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We could not have asked for a better day on November 29 to provide a warm homecoming to Yunnan Garden campus for our alumni of NTU, NTI, NIE and Nanyang University. We at NTU have great pleasure in welcoming more than 1,600 alumni and family members and final year students (our alumni of tomorrow) to a reunion of a bigger scale.

Alumni Day 2003 was organized for alumni to renew ties with classmates and make new friends with those they did not know during their time on campus. It provided another opportunity for alumni to connect or reconnect with the alma mater and fellow alumni. It is also an occasion to introduce current students that the University’s relationship with graduates began on matriculation day and continues long after graduation. Alumni had also the opportunity to listen to the address by Prof Su Guaning on his first homecoming function as President of NTU. Alumni who had not been able to attend would now be able to read his sharing of the vision and the aspirations for the University.

Director of NIE, Deans of Schools and staff present were able to update and foster a better relationship with visiting alumni.

At the homecoming we have seen increasing alumni participation, more and more alumni are involved and engaged in imparting their input and insights. The pioneer three engineering schools - School of EEE, CEE and MPE had their graduates alumni associations’ presidents sharing, namely Mr Inderjit Singh Class '85, Ms Lee Bee Wah Class '85 and Mr Jesson Lim Swee Kwong Class '99. Like all other reunions, our main goal of the homecoming is to invite to campus as many alumni as possible. With their earlier history and bigger cohorts, we look for alumni of our Nanyang Business School and NIE for greater support.

In 1987, the Yunnan Garden campus received the first batch of students under the shift of the School of Accountancy from NUS to NTI. Their senior fellow alumni received their accountancy scrolls in the first convocation in 1967. When NTI was reconstituted in 1991 as NTU, NIE became part of the university. However, it was only in 2000, that NIE moved to Yunnan Garden campus. Our alumni from NIE may have a shorter history on the campus. On the other hand, our most senior teacher alumni had their training under the Teachers’ Training College (TTC) as early as 1950. TTC launched a two-year Certificate in Education for English Medium teachers. We look forward to organizing the next homecoming for all senior and younger alumni of NTU.

Eddy Seet
Director
Alumni Day 2003 was held this year on 29 November at the Nanyang Auditorium. A total of almost 1600 alumni, staff, students and their family members attended this homecoming, which has been a tradition of the University, starting in 1994. It is a day all alumni have come to know as the day they get together as alumni of NTU and meet up with their old University buddies and catch up with their former lecturers and tutors, some of whom they might not have met for years.

Starting with lunch, alumni from as far back as the Nantah days to alumni who just graduated in 2003 came together as one at the Foyer of the Nanyang Auditorium, which was decorated to welcome them back. Friends renewed ties with friends and made even more friends. Final year students were also invited to the event, as they are our alumni of tomorrow. While alumni, staff and family members enjoyed their lunch, a beautiful dance was presented by Ms Van, who is a Vietnamese student studying in NTU. Guests were mesmerized by her graceful, and sometimes difficult, moves. There was even a game for the kids on stage, which everyone, young and old, enjoyed!

In his speech to alumni after the lunch, Dr Su Guaning spoke on the history of the University. He spoke on how the different groups of alumni, from Nantah, NTI, School of Accountancy and Business and National Institute of Education, are the tributaries of a river, joining together at the threshold of a thorough reengineering of the great river, from the source to the ocean. (Full speech on page 6)

Alumni Day is also the day when the University specially thanks a group of our alumni who have rendered outstanding service and contributed in furthering the interests of the University and the alumni. This is through the presentation of the Alumni Service Awards, which originated in 1996. For this year, there were a total of 4 recipients who received the Alumni Service Award.

The proud recipients of the Alumni Service Award for 2003 are:

Dr Tay Beng Kang, EEE 1985
Mr Terence Chan Eng Guan, NBS 1993
Mr Goh Xia Hong, NBS 1993
Mr Jesson Lim Swee Kwong, MPE 1999

Following the presentation of the Alumni Service Awards, Prof Su presented prizes to the winners of the Alumni Day 2003 Sports & Games which was held in the morning. Alumni, staff and student participants took part in various sports and games and competed against each other in friendly matches. There were games such as bowling, 5-a-side soccer, tennis, badminton, chess, carrom, darts and pool. A golf game was also held in...
 JB on 28 November, and prizes were presented as well. The main programme at the Nanyang Auditorium ended with alumni going back to different venues to gather together for a special Schools’ programme. Alumni from the Engineering Schools had their programme at the brand new Research TechnoPlaza. A special College of Engineering Family Carnival was also held at the TechnoPlaza. Read ahead for more on the Schools’ programmes and the CoE Family Carnival.

For the Nantah alumni, a special programme was arranged for them, where they were brought to the original Nanyang University Arch in Jurong West. Over there, they took some memorable group photos with Dr Su Guaning. Following which, they were brought to view some exhibitions at the Chinese Heritage Centre in NTU. The exhibitions they viewed were; Story of the Chinese Overseas—From Segregation to Integration; Tracing the Nantah Spirit; and A Walk in the Rubber Plantation: A Salute to Mr Tan Kah Kee.
Speech by Dr Su Guaning
President, Nanyang Technological
University at the Alumni Day –
Saturday, 29 November 2003

Members of the Nanyang University and NTU Alumni
community,

Thank you for accepting our invitation to come back to
campus for a day of fun and to reconnect with your Alma
Mater. I am very pleased to have this chance to speak to both the Nanyang University and the NTU Alumni. I know we are not
yet one, and there is much room for us to work to reconnect the two chapters of our history i.e. Nantah and NTI/NTU. Actually,
I believe there would also be sections of these chapters, not least the Nanyang Business School, which as the School of
Accountancy at the University of Singapore had a long history; and the National Institute of Education, with a proud history of
its own.

I would run into big trouble with my wife if I suggest polygamy is right. But I can’t help but feel like the head of a family
whose children had different mothers. How do I get everyone to feel as a family, ask all of you to help each other, and to derive
strength for being in this big family of 80,000?

Perhaps I should reverse the sexes instead. As we create the third chapter of our history as a comprehensive university, can
you instead think of our third chapter, which I hope shall be named Nanyang University, your mother, and think of your different
parentage as having different fathers? After all, Alma Mater is your mother.

We can’t carry the analogy too far or I shall get into trouble with the moral guardians of our society. Let me suggest the
following alternative analogy.

Think of a great river. Perhaps the Yangtze, which has hundreds of tributaries.

Each of you would have come from one of these tributaries, big or small. You are the fruits of the orchards on the banks, or
grain from the rice fields.

