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The Singapore Teachers' Co-operative Society Ltd

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77th Annual General Meeting

**Venue : Parkroyal on Kitchener Road
181 Kitchener Road, Singapore 208533**
Day / Date : Saturday, 25 May 2013
Time : 1000 Hours

The Society's 77th Annual General Meeting will be held on Saturday, 25 May 2013, at 1000 Hours, at the Parkroyal on Kitchener Road, 181 Kitchener Road, Singapore 208533. All ordinary members are cordially invited to attend this important function of the Society. Tickets for the lunch after the meeting will be on sale from 22 April 2013. As the seating capacity is limited, members are advised to purchase the tickets for lunch (\$10 each) early personally at the Society. No reservation by phone would be accepted.



SNCF Honour Award Ceremony 2013



K2 Graduation



Visit St Theresa's Home
for the Aged



Tour to Gardens By The Bay

Year End Retreat at Bangkok, Thailand

14 - 16 December 2012

24 Participants comprising of the two Vice Presidents, Committee of Management, Audit Committee, Ladies' Committee and staff attended the above retreat. The theme for the retreat was "Towards Relevancy Compliances & Sustainability".

In his opening remarks, the Chairman, Mr Richard Zaccheus urged the group to focus on the following during their deliberation.

- Advocate and promote a dynamic, vibrant, innovative and relevant co-operative
- Build capability and capacity to raise professionalism, improve governance and work on leadership renewal
- Strengthen relationship with stake holders
- Leverage on new IT integrated service to enhance capability and productivity

2nd Vice President, Mr Goh Ek Piang delivered the key note address. He outlined the importance of "Change" which he stressed would be necessary for the Society to stay relevant and be able to continue serving the needs of its members.

1st Vice President, Mrs Brenda Tan summed up the proceeding by reiterating that the Society has played a good role servicing the needs of members in the teaching profession. She challenged the Committee of Management members to make the Teachers' Co-op not just another Co-operative in Singapore but a very special one. [Full report can be accessed via <http://www.teachersco-op.org.sg/>]



From Left, 1st Vice President, Chairman, 2nd Vice President and Senior Manager



Participants listening attentively



The Retreat's Participants

SNCF Honour Award Ceremony 2013

19 January 2013



Mr Chua Poon Guan receiving the Special Commendation Award

SNCF culminated its celebration of the International Year of Co-operative (IYC) by holding a closing and Honour Award Ceremony on 19 January 2013. The Society was honoured to have its Hon Treasurer, Mr Chua Poon Guan presented with the Special Commendation Award, while Exco member, Mr Raymond Poon received the Commendation Medal Award. Both received their awards from Mr Lim Swee Say, Minister without portfolio, in the Prime Minister Office.



Mr Raymond Poon receiving the Commendation Medal Award

Membership Drive @ NIE-TIC 2013

28 January 2013



The membership team was present at NIE on 28 January 2013, to promote membership to the graduands

Incentive for Membership Recruitment

Members can arrange for the society's membership team to make a presentation at their school for about 45 minutes. Your school Staff Welfare fund would receive \$10 contribution from the society for every new member recruited. If there are 20-30 new members, \$500.00 would be given to the Staff Welfare Fund. If more than 31 teachers were to sign up as members, the contribution is raised to \$1000.00. To qualify for the incentive, a one month time period is given to the school after the date of presentation. During this promotion period, the \$10.00 entrance fee is also waived.

K2 Graduation

The Centre held its K2 Graduation Ceremony on 8 December 2012 at the Serangoon Junior College. 15 cheerful youngsters graduated. They received their graduation certificates from the guest of honour, Mr Yow Thiam Poh, the father of Kellen Yow. The children from every level put up an item each. Guests and parents had a pleasant afternoon enjoying the wonderful performance.



