

UNITED VOICE ANNUAL REPORT 2010

1. Committee Members

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	: Cynthia Joann A/P Thomas Raju

Committee Meetings & Social Meetings held in 2010:

February 7 – Staff-Committee Planning Meeting for 2010

March 21 – AGM

Jan 16, Apr 25, June 27, Aug 8, Sept 26, Oct 24, Nov 21, Dec 12 – Committee & Social Meetings

2. Members

1. Aaron Tong Teng Lee	81. Mohd Faizael Bin Kamaruzaman
2. Adeline Chong Li Lian	82. Mohd Irfan Bin Harith
3. Ahmad Aizuddin Bin Khairuddin (2010)	83. Mohd Shahir Bin Zulkifli
4. Aida Rahayu Binti Abu Bakar	84. Nadiah Bt Abdul Jalil
5. Albert Jaya Kumar s/o Manoharan	85. Navaanitha A/p Santhramogan
6. Albert Wong Kim Tat	86. Nazmi Bin Kamarulzaman
7. Alexander Tang Wing Cheong	87. Norsanizan Binti Mohd Noor
8. Alvaro Massano Sta Maria	88. Nur Ashikin bte Abdul Ghani
9. Alvin Tan Kang Lin	89. Nurulakhmal Bt Ab Rahman
10. Alwin Tam	90. Ong Ji Aun
11. Amin Onizukawaki	91. Ong Theng Yee
12. Amirah Binti Mohd Sari (2010)	92. Pavala Vaani PalaKrishnan
13. Anthony Tan Chin Huat	93. Prem Kumar a/l Sockalingam
14. Aslam Bin Sulaiman	94. Siti Farhah Azyan Bt Basiron
15. Basri Kamil Bin Wan Bukhari	95. Soo Zen Lee
16. Benjamin Matthew Daniels Peterson	96. Sua Yi Wen
17. Breiv Benedict A/L Sinasamy	97. Syed Abid Shah Bin Syed Gulzar Ali Shah
18. Caryn Loke Kai Ying	98. Tam Pik Tho
19. Chan AiLeen	99. Tan Seng Kit
20. Chan Choon Kit	100. Teh Choon Heong
21. Chan Fung Lan	101. Teoh Hooi Ting
22. Chan Pooi Loong (David)	102. Terrence Leow Boon Heng
23. Chan Yee Jen, Charmaine	103. Tey Pei Wen
24. Chang Kok Woei	104. Theresa Yeo Ser Chia
25. Chen Wei Lum (William)	105. Thomas Yeoh Yee Hung
26. Chia Kai Chung	106. Thong Kong Weng
27. Chin Jian Seung	107. Wee Boon Yee
28. Chow Kien Kit	108. Wendy Yeong Sau Kuen
29. Chow Weng Hoe	109. Wong Chang Wei (2010)
30. Christina Yeow Chor Keen	110. Wong Hong Sing
31. Clement Ooi Kit Meng	111. Wong Khai Lun (Kenneth)
32. Cynthia Joann A/P Thomas Raju	112. Wong Leong Kit (Anthony)
33. Daisy Rohini Daniel	113. Wong Wei Leong(Moses)
34. Damien Wong Sher Yng (2010)	114. Yang Hui Mei(Fiona)
35. David Foo Khee Choong	115. Yeong Gua Foeng
36. Dennis Liew Kai Mun	116. Yong Choy Wah
37. Diana Choong (2010)	117. Yudhesh Subramaniam
38. Elaine Choo	118. Yuwaneshvari D/O Sivalingam
39. Eleanore D'Orville	119. Ernest Chen Wen Xian (2010)
40. Elijah Sunderaj Stephen	120. Douglas Chen Wen Ming (2010)
41. Eric Leong Chee Leng	121. Lim Shu Xian (2010)

