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The Nanyang Alumni Awards were launched in 2005 when NTU celebrated her 50th anniversary. Nominations are accepted for four award categories – the Nanyang Distinguished Alumni Award, the Nanyang Alumni Achievement Award, the Nanyang Outstanding Young Alumni Award and the Nanyang Alumni Service Award.

These Awards are presented to alumni, who have attained exemplary achievements in their fields of specialisation nationally, regionally or internationally, or have contributed significantly to the betterment of the University, the community or the society.

2005年，南大庆祝创校50周年，首次创立南洋校友奖，全面表扬在各领域为南大带来荣誉的校友。首届南洋校友奖共有四个奖项类别，即：南洋卓越校友奖、南洋校友成就奖、南洋杰出青年校友奖，以及南洋校友服务奖，获奖者包括在各专业领域取得顶尖成就、享誉本国、本区域或国际社会的校友，或是曾对促进大学、社区或社会发展作出重大贡献的校友。

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Nanyang Distinguished Alumni Award

1. Mr Chai Chong Yii
   (Commerce/Class of 1960)

In recognition of the remarkable contributions he made especially in education and public service, Mr Chai Chong Yii, 74, is awarded the Nanyang Distinguished Alumni Award. Mr Chai successfully promoted effective bilingualism amongst Singapore’s brightest through the Special Assistance Plan. This contributed significantly to the continuous education of bilingual talent in Singapore and resulted in a steady increase in student enrolment in the nation’s Chinese schools. Mr Chai held office at the Ministry of Education, for a total of eight years. He was a Senior Minister of State for Education from 1975 to 1980 and a Minister of State for Education from 1972 to 1974. Other appointments Mr Chai has held in the government service include Minister of State for Communications and Senior Minister of State for Culture. He was the Member of Parliament (MP) of Bukit Batok Constituency for 16 years. When Mr Chai became MP in 1972, he faced an uphill task of having to unite and revitalise the entire town. Then, the Bukit Batok estate was home to Chinese granite labourers and a few scattered Malay kampungs. If one surveys the rows of gleaming high-rise apartments found there today, it is hard to imagine the estate was once a rural backwater town. Mr Chai’s versatility extends to trade as well. Backed by 29 years of industry experience, he was the trade representative for Singapore to Taiwan and was stationed in Taipei from May 1991 to August 1994. He was also Executive Director of Gelas Products Pte Ltd for nine years and recently, Director of Global Castle Pte Ltd.

2. Dr Chee Kheng Hoy
   (Science/Class of 1962)

For advancing rubber tree research and disease eradication, as well as for the breakthroughs made in the rubber industry, Dr Chee Kheng Hoy, 74, is presented the Nanyang Distinguished Alumni Award. The dedicated researcher first propelled to international acclaim when he discovered a new species of fungal pathogen on rubber trees. Whilst serving the Rubber Research Institute of Malaysia (RRIM), Dr Chee conducted vigorous research, following an outbreak of Phytophthora Leaf Fall. The disease, which attacked the mature leaves of rubber trees, causing them to shed was named after its founder – Phytophthora Botryose Chee. His discovery, earned Dr Chee the recognition as a world expert on rubber tree diseases and he has since been invited to share his expertise at numerous international meetings. He devoted 14 years of his life’s work to the study of the South American Leaf Blight (SALB) – a condition that turned rubber trees into commercially-unviable crop in South America. He moved up gradually to head the Crop Protection and Microbiology Department in RRIM until his retirement in 1989. After his retirement, Dr Chee went on to lead the Research and Development department for various rubber plantations such as the IOI Plantations in Malaysia, and Lyman Agro Plantations in Indonesia. Dr Chee’s contributions have earned him numerous official mentions. In 1984, the Gold Medal Award was bestowed upon him by the Malaysian Rubber
Research and Development Board. He was elected Fellow by the Incorporated Society of Planters in 2002 and last year, he received the Malaysia Federal Award Ahli Mangku Negara.

3. Dr Teh Hoon Heng  
(Science/Class of 1960)

An educationist-cum-technologist in the fields of mathematics and computer science, Dr Teh Hoon Heng, 76, is honoured with the Nanyang Distinguished Alumni Award. Dr Teh innovated the learning and teaching of Mathematics at the tertiary level by creating excellence course programmes. He dedicated 16 years of his life to teaching at Nanyang University. As a faculty member with a passion for teaching Mathematics, Dr Teh quickly rose through the academic ranks and landed various leadership positions within the Department of Mathematics. Under his stewardship as the Dean of the College of Graduate Studies his most sterling achievement was the supervision of the master and research programmes for graduate studies courses. Dr Teh’s professional focus shifted towards Information Technology by the late 1970s. It was at that point that the Computer Science teaching programme was introduced at Nanyang University and considered a pioneering effort in Information Technology (IT). Dr Teh played a pivotal role in the university’s Computer Centre and began to engage himself mainly in the research of Computer Science by 1982. From 1987 to 1995, he conducted extensive IT research, whilst working for the Institute of Systems Science (ISS). He began his stint as Programme Manager, leading research activities before moving on to become the Visiting Research Advisor of the institute. The ISS was established by the Government in collaboration with IBM. His expertise in the fields of Mathematics and Computer Science is recognised worldwide. For his contributions to mathematical education and research, the Academic Achievement Award was conferred upon Dr Teh by the President of France in 1977.

