

**Singapore Society of Ophthalmology**

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Dear Members,

I am indeed happy that finally we are able to have a record of the activities of the society for the future Ophthalmologists of Singapore to refer to. It is important to know the past so that we can improve upon it and hopefully not make the same mistakes. The SSO has been a pillar in the rapidly changing Ophthalmic scene in Singapore. During my term of office I had many enjoyable and sometimes frustrating experiences trying to organize activities for the members. I am thankful for the dedicated committee members that helped to bring about a very successful Joint Singapore Malaysia Meeting in 1992 held at the Concord Hotel. The meeting was attended by about 150 delegates and I am sure that they benefited from the many scientific papers presented and Phacoemulsification wet laboratories organized. The highlight of most of the joint meetings is when the Ophthalmologists from both countries come together and enjoy each others company at the Official Dinner function and that year was no exception.

The continuation of the Society will depend on the younger Ophthalmologists picking up from here and improving upon what has been established. The relationships that have been built between Singapore and Malaysia Ophthalmologists have been very strong and we should not stop here but try to extend this to our other ASEAN neighbors such as Indonesia, Hong Kong, Philippines and Thailand.

In the home front, we should continue to pursue to improve the quality of our care to our patients and we can only do this if we maintain a constant endeavor to learn new and better forms of management for eye diseases. Continuing Medical Education should always be one of the priorities of the Society.

Finally, each of us should play our part to support the Society by trying to attend as many of the functions organized as possible. This is so that the current organizing committees feel that their efforts are not wasted and this will encourage them to do more for us. As their time spent is totally voluntary we should acknowledge these efforts by our presence.

I hope the Society will continue to progress and be beneficial to more and more people.

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