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A celebration for the Class of 2007

NTU celebrated the graduation of its Class of 2007 from 23 July to 27 July 2007, which saw more than 7,250 students graduating.

A total of 15 ceremonies were held over the five-day convocation period, which saw the pioneer batch of graduands for the Bachelor of Engineering (Bioengineering), Bachelor of Engineering (Environmental Engineering), Master of Management in Hospitality, Master of Science (Information Systems) and Master of Science (Applied Finance) degrees.

His Excellency, President S R Nathan, who is also Chancellor of NTU, presided at the first convocation ceremony which included other guests such as Minister for Defence, Mr Teo Chee Hean, and Minister for Education and Second Minister for Finance, Mr Tharman Shanmugaratnam. The First Lady of the Republic of Indonesia, Ibu Haja Ani Bambang Yudhoyono, was also present to witness the graduation of her second son, Mr Edhie Baskoro Yudhoyono.

During his welcome speech, NTU President Dr Su Guaning said, “A hallmark of Great Universities is a strong undergraduate programme that is broad and deep at the same time. Graduates from these institutions develop leadership, a broad education and deep foundations.”

“The Class of 2007 comprises 7,256 graduates, including 4,847 Bachelor degree graduates and 2,409 higher degree graduates. With the Class of 2007, our alumni strength has reached 113,000. I congratulate each and every one of our graduates for their achievements.”

“Singapore has thrived and prospered because we are unafraid to blaze our own path. When we look at the best technological universities in the world – ETH – we must never forget that NTU shall have to blaze our own path, just like the founding generation of Singapore, in becoming a great global university. We shall be fearless in ambition yet meticulous in planning and execution, while remaining deeply connected to the needs of the nation, the region and the world,” added Dr Su.

“NTU’s vibrant campus activities made my university life a very enjoyable and fulfilling one. In addition to academic knowledge, I also developed critical thinking skills, and honed my interpersonal and leadership skills. Now, I am ready to face future challenges with what I’ve gained at NTU.”

– Weng Jie, School of Biological Sciences

“NTU helped me develop qualities such as being dynamic and self-motivated, which helped me greatly in securing my dream job”

– Emily Tan, Nanyang Business School

“NTU provided me with the added opportunity to learn from industrial research specialists. My time at NTU has been a truly enriching experience.”

– Bay Zi Jing, School of Electrical & Electronic Engineering

Class of 2007 graduates say...
New teachers honoured at NIE’s Teachers’ Investiture Ceremony

A total of 2,016 newly-qualified teachers received their diplomas at the ceremony held at NTU’s Nanyang Auditorium from 10 to 12 July 2007. Minister for Education and Second Minister for Finance, Mr Tharman Shanmugaratnam, was the Guest of Honour for the first ceremony.

At the ceremony, the teachers received their Bachelor of Arts (Education), Bachelor of Science (Education), Diploma in Education, Postgraduate Diploma in Education and other Diploma certificates.

Esther Ong Chin Chin, an effectively bilingual teacher in Woodlands Primary School, strongly believes in creating a conducive environment for students to appreciate the Chinese language. She is also deeply passionate about inculcating values. Beyond the academic area, Esther has a soft spot for ‘at risk’ students and contributes to the community as a youth volunteer.

Huang Yiyan, Acting Head of Department for Physical Education and Co-Curricular Activities in CHIJ Katong Convent, sets a high standard of physical fitness for herself and her students in and outside the classroom. An active volunteer for athletic activities, she believes that youths should be provided with an avenue to channel their energy in the wholesome pursuit of athletics. She works closely with external organisations in outreach sports programmes for troubled youth.

Sukhjeet Kaur, a teacher at Swiss Cottage Secondary School, strongly believes in stretching her students to reach the high standards of academic performance and character that she sets for them. To cater to the students’ individual needs, she varies her teaching approaches and gives individualised attention for those who need it. Outside school, she is an active youth volunteer who encourages community engagement through multi-tiered efforts.