Nanyang Alumni Achievement Award

1. Chen Mong Tse 陈蒙志 & Family (B.Sc (Physics) /1960)  
2. Lim Nghee Huat Stephen 林义发 (B.Comm/1975)  
3. Ng Joo Hee 黄裕喜 (M.B.A. (Acc)/1998 ,NBS)  
5. Song Changrui 宋长瑞 (MSc/1999, HSS)  
6. Yong Yuen Cheng 杨渊菁 (Dip.Edn/1997, NIE)

1. The Chen Family

- Mr Chen Mong Tse (Science/Class of 1960)  
- Ms Chen Mong Sing (Arts/Class of 1960)  
- Madam Chai Chu Chun (Arts/Class of 1960)

For their immeasurable support to NTU, the Chen family, led by Mr Chen Mong Tse, his wife, Madam Chai Chu Chun, and his sister Ms Chen Mong Sing, is presented the Nanyang Alumni Achievement Award. The Chens’ latest contribution was a $1 million donation to benefit present and future NTU students, as well as to the advancement of Chinese studies in the University. The donation was made from the proceeds earned through the sale of the family-owned Shanghai Book Company, one of the oldest bookstores in Singapore, having been around for
83 years. The main shareholders of Shanghai Book Company, the husband and wife duo, as well as Ms Chen, unanimously decided to donate the proceeds from the sale of the company to NTU. All three alumni, now in their 70s, hail from the pioneering batch of graduates produced by Nanyang University, a predecessor institution of NTU. They share an indelible bond with their alma mater and had no qualms giving back by way of a sizeable contribution made to the Division of Chinese at School of Humanities & Social Sciences.

2. Mr Lim Nghee Huat Stephen
(Commerce/Class of 1975)
Editor, Chinese Current Affairs

In recognition of the remarkable strides he has made in the field of ultra-marathons, Mr Lim Nghee Huat, 57, Stephen is honoured with the Nanyang Alumni Achievement Award. An avid sportsman who developed a penchant for running, whilst studying at the Yunnan Garden campus, he still holds his alma mater close to his heart. He has participated in Run Round Singapore – a fund-raising ultra-marathon organised by NTU for its 55th and 50th Anniversary celebrations – first in 2005 and later in 2010. Although the oldest amongst the participating runners, Mr Lim completed the entire 218 km Run Round Singapore, which was the equivalent of five full marathons. Also the oldest when he first took part in the same run in 2005 – albeit a shorter distance of 168 km – Mr Lim came in first in 24 hours 45 minutes. This was no mean feat and his efforts were duly recognised by Senior Minister Goh Chok Tong, who pledged $10 for every kilometre covered by Mr Lim. Proceeds from the race were channelled into the NTU Endowment Fund in aid of future generations of NTU students. Apart from his local achievements, Mr Lim has also left his mark in the international ultra-marathon arena. In 2007, he was listed in the Singapore Book of Records for being one of the first few Southeast Asians to complete the 217 km Death Valley Challenge in the United States of America. In 2009, he became the first Asian to complete the Badwater World Cup 217 km Brazil Ultra-marathon, finishing in 26th position. Other milestones set by Mr Lim included being the fastest Asian finisher outside of Japan at the 1989 Ironman World Championship held in Hawaii, and being the first Asian to complete the Sahara Marathon in Tindouf, Algeria in 2007. The energetic alumnus is not one to rest on his laurels. His next target is to take on a 1,000 km run criss-crossing 25 cities in China in 2011.

3. Commissioner Ng Joo Hee
(Nanyang Business School/Class of 1998)
Commissioner of Police

For his outstanding quarter-century-long career in safeguarding the interests of Singaporeans, Commissioner Ng Joo Hee is bestowed the Nanyang Alumni Achievement Award. Commissioner Ng has been with the Singapore Police Force (SPF) since 1985. A Police scholar, the 44-year-old alumnus was appointed Commissioner of Police and took leadership of the SPF from 1 February 2010. Commissioner Ng was formerly Deputy Director of the Criminal Investigation Department and Director of the Police Intelligence Department. Among his many achievements was establishing the Police S.T.A.R Unit – an elite hostage-rescue outfit. He subsequently went on to lead the outfit. From 2001 to 2003, he successfully commanded the Central Police Division. Beyond the SPF, he had served the Internal Security Department, Singapore Prison Service, as well as other government ministries and departments. He was appointed Director of Prisons in 2007 and was responsible for the efficient operation of all prisons and drug rehabilitation centres in Singapore. He currently sits on the board of the
Casino Regulatory Authority and is a member of the Probation Committee and the National Crime Prevention Council. His commitment to preserving the safety of his fellow men extends beyond the shores of Singapore. In 1992, he spent a year working as a police monitor with the United Nations’ peacekeeping mission in Cambodia.