Nantah is the beginning of the flow. Created by the pooling of resources and donations from thousands of people, rich or poor, in the Chinese community, with no help from the authorities, this source of our university, born of high ideals and fiery passion, should be celebrated along with the founder Mr Tan Lark Sye. Without this origin, we would not have this
beautiful campus of today. Even more important, the spirit of the founding of this university is a rich source of inspiration for
those who follow.

Perhaps 1980 and the merger with NUS is a man made dam. The river started again from this dam, now flowing as a practice
oriented Engineering Institute, NTI. There were proud stories of its own graduates to tell, pioneers in their own right. However,
they knew very little of the source of this river. Only with time did some of the stories of Nantah, the source, come to light.

To this chapter two was added two great traditions – the School of Accountancy originally with the University of Singapore,
and then the National Institute of Education, both long flowing rivers that joined this flow and became NTU.

Today, we are at the threshold of a thorough reengineering of the great river, from the source to the ocean.

I cannot emphasize enough the significance of the move to make us a comprehensive university to rival NUS.
If we take the university as a vocational training school, this is nothing more than the addition of three new schools.
But taken in the light of the Remaking of Singapore, this is a strategic move that will ultimately transform education in
Singapore.

Each of our sources: Nantah, NTI, Accountancy, and Education, gives us unique strengths.

Nantah and the story of its founding is by Mr Tan Lark Sye, and is a legend in the making. It is a proud founding
legend that gives our university a distinctive character. It also provides a unique strength in positioning us as a bridge between
East and West. One day, we hope this university shall be a great meeting place of great minds from China, India and the
Western World.

NTI gave us the largest engineering school in the world. Out of this strength has evolved research capabilities that allows us
to collaborate and leverage on the best universities in the world, like MIT, Stanford, Caltech, Imperial College, to name but a few.
It also gave us strong relations with industry, and a high employment rate.

Accountancy has some very illustrious alumni in our business world. With new initiatives at the Nanyang Business School,
such as the new Cornell-Nanyang Institute to be established soon, we are well connected with the business world.

Education puts no potentially in a position to influence all the students in our schools, by turning out the best teachers and
teacher-administrators and by conducting research that influences educational policy.
But all these strengths would come to naught if we do not work as one. Worse, if we fight among ourselves.

With the establishment of the School of Humanities and Social Sciences and the School of Physical Sciences, we would have completed the twin pillars of a modern comprehensive university education. Mr Tan Swie Hian characterized this as the two wings of a comprehensive education that will allow our students to take off in turbulent weather. As distinguished Nanyang University alumnus and awarded the honorary Doctor of Letters earlier this year, he is the ideal person to help us bridge the gap and bring the combined flow of all our tributaries to the ocean. This is a flow with great strength, a flow that will be of great benefit to Singapore and beyond.

But a pre-requisite is that we discard all our stereotypes of the different sources of this great university, so that we can all pull as one.

Nantah does not equal communism or outdated notions of the past. Instead, they are the source of the great Nantah spirit of striving in the face of adversity. They are also a great resource for entrepreneurship and a bridge to the booming Chinese market.

NTU/NTU is not the place for people who cannot get into NUS engineering. Instead, NTU/NTU engineers have excelled and made their mark as leaders and captains of industry. Research from NTU/NTU has given us a university of distinction and led the way to our present research intensive university.

Accountants are not bean-counters who cannot see the forests for the trees. They are leaders in business who helped grow our Business School into one of the best in Asia. They are also the conscience of business in the Auditing profession keeping fraud and questionable practices at bay.

The National Institute of Education is not to be blamed for all the purported ills of our education system. Instead they are the agents for change who will in due course infuse the entire educational system with new thinking and innovation.

Linking together all our sources shall be our New Undergraduate Experience, including a flexible core curriculum, vibrant student life, and international experience for many, not just a selected few.

Underlying the New Undergraduate Experience shall be our Student centric and Professor centric approaches to administration.

I hope all of you, alumni, students and staff alike, will want to be part of this great adventure.

Let me close with a few words on Alumni relations.

I think it is a mistake to combine Alumni Affairs with the fund raising efforts of the Endowment fund. If every time we approach an alumnus it is to ask for donations or other help, we would chase many of them away. We have to be sincere, when we engage alumni and build the network. We must genuinely want to stay in touch with the alumni and be thorough in addressing their concerns and interests. We want you to stay in touch not to make use of you, but to share with you our pride and joy in this institution, and to listen to you in what your hopes are for society and for the university.

If we do this, when we are raising funds, alumni will respond. Not just from their own resources. In many cases our Alumni are also a vital network to reach philanthropists with the resources and the interest to help education. And we must do our part by creating an educational experience that really contributes to society, so that philanthropists will want to donate to a cause that touches their heart.

I know our staff has worked very hard to put today’s program together and we should not take anything away from them. But my frank opinion is that we can do a lot better. We are still a long way from where we want to be, in Alumni Affairs and in the Development function, the euphemism most university uses for the Fund Raising function. We are also not doing enough to help our Alumni bond as a whole.

I promise you we shall be doing some work on this in the coming months. I hope our alumni will help us by giving us your ideas on what we should do, and even more important, refer to us people who can help us do this, and pitch in yourself. I promise you I shall listen.

Next year, we shall do even better.

Thank you for your support.
On 29 November 2003, a huge crowd gathered in a festive mood in the Nanyang Auditorium. Whatever for, you may ask...well it was Alumni Day 2003.

As many past students streamed into the Auditorium and signed up, they received a personal foldable chair – though it was an unexpected gift, it helped break the ice and start conversations.

Lunch was a grand affair in the Auditorium. To those who graduated many years ago, the place was a new sight to behold, and to the ‘younger’ alumni, the place held many memories and perhaps some unpleasant reminder of the countless exams they had to sit for! The large ground floor was full of happy, boisterous meetings of staff with past students, and past students with their friends and classmates of yesteryears. After lunch, President Su Guaning gave a short but thoughtful speech, after which, the alumni was led away to the various Schools’ programmes.

The CEE alumni gathered at the brand new Research TechnoPlaza where the Dean, Professor Cheong Hee Kiat gave a warm welcome speech, followed by Ms Lee Bee Wah, President, NCEEA who talked about the CEE Alumni’s objectives and activities. These speeches were followed by a well-received presentation by Assoc Prof Lawrence Koe, Director of Environmental Engineering Research Centre (EERC), who spoke on the topic “What has our environmental engineering research got to do with you?” The talk helped relate environmental engineering to the lives of the alumni and their families.