Audience waiting for the performance



Deputy Chairman, Mr Fok receiving the Guest of Honor, Mr Yow Thiam Poh



The K2 Graduand



The lovely performers

The Grand Finale



Visit to Childcare Centre by early childhood educators from Thailand

On 17 January 2013, the Centre was privileged to host a group of 35 early childhood educators from Thailand. They were eager to learn more about the childcare system in Singapore.

Their presence excited the Centre's pupils who gallantly presented them with a lovely dance item. The visitors were very pleased with their visit

Visitors from Thailand



For posterity

Visit to St Theresa's Home for the Aged

Six Ladies' Committee members visited the St Theresa's Home for the Aged on 5 December 2012 as part of the society's community service project. The Home is located in a serene and tranquil area along Thomson Road, at the edge of MacRitchie Reservoir.

The Ladies were warmly received by the Home's administrative staff and some members of their Board of Management. They were briefed on the history of the place (formerly the Home of the Little Sisters of the Poor), how it is run and the activities provided to the residents. They were also taken on a tour of the premises. The Ladies' Committee members were very impressed with the colorful set up of the interior. They also interacted with some of the residents, therapists, nurses and volunteers. They were particularly touched to witness the unstinting care given to the residents by the volunteers.

They were also heartened to see the elderly residents happily interacting among themselves.

The Ladies' Committee members and staff of the Home



Residents in the Home having their snacks



Tour To Gardens By The Bay

9 March 2013 (9.00a.m - 3.00p.m)

On 9 March 2013, 32 members assembled at the Society at 9.00 a.m. Together with 8 members from the Committee of Management, they set out on an expedition to the Gardens By The Bay.

Lady Chairperson, Mdm Elene Lim of the Ladies' Committee and four other Committee members led the group. Weather for the day was just right, cool and breezy.

The programme for the trip was free and easy. Participants lazed through the Gardens. The walk through the two conservatories, namely, the Flower Dome and the Cloud Forest was the most pleasant. In the Flower Dome one could view many varieties of flowers, coming from the temperate countries as well as those from the tropics. Going through the Cloud Forest was a breeze as one was greeted by the splashing sound of water from the man-made waterfalls. Those with cameras busied themselves posing for photos with nature's creation.

It was indeed a fruitful and enjoyable trip. The participants also had a great time bonding with each other at lunch after the trip.



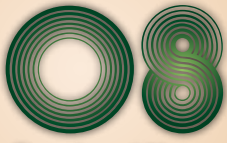
Participants gathering for a good shot



Waiting for instruction



Free and Easy



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SOCIETY'S MANAGEMENT

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Ministry of Manpower

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Permanent Secretary
Ministry of Education

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(Principal, retired)

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(Deputy Director of CCAB, retired)

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Reminder

All members who make payment to the Society via interbank GIRO are requested to ensure that there is sufficient fund in their bank account on the 15th of every month, so that deduction can be effected smoothly. Members would be charged a fee of \$10.00 if their deduction is unsuccessful due to insufficient fund in their account.

Members are also kindly requested to update the Society regarding the following :-

1. Change of address
2. Change of hand phone number
3. Change of e-mail address

Payment by Cash

Members making payment by cash may deposit their dues at OCBC bank (A/c No 501-786107-001) in favour of "Teachers' Co-op". Once payment is made, members would need to inform the Society by telephone. Those making payment by cheque direct to the bank would also need to inform the Society immediately. Cash payment is limited to \$1000.00.

An Accolate To The Society

To
The Hon Secretary,
The Singapore Teachers' Co-op Soc Ltd
Dear Sir,

I wish to resign from the above society
w.e.f 31/3/13 as I wish to put my house in
order. I also wish to place on record my
grateful thanks to Mr George Joseph (who is
no longer with us) who convinced me to join
the society. I have always been a thankful
member of your excellent society and have
attended many a dinner that you have so
graciously provided. Enclosed is a completed
resignation form and it is my hope that
you give from strength to strength.

I remain,
Yours very truly,
H. F. T. DESKER

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