

UNITED VOICE ANNUAL REPORT 2007

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2. UV Members

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14. Caryn Loke Kai Ying (2007)	61. Mohamed Izzuddin Bin Nordin (2007)
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17. Chen Wei Lum (William)	64. Mohd Farid Bin Zulkifly
18. Chin Soon Keong	65. Mohd Shahir Bin Zulkifli
19. Chow Kien Kit (2007)	66. Mohd Zairin b. Mohd Yusof
20. Christina Yeow Chor Keen	67. Muhd. Zuhilmi B Md. Shahid
21. Clement Ooi Kit Meng	68. Nazmi Bin Kamarulzaman
22. Cynthia Joann A/P Thomas Raju	69. Nor Azuan B Ismail
23. Daisy Rohini Daniel	70. Nur Ashikin bte Abdul Ghani
24. David Foo Khee Choong	71. Nurulakhmal bt Ab Rahman
25. Eleanore D'Orville	72. Ong Ji Aun
26. Elijah Sunderaj Stephen	73. Pavala Vaani Palakrishnan
27. Eric Leong Chee Leng (2007)	74. Peggy Lee Pei San
28. Esther Moo Shook Leng	75. Simon Sin Chuan Heng
29. Eugene Lau Boon Leng	76. Soo Zen Lee
30. Felicia Fang Yann Yann	77. Sua Yi Wen (2007)
31. Fiona Yang Hui Mei	78. Syed Abid Shah Bin Syed Gulzar Ali Shah
32. Gan Yih Nian	79. Tam Kok Hoong
33. Harry Ng Tean Jui (2007)	80. Tam Pik Tho (2007)
34. Intan Dzulikah Bt Yazid (2007)	81. Tan Seng Kit

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37. Izzati Bt Mohamad Nor (2007)	84. Teoh Soon Huat
38. James Lim Ming Koon	85. Tey Pey Wen
39. Jason Kam Tze King	86. Theresa Yeo Ser Chia (2007)
40. Jennifer Ooi Phaik Hoon	87. Thomas Yeoh Yee Hung
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43. Jonathan Lim Tee Leong	90. Wong Khai Lun
44. Justin Goh Shee Yuen (2007)	91. Wong Wei Leong
45. Kee Wai Han	92. Yeong Gua Foeng
46. Kevin Ong Toon Yew	93. Yudesh Subramaniam (2007)
47. Koh Sher Li	94. Yuwaneshvar D/O Sivalingam

Total Membership: **94 Members**
18 New Members

3. UV Staff

1. Coordinator	Yeo Swee Lan
2. Administrator and IT Coordinator	Yeong Moh Foong
3. Assistant Administrator	James Lim Ming Koon
4. Accounts Manager (part-time)	Fatimah Mariah bte Rasid
5. EP Production Supervisor	Fadzillah bte Buang
6. Project & Marketing Coordinator	Chu Shi Wei
7. Asst. Project Coordinator	Wendy Yeong Sau Kuen
8. Fundraising & Project Coordinator	Ang Hui Ming
9. Part-time staff assistant	Koh Wan Gee

Norin Lumung King resigned from UV effective 1st July 2007 after 1 year service to further her studies. Norin Lumung King is replaced by Fadzillah bte Buang effective 1st August 2007.

4. UV Employment Project

Workers:

1. Aida Rahayu Bte Abu Bakar
2. Anthony Wong Leong Kit
3. Alvin Tan Kang Lin
4. Basri Kamil Bin Wan Bukhari
5. Breiv Benedict A/L Sinasamy
6. Eleanore D'Orville
7. Jennifer Ooi Phaik Hoon
8. Jonathan Lee Thien Shui
9. Kee Wai Han
10. Koh Sher Li
11. Mohd Aidil Bin Zulkafli
12. Mohd Farid Bin Zulkifly (*resigned in June 2007 due to transportation problem*)
13. Syed Abid Shah Bin Syed Gulzar Ali Shah

14. Wong Wei Leong
15. Nur Arshikin bte Abdul Ghani
16. Intan Dzulkah Bt Yazid
17. Aslam Bin Sulaiman
18. Mohamed Izzuddin Bin Nordin
19. Tam Kok Hoong

Sales of UV Products

Sales of EP Products		= RM23,461.79
Sales of Festival Cards	21640 cards	= RM36,788.00
Sales of Jebesen&Jessen Cards*	10570 cards	= RM12,684.00
Sales from EP Stall	<i>Omochi, Konnyaku Jelly & Fruits</i>	= RM 1,818.70
		RM74,752.49

**Jebesen & Jessen has partner with UV to produce their own festival cards. They provided UV with their own cards for the EP workers to paste flowers and glitter.*