4. Ms Pang Soh Chui Sophia  
(Nanyang Business School/Class of 1994)

For being the first Singaporean woman to ski to the South Pole, the Nanyang Alumni Achievement Award is conferred on Ms Pang Soh Chui, Sophia, 38, the adventurous mother of three. She defied extreme weather conditions such as sub-zero temperatures, ‘plain white vastness’, brutal winds and 24-hour sunlight to reach the South Pole on 29 December 2009. Together with her expedition team-mates, she skied over 900 km and to her destination in 38 days. Ms Pang took to the South Pole as part of the Kaspersky Lab Commonwealth Antarctic Expedition, organised to mark the 60th anniversary of Commonwealth. Ms Pang beat 80 other Singaporean women for a place in an eight-women team, representing eight Commonwealth countries. Having juggled traditional societal roles held by women such as that of a mother, wife and daughter, Ms Pang also wanted to prove to herself, and others, that women could embark on physically gruelling challenges and succeed. A freelance aerobics instructor, Ms Pang continues to inspire many people through talks and forums and sharing her experiences from her South Pole adventure.

5. Mr Song Changrui  
(School of Humanities & Social Science/Class of 1999)  
Deputy Director of the Standing Committee of Hebei Provincial People’s Congress

Dedicated to improving the living standards of people in the Hebei province, Mr Song Changrui, 59, is rewarded with the Nanyang Alumni Achievement Award. Having served the Hebei provincial government and departments in other Chinese cities for over three decades, he has been instrumental in promoting reforms beneficial to the province. He is currently the Deputy Director of the Standing Committee of Hebei Provincial People’s Congress. Recognised by the local government for his leadership qualities, Mr Song was sent to read his Master of Science in Managerial Economics at NTU from 1998 to 1999. While studying at the University, a bond had been forged between him and NTU. He continues to give his alma mater wholehearted support even after returning to his homeland after graduation. Through sheer determination and perseverance, he rose through the ranks from being an Executive in a political division affiliated with the Hebei Provincial Committee to his current position as Deputy Director of the state.

6. Mr Yong Yuen Cheng  
(National Institute of Education/Class of 1997)  
Teacher

An inspiring educator and ultra-marathon enthusiast, Mr Yong Yuen Cheng, 38, is presented the Nanyang Alumni Achievement Award. He set the national record for being Singapore’s fastest 218 km ultra-marathon runner when he came in first at Run Round Singapore. One might be surprised to learn that Mr Yong was not a born athlete. Professing to be sickly as a child, the candid alumnus revealed that he did not make it pass the heats selection for competitive sports
during his school days. Armed with an indomitable will and sheer perseverance, Mr Yong sought to improve his physical fitness level by taking part in canoeing and long distance running. The determined sportsman’s efforts had paid off: he conquered the treacherous 217 km long terrain of the Death Valley Challenge in the United States of America. For taking on the challenge, Mr Yong earned himself a mention in the Singapore Book of Records, for being one of the first runners from Southeast Asia to complete the infamously difficult route. Other events the tireless alumnus had participated in include the Round Singapore Dragon Boat Challenge 2007 and Round Singapore Canoeing Challenge in 2006 to raise funds for the Diabetic Society of Singapore. Together with Run Round Singapore, Mr Yong completed long distance challenges in all three sports. He was selected by the Singapore Book of Records as the Record Breaker of the Year for all these efforts this year.

Nanyang Outstanding Young Alumni Award

2. Khoo Li Mian Lynette 邱丽敏 (B.Comm Studies/2006, WKWSCI)
4. Loh Chee Kong 卢志光 (B.Comm Studies/2005, WKWSCI)
5. Teo Soon Kwan Elisha Peterson 赵顺权 (B.Bus/2006, NBS)
7. Yang Kwang Wei Joel 杨光威 (Dr) (B.Eng/2003, EEE)

1. Ms Cardoza Sharon Ann
   (National Institute of Education/Class of 1992)
   Head of Department for Pupil Development

For initiating Pupil Development innovation at Farrer Park Primary School, Ms Cardoza Sharon Ann, 39, is honoured with this year’s Nanyang Outstanding Young Alumni Award. Ms Cardoza received the President’s Award for Teachers in 2009 in recognition of her commitment and the progressive work she has done for Pupil Development. As the Head of Department for Pupil Development in Farrer Park Primary School, she regards the well-being of her pupils as paramount. She had developed and implemented in her school the social-emotional learning pathways, driven by her personal philosophy that every child matters. She also forges close partnerships with parents and guardians, believing that the family unit exerts an important influence in the moulding of a child. She works alongside them to help shape the overall development of her pupils.

