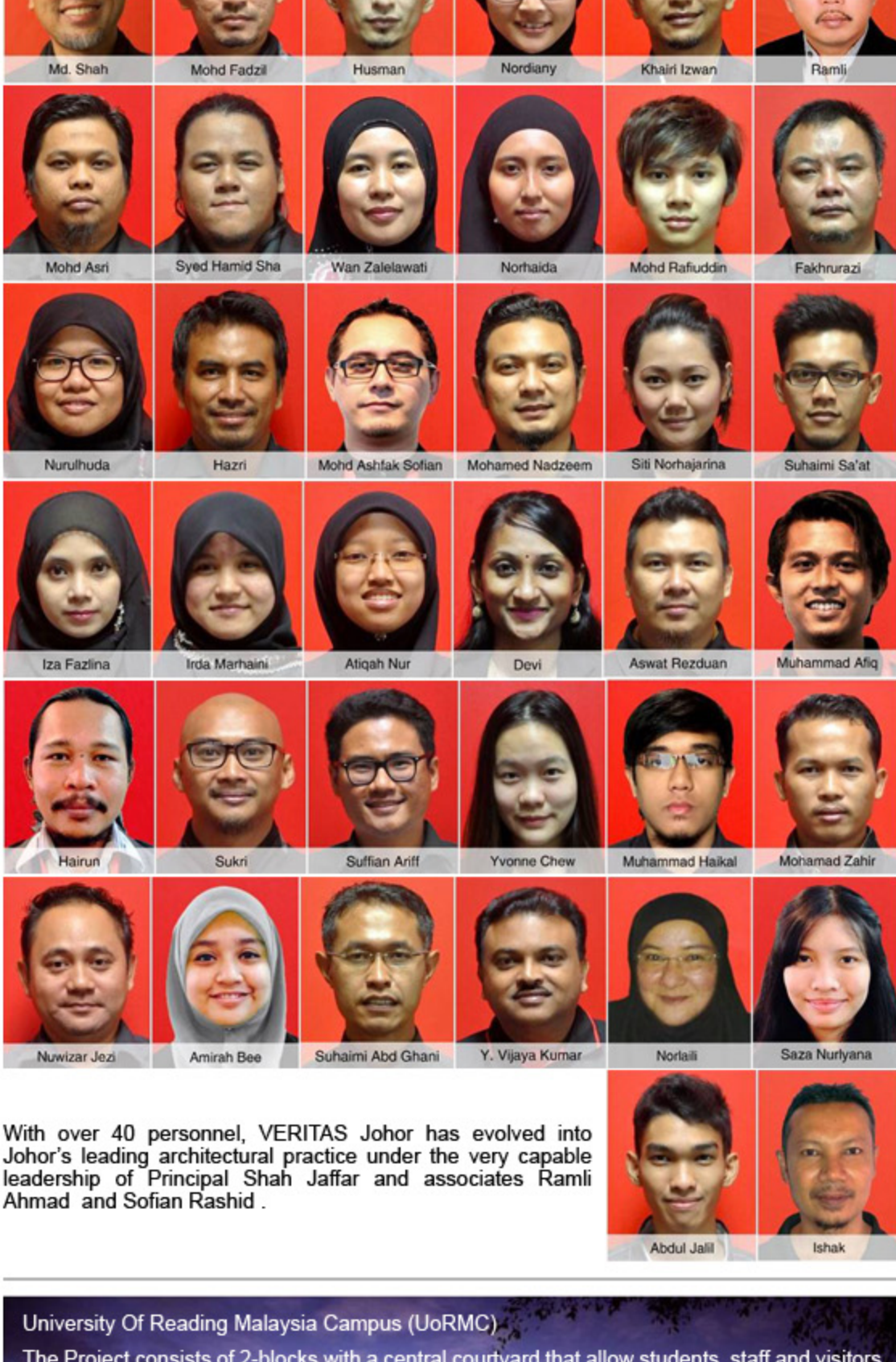




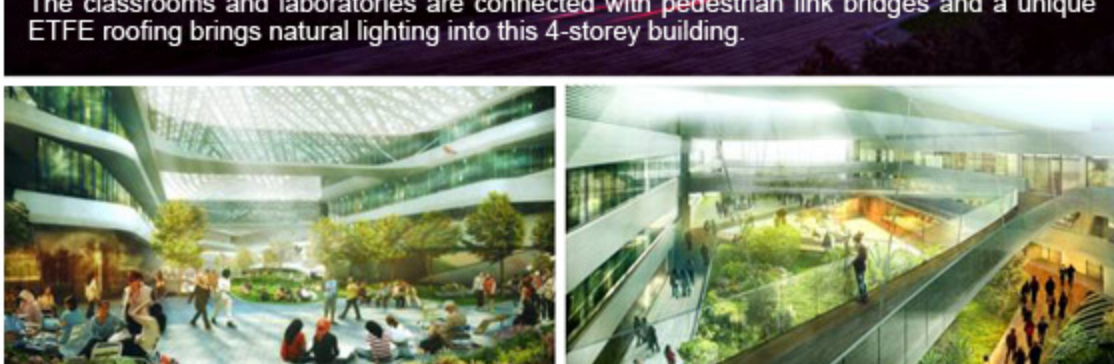
**VERITAS Johor** - VERITAS Johor was established in February 2007. The Johor team are undertaking numerous projects of various types and sizes throughout the Southern region of Malaysia.



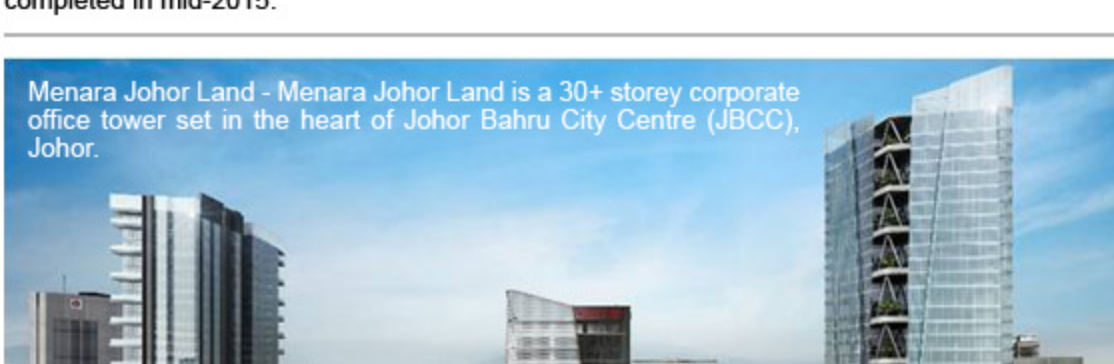
With over 40 personnel, VERITAS Johor has evolved into Johor's leading architectural practice under the very capable leadership of Principal Shah Jaffar and associates Ramli Ahmad and Sofian Rashid.

**University Of Reading Malaysia Campus (UoRMC)**

The Project consists of 2-blocks with a central courtyard that allow students, staff and visitors to experience the blurring edges of formal and informal teaching.



The classrooms and laboratories are connected with pedestrian link bridges and a unique ETFE roofing brings natural lighting into this 4-storey building.