A total of 31 companies/organisations purchased UV Seasonal and Greeting cards

Companies
1. Agrifert Malaysia Sdn Bhd.
2. American Home Assurance Company
3. CnetG Asia
4. Dynamic Search Sdn. Bhd.
5. FLEISHMAN HILLARD Kuala Lumpur
6. GE Corp. Finance, General Electric International, Inc
7. Global Marine Safety & Services
8. Integrated Automated Workflow Sdn Bhd
9. Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) Malaysia
10. Jebesen & Jessen (SEA) Pte Ltd c/o Jebesen & Jessen Business Services (M) Sdn Bhd
11. Johnson & Johnson
12. JT Greenhouse Sdn Bhd
13. KDK Fans (M) Sdn. Bhd.
14. Leong Yeng Kit & Co. Advocates & Solicitors
15. MABECS SDN. BHD. (Malaysian British Education Cooperation Service)
16. Mc Cann Erickson Malaysia Sdn. Bhd
17. NMG Finance Sdn Bhd
18. Pasti Personnel Sdn Bhd
19. Perunding Senikos Sdn Bhd
20. Pfizer (M) sdn Bhd
21. Pharmaceutical Regulatory Services
22. ProAir Sdn Bhd
23. Royal Selangor International Sdn Bhd
24. Spraying Systems (M) Sdn Bhd
25. Syarikat Kemaman Timber Trading Sdn Bhd
26. The Edge Communications Sdn. Bhd.
27. Tien Wah Press (M) Sdn Bhd
28. Transmile Group Berhad.
29. Wai & Co.
30. Woods Bagot
31. World Vision Malaysia

5. Advocacy Activities

Date	Event/Activity	PIC
5.1 Advocacy Activities		
6 Jan	Rapid KL OKU Privilege Card About 150 persons from about 10 NGOs were issued the card through this event.	Moh Foong
12 Jan	MBPJ Technical Committee on Development of Accessible Environment – the team include MBPJ directors & representatives from various disability groups	James Lim & Moh Foong
2-3 Feb	Workshop on Employment Promotion – by MCD (Malaysian Confederation of the Disabled) – UV represent the learning disability group.	Johari, James, Norin & Moh Foong
8 Feb	Seminar on Self-Advocacy in Kuching Worked with JICA, UNIMAS, JKM Sarawak and PDK Pibakat. 189 people turned up. Guest Speaker: Dan Goodley. Other Speakers: Dr Kenji, Esther Moo, Andrew Lee and Swee Lan Sponsor: JICA Malaysia The response from participants was generally good. Two self-advocacy groups will be formed in Kuching and Miri.	Esther Moo & Swee Lan
10-11 Feb	Seminar on Self-Advocacy in Kota Kinabalu Worked with JICA, Seri Mengasih and other NGOs. <i>Guest Speaker:</i> Dan Goodley <i>Other Speakers:</i> Dr Kenji, Esther Moo, Andrew Lee and Swee Lan Sponsor: JICA Malaysia	Esther Moo & Swee Lan
26 Feb	SUHAKAM – Meeting with other disability groups and Prof Chiam to draft a brochure on “Promoting the rights of Persons with Disability”	James Lim & Swee Lan
7 Mar	Meeting with BEAT (Barrier-free Environment and Accessible Transport) Team – an alliance of 16 NGOs to discuss concerning Memorandum for Ministry of Transport and meeting RAPID KL	Alex Tang & Shi Wei
10 Mar	BEAT Team meeting with COO – En Ali of RAPID KL	Johari & Moh Foong
12 Mar	Meeting with Minister of Transport , Datuk Chan Kong Choy with BEAT Team to present the Memorandum on accessible public transportation.	Alex Tang & Shi Wei
20 Mar	Seminar on the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities . Main Speaker: Associate Professor Osamu Nagase from University of Tokyo James, Aslam, Eleanore, Encik Sulaiman (Aslam’s dad), Swee Lan and Norin	