2. Ms Khoo Li Mian Lynette
   (Wee Kim Wee School of Communication & Information/Class of 2006)
   Business Times Correspondent

A correspondent with The Business Times, Lynette Khoo, 27, is presented the Nanyang Outstanding Young Alumni Award for her sharp reporting acumen and impactful commentaries. No stranger to receiving accolades for her excellence in journalism, the alumna was named the Most Promising Journalist of the Year in 2009 at the 10th Investors’ Choice Awards organised by the Securities Investors Association of Singapore. Awarded to journalists with less than five
years of experience under the age of 30, Ms Khoo clinched the award by way of her well-crafted pieces which successfully engaged the readers. Other awards Ms Khoo has bagged include the ‘Special Award for Excellence’ in March 2009 and ‘Commentary/Analysis of the Month Award’ in January 2008 and June 2007 from Singapore Press Holdings. Ms Khoo had a nose for news since her undergraduate days in the Wee Kim Wee School. During her professional internship at Dow Jones Newswires, two of her stories were published in the Asian Wall Street Journal. The analytical journalist currently reports on corporate developments, stock market trends, litigation, regulation and other business-related issues. She also pens commentaries on issues relating to companies, markets and corporate governance.

3. Dr Lee Hui Mien  
(School of Electrical & Electronic Engineering/Class of 2009)  
Associate Research Scientist

Thirty-year-old Dr Lee Hui Mien is honoured by her alma mater with the Nanyang Outstanding Young Alumni Award for her green initiatives in the area of sustainable product development. The capable young lady successfully co-developed the world’s first spectacle frame from recycled materials, with Nanyang Optical. This work was featured prominently in many exhibitions, promotional materials and other publications. As an A*Star Graduate Scholar, Dr Lee joined SIMTech after graduating from NTU, She wrote the university’s first thesis in the area of sustainable product development. In recognition of her sterling work performance, she was promoted to the position of Associate Research Scientist in SIMTech within two years before moving on to pursue her post-doctoral study under the AGS Post Doctoral Fellowship early this year. Dr Lee currently serves as a visiting scientist at the Golisano Institute of Sustainability at Rochester Institute of Technology. She looks forward to studying issues related to electronic waste and improving the effectiveness of electronic waste systems for her postdoctoral project. Once commended by Senior Parliamentary Secretary of the Ministry of Environment and Water Resources, Dr Amy Khor, for being an exemplar in the green movement, Dr Lee’s passion for the recycling of resources has been a source of inspiration to all around her.

4. Mr Loh Chee Kong  
(Wee Kim Wee School of Communication & Information/Class of 2005)  
News Editor

For demonstrating excellence in the field of journalism, the 29-year-old Mr Loh Chee Kong is recognised with the Nanyang Outstanding Young Alumni Award. His sharp reporting instincts have won him many awards. He was named MediaCorp’s Young Journalist of the Year in 2008 and picked up TODAY’s Commentary of the Year both in 2008 and 2009. He bagged the Story of the Year with Public Participation prize, at MediaCorp News Awards in 2006, after just eight months into his job with the TODAY newspaper. Mr Loh regards the awards as a source of motivation – to constantly better himself and never to stagnate in his journalistic endeavours. An idealist at heart, Mr Loh hopes to bring about change through his writings. He strives to divert attention to neglected issues and people through his reports, to promote intellectual discourse within the community. It is with this objective in mind that he is relishing his new appointment as news editor. As a reporter, he has written articles and commentaries on wide ranging topics, some of which sparked lively debate in the public arena. He attributes his love for the craft to his mentors at TODAY and his lecturers at the Wee Kim Wee School of Communication and Information who played an important role in shaping Mr Loh’s reporting instincts.
5. Mr Teo Soon Kwan, Elisha Peterson  
(Nanyang Business School/Class of 2006)  
Group Managing Director

In recognition of his extensive contribution to humanitarian causes and youth development, Mr Teo Soon Kwan, Elisha Peterson, 28, is honoured with the Nanyang Outstanding Young Alumni Award. Mr Teo is presently developing strategies for enhancing the responsiveness and efficiency of the Singapore Red Cross’ Disaster Management programme. His focus is on post-trauma recovery phase. Mr Teo envisions that more ought to be done during Disaster Management, having had at least a decade’s worth of experience lending expertise to humanitarian causes. He has been the Vice-Chairman of the Disaster Management Working Group of the Singapore Red Cross Society, for the past three years. He undertook a mission in aid of the Burmese survivors in 2008 in the aftermath of Cyclone Nargis, as well as helped the Sri Lankan tsunami victims in 2005. In both natural calamities, he oversaw the Operations aspect of Team Singapore Medical Relief Mission. The seemingly tireless Mr Teo has received many accolades for his efforts. He was named one of Straits Times’ Top 50 Singapore Youth in 2005 and received the Minister for Health Award that same year. In 2004, he was awarded Gold in the National Youth Achievement Awards.

