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SAFRA CONTINUES TO REMAIN RELEVANT TO NSMEN

*NSmen volunteers and corporate supporters lauded
at the biennial SAFRA Awards*

The biennial SAFRA Awards serve to recognise volunteers and corporate supporters who have volunteered their time and lent their expertise towards the development of SAFRA, the National Service Resort and Country Club (NSRCC) and SAFRA radio.

Minister for Defence and Chairman, SAFRA Board of Governors, Dr Ng Eng Hen together with Second Minister for Defence and President of SAFRA, Mr Chan Chun Sing and Minister of State for Defence and Deputy President of SAFRA, Dr Maliki Osman, commended 111 recipients for playing an integral role in championing SAFRA's mission to provide recognition to NSmen for their contributions to national defence.

The support of volunteers and corporate partners, who extend sponsorships and privileges to NSmen and SAFRA members, is invaluable. Together, they play an important role in enabling SAFRA and NSRCC to roll out new development projects and initiatives to deepen engagement with NSmen and their families.

Recent new projects and initiatives, which are jointly managed by volunteers and staff, include the waterfront SAFRA Punggol Club, the enhancement works to SAFRA Mount Faber, and redevelopment of SAFRA Tampines and NSRCC

Addressing the volunteers at the 13th SAFRA Awards, Dr Ng Eng Hen said, "Selfless, you give in time and give in effort as you believe that our NSmen's contribution should be recognised. That will motivate them to be serious to defend this nation. This is an important part of Total Defence."

Among the evening award recipients were pioneer volunteers like Mr Foo Tee Jun of the SAFRA Photographic Club who has been volunteering since 1974, and stalwart volunteers like Mr Gregory Chan who has helped SAFRA chart its new strategic direction over the past 20 years.

A new award category – Outstanding New Volunteer Award – was also introduced this year. This award highlights key achievements by new volunteers. Recipients were 25-year old Zhao Dexin, who spearheaded the formation of SAFRA Entrepreneurs' Club and 36-year old Don Goh, chairman of the SAFRA Dragon Boat Team that clinched the bronze medal at the recent Singapore Dragonboat Festival 2014.

COL (NS) Peter Lam, chairman of SAFRA Volunteer Management Committee and chairman of the Organising Committee of the 13th SAFRA Awards, shared, “To date, we are privileged to have close to 400 active volunteers – dedicated NSmen and individuals who serve on the various committees within SAFRA, NSRCC and SAFRA Radio to offer their talents, professional expertise and unwavering efforts to make a positive impact to the lives of NSmen.”

11 corporate supporters were also recognised for their generous contributions in appreciation of NSmen’s role towards national defence.

The 13th SAFRA Awards was held at Mount Faber this year. Since its inception, a total of 968 awards have been presented to deserving volunteers and corporate partners.

Dr Maliki Osman presented the Long Service Awards while Mr Chan Chun Sing presented the Commendation Awards and the Outstanding New Volunteer Awards.

Dr Ng Eng Hen presented the Meritorious Service Awards

Kindly refer to fact sheet for details on the recipients.

About SAFRA National Service Association

SAFRA was formed in 1972 to provide for the social and recreational needs of NSmen and their families through quality sports, social and educational programmes to recognise NSmen for their contributions to National Defence.

SAFRA currently has a network of five clubs conveniently located in Jurong, Mount Faber, Tampines, Toa Payoh and Yishun. Complementing the modern facilities at SAFRA clubs is a host of quality membership benefits and activities specially packaged for over 330,000 members and their families.

FACT SHEET

The SAFRA Awards was first introduced in 1987 to recognise the significant contributions of individuals and organisations towards realising SAFRA's mission and objectives.

Award Categories

i. 5 – Year Long Service Award	
1	Mr Chan Yew Chong, Vincent
2	CPT (NS) Cheok Kai Weei
3	Ms Chong Chin Wah, Jenny
4	Mr Chua Mong Heng, Martin
5	Mr Chua Yam Seng
6	Mr Chew Chong Aun Shaun
7	LTC (NS) Chiang Siew Kay
8	Mr Ho Leonard
9	Mr Koh Yeow Hwee, David
10	Mr Law Kah Hock, Dave
11	Mr Lim Cher Meng, Henry
12	Mr Looi Wan Hui
13	Ms Quek Siao Yan, Ashleigh
14	LTC (RET) Tan Chee Seng, Andrew
15	Mr Tan Seng Kiat, James
16	LTC (RET) Tan Swee Kee
17	LTC (NS) Tan Tze Hian
18	Mr Tang Ing Koon, Derick
19	Mr Tay Kian Hwee, David
20	Ms Teo Whee Sian, Maureen
21	Mr Toh Eng Keong, Enders
22	Mr Tan Yun Qin, Spencer
23	Mr Tan Khye Meng James
24	Mr Wong Mun Wai
25	Mr Yeo Choon Teck
ii. 10 – Year Long Service Award	
1	CPT (NS) Affendy Bin Suboh
2	CPT (NS) Azman Hisham Jaafar PBM
3	Mr Chee Teow Kiat
4	Mr Go Tsung Shyen, Karen
5	Mr Kalipermal George
6	Mr Lai Chin Pang

