

News from SMA Council

SMA ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP SUBSCRIPTION FEES 2009: AUTO DEDUCTION THROUGH THE UOB-SMA VISA PLATINUM CARD

The SMA Council would like to thank members who supported the payment of SMA Annual Membership Subscription Fees by auto deduction through their UOB-SMA Visa Platinum Card in

February 2008. We are pleased to announce that SMA subscriptions will be collected by auto-deduction in January/February 2009 again. The deductions will be as follows:

SMA MEMBERSHIP SUBSCRIPTION FEES FOR YEAR 2009

Graduate in Year 2009:	\$53.50	Graduated in Years 2000 and before:	\$214.00
Graduated in Years 2006 to 2008:	\$107.00	Spouse Membership:	\$107.00
Graduated in Years 2001 to 2005:	\$160.50	Overseas Membership:	\$150.00

Rates are in Singapore Dollars and include 7% GST (except for Overseas Membership). Rates have been adopted at SMA Annual General Meeting 2007 and approved by Registry of Society (ROS), Singapore.

The process of auto deduction is as follows:

- 1) **For members who had stayed opted in to the scheme since 2007**, your SMA membership subscription for Year 2009 will be automatically deducted through your UOB-SMA Visa Platinum Card in January or February 2009.
- 2) You will receive this deducted bill in your January/February/March 2009 UOB-SMA credit card statement.
- 3) If there is any query regarding SMA membership subscription fee deduction, please clarify with SMA at Tel: 6223 1264 (ext 19 or 18) or Email: accounts@sma.org.sg within three (3) months of receipt of your UOB credit card statement.
- 4) SMA will mail you a receipt after the successful auto deduction. You can submit the receipt for tax deduction in your income tax submission as usual.

Your support of auto deduction of SMA membership subscription through the UOB-SMA Visa Platinum Card scheme is greatly appreciated. **YOU STAND TO WIN AIR TICKET(S) (ECONOMY CLASS) TO A DESTINATION OF YOUR CHOICE, WORTH UP TO S\$1600, IF YOU STAY OPTED-IN TO THIS SCHEME.** No further action is needed on your

part. The lucky draw will be conducted some time between January to March 2009 and the results shall be published in Sensory March/April 2009 issue.

FOR MEMBERS WHO HAVE BEEN PAYING BY CHEQUES, CASH OR OTHER CREDIT CARDS:

We would like to invite you to reconsider participating in the auto deduction of SMA membership subscription fees through the UOB-SMA Visa Platinum Card with effect from 2009. An opt-in form has been included in your mailbag this month. If we do not hear from you by **30 November 2008**, we will consider that you prefer to continue to pay by cheque, cash or other credit cards. You will receive our subscription billing in January 2009 as usual.

Please contact the SMA Secretariat at Tel: 6223 1264, Fax: 6224 7827, or email: sma@sma.org.sg if you need further clarification or wish to request for a UOB-SMA Visa Platinum Card application form. We look forward to be of service to you.

(NOTE: Only members who had opted out of auto deduction previously would receive a copy of the opt-in form in this month's mailbag.)

APPOINTMENT TO SMC

A/Prof Chin Jing Jih has been appointed by the Minister of Health to the Singapore Medical Council for a 3-year term starting 4 September 2008.

The SMA Council congratulates A/Prof Chin on his appointment.