6. Mdm Wong Lai Fong  
(National Institute of Education/Class of 1994)  
Senior Teacher (Mathematics)

The Nanyang Outstanding Young Alumni Award is bestowed upon Mdm Wong Lai Fong, 39, by NTU, for her efforts in engaging students with fresh and creative strategies in the study of Mathematics. Mdm Wong’s exemplary teaching and conduct were recognised when she picked up the President’s Award for Teachers in 2009. The 39-year-old teacher sets the tone for teaching the subject in Anderson Secondary School, being Head of Department (Mathematics) from 2001 to 2009 and is currently a Senior Teacher for Mathematics. Eschewing traditional rote learning methods, Mdm Wong incorporates a school-wide pedagogy, Experiential Learning Cycle into her lessons. This entails the adoption of co-operative learning and reflection logs, as well as the use of information and communication technology software, so as to illustrate and reinforce Mathematical concepts to her pupils. She has made it a personal mission of hers to mould confident individuals with strong moral codes. A mentor to her wards, she prefers counselling to using the rod when inculcating wholesome behaviour and attitudes. In addition to her interest in student development, Mdm Wong is constantly seeking out opportunities to improve her teaching methods by attending workshops and courses. Her constant self-improvement has inspired fellow teachers to embark on several Action Research projects and participate in NIE endeavours to explore new methods of teaching Mathematics.

7. Dr Yang Kwang Wei Joel  
(School of Electrical & Electronic Engineering/Class of 2003)  
Research Engineer

The Nanyang Outstanding Young Alumni Award is conferred by NTU to Dr Joel Yang Kwang Wei, 32, among other achievements, for his ground-breaking contributions in the fields of superconducting nanowire single-photon detectors (SNSPD) and sub-10-nm lithography. He earned his PhD in Electrical Engineering and Computer Science (EECS) at Massachusetts
Institute of Technology (MIT), detailing in his thesis the improvements made to SNSPDs to increase their photon detection efficiencies, making them suitable for free-space optical communications. The improved technology will be used in the receiver module for NASA’s 2012 Lunar programme. For his doctoral research work, the Jin Au Kong Outstanding Thesis Award was recently awarded to him by MIT EECS. Yet another breakthrough of Dr Yang, which has since been adopted by several research groups around the world, pertains to his work on sub-10-nm lithography. He invented the "salty developer" for a resist used in electron-beam lithography that amplifies the difference in dissolution rates between patterned and unpatterned resist. This effect allows dense and high-resolution patterning, useful in the semiconductor industry for cramming more devices into smaller volumes. He then used the newly-discovered capability to pattern nanostructures that guide the self-assembly of block-copolymers, which is a promising approach for high-throughput nanofabrication. He was awarded the 2009 A*STAR Investigatorship research grant to work on Nanoplasmonics at the Institute of Materials Research and Engineering. In this effort, his group is working on high-resolution patterning of metallic nanostructures and nanoantennas, and ways to harness their light-confining properties for potential applications ranging from high-speed electronics to solar cells.

**Nanyang Alumni Service Award**

2. Chua Kok Chiow 蔡国昭 (B.Eng/1999, CSE)
4. Heng Hiang Jin 王贤仁 (B.Sc (Chemistry)/1977)
5. Lee Hua Qun Melvin 李华群 (B.Eng/2006, SCE)
6. Li Dongxia 李东霞 (MME/2001, HSS)
7. Lim Chee Kiong 林志强 (MBA(Acc)/2000, NBS)
8. Lim Peng Hun 林炳汉 (B.Eng/1985, EEE)
9. Lim Thian Fatt 林天发 (B.Eng/1989, CEE)
10. Lu Xuehe 路学和 (EMBA/2007, NBS)
11. Teng Teck Hou 邓德豪 (B.Eng/2003, SCE)
12. Xu Lixia 许黎霞 (EMBA/2005, NBS)
14. Yong Yean Pin Adeline 熊燕萍 (Dip.Edn/2000, NIE)

**1. Mr Chan Tuck Seng Vincent**  
*(School of Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering/Class of 1996)*  
Regional Sales Director

