

NUS celebrates 110th anniversary with community initiative

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(Left to Right): Mr Lee Boon Huat, Taman Jurong Active Ageing Committee Chairman; Professor John Wong, Chief Executive, National University Health System; Mr Goh Peng Tong, Taman Jurong Community Club Committee Chairman; Mr Wong Ngit Liong, Chairmn, NUS Board of Trustees; DPM Tharman Shanmugaratnam; Ms Denise Phua, Mayor, Central Singapore District; Professor Tan Chorh Chuan, NUS President; Ms Edna Goh, Taman Jurong Zone 'B' Residents' Committee Chairman, PBM; and Mr Lim Kok Seng, President, NUS Students' Union.

SINGAPORE - The National University of Singapore (NUS) has launched a new community initiative on Saturday called NUS CARES, as part of its 110th anniversary celebrations.

Besides the "NUS Community Advancement with Research and Education Synergies" (NUS CARES) initiative, the University will also organise a series of signature events and initiatives, many aimed at helping the underprivileged as part of its 2015 "Because We Care" theme.

Among the initiatives to commemorate its founding in 1905 is the official opening of Singapore's first natural history museum, and an exhibition showcasing NUS's cutting-edge contributions to Singapore's science and technology research and development.

The NUS CARES initiative will also see NUS faculty, researchers and students will work with Central Singapore Community Development Council, National University Health System and the NUS Medical Society, to identify community issues and draw upon the University's research and academic expertise to find creative and practical solutions to them.

Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Finance Mr Tharman Shanmugaratnam was the Guest-of-Honour at a community event to mark the start of NUS's 110th anniversary celebrations.

Commenting on the NUS CARES initiative, NUS President Professor Tan Chorh Chuan said: "NUS 110 is indeed a timely opportunity for us to reflect, share and celebrate the University's long tradition of service to the community. Giving back to the community has always been an integral part of NUS' education philosophy."