Dateline: Penang, Malaysia

SAM Malaysia Honours Long Serving Employees

SAM Malaysia recently hosted a Long Service Award ceremony in appreciation of our employees who have reached their service milestones of 5, 10, 15 and 20 years.

A total of 53 recipients were honoured at the event, held at Paradise Sandy Beach Resort. The employees were feted with a lavish spread of Seafood BBQ Buffet Dinner after the Award presentation ceremony.
Our distinguished 20 Year Long Service recipients - Karunanithi a/l Ponnusamy (4th from left) and Koay Chor Yuan (5th from left), with members of the Management Team

In his speech, CEO, Jeffrey Goh thanked the employees for their loyalty, steadfastness and commitment throughout the years.

"The Long Service Award ceremony provides the Management an opportunity to publicly and personally say thanks and to acknowledge the work and worth of our long serving employees," explained Jeffrey Goh.

Also present were COO, GT Tan; VP of HR, Helen Luk; VP of SAM Meerkat, BK Ng; Group HR Manager, Nazry Murat; and Finance Director, Yeoh Lip Keong.
“Thank you, SAM Malaysia, for appreciating us!”

Tantalizing - a sumptuous spread of Seafood BBQ Buffet Dinner was specially arranged for the awardees at the Hotel’s Beach front.
We love it here! The relaxing ambience at the Beach front area provides the ideal setting for employees to meet & mingle and reconnect with each other.

To do for the world more than the world does for you -- that is success – Henry Ford.
Cherished moments – CEO, Jeffrey Goh (third from left) gets up close and personal with the awardees. He personally thanked each employee for their dedication and loyalty to the Company, while getting to know them better.

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Dateline: Singapore

TGIF Goes to SAM Singapore

Come every Friday, employees at SAM Singapore look forward to rejoicing at TGIF. No, we’re not talking about the T.G.I. Friday’s chain of restaurant.

At SAM, TGIF means “Thank God It’s Fruits Day” – each Friday, a different fruit will be served free at the canteen for all staff to enjoy. The programme, initiated by the Workplace Safety & Health Committee a year ago, was aimed at inculcating a healthy lifestyle amongst the employees.
Apart from going fruity every Friday, SAM is also working with health institutions to provide health talks at its premises for the benefit of employees.

Health talks which have been lined up for the coming months include:

- An Optimal Functioning Spine and Nervous Systems Equal to Optimal Health
- Golden Goal – Live a victorious life
- Safety Exhibition

As they say, health is the greatest wealth!
An apple a day, keeps the doctor away

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Dateline: Suzhou, China

New Suzhou facility expects first product shipment in June

After months of renovation, SAM Meerkat (Suzhou) is now turned into a brand new facility, and is scheduled to begin manufacturing in the first week of June.

The product is a new item under the Neptune project and the first shipment is expected to take place in mid of June this year.

With the realization of the well-equipped manufacturing facility, the SAM Meerkat (Suzhou) team is looking forward to contribute positively to the Group.
The spanking new Assembly Area

The Test Area at SAM Meerkat (Suzhou)
A proud moment – the SAM Management Team recently paid a visit to the newly-renovated facility. (L to R) COO of SAM, GT Tan; CS Tan (GM); CEO of SAM, Jeffrey Goh; VP of HR, Helen Luk; CFO, Helen Teo; Operations Manager, CC Kuan

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Award-winning machinist with a passion for writing

Song Zhi You is an ordinary man who works diligently as a machinist at SAM Suzhou’s Production Department. But underneath his machining skills, lies a hidden talent – that of a prose writer extraordinaire.

Fondly known by his colleagues as “Lao Song”, he has had a flair for writing ever since he was young and has kept up his interest ever since.

After a day’s work, he likes to write prose and his many essays have been published in several newspapers and magazines.
“I derived joy and happiness in my life from my writing” – Song Zhi You

In year 2007, his talent in writing caught the attention of SAM Suzhou’s HR Manager, Ding Ying who introduced him to the editorial board of SHARE SIP, a monthly foreign-capital enterprises newsletter of SIP (Suzhou Industrial Park). He became a correspondent for SHARE SIP and has never looked back since.

His writing appears in almost every issue of SHARE SIP, and he has won recognition as an Outstanding Correspondent annually, awarded by SHARE SIP editorial board.

If you are interested to read his works, the prodigal writer can be contacted at songzhi058668@126.com

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SAM Suzhou Organizes Tooling Application Training for Aerospace Companies

SAM Suzhou recently organized a Tooling Application Training for SIP Aerospace Manufacturing Enterprise Association.
The training was aimed at improving Manufacturing Engineers’ tooling application knowledge and skills in their daily work. Companies which sent their employees to the Training include GE Aviation, Unison, Honeywell Aerospace, Primus, Messier-Dowty, Snecma and Firth Rixson.

SAM Suzhou had worked in collaboration with the Suzhou Industrial Park (SIP) government and the latter had granted a 50% subsidy of training fees to the SIP Aerospace Manufacturing Enterprise Association to conduct the Tooling Training.

Bridging the skills gap - SAM Suzhou’s Engineering Manager, Zhao Lirun delivering a speech at the Training.

“As Aerospace Manufacturing is considered a strategic industry by the SIP, the development of talents in this sector is particularly important. We hope the aerospace enterprises can invest more training on engineering and technical staff in the future,” said Ms. Tang Hao, Director of SIP Training Management Center, during the opening ceremony. SAM Suzhou’s Engineering Manager, Mr. Zhao Lirun also gave a speech.

The week-long training covered topics such as Basic Machining Introduction, Titanium milling and turning, High Temperature Alloy milling and turning, and Hole making.
“Always walk through life as if you have something new to learn and you will” ~ Vernon Howard.

SAM Suzhou sent a total of 13 engineers to attend the training, which was conducted by SANDVIK, a professional training provider. The participants were upbeat with their newly improved tooling knowledge and invaluable experience gained. They vowed to practice and apply what they have learnt to their daily work.
First EVP unit of engine mount successfully delivered on time to Goodrich

SAM Suzhou achieved yet another milestone with the first delivery of EVP unit of GTF/MRJ engine mount to Goodrich in end April this year.

Following the successful on-time delivery of the first EVP unit of GTF/C series engine mount to Goodrich in December 2010, SAM Suzhou has add another feather to its cap.

This time, SAM Suzhou delivered the first EVP unit of GTF/MRJ engine mount, also to Goodrich, on time, at end April this year.

The success proved time and again that SAM is capable of fulfilling customer requirement & expectations, and also strengthened our competitive advantage in Aerospace manufacturing.
Congratulations to the team! (L to R) Tan Chong Siong (General Manager of SAM Suzhou), Dave Holling (Goodrich’s Supply Chain Quality Team Leader), Michael Hsu (Project Quality Manager, Asia) and other team members celebrating their success.

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