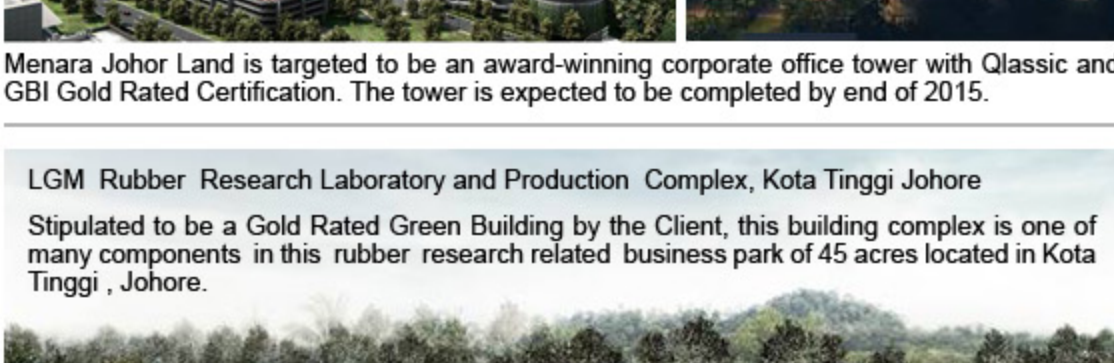


The university offers Law, Business and Built Environment, Chemistry and Pharmacy to approximately 2,000 students alongside 400 teaching and support staff. The University of Reading Malaysia Campus (UoRMC) is part of Educify@Iskandar, Nusajaya, Johor as will be completed in mid-2015.

**Menara Johor Land - Menara Johor Land is a 30+ storey corporate office tower set in the heart of Johor Bahru City Centre (JBCC), Johor.**



Located on top of the Aria Shopping Mall (which was previously known as Plaza Komtar), Menara Johor Land is designed to be an iconic tower. Its floor plates taper towards the observatory deck at the top-most floor to create a maximum aerial view of Singapore and Johor Bahru itself.



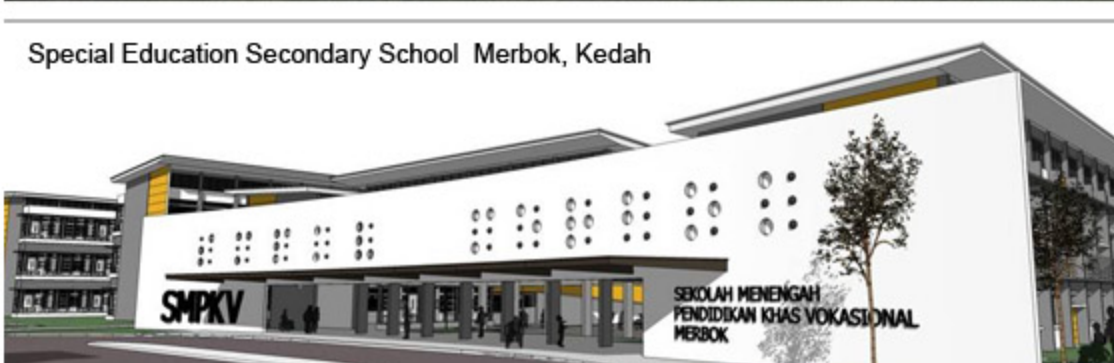
Menara Johor Land is targeted to be an award-winning corporate office tower with Classic and GBI Gold Rated Certification. The tower is expected to be completed by end of 2015.

**LGM Rubber Research Laboratory and Production Complex, Kota Tinggi Johore**

Stipulated to be a Gold Rated Green Building by the Client, this building complex is one of many components in this rubber research related business park of 45 acres located in Kota Tinggi, Johore.