For being actively involved in the NTU School of Mechanical & Aerospace Engineering Alumni Association (MAEAA) since 2002, Mr Chan Tuck Seng, Vincent, 39, is presented the Nanyang Alumni Service Award. Mr Chan joined the MAEAA as an Executive Committee member. In 2006, Mr Chan became its President. During his two-year tenure, he succeeded in fostering a strong bond between the alumni association and NTU students. He introduced scuba diving to his fellow NTU alumni and current students, and was instrumental in facilitating tryout sessions.
in NTU by providing scuba diving equipment. Advisor to the current 7th MAEAA Executive Committee, Mr Chan is also a Class Agent, representing the Class of 1996 since 2006. Mr Chan is presently the Regional Sales Director at NORDAM, overseeing sales in Asia.

2. Mr Chua Kok Chiow  
(School of Civil & Environmental Engineering/Class of 1999)  
Teacher

For completing Run Round Singapore held in March 2010, and showing unwavering support to his alma mater, Mr Chua Kok Chiow, 36, is presented the Nanyang Alumni Service Award. The 36-year-old teacher demonstrated great sportsmanship in Run Round Singapore, an ultra-marathon spanning 218 km, when he crossed the finishing line in second place. Mr Chua’s timing was 32hr 32 min 05 sec. Mr Chua has led an active lifestyle since his undergraduate days in NTU, where he represented the university at the Institute-Varsity-Polytechnic Games in athletics and biathlons from 1997 to 1999. After graduation, he continued to pursue a sports-related career in his professional path: he became a teacher of Physical Education. Other marathons the athlete has participated in include the Adidas Sundown Marathon in 2009 and 2008, as well as the Standard Chartered Marathon 2004 which saw him emerge tenth in the Men’s category.

3. Mr Chye Choon Hoong Adrian  
(Nanyang Technopreneurship Center/Class of 2007)  
General Manager

For his continued support of NTU activities in the past decade, Mr Chye Choon Hoong, Adrian, 30, is recognised with the Nanyang Alumni Service Award. Mr Chye has been an ambassador for NTU’s Master of Science in Technopreneurship and Innovation Programme (TIP) since 2008. A graduate of the course, he has benefited from it immensely and went out of his way to promote the programme. Mr Chye has also been a part-time lecturer at the Nanyang Technopreneurship Center since 2009 and facilitates entrepreneurship seminars, workshops and projects. Well-respected among his peers, he was elected President of the School of Computer Engineering Alumni Association (SCEAA) for the term spanning 2006 to 2007. Effervescent and full of energy, Mr Chye has been a Class Agent for his cohort since 2006. Career-wise, Mr Chye co-founded and runs MediaFreaks Group of Companies, an established and award-winning new media and 3D animation studio dedicated to producing high-end animation work and conceptualising new media strategies.

4. Mr Heng Hiang Jin  
(Science/Class of 1977)  
Executive Chairman

Generous in dedicating his time and sharing of expertise as a Council Member of the Association of Nanyang University Graduates (ANUG) since 2004, Mr Heng Hiang Jin, 57, is presented with the Nanyang Alumni Service Award. Mr Heng has served as the Honorary Secretary of the association for over six years. During this time, he played an important role in organising various activities such as talks and social events for ANUG members. He also undertook more responsibilities as Chairman of the 30th Anniversary Reunion Committee, Class of 1977 in 2007. Mr Heng will continue in his capacity as Honorary Secretary of the association.
up till 2013. Currently, Mr Heng is the Executive Chairman of Hanscape Education Group and Managing Partner of business consulting firm Alpine Associates, where he is involved in initiating various educational projects in Singapore, China and Indonesia.

5. **Mr Lee Hua Qun Melvin**  
*(School of Computer Engineering/Class of 2006)*  
*Project Engineer*

For being part of NTU’s 55th Anniversary fund-raising event, Run Round Singapore, and for completing the run, Mr Lee Hua Qun, Melvin, 29, is presented the Nanyang Alumni Service Award. The love for running has always coursed through the veins of this sporty individual. His athletic inclination, in addition to training, has given him the stamina to complete Run Round Singapore’s 218 km distance. He finished third in 33hr 10min 35sec. Other endurance run he had taken part in include the Standard Chartered Singapore Marathon, MR25 Cross Country Ultra Marathon, Adidas Sundown Marathon and the North Face Marathon 100 km solo race. Mr Lee participated in the Seoul International Marathon in 2008. When not pounding the tracks training for another long distance run, Mr Lee is a Project Engineer at the Defence Science and Technology Agency.