The room on the 5th floor was bursting with people and the aircon was somewhat overloaded; nevertheless, goodwill prevailed and even the children were fairly patient. Once the talk was over, a group photo was arranged for. This was a rather arduous task due to the large numbers of people who came but people were happy to comply and eventually some kind of group photo taking was managed. Even the children posed quite readily!

Once this was done, the carnival continued with a visit to the Environmental Engineering Research Centre annex laboratories. The theme of the laboratory exhibits was modern molecular microbiological and very sophisticated chemical methods to study and improve the environment. This was complemented by posters and verbal explanations by young researchers and postgraduate students. Civil Engineering has definitely changed direction from years ago!

It was particularly nice to see so many children who came with their parents and the visit to the TechnoPlaza was well received. The more serious stuff, the day ended with family-oriented fun and games in the foyer.

It was a very well organized pleasant afternoon and from a staff’s point-of-view, very rewarding to see several of one’s own students with their children, and also to hear, at second hand, about successes of other students, who unfortunately couldn’t be at the gathering. The idea of the Alumni Day is not just to gather under one roof but also to continue building on the existing bond between the alumni and the university and to foster better ties so that the CEE family will not lose touch and grow apart.
A Alumni of NTU, together with their families and also staff of EEE gathered at NTU's Nanyang Auditorium in a cheerful and relaxed mood to celebrate the University's Alumni Day 2003. This event drew over 400 EEE alumni and 60 EEE staff members together with their families. Students, who are our future alumni, were also invited. Smiles of welcome and recognition filled the air as the academic staff members greeted their former students who stood patiently in a queue with their spouses and toddlers waiting to register. A foldable chair was given to each alumni member and staff as a souvenir. The guests were then ushered to tables designated for specific Schools which were identified by huge colourful balloons looming in the air.

After the lunch, President of NTU, Dr Su Guaning delivered an opening speech, following which he presented the Alumni Service Awards. Dr Tay Beng Kang (EEE `85) was the proud recipient from the School of EEE.

After the award presentation the engineering alumni took a short walk to the impressive Research TechnoPlaza (RTP) for School-specific events.

For the School of EEE, the Dean, Professor Er Meng Hwa welcomed the alumni and stressed the importance of strengthening the bonds between the School and the Alumni. He spoke of the valuable contributions that the School's 10,000 strong alumni have made to the economy and the country. He envisioned how the School can tap on the alumni network to foster the entrepreneurial spirit of the present group of students. He was happy to see the Alumni taking time to visit their alma mater and hoped that they will enjoy themselves at the carnival planned for them.

Mr. Inderjit Singh, President of NTU EEE Alumni Association and member of School Council Advisory Committee further emphasized the importance of the alumni. He represents both the significance and tradition of the alumni, being a graduate of the first cohort of NTU who later started and promoted the cause of the Alumni committee and also a past recipient of the Alumni service award. He spoke of the beautiful NTU Alumni clubhouse that is planned in One North, Buona Vista and which will be ready by the middle of 2005. He encouraged the alumni members, staff and their families was then taken to commemorate the occasion.

At about 3.30pm, the other engineering alumni joined the EEE alumni for the College of Engineering (COE) Family Carnival. Prof Er, who is also the Dean of COE, activated two confetti guns to declare open the carnival. The little ones were treated to a magic show on the stage while the other guests tried their hands at the 12 game stalls. There was a lot of fun at the carnival and there were prizes for nearly all who took part. Some research centres within the RTP had an open house and alumni were treated to demonstrations of some of the latest research work that is being carried out in NTU.

It was certainly a pleasant occasion to remember that the University is one big family, so it was not surprising that the homecoming day ended at about 5.30 pm with everyone reluctantly bidding farewell. Till we meet again.
Alumni Day 2003 was a resounding success! As soon as the university programme ended, a gigantic light green MPE balloon guided MPE alumni on a short walk from the Nanyang Auditorium to the Research TechnoPlaza for a brief MPE Programme. As soon as everyone settled into their seats, Professor Leong Kai Choong, the Vice-Dean (Academic) gave the opening address. He summarised many recent happenings at the school and encouraged all MPE alumni to further their studies at the School of MPE. The newly elected MPE Graduates’ Club President, Mr Jesson Lim then took the spotlight and gave a heart-warming speech and welcomed everyone who was present to take part in the Alumni activities and be an active Alumni member.

The School programme ended with a group photo-taking session at the foyer of Research TechnoPlaza. Gathered together like a close-knit family, the photographer captured the spirit of the day: MPE Alumni members expressing their pride and enthusiasm with smiles. Soon after, and despite the threat of rain, the MPE Alumni members joined the College of Engineering (CoE) Family Carnival. With a loud bang followed by colourful confetti, Professor Er Meng Hwa, the Dean of CoE, declared the Family Carnival open. The young ones then gathered at the stage as the clown "wowed" them with tricks and treats. Other kids, and as well as the adults, joined the crowd at the games stalls to have a turn at picking up marbles and throwing darts. Some other guests went around TechnoPlaza to tour the newly-built laboratories such as the Nano-technology Corridor. While it was an afternoon filled with fun and laughter for the children, the alumni had the opportunity to catch up with old friends and professors. Alumni Day 2003 was indeed a memorable day that rekindled many fond memories with the School of MPE, friends and loved ones.
After the end of the main programme, guests were invited to different venues within the newly built Research TechnoPlaza for the respective school-specific events followed by the College of Engineering family carnival at the lobby area.

At the School of Computer Engineering session of welcoming the alumni, Dean of SCE, Associate Professor Seah Hock Soon welcomed the guests and shared the recent developments and future directions of the School and NTU. Addressing issues and challenges, he concluded his message on the need to forge strong links with alumni and strengthen their bonds with the University.

The newly elected President of the SCE Alumni Association, Mr Raymond Wee then enthused the guests on the many get-together sessions such as the upcoming visit to Asia Pacific Breweries and official launching of the new alumni infohub portal; among other enriching activities in the pipeline. Counting on the strong base of alumni to support his initiative, he reassured all that his management team would deliver relevant benefits and privileges to alumni members.

Following that, our Sub-Dean, Assistant Professor Prof Yow Kin Choong presented some key findings based on the graduate employment survey carried out earlier to gauge the employment trends of our fresh graduates. The guests listened attentively to his take on the employment outlook, job offers, job prospects, starting salary, job opportunities, potential employing sectors and related topics which are so close to our hearts.