21 Apr	MBPJ survey on accessible environment at New Town PJ.	James Lim
24 Apr	Postmortem on National Self-advocacy Seminar held in 25 & 26 November, 2006 at University of Malaya.	Eugene Lau and Swee Lan
28 Apr	BEAT Meeting at Damai to prepare for the Rapid KL launch of 100 disabled friendly buses on the 3 rd May.	Alex Tang
3 May	Official press conference on the plan to launch of 100 disabled friendly RapidKL buses was held at Bangsar LRT station. Datin Paduka Chew Mei Fun officiated the event.	James Lim and Swee Lan
4-6 May	Training on Self-Advocacy and Employment for PDKs in Pahang was held in Kuantan. About 40 people - mainly PDK teachers, JKM officers and a few Special Education teachers attended the training.	Johari and Norin
8 May	University of Malaya Medical Centre (UMMC) Epilepsy Support Group is working with UV to organise a workshop on Employment for Persons with Learning Disabilities - to be held on the 16 th June.	James & Swee Lan
22 May	ASLI (Asian Strategy & Leadership Institute) invited UV for a meeting with other NGO's to discuss on a Merdeka Statement that they are proposing for the coming Merdeka celebration.	James & Swee Lan
24 May	BEAT committee met to discuss issues to be raised at MOT (Ministry of Transport) on the 25 May.	James & Swee Lan
25 May	BEAT committee had a meeting at Ministry of Transport with Datuk Long See Wool and also representatives from the various sectors: Jabatan Pengangkutan Jalan (Taxi, KTM, LRT & Monorail), Jabatan Laut, Jabatan Udara (MAS). The MOT is committed to make transportation accessible for people with disabilities.	James Lim & Swee Lan
26 May	Awareness Training about Persons with learning disabilities for RapidKL Bus Drivers – about 20 drivers and staff attended.	Hooi Ting & Swee Lan
8 June	MBPJ Accessibility technical committee meeting – 3 contractors presented their proposal building plan for OKU reps to approve. MBPJ will only approve their plans if committee approves.	James Lim & Swee Lan
13 June	BEAT meeting at Damai. BEAT did not endorse or support the launch of RapidKL buses because the buses are not safe for wheelchair users – ramps are too steep and there is no safety catch for wheelchairs at the two allocated space for wheelchairs.	Alex Tang & Swee Lan
16-17 July	Conference on Tourism organized by UiTM & University of Queensland; at Renaissance Hotel, KL. James presented a power point about United Voice and People with Learning Disabilities. Those attended: James Lim, Wendy Yeong, Aslam, Izzuddin, Intan, Moh Foong, Fadzillah and Swee Lan	

20 July	BEAT members met up with Dato Tony Fernadas , CEO of Air Asia at DAMAI. It was a very positive meeting. Dato Tony apologised for not addressing the needs of people with disabilities who wish to travel by Air Asia. They decided to invite PWD to provide training for their staff and crew.	James Lim & Swee Lan
4 Aug	Press conference at LCCT by Air Asia to launch services for persons with disabilities. On the whole BEAT was happy with their commitment.	Swee Lan & Hooi Ting
9 Aug	Self-Advocacy Seminar in Penang conducted by Prof Dan Goodley and his wife, Dr Rebecca Lawthom. This seminar is organized by ACS and partly sponsored by JICA. James presented on the History of Self-Advocacy Movement in Malaysia. About 80 people attended the seminar.	James & Moh Foong
13-15 Aug	2nd Self-Advocacy Conference in Kota Kinabalu , Sabah. 7 UV members and 2 supporting friends went. This conference is organized by Kangaroo Club, supported by Seri Mengasih Center. About 70 people attended this conference. The keynote speaker is Sue Rickell. Participants: James, Wendy, Johari, Hooi Ting, Alex Tang, Aslam Sulaiman, Felicia Fang, Moh Foong & Shi Wei.	
26 Sept	Mr Wong Wai Chong, Recruitment Manager of GCH Retail (M) Sdn Bhd visited UV in response to our proposal to their company to consider hiring persons with learning disabilities. Mr Wong came to find out more about UV and persons with learning disabilities. Their retail which includes Giant, Cold Storage and Guardian are exploring employing persons with learning disabilities. Follow-up from this meeting: 3 October: UV, MCARE, PERKOBP, PKIK and KJTC met up with the Human Resource Director and General Manager of Manpower Planning & Employee Relations of GCH to discuss and negotiate on employment opportunities. We were asked to recruit up to 80 persons. 19 October About 40 persons with learning disabilities (7 from UV) went for interview at Giant Subang. 23-24 October 27 were selected for training at Giant Subang. Out of these 13 were finally employed and were given training at Subang for a week.	James & Swee Lan Sua Yi Wen, Aslam and Swee Lan Moh Foong
Sept/ Oct	Working on publication of a booklet on Learning Disabilities with UMMC Epilepsy Support group. This project is still in progress.	Swee Lan

