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FOOD | The Real Stimulus

> Just before Canada Day, coffee and doughnut chain Tim Hortons Inc. announced that it was filing the paperwork to change its registration from the United States to Canada. The reason for the move was to take advantage of better tax rates in Canada.

Bank of Montreal economist Douglas Porter took this move as a confirmation of recent government decisions to lower corporate income taxes

in Canada . As he notes, reduced tax rates invite more businesses to domicile in Canada and pay taxes here.

[Entire article](#)

UPCOMINGEVENTS

10 This Friday, July

HAPPY HOUR | Kickin' it at the Cottage

7:00pm

The Cavern, G/F, Lan Kwai Fong Tower , 55 D'Aguilar Street , Central.

Members: 30HKD Non-Members: 50HKD

> Come and kick it with us. No registration required.

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15 Wednesday, July

SEMINAR | Establishing A Business In Hong Kong and Associated Employment Visa Issues

8:00am - 9:30am

The Canadian Chamber of Commerce in Hong Kong Boardroom, 1301, Kinwick Centre, 32 Hollywood Road , Central

Members: 200HKD Non-Members: 300HKD

Speaker: Eddie Look, Partner - Tanner De Witt

> In these turbulent economic times, it may be possible to find oneself with some termination pay and ideas for a new start. This talk will provide:

- The basics of business structures for carrying on a business in Hong Kong and the region
- Issues to consider when establishing a company with one or more "business partner(s)"
- The basics for protecting your brand
- Applying for a work visa using your own company

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Friday, July

SEMINAR | Where is Canada Headed?

6:30pm - 8:00pm

The Canadian Chamber of Commerce in Hong Kong Boardroom, 1301, Kinwick Centre, 32 Hollywood Road , Central

Members: 200HKD Non-Members: 300HKD

Speaker: John Weston, West Vancouver Member of Parliament

> Constitutional expert, ex-Taipei resident and West Van MP, John Weston has a unique perspective on where our country is headed. You are invited to the Chamber for a wide ranging discussion over drinks on the major influences shaping Canada 's future ranging from constitutional to immigration to ethical issues facing Canadian society today. John Weston sees Canada from our perspective – he reads and writes Mandarin based on his decade long stint living in Taipei . He understands the importance of the Asian future, while having inroads into a broad range of other communities rising in Canada .

This will be an off-the-record discussion with a rising star in the Canadian parliament. Speaking Canada 's three most prominent languages, he is well positioned to communicate effectively with a vast majority of Canadians as they find their place in the Asia Pacific Century.

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Tuesdays, August

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WORKSHOP | Workshop for Effective Executive/Personal Assistants

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6:30pm - 9:30pm

Member Companies: 2350HKD

Non-Member Companies: 2650HKD

25

Council Chamber, 4th Floor, Duke of Windsor Building, 15 Hennessy Road, Wanchai

For Early Bird, You will get a discount of 10% for registering on or before 30 July.

For Group, You will get a discount of 10% for two people or more from the same company

> This Workshop is specially designed to help you deal with the growing role of an Executive/Personal Assistant in the modern day office. It has been very popular both locally and outside Hong Kong. Since 2007, the Workshop has been run in Tokyo and Hong Kong with local and overseas delegates from Shanghai, Chongqing, Guangdong, Taipei and Korea.

The Workshop is conducted by an experienced Management Consultant who specializes in Management and Business Communication Skills for both expatriate and local executives. Major organizations where he has led workshops include Swire, HSBC, Wal-Mart and Hospital Authority. He has been running his own business for the last sixteen years. Previous to that, he has held senior management posts in the public and private sector.