Minister Tharman addressed the graduands during his welcome speech: “This ceremony is a meaningful one because it signifies your formal entry to the education profession in Singapore. We are a society that places great value on education and the wholesome upbringing of our children. Everyone recognises the pivotal role that teachers play in this regard. You are now entrusted with the responsibility of guiding, motivating and inspiring future generations of young Singaporeans. I have every reason to be confident that you will discharge this responsibility well throughout your teaching career.”

“Learn as you teach and constantly avail yourself to opportunities to develop further. Let us together keep Singapore shining as a star in the firmament in the 21st century. My heartiest wishes for a meaningful and fulfilling career ahead of you!” he added.

During the first ceremony, Miss Esther Ong Chin Chin, Mdm Huang Yiyan and Miss Sukhjeet Kaur were conferred the Outstanding Youth in Education Awards 2007.
The graduates completed the Master of Science (Managerial Economics), Master of Public Administration, Nanyang Executive Master of Business Administration (Nanyang EMBA), Master of Science in Technopreneurship and Innovation (Chinese), and Master in Educational Administration programmes.

The ceremony was held in Dalian, a beautiful city in the Liaoning Province of Northeast China. Mr Herman R Hochstadt, Pro-Chancellor of NTU, presided at the convocation ceremony.

NTU organised a convocation in Dalian, China

The convocation ceremony held in Dalian on 23 June 2007 celebrated the graduation of NTU’s 164 China-based graduates.

The graduates of the Master of Science (Managerial Economics), Master of Public Administration, Nanyang Executive Master of Business Administration (Nanyang EMBA), Master of Science in Technopreneurship and Innovation (Chinese), and Master in Educational Administration programmes.

Pro-Chancellor of NTU, attended the convocation ceremony.

NTU President, Dr Su Guaning said, “The knowledge and the international outlook NTU graduates have obtained from the university will help them advance in their careers. NTU graduates play a significant role as NTU ambassadors in China. They help forge better understanding between China and Singapore, and open up more avenues for collaboration. They play a pivotal role in helping to propel the University to new heights. They form one of the most fervent alumni groups. We greatly appreciate their contributions.”

In conjunction with the convocation celebration, a get-together dinner was hosted by Mr Koh Boon Hwee, Chairman of NTU Board of Trustees and Dr Su Guaning in Dalian for the University’s China-based alumni.

约400名在中国的南大校友也欢聚一堂，出席南大校董会主席许文辉先生和南大校长徐冠林博士主持的联欢会，热烈庆祝新学年毕业生。这场活动为校友们叙旧交谈、重续友情、心系母校提供了大好机会。
The University ushered in its new batch of alumni on 4 August 2007 with a big bang – by throwing a huge party for them at Zouk, one of the hottest clubs in all of Asia.

Some 1,000 alumni and staff, together with their partners, gathered at Zouk to have a ball of a time, enjoying the music and drinks, dancing and just taking the time to chill with fellow alumni. Organised by the Alumni Affairs Office, the maiden event was an avenue to welcome the Class of 2007 graduates into the alumni family.

As twilight began to fall, alumni and guests started streaming into the club which was available exclusively to NTU alumni until 10.30pm, after which the venue was opened to the public. Even after that, our alumni were encouraged to stay on and party the night away.

Graced by Dr Su Guaning, NTU President, and distinguished guests including Associate Provost, Professor Er Meng Hwa; Secretary to the University, Mr Anthony Yeao; and other Heads of Departments, the crowd had a rollicking good time as they boogied together on the stage and the dance floor.

In his opening address, Dr Su said, “Graduation is a time that calls for congratulations and celebration. I am happy to see you all here tonight to celebrate. Congratulations! You are now officially a member of our 113,000 strong alumni. Your camaraderie and friendship with your fellow students at NTU forms the basis of a long-lasting relationship with your alma mater. This relationship will continue throughout your life.”

The guests were entertained by dance performances put up by the students from NTU’s Modern Jazz Club. With the good music and company, everyone let their hair down and partied till late. The bash had successfully brought home a message to the new graduates – that they will always be part of the NTU family!

Welcome, Class of 2007!

Congratulations on your graduation! Graduation represents your great achievement as a student; it also marks the beginning of your life as an NTU alumnus. We, the Alumni Affairs Office (AAO), warmly welcome you into our big alumni family.