11-13 Oct	<p>United Voice was invited to participate in the UN ESCAP (United Nation Economic & Social Commission in Asia Pacific) and CDPF (China Disabled People Federation) Regional Workshop on Empowerment of Persons with Intellectual Disabilities and their Families in Asia and the Pacific.</p> <p>James and Hooi Ting were fully sponsored by UN ESCAP while Swee Lan's air tickets and accommodation was sponsored by JICA.</p> <p>During the workshop, James and Hooi Ting shared about self-advocacy movement in Malaysia and their employment experiences. We also participated in the drafting of Shanghai Recommendations on the Empowerment of Persons with Intellectual Disabilities and their Families in Asia and the Pacific.</p>	James Lim, Hooi Ting & Swee Lan
6 - 8 Nov	<p>UV submitted an abstract to the 2nd International Confederation on Intellectual Disabilities/Mental Retardation organize by World Health Organization held in Bangkok and it was accepted. Due to financial constrain UV is not able to send anyone there. Instead, we send them a poster about "Self Advocacy Movement in Malaysia" and it was on display at the conference.</p>	Swee Lan & Moh Foong
14 Nov	<p>Swee Lan was invited to meet Jasweet Dhillon, Manager of Resourcing and Talent Management of DHL. DHL offered UV 3 vacancies for temporary data clerks (1 month).</p>	Swee Lan
3 Dec	<p>MCD (Malaysian Confederation of the Disabled) OKU Day Press Conference. UV was invited to give a talk about education for persons with learning disabilities. James spoke on behalf of United Voice.</p>	James Lim, Izzuddin, Intan & Swee Lan
7 Dec	<p>Met with officers of KTM together with rep from the Visual and Physical Disabled to discuss on training programme for KTM staff. UV is in charge of topic on learning disabilities.</p>	Swee Lan and James
10, 17 & 18 Dec	<p>UV was invited to witness the tabling and debate of Disability Act in the Parliament. Staff & UV members who attended include: James, Wendy, Aslam, Intan, Izzuddin, Eleanor, Khai Lun, Swee Lan & Moh Foong.</p>	
21 Dec	<p>Met with Mr Bo Lingam of Air Asia together with BEAT to discuss update progress of improvement made by Air Asia for PWD.</p>	James & Swee Lan
5.2 Newspaper Articles on UV		
11 Jan	<p>Berita Harian – Dua OKU terima geran dari Samsung (<i>UV receiving grant from Samsung</i>)</p>	
11 Jan	<p>Utusan online - Samsung Beri Geran Bantu OKU (<i>Samsung gives Grant to help OKU</i>)</p>	
11 Feb	<p>Borneo Post - Seminar to change people's perception of those with learning disabilities (<i>Self-Advocacy Seminar held in</i></p>	

	<i>Sarawak)</i>	
15 Feb	StarTwo, The Star - Need for Self-Advocacy	
5 Apr	StarMetro, The Star - They Can Perform Like Other Workers <i>(interviewed Wendy & Felicia about their work)</i>	
20 Aug	StarTwo, The Star - Cards for all seasons <i>(Promoting UV's Festival Cards)</i>	
30 Oct	Metroneka - Program Suintik Semangat OKU <i>(Aslam was interviewed and he talk about the importance of Persons with Learning Disabilities getting a job)</i>	
13 Dec	Star Metro, The Star – Creative gifts by Persons of Dignity <i>(About UV's Booth at 1 Utama)</i>	
21 Dec	Article in Yellow Post on United Voice <i>(20 Questions Interview)</i>	

6. UV Promotion, Awareness & Training

Date	Event/Activity	PIC
6.1 Awareness Events		
2 Mar	SMK Taman SEA Hamper Day. Hooi Ting gave a short speech in the presence of about 1000 students and teachers	Hooi Ting, Aida, Nur Arshikin, James, Jennifer Ooi, Shi Wei & Swee Lan
16 Mar	39 Parents, teachers and care givers from 6 NGOs from Penang and Kedah came to UV to learn more about self-advocacy.	Cynthia, Esther, Mr & Mrs Thomas, Anna Thomas, Mrs Moo, Moh Foong
17 Mar	13 students from Bandar Utama College visited UV. Some UV committee shared with them about UV and had a time of interaction.	James, Johari, Deerick, Alex, Hooi Ting, David, Cynthia, Aslam, Shi Wei and Norin
24 Mar	14 students from HELP University College visited UV. Some members shared with them about UV and had a fun time interacting.	Jonathan, James, Wendy, Leong Kit, Michael, Alex, Jennifer, Moh Foong
16 June	Conducted a workshop on Employment for Persons with learning disabilities at UM Medical Centre . This event was organized by UMMC Epilepsy Support Group. About 50 people attended this event.	Johari Jamali, Hooi Ting, Esther Moo, David Foo & Swee Lan