In summing up, Dr Yow remains optimistic on the employment prospects of computer engineers in the face of the economic downturn. Supported by strong statistical data collected from the employment survey, he was confident that our fresh graduates could face up and overcome the odds. He also featured a few recent outstanding graduates who have excelled.

Staff and alumni posed for a photo session to capture the moment of camaraderie before proceeding to join the College of Engineering (CoE) family carnival. The alumni families, especially the kids had a fun-filled experience queuing to have many turns at the game stalls. The alumni also had delightful moments catching up with old university buddies, former tutors and lecturers, and rekindling fond memories of yesteryears. Indeed, Alumni Day is the occasion to nurture past friendship and foster new ones.
School of Materials Engineering

The 29th November 2003 was set as the homecoming for our Graduates. Graduates from many years turned up, all the way from 1994 graduates to our 2003 graduates! Final year students also turned up for this opportunity to interact with their seniors. It was a time for sharing and celebrating!

Lunch was held in the Nanyang Auditorium. Food was definitely good! After that we moved on to the TechnoPlaza for the school specific get together by following a large green balloon. We arrived at the TechnoPlaza with just one slight mishap – we lost the balloon to a particularly sharp corner of a light fitting!

Kheong, also spoke about the Alumni Association playing a vital role in keeping the SME spirit going after students graduate. There was an opportunity for group photos that couldn’t be missed! Tea came soon after. All in all, everyone had a great time catching up! What can one say when there is good company and good food... hmm... sublime!

As SME is a relatively young school, Prof Fong Hock Sun, Dean of SME, emphasised the need to keep a good network amongst the Alumni so that we can help one another. The new President of the SME Alumni Association, Mr Ting Chee spoke about the Alumni Association playing a vital role in keeping the SME spirit going after students graduate. There was an opportunity for group photos that couldn’t be missed! Tea came soon after. All in all, everyone had a great time catching up! What can one say when there is good company and good food... hmm... sublime!

School of Communication & Information

About 100 alumni, final-year and graduate students, and staff members participated in the School of Communication and Information (SCI) open house during the NTU Alumni Day 2003. This was the first time Dr Ang Peng Hwa hosted SCI alumni since he became Dean. To kick off the afternoon program, he presented outstanding recent graduates and final-year students with book prizes and awards. The event allowed former students to mingle and catch up with their professors and peers over tea. In addition, they had a chance to take a final look at the SCI building, which was scheduled for 8 months of major reconstruction. By the next Alumni Day, the building would be "taller" - it would have five, instead of the current four, floors. Alumni were also invited to view award-winning student work, including videos, multimedia and photographs.
Before the puppet show started at 3:15 pm, children and their parents were already streaming in chatting excitedly, after the sumptuous Alumni Day lunch to watch the performance at the Crimson Room at Nanyang Auditorium.

The puppet show entitled “Amrita – Rescue the Sun” was about the story of a lesson taught on a group of unkind and selfish villagers. As a punishment, God ordered the monster Rasakan to keep the Sun hidden until they sacrifice their most valued possession. The villagers quarelled amongst them as to whom to make the sacrifice. Meanwhile, Amrita, a kind hearted girl befriended a little beggar boy, gave him food and played with him. The next day, the Sun returned. The little boy revealed himself to be Rasakan, and told the villagers that Amrita gave her most valued possession – her friendship. Through her kindness, Amrita rescued the Sun.

As part of the performance, the children were invited to interact with the puppeteers and be part of the story line. There were certainly lots of squeals of delight and excited children hopping up and down as they followed the story line with the puppeteers!

Too soon, the puppet performance came to an end. The children quickly crowded around the delightful puppets for photo taking and even tried their hands to do some puppetry under the guidance of the puppeteers that day. It was certainly a delightful afternoon of special entertainment for the children and their parents together on Alumni Day.
A ‘Home Coming’ celebration for NIE alumni was held on the morning of 29 November 2003. Normally, the event is hosted on a biennial basis. This year marked the first of a new annual series designed to present NIE as the ‘home’ for all teachers. The doors were open to all alumni and their families as a golden opportunity for members of the ‘family’ to visit the campus and engage in some carnival activities. The event kicked off with the powerful sound of Bhangra Dhol drums which accompanied a dance performance. After the welcome addresses by Assoc Prof Nick Aplin (Chairman, NIE Alumni & Endowment Committee) and Prof Leo Tan (Director, NIE), the morning’s festivities were then dominated by entertainment and games. In NIE’s Lecture Theatre 1, a ‘distant relative’ of television comic character Phua Chu Kang coordinated ice breaking activities for the audience. The assembled gathering then moved with anticipation of more fun to the Plaza, set up and decorated like a mini amusement park. The participants were treated to a variety of activities such as face painting, balloon sculpting, telematch, treasure hunt and even bungee trampoline. A small educational fair was set up next to the Art Gallery, where vendors presented their products. The event ended with a reminder by Prof Tan to stay in touch with NIE and to treat the campus as their second home.

Our ‘Home Coming’ celebration for NIE alumni was not just a day of fun and laughter, but also a day where our alumni took time to contribute to a meaningful cause to help share with children who are less fortunate.

This was the children’s charity book drive by Nanyang Business School, where second hand children’s story books were collected for two Salvation Army children’s homes – Haven and Gracehaven. We were certainly touched when more than a handful of our alumni volunteered to help man the volunteer’s collection table to help collect the children’s books brought by our alumni and their families. At the end of the programme, our alumni had personally donated over 600 books to these children’s homes, including a very generous donation from Marshall Cavendish International (Asia) Pte Ltd (part of Times Publishing Group) through one of our strong alumni supporters. The books gifts were certainly much appreciated by The Salvation Army and their young children charges under their care. And we certainly hope to support and involve our alumni together in more of such meaningful causes in future.

Children’s Charity Book Drive On Alumni Day By Nanyang Business School And Our Alumni

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Two documentaries prepared as final year student projects for the Bachelor of Communication Studies programme at the Nanyang Technological University (NTU) have edged out intense competition worldwide to win Jury Awards at the 37th New York Exposition of Short Film and Video.

Each year, some 700 entries from about 30 countries are received for this prestigious exposition, which is America’s longest-running annual festival of independent short films and videos. Juries, made up of film-makers, video-makers, curators and other media professionals, gather to screen all entries and shortlist the Jury Award winners. The winning works are then screened.

Jury Award winners ‘Radio station forgot to play my favourite song’ and ‘Adam in heels’, were produced by final year students who had majored in Electronic and Broadcast Media in the four-year Bachelor of Communication Studies programme offered by the School of Communication and Information (SCI), NTU. The students graduated this year.

