## **UNITED VOICE ANNUAL REPORT 2008**

## 1. <u>Committee Members</u>

President : Johari bin Jamali Vice President : Teoh Hooi Ting

Secretary : Foo Khee Choong (David)
Asst Secretary : Alexander Tang Weng Cheong
Treasurer : Moo Shook Leng (Esther)
Ordinary Com. Members : Lim Kay Huat (Deerick)

: Eric Leong Chee Leng : Felicia Fang Yann Yann

: Cynthia Joann A/P Thomas Raju

### Committee Meetings & Social Meetings held in 2008:

Month		Activity			
January	19 <sup>th</sup>	Committee overnight stay and evaluation meeting for 2007.			
	20th	Committee Meeting			
		Social Meeting – Topic: Planning for 2008			
March	16 <sup>th</sup>	AGM and Committee Election			
April	5 <sup>th</sup>	Overnight Stay at UV office for Committee			
	6 <sup>th</sup>	Committee Meeting			
		Social Meeting - Topic:Introducing Sunflower Self-Advocacy Group (two			
		Special guest from Japan)			
May	24 <sup>th</sup>	Overnight Stay at UV office for EP			
	25 <sup>th</sup>	United Voice Picnic at TTDI park			
June	28 <sup>th</sup>	Overnight Stay at UV office for Committee			
	29 <sup>th</sup>	Committee Meeting			
		Social Meeting – Topic: Why Work?			
July	27 <sup>th</sup>	Committee Meeting			
		Social Meeting- Topic: Why Work part 2?			
September	21 <sup>st</sup>	Committee Meeting			
		Social Meeting – Topic: How to save Money			
October	19 <sup>th</sup>	Committee Meeting			
		Social Meeting – Topic: How to live a Healthy Lifestyle?			
November	14 <sup>th</sup>	Dinner & Dance organised by Dayspring Adventure Club			

### 2. Members

1. Aaron Tong Teng Lee	58. Lee Pei San(Peggy)
<ol><li>Aida Rahayu Binti Abu Bakar</li></ol>	59. Lee Sheng Wang
3. Albert Jaya Kumar s/o Manoharan	60. Lee Sheng Yang
4. Albert Wong Kim Tat (2008)	61. Lee Zhi Hui(Eunice)
<ol><li>Alexander Tang Wing Cheong</li></ol>	62. Lim Kay Huat (Deerick)
6. Alvaro Massano Sta Maria (2008)	63. Lim Ming Wei
7. Alvin Tan Kang Lin	64. Lo Lit Whei
8. Alwin Tam	65. Loh Ngit Sang
9. Amin Onizukawaki	66. Michael Lee Kwet Loong
10. Anthony Tan Chin Huat	67. Michele Low Chooi Ling
11. Aslam Bin Sulaiman	68. Michelle Yap Wern Shin
12. Basri Kamil Bin Wan Bukhari	69. Mohamed Izzuddin Bin Nordin
13. Benjamin Matthew Daniels Peterson	70. Mohd Aidil Bin Zulkafli

- 14. Breiv BenedictA/L Sinasamy
- 15. Caryn Loke Kai Ying
- 16. Chan AiLeen
- 17. Chan Pooi Loong (David) (2008)
- 18. Chan Yee Jen, Charmaine (2008)
- 19. Chang Kok Woei
- 20. Chen Wei Lum (William)
- 21. Chin Soon Kheong
- 22. Chow Kien Kit
- 23. Christina Yeow Chor Keen
- 24. Clement Ooi Kit Meng
- 25. Cynthia Joann A/P Thomas Raju
- 26. Daisy Rohini Daniel
- 27. David Foo Khee Choong
- 28. Eleanore D'Orville
- 29. Elijah Sunderaj Stephen
- 30. Eric Leong Chee Leng
- 31. Esther Moo Shook Leng
- 32. Eugene Lau Boon Leng
- 33. Felicia Fang Yann Yann
- 34. Gan Yih Nian
- 35. Haniff Bin Jantan (2008)
- 36. Harry Ng Tean Jui
- 37. Intan Dzulikah Bt Yazid
- 38. Irwan Shah Bin Faizul
- 39. Izzati Bt Mohamad Nor
- 40. James Lim Ming Koon
- 41. James See Fu Shang (2008)
- 42. Jason Kam Tze King
- 43. Jennifer Ooi
- 44. Johari Bin Jamali
- 45. Johnathan Lim Tee Leong
- 46. Jonathan Lee Thien Shui
- 47. Justin Goh Shee Yuen
- 48. Kee Wai Han
- 49. Keith Tan Mun Ern (2008)
- 50. Kevin Ong Toon Yew
- 51. Khoo Lay Ling (2008)
- 52. Koh Sher Li
- 53. Koon Pak Hong
- 54. Kuhanesan A/L Thinagaran
- 55. Lam Ai-Shia
- 56. Lee Chun Jin
- 57. Lee Chun Siong