22 June	JICA – Net Conference. Swee Lan was invited to present to participants of JICA course on Vocational Training in Tokyo about United Voice and also her achievement in implementing her Action Plan made during her training in JICA Japan last year. This was held at JICA Malaysia, Menara City Bank, Jln Ampang. 10 countries were represented for this programme: Japan, Pakistan, Nepal Bhutan, Kirghizstan, Bhutan, Sri Lanka, Indonesia, Laos, Cambodia, and Maldives.	Swee Lan
20-22 & 26-29 June	Two batch of 5 students in each group from SWEEP (Social Work Exposure and Embracement Programme) organized by Fellowship of Evangelical Students and SHELTER came to learn about persons with learning disabilities and how to work with them.	James, Shi Wei, Swee Lan and EP team
6 Jul	3 PDK Teachers from Sri Murni PDK Melaka came to UV to learn how to start a card making business.	Shi Wei and Swee Lan
7 Jul	Promotion to teachers and parents of Spastic Centre about UV & Self-advocacy. About 10 participants.	Johari, Hooi Ting, Cynthia, Intan, Shi Wei and Norin
10 Jul	3 staff and 2 Day Spring Adventure Club members visited UV to learn about UV and UV Employment Project.	James and Shi Wei
21 Jul	Promoting UV & Self-advocacy and sharing about challenges faced by persons with learning disabilities at Damansara Utama Methodist Church . About 200 people attended.	James, Hooi Ting, Cynthia, Wendy, Swee Lan and Moh Foong.
23-25 Jul	Awareness at Minggu Pendidikan Khas organised by JPK (Special Education Department) . The Event was held at Tasik Titiwangsa.	Aslam, Izzuddin, Intan, James, Nurashikin, Moh Foong, Swee Lan and Pn Siti.
30 Jul	RTM 2 came to do filming in UV. They conducted interviews with Swee Lan, Johari, Pn. Mariah, Aidil and Cynthia. They also went to Johari's office and home to film his life at home and at work. His boss, Mr Joseph Lee was also featured.	
16 Aug	RTM 1 came to do a filming of UV, featuring Clement Ooi, Cynthia Thomas and Aidil Zukafli for their programme remaja.com. They also interviewed Swee Lan about UV	Cynthia, Aidil, Clement and Swee Lan
24 Aug	20 students of the UM Christian Fellowship visited UV.	James, Wendy and Moh Foong

21 Sept	UM Christian Fellowship students invited Swee Lan to speak at their meeting about helping the underprivileged and to share about United Voice.	James & Swee Lan
21 Oct	FGA (Full Gospel Assembly Church) Parents awareness programme: UV & employment experiences	Felicia Fang, Christina Yeow, Swee Lan and Moh Foong
10 Nov	Stephanie Chong and Friends (about 17) came to visit and work with UV members.	Shi Wei
20 Nov	Tan Sri Tengku Mahalel invited UV to receive a cheque contributed by him at a Conference for Corporate Leaders organized by Marcus Evans for corporate leaders held at Ritz Carlton.	Swee Lan
24 Nov	FFM Marketing – 35 people visited and work with UV members	Shi Wei
28 Nov	Malaysian Conference on Rehabilitation 2008 United Voice is invited to be part of the organizing committee for this conference.	Aslam, James & Swee Lan
15 Dec	Malaysian Conference on Rehabilitation 2008 - 3 rd committee meeting. UV is also asked to be involved in the workshop on research on learning disabilities.	James Lim
30 Nov to 2 Jan 08	UV is selected to be the Charity partner of 1 Utama and is given a booth – Community Corner rent free by 1 Utama for the whole month of December till 2 nd January 2008. We had a total of 45 volunteers and 21 UV members manning the stall over the one month.	Hui Ming
15 Dec	United Voice Charity Workshop at 1 Utama Total Sales from the booth was RM10,995.40 and donations collected was RM3,616.92.	
6.2 Bazaars		
15 Feb	Bazaar at Universiti Pertanian Malaysia	James, Cynthia, Jennifer & Shi Wei
3 Mar	Flea Market at Mount Kiara	James & Wendy
6 May	Monfort Carnival . Sold about RM600+ worth of EP & Unilever products.	Wendy, Brieve, Shi Wei and Susan
31 July	Taylor's College Bazaar . Sold about RM183 worth of products.	Eleanore, Brieve, Susan & Shi Wei
25 Aug	Saujana Golf and Country Resort Bazaar	Intan, Fadzillah and Shi Wei

4 Nov	British Bazaar	Pn. Fadzillah, Moh Foong & Hui Ming
11 Nov	Japanese Bazaar	Shi Wei, Johari and Cynthia
15 Nov	American Bazaar	Moh Foong & Abid
23 Nov	Alice Smith School Bazaar	Eleanor & Sally Lim
25 Nov	Austrian, Swiss & German Bazaar	Hui Ming, Wendy & Alex