42. Esther Moo Shook Leng 43. Eugene Lau Boon Leng 44. Felicia Fang Yann Yann 45. Foo Yong Cheng 46. Gan Yih Nian 47. Haniff Bin Jantan 48. Harry Ng Tean Jui 49. Intan Dzulikah Bt Yazid 50. Irwan Shah Bin Faizul 51. Izzati Bt Mohamad Nor 52. James Lim Ming Koon 53. James See Fu Shang 54. Jason Kam Tze King 55. Jeanie Ng Zuan Yi (2010) 56. Jennifer Ooi 57. Johari Bin Jamali 58. Jonathan Lee Thien Shui 59. Justin Goh Shee Yuen 60. Kanji Kamachi 61. Kee Wai Han 62. Keith Tan Mun Ern 63. Kevin Ong Toon Yew 64. Khoo Lay Ling 65. Kuhanesan A/L Thinagaran 66. Lam Ai-Shia 67. Law Chang Hoong 68. Lee Pei San(Peggy) 69. Lee Sheng Wang 70. Lee Sheng Yang 71. Lee Zhi Hui(Eunice) 72. Lim Kay Huat (Deerick) 73. Lim Ming Wei 74. Lim Yu Heng 75. Lo Lit Whei 76. Loo Hooi Peng 77. Lum Tuck Seng 78. Michael Lee Kwet Loong 79. Mohamed Izzuddin Bin Nordin 80. Mohd Aidil Bin Zulkafli	122. Kevin Koh Boon Keong (2010) 123. Chee Siew Chong (2010) 124. Peter Loang (2010) 125. Lee Weng Choong (Anthony) (2010) 126. Ng Yung Wei (2010) 127. Seow Yin Pei (2010) 128. Chew Boon Fung (2010) 129. Tham Zi Yan (2010) 130. Chew Chu Hung (2010) 131. Chan Siew Khim (2010) 132. Lee Seng Kit (2010) 133. Koh Khong Way (2010) 134. Liang Yi Hui (2010) 135. Vivian Koh Sh Min (2010) 136. Mary Ann Gasper (2010) 137. Elvin Yeong Wai Kee (2010) 138. Samantha Soo Lin Ramasamy (2010) 139. Lim Kok Haw (2010) 140. Chin Keat Lai (2010) 141. Chung Jing Yee (2010) 142. Sarah Binti Mohd Yusop (2010) 143. Marie Anne Selvarajah (2010) 144. Wong Jenna (2010) 145. Tan Shen Mei (2010) 146. Tee Wai Chun (2010) 147. Hew Yuen Mun (2010) 148. Nik Zulfadli Afif Bin Nik Amran (2010) 149. Lee See Hoo (2010) 150. Tan Teck Heng (2010) 151. Vashaun Manikkam (2010) 152. Yau Yee Cheng (2010) 153. Goh Xin Yi (2010) 154. Fariz Bin Sharaf (2010) 155. Lee Kai Zeng (2010) 156. Pua Zhe Xuan (2010) 157. Ahmad Khair Azri(2010) 158. Andrew Lau Ka keat (2010) 159. Low Jeng Han (2010) 160. Adrian Anthony Louis (2010) 161. Soong Ru Heng (2010)
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Total Membership: **161 Members**
43 New Members in 2010

3. Staff

1. Lead Coordinator	Yeo Swee Lan (M.Ed)
2. Public Relations and IT Coordinator	Yeong Moh Foong (B.A.)
3. Office Assistant	Lo Lit Whei (UV Member)
4. Accounts Administrator (part-time)	Judy Tan Bee Toh
5. Marketing Coordinator	Chu Shi Wei (M.Ed.)
6. EP Production Coordinator	Fadzillah bte Buang
7. EP Production Supervisor	Wendy Yeong Sau Kuen (UV Member)
8. EP Production Supervisor	Nareah bte Ahmad
9. EP Production Supervisor	Yow Keng Lee
10. Trainee	Siti Farhah Azyan bt Basiron (UV Member)