- 71. Mohd Faizael Bin Kamaruzaman
- 72. Mohd Farid Bin Zulkifly
- 73. Mohd Irfan Bin Harith
- 74. Mohd Shahir Bin Zulkifli
- 75. Mohd Zarin B. Mohd Yusof
- 76. Mohd. Zulhilmi B Md. Shahid
- 77. Nazmi Bin Kamarulzaman
- 78. Nur Ashikin bte Abdul Ghani
- 79. Nurulakhmal Bt Ab Rahman
- 80. Ong Ji Aun
- 81. Ong Theng Yee (2008)
- 82. Pavala Vaani PalaKrishnan
- 83. Simon Sin Chuan Heng
- 84. Siti Farhah Azyan Bt Basiron (2008)
- 85. Soo Zen Lee
- 86. Sua Yi Wen
- 87. Syed Abid Shah Bin Syed Gulzar Ali Shah
- 88. Tam Pik Tho
- 89. Tan Seng Kit
- 90. Teh Choon Heong
- 91. Teoh Hooi Ting
- 92. Teoh Soon Huat
- 93. Tey Pei Wen
- 94. Theresa Yeo Ser Chia
- 95. Thomas Yeoh Yee Hung
- 96. Thong Kong Weng
- 97. Wendy Yeong Sau Kuen
- 98. Wong Khai Lun (Kenneth)
- 99. Wong Leong Kit (Anthony)
- 100. Wong Wei Leong(Moses)
- 101. Yang Hui Mei(Fiona)
- 102. Yeong Gua Foeng
- 103. Yudhesh Subramaniam
- 104. Yuwaneshvar D/O Sivalingam
- 105. Keith Tan Mun Ern (2008)
- 106. Loo Hooi Peng (2008)
- 107. Adeline Chong Li Lian (2008)
- 108. Terrence Leow Boon Heng (2008)
- 109. Nadiah Bt Abdul Jalil (2008)
- 110. Wee Boon Yee (2008)
- 111. Foo Yong Cheng (2008)

Total Membership: 111 Members

# 17 New Members

#### 3. Staff

1. Coordinator

2. Administrator and IT Coordinator

3. Assistant Administrator

- 4. Accounts Manager (part-time)
- 5. EP Production Supervisor
- 6. Project & Marketing Coordinator

Yeo Swee Lan (M.Ed)

Yeong Moh Foong (B.A.)

James Lim Ming Koon (UV Member)

Datin Fatimah Mariah bte Rasid (M.Sc)

Fadzillah bte Buang

Chu Shi Wei (B.A.)

7.

Asst. Project Coordinator Fundraising & Project Coordinator Part-time staff assistant 8.

9.

10. Trainee Wendy Yeong Sau Kuen (UV Member) Ang Hui Ming (B.A.) (1 year contract)

Koh Wan Gee

Siti Farhah Azyan bt Basiron (UV Member)

