In this month's e-news, we are delighted to feature some important architectural projects in Malaysia that are the result of collaborative efforts between VERITAS and foreign design architects. VERITAS has enjoyed a long tradition of professional association with renowned international designers, resulting in many noteworthy and award-winning projects throughout the country. We firmly believe that capable foreign design expertise is a sometimes necessary ingredient in the making of great architecture, and to this end we welcome the opportunity to learn from these collaborative experiences.

Also, we would like to share with you our Staff Retreat 2014 outing and other interesting "happenings" at VERITAS. We hope you enjoy this month's VERITAS e-news!

## PLATINUM TOWER, KUALA LUMPUR

In collaboration with Skidmore, Owings & Merrill LLP (SOM), New York City (http://www.som.com) http://www.1mdb.com.my. The Platinum Tower is projected to become the heart of a new Kuala Lumpur financial district. The competition brief called for an 80 storey tower that houses comprehensive programs ranging from offices, a hotel, serviced apartment, conference center, retail components and other public amenities.



than 4% whilst producing 84% efficiency floor plans. The mechanical and structural engineering of the tower is optimized to allow maximum light penetration into the building. This tower is a model of fine-tuned efficiency that can be constructed rapidly, with significantly reduced materials and which will operate at LEED or GBI Platinum efficiency. YTL HQ, KUALA LUMPUR In collaboration with Kohn Pederson Fox Associates, United States of America

## (http://www.kpf.com) http://www.ytl.com. The building is located at Jalan Bukit Bintang, a

high-end retail strip that has developed into a highly lucrative commercial and hospitality hub in Kuala Lumpur.





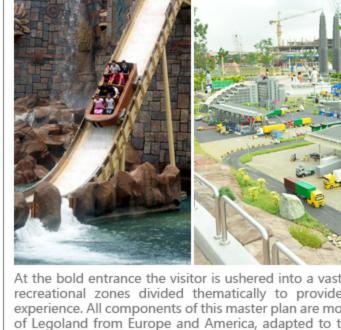
frontage along Jalan Bukit Bintang. The lack of workable proportions on the ground floor results in difficulty in space planning and a need to take a different approach strengthen the building's street presence. Instead of rationalizing the footprint into a cartesian form, the building takes on the prescribed character of its crystal-shaped floor plan, transforming as it rises into a 3-dimensional crystalline sculpture. The design is set to qualify for a GBI Gold Rating, including a rainwater harvesting unit, an energy efficient cooling and electrical system, energy saving light ballast and other passive features. LEGOLAND, NUSAJAYA

### a brand of popular children's toys, comprising colorful interlocking plastic bricks which can be assembled and connected in immense variation to construct many objects.

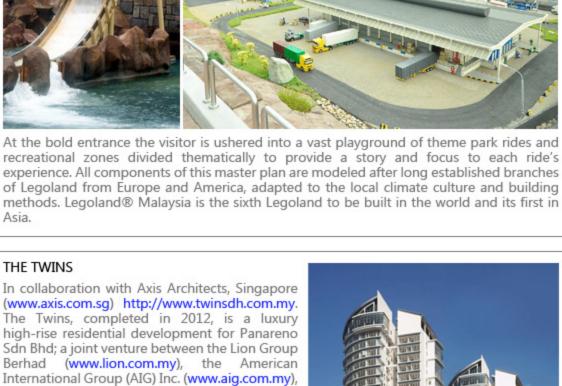
In collaboration with Forrec (http://www.forrec.com) http://www.legoland.com.my. 'Lego' is



from the surrounding region.



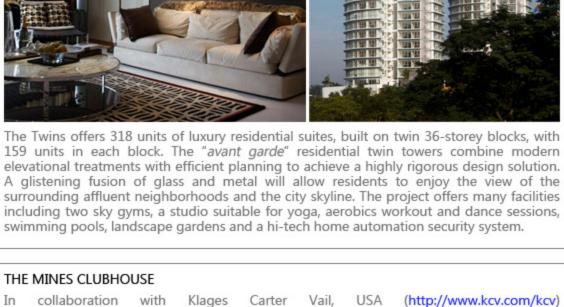
THE TWINS In collaboration with Axis Architects, Singapore (www.axis.com.sg) http://www.twinsdh.com.my. The Twins, completed in 2012, is a luxury high-rise residential development for Panareno Sdn Bhd; a joint venture between the Lion Group



Holdings Limited (www.heeton.com).

and Singapore-based Koh Maju and Heeton

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Vail, USA (http://www.kcv.com/kcv) http://www.minesgolfclub.com/web. The Mines Resort Golf Clubhouse, completed in 1995, is located on a hilly bank of the vast man made lake formerly a Sungai Besi open cast tin mine.