Note: EP : Employment Project

4. **Advocacy Activities**

Date	Event/Activity	PIC
5 Feb	Consultative Dialogue with Dato Seri Shahrizat on 10 th Malaysia Plan. United Voice proposed that funds should be allocated to enable JKMM to provide fund for NGOs' to cover staff cost incurred in running employment projects – as a support to create more employment for people with disabilities in Malaysia.	Nazmi & Swee Lan
6 Feb	CBR Convention In the talk presented to 1000 participants, the importance of self-advocacy groups was highlighted and that self-advocacy groups should be established in the 409 CBRs all over Malaysia. As a result, JKMM has allocated funds for United Voice to run six self-advocacy conferences for PDK according to zones in 2011-2012.	Nazmi & Swee Lan
1-3 Mar	Conference on "Accessibility and Universal Design: Implications for Public Transport and the Built Environment" Mr Javeed Abidi, a self-advocate from India shared about his experience. As a result of this session a group –“Disability Rights Group Malaysia” was formed to advocate for the rights of PWDs.	Moh Foong, Hooi Ting, Alex
17 Mar	Attended a Discussion at Jln Travers Police Station . It was a briefing on what action that the police have taken to raise more awareness on OKUs.	Moh Foong, Wendy
30 Mar	Meeting at Ministry of Transport together with BEAT to discuss about transportation issues. Topics that were discussed were correct measurements for the OKU bus, OKU stickers for vehicles and accessibility issues for wheelchair users at airports.	Moh Foong, Eric Leong
3 Apr	Meeting at RapidKL HQ with BEAT to discuss on the guidelines for OKU bus.	Moh Foong, Wendy
6 April	The Special Education Division invited UV to attend their Mesyuarat Transformasi Pendidikan Khas 2010-2020 . The presentation looks good but we hope they will carry out what was planned. They aim to have more inclusive education and better quality education for students with disabilities.	Swee Lan
5, 19 May	SMK Batu Unjur Conducted Self-advocacy training sessions to the special need class. This is the first school in Malaysia that started a self-advocacy club.	Swee Lan, Shi Wei, Intan, Wendy & Moh Foong
25 May	National Council for People with Disability meeting. James asked Special Education Division what are measures taken to help students be more prepared for employment. Swee Lan requested Human Resource Department to allocate more funds for centres with learning disabilities to run sheltered employment or social enterprises.	James & Swee Lan

14-20 June	15th Inclusion International Congress. Hooi Ting presented about United Voice and self-advocacy movement in Malaysia for a paper on best practice in developing countries. Fully sponsored by Inclusion International.	Hooi Ting & Shi Wei
21 June	Mr Kevin Stone who is Executive Officer of VALID , Australia visited UV and shared about self-advocacy in Australia. 10 self-advocates and supporting friends from other SA groups, 4 JOCV, 1 JICA staff and about 20 UV members & staff attended the sharing session. As a result of Mr Kevin's visit, 3 UV leaders are invited to Melbourne in Feb 2011 to give 2 talks at their self-advocacy conference.	Swee Lan & Moh Foong
27&28 July	About 120 people attended the International Conference - Perspectives on Inclusive Development: Embracing Diversity and Creating Disability-Sensitive Communities. Organised by UNIMAS and Manchester Metropolitan University. Both Johari and Swee Lan advocated that self-advocacy should be taught in school and CBR in their papers presented. Mr Bong, the Director of Malaysia Special Education Division and Cik Noraini, Director of Social Welfare Department responded positively.	Johari & Swee Lan
2 Sept	Audit of KTM Station at Salak South & Sg Buloh – organised by KTM & Ministry of Transport	Nazmi & Swee Lan
23 Sept	Meeting at Ministry of Transport on Accessible transport	Nazmi & Shi Wei
Oct	UNESCAP has requested us to make a short video of UV members saying “Make the Right Real” for their Seminar on Committee on Social Development held at Bangkok.	Moh Foong
6 Oct	Malaysia Confederation of the Disabled (MCD) President, Mah Hassan requested Swee Lan to represent MCD for a meeting at Jabatan Pendidikan Khas concerning the curriculum of special education.	Swee Lan
20-22 Oct	International Conference on Disability Rights Tribunal in Asia & Pacific held at Bangkok Thailand. Nazmi represented United Voice. – Fully sponsored by Toyota Foundation	Nazmi & Shi Wei
13 Nov	Malaysian Confederation of the Disabled (MCD) Exco meeting.	Nazmi
1-3 Dec	Regional Conference on Asean and Disability - Jakarta This conference was organised by Disabled Peoples' International Asia-Pacific Region (DPI/AP). Theme of the conference “Celebrating International Day of Persons with Disabilities; Mainstreaming Disability in Millennium Development Goals in ASEAN Community”. Fully sponsored by DPI/AP	Nazmi & Fadzillah –
10 Dec	Malaysia Council of Rehabilitation (MCR) organised a	Wendy &