#### 4. **Advocacy Activities**

Date	Event/Activity	PIC
	In October 2007 UV contacted <b>GCH Sdn Bhd</b> to open up to hire persons with learning disabilities to work at their hypermarkets. A total of 40 OKUs have been hired to work in the Klang Valley & Seremban.	Swee Lan & Moh Foong
1 Jan 08	Sin Chew Jit Poh interviewed Swee Lan, Wendy, Hooi Ting and James about United Voice and Self-advocacy	Swee Lan & James
13 Jan	Meeting with YB Senator Dtk Dr Ismail Md Salleh and other NGO leaders	Hooi Ting, Johari & Swee Lan
21-26 Jan	APCD (Asia Pacific Centre of Development on Disabilities) invited Johari & Swee Lan to be resource persons for their workshop on self-advocacy for persons with learning disabilities and their family/care givers in the South East Asia Region – Thailand, Myanmar, Laos, Vietnam, and Cambodia. Event was held in Bangkok	Johari & Swee Lan
5 May	Meeting with the Datuk Ng Yen Yen, the minister of Ministry of Women, Family and Community Development at her office. The meeting was concerning the 1% employment for PWD in the public sector.	James Lim and Swee Lan
27 June	Association for Women with Disability Wendy is invited to be involved in the establishing of a movement to voice up for the rights of women with disabilities.	Wendy
27 June	Meeting with Datuk Ng Yen Yen at her office with other NGO to discuss about employment for PWD.	Swee Lan and James Lim
2nd August	Self Advocacy Awareness at <b>SMK Ampang Pecah</b> at Kuala Kubu Bahru. There were approximately 40 parents and teachers who attended the event.	Shi Wei, Pn Fadzillah Intan, Wendy
14 <sup>th</sup> August	1 <sup>st</sup> Meeting of Disability Act National Council James is appointed by the Minister of Women, Family and Community Development to be one of the council members.	James Lim and Swee Lan
24 <sup>th</sup> August	Joined RapidKL protest by BEAT at Bangsar LRT to advocate for better access for the disabled.	Moh Foong

11 Oct	<b>BEAT</b> – had a meeting at MAB to discuss issues to raise with Ministry of Transport (MOT) on 15 Oct	James Lim & Swee Lan
15 Oct	BEAT met up with Dato Long See Wool at MOT. Issues discussed include all mode of transportation. Mary Chen raised the issue that persons with learning disabilities need simple signage.	James Lim
9 Nov	MCR 2 <sup>nd</sup> National Conference at Bangi PLPP.  Swee Lan and Hooi Ting shared on the importance of self-advocacy in a workshop.	Hooi Ting & Swee Lan
2 Dec	National Conference on Disability at Concorde hotel. Johari was invited to present about Employment for People with Learning Disabilities.	Johari & Moh Foong
10 Dec	UNICEF (UN Children's Fund) Swee Lan raised the issue on how UNICEF can help promote self-advocacy in school so that students learning disabilities on the rights and voice up for themselves.	James & Swee Lan
17 Dec	Disability Act National Council 2 <sup>nd</sup> Meeting One of the key issues raised by James and Swee Lan is that Vocational Training should be one of the components of Special Education so that students with learning disabilities can learn more vocational skills and be prepared for work after school.	James & Swee Lan

## 5. <u>UV Employment Project</u>

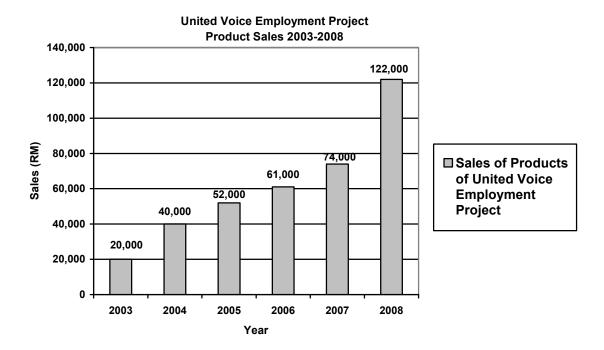
This project began in 2003 with only 8 employees. Currently, we have 21 UV members working in this project.

Year	Sales of Products	No. of Workers
2006	RM61,000	15
2007	RM74,000	18
2008	RM122,000	21

## **Summary of Festival Card Sales:**

Hari Raya	Deepavali	Season's Greeting	CNY
11200	1844	7110	4599
17,955.00	2,616.00	13,370.00	8,393.00
	,	11200 1844	11200 1844 7110

**Total: RM 42,334** 



In September 2008, we have begun printing namecards. So far there is only one company and a few individuals which have printed their namecards from UV Employment Project. The sales of the namecards thus far are approximately RM4000.

We have begun our bakery business in mid November 2008. We make cookies such as Chocolate Chip cookies, Almond cookies and others.

