

## **A Memorable Night to Reminisce**

### **2013 PhD Graduation Dinner**

The EEE PhD Class of 2013 celebrated together for their Graduation Dinner on 27 July 2013 at the Rendezvous Grand Hotel Singapore. All guests were treated to a sumptuous eight-course dinner while enjoying a fun-filled night of entertaining song, talk and dance performances, put up by the NTU student club.

Apart from the graduates, the EEE School Management Faculty staff, supervisors also joined in with the celebrations with the Guest of Honor, Professor Yoon Soon Fatt, Chair of EEE, gracing the event. This is indeed a night to remember.

**“Remember tonight ... for graduation is not the end, but the beginning**

**Of Wonderful times and Memories that will never fade away”**

The PhD Graduation Dinner 2013 commenced with a thought-invigorating “Welcome address” by Professor Yoon Soon Fatt, followed by the “Two Halfs” Band Performance from the NTU student club. “Two Halfs” performance captivated the audience with classic golden rock oldies as they seem to “transport” everyone back in time, to the Golden Age of Rock, with their masterful performance.

The ambience was good and provided a comfortable setting for all present to interact and engage in lively conversation while enjoying the music.

**“A Good Snapshot keeps the golden moment from going away”**



***Welcome Address by Chair of EEE, Professor Yoon Soon Fatt***



***Two Halfs" Band Performance***

Next, Prof Er Meng Joo from EEE, demonstrated his passion in singing and mesmerized the audience with his amazing adaptation of Li Mao Shan's famous song "綠島小夜曲- Lv Dao Xiao Ye Qu ". The quiz session during the dinner provided thought-provoking questions that stimulated audience's minds and rewarded the "fast and accurate" with prizes for the winners.



***Song Performance By Prof Er Meng Joo***

A video, showcasing photos of graduates and their short messages, which expressed their feelings of graduating, NTU experiences and thank-you wordings for family, friends or staff, was aired. Supervisors also contributed by providing their photos and congratulatory messages for their students. Graduates were greatly appreciative of their supervisors' messages. One graduate, Dr Chew Boon Seng was invited to deliver a speech where he shared his feelings and thoughts of graduation as a new beginning of life with challenges ahead.



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With its assortment of witty jokes and entertaining talk, the humorous talk show segment by Vernon Lim of the Toastmaster student club further liven-up the atmosphere.



***Humorous Talk Show***

Next, the Lindy Hop Dance performance by the instructors from the kinetics student club was a vintage swing dance which was visually inspiring and enlivening. Besides conducting swing and Lindy hop classes in Shanghai, Taipei, Hong Kong etc., the instructors also perform regularly for corporate events, "Jazz or Charleston" themed parties and the esplanade's Dansfest.



***Lindy Hop Dance Performance***

The emcee and staff representatives encouraged the audience to participate and four enthusiastic couples volunteered for the simple dance lesson. One of the couple group was formed by the emcee and Professor Yoon Soon Fatt, the Chair of EEE, who graciously volunteered. During the simple dance lesson, several classic lindy hop jazz steps and some basic partner work steps embodying the “fun and free spirit” of lindy hop, was taught to the volunteer couples by the instructors. The ballroom was filled with joy and laughter as the four couples strived to get familiarized with the dance steps. All of the audience participated by going up on stage to cast their votes and chose the winning couple. It was an exhilarating and interesting experience for the participants.



*Lindy Hop Dance Performance Simple Lesson*

### **Let's Yum Seng!**

The dinner lucky draw, initiated by Professor Yoon, was met with great enthusiasm from the dinner attendees, hoping to be the “lucky ones”.



*Dinner Lucky Draw*

The evening came to a splendid conclusion as we proceeded to the ever-welcomed YUM SENG (Toast) finale. The school management faculty staff went up on stage to dedicate a toast to everyone present. What echoed through the ballroom were tremendous cheers, joyous laughter and the sound of “Yum... Seng!” Indeed, it was a successful closure for the event.



***“Yum Seng” To a Bright future ahead!***