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7 Friday, August

SEMINAR | The Tipping Point: Why Changes Happen and How Trends Work by Malcolm Gladwell

9:00am - 1:00pm

Members: 4500HKD (Special Price Code: CanCham Malcolm * After July 16, member rate will be 5200 HKD)

Non-Members: 5200HKD (After July 16, non-member rate will be 6000 HKD)

The Four Seasons Hotel, 8 Finance Street , Central

Speaker: Malcolm Gladwell, Author of The Tipping Point, Blink and Outliers, one of Time Magazine's 100 Most Influential People (2005)

> Capture the rare opportunity to meet with the phenomenal speaker, Malcolm Gladwell, author of The Tipping Point, Blink and Outliers, during his first public appearance in Hong Kong! In the seminar, Gladwell will talk about how little things can make a big difference, by presenting a new way of understanding why change happens as quickly and as unexpectedly as it so often does. Describing how trends work, Gladwell helps the audiences apply this knowledge to their own business strategies. Using the principles of epidemiology, he explains how trends start and spread and he offers tools for igniting, steering and/or sustaining the trends.

CanCham members enjoy up to 25% off! Quote the promotional code "CanCham Malcolm" while registering online. Click on the link below.

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14 Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, August

SEMINAR | Breakthrough to Success - Wealth and Power Weekend

15 Friday and Saturday: 9:00am - 10:30pm, Sunday: 9:00am - 8:00pm

16 Early Bird Special: 980HKD (expires July 31)

Normal Price: 1500HKD (starting August 1)

Star Hall - HITEC, Kowloon Bay, 1 Trademart Drive, Kowloon Bay, Kowloon, Hong Kong

Speaker: Christopher Howard, Described as The Warren Buffett of Personal and Professional Development

> Motivate and Transform yourself and your Staff in one weekend!

Who MUST attend?

- If you know that you are capable of much more than you are currently doing in life
- If you are unwilling to settle for anything less than your unlimited potential
- If you feel lost or uncertain about the direction you are currently heading
- if you want to accelerate your success and learn the tools that GUARANTEE maximum empowerment

Christopher Howard, is one of the world's leading authorities on the psychology of wealth and accelerated personal achievement. Described as "The Warren Buffett of personal and professional development," He is the next Anthony Robbins, already captivating audiences worldwide from UK to New Zealand with clients including politicians, Fortune 500 executives, celebrities, and thousand of people.

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NEWMEMBERS

CORPORATE | Hebe Haven Yacht Club

Michael Franco, General Manager

Mark Houghton, Commodore

Mark Ashton, Vice Commodore

> Established in 1963, the **Hebe Haven Yacht Club** is a private members club in the picturesque bay area of Pak Sha Wan in Sai Kung for over 45 years. HHYC provides first class boating facilities and yacht racing events for over 1000 members. Yacht racing is very popular amongst members and races are held almost every weekend as most of our members are water sports and boating enthusiasts.

Over the years we have had a vision of developing a youth sailing program through our Sail Training Center to encourage children to take up dinghy sailing with the intention of grooming future Club and even national representatives in this sport. With a fleet of over 40 dinghies, there are sailing courses for adults and kids as well as an extensive school sailing program. Since 2002, the 24HR Charity Race has become an annual event at Hebe Haven, with junior sailors competing and raising money for the "Children's Cancer Foundation".

Hebe Haven organizes and provides resources annually for days out for the disabled on junk trips but in 2009, Hebe Haven will be looking at implementing a "Sailability Program" (sailing for the disabled). This will start with simple and basic sailing programs for groups of people who are less firm both physically and mentally. As we develop the program, together with sponsorship we will be able to invest in specialized equipment and craft which could well lead Hebe Haven into having sailors with the ability to compete at the Paralympic Games in the future.

In 2005 the Club decided that, being a sailing and boating Club, it was important to demonstrate its commitment to improving the environment and so obtained ISO140001 certification. This means the Club is operating an Environmental Management System to an internationally recognized standard. HHYC is the first yacht club in Hong Kong to obtain ISO 14001 status. The Club's mission now is to maintain and even improve its surrounding environment, through educating both adult and junior members about environmental awareness.

SPECIAL | Sabrina Chan, Host - Canadians in Asia (Hong Kong)

INDIVIDUAL | Lauren Chan, Director - Simple Things In Life Limited

INDIVIDUAL | Sai-Chak Mak

INDIVIDUAL | **Michael G. Kerr**

CANADIAN&**MEMBER**NEWS

TRAVEL | China and Hong Kong Travel Advisory

> The latest China and Hong Kong Travel News.