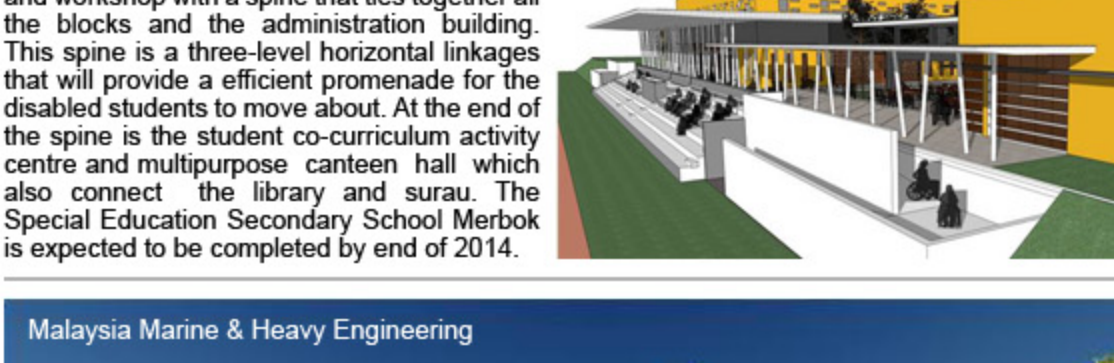


Green features such as eco-friendly land formations and leveling, gravity flow production, storm water harvesting, energy saving equipment, optimum ventilation, biological sewage and effluent treatment, indigenous and recyclable materials and landscaping are some of the projects many innovations.



The LGM Rubber research Laboratory is expected to be completed by end of this year.

**Special Education Secondary School Merbok, Kedah**

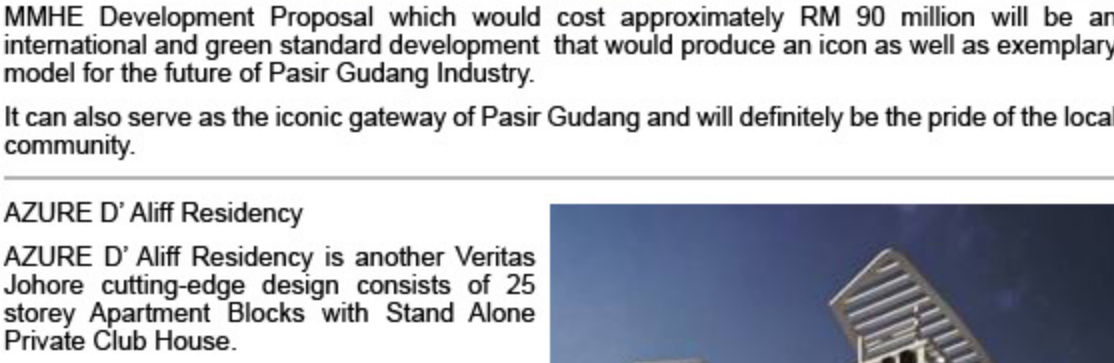


The school caters for a population of 800 disabled vocational students with full barrier free facilities such as workshops, hostels, staff quarters and sport facilities. The building's layout is inspired by the shape of fingers.



It consists of a three-storey academic block and workshop with a spine that ties together all the blocks and the administration building. This spine is a three-level horizontal linkages that will provide a efficient promenade for the disabled students to move about. At the end of the spine is the student co-curriculum activity centre and multipurpose canteen hall which also connect the library and surau. The Special Education Secondary School Merbok is expected to be completed by end of 2014.

**Malaysia Marine & Heavy Engineering**



Situated in the industrial town of Pasir Gudang, Johor. The site consists of an eclectic gathering of small medium-sized structures including factories, warehouses, fabrication yards and offices.



MMHE Development Proposal which would cost approximately RM 90 million will be an international and green standard development that would produce an icon as well as exemplary model for the future of Pasir Gudang Industry.

It can also serve as the iconic gateway of Pasir Gudang and will definitely be the pride of the local community.

**AZURE D' Aliff Residency**

AZURE D' Aliff Residency is another Veritas Johore cutting-edge design consists of 25 storey Apartment Blocks with Stand Alone Private Club House.

Located within the serenity of Taman Damansara Aliff, Azure D' Aliff Residency offers a residential sanctuary of 320 Units (Type A, B, C, D, E & Penthouse) Boutique Apartment furnished with Sky Garden, Sky Spa & Jacuzzi, Sky BBQ deck, Sky Sky which is one of its kind in Johore.