7	Mr Lai Kah Cheong
8	3SG (NS) Law Wei Kwang, Eric
9	Ms Lee Hu Gek, Cynthia
10	Mr Lee Kim Hai, Edwin
11	Mr Lew Yeow Koon, Joseph
12	Mr Loh Yue Thong
13	SLTC (NS) Ng Mong Seng, Stanley
14	Mr Ng Wing Fatt Sam
15	Mr Ong Say Cheng
16	3SG (NS) Ow Tong Wah, Darren
17	Mr Pher Chi Khing
18	Mr Seah Shang Shiaw, Edmund
19	Mr Shum Kwok Khoon, David
20	Dr Soo, Thomas
21	COL (NS) Srinivasan V N
22	CPT (NS) Tan Chek Yong, Enrique
23	Ms Tan Chen Lin, Jaime
24	Mr Tan Sze Wah
25	CPL (NS) Tay Kuan Yang, Adrian
26	Ms Tay Seow Ling, Shirlyn
27	Assoc Prof Teo-Koh Sock Miang
28	MAJ (NS) Wong Teck Khim
29	SLTC (NS) Yuen Ka Wei
iii. 15 – Year Long Service Award	
1	SLTC (NS) Chan Hoe Kit
2	Mr Chionh Eng Tat
3	1SG (NS) Lau Chiang Hwee, Andy
4	Mr Luey Kwong Yuen, Bernard
5	Mr Pang Tong Kuan, Andy
6	Mr Seah Chin Aik
7	Mr Shih Teck Yen, Tom
8	Mr Tan Wee Liang, William
9	Mr Teo Puay Chuan, Desmond
iv. 20 – Year Long Service Award	
1	Mr Chan Keng Siang, Gregory BBM
2	Dr Looi Hong Cheong
3	Mr Quek Mong Huat, Eric
4	Mr Tan Boon Chye
v. 25 – Year Long Service Award	
1	Mr Chan Mun Yew
2	Mr Chua Seng Chye, Raymond
vi. 35 – Year Long Service Award	
1	Mr Tan Weng Wah, Jeffrey
vii. 40 – Year Long Service Award	

1	Mr Foo Tee Jun
viii.	Outstanding New Volunteer Award A new award category introduced this year to recognise new volunteers who are currently serving or have completed their first term of service.
1	LCP (NS) Goh Kok Wee, Don
2	LTA (NS) Zhao Dexin
ix.	Commendation Award: This award is presented to individuals and corporate partners with significant contributions to SAFRA for at least 2 years.
	Individual
1	MAJ (RET) Abdul Samad
2	2SG (NS) Chin Kok Kai (Recipient of the 10-Year Long Service Award)
3	Mr Choo Soen Keng, Joshua
4	Mr Goh Yi Long
5	COL (NS) Lam Charn Wye, Peter
6	Mr Lim Kim Seng
7	LTC (NS) Low Eng Teong
8	LTC (NS) Low Kian Ngian, Ace
9	LTC (NS) Ridzuan Bin Ismail
10	Mr Tan Kah Han
11	MAJ (NS) Tan Lee Thong, Kelvin (Recipient of the 5-Year Long Service Award)
12	CPL (NS) Tan Tong Sin, Jeff
13	Mr Too Chee Keong, Patrick
14	MAJ (NS) Wilson Silva (Recipient of the 10-Year Long Service Award)
15	Mr Wong Poh Hua, Wilbert
16	Mr Young Keng Sin, Lawrence
	Commendation Award: Corporation
1	Base Entertainment Asia
2	Bayer South East Asia Ltd
3	C & T Sporting Co. Pte Ltd
4	CapitaLand Limited (Bugis+)
5	Families for Life Council
6	Golden Village Pictures Pte Ltd
7	K Box Entertainment Group Pte Ltd
8	Shaw Theatres (S) Pte Ltd
9	Warner Bros. Singapore Pte Ltd
10	Twentieth Century Fox Film (East) Pte Ltd
	<i>* Commendation Special Mention to Crystal Time Pte Ltd</i>
x.	Meritorious Service Bronze Award This award is presented to individuals who have made outstanding contributions to the club, association and national levels for at least 2 consecutive years.

1	Mr Jispal Singh (Recipient of the 10-Year Long Service Award)
2	Prof Koh Cher Chiew, Francis
3	Mr Lee Chee Peng
4	MAJ (NS) Quek Chun Hou, Terence (Recipient of the 5-Year Long Service Award)
5	MAJ (NS) Tang Gee Hian, Michael (Recipient of the 10-Year Long Service Award)
6	Mr Teo Keng Siang (Recipient of the 20-Year Long Service Award)
xi.	Meritorious Service Silver Award
1	Mr Chick Wing Hang, Victor
2	COL (NS) Chua Eng Wah, William
3	SLTC (NS) Goh Eng Yau, Laurence
4	MG Lim Cheng Yeow, Perry
5	MAJ (NS) Tan Heok, Andy (Recipient of the 10-Year Long Service Award)