

# Duke-NUS Faculty Appreciation Night 2010 Oktoberfest @ Outram

The Duke-NUS Faculty Appreciation Night 2010 on 29 October was indeed a night to remember. Highlights of the night included a performance by Duke-NUS students as a tribute to their mentors, the infamous C.Kwa Race, as well as Professor Tan Ser Kiat's Beer Chugging Challenge.

At the event, several members of the faculty were recognised as Outstanding Developers, Outstanding Educators and Outstanding Innovators.

Someone once said that to be a teacher is to amend the past, enhance the present and touch the future. It is important that we invest in our future generations. I have always wanted to contribute to medical education in a significant measure, both at the undergraduate as well as postgraduate levels. I see it as my duty to be able to educate and impart skills, knowledge and values to future generations of doctors. At Duke-NUS, I have been given this chance and my aspirations are becoming reality. It is indeed my honor and privilege to be part of the Duke-NUS faculty.

*Dr Lai Siang Hui*

*Associate Professor, Duke-NUS*

***Outstanding Innovator and Outstanding Educator (Molecules and Cells)***



Top right: Professor Lim Shih Hui congratulated by Professor Tan Ser Kiat, Group CEO, SingHealth and Professor Ranga Krishnan, Dean, Duke-NUS as he receives his awards: Most Knowledgeable Faculty (Neurology Clerkship) and Outstanding Innovator (Practice Course & IMT).



Judging by the raucous crowd, bloated beer bellies and discarded watermelon peel, the night was indeed one to remember. Amidst the great food, company and entertainment, we are reminded of the efforts of our teaching faculty. To all our mentors, a sincere Thank You for all your hard work; we could not have done it without you.



Being awarded the Outstanding Leadership (2009) and Outstanding Developer (2010) accolades mean a great deal to me and the faculty. This honor is a collective recognition of the entire faculty for their teaching and mentoring efforts in the last five years. Medical education is unique in that it requires a mentor-mentee apprenticeship. This in turn, demands a lot of the doctors' dedication and commitment to train the next generation.

I firmly believe in the potential of every student. Everyone has his/ her own strengths and talents. Unfortunately, this enormous personal potential is often locked or even undiscovered in his/her lifetime. Education is the key to unlocking this potential and unleashing the individual's talents. A seed will sprout, if given the right climate and soil. Being an educator is a privilege enjoyed by few. And to train future colleagues who will join us in the same calling of medicine is even more unique. I have faith that our faculty will inspire many, just as our mentors had inspired us.

*Dr Tan Thiam Chye*

*Assistant Professor, Duke-NUS*

***Outstanding Developer (O & G Clerkship)***