6. **Ms Li Dongxia**  
*(School of Humanities & Social Sciences/Class of 2001)*  
*Assistant to the Editor-in-Chief*

As founding member of the NTU Alumni Association (Beijing), Ms Li Dongxia’s efforts and contributions are being recognised with the Nanyang Alumni Service Award. Working in close tandem with NTU’s Alumni Affairs Office, the dedicated alumna participated in many meetings and discussions held in Beijing and Qinhuangdao before the association was officially formed in November 2007. Currently the Deputy Secretary-General of the association, the 36-year-old is in-charge of its daily operations, as well as the organisation of events. Other events Ms Li has had a hand in organising include the association’s 2009 and 2008 Annual General Meeting; Lunar New Year celebrations in 2009 and 2008; Spring Outing to the Beijing Suburbs and Garden Party at Central Islet, at Beijing Youth Lake Park in April 2008; and a one-day tour to Tanze Temple in August 2009. Professionally, Ms Li is the Assistant to the Editor-in-Chief at Legal Affairs Daily, a newspaper affiliated to the Chinese Ministry of Justice. She has been working at the Daily since 2002.

7. **Mr Lim Chee Kiong**  
*(Nanyang Business School/Class of 2000)*  
*Senior Vice-President*

In honour of his extensive involvement in the Nanyang MBA Alumni Association, Mr Lim Chee Kiong, 40, is presented the Nanyang Alumni Service Award. Despite a high-flying career and busy schedule, Mr Lim finds time to offer his services and expertise to NTU. He has been part of the Nanyang MBA Alumni Association since 2004. From then till 2006, he served on the Executive Committee, taking on positions such as Honorary Auditor, Honorary Secretary and Honorary Treasurer. Mr Lim was elected President of the association in 2008 and 2007. He is currently the Senior Vice-President, Head of Business Development and Marketing, at CIMB
Securities (Singapore) Pte Ltd. With his MBA from NTU, Mr Lim is equipped with skills and knowledge to scale great heights in his professional journey.

8. Mr Lim Peng Hun  
(School of Electrical & Electronic Engineering/Class of 1985)  
Deputy Principal

For his contributions to the NTU Alumni Club, the Nanyang Alumni Service Award is conferred on Mr Lim Peng Hun, 49, by NTU. Mr Lim currently holds the position of 2nd Vice-President of the NTU Alumni Club. He works alongside the President and is a member of the Management Committee to formulate the strategic direction and operations of the NTU Alumni Club. Mr. Lim served as Committee Member before serving as Honorary General Secretary for two years prior to his present appointment. Throughout this time, he has been actively promoting and encouraging fellow alumni to join as Club member and support their alma mater.

9. Mr Lim Thian Fatt  
(School of Civil & Environment Engineering/Class of 1989)  
Managing Director

For his continued support of the NTU School of Civil & Environmental Engineering Alumni Association (CEEEA), and the NTU Alumni Club, Mr Lim Thian Fatt, 45, is presented the Nanyang Alumni Service Award. Mr Lim has leveraged on his love for golf and used it in service of the CEEEA. The 45-year-old served as a member of the Organising Committee of the annual Charity Golf Tournament for three years. The purpose of the tournament was for the CEEEA to raise funds, which was dispersed as bursaries to needy students in the School of CEE. Mr Lim’s service extends beyond CEEEA to the NTU Alumni Club. He is the current Chairman of the House Committee and Management Committee. He has served on various committees since 2001. His other positions include that of Honorary Assistant General Secretary and Honorary Assistant Treasurer. Last year, Mr Lim lent further support to his alma mater by chairing the Organising Committee for the anniversary reunion celebration for the Classes of 1989, 1994, 1999 and 2004. Taking on the Chairman role certainly meant taking time off his busy schedule as the Managing Director of ICE Far East Pte Ltd.

10. Mr Lu Xuehe  
(Nanyang Business School/Class of 2007)  
Deputy Director

For being an essential part of the establishment of the NTU Alumni Association (Shandong), Mr Lu Xuehe’s efforts are rewarded with the Nanyang Alumni Service Award. Before the establishment of the Shandong chapter, extensive preparatory work took place and the 46-year-old was an indispensable part of the proceedings. Mr Lu held frequent meetings with NTU’s Alumni Affairs Office, as well as with other alumni residing in the province, to work on the formation of the NTUAA (Shandong). In 2007, his labour of love came into fruition and he went on to lead the association as its President. Going full steam ahead, he represented NTUAA (Shandong) at events such as the forum at Tianjin New Town in October 2008. He has regularly attended the official launches of other alumni associations in China, on behalf of the Shandong
chapter. In the career front, Mr Lu is the Deputy Director of Laigang Pte Ltd Shandong Province, one of the largest steel manufacturing companies in China.