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CONSUL GENERAL | Doreen Steidle on Canada D'eh!

> Our Consul General made her way to the RTHK studios on June 30th to talk up Canada Day and Canada D'eh!

[Click here](#)

BANKS | RBC Capital Markets a primary choice

> RBC Capital Markets has been designated a primary dealer by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, the only Canadian bank on the list of 17 financial institutions. Primary dealers are banks and securities broker dealers that are bidders in U.S. treasury auctions and trade in U.S. Government securities and select other securities with the Federal Reserve Bank of New York . The designation opens the door for RBC to attract certain state pension funds and other clients who deal only with primary dealers.

[Entire article](#)

BUSINESS | Manulife set to raise \$1-billion in financing

> Insurance giant Manulife Financial Corp. got a major vote of confidence from the market Monday after it was able to boost a planned Tier 1 financing to \$1-billion from an original target of \$750-million.

The financing will enable Manulife to pay down the remaining \$1-billion on \$3-billion of bank loans it took out as an emergency measure to boost capital levels in the wake of financial crisis last year.

[Entire article](#)

TRANSPORTATION | Many benefits to Alberta bullet train

> Albertans could travel between Calgary and Edmonton in as little as an hour on a high-speed train linking the province's two largest cities, according to a provincial government-commissioned report released Monday.

However, the provincial government immediately threw the brakes on the debate, insisting light-rail transit in and around Calgary and Edmonton is a more pressing priority for the province and that a bullet train could still be decades down the line.

[Entire article](#)

ART | The Haida Awakening...continued

> Ontarians Awake to the Haida art world with a new exhibit at the McMichael Canadian Art Collection near Toronto .

[Entire article](#)

TECHNOLOGY | RIM Doubles Apps On BlackBerry; Expands To More Countries

> Now that BlackBerry's store is also available overseas, developers are making applications to fit other cultures, including subjects such as Bollywood films and cricket in India and soccer in Europe .

[Entire article](#)

MACAU | Melco: Macau resort gets 1.2M visitors in June

> Casino developer Melco Crown Entertainment Ltd. said Thursday that its City of Dreams gaming resort, which opened in the Chinese gambling enclave of Macau on June 1, attracted roughly 1.2 million visitors last month.

[Entire article](#)

FASHION | Lululemon 1Q Net Falls , But Ahead Of Views; Rev Up 6%

> Lululemon Athletica Inc.'s (LULU) first-quarter earnings they came in just ahead of both company guidance and analyst estimates.

[Entire article](#)

DIRECTORY | The EXCHANGE DIRECTORY is underway!

> The Canadian Chamber of Commerce in Hong Kong 's largest publication of the year is just around the corner.

This year's membership directory has a new name to go along with a sleek new look and layout. Production of the **EXCHANGE**DIRECTORY is fully underway and we will be making contact with all members starting Monday June 8th so we need your help to make sure it contains the most up-to-date information and images possible.

This is a fantastic year-round marketing tool so please direct all advertising enquiries and information updates to directory@cancham.org.

If you are not a member, sign up now so that you will not miss out on your chance to be a part of this year's exciting new **EXCHANGE**DIRECTORY package.

Please contact our Membership Manager Luigi La Tona at +(852) 2110 8718 or luigi_latona@cancham.org for more details.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

INTERNS | Interns Abound!

> Is your company wishing they had an extra pair of hands on deck? The Chamber has been collecting CV's of the idle young. A variety of experience and language skills, including many who speak English, Mandarin, Cantonese and French, are available. The Chamber has taken on 3 this summer. Lots more seeking work! Contact andrew_work@cancham.org.

MEMBER PROMOTIONS

TRAVEL | The R.V La Marguerite

> The R.V La Marguerite is an exclusive 46-cabin river vessel, with French colonial interiors and local artifacts to immerse you in the culture of the Mekong Delta, in total comfort and style. Amazing 9 night river cruise package along the Mekong River departs fortnightly from September 2009.