‘Radio station forgot to play my favourite song’ is a 23-minute documentary on the contemporary rock music scene in Singapore. It features commentary from and footage of renowned DJs, music critics, industry bigwigs, producers and musicians.

Director : Gavin Chelvan
Editor/ cameraperson : Siau Che Sheng
Sound editor : Billy Tan

Gavin, Che Sheng and Billy, all 25-year-olds, first met at the School of Communication and Information, NTU, and quickly bonded over a shared interest in social commentary and a passion for rock music. Fans of the Singaporean rock community, they decided to pool their collective talents in video production to create an account of the state of Singapore rock music.

Gavin is currently involved in producing programmes for MTV Asia. Che Sheng is a trainee teacher with the National Institute of Education who produces short independent videos in his free time. Billy works as a sound engineer and is currently involved in producing programmes for Singapore television.

Dr Pieter Aquilia was the project supervisor for the documentary.

‘Adam in heels’ is a 19-minute documentary that explores the psyche of four male cross-dressers. It concludes that there is no single explanation behind the phenomenon of cross-dressing.

Director : Yan Kit Ying
Editor : Leong Tarn Meng/
Cameraperson : Leong Tarn Meng
Producer/sound editor : Jasmine Teo†
Interviewer : Low Siok Hwee

Kit Ying is a producer with a production company. Tarn Meng is an event and conference manager at a publication and events company. Jasmine is a project coordinator at a consultancy firm while Siok Hwee is a corporate communications officer.

Ms Nicole Draper, a lecturer at SCI, was the project supervisor and executive producer.

With thanks to Public Relations Office, NTU
Remaking the University

President Dr Su Guanring has set up an in-house 16 member Remaking the University Committee (RUC) with academics drawn from across the various Schools and disciplines in the University. The Committee will study, discuss and recommend ways and means of enhancing and advancing the national, regional and international prestige and standing of the University, so that it will be widely acknowledged as one of the very best in Asia and the one of the best in the world as an institution of higher learning and research.

To this end, the Committee will:
1. Review and recommend on the decision-making, the communication and the implementation mechanisms, systems and processes, covering:
   (a) staff recruitment;
   (b) staff evaluation;
   (c) curriculum development and changes;
   (d) inter-school and intra-school budgetary allocation and management; and
   (e) research funding

Towards a professor-centric University should be a part of the review process and objective.

2. Review and recommend on a student-oriented University and the development of a New Undergraduate Experience.

3. Look into the advisability of nomenclature change from NTU to Nanyang University and the timing thereof as a part of the evolutionary changes to a more comprehensive university with a common identity, culture and heritage across different Schools, research centres and disciplines.

The Committee will be chaired by Professor Lim Chong Yah, our senior statesman among the professors.

The Committee welcomes your views on each of the 3 focus areas listed above. Please email your views to Tan Sock Leng, Secretary RUC at ruc@ntu.edu.sg or fax it to 67911604 as soon as possible, not later than 15 March 2004.

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Visit by Delegation of 1st Sino-Singapore Undergraduate Exchange Programme

Fifty undergraduate students and officials from China visited NTU on 5 December 2003 under the 1st Sino-Singapore Undergraduate Exchange Programme covered in the Memorandum of Understanding which was signed between the Ministries of Education of the People’s Republic of China and Republic of Singapore on 29 May 2002. Both parties agreed to exchange up to 50 outstanding university students each year.

The Exchange Programme aims to broaden bilateral ties between China and Singapore, and to foster understanding, collaboration and bonding between students from Singapore and PRC. The undergraduates and officials were from the following Chinese universities: Beijing Language University, Beijing University of Posts and Telecommunications, Beijing University of Foreign Studies and Tsinghua University. The Chinese contingent was accompanied by the 50-strong Singapore contingent comprising of undergraduates from NTU, NUS and PSC.

Professor Brian Lee, Director, International Relations Office, hopes that the 1st Sino-Singapore Undergraduate Exchange Programme will be a platform to strengthening our long-term partnership and in fostering international exposure and experiences for the youth of both countries.

Besides visiting some landmark buildings and facilities of the university, the delegation also had an interactive seminar under the themes of “E-learning”, “Technopreneurship” and “Student Life”. The seminar was well received by the participants.

With thanks to International Relations Office, NTU
On 19 December 2003, seven hundred immaculately dressed second-year engineering undergraduates from the School of Mechanical & Production Engineering (MPE) congregated at the Nanyang Auditorium to present their projects which have been developed in just five weeks under 2003 Technopreneur 21, an undergraduate technopreneurship programme. This annual and experiential five-week long programme aimed to help undergraduates create technologically innovative products and services that have social and economic viability and relevance. In this programme, students collaborated on technologically innovative projects and got the chance to attend a series of workshops and lectures in finance, business strategy, as well as engineering.

The students' technological innovations were classified into five categories. These categories were: Design, Safety & Environment, Automation, Health & Life Science and Automotive & Transportation. Some of the interesting innovations exhibited were Escalator auto cleaner, Self-elevating safety iron, Auto toilet seat dispenser. Approximately four judges were allocated for the assessment of each category. These judges included industry players, experts in research institutes and venture capital organisations. The judging criteria for the technological innovations are listed as follows:

- Potential market value (volume and profit)/societal impact
- Technological innovation
- Cost (development and material)
- Potential for spin-off products (and later generation of products)/core technology
- Packaging (aesthetic appeal and visual effects)

The main sponsor of 2003 Technopreneur 21 was Singapore Technologies Engineering Ltd. The co-sponsors were Motorola, NFK Equipment Pte Ltd and Farnell Components Pte Ltd.
**MPE X’mas BBQ**

By Roger Tan Kok Chuen

On the eve of Christmas Eve, a Christmas Barbeque was organised by the MPE Graduate Student Club (GSC) for a group of one hundred and five graduate research students at Block N3.1. For the first time in all events held by GSC, students were allowed to bring their spouses to attend the function; thereby making it an even more joyous occasion worth celebrating with loved ones.

A barbeque held for Christmas was the perfect alternative for the lack of snow in NTU. The event was scheduled to start at 6:00pm. However, crowds were already forming half an hour before the event, with some of the students offering their help to set up the fire for the grilling. Remarkable food was served this time round so much as four extra barbeque pits had to be added just to cater for the feast. More intricate games that involved blindfolding students, feeding of fresh fruits, bursting balloons with tied feet and guessing the right numbers from a given range were played.