The additions consist of a separate carpark wing comprising 6 carpark floors and 2 service



The project comprises 5 components: the Inflight Catering Facility, an Advanced Cargo Terminal, a Freight Forwarding Agents Complex, the MAS Administrative Support Offices and the Engineering and Maintenance Complex. The design seeks to reinforce the corporate identity of the national airline by employing a consistent architectural language throughout the scheme. The modern aesthetic of the previous MAS buildings are carried through to this facility but reinterpreted with new materials. The overall masterplan is driven by efficient

# administration and the interfacing of the ground support facilities.



May's staff of the month is Nik Ninie. She is VERITAS Design Group General Manager and she has been with us since April. She is a Kelatanese girl born on 1 April 1973. Ninie can be described as very helpful and friendly. She is happily married to Nor Rodzam Othman who works at Ministry of Human Resources and has 3 kids; Nor Batrisyia Balqis, 12, Nor Amalin Aisyah, 8 and Nor Kareema Khadeeja, 5. KR: What insiped you to join the VERITAS Team? VERITAS is a place where they "bring out the best out of

KR: You have been working here for 7 weeks now. What is your proudest moment so far? Being here for just 7 weeks, I felt many have positive vibes. VERITASians are full of team spirit, good sense of humor, and they passionate with their work. I am proud to be one of them.

KR: Tell us how you could make the world better?

I start my day with a smile, with a smile you make everyone around you happy. i believe in sending someone a kind message or tell someone how much they mean to you. KR: What are your interests/hobbies? My hobbies are reading books and mastering the

encourages their staff to grow. VERITAS is a place where someone can gain their opportunities and development.

mandarin language. My Interest has always been learning an additional language, I enjoy mandarin very much which I picked it as my third language. Now I can say I am amongst the millions of people around the world who speaks Mandarin!! Ha ha KR: What are your future plans with VERITAS? My future plans are to contribute my skills and knowledge to the company. My responsibilities

opportunities so WHO are the NEWCOMERS at VERITAS?

are to grow with the company.

KR: Describe VERITAS in your own 7 words? Challenging, passionate with their work and







Architect Lau Zhen Khai, Assistant Architect Arshadul Ibad Mohd Faudzi, Dalia Kamal Ismail Ahmed and Muhammad Najib Mohd Zailani, draughtspersons Durrany Mohamad and Khairul Redzuan Jamaludin for VERITAS Architects Kuala Lumpur. Receptionist Nurmarsya Irdina Zaffri for VERITAS Architects Penang. Clerk of Work Muhamad Luznan Ab Halim for VERITAS Landscape. Assistant Town Planner Fakhrul Ridzuan Bin Mokhtar for VERITAS

Planning. Senior Quantity Surveyor Siti Hazar Bt Tahir for VERITAS Contracts





Khairul Nurmarsya Luznan Fakhrul Welcome on board new VERITASians:

when you stand at the edge; when you still have that choice to walk away. THE PEAK MAGAZINE

VERITAS Design Group President, David Hashim was featured in The Peak Magazine. The article featured David's recent abseiling inspection of Glomac Damansara on the 27th February 2014. He personally inspected the building's external façade by abseiling from the rooftop of Block B covering a height of 126 metres or 26 floors from the podium level. Glomac Damansara Blocks B & C are targeted to be completed by June 2014.

Senja Aman-Banyan tie-up

The hardest moment is

STAR BIZWEEK

apartment projects; the "Banyan Tree-Angsana Teluk Bahang" was featured at the Starbiz week section of The Star newspaper. The site is located at the far end of the Batu Feringghi stretch of luxury beach hotels. The development strategy of the resort is to make the best of the difference in character from the Batu Feringghi hotel strip; the seclusion of the site, the unspoiled stretch of public beachfront of Teluk Bahang and the natural attractions that the natural seclusion of the site affords. The Banyan Tree- Angsana Teluk Bahang for Senja Aman is currently under construction and is expected to be completed by 2017. did we WIN any AWARDS?

One of our exciting new hotel and serviced

## PAM PERTURING ACCTOR MALAPIA

PAM ANNUAL DINNER AWARD 2014



award for the "Multiple Residence - Low Rise" category at the PAM Annual Dinner 2014 Award night which was held on the 24th May 2014 at the Pullman Hotel, Bangsar, Kuala Lumpur.



network of canals with the primary waterway running east-west with north-south branches, channels in cooling sea breezes between the floating water-villas. The filtered seawater in these artificial waterways is engineered to sustain marine life, an attempt to naturalize and rehabilitate the former reclaimed land and man-made environment. This project was completed in August 2013.

# **HAPPENINGS**



filled with day-to-night activities; including an

assortment of visits to tourist hot-spots such

as Temple Tree at Bon Ton, the Cable Car and

of course to the Famous Dayang Bunting Lake.





VERITAS SPORTS AND SOCIAL CLUB (VSSC) The VSSC is actively arranging many sporting events headed by its President Megat Arzuan and his team. In conjunction with the 2014 FIFA World Cup in Brazil that kicks off on 12 June, the VSSC has arranged many Football related activities throughout the month May -

July.

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was an invaluable and fun experience for all.







Architects Kuala Lumpur architect Adrinfahd Adnan and his wife Rosmalina Abd Kadir on their recent marriage. The 'Bersanding' ceremony was held on the 26th April and 3rd of May respectively by both sides.



# QUOTE

Abdullah, Suffian Ariff Bin Haron, Mohd Fazli Bin Abd Ghapar, Eric Tham, Alvin Yeoh, Muhammad Firdaus Bin Hasan And Shazatul Azrina Binti Abd. Aziz

"The wind and the waves are always on the side of the ablest navigators".

~ Edward Gibbon