Quips from our alumni...

“It’s nice seeing old college mates and even lecturers all over again. It was my first time having buffet at Zouk too, a very refreshing experience! Nevertheless, it was a great catching up time and I will look forward to the next alumni event.”
— Lim May Hsia, Jordan

“Excellent event! Always nice to catch up with old friends.”
— Lim Todd Joo

“The party was great and we really enjoyed it. I would definitely encourage my juniors to join in this party in future as well!”
— Chia Siew Min

“NTU has come a long way in making its students feel at home, be it the first day you join the University or years after you graduate. Events such as these are huge steps in forming strong bonds between generations of students. The Alumni is growing from strength to strength, and are connecting in more ways than ever. The Class 2007 Welcome Party is a landmark event in NTU’s evolution.”
— Subhajeet Panda
Uniting a community of distinct individuals

NTU Alumni Affairs Office

At the Alumni Affairs Office (AAO), we connect and build a strong and lifelong relationship between the University and our alumni. We keep our alumni regularly informed on the policies, progress and development of their alma mater, and involve them in the continuing development of the University. We also strive to build a strong University community comprising alumni, students, faculty and administration.

At the AAO, the alumni come first. No membership fee is required; AAO is not an alumni club. You are considered an alumnus of NTU the moment you graduate from NTU, NIE or any of the predecessor institutions. And as an alumnus, you are entitled to various privileges and services!

At the AAO, relationship matters.

"Our alumni are key stakeholders in this institution."
Dr Su Guaning, President, NTU

Exclusive benefits for our valued alumni

As our esteemed alumni, a host of exclusive privileges and services awaits you:

- Free magazines: NTULink and @NTU
  NTULink is your source of information on alumni events, updates from AAO and continuing education opportunities at NTU.
  @NTU, our official university magazine, provides comprehensive coverage of NTU news and initiatives.

- Free electronic newsletter: ClassACT
  Sent to your designated email address, this e-zine brings you the latest campus updates, alumni activities and innovative research projects of the University.

- Free alumni email account and email forwarding service
  Every NTU alumnus is given a free alumni mailbox, which you can keep for life. We also provide an email forwarding service that will allow you to maintain a permanent email address with the University.

- Access to Alumni eForum
  With Alumni eForum, you can catch up, connect, discuss and share opinions and thoughts with your peers wherever they are, in any time zone.

- Reunions and social activities
  From lifestyle, sports, business, educational, recreational functions to simple get-togethers, a myriad of NTU alumni events await your participation.

- Access to NTU Library at discounted subscription rates
  NTU graduates enjoy a waiver of the subscription fee for the first year upon graduation. Subsequently, you can join as a Graduate Member and enjoy discounted subscription rates.

- Discount on courses organised by NTU’s Centre for Continuing Education (CCE)
  All alumni are entitled a discount of up to 20% for selected courses organised by the CCE.

- Access to facilities at the Nanyang Executive Centre (NEC) at discounted rates
  Alumni qualify for discounted rates on bookings of NEC facilities.

- Marriage solemnisation services
  Mr Soon Min Yam, Director of AAO, a licensed Deputy Registrar of Marriages, is able to solemnise marriages for our alumni in locations within the University or outside of NTU.

- Alumni scholarships
  The Nanyang Alumni Fund provides scholarship awards to alumni and undergraduates who are children or siblings of the University’s alumni. Alumni can apply for the scholarship for any full-time graduate programmes conducted by the University.

- OCBC-NTU credit card
  Graduates can apply for the new OCBC-NTU Gold Visa Card or the OCBC Platinum Card. You can enjoy a 5-year annual fee waiver for both cards and at the same time, contribute to the development of NTU at no cost!

- Access to career services provided by NTU CareerHub (Career & Attachment Office)
  The NTU CareerHub is a one-stop portal for career-related activities. You can schedule appointments to consult a career coach, enjoy free access to the online jobsite and online Career eFair, and attend talks and workshops for free or at subsidised rates.