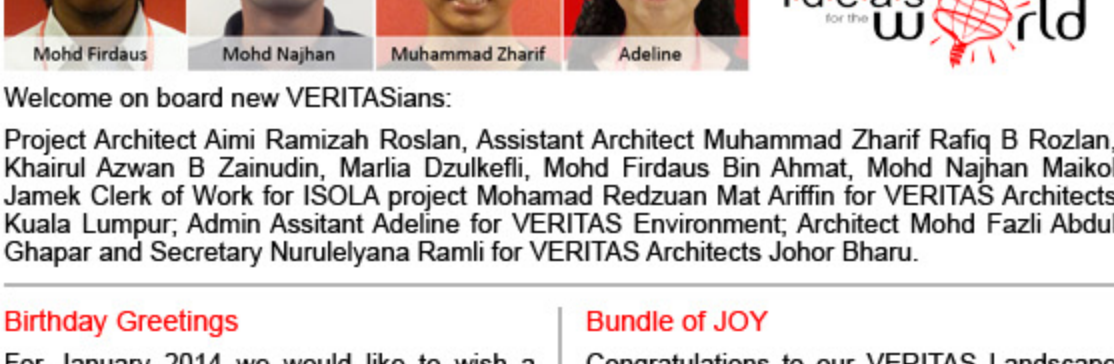
This Azure D' Aliff Residency will comply to Green Building Index (GBI) Malaysia standards. The various sustainable innovations emphasize: recycle and reuse, energy efficiency, renewable energy, natural ventilation daylight maximization, rainwater harvesting and lush landscaping.



**UDA Residency - UDA Residency Johor Bahru is a mix-development project consists of Uda Residency and Uda Residency Business Parks.**

Located within the prime area of Bandar Baru Uda, Uda Residency offers 528 Units (Type A, B and C) Designer Apartment served with Podium Facilities such as Infinity Pool, Guests Lounge, BBQ Area, Multipurpose Room, Kiosk, Patio, Gym, Squash Court, Modern Landscape and Children's Play Area.

This Uda Residency is targeted to be the most iconic mix-development project which creates a new lifestyle in Johor Bahru.



**so WHO are the NEWCOMERS at VERITAS?**



Welcome on board new VERITASians:

Project Architect Aimi Ramizah Roslan, Assistant Architect Muhammad Zharif Rafiq B Rozlan, Khairul Azwan B Zainudin, Marlia Dzulkefli, Mohd Firdaus Bin Ahmad, Mohd Najhan Maikol Jamek Clerk of Work for ISOLA Project, Mohamad Reduan Mat Arifin for VERITAS Architects Kuala Lumpur; Admin Nurul Aadelina for VERITAS Environment; Architect Mohd Fazi Abdul Ghapar and Admiry Nurulleyana Ramli for VERITAS Architects Johor Bharu.

**Birthday Greetings**

For January 2014 we would like to wish a warm Happy Birthday to:-

Abdul Malek Bin Kanchil, Suhaimi Baba, Zaniman Sulong, A S Harman, Suhaimi Baba @ Shafiq, Atiq Afify, Muslan Mohammad, Rosani Kamarudin, Shahril Mohamad, Mohd Redzuan Ramli, Sheong Chen Soon, Hasan M Abdul Hasan Al-Khafaji, Low Chun Ket, Zainal Fitri Abdul Aziz, Nurfaiza Izyan, Atiqah Nur Yahya, Irdha Marhaini M. Mulyadi, Ramli Ahmad, Mohd Aizuddin Idris, Ehsanuddin Shah Azhar, Fadzilah Omar, Mohammad Zamani Ibrahim and Nor Bazura Sogi.

**Bundle of JOY**

Congratulations to our VERITAS Landscape Executive Manager Khalifah Jamaludin and his wife Rohayati binti Romzaman on the arrival of their lovely baby girl, Ayesha Nurayrah binti Khalifah born on 27 January 2014 at 12.42pm. Best wishes to the proud parents!!



**Quote of The Month**

"Change will not come if we wait for some other person, or if we wait for some other time. We are the ones we've been waiting for. We are the change that we seek."