While meats were roasted and games were played, balloons were burst and prizes were won. Thanks to the MPE Alumni, this year’s prizes were much bigger and better than previous years and of course congratulations to both the games and lucky draw winners. To those who did not win any prize, “No worries” as there would be more events in the near future and of course more prizes to be won! Nevertheless as the saying goes- all good things must come to an end; once again a special thank you to all students who attended and make the GSC Christmas Barbeque such a success!

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**CEE X’mas Party**

On 12 Dec 2003, CSE/CEE Alumni and their family members and friends gathered at NTU Alumni Town Club for a reunion and X’mas party. The evening kicked off with Pre-dinner activities provided by a caricaturist and a palm reader. Memorable video footage of our IHPTs was screened. One of the main highlights, a show titled “Redefining Your Magical Experience” was presented by Mr. Jeremy Pei. An exciting show filled with audience interaction and dazzling magic. Alumni also took the opportunity to catch up with one another and forge new bonds and networks over dinner and drinks. Everyone had an enjoyable time and went home with a goodie bag and some with lucky draw prizes. All thanks to our kind sponsors.

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Thank you to our Sponsors for Goodie Bags and Lucky Draw prizes:

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With the full support of the President of NTU CEE Alumni Club, Ms Lee Bee Wah and the management committee members.

Special thanks to:

- NTU CEE Alumni Club Members
- NTU CEE/CSE Graduates
- Staff of NTU
- Friends of NTU CEE Alumni Club
IT CEOs Shared Wisdom on HR Development in New Startups

HR Development in New Startups! That was the theme of the fifth Entrepreneurship seminar organized by the NTU EEE Alumni Association in the evening of 28 November 2003 at the NTU Alumni Club House. In this focused event, about 30 NTU EEE Alumni learned about the stories, experience and challenges of two CEOs from the IT consulting industry.

“Smart people see many opportunities while not so smart people only see problems”, exclaimed Mr. Ng Boon Thiong of FA Consulting Pte Ltd. He spoke about his first consulting company started ten years ago, how he selected and organized his first team of resources, how he grew his business, managed and motivated his expanded resources, and how he cashed out not through profit margin.

Mr. Ng changed his business strategy from a service-oriented one and his human resource strategy from a technical- to leadership-oriented one as he formed and regionalized his present company across Asia Pacific. These enable his company to overcome increased pressure on profit margin and complex people management, especially in China.

Mr. Irving Hu of iDimension Systems Pte Ltd, an NTU Alumnus, spoke about how he started his business three years ago, recruitment strategy mainly through referral and recommendation, and on-the-job HR training strategy. He highlighted the increased cost of Singapore resources, their inflexibility and how he needs to overcome them by setting up an office in Malaysia to tap into their quality resources there.

This Entrepreneurship series of seminars, each with a different theme, is organized for the purpose of experience sharing and business networking for the NTU EEE Alumni and professionals from the business community. It has consistently attracted prominent speakers and varied participants in 2003.

The Association looks forward to organize more exciting social events in 2004. Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to All in 2004!

Night Cycling

(20-21 December 2003)

Night cycling is an event organized by MPE Graduates’ Club to foster MPE alumni bonding. It also serves as a leisure activity that can be enjoyed by most people that can ride a bicycle. The route of the night cycling has been planned in such a way for the participants to enjoy riding a bicycle though Singapore’s most beautiful night scenes. The scenarios can only be enjoyed by a leisure riding at night.

At 9.00 pm on the evening of 20 December, the participants of the night cycling gathered on East Coast Park eager to start the journey. Unfortunately, the weather did not really agree to our plan. It had been raining throughout the day interspersed by mild drizzle and heavy downpour. Finally at 12.00 am the rain was reduced to a mild drizzle. We decided to forge ahead with the journey and eagerly started off from East Coast Park at 1.00 am. We followed the East Coast Park cycling track and came out to Fort Rd and Tanjong Rhu Rd. From there we crossed the Geylang River and enter Kallang Stadium complex. We then passed Merdeka Bridge and cycled through Marine Promenade. We stopped at the Promenade for a while to enjoy the breath-taking view of Singapore River adorned with many lights from the buildings nearby. We then passed the Esplanade to enter the city area. At this time, the rain started to get heavy again. We took a break at the National Library to straighten up our muscles and to have some snacks. Following our break, we passed through Orchard Rd. Here, we enjoyed a very different experience of the area as compared to the Orchard Rd that has always been crowded throughout the day. In these wee hours, we leisurely cycled along the pedestrian walkways, unobstructed. Leaving Orchard Rd, the next destination was Newton Circle hawker center. Needless to say, we treated ourselves to a much-needed supper to rejuvenate our body. We then forged ahead back to East Coast Park through Serangoon Rd without stopping. We managed to complete the journey at 6.00 am and brought back a memorable experience. All in all, we cycled around 27 km. The relatively short distance was due to our late start caused by the heavy rain. However, it was found out later that the distance that we covered was just nice for us to enjoy the ride without being too tired. Feedback from the participants indicated that they enjoyed spending their evening to leisurely cycling along Singapore roads at night. So, be sure to join us next time!
Events by Nanyang Business School Alumni Association

NBS Alumni Association CEO Talk Series

Mr. Tony Fernandes’ presentation had many alumni leaning in careful attention to the finer points of how to operate a budget airline — from boarding passengers without boarding tickets, to turning an aircraft around for the next flight in record time. It was certainly a fascinating session for our alumni in understanding the business model and challenges of a budget airline, and learning some key management lessons from the sharing by a CEO along the way.

Drinks at Hideout Pub (Boat Quay) on 17 Dec 2003

By Poon Wei Ling, Manager, Alumni Relations, NBS

As part of the regular informal networking events, the NBSAA organized a pre-Christmas gathering at Hideout pub (near Boat Quay). Alumni seized the opportunity to hang out at the cozy pub just to catch up and network at this very convenient location, which was close to the financial hub and the workplaces of many of our alumni.

Right on many of our alumni’s minds was certainly the interest to know what made AirAsia so successful as a budget airline in a relatively short time.

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About The Nanyang Business School Alumni Association (www.nbsaa.org)

The Nanyang Business School Alumni Association was established for the purpose of fostering in our graduates a sense of identity with the School and its predecessor schools (in Singapore Polytechnic, University of Singapore and National University of Singapore) as well as providing a means by which graduates of the School can still keep in touch with one another and with faculty members.

