Graduate and Student Section News and Events Update – October to December 2005

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22 October 2005
Halloween Gathering (IEM G&S – RACKL)
Country Heights, Kajang
This was a joint activity with Rotaract K. L. 10 G&S members attended this event. Apart from the food and games, young engineers have the chance to learn more about Halloween and how it is being celebrated throughout the world.

28 October 2005
IES Annual Dinner & Dance 2005
Ritz Carlton, Singapore
We received an invitation from the Young Members Committee (YMC) of The Institution Of Engineers, Singapore (IES) to attend their IES Annual Dinner held at Ritz Carlton, Singapore. We were received by Mr. Chew Chee Yong, the chairperson of YMC IES. Three of the IEM G&S HQ committees, namely Sdr. Yau CF, Sdr. Cheng WL and Sdr. Wong Chee Fui attended and we have also invited our IEM G&S Southern Branch Chairperson, Sdr. Kong Weng Keong.

28 October 2005
Visit to Persatuan Kebajikan Warga Tua Wilayah Persekutuan (PKWTWP)
Tmn Petaling, Kepong
In conjunction with Deepavali, IEM G&S pledged some donations like dry food, drinks, Deepavali snacks to the home. The G&S members stayed for about 2 hours to have fun with the children and understand more about their plight from their caretaker.

We record our appreciation to the Donors:
1. M.S.A.E Sdn. Bhd.
2. Sdr. Lee Ek Hau

30 October 2005
Buka Puasa at Rumah Solehah
Bandar Tun Razak, Kuala Lumpur
IEM G&S members and RACKL members organised a "Buka Puasa" dinner for the childrens, in conjunction with the Hari Raya Celebration.

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7 November 2005
Talk on The Network Arch
The talk was conducted by Mr. Per Tveit from Norway. In his talk, he spoke on the network arches. Examples of new network arches were given. Anyone who wants to design a network arch can find a lot of information in the speaker's home page http://pchome.grm.hia.no/~ptveit/

12 - 13 November 2005
IEM Speechcraft Programme 2005
The Speechcraft Programme 2005 for Engineers was successfully carried out. A total of 40 participants attended the program, which was well-presented by the renowned speakers from Toastmaster Club. The seminar aimed to overcome fears as well as to enhance Engineer's public speaking ability. IEM is also in the process of setting up IEM Toastmasters Club. Further information could be obtained from Suresh Yegambaram, 012-3059967 sureshyeg@yahoo.com.

26 November 2005
Half day course on "Site Supervision"
In this half-day course, issues related to proper site supervision, which includes normal site practices, were presented. The duties and responsibilities of the site supervising personnel and the detail checking procedures were also discussed. The course was conducted by Ir. Teoh Teik Seng

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12 - 14 November 2006
Rumah Charis Repair Works
Jalan Puchong
In line with G&S effort in Community Services projects, we have identified another project in Puchong to repair some of the infrastructure works for them. Our project team advised and managed the works for them.
The scope of work includes:
1. To strengthen the drains brick wall
2. To concrete the landscape area in front of the house (as shown)
3. To replace manhole covers.
4. To concrete drain slab cover at their parking space.
5. To replace all PVC floor traps to steel type floor traps.
6. To trim and level backyard floors.

17 - 19 November 2005
2 + 1 - Day IEM Course on "Geotechnical Engineering 2005 II"
Due to popular request from all members, Geotechnical Engineering 2005 is back with an extended 3 days course. This jointly organised course with Geotechnical Technical Division was especially tailor-made to help young engineers gain a better understanding of Geotechnical Engineering. There were thirteen (13) lectures covering various important topics in geotechnical engineering, which was presented by highly experienced geotechnical engineers.

19 November 2005
Rumah Charis Painitng Works by G&S Members
Jalan Puchong
G&S members volunteered their time and effort to lend a helping hand to paint the front walls and ceiling of the home. It took about 3 hours to complete the work with high standard of workmanship.

26 November 2005
IEM G&S Southern Branch Gathering
Johor Bahru
This was the first event organised by the newly set up G&S Southern Branch. An event well attended and certainly the young engineers down south would be organising more such events and activities for the benefit of the members in Southern Branch. More information on the IEM G&S Southern Branch could be obtained from Sdr. Kong at 017-7758882).

30 November 2005
Talk on Interactive Tool to Upgrade the Design and Operation of HT and LV Distribution Network
1 - 3 December 2005
Three Day – Short Electrical Courses
From 30 November 2005 until 3 December 2005, the Graduate & Student Section (G&S) organised a talk on 'Interactive Tool to Upgrade the Design and Operation of HT and LV Distribution Network'and a three day – Short Electrical Course in *'Design of Low Voltage Electrical System'* (Day1), *'Planning & Operation of High Tension Distribution Network'* (Day 2) and lastly *'Simulation Assessment of LV Electrical Installation'* (Day 3) at IEM Conference Hall. The courses were conducted by Associate Prof. Teo Cheng Yu from NTU Singapore.

3 December 2005
IEM G&S Perak Branch Roadshow
With the help from Perak Committee Members and our prominent speaker Ir. Dr. Ramlee Karim, who was the Director of Kemtech Sdn Bhd, a speech and advice on route to PE was given to engineers from Perak. G&S from Perak Branch will be setting up a Student Chapter at UTP. Hopefully the Student Chapter will be formed soon to serve and reach out to more student members. For more information on G&S Perak Branch, kindly contact Sdr. Ngeow YW at ngeowyw@yahoo.com 012-3852525).

26 December 2005
IEM G&S Annual Charity Dinner & Dance 2006: Kick Off Meeting
Yes, the bi-annual IEM G&S Annual Charity Dinner & Dance event is back and the first kick-off meeting was held recently! Tentatively scheduled in August 2006, the G&S Section is looking for young and enthusiastic engineers to be part of the organising committee. For further details, please contact Sdr. Yau CF at chaufong@tm.net.my, 012-3882570).

11 November & 13 December 2005
Course on Financial Independence Module 1 & 2
Ritz Carlton, Singapore
This is a 10-month course conducted by Ir. PY Wong to train participants to take the journey to financial independence. About 30 participants took up the challenge and the first two modules were successfully completed. Module 1 highlights were an Overview of the programme, personality analysis, forming a team and the development of the mind. Module 2 was about Financial Self-Defense; which includes topics such as Credit card, budgeting, setting up a financial balance sheet, 70/30 Rule, risk management, protecting your assets and inflation.

17 - 19 December 2005
Engineering Games 2005
UIA
The Engineering Games (EG) is an annual inter varsity sports games. IIUM has been choosen by The Institution of Engineers, Malaysia (IEM) to be the host for the year of 2005. The Engineering Games was organised by ENGINUS XI in collaboration of IEM.

6 - 12 December 2005
YEAFEO 2005
The 12th Conference of Young Engineers of ASEAN Federation of Engineering Organisations (YEAFEO) was successfully held from 7-9 December 2005, at the Don Chan Palace Hotel, Vientiane, LAOS PDR. This year the conference was organised by the Young Engineers Section of Lao Union of Science and Engineering Associations (LUSEA). The conference was organised in conjunction with 23rd Conference of ASEAN Federation of Engineering Organisations (CAFEO).

23 December 2005
Executive Fellowship Night
A night exclusively for the volunteers of G&S. We have renamed them and they are now known as the G&S Executives. A short 2 hour session was conducted on sharing and brainstorming of ideas for the G&S. This was the platform for the new executives to get to know each other and also the G&S Committee Members themselves. For those who are interested to volunteer yourself for G&S, kindly contact Sdr. Yau CF (chaufong@tm.net.my, 012-3882570).