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MACCAAAA Award

The partnership between 'Midland Community Education & Training (MCET) and Community Welfare Trust (CWT)' has become fruitful, as they have both been rewarded for their work within the community.

MACAAA, which stands for 'Midland Asian Community Achievement Awards Association' have awarded both 'MCET and CWT' their prestigious award for their work in the Asian community.

On the night, the Lord Mayor for Birmingham 'Randal Brew' presented 'Malik Khan' Managing Director of MCET their award and the Lord Mayor for the Saffron Walden Borough Council 'Sarfraz Anjum' presented 'Anser Bashir' the chairman of CWT his award.



Randal Brew & Malik Khan

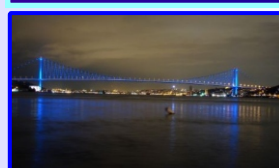


Sarfraz Anjum & Anser Bashir

A joint statement from 'MCET and CWT' said "We at MCET and CWT are both honored to receive this award. Our goals in the beginning, was to provide a service, not just to the Asian community, but to all the people who live in the community, no matter who they are. We wanted to provide hope for change, through education and we will continue to do this in the best way possible."



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Anser Bashir
Project Manager



All happy at the "Homeoffice"

"Following the success of our 'Asylum Seekers and Refugee' learning programs, we can announce that the 'Homeoffice' have been so impressed with what we at 'MCET' in partnership with 'CWT' have achieved over the last twelve months, that they have extended the 'Skills Refuge' program for another six months. This will allow more people to attend and gain basic skills to help them build a new life in the city.



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Sweet Revenge

by Mirza Abdul Rashid



Mirza Abdul Rashid is one of our most prized students. Although he is approaching retirement, it has not prevented him from discovering the world of computers and technology.

His interest began when his wife bought her first computer some ten years ago and proudly showed off her IT skills to him. She chuckled, as he held the mouse to his ear, staring at it in bewilderment. Determined not to be embarrassed and outsmarted again by his wife, he began his secret journey into the world of technology. From learning to touch type at 40wpm and progressing through the 'Learn Direct' stages of IT development, via the ECDL route, of which he has almost completed. Mirza now raises his head with pride and quietly whispers to himself, that the achievement is 'sweet revenge' against his wife.



Umer

A barrister by profession, 'Mirza Rashid' states that learning with 'Learn Direct' has assisted him greatly with his profession. He adds, that the pace at which he can learn, suits his busy lifestyle and he even finds time to pass on his newly required skills to his children. He laughs as he says that his children now ask him for his help with computers and not their mother!

Mirza lost two sons in a tragic drowning accident six years ago. The tragedy occurred while 'Umer and Burhan' were on a preseason cricket tour of the 'Caribbean' with 'Sussex County' and he only wishes

they were alive today to see how he has excelled in Information Technology, especially the younger son who was a bit of a computer wizard.



Burhan

Mirza's ultimate goal, is to be able to design a website as a 'fathers' ultimate tribute to his sons 'Umer and Burhan'

He concludes by saying "that as long as I live, I will continue to learn about computers. It is so vast and challenging, and feels like there's a whole new planet out there waiting to be discovered and I will not stop until I have done my best to discover that world".

Talking to Mirza, he constantly reminds me of the help and support that's been given to him by the staff at MCET and he will always be grateful for that. What nice note to end on.



Brothers in ARMs

Mums Away

A mother of two children, age 9 and 13, Farat Ayub at 39, has shown that it's never too late and with a little hard work and some help from your friends, you can change your own destiny.

From the time Farat left school, she got married and has never been in a position to develop her education until recently.

Young children are a full time job, as most mothers would confess. But there comes a time, when the first change in circumstance can be to your advantage.

Since the first day both of Farat's children went into full time education, she found that she had a few spare hours each day that can be used in a productive way.

She decided education was the way forward and after completing the initial assessment, she enrolled onto an 'NVQ Level 2 Customer Service' course.

People say education opens doors and in this case it's true. Because! During her placement for the NVQ Customer Service she was offered part time work as an 'appointment co-ordinator'.

So let's congratulate 'Farat' for the hard work she has put and may it all continue, MCET.

BCT Ladies of ESOL class



Birmingham Churches Together and the Ladies of ESOL visit Birmingham Central Mosque, the location of one of MCET learning centre based in Highgate



Awards Night:

Birmingham Central Mosque

15th February 2008 was the biggest awards evening I can remember 'MCET' ever staging.

The location was 'Birmingham Central Mosque' the site of one of our three learning centres around the Birmingham area. An impressive guest list, just added to the evening events; Liam Byrne, Minister for immigration and local councillor for 'Hodge Hill', Jerry Evans local councillor for Springfield, Cecil Knight, Chair of Birmingham Churches Together, Hilary Clifford, Director for UFI West Midlands, Ch Abdul Rashid the new 'Lord Mayor of Birmingham' along with Barrister Rashid Mirza.

On the night there were 22 students up for awards, ranging from; literacy level 1 to level 2, numeracy level 1 to level 2, ECDL and a wide range of NVQs.



Hilary Clifford, Abdul Rashid, Liam Byrne, Jerry Evans & Cecil Knight



Students and guest enjoying the evening events

Barrister Rashid Mirza, made the evening, as he talked from the heart. As barrister and as student of MCET, he spoke honestly and with feel, not to say that nobody else did, but his view on how he sees things was nice to here.

The spirit of the night was summed up

when everyone sat down and shared food that was supplied for free, by a local restaurateur and former student.



Nichola McCauley, Martin Bird and Malik Khan

Honourable Awards



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The Opening

Not a movie, but the opening of the new 'MCET' learning centre. Stories, relating to the opening of a new centre were mentioned in our last newsletter and we can now tell you this has become a reality.

On the 19th October 2007, Liam Byrne the 'Minister for the West Midlands and local Government minister of immigration' along with 'Malik Khan the Managing Director, Anser Bashir and Mohammed Munir, Centre Managers and Mohammad Farooqui the Educational Coordinator, gathered for the opening of our third learning centre, based in Ward End. The ceremony began with Liam Byrne cutting the ribbon and then the normal deluge of speeches to follow.



Liam Byrne, Malik Khan sharing the duties of cutting the ribbon

A press release, published a couple of days later from Liam Byrne's office, said "In this area of above average unemployment it is vital that local people have the opportunity to learn and update their skills so that they are equipped for modern employment opportunities."

The centre offers flexible learning so that people can study in their own time and most courses are free for people on benefits.

MCET is an Education and Training Organisation based in Sparkhill, it offers a wide range of courses throughout the Birmingham and Black Country area. MCET aims to provide education and training to improve basic skills to help people gain sustainable employment and improve their communication skills."

Since the opening, the 'Ward End' centre has achieved some impressive stats; Overall success rates is at 76.5% and success rates for Skills for Life is at 77.6% and with a 0% withdraw rate to date, you have to admit this is impressive.

So we would like to thank; Anser Bashir and Kamran Amin for all the hard work they have put into getting the centre off to a good start.



New Ward Centre



Mohammed Farooqui, Muhammad Munir, Malik Khan and Liam Byrne

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