This ecrusing.travel/hk special package includes 7 nights on board RV La Marguerite, 1 night (pre-cruise) accommodation at Le Meridien Angkor Hotel, Siem Reap, and 1 night (post-cruise) accommodation at the Sofitel Plaza Hotel, Saigon . Transfers between ship and hotel at the start and end of the voyage, onboard meals, Welcome and Farewell Dinners, local beer, packaged soft drinks and house brand spirits, all onboard taxes, fuel, pilot, port dues and passenger levies are all included. From HK\$9,299.

Click [here](#) for more details

Saigon to Siem Reap – Click [here](#) for more details

To book these cruises please choose one of the following options: Call 8202 6226 to speak to one of our cruise consultants, who will help you make your reservation. Email us at hkbookings@ecruising.travel. Complete an online [booking request form](#), which will be actioned by one of our cruise consultants.

FOOD | Kowloon Shangri-La Hotel

> Receive a 12-month Jubilee plus dining privilege membership with 20% discount on food and 15% discount on beverage by presenting your Canadian Chamber Membership Card when dining at any of the following Kowloon Shangri-La's F&B outlets. Offer is valid until 30 December 2009.

- 20% discount on food consumption for lunch & dinner at Angelini, Cafe Kool, Shang Palace , Nadaman, Tapas Bar and The Lobby Lounge.
- 15% discount on beverage consumption for lunch & dinner at Angelini, Cafe Kool, Shang Palace , Nadaman, Tapas Bar and The Lobby Lounge.
- 20% discount on food & 15% discount on beverage at Deli Kool with a minimum spend of HK\$100 net for each time.
- Valid for 2 to 12 persons including the member.
- 15% discount on fresh flowers at the The Flower Shop, except inter-floral service.

Cafe Kool (international buffet)	2733 8753
Angelini (Italian)	2733 8750
Shang Palace (Cantonese)	2733 8754
Nadaman (Japanese)	2733 8751
The Lobby Lounge	2733 8740
Tapas Bar (international tapas)	2733 8756

EDUCATION | The Canadian Education Centre Seminars and Sessions

F.4 - F.7 Study Canada Information Session

> The Canadian Education Centre (CEC) is pleased to present an information session for students from F. 4 to F. 7. Topics will include: the Canadian education system, schools still accepting applications for September 2009, various study options for Hong Kong students, and more! This free information session will be held on **Monday, July 13** from 2:00-3:00 p.m. at the Canadian Education Centre, Rm 1216, China Merchants Tower , Shun Tak Centre, 168 Connaught Road Central (Sheung Wan MTR, Exit D). Seating is limited; reservations are highly encouraged. For information and enquiries, please call 2524-9668 or visit website at: www.studycanada.ca/hongkong.

High School Seminar: Bronte College of Canada

> The Canadian Education Centre (CEC) is pleased to present a High School Seminar by **Bronte College of Canada**, a private, co-ed boarding school located in Mississauga , Ontario , Canada . The free information session will be held on **Friday, July 17** from 6:00-8:00 p.m. at the Canadian Education Centre, Rm 1216, China Merchants Tower, Shun Tak Centre, 168 Connaught Road Central (Sheung Wan MTR, Exit D). A school representative will give a presentation on Bronte College and meet one-on-one with prospective students and parents. Seating is limited; reservations are highly encouraged. For reservations and enquiries, please call 2524-9668 or visit website at: www.studycanada.ca/hongkong.

High School Seminar: Lord Selkirk Regional Comprehensive Secondary School

> The Canadian Education Centre (CEC) is pleased to present a High School Seminar by the **Lord Selkirk Regional Comprehensive Secondary School**, a public school located in Selkirk , Manitoba , Canada . The free information session will be held on **Monday, July 20** from 6:00-8:00 p.m. at the Canadian Education Centre, Rm 1216, China Merchants Tower, Shun Tak Centre, 168 Connaught Road Central (Sheung Wan MTR, Exit D). A school representative, Ms. Wendy Roscoe, will give a presentation on the school and meet one-on-one with prospective students and parents. Seating is limited; reservations are highly encouraged. For reservations and enquiries, please call 2524-9668 or visit website at: www.studycanada.ca/hongkong.

