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From the Honorary Secretary

Report by Dr Ng Chew Lip

SMAsk distribution exercise

In appreciation of your continued support, the SMA Membership Committee is pleased to present SMA face mask (or SMAsks!) to Members in good standing (one mask each, no reservations and while stocks last).

You may collect your SMA face mask at our office (2985 Jalan Bukit Merah, #02-2C SMF Building, Singapore 159457) from Monday to Friday between 9 am and 6 pm **or** email us at membership@sma.org.sg if you would like to receive one in the mail. Masks are available in navy blue, grey and white.

We look forward to serving and representing you for many more years.

Dr Ng is an ENT consultant in public service. After a day of doctoring and cajoling the kids at home to finish their food, his idea of relaxation is watching a drama serial with his lovely wife and occasionally throwing some paint on a canvas.



SMA Wine Chapter renamed in honour of Dr NK Yong

The SMA Wine Chapter has been renamed the SMA NK Yong Wine Chapter in honour of SMA Past President, the late Dr Yong Nen Khiong who passed away in March 2021.

Dr Yong was our longest serving President and was elected President of the SMA for the following terms: 1980–1981, 1982–1985, and 1987–1989. Dr Yong was conferred the SMA Honorary Membership in 2002. He and his team successfully performed the first open-heart surgery in Singapore in 1965.

Dr Yong began his foray into wines in late 1982, and was recognised worldwide as an authority on the subject as well as for his most impressive wine collection. He wrote a weekly wine column for *The Business Times* for 30 years.

We wish to record our appreciation to his wife, Mrs Melina Yong, for giving us permission to rename the Wine Chapter after Dr Yong. We believe this renaming combines the two great passions of the late Dr Yong − medicine and wine. ◆