	meeting to discuss on issues related to homes for people with severe learning disabilities. A recommendation of best practice will be drafted and submitted to JKMM	Swee Lan
13 Dec	National Council for People with Disabilities The council requested for a full report on actions taken since the council was formed in 2008.	James and Swee Lan

5. United Voice Employment Project

Currently, we have **26 UV members** working in this project. The workers of this project are paid a monthly allowance, SOCSO, EPF and an annual bonus. They are also entitled to the benefit of RM300 per month for employees with disabilities from the Welfare Department.

This project runs a card & craft studio, bakery, gift shop and an art gallery. The sales of products for 2010 was RM280,000.

Year	Sales of Products	No. of Workers
2009	RM189,000	22
2010	RM280,000	26

Sales for 2010 include:

Greeting Card Sales: RM 98,000

Cookie & hamper sales: RM15,094

Name Card sales: RM14,000

Painting sales: RM39,359

Bazaar Sales: RM10,822

Employees of United Voice Employment Project:

1. Anthony Wong Leong Kit	14. Mohamed Izzuddin Bin Nordin
2. Alvin Tan Kang Lin	15. Pavala Vaani PalaKrishnan
3. Basri Kamil Bin Wan Bukhari	16. Albert Jaya Kumar s/o Manoharan
4. Breiv Benedict A/L Sinasamy	17. Chan Pooi Loong (David)
5. Eleanore D'Orville	18. Khoo Lay Ling
6. Jennifer Ooi Phaik Hoon	19. Harry Ng Tien Jui
7. Jonathan Lee Thien Shui	20. Lum Tuck Seng
8. Kee Wai Han	21. Chia Kai Chung
9. Mohd Aidil Bin Zulkafli	22. Daisy Daniels
10. Syed Abid Shah Bin Syed Gulzar Ali Shah	23. Nurulakhmal Bt Ab Rahman
11. Wong Wei Leong	24. Marie Anne Selvarajah
12. Nur Arshikin bte Abdul Ghani	25. Tan Seng Kit
13. Intan Dzulkah Bt Yazid	26. Peggy Lee Pei San

6. United Voice Promotion & Awareness

Date	Event/Activity	PIC
21 Jan	United Voice was invited to give a talk on the self-advocacy and employment opportunities for students with learning disabilities to parents and teachers in SMK Desa Petaling .	Nazmi, Intan, Wendy and Shi Wei