- Barack Obama

**Gong Xi Fa Chai to all our readers!!**

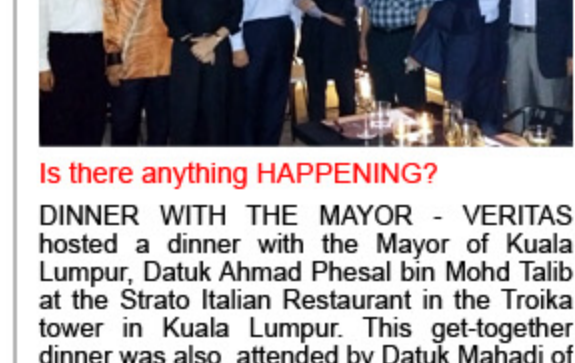
In this month's e-news we are delighted to present some exciting projects being undertaken by one of the most dynamic and successful business units within the VERITAS Design Group: the VERITAS Johor office!!

We hope you enjoy this month's VERITAS e-news! And please don't hesitate to contact us if you would like to know more about any of the stories featured here.



**WHERE are we FEATURED?**

**NATURALIST - VERITAS** project Menara Binjai was on the cover of Naturalist Magazine - Malaysian Nature Society publication for the issue of December 2013. Menara Binjai is an award winning project that bagged many awards locally and overseas; City Scope Dubai Best Sustainable building 2012.



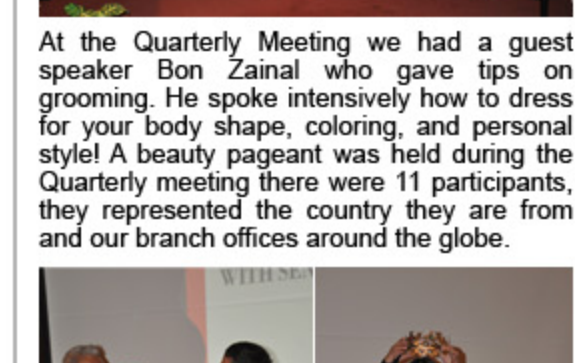
**Is there anything HAPPENING?**

**DINNER WITH THE MAYOR** - VERITAS hosted a dinner with the Mayor of Kuala Lumpur, Datuk Ahmad Phehal bin Mohd Talib at the Strato Italian Restaurant in the Troika tower in Kuala Lumpur. This get-together dinner was also attended by Datuk Mahadi of the Planning department of DBKL, Tan Sri Zulhasnan Rafique of Seri Meraga Group of Companies, Dato Sri Akbar Khan of Bandar Raya Developments Berhad, Datuk Seri Razman Hashim of Sunway Group, Dato Fateh Iskandar of Glomac Berhad, Dato Hashim Group President of VERITAS Design Group, Lillian Tay and Aziz Nasaruddin Principals of VERITAS Design Group.