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这是南大校友事务处第二次在上海主办盛大聚会，然而与第一次不同的是，这次聚会是由校友事务处与南大上海校友会及南大中国策略处上海办公室联合举办，以宣布南大上海校友会的成立。

傍晚6时30分，校友与来宾们陆续莅临。新加坡驻上海总领事陈庆荣夫妇、南大校长徐冠林博士、南大校董会董事连萧思女士、副校长余明华教授等嘉宾也相继莅临。陈总领事当天特地从崇明岛上赶回来出席聚会。

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Extending our alumni network to India

Our alumni met up at a gathering in Mumbai where the NTU Alumni Association (India) was officially launched.

M Anthony Teo, Secretary to the University, was the Guest of Honour at the alumni get-together dinner held on 19 May 2007, and attended by close to 50 alumni, guests and students. The Consul of the Republic of Singapore in Mumbai, Mr N. Nithianandum Katherayon Ramakrishna, and Mrs Nithianandum, were also present at the event.

During his speech, Mr Anthony Teo said, “The NTU Alumni Association (India) is an invaluable point of contact for alumni to meet, network and renew friendships.”

“With a broad and strong international outreach, NTU Alumni Associations aim to strengthen the connections with overseas alumni and provide them with more benefits and networking opportunities in tandem with NTU’s thriving global network,” he added.

The Association is headed by Dr Natteri Mangadu Subharsan, alumnus of the School of Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering, Class of 2001.

In his welcome address, Dr Subharsan said, “I urge for your very strong support in participating in any forthcoming events which the newly formed NTU Alumni Association (India) may organise. Together, we shall maintain the ties which we have built during our days at NTU and continue to establish the very special bond we have with our alma mater.”

The students included members of the 16th Students’ Union Executive Committee who were in India under the “Union Overseas Educational and Learning Venture”, and undergraduates who were in Mumbai under the University’s Global Immersion Programme.

In conjunction with the official opening, an international forum was held at NTU@one-north campus on 15 July 2007 to establish the Global Chinese Literary Award which offers the highest prize money of its kind in the world. The fund will also go towards funding research projects and ongoing public events and workshops. Some of the major donors of this fund included NTU alumni Mr Liew Sing Hon, Mr See Yong Leng and Dr Ho Long Woon.

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Minister Mentor Lee Kuan Yew officially opened the Confucius Institute, Nanyang Technological University (CI-NTU) at NTU@one north campus on 14 July 2007.

The event was also an occasion to thank the donors of the Confucius Institute Fund, NTU. Over S$2 million, inclusive of government matching, has been raised for the endowment fund which will go towards establishing the Global Chinese Literary Award which offers the highest prize money of its kind in the world. The fund will also go towards funding research projects and ongoing public events and workshops. Some of the major donors of this fund included NTU alumni Mr Liew Sing Hon, Mr See Yong Leng and Dr Ho Long Woon.

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NTU Alumni Club 20th Anniversary Dinner
Come celebrate with us. A nostalgic evening of camaraderie with sumptuous food and great entertainment.

Guests of Honour
Dr Terry Tan
Chairman, National Research Foundation Board

Programme Highlights
- Eight-course Chinese Delight
- Standup Comedy by ‘Singapore Boy’ Hasston Leong
- 5-Pc Jazz Performance by Linda Lee, NTU Alumni (SCS/2000)
- Commemorative Anniversary Gift

Saturday, 1 September 2007
7.30pm (Cocktail Reception)
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NTU Alumni Club, 11 Slim Barracks Rise
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Entry Fee: $20 NTUAC Member; $30 Guest; Table for ten: $280

Seats are limited. Please register by 17 August 2007. For enquiries, please call Moyling Garina at 6777 1101 or log on to www.ntualumni.org.sg

14th AIS cum NTU Alumni Club 20th Anniversary Golf Tournament
Calling all golfers! Take to the turf with fellow alumni golfers and fellow members of the Alumni International Singapore (AIS). Tee off at Warren Golf & Country Club and enjoy putting your way to trophies and prizes.

