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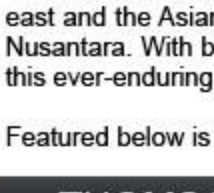
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Greetings, Selamat Hari Merdeka and Selamat Hari Raya Aidilfitri to all our readers!



In this month's e-news, we are delighted to feature some exciting new residential gated community projects designed by VERITAS Kuala Lumpur, VERITAS Penang, and VERITAS Johor both in Malaysia and around the region.



We are also pleased to provide an update on our recent activities such as the Ramadhan Buka Puasa, and other interesting "happenings" at VERITAS.

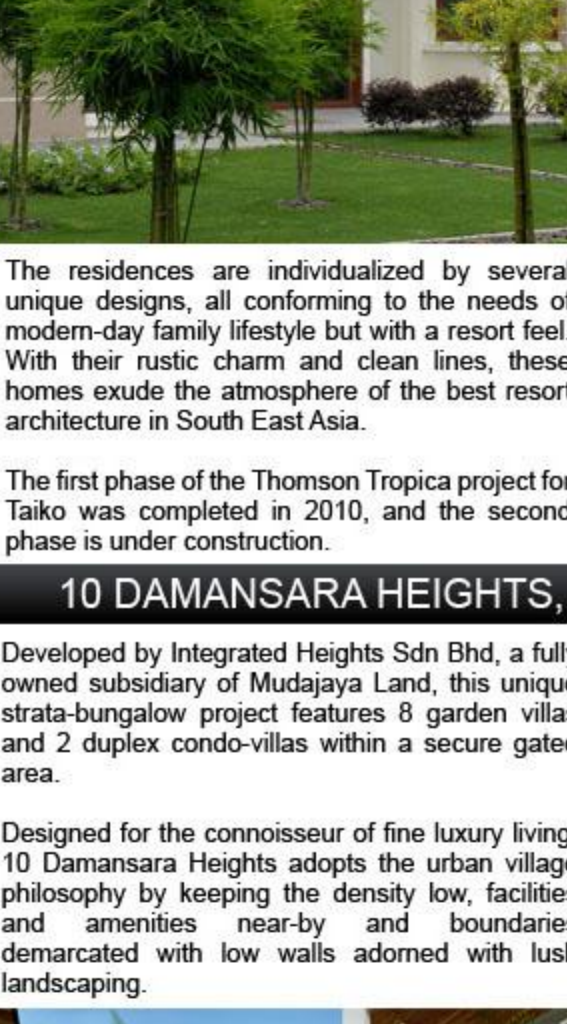
We hope you enjoy this month's VERITAS e-news! And please don't hesitate to contact us if you would like to know more about any of the stories featured here.

## MAIN NEWS VERITAS' GATED COMMUNITY PROJECTS

VERITAS has been responsible for many high-profile private residential gated community projects throughout Malaysia, the Middle-east and the Asian region. These include pioneer projects such as Sierramas and Valencia, as well as later projects such as Duta Nusantara. With broad capabilities and extensive experience, VERITAS has long been recognized for its expertise in the design of this ever-enduring architectural type.

Featured below is a review of some of our latest residential gated community projects.

### THOMSON TROPICA, IPOH



The Thomson Tropica is located within a 13 acre enclave it is an oasis of serenity near Ipoh's prestigious Golf Course, Royal Club and Race Course. Here in the tranquility and natural beauty of a secure community, one may discover a refuge from the hectic pace of the busy city.

The residences are individualized by several unique designs, all conforming to the needs of modern-day family lifestyle but with a resort feel. With their rustic charm and clean lines, these homes exude the atmosphere of the best resort architecture in South East Asia.

The first phase of the Thomson Tropica project for Taiko was completed in 2010, and the second phase is under construction.

Fifty tastefully designed villas are complimented by a well planned streetscape, open spaces, water features, a recreational park, pedestrian walkways and an abundantly landscaped environment.