10 May	OMRON Donation ceremony. Intan presented briefly about United Voice.	Pn Fadzillah & Intan
22 May	Parents support group of Subang Jaya AOG church. Awareness on Job Opportunities	Wendy & Swee Lan
8 July	CIMB Sec 5 organised a Bazaar at their Canteen to promote products of EP.	Fadzillah, Mrs Chia, Nareah, Intan, Izzuddin and Daisy
13 July	About 10 ladies, including the wife of Japan Ambassador from Japan Women's association visited United Voice.	Shi Wei & Wendy
17 July	JCIKL invited UV to participate in a bazaar at Summit.	Shi Wei & Wendy
20-21 Sept	MCR Conference " Economic Empowerment for Persons with Disabilities " – Johari, Wendy & Nazmi were invited to be speakers and co-facilitators	Johari, Wendy, Nazmi and Shi Wei
10 Oct	Parents (30) support group of Full-Gospel Assembly Church invited Swee Lan and Shi Wei to share about Vocational Training and Employment opportunities 30 people attended.	Swee Lan, Shi Wei & Pavala
17 Oct	Bangsar Lutheran Church	Swee Lan
14 Nov	British Bazaar	Fadzillah & Intan
25 th Nov	American Association Bazaar	Mrs Chia & Wendy
26 th -28 th Nov	OKU International Day at Berjaya Times Square	EP Staff
28 th Nov	Swiss Austrian German Bazaar	Lit Whei, Mr & Mrs Lo

7. Employment

Date	Activity/Event
16 Mar	HR Director of Traders' Hotel invited Swee Lan and Shi Wei to visit their hotel to discuss on the job opportunities for people with learning disabilities. As a result of this visit, 3 persons with learning disabilities are hired.
24 Mar	Swee Lan & Shi Wei met up with HR Manager and Finance/Admin Director and Manager of Zuellig Pharma (M) . They are interested to hire PWD as receptionist. But, no candidate available for the job – due to transportation problem.
13 April	Three HR management team of Carrefour (M) visited UV. They are interested to work with UV to hire people with learning disabilities.
1 May	Steven Teh is now working in Malaysian Milk canteen. He has been working there since beginning of May.
1 May	Ivy Wong (Non member. Sister of Moses Wong) was recommended to work at Khasiat Photocopy shop near UV from May onwards.

10 & 11, 14 June	Brought 3 UV members, Loo Hooi Peng, Eric Leong, Lo Lit Whei for interview at GIANT for data entry work. All three did not qualify.
9 July	Had a meeting with the HR management of TESCO to discuss on the possibility of hiring people with learning disabilities to work in TESCO branches. They will consider. In February 2011, TESCO contacted UV to make arrangement for 1 st recruitment in June for the Klang Valley.
30 August	Hotel Holiday Inn, Glenmarie met up with 12 persons with learning disabilities from UV (Izzuddin, Ai Lin, Zen Li), KJTC, DU Methodist Church, SMK Sunway, Malaysian CARE and MAGIC. A training exposure in Hotel Service Industry is being conducted for these candidates from December 2010 to March 2011.

8. Training Conducted & Job Coach Development

Date	Event/Activity
	UV has been involved in training AirAsia Crew on understanding persons with learning disabilities. We conducted a total of 28 sessions from January to December.
3 March	Prof Hiroshi Ogawa, Mr Sakai from Japan; Dr Kenji Kuno and Ms Shikata from JICA visited United Voice to know more about our society and employment status of our members. They are very impressed with the development in UV.
4 Mar	Job Coach Seminar at Legend Hotel organised by JKM & JICA. Aslam was invited to share about his work at Giant and Swee Lan shared about job coach network and employment opportunities for people with learning disabilities in Malaysia.
23 Mar	Swee Lan was invited by JKMM to participate in the assessment of the MAKPEM training courses. She suggested that MAKPEM should include courses that equip social workers to teach teenagers and adults with learning disabilities. Subjects such as coping with puberty, sexuality, relationships, communication skills, vocational skills, transition, self-advocacy and job coaching were recommended.
20 April	Swee Lan was invited by JKMM again to the follow-up session of MAKPEM training courses. She was assigned to propose a courses outline on Transition Programme
24 May, 8, 19 July, 29 Sept, 8, 19, 21 Oct	Job Coach Network Core meetings. Swee Lan and Moh Foong are now official trainers of Job Coach courses offered by JKMM
2 -6 Aug	Swee Lan conducted Job Coach Training at MAKPEM
23 Aug	Swee Lan is invited by JKMM to lead a task force to develop a Training course on Transition Programme for PDK teachers and Special Ed teachers. JPK officers, JKMM officers and Malaysian Care are also involved in this team. This project is expected to be completed within a year.
13-14 Aug	Swee Lan was invited to speak at the Holistic Care Conference organised by the Chinese churches in Malaysia, held in Hokkien Methodist Church. Topic: Setting up, Challenges and Strategies in running United Voice.
12-13 Oct	Swee Lan conducted Job Coach Training at Institut Sosial Malaysia for 23 JKM officers