11. Mr Teng Teck Hou  
(School of Computer Engineering/Class of 2003)  
PhD Candidate, Nanyang Technological University

In recognition of his perseverance to complete Run Round Singapore, Mr Teng Teck Hou, 32, is awarded the Nanyang Alumni Service Award. Mr Teng is one of the nine NTU alumni attempting to finish Run Round Singapore. He managed to run the entire 218 km distance and came in fifth. He clocked in 34hr 36min 32sec. Run Round Singapore was organised by NTU in celebration of its 55th Anniversary. He chose to return to his alma mater to pursue his PhD qualification in the topic of Cognitive Information Systems for Situation Awareness Modeling and Context-Aware Decision Support. Mr Teng is confident that NTU will provide him with the expertise and opportunities required to fulfil the advancements he hopes to make in the technological realm.

12. Ms Xu Lixia  
(Nanyang Business School/Class of 2005)  
General Manager

As current President of the NTU Alumni Association (Shanghai), Ms Xu Lixia, 39, has displayed great zeal in keeping the Nanyang spirit alive in the hearts of its members. In recognition of her efforts and commitment, Ms Xu is presented the Nanyang Alumni Service Award. Under her steady leadership, informative forums, friendly games and fund-raising drives had been organised. These initiatives served to strengthen the bond among members of NTU’s Shanghai chapter. The 39-year-old was a member from year 2007. Elected as President of the Council only last year, the enthusiastic alumna has gone out of her way to promote alumni activities. She introduced myriad activities which encouraged proactive dialogue among Council members and facilitated the exchange of ideas among alumni members. Of notable mention, Ms Xu played an important role in the organisation of the association’s Annual Gathering cum Xinhua Media Forum in November 2009. The event attracted the attendance of many distinguished guests, including NTU President Dr Su Guaning. Over 200 alumni showed their support by participating in the gathering, which garnered international media coverage from over 20 countries. The General Manager of Shanghai Waigaoqiao Free Trade Zone Xin Development Co. Ltd. is held in high regard by her peers, for turning around cash flow issues that had previously plagued the association.

13. Mr Yuan Yetian  
(Nanyang Business School/Class of 2006)  
General Manager

For being an integral part of the NTU Alumni Association (Beijing) since its inception in 2007, Mr Yuan Yetian is presented the Nanyang Alumni Service Award. Mr Yuan has often gone above and beyond the call of duty in service of the association. He had worked hard to set up the Beijing chapter. He became its Vice-President and played an important role in ensuring smooth day-to-day running of the association’s operations. He also oversaw its development. The hardworking Mr Yuan has invested both time and money to further the cause of the association.
He represented the association at numerous alumni fraternising sessions in China, thus fostering closer ties and co-operation between NTU's Beijing chapter and its counterparts throughout the country. The Executive MBA graduate is currently the General Manager of the International Co-operation Center of the National Development and Reform Commission in Beijing.

14. Ms Yong Yean Pin Adeline  
(National Institute of Education/Class of 2000)  
Teaching Fellow

As the only NTU alumna, who participated in Run Round Singapore, Ms Yong Yean Pin, Adeline, is presented the Nanyang Alumni Service Award, for setting a national record for being Singapore’s longest Ultra-Marathon Runner in the female category. The 34-year-old sporty alumna is modest about her participation. She shared: “Run Round Singapore was organised for a worthy cause – to raise funds for the NTU Endowment Fund. I have always enjoyed running long-distance and if someone can benefit from what I am good at, my participation is all the more meaningful and worthwhile.” NTU raised $300,000 with government matching from the run. For one to take on an ultra-marathon spanning 218 km, or five full marathons combined, it requires an amazing display of human spirit, determination and perseverance, Ms Yong, a teaching fellow at NIE, embodied all of those qualities. Other records Ms Yong has set include being ranked the top female runner for her age-group at the Sundown Marathon in 2009. She also successfully completed Gobi March – a 250 km ultra-marathon footrace held in 2008. Three years ago, she completed Singapore’s inaugural Aviva 70.4 km Ironman race.

15. Mr Zhang Weiqian, Hendri  
(Nanyang Technopreneurship Center/Class of 2008)  
Trainer and Coach

For his active involvement in student and alumni activities, Mr Zhang Weiqian, Hendri, is presented the Nanyang Alumni Service Award. The effervescent 28-year-old has been President of NTU’s School of Electrical & Electronic Engineering Alumni Association (EEAA) since 2009. Under his strong leadership, structural changes were introduced to provide for greater efficiency to its operations and workflow. He, too, is instrumental in initiating interesting events like the Forest Adventure, Tea & Coffee Appreciation and Annual General Meeting on the Imperial Cheng Ho Cruise to facilitate meaningful interaction among alumni. The innovative alumnus has extended his zeal for service work to his professional career after he received his Master of Science in Technopreneurship & Innovation Programme from Nanyang Technopreneurship Center. He is the co-founder, trainer and coach at LIFE Training and Development LLP – a company that helps individuals and organisations enhance and sustain optimum performance levels.