7. Visitors & Volunteers

Date	Visitors	PIC
22 Feb	8 Genting Highland Bhd Staff	Moh Foong
7 Mar	2 journalists & 2 photographers from The STAR came to interview EP workers & staff	Wendy & Swee Lan
15 Mar	Tracey from DUMC Day Training Centre came to enquire about our card making project	Swee Lan & Shi Wei
Parents: 16 Jan 16 Jan 23 Jan 5 Mar	Mrs P. Navamalar (Daughter : K Kamini) Mrs Jenny Ang Mrs Janette Lee Mr & Mrs Lim Seng Kin	James & Swee Lan
15 May	40 visitors from PDK Sri Murni , Melaka visited UV. The group includes persons with learning disabilities, parents, committee and staff of PDK. UV shared about Self-advocacy and Employment project in a 1 hour session.	Aslam, Wendy, Mariah and Swee Lan
28 May	Mrs Chan and 2 adult children with learning disabilities visited	Swee Lan
5 June	Mrs Tam and Cherrie Tam	James & Swee Lan
7 June	Sherin Siew from Hong Kong came in to help as volunteer for a day 2 World Vision staffs and 2 student interns from UTAR	James Lim & EP staff
13 June	Marianne Abdullah & Kim Lim – new volunteers	James Lim & EP Staff
15 June	Darren Teh and 4 students from Psychology Department of UTAR came to be volunteers.	James Lim & EP Staff
18-22 June	Fumie Onishi from Japan – short term volunteer.	James Lim, Swee Lan & EP team

20-22 June	5 university student volunteers from FES (Fellowship of Evangelical Students) & Shelter Social Work Exposure Programme	James Lim, Shi Wei, Norin & EP Team
13 July	Satoko Nukii JOCV Pahang (JICA Volunteer)	James & EP team
26 July	1 staff and 2 volunteers of World Vision (UTAR psychology students) spent a day at UV.	James & EP team
2 Aug	Mr Mitsuo Tanabe, the first secretary of Embassy of Japan visited United Voice. He raised some questions about our proposal for grants. He seemed happy that we sell omochi.	James and Swee Lan
24 Aug	20 student of the UM Christian Fellowship visited UV.	James, Wendy and Moh Foong
18 & 19 Sept	50 students from Sri Petaling Primary School came to visit UV. Aslam & Intan presented about UV to them.	Aslam, Intan, Swee Lan, Moh Foong,
20 Sept	Michael Montgomery, a volunteer from UK	James, Cynthia & Swee Lan
1 Oct	Andrew Ong from UTAR	James Lim
Nov- Dec	We have a total of approximately 23 volunteers helping us in the fruit cake project and about 10 helped baked cookies for sale.	
December	We have a total of 45 volunteers and 21 UV members manning our booth at 1 Utama over the whole month of December.	

8. Other Events and Activities

Date	Event	PIC
14 Feb	Abilympics Committee Meeting	James Lim & Shi Wei
24 Feb	Cheshire Home National Workshop on Employment Committee Meeting	Swee Lan
10 Mar	Cheshire Home National Workshop on Employment Committee Meeting.	Swee Lan & Hooi Ting
17 Mar	UV Committee visited Taman Megah Handicapped and Disabled Children Home –	UV Committee and Shi Wei, Norin, Guan Leong
24 Apr	Brought Alwin Tam for Interview at Pizza Hut call centre.	Swee Lan
16 May	Genting Highlands – 39 UV members, staff, volunteers and parents went for the trip sponsored by Genting World Resorts.	Moh Foong and James