24-27Oct	Swee Lan was invited to give a talk on Self-Advocacy: An Essential Component in Special Education at the SEAMEO (South East Asian Ministers of Education Organisation) Conference held in Melaka. 6 countries were represented.
25-29Oct	Moh Foong conducted Job Coach Training at MAKPEM
1 Nov	Swee Lan met with Transition Module Team to work on the course outline – at JKMM
18 Nov	JICA-JKMM joint project Meeting – Swee Lan has been invited to their half yearly meeting as a representative of Job Coach Network
29 Nov	DET training for Attorney General’s Chambers – About 30 people participated in the training. It was an eye opening experience for majority of these law/policy makers who participated. Swee Lan and Wendy together with DET team conducted the training
23 Nov- Dec	1 Malaysian Care staff, Ruby came for internship at UV starting from 23 Nov until end of December.

9. Visitors & Volunteers

A total of **176 students** from various colleges, universities, nursing college and schools and **190 visitors** from corporate companies, various NGOs, PDKs, parents and individuals visited UV office (including 7 from Japan). Some of these are short term volunteers.

We have a team of 15 regular volunteers who help us in our Employment Project and supporting our employees at bazaars and assisting in production during peak seasons.

10. Research

Date	Institution
10 March	En Zulkhairi, the Deputy Director of the OKU department is doing research on employment for people with learning disabilities in Manchester Metropolitan University. He consulted Swee Lan.
March-April	Wan Arnidawati Wan Abdullah , Deputy Director of OKU division in Jabatan Tenaga Kerja is doing her PhD in Warwick University in London. She recently appointed 5 UV members to be her Disability Studies Advisor Panel.
28 May to 13 June	Swee Lan went to Manchester Metropolitan University UK to complete Part II of her research sponsored by British Council: Towards a culturally sensitive disability studies: Interconnections of disability studies in and across Malaysia and the UK. Her research topic for 2010 is: Employment Services for people with learning disabilities in the UK.
2 & 5 July	A researcher Dr Kawashima Satoshi from Tokyo University came to interview Wendy and Swee Lan about services and policies for people with learning disabilities
5 July	Robert Gould from Illinois University came to find out more about United

	Voice. His university is exploring the possibility of working with some NGOs in Malaysia
2 & 17 August	Cik Putri Lily Suriana Baharudin from UKM has been conducting research about UV for her master degree.

11. Inter-Self-Advocacy Group (SAG)

Date	Visitors
19 May, 18 Aug	Bethany Self-advocacy group visit UV to get information on how to organize the 4 th National Self-advocacy Conference, 2011.
22 May	Johari, Hooi Ting, Esther, Nazmi & David went for the Inter Self-Advocacy meeting at PKIK to discuss on activities for this year.
24 July	Trip to Wet World Pedas , Negeri Sembilan. Organised by Adventure Club as an Inter SAG outing. 7 UV Members and 3 supporting friends went for the trip.
19 Nov	41 UV members, parents and supporting friends attended the Dinner & Dance organised by Dragon & Friendship Club. Total: 300 participants
20-24 Nov	4 Mutiara Voice Club leaders visited United Voice to observe how to run an organization.