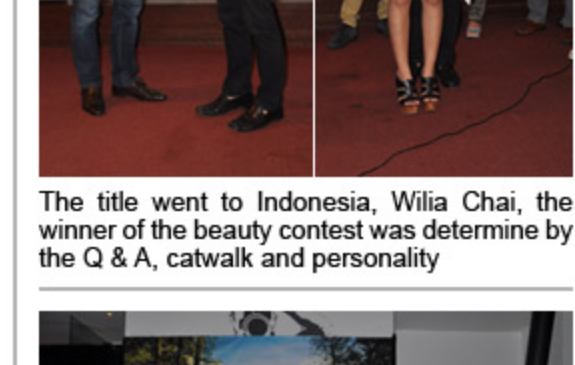


**1ST STAFF QUARTERLY MEETING**

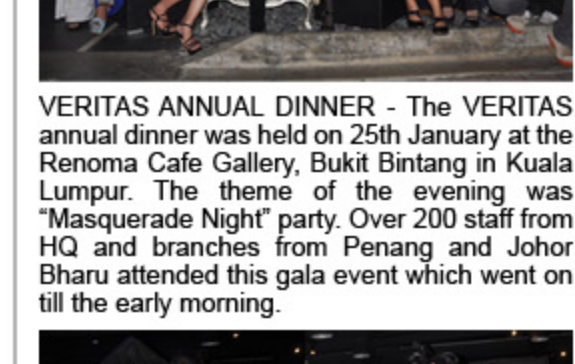
VERITAS held its first staff meeting for the year 2014 on 25th January, at the Menara Lembaga Getah Asli Auditorium. Our Group President David Mizan Hashim gave a short but rousing speech encouraging all VERITASians to adopt a positive attitude in 2014. The year 2014 brings new additions to the leadership of VERITAS Architects Kuala Lumpur. VERITAS introduced two new associates: Taufiq Nazaruddin and Azlina Ismail for VERITAS Architects Kuala Lumpur.



At the Quarterly Meeting we had a guest speaker Bon Zainal who gave tips on grooming. He spoke intensively how to dress for your body shape, coloring, and personal style! A beauty pageant was held during the Quarterly meeting there were 11 participants, they represented the country they are from and our branch offices around the globe.

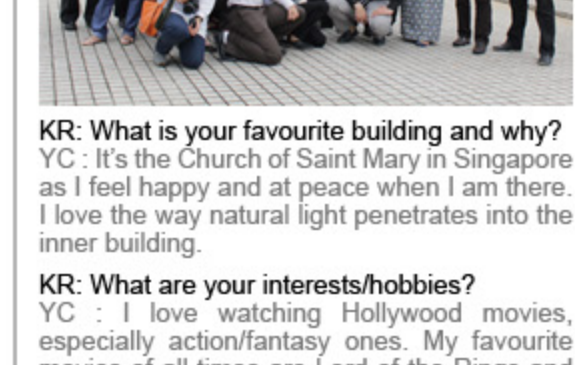


The title went to Indonesia, Wilia Chai, the winner of the beauty contest was determine by the Q & A, catwalk and personality



**VERITAS ANNUAL DINNER**

The VERITAS annual dinner was held on 25th January at the Renoma Cafe Gallery, Bukit Bintang in Kuala Lumpur. The theme of the evening was "Masquerade Night" party. Over 200 staff from HQ and branches from Penang and Johor Bharu attended this gala event which went on till the early morning.



**STAFF OF THE MONTH**

Yvonne has been working with the VERITAS Architects Johor office since last year February as a Assistant Architect.

KR: What made you decide to take up a degree in architecture?

YC: I decided to become an Architect when I realized that people celebrate space. Different spaces have different functions and I wanted to design spaces that everyone enjoys.

KR: Tell me a little about the project that you are working on right now.

YC: It's a ready built factory complex located at Nusajaya, Johor. The Client is Ascendas from Singapore. The design is not your typical bland factory but is very different / unique... curvy, modern and futuristic.

KR: What was your proudest moment working in VERITAS?

YC: When I was assigned to work on the Ascendas project. This is the 1st major project that I played a part starting from the design stage till now (construction drawings).

KR: What is your favourite building and why?

YC: It's the Church of Saint Mary in Singapore as I feel happy and at peace when I am there. I love the way natural light penetrates into the inner building.

KR: What are your interests/hobbies?

YC: I love watching Hollywood movies, especially action/fantasy ones. My favourite movies of all times are Lord of the Rings and Transformers. I don't have a specific hobby... because I love everything... but I do like to go travelling.

KR: What is your future plan with VERITAS?

YC: For the immediate future, I am looking forward to work with VERITAS Architects Johor Bharu (VAJB) on a huge project from a major China based developer. I also intend to further my studies. If this does happen, I really would like the opportunity to join VAJB and work my way towards becoming an Associate someday.

KR: Describe VERITAS in your own words?

YC: It's one of the largest Architect firms in the country and I am proud to be a part of it. The office culture has also instilled a sense of friendship and togetherness which I feel is very important.