TRAVEL | Great deals by China Travel Service

City	Departure Date	Airline	Ticket Fares	Validity	Remarks
Vancouver	17 July - 6 Sept 09	CX	HKD6,530 up	3-21 days	Direct flight
	10 July - 31 Aug 09	KE	HKD9,310 up	3 months	change at Seoul
Toronto	17 July - 6 Sept 09	CX	HKD9,790 up	3-45 days	Direct flight. Fly on Mon to Thu only
	10 July - 31 Aug 09	KE	HKD12,100 up	3 months	Direct flight. Fly on all days change at Seoul

Remarks

1. All fares exclude airport and departure tax and other surcharges
2. Fares, terms and conditions are subject to change without prior notice

Enquiries

Conference, Exhibition & Special Interest Tours Department , China Travel Service (H.K.) Ltd
 Tel: 2160 5055
 Fax: 2851 1426

E-mail: mkt@ctshk.com

GOLF | The 7th Annual HKCBA Golf Classic

> On Monday, September 14, 2009 at 10:30 am (for Registration and Driving Range; 12:30 pm Shotgun; 7:00 pm Dinner) at the Richmond Country Club, 9100 Steveston Highway, Richmond, B.C., The 7th Annual HKCBA Golf Classic will take place. The format will be Texas Scramble.

FEATURES

Deluxe Tee Gift, Great Prize Table with equal chance to win the best prizes!

Raffle Draw: Two Cathay Pacific Business Class Return Tickets to Hong Kong !

PRICE: \$260.00 (GST inclusive) per golfer* (Early Bird Rate of \$236.00!)

DINNER ONLY: \$83.00 (GST inclusive) - Join the networking!

POWER CARTS: \$55.00 each (seats two, GST inclusive) . Limited carts available on first-time-first-serve basis.

EARLY BIRD RATE: \$236 per Golfer if Entry Form and payment received by July 31, 2009*

*Price includes green fee, a deluxe tee gift, lunch & dinner, complimentary pull carts and range balls.

Use Forms below for your participation.

Golfers Registration Form - you can reserve your foursome now and provide details of your teammates later

Sponsorship Opportunities - to enhance your participation and exposure to the business elites

Prize Donation Form - add to the fun and excitement

LANGUAGE | Mandarin Beginner Class by Practical Mandarin Learning Centre

> Monday 7-9pm, 12 lessons starting from 20th July and ending on 28th Sep

HK\$2800 (Member rate: HK\$2600)

Intimate Class Size - 6 people

Venue: 3/F Dah Sing Life Building, 99-105 Des Voeux Road, Central, Hong Kong

Please contact:

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www.practicalmandarin.com

SEMINARS | Foreign Student Services/International Education Services

- 10** Friday, July
SESSION | Applying to a Canadian University or College for January 2010
5:00pm – 6:00pm
Foreign Student Services, Room 2112 Hang Lung Center , 2-20 Paterson Street, Causeway Bay, Hong Kong
(Causeway Bay MTR “E”).

> Suitable forms: Form 6 – 7.
- 31** Friday, July
SESSION | Applying to a Canadian Secondary School for September 2009
5:00pm – 6:00pm
Foreign Student Services, Room 2112 Hang Lung Center , 2-20 Paterson Street, Causeway Bay, Hong Kong
(Causeway Bay MTR “E”).

> Suitable forms: Form 1 – 5.
- 7** Friday, August
SESSION | Langley School Board
3:00pm - 4:00pm (Information Session) and 4:00pm - 6:00pm (Application for September 2009)
Foreign Student Services, Room 2112 Hang Lung Center , 2-20 Paterson Street, Causeway Bay, Hong Kong
(Causeway Bay MTR “E”).

> Suitable forms: Form 1 – 5. 24-hour acceptance.
- 10** Monday to Friday, August
11 **SESSION | Recruitment Week for Form 5 HKCEE Wishing to Study in Canada for September 2009**
10:00am - 1:00pm and 2:00pm - 6:00pm
Foreign Student Services, Room 2112 Hang Lung Center , 2-20 Paterson Street, Causeway Bay, Hong Kong

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(Causeway Bay MTR “E”).

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> Suitable forms: Form 5 HKCEE.

COMMUNITYNEWS

BALANCE | Work-Life Balance Day

> Does your company support Work-Life Balance? Join the many companies taking part in Hong Kong 's second Work-Life Balance Day on Friday 23 October 2009.

Findings from representative surveys of the Hong Kong working population from 2006 - 2008 repeatedly show that employees in Hong Kong work very long hours, that poor work-life balance is impacting their productivity, health and relationship with family and friends and that they believe their employers can do more to address the situation.

Join the many companies taking part and demonstrate your company's commitment by signing up today. For more information, please see: <http://www.communitybusiness.org/WLB/2009> or contact Ada Wong at ada@communitybusiness.org or 2152 1889.

THEATRE | Antigone - The Girl who Dared to Say NO

> A daring interpretation of a modern theatre classic which explores what happens when one individual stands up to tyranny.

Sophocle's Antigone is one of the most sharply individualized and compelling figures in western drama. In 20th century, the great French playwright **Jean Anouilh** adapted the ancient drama during the Nazi occupation of Paris and it has become a classic in its own right.

A Theatre du Pif production

Presented by the Leisure and Cultural Services Department

Performed in English with Chinese surtitles

Programme enquiries: 2268 7325 (LCSD)/2904 2030 (Theatre du Pif)

Ticketing enquiries and reservations: 2734 9009

Credit card telephone bookings: 2111 5999

Internet bookings: www.urbtix.hk

For more information, visit www.lcsd.gov.hk/cp (LCSD) or

www.thtdupif.com (Theatre du Pif).

Studio Theatre, Hong Kong Cultural Centre
30-01.7.2009 8pm
01.08.2009 3pm
02.08.2009 5pm
Ticket price : \$180, \$120

CHAMBER OPPORTUNITIES

Membership Information

> For more information on how to join the Canadian Chamber of Commerce in Hong Kong – the largest and most active Canadian business organization in the world outside Canada , please email your membership manager at luigi_latona@cancham.org or call 2110-8718.

Changing jobs? Addresses? Emails? Let us know! Contact luigi_latona@cancham.org or call 2110-8718 and we'll keep your information up-to-date.

Publications

> The Chamber produces the weekly Exchange Express (e-news), Exchange (quarterly magazine), electronic direct mail services and the annual directory. For advertising inquiries, please contact andrew_work@cancham.org or 2110 8728.

Please note that members should not abuse the privilege of having other CanCham members' contact information.

Boardroom Rentals

> The Chamber's boardroom is available seven days a week for hourly rental. Our 612 square foot, multi-purpose boardroom can accommodate up to 50 people for meetings, lectures, seminars, luncheons, presentations, and more. For bookings or inquiries, please contact Dipal Sandhu at 2110 8700, or dipal_sandhu@cancham.org.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

> These meetings are open to all Chamber members in good standing. Committee involvement allows you to enjoy quality networking opportunities as well as assist the Chamber in addressing opportunities and challenges within your industry. Please click [here](#) for further details on each committee.

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Friday, July

MEETING | Sustainable Development Committee

8:00am - 9:30am

The Canadian Chamber of Commerce Boardroom, 1301, Kinwick Centre, 32 Hollywood Road, Central

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Tuesday, July

MEETING | Entrepreneur and Small Business Committee

8:15am - 9:30am

The Canadian Chamber of Commerce Boardroom, 1301, Kinwick Centre, 32 Hollywood Road, Central

Please RSVP to Dipal Sandhu, indicating committee name in the subject line, at dipal_sandhu@cancham.org in case of date change.

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