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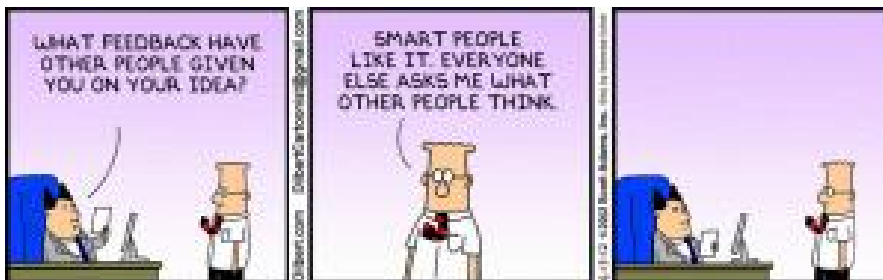
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Take a refresher and enjoy the following comic strips!



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Credits: Dilbert Comics (<http://www.dilbert.com/>)

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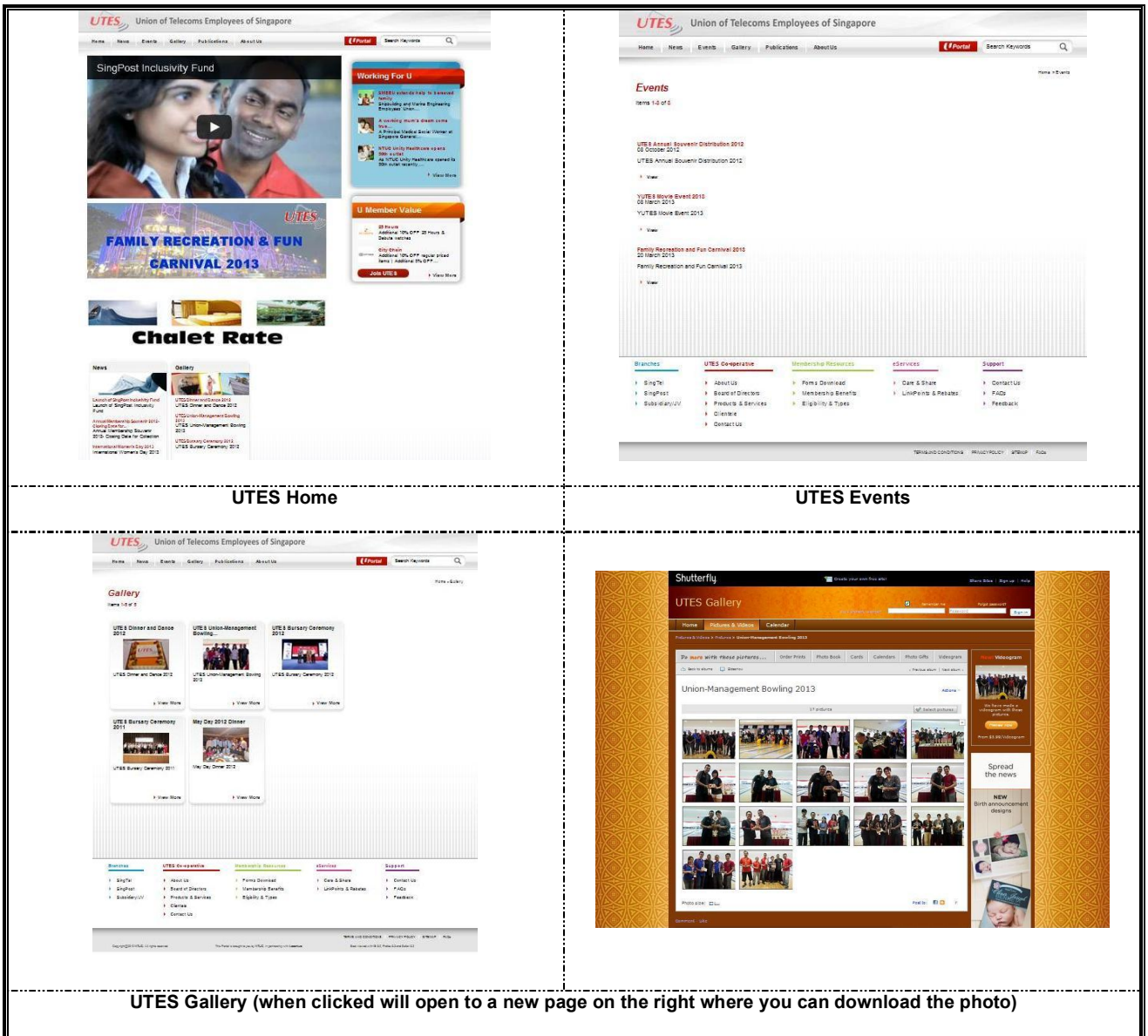
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UTES website has a New Look!

You might have seen that our UTES website has a different outlook. You are right!

Recently, UTES has collaborated with NTUC IT department to shift our website to their platform. In future, all news from NTUC will be uploaded automatically whenever they have anything new, so all the news from both UTES and NTUC will be shown just in one place. It is hassle-free!