The products made by the Employment Project team have been increasing in volume as well as variety. We began with only **bookmarks and greeting cards**. Now we have evolved to make **weaving products, costume jewelry and cookies**.

#### The Employment Project expansion goals for the next two years (2009-2010):

- i. To employ a total of 30 persons with learning disabilities who are not able to work in Open Employment.
- ii. To increase the sales of our products so that we can increase the salary of employees.
- iii. To be able to have enough resources to train Community-Based Rehabilitation (CBRs) teachers to begin a small business to create employment for people learning disabilities in their community.

### Companies and Organisations that buys products of United Voice Employment Project

Agility Logistics Sdn Bhd	Newell Rubbermaid (M) Sdn Bhd	
Agrifert Malaysia Sdn Bhd	NMG Financial Services Consulting Sdn bhd	
Agromate (M) Sdn Bhd	OpenSys (M) Berhad	
Catherine Choong & Co.	Pfizer (Malaysia) Sdn Bhd	
Commerce Dot Com Sdn Bhd	PLUS Expressways Berhad	
EPP Solution Sdn Bhd	Prestige Golf Sdn Bhd	
General Electric International Inc.	Proair Sdn Bhd	
HCL AXON	ROIC Sdn Bhd	
Hewitt Associates Sdn Bhd	Royal Selangor International Sdn Bhd	
Hong Leong Group	Spraying Systems (Malaysia) Sdn Bhd	

Johnson & Johnson	Technip Geoproduction (M) Sdn Bhd	
KDK Fans (M) Sdn Bhd	Tien Wah Press (M) Sdn Bhd	
LHS Systems Asia Pacific Sdn Bhd	Tesco Stores (M) Sdn Bhd	
_	World Vision Malaysia	

# **Employees of United Voice Employment Project:**

1.	Aida Rahayu Bte Abu Bakar	12.	Syed Abid Shah Bin Syed Gulzar Ali Shah
2.	Anthony Wong Leong Kit	13.	Wong Wei Leong
3.	Alvin Tan Kang Lin	14.	Nur Arshikin bte Abdul Ghani
4.	Basri Kamil Bin Wan Bukhari	15.	Intan Dzulikah Bt Yazid
5.	Breiv Benedict A/L Sinasamy	16.	Mohamed Izzuddin Bin Nordin
6.	Eleanore D'Orville	17.	Teh Choon Heong
7.	Jennifer Ooi Phaik Hoon	18.	Pavala Vaani PalaKrishnan
8.	Jonathan Lee Thien Shui	19.	Albert Jaya Kumar s/o Manoharan
9.	Kee Wai Han	20.	Chan Pooi Loong (David)
10.	Koh Sher Li	21.	Khoo Lay Ling
11.	Mohd Aidil Bin Zulkafli		

## **Bazaars selling United Voice Employment Project Products:**

4 <sup>th</sup> May	Monfort Boys' Town Carnival	Briev Benedict
		and Mdm Susan
and a th a		Chong
2 <sup>nd</sup> -15 <sup>th</sup> June	Bazaar at Sri Hartamas Shopping Centre	Shi Wei
27 <sup>th</sup> July	Sale at Divine Mercy Church	Susan & Breiv
July - current	AirAsia will be selling EP products at LCCT	Shi Wei
6 <sup>th</sup> Aug	Charity Carnival at Taylor's College	Pn Fadzillah & Intan
2 <sup>nd</sup> Sept	Exhibition Booth at Genting	Ms Goh (KJTC)
9 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Japanese Bazaar at Nikko Hotel	Fadzillah, Intan & Wendy
19 <sup>th</sup> Nov	American Bazaar at Crown Princess Hotel.	James, Swee Lan, Swee Hoon & Nazmi
21 <sup>st</sup> Nov	Alice Smith School Bazaar.	Sally and Eleanor
23 <sup>rd</sup> Nov	British Bazaar	Shi Wei and Izzudin
30 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Austrian-German-Swiss Bazaar at KL PAC	Moh Foong & Pavala
23 <sup>rd</sup> Nov	Sale of products at Sungeiway Subang Methodist Church (SSMC)	Sally Khoo and Lay Ling
30 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Sales at Full Gospel Assembly.	Mr and Mrs Pala.
30 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Sale of Products PJ Gospel Hall	Mr & Mrs Ooi & Jennifer
30 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Sale at Sungeiway Subang Methodist Church	Uncle Koh and Rose

