

WELCOME ADDRESS
BY NUSS PRESIDENT, MR TONG HSIEN-HUI
AT THE SUB-COMMITTEE APPRECIATION DINNER
TUESDAY, 15 APRIL 2026, 7PM
KENT RIDGE GUILD HOUSE, DELLA & SENG GEE GUILD HALL

Good evening everyone, and a very warm welcome.

It's great to see all of you here tonight at our Sub-Committee Appreciation Dinner.

Tonight is really about you - our Sub-Committee members and Section leaders. This is our chance to say thank you for everything you've done over the past year. The time, energy, and ideas you've contributed have made a real difference to NUSS and to our members.

Looking back, it's been a strong year.

We've had a great run of Intellectual Pursuit programmes - with engaging conversations and speakers like Minister Indranee Rajah, ambassadors, regional leaders, and most recently Professor Kishore Mahbubani.

On the community side, we've continued to give back in meaningful ways, working with organisations like The Boys' Brigade and Children's Wishing Well to support families and children in need.

Our NUSS-NUS Mentorship Programme is now in its 13th cycle - bringing together 172 mentors and 229 mentees. It's a great example of how we're strengthening connections between alumni and students.

Our Cultural Sections have kept things vibrant with music, dance, and performances, while the F&B team has refreshed our dining experience - including the introduction of The Bar Chamber at Suntec.

On the digital front, we've made good progress too - improving the NUSS app, growing our social media presence, and launching the NUSS WhatsApp Community. We also introduced the LED Benefactors Wall and the NUSS Giving Legacy Video in collaboration with NUS Giving.

Sports and recreation have been equally active - with more than 2,000 members participating in activities and competitions. And of course, a highlight was reclaiming the Challenge Trophy at the 35th NUSS-PAUM Games in 2025.

We're also making progress on the new rooftop pickleball courts at Kent Ridge - which should be opening soon.

But beyond all these initiatives, what really defines NUSS is the spirit of volunteerism. That's what all of you represent. Your commitment and passion are what keep this community strong and alive.

Tonight, we also recognise our Long Service Award recipients - those who have contributed 5, 10, 20, 25 years, and even 45 years. That level of commitment is remarkable and speaks volumes about the strength of this community.

I'd like to make special mention of Mr Chandra Mohan K Nair, for an incredible 45 years of service. That's truly exceptional.

To close, I would like to thank you all once again. NUSS is what it is because of you.

Let's have a great evening ahead.

Thank you.