise 3 million. Your support will go a long way in restoring his health.



Follow the story on twitter #IStandWithAnto and get his story through <https://www.gofundme.com/3ktxcy4s>  
The paybill number: 163665, Acc. Anthony's liver fund

## Pre - Retirement Workshop Pictorial