Date: 7 September 2007 [Fri]
Time: Registration: 11.30am
Tee-off: 12.45pm
Closing Date: 31 October 2007
Entry Fee: NTU Alumni Club Member, FREE
NTU Graduate/NTU Undergrad/NTU Staff, $5

Fiesta of Ties’ Carnival
Join us for a day of exciting games, contests, art, food, face painting and bouncy fun at the ‘Fiesta of Ties’ Carnival, House at NTU Alumni Club on 8 September 2007.

Date: 8 September 2007 [Sat]
Time: 10am to 5pm
Venue: NTU Alumni Club, Level 4

Shuttle bus service between MOE Building & NTU Alumni Club @ one-north at regular intervals.

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Ties That Bind’ Photography Competition
The theme is ‘Ties That Bind’. From 1 August 2007 to 31 October 2007, capture snapshots of the different facets of NTU Alumni Club and the NTU Campus, or any interesting or touching moments of people and events that depict bonding among its alumni members and stand to win attractive prizes!

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During the dinner, Mr Koh addressed the graduates: “The support of our alumni in Singapore and around the world is crucial for the University. Our alumni form one of our greatest resources. We have forged close ties with our local and international alumni. Do stay connected and keep in touch with your alma mater. You have a crucial role in supporting NTU in her pursuit of global excellence. You represent the best of NTU. Together with you, our alumni and with our faculty, staff and students, we will achieve our vision of making NTU a great global University.”

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Some alumni and guests also took the opportunity to explore the city of Dalian in the specially organised city tour.
In seven chartered buses, about 280 alumni, friends and family set off for Malaysia for the annual durian buffet at Pekan Nenas, organised by the Alumni Affairs Office. Boarding at two pick-up locations, alumni from different eras met and mingled easily on the bus ride. Lawrence Wong Soon Thong (NBS / 1992) said, “It is indeed meaningful as I get the chance to meet graduates from the various years, not mentioning old friends, and definitely a good opportunity to network!”

As noon approached, the group streamed into the durian plantation located at Pekan Nenas for the free flow durian treat. Among the durian fans from the alumni community, together with their family and friends, crossed the Causeway on 30 June 2007 for a sumptuous fruit buffet at a durian plantation.

There were many other fruits for the alumni to enjoy into kampong durians in their natural environment, the party was also treated to rambutans, mangosteens, pineapples and sweet potatoes.

Everyone enjoyed the sumptuous seafood dinner and photo-taking opportunities, everyone hopped onto their respective buses and brought home bags of shopping and delicious fruits from the plantation.
Students from the School of Civil and Environmental Engineering (CEE), Class of 2007 enjoyed an evening dedicated to their graduation.

The night of 16 May 2007 was a memorable one for the new graduates, who enjoyed an evening of marvellous music, songs, dance and team-building games at the ballroom of the Conrad Centennial Hotel.

Organised by the CEE Club and supported by NTU’s Alumni Affairs Office, the NTU CEE Alumni Association and VSL, the night kicked started with a Latin dance by Dancesport Academy. This was followed by singer Jeramaine Yeo, best known as “Xinxu” to his friends, who performed several popular Mandarin songs much to the thrill of his fellow classmates. Alumna Tay Kewei then awed the audience with her soulful English numbers.

Professor Teh Cee Ing, Chair of CEE, had this morale booster for the graduating students, “As you embark on the next phase of your life’s journey, there will be new challenges. Fortunately for you, the present construction industry and the general economy are good, and it would not be too difficult for you to secure a job. Nonetheless, you will still need to strive for excellence and be committed in whatever you do.”

All in all, the graduates and guests had a wonderful time; it was indeed an unforgettable night of laughter and fond memories.

CEE graduates celebrate in style

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A memorable occasion for the CEE graduates to celebrate

The graduates had loads of fun playing the amusing games.
A graduation night to remember for MSE graduates

The School of Materials Science and Engineering (MSE) Graduation Night held on 11 May 2007 brought the new graduates together for a memorable celebration.

Held at the Yunnan Garden Restaurant Ballroom at NTU Alumni Club, more than 160 graduating students turned up for the evening, all beautifully dressed. MSE lecturers and alumni were also present at the dinner. Guests of Honour were Professor Freddy Boey, Chair of MSE, and Mr Soon Min Yam, Director of the Alumni Affairs Office.