15 May	Swee Lan visited David Foo at his workplace, Total Image in Kepong.	Swee Lan
24 May	Swee Lan, James and Cynthia visited Hooi Ting at her workplace, Spraying Systems in Shah Alam.	Swee Lan
14 June	Mr. William (Moses' uncle) and friends sponsored an outing to the Selangor Shooting Club for UV members specifically the EP Team.	Moh Foong
23 June	14 Students from FES & Shelter Social Work Exposure Programme organized an outing programme for 14 UV members.	James Lim & Swee Lan
2 Aug	The Launch of Merdeka Statement at Eastin Hotel by : Centre of Public Policy Studies Asian Strategy & Leadership Institute Khazanah ASLI	James Lim & Swee Lan
18 Aug	MBPJ Merdeka celebration at Padang Timur , PJ. UV was one of the representatives for OKU group.	Daisy Daniel, Ming Wei, Nurashikin, Pn Siti and Swee Lan
18 Aug	Abilympics Art Competition. Seng Kit & Clement participated.	Annie Ooi and Jenny Than
24 Aug	20 students from the UM Christian Fellowship	James, Wendy and Moh Foong
14 Nov	DIGI - Open Hearts, Open Mind Conference	Hui Ming, James & Aslam
16 Nov	1. CIMB event Held at Carcaso Seri Negara. The launch was made by Deputy Prime Minister, YAB Dato' Sri Haji Mohd Najib. 2. MBPJ Hari Perancangan Bandar Sedunia 2007 Peringkat Majlis Bandaraya Petaling Jaya. 3. Disability Act Workshop at Ministry of Women, Family and Community Development office.	Hui Ming, James & Intan Izzuddin & Moh Foong Aslam & Swee Lan
27 Nov	MBPJ Agenda 21 Dinner – to appreciate the best housing area and best rukun tetangga.	Alex & Swee Lan
4 Dec	Hari OKU celebration by JKMM , held at Sunway Convention Centre.	Briev, Aslam, Izzuddin, Intan, James, Swee Lan & Susan
29 Dec	UMMC Epilepsy Support Group meeting	Hooi Ting

9. **University Students - Research and Internship**

Date	Research Interest/Project	PIC
21 Feb	5 Students from Department of Psychology and Counseling, Faculty of Education, UM will be coming to UV for 5 sessions (2 hours per week for 5 weeks) : Tanianayana Zakaria, Wan Mashida, Zurita Kawal, Siti Arfah, Wan Adawiah	EP Team, James Lim & Swee Lan
1 Mar	3 Students from UPM – Lalitha, Veron Siew & Hoong Guit	Moh Foong & James Lim
8 Mar	2 students from Sports center, UM – Yean Yi and Hui Hwa	Shi Wei
26 Mar	11 students and professors/staff from Kanagawa Human Resource University visit United Voice to learn about self-advocacy movement in Malaysia	James and Swee Lan
19 Mar	Professor Nagase Osamu from University of Tokyo (Associate Prof of Disability Studies), also a Committee member of Inclusion International – is interested to explore partnership with United Voice and APCD (Asia Pacific Development Center of Disability – a JICA project) to promote self-advocacy in Asia.	Swee Lan
25 June	5 students from UTAR Psychology Department came to learn more about people with learning disabilities.	James & Shi Wei
20-22 & 26-29 June	Two batch of 5 students in each group from SWEEP (Social Work Exposure and Embracement Programme) organized by Fellowship of Evangelical Students and SHELTER.	James, Swee Lan and EP team
15 Aug to 7 Sept	5 Under graduates of UM Faculty of Education visited UV for 8 weeks to conduct some observation about people with learning disabilities.	Shi Wei & Swee Lan

10. **Special Olympics**

Date	Activity/Event	PIC
Weekly	Weekly bowling session at Holiday Villa, Subang is on going every Thursday	Norin, Moh Foong and Shi Wei
3 Feb	SO Committee Meeting at PKIK	Swee Lan & Shi Wei

28 Feb	Meeting with Dr Ashril and colleagues at Sports Centre of University of Malaya to explore partnership in the following SO events	Swee Lan & Shi Wei
24 Mar	AGM of SO Selangor was held at United Voice	Swee Lan & Shi Wei
27 & 28 Mar	SO Athlete Leadership Training at Sports Centre University of Malaya.	Aidil, Wendy, Aileen, Swee Lan and Moh Foong
25 Apr	SO Committee Meeting was held at Malaysian CARE.	Shi Wei and Swee Lan
1 June	Met with Dr Ashril of UM Pusat Sukan regarding the 2 June event on SO Volunteers training.	James Lim & Swee Lan
2 June	Special Olympics Introduction held at UM Sports Centre. 60 people signed up for the event.	James Lim, Wendy, Norin, Shi Wei
19 June	SOS Committee Meeting – SOS is planning to organize a family day on the 21 July	Swee Lan
21 Aug	SO Committee Meeting	Shi Wei
24 Aug	SO Family Day Planning Meeting	Shi Wei
8 Sept	SO Family Day held at the 3K Sports Complex at USJ, Subang. 220 people attended this event. About 10 UV members went for this event.	Shi Wei
3 Dec	Formation of SOS Input Council for Selangor. Johari, Eugene Lau and Wendy are being selected to be in the Input Council.	Johari, Wendy, Shi Wei & Swee Lan
16 Dec	Input Council had their first meeting at United Voice. Four council members turned up: Josephine of Friendship Club was elected Chairperson while Eugene Lau was elected as Vice Chairperson. Wendy, secretary and Khai Lun, asst. secretary.	Shi Wei & Swee Lan