Sign up for the NBSAA membership online at www.nbs.ntu.edu.sg/alumni. Membership fees are now waived. Or email nbsalum@ntu.edu.sg for more details.
The Nanyang Business School Executive Development Programmes are designed for corporate executives and business professionals to upgrade their skills and knowledge in the key functional areas of business, strategy and management.

The programmes scheduled for January to April 2004 are:

**GENERAL MANAGEMENT**

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<td>Executive Presentations</td>
<td>26, 29-30 Mar</td>
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<td>Middle and senior managers who need to give presentations during the course of executing and developing their professional functions and organizational roles.</td>
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<td>Performance Management for Competitive Advantage</td>
<td>5-7 Apr</td>
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<td>Challenges and Opportunities of Doing Business in China</td>
<td>8-9 Mar</td>
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<td>Managing directors, chief executives, government, and businessmen interested in doing business in China.</td>
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<td>Communication Management</td>
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<td>Negotiation and Conflict Management</td>
<td>14-16 Apr</td>
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<td>Business development, strategic planning, marketing, finance, human resource managers and those in non-profit organisations.</td>
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**SALES AND MARKETING**

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<td>Key Account Management</td>
<td>23-24 Mar</td>
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<td>Key accounts managers, account managers, sales, marketing, product, business development and corporate planning executives</td>
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<td>Effective Sales Management</td>
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<td>Interpretation and Analysis of Financial Statements and Reports</td>
<td>8-9 Mar</td>
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<td>Derivatives Training For Non-Traders</td>
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<td>CFO, treasurers, accountants, compliance officers, back office &amp; middle office executives in financial institutions, auditors, regulators.</td>
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### OPERATIONS MANAGEMENT

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<td>Strategic Supply Chain Management</td>
<td>12-14 Apr</td>
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<td>Managers in Operations, Inventory Control, Logistics, Manufacturing, Distribution and Marketing. Will also benefit consultants and executives in other functional areas in the logistics, manufacturing and service industries.</td>
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* The programme fee includes GST, tuition, course materials, lunch and tea breaks.

Venue: All programmes will be conducted at the NTU Executive Centre at 268 Orchard Road (former Yen San Building), #02-06, Singapore 238856.

### PROGRAMME DETAILS

Please visit our website at [www.nep.ntu.edu.sg](http://www.nep.ntu.edu.sg) for more programme details & the registration form.

For enquiries, please contact Ms Loh May Ling, Programme Manager at DID: (65) 6790-4857

Email: nanyang-executive@ntu.edu.sg

(Discount: 10% for NTU alumni; group discount of 10% for 2 participants and 15% for 3 participants from the same company).

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All our courses are conducted by highly-qualified and experienced lecturers from NTU. In addition, for the convenience of the busy city based professional, courses will be held in our upcoming One-North campus which will be ready in 2005. Our facilities will be used for the conducting of professional development courses, executive programmes, in-house training and NTU staff training. As an added incentive, all alumni of NTU and NII are given a 25% discount off the standard fee. Members of the NTU Alumni Club will enjoy an additional 5% discount. You can also earn your Professional Development Units from our courses that are endorsed by the Professional Engineers Board.

Some of the highlights of our courses offered in Feb and March 2004 are as follows:

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<td>Research Methods, Surveys, Case Studies and Focus Groups</td>
<td>5 to 6 Mar 2004</td>
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<td>Lead Test Interpretation and field Performance Based Design of Bored Piles</td>
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The wait has been worthwhile. The 2nd NTU Alumni Clubhouse opened at SuperBowl Golf & Country Club at 6 Marina Green amidst much fan fare on 21 Dec 2003. The move to a new clubhouse besides the existing clubhouse at River Valley was due to the increasing demand for more facilities keeping in tune with our members’ lifestyle. The 2nd Clubhouse promises an exciting mix of facilities for our members and their families and guests. Surrounded by lush greenery and tranquility, it is hard to imagine the existence of a belvedere like the SuperBowl Golf & Country Club just minutes away from the business district.

SuperBowl Golf & Country Club boasts of a myriad of recreational activities and lifestyle facilities that will appeal to your fine senses. NTU Alumni Club members are entitled to special privileges at the Country Club’s facilities; besides the Alumni Club’s own Jackpot room and members’ lounge.

Food & Beverage

For our bon vivant members, scrumptious gourmet fare awaits at the Country Club’s various food and beverage outlets. Savour international and local dishes at the Late Brakes Cafe; stimulate your taste buds with fine Chinese cuisine at Qian Xi Restaurant or indulge in exotic Japanese delicacies at the Nishiki Restaurant. As an exclusive privilege for the NTU Alumni Club members, the 10% service charge will be waived at these outlets.

Golfing Facilities

If teeing off is your style, then head to SuperBowl’s golf driving range. Expertly sculptured with a spectacular view to take in, the SuperBowl golf driving range houses 140 bays spread over 3 tiers—one of the largest in South East Asia. Newcomers to this captivating sport may begin by joining one of their numerous golf clinics conducted by internationally recognised golf professionals.

Sports Facilities

And for those of you who swear by a healthy lifestyle, look no further. The SuperBowl Golf & Country Club houses a semi-Olympic pool and children pool; a spacious, state of the art technology gym and sleek tennis courts. Its easy accessibility means that you could actually have a work out session in the gym during lunchtime!

Social & Recreational Facilities

If unwinding and relaxing is what you are looking for after a long day at work, then there is the health spa offering a wide range of massages to rejuvenate your body, mind and soul. If you think that’s all it has to offer, then you are in for a surprise. We still haven’t mentioned the fishing village, where you can go fishing and reminisce about your kelong getaways, the pool & billiard room, mahjong room and video arcade.

At the SuperBowl Golf & Country Club, you can get used to treating yourself to the fine things life has to offer. However, the finest things are yet to come when NTU Alumni Club will herald the beginning of a new era with the opening of a new clubhouse at One-North in 2005. Till then, Superbowl Golf & Country Club is where we will continue to revel!

Join our Membership Today

Join us now! Members will be able to enjoy the facilities at River Valley Town Club, SuperBowl Golf & Country Club and new clubhouse facilities at One-North in 2005.

For enquiries, please call the membership department at 6336 6588 or visit www.ntualumni.org.sg
The Club Mad Day organised by the NTU Alumni Club at the SuperBowl Golf & Country Club on 21 December 2003, coincided with the opening of its 2nd Clubhouse. The new Clubhouse at the SuperBowl Golf & Country Club boasts of a wide variety of facilities not only for the members but their families as well.