During the dinner, Professor Boey spoke about the current buoyant job market, where a number of students have already secured a job before their graduation. He also expressed his hope that, as alumni, the graduates will contribute to the school in any capacity they can, and make MSE a School to be proud of.

Before the dinner began, guests were shown a five-minute video clip compiled by MSE Club that reflected on the past activities and events which the graduating students had gone through. They felt the twin emotions of happiness and sadness as they remembered the four years that they had spent in MSE and NTU.

One very special item for the night was "Staff Appreciation", where the graduates presented flowers and balloons to their beloved professors. The night came to a close as everyone bade their good-byes and promised to meet again.

The Incandescence Story

The School of Biological Sciences (SBS) held its graduation dinner, Incandescence, for its second graduating batch at the Asian Civilisations Museum, organised by the Biological Sciences Club.

Distinguished guests including Guest of Honour, Professor Bertil Andersson, Provost and Professor Alex Law, Associate Chair, SBS, graced the special occasion.

Themed "Nostalgia", almost everyone was decked out in vintage clothes from the 70s and ever-classic black dresses in the likes of Audrey Hepburn. Tuned to the mood for reminiscence in the historically rich atmosphere of the Asian Civilisations Museum, the cozy lighting illuminated a warm family atmosphere, hallmark of SBS culture. Each guest was presented with a gift package comprising a specially customised cashcard enclosed with a CD.

During the ice breaking games, Prof Andersson was very enthusiastic in participating, receiving rousing applause from the crowd. There were many other games which added to the fun and laughter of the memorable evening.

Other programme highlights included a video item specially prepared by the committee that included professors’ well wishes, student interviews, and other video clips and photographs of the graduating batch. Emotions were stirred as everyone reflected on and reminisced about the cherished bygone days of university life.

What better way to reach the climax of the event than to open the dance floor? As the ballroom transformed into a disco, professors, students and committee members alike joined in the fun. The dinner came to a conclusion after the grand lucky draw, but every end has a new beginning — the road will no doubt continue for the graduating batch as they move on to more challenges ahead.
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Calendar of alumni events

校友活动预告

Have a look at the line-up of events we have in store for our alumni. More information coming your way soon!

### September 2007

- **8 Sept**

- **15 Sept**

- **22 Sept**

- **29 – 30 Sept**
  - Kelong Trip 奎笼之旅

### October 2007

- **28 Oct**

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Potter fans charmed

Organised by the Alumni Affairs Office, the event at GV Grand, Great World City, drew an overwhelming crowd of some 500 Potter fans.

Alumni and guests started to arrive as early as 2.30pm. Many came early to enjoy the tea reception held at the garden terrace, taking the opportunity to catch up with friends and network with fellow alumni. The enthusiastic fans had a satisfying buffet reception before proceeding to watch their hero band together with other young wizards of Hogwarts to defend themselves against the dark forces.

“This is my first time attending a function for alumni. I guess for me it’s killing ‘three’ birds with one stone – food, entertainment and good socialising!” said Ms Jody Phang (GDTI / 2007).

The Alumni Affairs Office organises periodic movie screenings for our valued alumni, so do keep a lookout for more of such screenings!

HAPPENINGS

7月12日傍晚，130多名高级培训班的学员热情洋溢地参加了由南大校友事务处为他们举办的联谊活动。

这次联谊活动以体育赛事的形式展开。随着校友事务处主任孙敏炎先生为8×50米接力跑比赛开跑起跑枪声，活动正式开始。此后，篮球、羽毛球和乒乓球比赛也激烈地进行。第三期教育管理硕士班的学员们凭借着他们的良好运动能力和丰富的参赛经验，赢得了接力赛、羽毛球赛和乒乓球赛的三项冠军！第二期云南省组织人事干部培训班的学员们也显示了强劲的实力，一举拿下了篮球比赛的冠军和羽毛球、乒乓球赛的亚军。