<http://www.taiko-straits.com/home.html>

### 10 DAMANSARA HEIGHTS, KUALA LUMPUR

Developed by Integrated Heights Sdn Bhd, a fully owned subsidiary of Mudajaya Land, this unique strata-bungalow project features 8 garden villas and 2 duplex condo-villas within a secure gated area.

Designed for the connoisseur of fine luxury living, 10 Damansara Heights adopts the urban village philosophy by keeping the density low, facilities and amenities near-by and boundaries demarcated with low walls adorned with lush landscaping.



The 10 Damansara Project is under construction and is expected to be completed by 2012.

<http://www.mudajaya.com/indexp.htm>

### CHENNAI TROPICANA, INDIA



The Tropicana in Chennai India is a unique and exclusive residential address inspired by the elements of nature and the quiet tranquility of its surrounding landscape. Chennai Tropicana will represent the new benchmark in luxury gated communities in South India. Vastu Veda, a traditional Hindu system of design based on directional alignments is used as a guide for this design.

Fifteen luxurious bungalows are intricately woven into a fabric of pedestrian walkways, lush vegetation, water features, street furniture and parks to achieve an environment of perfect harmony. The Chennai Tropicana project for Rajeswari Foundation Pte Ltd is currently in design stage and is expected to be completed by mid of 2013.

### WESTERN ROAD, PENANG

This luxury bungalow development at Western Road, Penang comprises 8 units of bungalows of 700m<sup>2</sup> each. Each bungalow has its common areas opening up to a spectacular garden area. This unique concept will introduce a new tropical modern living life-style to Penang. The Western Road project for Belleview Sdn. Bhd. is currently in approval stage and is expected to be completed by the end of 2012.



<http://www.belleview.com.my/node/5>



### TAMAN RINTING, JOHOR BAHRU

The residential development at Taman Rinting, Johor Bahru comprises of 63 units of mid-range double storey terrace houses. Adopting a modern tropical language design, to satisfy the current design trends and affordable purchasing price.



The Taman Rinting project is developed by Taman Gunong Hijau Sdn. Bhd. and is currently in tender stage and is expected to be completed by mid of 2012.

### DAI PHUOC LOTUS VILLAS, VIETNAM



The Dai Phuoc Lotus Villas are situated at Zone 4 of Dai Phuoc Lotus Island, a 200 ha site located in Nhon Trach District, Dong Nai in Vietnam. It comprises approximately 270 high-end villas, 5 types of luxury bungalow villas and 2 types of semi-detached villas. The project for Vina Capital Group was proposed in 2008.

