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**CPA Students eCommunicator is a monthly electronic newsletter designed for our CPA students to give quick updates on recent developments at the Institute and the profession.**

## From the Desk of the Executive Director

### Greetings



The President, Council, Management and Staff of the MICPA would like to wish all our Christian students

***Merry Christmas and A Happy New Year!***

### Anniversary Celebrations – 1958 - 2008

We are pleased to inform students that on July 26, 2008, the MICPA will turn 50 years old. This will be a historic moment for the Institute. The Institute will be planning activities to commemorate the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary and we shall keep you updated and look forward to your participation in the activities.

## CPA Students Corner

### November 2007 Examination Results

The November 2007 Examination results is expected to be released at the end of January 2008. For further information, please contact Ms Lee How Lai, Examination Officer or Cik Hariah Ismail, Administrative Assistant at Tel: 03-2698 9622 or e-mail: [hl.exam@micpa.com.my](mailto:hl.exam@micpa.com.my) or [hery.exam@micpa.com.my](mailto:hery.exam@micpa.com.my)

### Young CPA Group

We are pleased to inform you that the *Young CPA Group* was established in 2004 with the aim of encouraging our younger members to take part in the Institute's work and activities. Young members play an important role in identifying the professional needs of its members and provide valuable feedback and suggestions and recommendations to the Institute. If you are a CPA below the age of 40, please register yourself online at [www.micpa.com.my](http://www.micpa.com.my). CPA Students are also encouraged to join the Young CPA Group. **Membership is FREE!**

***Be Different by Joining the Young CPA Group Today?***

## Activities of the Institute

### ***MICPA 49<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Commemorative Lecture cum Luncheon***

The Institute will be holding its 49<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Commemorative Lecture cum Luncheon on **Thursday, January 24, 2008 at 12.30 p.m. at the Mayang Sari Grand Ballroom (Lower Level 3), JW Marriott Hotel, 183 Jalan Bukit Bintang, Kuala Lumpur.**

The Commemorative Lecture will be delivered by **YBhg Dato' Zarinah Anwar, Chairman of Securities Commission** titled ***"Enhancing Confidence in the Capital Market"***.

The Commemorative Lecture cum Luncheon provides an opportunity for members of the accountancy profession, the Government, regulatory authorities and the business community to get together to evaluate the most pertinent issue affecting the Malaysian and global economies, and the role of the accountancy profession.

In this regard, we have pleasure in inviting you and your colleagues and business associates to the Commemorative Lecture and Luncheon. For further information, please contact Ms Vicky Rajaretnam, Public Affairs & Communications Manager on Tel: 03-2698 9622 or e-mail: [vic.pr@micpa.com.my](mailto:vic.pr@micpa.com.my)

### ***National Annual Corporate Report Awards Presentation Dinner***

Yang Berhormat Dato' Veerasingam Suppiah, Deputy Minister of Domestic Trade and Consumer Affairs, presented the Challenge Trophy and Awards to the Winners of the National Annual Corporate Report Awards (NACRA) 2007 at an awards presentation ceremony held on Thursday, November 29, 2007.

NACRA strives to promote excellence in annual corporate reporting. It encourages transparency and corporate accountability through the publication of timely, informative, factual and reader-friendly annual reports. This is the very cornerstone of NACRA's theme – *Towards Excellence*.

Public Bank Berhad took the limelight at the awards presentation when they won the Platinum Award for the Overall Excellence Award for the Most Outstanding Annual Report of the Year. The bank also walked away with the Industry Excellence Award under the Finance category for Companies Listed on the Main Board and the Platinum Award for Best Annual Report in Bahasa Malaysia and Best Designed Annual Report under the Presentation Awards category. To view the full winners list, please click [here](#)

NACRA is jointly organised by Bursa Malaysia Berhad, Malaysian Institute of Accountants, Malaysian Institute of Management and The Malaysian Institute of Certified Public Accountants.