“我很感激校友事务处为我们组织这次联谊活动，通过这次活动，让我们大家更深切地体验到南大朝气蓬勃的校园气息和浓厚的校园文化。我们也秉承着友谊第一、比赛第二的体育精神，结交了很多新朋友。”云南省委组织部部级干部培训班的学员张百如先生兴奋地说。南洋商学院金融硕士课程班的学员们是第一次参加联谊活动，班长王冠华说：“我们班的大部分学员都很年轻，在南大参加体育活动，不仅和其他班的学员增加了交流，而且让我们仿佛又回到了做学生的时代，感觉很亲切。”

比赛结束后，学员们边享用着自助晚餐，边其乐融融地围在一起天南海北地聊天。我们仿佛看到，赛场上传递的接力棒、挥动的球拍，都化成了传播友情的纽带，环绕在学员们当中。

Enthusiastic alumni enjoying a session of good food and company before the start of the movie
ANNOUNCEMENTS

Come celebrate your class anniversaries!
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南大十届毕业班跨届周年校友聚会的筹备工作已积极展开。

Once again, it’s time to take a walk down memory lane, catch up with old schoolmates and reminisce about the good old days. Reconnect with classmates, friends and faculty members that you haven’t seen in a while, and relive memories of your days on campus.

If you would like to join in the fun at these reunions with your fellow alumni, please contact the following persons:

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Classes of 1997:
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Classes of 2002:
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Mark your calendars and we look forward to seeing you at the reunions!

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截至今年7月，大约500名热情校友主动报名担任校友班级代表。他们广泛联络失散校友、加强海内外校友与母校之间的联系与交流，让更多的校友能及时得知并参与南大的校友活动。

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福隆港之旅（1976）

和一班南大老同学一起出游已不是第一次，但每一次都别具风味，也别有一番滋味。

这一次我们去福隆港，三天两夜的旅程居然筹备了将近两个人的功夫。真是应酬，应节、还有水果、蛋糕、零食、炒米粉、乌打、鱼丸、糕饼、五彩缤纷，而我也无怨无悔。

到了，就放下一切，全心地投入。"是这样的一个信念，凌羽说："开心，时间会过，不开心，时间也一样会过。既然来了，就放下一切，全心地投入。"

"一种五彩缤纷，而我也无怨无悔。"的信念，让我们拥有了不少宝贵的血液，不过还好，大忙已告，你压原最该好好休息。

和以往一样，回程时大家的行李包里除了土产、礼品之外，还装满了欢乐的笑容和美好的回忆。

后记：我知道我没有说过，但我真的想说：我想我是幸运的，生命有贵人。贵人是中文学会。协利说："让我们多看他做了什么，而不要看他没做什么。"松锦说："用心记住他人名字，主动向他人打招呼，你会交到很多朋友。""有多少人出席都不重要，重要的是大家玩得开心。""太多太多学术界的前辈，如繁星点点，在我人生的途中指引方向，让我少人出席都不重要，重要的是大家玩得开心。""太多太多学术界的前辈，如繁星点点，在我人生的途中指引方向，让我可以停留，只要你愿意。感恩校友会。

校友感言园地

Share your latest news with your fellow alumni and the NTU community!

Ong Beng Soon (SC/1970)

Dr Beng Ong is one of the most prolific inventors today, having amassed over 130 U.S. patents and numerous foreign equivalent patents. He is the third in Xerox's 50-year history and first at Xerox Research Centre of Canada to reach the 100-patent mark. He says, "I am forever indebted to the University for the education it has provided me, and patent mark. He says, "I am forever indebted to the University for the education it has provided me, and..."
Li Yi Fei (EEE / 2004)

Yi Fei graduated with an MSE in Signal Processing from the School of EEE and went on to pursue a career involving Intel products. He is currently based in China.

Daniel Li Tong Hui (MSE / 2005)

“I’m currently a research officer at A*Star IMRE after graduating from the School of Materials Science and Engineering in 2005. How time flies! Seems like not so long ago that I was still in NTU mugging for exams in the library, holding discussions for projects at all the benches dotted around the campus, and tabao-ing (taboo word!) food from the canteen to eat elsewhere when the seats in the canteen were all taken up. I met some really great friends in NTU too, friends I still keep in touch with. We even went on a second tour to Hong Kong last month, which was really great! We went on a short tour of Hong Kong and Macau. Unlike my previous few vacations during my undergraduate days, the feeling this time round is different as I do not have to return to face the same routine of rushing for lectures and tutorials and struggling to find a seat in the forever overcrowded canteens during lunchtime. Not forgetting also the mad rush to finish projects and assignments!”