30 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Sale at Subang Jaya Gospel Center and business group	Terry
3 <sup>rd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Wisma Genting Bazaar	Shi Wei,
		Fadzillah, Intan,
		Pn Siti
6 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Booth at Axon (M) Bhd Dinner Party	Shi Wei & David
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# 6. <u>UV Promotion, Awareness & Training</u>

Date	<b>Event/Activity</b>	PIC
	UV has been involved in <b>training AirAsia Crew</b> on understanding persons with learning disabilities. We conducted a total of 32 sessions from February to December	James, Azyan, Wendy, Johari, Hooi Ting, Shi Wei, Moh Foong, Swee Lan
7 March	JICA (Japan International Cooperation Agency) Net Conference – Swee Lan was invited by JICA to have a net conference with the organizers and trainers of the Training on Rehabilitation & Employment for PWD in Tokyo which she attended in Tokyo in 2006.	Swee Lan and Aslam
April	Japanese Overseas Cooperation Volunteer (JOCV) sent a volunteer, Mayumi Narazaki a person with mild learning disabilities to be attached to UV in the month of April. She was involved in 9 programmes related to selfadvocacy during her stay. She is impacted by the self-advocacy movement in Malaysia and keen to apply what she has learned.	Swee Lan, James Lim and Moh Foong Aslam Sulaiman, Swee Lan, Yoshie Dan (JOCV) and Terumi Shikata (JICA)
10 April	Seminar on Self-Advocacy & Employment: Seremban Pusat Berdikari	
11 April:	Seminar on Self-Advocacy: Towards an Interdependent and Inclusive Community held at Special Education Department, Putrajaya.	
22 April	PDK Kelantan. As a result of this training programme one new self-advocacy group was formed in PDK Kg Chepa, Kelantan	
24 April	Persatuan untuk Insan Bermasalah Intelek Perak	
24 April	Persatuan Daybreak Ipoh. As a result of this training one new Self-advocacy group is formed at Daybreak, Ipoh.	
28 April	The Salvation Army Hopehaven Centre, Melaka	

23 June & 18 Sept	KTM (Keretapi Tanah Melayu) has decided to engage the BEAT team to conduct training for their staff. UV conducted 2 training sessions for KTM staff in June and September.	Aslam Sulaiman, Swee Lan & Intan
7 <sup>th</sup> Aug	JTK Johor organised a workshop on Employing OKU. Moh Foong did a session on understanding Persons with Learning Disabilities and the Deaf and how to support them in their work.	Moh Foong
10 <sup>th</sup> -12 <sup>th</sup> Sept	DET Training in Johor Bahru – organized and sponsored by UNDP (United Nation Development Programme) & UPEN (Unit Perancangan Economy Negeri). The Training was conducted for Management staff of Carrefour Malaysia (20) and MBJB officers (30).	Swee Lan & James and other BEAT team members.
1 Nov	Training at DIKA College Swee Lan was invited to conduct a teaching session on Learning Disabilities and Importance of Self-Advocacy for students of a Diploma Course on Special Education.	Swee Lan
10 Nov & 4 Dec	FASID (Foundation for Advanced Studies on International Development) sent a staff, Ms Junko Watanabe to visit UV and to invite UV to conduct training for government officers from other ASEAN countries on learning disabilities, employment and self-advocacy.	Swee Lan and a few UV members will be involved in the training.
29 Nov	JOCV (Japan Overseas Cooperation Volunteers) Training UV was invited to share about Self-Advocacy, Employment, The Role of a Support Staff and Income Generating Project to about 20 JOCV at Corus Hotel in KL.	Johari, Hooi Ting & Swee Lan
4 Dec	JICA Net. Swee Lan was invited to present about her role at UV to JICA staff and support group in Tokyo, Laos and Syria.	Swee Lan

### 7. <u>Visitors & Volunteers</u>

A total of 155 students from various universities, nursing college and schools and 122 visitors (including 27 from overseas) from corporate companies, various NGOs, parents and individuals visited UV office. Some of these are short term volunteers.