## Announcements

### ***Change of Correspondence and E-mail Address***

Students are reminded that they should inform the Institute of any change in their correspondence and e-mail addresses. This is to ensure that you receive all notices, circulars, publications, correspondences and e-mail broadcasts promptly. Please

click link [here](#) to download the form and fax the completed form to the MICPA Secretariat at Fax No.03-2698 9403.

## Upcoming Continuing Professional Development (CPD) Programmes

### ***Half-Day Seminar on Intellectual Property Rights and Internet Piracy***

A half-day Seminar on *Intellectual Property Rights and Internet Piracy* will be held on January 22, 2008 at The Legend Hotel Kuala Lumpur. In an increasingly knowledge-driven economy, Intellectual Property (IP) is a key consideration in day-to-day business decisions. The seminar aims to highlight the emerging issues relating to intellectual property rights, the technological causes of copyright management and computer forensic issues in internet piracy. For further information, please click [here](#)

### ***Evening Talk on Market Outlook in China and Hong Kong***

The Commerce & Industry Committee of the Institute is organising an Evening Talk cum hi-tea on *Market Outlook in China and Hong Kong* on January 25, 2008 at The Legend Hotel Kuala Lumpur. China is a market no organisation can afford to overlook as it has a booming business climate and rapid economic growth. However, doing business in China and the Pacific Rim's gateway city of Hong Kong still poses some real challenges. Therefore, it is critical to know the market, respect the local customs and forge the right business partnerships to succeed in China. The Evening Talk will be chaired by YBhg Dato' Yeo How, Group Executive Director of IOI Corporation Berhad and Chairman of MICPA's Commerce and Industry Committee. For further information, please click [here](#)

### ***Advanced Corporate Tax Planning***

A one-day Workshop on *Advanced Corporate Tax Planning* will be held on January 31, 2007 at The Legend Hotel Kuala Lumpur. Participants will gain an insight on issues relating to tax planning in corporate reorganisation and restructuring exercises. In addition, the workshop will also cover other important tax planning areas such as corporate group structure, cross border tax planning, single tier system and transfer pricing. For further information, please click [here](#)

## Down Memory Lane

### ***Did You Know That .....?***

In July 1978, Institut Teknologi MARA was recognised as an approved institution of higher learning.

In August 1978, International Accounting Standards were first adopted as mandatory standards for compliance by members.

In July 1979, the MACPA celebrated its 21<sup>st</sup> birthday.

In January 1980, publication of the inaugural issue of the Association's Journal, *The Malaysian Accountant*.

In April 1980, the first Annual Accounts Award was presented.

In November 1981, The MACPA Educational Trust Fund (ETF) was established with the object to promote and advance education and research in accountancy. The first trustees of the Fund were YBhg Tan Sri Dato' Jaffar Hussein, YBhg Dato' Hj Megat Abdul Rahman, YBhg Dato' Mohd Salleh Yusof, Dr Nawawi Mat Awin, Mr Jimmy Yeap Leong Aun and YBhg Datuk Peter Yew Min-Sang.

## News from Universities

### *Multimedia University (MMU)*

#### *Intersivity Accounting Quiz (IVAQ) 2008*

The Accounting Club of Multimedia University, Melaka Campus in collaboration with the Malaysian Institute of Accountants (MIA), Melaka Branch will be organising the **Intersivity Accounting Quiz (IVAQ) 2008** to be held on March 8, 2008. The MICPA is a sponsor for the event.

### *University of Malaya (MU)*

The Accounting Club of University Malaya is organising **The Elite Project**, which consists of two projects - **UMAC Nature Based Camp** to be held on January 11-13, 2008 at Hutan Lipur Kanching-Komanwel and the **UMAC Accounting Nite** to be held on March 15, 2008 at the Eastin Hotel.

## Thought for the Day

### *Quotations to Inspire*

*A leader is one who knows the way, goes the way, and shows the way ..... John C. Maxwell*

*Obstacles are those frightful things you see when you take your eyes off your goal ..... Henry Ford*

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