11. Staff Training

Date	Event	PIC
13-23 Feb	Wendy & Norin went up to ACS Penang for training	Wendy & Norin
April	Topic: Addiction and Mental Illness by Dr John Tan organized by M CARE	Norin & Shi Wei
2 June	Special Olympics Introduction held at UM Sports Centre	Wendy, James, Norin, Shi Wei & Swee Lan
6-8 Aug	James & Moh Foong went to Stepping Stone Center at Balik Pulau, Penang for exposure and training.	James & Moh Foong
28 Sept	JKMM invited Great Eastern to share about employment opportunities.	Aslam Sulaiman & Swee Lan

22-24 Oct	Moh Foong attended 3 day training at Giant for new recruit.	Moh Foong & Swee Lan
30 Oct – 2 Nov	Job Coach Training by JICA Swee Lan was invited to attend the training for trainer workshop. Prof Ogawa was the main trainer. Swee Lan is selected by JICA to go to Osaka for further training on Job Coach 19-29 February 08. President and Vice President of UV agreed to her going for the training.	Swee Lan
19 - 23 Nov	DET (Disability Equality Training) Organised by JICA & JKMM. Facilitators are Dr. Rebecca Mallet & Miss Alice Mathers from UK. 19 th –Seminar at Crown Princess hotel. Around 100 people attended this seminar. 20 th -23 rd Held at Sentul. There were a total of 18 participants, 9 of them were from other Asia Pacific countries.	Hui Ming, James & Moh Foong James & Moh Foong
24 Nov	HOPE Programme Workshop on supporting persons with epilepsy, UMMC. Trainer: Dr Lim Kheng Seang and Dr Leong	Johari, Hooi Ting, David Foo, Esther Moo, Wendy Yeong, Alex, Jason Kam, Fadzillah, Hui Ming, Mr & Mrs Kam, Karen Yong

12. Purchase of UV building

During this year's AGM on 18th March, it was proposed by President Johari Jamali and agreed by members present that UV should purchase their own premise.

After surveying a few shoplots the committee has agreed to purchase the shop lot at 625, Jalan 17/8, 46400 PJ.

Information of Premises to be purchased:

Location: 625, Jalan 17/8, 46400 Petaling Jaya, Selangor
Building Type: Double Storey Shoplot (25' X 75')

Funds Required:

Price of Building:	RM	850,000
Renovation Cost:	RM	150,000
Fund Raising Cost	RM	70,000 (including hiring a full-time staff for this project)

Total Fund Required **RM 1,070,000**

UV need to raise a total of RM1 million (RM850,000 for the building and RM150,000 for renovation) plus RM70,000 for cost of fund raising – including cost of hiring a full-time staff. UV has decided to hire Ang Hui Ming as a full time staff to help raise fund.

13. Financial Report

1. Refer to attached Accounts
2. UV Building Fundraising Project:

a) Fruitcake Project:

The Fruitcake fundraising event has been very successful. 893 cakes were sold. Profits from the fruitcakes sales is RM43,270.

b) 1 Utama Charity Booth:

United Voice booth sponsored by 1 Utama for free was located at 1st Floor, Highstreet, 1 Utama New Wing. The booth was run from Friday, 30th November 2007 – Wednesday, Jan 2, 2008. Total Sales from the booth was RM10,995.40 (Employment Project: RM7,036.90 and Building Fund: RM3,958.50) and donations collected from the donation box was RM3,616.92.

c) Donations:

Individual Donors have contributed generously to our Building Fund. We have about RM15,140 collected so far.

14. Computer Classes

UV won a grant of RM34,000 from the Samsung Digital Hope award to purchase computers and equipments to start computer classes for UV members.

Computer class started in June 2007. A total of 23 UV members signed up for the classes which are conducted on Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays. Members who have sign up for the class consist of persons with various types of disabilities like Down syndrome, autism and slow learner. As such each of them requires a one on one teaching approach. About 6 of them are learning how to use the computer for the first time. Progress has been good. The beginners are learning how to type and getting comfortable with using the mouse. Even though some of them are slow in learning but at least they are learning how to type. Those who already know how to use the computer and are familiar with using Microsoft Word for typing are also taught more advance program like Microsoft Powerpoint.

15. Regular Volunteers

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| 1. Mrs Yoshie Liew | 5. Ms Theresa Wong |
| 2. Tomoko & Friends | 6. Mr Teo Bee Guan |
| 3. Ms Sally Lim | 7. Miss Ng Lay Hong |
| 4. Mrs Wong Li Foo | 8. Pn. Sri Marianne Abdullah |

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