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27 November 2024 – The National University of Singapore Society (NUSS) proudly marks its 70th anniversary, themed “Enduring Ties and Building Legacies,” celebrating a remarkable journey through a vibrant year of special events, intellectual dialogues, and impactful community initiatives. The highlight of these celebrations, *NUSS Day*, will take place on Saturday, 30 November, from 11:00 AM to 8:30 PM at Kent Ridge Guild House, offering an exciting lineup of activities that blend fun and community spirit.

NUSS Day promises an exciting lineup of highlights, including a lively Carnival with games, instant lucky draws, and captivating dance performances to entertain attendees of all ages. A variety of food stalls will offer delicious treats, adding to the festive atmosphere.

The event will officially commence with an Opening Ceremony at 12:15 PM, graced by Deputy Prime Minister Heng Swee Keat as the Guest-of-Honour. NUSS has had the privilege of welcoming DPM Heng at several key events, including the NUSS Ministerial Dialogue in 2012, the opening of the Suntec City Guild House in 2014, and the NUSS SG50 National Day Charity Golf, and Ministerial Dialogue in 2015.

The day concludes with a Christmas Light-Up ceremony at 6:30 PM, marking the start of the holiday season and bringing the community together in celebration.

A Year of Noteworthy Intellectual Engagements

In 2024, NUSS has hosted a series of distinguished events that underscore its commitment to thought leadership, intellectual growth, and fostering meaningful dialogue. Noteworthy highlights include the November *Commentary on Singapore* Dialogue, featuring former President Madam Halimah Yacob as Guest-of-Honour, moderated by Dr Gillian Koh, exploring critical issues shaping Singapore’s future. In September, NUSS marked its 70th Anniversary with a special lecture by YAB Dato’ Onn Hafiz Ghazi, Menteri Besar of Johor, who shared valuable insights on regional cooperation and emerging opportunities between Singapore and Malaysia.

Upholding a Legacy of Giving Back

As part of its 70th-anniversary celebrations, NUSS has demonstrated its commitment to community support and environmental stewardship. In January, the Society launched the Plant-it-Forward Challenge, raising \$70,000 for the NUSS Bursary Fund. This impactful campaign reflects NUSS' dedication to sustainability while supporting students in need.

Furthering its legacy of philanthropy, NUSS hosted the 70th Anniversary Charity Golf Tournament in August, raising an impressive \$777,000 to assist underprivileged students at the National University of Singapore (NUS). Minister of Education Mr Chan Chun Sing was the esteemed Guest-of-Honour at this milestone event.

“Celebrating our 70th anniversary is a testament to the enduring ties and strong community spirit that NUSS has fostered over the years,” said Mr Tong Hsien-Hui, President of NUSS. “Through NUSS Day and our many initiatives, we aim to honour our legacy while continuing to support intellectual growth, community engagement, and the future of Singapore.”

ABOUT THE NATIONAL UNIVERSITY OF SINGAPORE SOCIETY (NUSS)

NUSS is the premier graduate alumni society of the National University of Singapore (NUS), with around 15,000 members from NUS and other accredited universities. Established in 1954 as the University of Malaya Society, it became the University of Singapore Society in 1962 before adopting its current name in 1981.

NUSS fosters a lifelong connection with NUS and the broader graduate community, offering members access to a vast network through its three Guild Houses in Kent Ridge, Suntec City, and Mandalay Road. It provides opportunities for networking, professional development, and access to premium social, recreational, and dining facilities.

Committed to intellectual discourse and social engagement, NUSS enriches Singapore's intellectual and social fabric through its extensive events and publications.

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