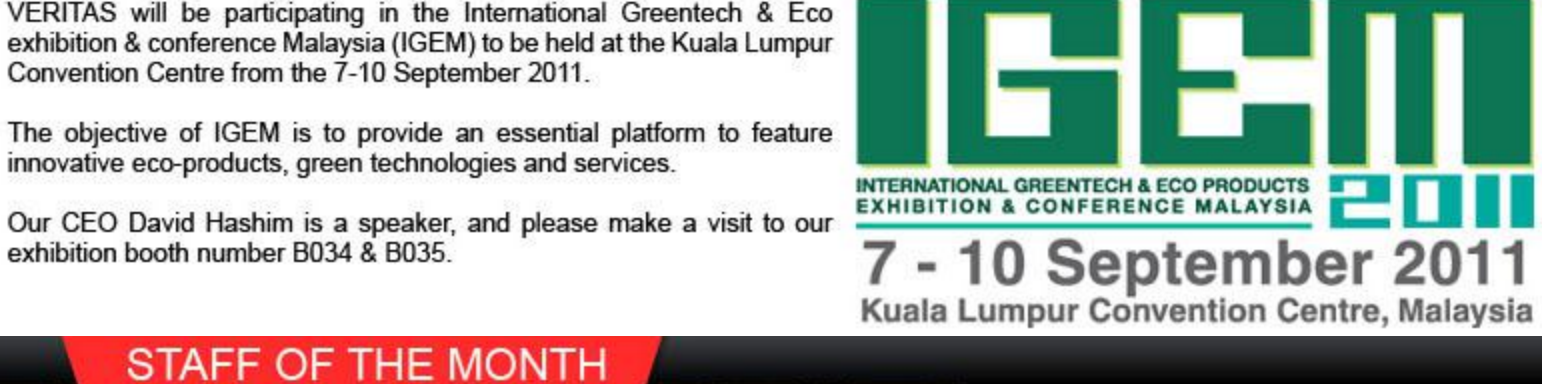


## VERITAS IN THE NEWS 30 UNDER 40

A recent publication entitled 30 under 40 is the latest book by PAM featuring 30 emerging Malaysian architects, all under the age of 40. It demonstrates the level of critical architectural thinking and design leadership of these young designers. The book features VERITAS Planning Principal Ng Yiek Seng, and VERITAS Environment Principal Azril Amir Jaafar in an 8-page write-up and illustrates their work to date, including built and un-built projects under their leadership. These 30 emerging architects were selected through a rigorous juried portfolio submission.



## HAPPENINGS RAMADHAN BUKA PUASA



On the 18th August 2011, the management of VERITAS organized the annual "Buka Puasa" or "breaking of fast" at The Nomad Restaurant, Sucasa Hotel on Jalan Ampang. A delicious buffet spread of local delicacies and western cuisine awaited them.

## ANNOUNCEMENT VERITAS ON RAYA HOLIDAY



We wish to inform that our office will be closed for business from 29th of August until 1st of September 2011 for the Hari Raya Holiday. We shall resume business on the 2nd of September, (Friday).  
We regret any inconvenience caused.

## ANNOUNCEMENT IGEN EXHIBITION

VERITAS will be participating in the International Greentech & Eco Exhibition & conference Malaysia (IGEM) to be held at the Kuala Lumpur Convention Centre from the 7-10 September 2011.

The objective of IGEN is to provide an essential platform to feature innovative eco-products, green technologies and services.

Our CEO David Hashim is a speaker, and please make a visit to our exhibition booth number B034 & B035.



## STAFF OF THE MONTH



This month's featured employee is Suhaimi Baba who has worked as an architect for VERITAS Architects Kuala Lumpur since January 2008.

Having been involved in many major projects, Suhaimi is currently involved in four of our important residential projects; the Templer, the Kiara Karisma House, Glenmarie Gardens and a condominium in Ampang Hill. Other projects Suhaimi is handling include the YTL Headquarters in Jalan Bukit Bintang and the YTL Brickfields project.

Suhaimi studied architecture at University Science Malaysia (USM) and obtained his bachelor in 1997. He also has a Bachelor of Science (Hons) in Housing, Building and Planning. An avid motorsports fan, he is happily married to Kyairulniza Saleh and has 3 kids; Sasha Irdina, Sasha Alea and Khaleeq Suhairi. His favorite quote is "If you keep trying, you will succeed."

## NEWCOMERS

We are delighted to welcome on board new VERITASians: architect Mohamat Razali Samat, Shafino Samsuri and Edward Chwe Fook Kong; project manager Loh Siew Ying and The Peng Fai; and assistant architect Farah Izzati Mohd Yusof for Veritas Architects Kuala Lumpur.



We hope that they will enjoy their experience here at VERITAS.

## BIRTHDAY GREETING

For August 2011, we would like to wish a warm Happy Birthday to:-  
Lions & Lionesses (23 July- 22 August) ~ Dawinder Singh, Mohd Arif Bin Mohd Yaakob, Ryan Teng Kuang Joo, Hairul Nizar Pardi and Ani Yab



Virgiorians (23 August- 22 September) ~ Hasrulzaimy Ismail, Che Amaluddin Che Harun, Thomas Liew Chee Tung, Saniah Ibrahim, Norhisham Mokhtar, and Jimmy Othman

## QUOTE OF THE MONTH



"The best executive is the one who has sense enough to pick good men to do what he wants done, and self-restraint to keep from meddling with them while they do it"  
~ Theodore Roosevelt

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Please share your thoughts, ideas, comments & suggestions with us. Your feedback will be greatly appreciated.



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