The Club Mad Day saw a large number of members coming in with their families to participate in a beehive of activities and fun organised by the NTU Alumni Club's event team. As the guests streamed in, they seemed eager to find out more about the new club premises and the facilities. The tempo of the event was upbeat, the atmosphere was vibrant and the guests were having fun in this little fun land.

Guests were treated to a delectable BBQ dinner later in the evening in an ambience, which resembled a tropical resort setting. All this and more but the highlight of the event was the new Jackpot room which was officially inaugurated by Mr R Sinnakaruppan, President of the NTU Alumni Club.

The new Jackpot outlet and members' lounge at the SuperBowl Golf & Country Club, Marina Green is the first in the series of new facilities and attractions that we have in store for our members. Due to the burgeoning membership, we recognised the need to expand our existing facilities. After a careful deliberation, the location at SuperBowl Golf & Country Club was deemed to be the most suitable. This location, which is tucked away in a tranquil corner of town, is easily accessible from all parts of the island. The other advantage is the availability of convenient and exclusive parking areas for the NTU Alumni Club members. One of our very exciting members, Mr Steve Kek said gleefully, “The new jackpot facility has a very exclusive and cosy ambience. I think I can easily spend a few hours here and try my luck to make a fortune.”

Our discerning members will find this new facility a euphoric delight. The décor of the place expounds the image and personality of the Club. The warm and cozy interiors will welcome the guests with great ardour.

For more enquiries, please contact us at 6323 1578.
The Club Management has been working tirelessly overseeing the plans for the One-North Clubhouse since the Groundbreaking Ceremony in 2002. Countless hours have been spent on marathon meetings with the architects to pour through floor and site plans, drawings and design presentations. No less than another few hundred hours have also been spent sitting through discussions with potential operators to seek their counsel and advice on proposed facilities at the new $25 million Clubhouse.

What separates us from other similar Clubs during this crucial planning stage is that much painstaking efforts have been made to tap on the expertise and recommendations from leading innovators and recreational operators in their respective industries.

All this and more, bearing in mind that the Alumni Club's mission is to create a platform to bring together the graduates of NTU/Nantah to forge stronger bonds, while fulfilling our vision to service the needs of the young graduates of today without compromising on the traditional Nantah feel of the yesteryears.

We take a peek at four of the most innovative facilities lined up for the new Clubhouse.

**Book Café**
Cafés became popular at the start of the 20th century in Vienna, Paris and Berlin. They are places for people to meet their friends, read the newspapers, discuss the important events of the day, and to read and answer their "snail mail" correspondence. Artists, intellectuals and revolutionaries such as Picasso or Sartre used to publish their manifestos from their favourite Cafés.

Today, millions of people gather in these cafés to work, hold discussions or hang out with friends or family. We dare say that even many forward-thinking business change agents, management and social innovators of today convene in these cafés to brain-storm and be with like-minded individuals.

A first in recreation clubs in Singapore, we are pleased to serve up delicious food for thought and action, in a comfortable space for meeting of minds and more. The Book Café is meant to be a place you return to regularly to see what’s new - new books, new authors, new publications, new café menu, even new friends!

Enter the Book Café, where more is brewing than just great coffee.

**Business Incubation Centre**
Business incubation is an economic...
development tool designed to accelerate the growth and success of new businesses, helping them to start out. The aim is to encourage entrepreneurship by giving business start-ups as much help as possible, to improve their chances of growth, and to better the overall rate of survival.

The NTU Alumni Business Incubation Centre is designed to do exactly that - assist entrepreneurs to develop and accelerate their start-up businesses in a wise and cost effective manner. It brings together no less than 7 units, of which each will provide approximately nine square metres of working space – with access to shared pooled support services and shared facilities including, reception, secretarial and administrative services, etc. Each unit will be equipped with telephones, data connectivity and basic furnishings.

There is also a communal area made up of conference and meeting rooms, a reception area and a multi-purpose common room, while the premises will be opened 24/7 and will be monitored by CCTV, with access granted to those authorised through the use of security swipe cards, or even a thumb-print technology security system.

However, one of the most invaluable attractions of the Centre is the means to co-locate and work with other like-minded entrepreneurs and innovators in a network of mutual support. This is where quality business contacts and referrals can be nurtured and exchanged. Members work together by sharing contacts, providing leads and giving referrals for each other’s services.

Ultimately, the Club’s objective is to encourage entrepreneurship and to facilitate the emergence of new and innovative business so as to stimulate further growth and the desired development of our economy!

Resort Spa
The first of its kind in local recreational clubs, the Resort Spa at the new Clubhouse will take rejuvenation of mind, body and spirit to the next level. Members and guests will be greeted by fragrant flora and colourful fauna and surrounded by glorious natural vistas and water in every direction.

The Resort Spa will feature both indoor treatment pavilions and an outdoor Jacuzzi, including those specifically designed for hydrotherapy and companion massages. The men’s and women’s locker rooms come complete with private hot tubs and saunas, a cold plunge in the men’s locker room, private and co-ed relaxation lounges. Vanity areas will be decked with basic amenities and a selection of complimentary toiletries.

After a hectic day at work or even after a good workout at the Gym, reward yourself by indulging in a visit here and choosing from a wide selection of spa services at the Club’s Resort Spa. From traditional treatments to aromatic body, beauty and skincare treatments, there will be something to suit everybody.

Be truly prepared to indulge with a complete sensory experience that will leave you restored and refreshed!

Life Fitness Gym
Occupying a floor area of approximately 448 square metres, the Club’s Life Fitness Gym is a gym unlike any other and will be a far cry from the overcrowded commercial fitness centres commonly seen. It will offer members and guests everything one could wish for in a new healthy and well balanced lifestyle, catering to all levels of participants, from absolute beginners to competing athletes.

The Gym will occupy two floors at the new Clubhouse and will come fully-equipped with an extensive range of cardiovascular and resistance machines, free weights and specialized equipment from top notch vendors.

Enjoy an invigorating workout with the Club’s team of qualified personal trainers and therapists or simply walk, jog or sprint on the multifunctional treadmills for your daily dose of health enhancement. The stylishly furbished and spacious studios will also offer an extensive range of classes, from yoga, kickboxing to pilates and high impact aerobics.

Get ready to discover the combined benefits of rest, relaxation and regular workouts at the Life Fitness Gym and Resort Spa!

Look out for the next issue as we highlight more exciting amenities at the new Clubhouse!

Start Living It Now!

Do call any of our friendly sales and marketing staff at Tel 6336 6588 or email ntua@ntualumni.org.sg for details on membership for you and your family members.

Not part of us yet? Join us today!