We have a team of 10 regular volunteers who help us in our Employment Project and supporting our employees at bazaars and assisting in production during peak seasons. We

also had three teams of volunteers who helped us in our various fundraising projects for 2008.

## **Students and Research**

11 June	Ching Sik, Suet Choon, Hui Ching, Yin Ping and Jason from UTAR	Swee Lan
18 June	Aaron Choi, Gisar, Munn Sing from HELP University College	James and Swee Lan
6 <sup>th</sup> Aug	6 <b>UTAR</b> students. They worked with the EP workers as part of the community project by their college.	Shi Wei & Wendy
6 <sup>th</sup> Aug	5 <b>Universtiy of Malaya</b> students. They will be coming up to UV every Friday to help out for the next 6 weeks as part of their credit course.	Moh Foong& Wendy
5 <sup>th</sup> Sept	4 UM Students came to work with the EP members as part of their coursework project on Special Education.	Shi Wei
23 <sup>rd</sup> & 24 <sup>th</sup> Sept	<b>Sri Petaling Students</b> – total 65 students and 4 teachers visited United Voice as part of their school educational trip to learn about what is learning disability.	Shi Wei
6 <sup>th</sup> Oct	6 students from <b>KDU College</b> came to UV to do a project as part of their course work.	Shi Wei
21 <sup>st</sup> Oct	<b>Sekolah Rendah Sri Sempurna</b> students- total 50 students and 4 teachers visited United Voice. It was their school educational trip to learn about what is learning disability.	Shi Wei
24 to 26 Nov	10 Students from <b>Kolej Sains Kesihatan Bersekutu</b> , <b>Sg Buloh</b> came to volunteer for 3 days as part of their community project.	Shi Wei & Pn Fadzillah

## 8. <u>Inter-Self-Advocacy Group</u>

Date	Visitors	PIC
12 April	Klang Valley Inter-Self Advocacy Groups meeting held at Faculty of Education, University of Malaya. About 60 people from 5 Self-advocacy groups and JICA staff (7) attended.	James Lim, Shi Wei, Moh Foong
25 April	Bethany Self-advocacy Group About 30 self-advocates and 5 support staff attended. President Azizul gave a good sharing on how their group was formed and their activities.	Swee Lan, Aslam Sulaiman and Terumi Shikata (JICA)

14 June	Inter Self-advocacy Leadership Training Planning Meeting. All 5 self-advocacy groups in the Klang Valley turned up for meeting. Friendship Club was selected to organise Leadership Training (23/08) and Dayspring Club will organise Dinner & Dance (15/11).	Johari, Kay Huat, Wendy, Esther, Moh Foong, Swee Lan
22 Aug	3 leaders from Mutiara Voice Club visited United Voice to share about the challenges that their group face. They asked for advice regarding publication of newsletter.	James Lim and Swee Lan
23 Aug	<b>Leadership Training</b> organised by Friendship Club. About 45 self-advocates from 6 self-advocacy groups & supporting friends attended the training.	James, Moh Foong, Fadzillah & Shi Wei
14 Nov	<b>Dinner &amp; Dance 2009.</b> Organised by Dayspring Adventure Club, Klang. More than 300 attended. 42 UV members, staff and parents joined the event.	Moh Foong & James

# 9. <u>Job Coaching</u>

Date	Training Event/Client/Place	PIC
19-29 Feb	Job Coach Training in JICA Osaka. Swee Lan, a senior manager of GCH Sdn Bhd and 4 other government officers were sponsored by JICA for this training to become resource persons to develop a Job Coach System in Malaysia.	Swee Lan
14 Jan	1st Job Coach Network Meeting at JKMM	Swee Lan
11 March	Job Coach Network – Swee Lan and the team who attended the Job Coach Course in Osaka reported on their training and their proposal for JKMM & JTK (Jabatan Tenaga Kerja) to start a system on Job Coach System.	Swee Lan
25 <sup>th</sup> Aug	Job Coach Resource Team meeting. Swee Lan has completed the first draft of the Job Coach Manual.	Swee Lan
27 <sup>th</sup> Aug	Meeting with Malaysian Care, PKIK, KJTC, PERKOBP about Job Coach.	Swee Lan, Moh Foong & Wendy
2 <sup>nd</sup> Sept	Swee Lan met up with Morita San, Clarissa Chang and Jee Ching of Malaysian CARE to edit the first draft of the <b>Job Coach Manual</b> .	Swee Lan
2 & 3 July	Training at <b>Institute of Social Malaysia (ISM)</b> – A course on Job Placement & Job Coaching	Swee Lan
15 & 17 Oct	Swee Lan was invited by <b>ISM</b> to conduct a 2 hours session on Challenges faced by OKU in Employment and also a	