Amit Satpathy (EEE / 2007)

Amit has received the A*Star Graduate PhD Scholarship and will be working with an A*Star research institute for a year, specialising in Electrical & Electronic Engineering - Media Understanding/ Biometrics. After that, he will go on to pursue his PhD at NTU in July next year. He enjoys going to the movies and has a passion for astronomy.

Bay Zi Jing (EEE / 2007)

Zi Jing is currently employed as a Research Engineer with DSO National Laboratories. He feels that he is able to pursue his passion in research and build his career at DSO. During his student days, he represented the University in Taekwondo.

Jody Phang Wei Leng (GDTI / 2007)

“I just attended my course’s graduation dinner. It was great to see the familiar faces of my classmates again. During our course, we get the chance to study at Guangzhou for two months. It was a much-cherished break for working adults like us. Most of us enjoyed the two months of staying and studying together under one roof. Now that we’re back in Singapore, some of us have not managed to keep in touch due to various commitments. But I believe we will always remember the days in Guangzhou.”

Emily Tan (NBS / 2007)

Emily was recently selected as the only Singaporean to join the Finance Management Trainee Programme with JP Morgan Asia Finance this year. In her NTU days, she participated in a NTU Business case competition where her team was awarded first runner-up. She recounts that as the highlight of her university life. She also participated in many activities including the IMF World Bank Meeting and Vertical Marathon organised by NTU’s Sports Club.

Charles Chia (EEE / 2007)

Charles celebrated his graduation with fellow friends on 27 July. He says, “This day will be mine for life! He is presently taking time to relax while keeping a lookout for a job.

Chong Wei Liang (EEE / 2007)

Wei Liang feels exhilarated that he has graduated. “The United Colours of Environment Inc. has finally graduated…Roll!” he exclaims.

Lim Jo Seng (EEE / 2007)

Jo Seng feels good to graduate after 4 years of studying. At the same time, he will miss his friends, hostel life and everything else in NTU. He hopes that everyone will keep in touch!

Kelly Te Kai Li (CEE / 2007)

“I want to thank all my friends who studied together with me in the SAC Student’s Union room. Thanks for all the memorable times and I will remember the strong friendships we’ve built through all these years. I love you all!”

Tok Yuquan (CEE / 2007)

“Thank you CEE professors for teaching us. I really appreciate all your lessons. CEE is my family and I will surely miss it!”

Tran Bao Duy (SCE / 2007)

Tran Bao Duy was one of the 18 University Scholars honoured for the first time during this year’s convocation. He has just started his career as a Project Officer at the Centre for Advanced Media Technology, a joint research and development centre between the Fraunhofer Institute for Computer Graphics at Darmstadt, Germany and the Nanyang Technological University. As a keen and adventurous learner, he spent 6 months working in Munich during his Industrial Attachment.

Alice Weng Jie (SBS / 2007)

During her undergraduate days, Alice excelled in both academic and extracurricular activities – an achievement for which she was awarded the NTU Alumni Gold Medal upon her graduation. She is now employed under the GE Money management training programme as an associate, with special focus on operations and sales. She enjoys travelling and has a passion for the arts.

Teo Nguan Wee (MAE / 2007)

I went for my well deserved graduation trip shortly after convocation 2007 with friends. We went on a short tour of Hong Kong and Macau. Unlike my previous few vacations during my undergraduate days, the feeling this time round is different as I do not have to return to face the same routine of rushing for lectures and tutorials and struggling to find a seat in the forever overcrowded canteens during lunchtime. Not forgetting also the mad rush to finish projects and assignments!

I count myself lucky to graduate at a time when the economy is booming and jobs are aplenty. Though still job searching, I am optimistic that I’ll be working real soon. Thus I’m looking forward to my next challenge!

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