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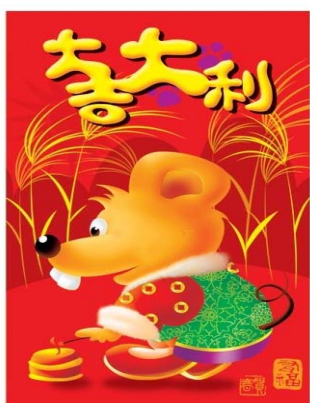
CPA Students eCommunicator is a monthly electronic newsletter designed for our CPA students to give quick updates on recent developments at the Institute and the profession.

From the Desk of the Executive Director

Dear CPA Students

It gives me great pleasure to wish you a ***Happy New Year***. I am sure most of you must have made some New Year resolutions but one of the best resolutions you can make is to make resolutions. Planning helps you to get most out of your studies, finances and social life, and keeps you focused. ***All the Best for the Year 2008!***

Chinese New Year Greetings



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

A Happy & Prosperous Chinese New Year

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Close for Chinese New Year

The Institute will be closed for the Chinese New Year festivities from Wednesday, February 6, 2008 and will resume operations on Saturday, February 9, 2008.

Golden 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 50th Anniversary and we shall keep you updated and look forward to your active participation in the activities.

CPA Students Corner

Payment of Students Annual Fee for 2008

In accordance with bye-law 63 of the Institute's bye-laws, any student who fails to pay the annual fee or other sum payable by him to the Institute for six months after the same has become due shall automatically be excluded from the register of students and therefore forfeit any right to sit for the Institute's examination. Students are reminded to remit the amount payable to the Institute by **January 31, 2008**. For further information, please contact Ms Khong Siew Ling, Accounts Assistant on Tel: 03-2698 9622 or E-mail: ksl.acc@micpa.com.my

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 or hery.exam@micpa.com.my

2008 Workshop Sessions Schedule

The Workshop Sessions Schedule for May 2008 has been posted in the students' website. For further information, please click [here](#). You may also contact Ms Jenny Chua, Education and Research Manager or Cik Maria Kamarulzaman, Administrative Assistant at Tel: 03-2698 9622 or e-mail: jenny.edu@micpa.com.my or education@micpa.com.my

May 2008 Examination Time-Table

The May 2008 Examination Time-Table has been posted in the students' website. For further information, please click [here](#).

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. CPA Students are encouraged to join the Young CPA Group. Please register yourself online at www.micpa.com.my. ***Membership is FREE!***

Be Different by Joining the Young CPA Group Today?

Activities of the Institute

MICPA 49th Anniversary Commemorative Lecture cum Luncheon

The Institute will be holding its 49th 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 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

MICPA Participates in Career Fairs and Exhibitions

The Institute participates actively in career fairs and exhibitions across the country to promote accountancy as a career, and in particular to create greater awareness of the CPA Malaysia qualification.

- **MAPCU-MQA Higher Education Exhibition 2008**

The Institute took part in the **Higher Education Exhibition 2008**, jointly organised by the Malaysian Association of Private Colleges and Universities (MAPCU) and the Malaysian Qualification Agency (MQA), which was held on January 5-6, 2008 at the Mid-Valley Exhibition Centre. The event was supported by the Ministry of Higher Education.

The exhibition is aimed at promoting higher education in Malaysia and featured courses and programmes offered by all private and public higher education providers as well as other educational support services. The President, YBhg Dato' Nordin Baharuddin, presented a talk titled *A Career in Accountancy* with the objective of increasing awareness and promoting accountancy as a career to young Malaysians.

- **Universiti Sains Malaysia (USM) - MAX2 Events 2007/2008**

USM Accounting Society has organised the **MAX2 Events 2007/2008**, themed *Equipping Minds to Embrace the Future*, on January 7-9, 2008 at USM, Penang. MICPA was one of the sponsors for the MAX2 Events 2007/2008 and participated in the exhibition to increase awareness and profile the CPA Malaysia qualification to USM students.

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 [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 March 1984, Tunku Abdul Rahman College was recognised as an approved institution to conduct full-time CPA course under Stream III.

In March 1984, the First Malaysian Accounting Standard, *MAS 1 Earnings Per Share plus Guidance Notes & Examples* was issued by MACPA.

In June 1984, the First MACPA examination was conducted in both the English Language and Bahasa Malaysia.

In August 1984, the CPA qualification was recognised by Universiti Malaya for admission to its MBA programme.

News from Universities

International Islamic University Malaysia (IIUM)

The Bachelor of Accounting (BACC) Association of International Islamic University Malaysia will be organising the ***BACC Career Week 2008***, which will be held on January 21 – 22, 2008. The programme is designed to create awareness amongst the Kulliyah of Economics and Management Sciences (KENMS) accounting students on the career opportunities available in the industry. MICPA will be

participating in the event to profile the CPA Malaysia qualification to IIUM accounting students.

Multimedia University (MMU) - Intersivity Accounting Quiz 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 and will also be participating in the exhibition being held in conjunction with the Quiz.

Monash University Accounting Day

The Accounting Club of Monash University, Sunway Campus is organising the **Monash Accounting Day** on March 11, 2008. The event is aimed at creating awareness amongst the accounting students of the various professional qualifications available as well as the career opportunities available to the students. Professional bodies and accounting firms have been invited to participate in the event. The MICPA will also be participating in the event.

Universiti Malaya (UM) - Accounting Journal 2008

The Accounting Club of Universiti Malaya is producing the *Accounting Journal 2008*, which is expected to be published in March 2008. MICPA is a sponsor towards the production of the Journal.

Unscramble the Words : Australia

1. Oaokburkar
2. Tcenoitnn
3. Toaubkc
4. Bawlayl
5. Srneigo

Thought for the Day

Quotations to Inspire

Motivation will almost always beat mere talent Norman R Augustine

Empowerment is all about letting go so that others can get going Kenneth Blanchard

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