panel speaker for a Forum on Employment for OKU. Total of about 70 officers from <b>JKM and JTK</b> attended.	

# 10. **Special Olympics**

A total of 38 UV members are athletes of Special Olympics Selangor.

Date	Activity/Event	PIC
Weekly	Weekly bowling session at Holiday Villa, Subang is on going every Thursday.	Moh Foong and Parents of UV members
1 Nov	<b>3rd State Games at UNITEN.</b> 154 athletes from 10 NGOs, PDKs & 7 schools participated in this event. 16 UV members took part in this event.	Moh Foong & Pn Fadzillah
4-7 Dec	Wendy, Aileen, Zen Lee, Eugene Lau & Adil participated in the 8th (Asia Zone) Invitational Ten Pin Bowling event in Labuan.	Su Lan Eng & Mr Soo

# 11. Staff Training

Date	Event
19-29 Feb	Job Coach Training in JICA Osaka. Swee Lan was sponsored by JICA for this training to become a resource person to develop a Job Coach System in Malaysia. A proposal was made by 6 participants who attended this course for the Welfare Dept and Human Resource Dept – these 2 departments will be the main sponsor to develop a Job Coach System in Malaysia.
12 <sup>th</sup> – 14 <sup>th</sup> May	Visit and training at Asia Community Service Penang - Hui Ming, Pn Fadzillah, Mrs Lim, Intan, Jennifer & Eleanore
16 June	Staff Exposure at <b>Chesire Home</b> and <b>PDK Selayang</b> - Fadzillah, Shi Wei, Moh Foong, Hui Ming, Wendy, Intan, Izzuddin, Moses, Pavala, Jennifer
21-22 July	James Lim attended the Workshop on <b>Liveable City</b> organized by MBPJ.
Current	Shi Wei has completed her 6 courses for her <b>Master Degree in Education at University of Malaya.</b> Her research focus is on  Employment for people with learning disabilities.

### 12. UV Building Fund Project

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

UV need to raise a total of RM1 million (RM850,000 for the building and RM150,000 for renovation).

By December 2008 we raised a total of about RM400,000 from various fundraising projects and donations.

**Fundraising Projects:** 

Dec 2007	Fruitcake Project 893 cakes were sold. Profits from the fruitcakes sales is RM43,270.
Dec 2007	1 Utama Charity Booth United Voice booth sponsored by 1 Utama for free was located at 1 <sup>st</sup> Floor, Highstreet, 1 Utama New Wing. Total sales from the booth was RM10,995.40 (Employment Project: RM7,036.90 and Building Fund: RM3,958.5) and donations collected was RM3,616.92.
25 <sup>th</sup> April 08	Fundraising Golf Tournament The golf tournament raised RM116,000.
17 <sup>th</sup> Aug 08	Fundraising Dinner Total Nett funds collected: RM94,000 A total of about 340 people attended the dinner.

#### **Donations:**

1. The Rat Race RM87,000

2. Hong Leong Bank RM20,000 (Sponsor Workspace for EP)

3. Companies/Organizations
4. UV Members & Parents
5. Individuals
RM5,300
RM3,050
RM24,706

Total RM140,056

#### 13. Financial Report

1. Please refer to attached Audited Accounts 2008.

#### 2. Tax Exemption Status:

UV received Tax Exemption Status effective 1st March 2008. Donors for United Voice can now apply for tax exemption for the amount of money donated to UV.

### 14. <u>Computer Classes</u>

UV won a grant of RM34,000 from the Samsung Digital Hope award in 2007 to purchase computers and equipments to start computer classes for UV members.

A total of 20 UV members signed up for the classes in 2008 which are conducted on Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays.