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Nanaimo Certified Management Accountant awarded Microsoft Excel MVP Award

The Certified Management Accountants Society of BC is proud to announce that **Nanaimo's Ken Puls, CMA** was awarded a Microsoft Excel MVP award in October 2006. There are currently only 3 Microsoft Excel MVPs in Canada and 90 worldwide.

The Microsoft MVP Award Program recognizes and thanks outstanding members of technical communities for their community participation and willingness to help others. The MVP Award is given to exceptional technical community leaders who foster the free and objective exchange of knowledge by actively sharing their real-world expertise with technology users. The MVP Award celebrates the most active community members from around the world who provide invaluable online and offline expertise that enriches the community experience and makes a difference in technical communities that feature Microsoft products.

MVPs are a select group of experts representing technology's best and brightest people who share a commitment to community. While MVPs come from many backgrounds and a wide range of technical communities, they share a passion for technology and a demonstrated willingness to help others. MVPs do this by writing books and articles, managing Web sites, maintaining blogs, participating in user groups, hosting and contributing chats, presenting at events and training sessions, and answering questions in technical newsgroups, forums, or message boards. Microsoft MVPs are an amazing group of individuals. By sharing their knowledge and experiences and providing objective feedback, MVPs help people solve problems and discover new capabilities.

Ken Puls received his CMA designation in 2000. He is currently an Accounting Supervisor/Systems Administrator at Fairwinds Community & Resort. Ken continues to be an active member of the CMA Society, having held the position of Upper Island Chapter Chair for 3 years. Ken is also a founding member of the Professional Office Developers Association fledgling association dedicated to promoting excellence within the Microsoft Office development field. In addition, Ken was recently informed that a piece of his Excel code offered on his website is currently being used by **NASA** on the International Space Station as part of their daily routines.

Ken's profile at Microsoft's site can be found at <http://mvp.support.microsoft.com/profile/Ken.Puls> and more information about him can be found at his website:

- Experiences: <http://www.excelguru.ca/node/16>
- Accolades: <http://www.excelguru.ca/node/14>

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