A brief glance at the website



UTES Home

UTES Events

UTES Gallery (when clicked will open to a new page on the right where you can download the photo)

Launch of SingPost Inclusivity Fund

SingPost, in consultation with UTES, is setting up the \$10M Inclusivity Fund. This fund, to be disbursed over 5 years, will benefit the lower waged workers.

The SPIF will comprise of three components, with the bulk of the fund going into improving the income of lower waged workers to help them cope with the rising cost of living. The other two components are for their development and training and to provide opportunities for their children to have a better start in life through education and grants.

Mr Thuvinder Singh, the General Secretary of UTES said: *“It had been notable that SingPost had always been very forthcoming in rewarding their employees for their contributions towards the company’s pursuit of excellence. UTES would like to put on record our appreciation towards management in recognizing staff’s contribution and also taking concerted effort to look after the staff’s welfare.”*

The fund was launched on 28th February 2013 at Kallang Delivery Base by Dr Yaacob Ibrahim, Minister for Communications and Information.



Launch of SingPost Inclusivity Fund



Our Union Officials with SingPost Executive Vice President, Mr Woo Keng Leong



Staff from SingPost wow the audience by dancing the popular 'Gangnam-style' song



UTES General Secretary, Mr Thuvinder Singh, Dr Yaacob Ibrahim and SingPost Chairman, Mr Lim Ho Kee on stage



From left to right: Mr. Lim Ho Kee (Chairman, SingPost), Dr. Yaacob Ibrahim (Minister for Communications and Informations). Dr. Wolfgang Baier (Group CEO, SingPost), Rahmad Bin Chik (1st Vice President, UTES)



Dr. Yaacob took a candid shot with the dance performers

Young UTES Movie Event: G.I.Joe: Retaliation

On 31 March 2013, Young UTES successfully held a movie event at Golden Village, Vivocity. Over 100 tickets were sold to members at subsidized rates. Each ticket also entitles a member to a combo pack of popcorn and drinks. The movie screened was G.I. Joe: Retaliation.

Look out for our next Young UTES event!



Mr Heng Chee How, Executive Secretary of UTES (3rd from left) gracing the event



Our Youth Committee with Mr Thuvinder Singh, General Secretary, Mr Heng Chee How, Executive Secretary and Mr Roger Tan, President of UTES

UTES Union-Management Bowling 2013



UTES Union-Management Bowling 2013 was held on 20 January 2013 at Orchid Bowl, Downtown East. Management representatives from SingTel, SingPost, NCS, Quantum Solutions and Radiance Communications, UTES Branches and HQ staff participated enthusiastically in the event. The objective of this event is to strengthen the Labour Management Relationship between Management and Union towards building a strong Tripartite Partnership.

Team Champions



Team Champion: Radiance Communications Management



Team 1st Runner-up: SingPost Management



Team 2nd Runner-up: SingTel Management



Team 3rd Runner-up: UTES Headquarters



Team 4th Runner-up: Quantum Solutions Management

Series Champions



Series Champion (Ladies'): Cara Reil (SingTel)



Series Champion (Men's): Jay Thng (Quantium Solutions)

Games Champions



Games Champion (Ladies'): Cara Reil (SingTel)



Games Champion (Men's): Cody Ng (SingPost)

Upcoming Events Calendar 2013

Month	Event
June/ July	YUTES Durian Trip
September	UTES Bursary Ceremony 2013
October/ November	UTES Annual Souvenir Distribution 2013

UTES Benefits Summary

<u>Type of Membership Benefit</u>	<u>First Quarter 2013</u>
Benevolent Grant	\$1, 900.00
Get Well Hamper	\$1, 920.00
Hospitalisation Reimbursement	\$7, 605.00
Medical Assistance Scheme	\$4, 700.00
NTUC Gift	\$27, 500.00
SLF Hardship Grant	\$5, 000.00
Total	\$48, 625.00

Our Members' Corner...

"To be honest, I appreciate how UTES help their members. I had joined UTES from the beginning till now. Knowing I was to be terminated from my job beginning of the year, UTES rescued me by helping me to retain my job. 30 years of union membership had benefited me and I'm grateful to UTES"

-Mrs. V, Apr'13

"Had received the cheque from UTES for my application for hardship grant. Thanks for all the help and assistance rendered. It comes in handy as my son needs the money for his "O" level examinations. Thanks once again."

-Mr. H, Apr'13

UTES PERKS & PROMOTIONS

Jun – Jul 2013 Promotions @ Downtown East



Peak:

31 May – 30 June (School Holidays)

Only Available in Packages:

4D/3N (Fri to Mon)

**3D/2N (Mon to Wed or
Wed to Fri)**

Package	Off-Peak	Peak
FRI – SUN (3D/2N)	\$200.00	-
FRI – MON (4D/3N)	-	\$320.00
SUN – FRI: 2D/1N	\$ 80.00	-
3D/2N	\$120.00	\$200.00
4D/3N	\$150.00	-
5D/4N	\$170.00	-

Enjoy 2 FREE entry tickets (for each night's stay) at Wild Wild Wet.
Wild Wild Wet is closed on Tuesdays.

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