

# Flag Day 2010

## - Make a Difference in the Lives of many!

By Clement Wu



▲ Be part of Team Medicine and help support our adopted charities!

Come 3 August this year, NUS students of all faculties dressed in common vibrantly-coloured tee shirts will spill onto the streets of Singapore, each holding a white donation tin. With the ubiquitous tee shirts dotting crowded streets in hotspots like Orchard Road, it is indeed a sight to behold. This event is none other than the well known NUSSU Flag Day, a yearly affair where the NUS student body goes forth in an effort to raise funds for needy charities. This will then be followed by the staging of performances by various faculty clubs on 8 August, an event graced by none other than President S. R. Nathan to thank the generous donors.

For NUSSU Flag Day this year, all donations will go to 20 charities that provide services to the elderly, the disabled, as well as children and families from disadvantaged backgrounds. Through NUSSU Flag Day, the Yong Loo Lin School of Medicine (YLLSOM) strives to help these organisations bolster their funding with collections so as to provide better care and services for the above mentioned groups.

While NUSSU Flag Day may provide the beneficiary organisations with some much-needed funding, it also gives all NUS students involved an important reminder of the great need in our society that often goes forgotten as we are carried away by the school year. For us medical students in particular, it provides a timely reminder at the beginning of the school year that we should not only strive for academic excellence, but also to become doctors with compassion who are not only aware of the needy in our community, but also to actively seek to provide help.

As part of our efforts to expand the reach of our fundraising efforts and to take a more dynamic and multi-pronged approach to Flag Day, this year YLLSOM will also be reaching out to the alumni and philanthropists — generous donors like yourself, for donations to these charities.

This year, YLLSOM strives to bring Flag Day right to you. If you would like to be a part of the School of Medicine's 2010 Flag Day efforts by making a kind donation, just leave us your name, contact number and collection address at [medicine.flag2010@gmail.com](mailto:medicine.flag2010@gmail.com) and we will arrange to come and collect your donations from you during Flag Day on 3 August. What's more, you will also be entitled to tax exemption in return for your generous donation. All donations will go straight to Flag Day's 20 adopted charities.

On behalf of our adopted charities, we thank you in advance for your kind donation! **SMA**

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▲ Rag and Flag - A subtle reminder of our social responsibilities amidst the pomp and splendour

## Beneficiaries for NUS Rag and Flag 2010

S/N	Cause	Name of Charity
1	Elderly	AWWA Community Home for Senior Citizens
2	Elderly	Lions Befrienders
3	Elderly	SAGE Counselling Centre
4	Elderly	Moral Case Management Service
5	Elderly	Metta Hospice Care
6	Disability	MINDS Clementi Training and Development Centre
7	Disability	TOUCH Ubi Hostel
8	Disability	SAMH Oasis Day Centre
9	Disability	SUN-DAC Centre for the Disabled II – Choa Chu Kang
10	Disability	The Singapore Cheshire Home Day Care Centre
11	Family	The Ang Mo Kio Family Service Centres (Sengkang)
12	Family	Care Corner Family Service Centre (Admiralty)
13	Family	TRANS Centre (Bedok)
14	Family	Pasir Ris Family Service Centre
15	Family	Lakeside Family Centre (Jurong East)
16	Children	Autism Children's Centre (Clementi)
17	Children	Katong School
18	Children	St Andrew's Autism School
19	Children	Towner Gardens School (MINDS)
20	Children	SOMC: THK Moral Early Intervention Programme for Infants and Children (EPIC) Centre – Woodlands



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