12. Staff/Committee Training

Date	Event
23 Jan	6 staff went for a seminar on Asperger Syndrome & Autism at HELP University College .
5 May	5 staff visited PERKOBP and KJTC as staff exposure to see how other organizations run their programs.
April & May	In-house staff training on Learning Disabilities, Self-Advocacy, and Vocational training in the month of April and May.
7 July	5 staff went to Malaysian Care for a “Communications” Workshop . Speaker is from Australia and specializes in communication for persons with Down Syndrome
2 -6 Aug	Moh Foong and Fadzillah attended Job Coach Seminar at MAKPEM
30 Aug – 14 Sept	Job Coach Training of Trainers at Japan . Moh Foong was selected to attend a JC training to observe how the trainers conduct the training in Japan.
1-14 Nov	Nazmi and Shi Wei attended DET (Disability Equality Training) for trainers held at MAPKEM and sponsored by JICA.
2010	Shi Wei has completed her Master Degree in Education (Special Education).

13. Special Olympics

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

Date	Activity/Event
	Moh Foong attended 11 SOS Committee Meetings from Jan-Oct this year
20 Mar	SOS Track & Field State Games at Stadium UKM, Bangi. 60 athletes took part in this Track & Field event. 8 UV members participated.
18 Apr	SOS AGM at UV office. About 30 people including observers came for the meeting.
21 st June - 31 st July	Conducted centralized training for selected athletes in preparation for the National Games in August. UV members who are selected for the trainings: Bowling – Pavala & Aileen Track & Field – Intan & Zen Lee Soccer- James Lim
31 July	Briefing for athletes & coaches going for National Games at Ipoh, 5-9 Aug
6 th -9 th Aug	SO National Games at Ipoh, Perak A total of 32 athletes represented Selangor in the games.
23 Oct	SOS organized a “ Volunteer Day ” at 3K Field, Subang Jaya. About 120 athletes, families and friends came for the event.

14. Financial Report

(Please refer to audited financial report)

15. Computer Classes

Computer classes were conducted from May to Nov and are held every Tuesday. 6 UV members have sign up for the classes: Yudesh, Aaron Tong, Chin Jian Seung, Keith Tan, Wee Boon Yee, Jason Kam

16. Media Coverage

Date	Media	Story
13 March	STAR Biz News	CSR Needs aplenty if you just look around. By Mr Soo Ewe Jin
20 March	Star Metro	Two-Storey HQ for United Voice
20 March	Themalaysianinsider.com	Autism, no barrier to communication By Mr Victor Chin
14 April	Klik4Malaysia	Interviewed Johari, Nazmi and Swee Lan concerning United Voice for their online publication www.klik4malaysia.com
10 Oct	Majalah Wanita Karang Kraf	Feature story of Wendy Yeong and UV Employment Project.

10 Dec	Majalah Wanita Karang Kraf	Feature story of Mohd Izzuddin and his experience working in UV Employment Project.
18 Dec	Sin Chew Jit Poh	A feature story on the Art Gallery of United Voice and artists

17. **Other Events and Activities**

Date	Activity/Event
6 Mar	Official Opening of United Voice Building About 200 people attended the event. It was a successful event and we received very positive comments on our new set up.
6 th Apr	Meeting with representatives from Asia Pacific Centre of Disabilities & BEAT to discuss about producing a video on good practices in Malaysia. Highlight will be on DET trainings for Air Asia
7-9 May	UV Trip to Cameron Highlands A total of 28 UV members and 10 staff, volunteers and parents went for this trip.
20, 25 May, 2, 9, 23 June, 2, 9 July	DET Video The One Academy sent a batch of intern students to UV for their final year project. UV worked together with Dr Kenji (JICA) to produce a video for DET trainings. The video consists of 11 scenes showing barriers faced by persons with disabilities.
31 July	Committee members and 2 staff attended Dignity & Services' High Tea.