

Gobi, a 70 year old resident, rarely attend such function but today he was excited to celebrate Christmas together as a community with the underprivileged one-room flat residents at the multi-purpose link hall, next to Block 13 at Lorong 7 Toa Payoh.

Thanks to the efforts of Adelina Koh and her volunteers, he was able to enjoy a sumptuous lunch with other elderly.

The event is part of Adelina continuing efforts to bring cheers to needy elderly Singaporeans during festive seasons. Her team had been working tirelessly seeking sponsors, donations and volunteers.

I arrived in the late morning and the hall was already packed with people. Some brought their grandchildren too.

They were all participating in various services like hair-cutting, pedicure, facial, footbath and massage.



The buffet was especially grand. They also took home goody bags with daily essentials including tiger balms and medicated plasters which were donated by Inner Wheel Singapore West.



The old Chinese ballads belted out by this lady (below) brought back nostalgia to many of the old folks. They cheered and clapped, enjoying the festive mood. They also joined the kids playing some games and wining prizes.



This is my very first volunteering experience at such an event. I was impressed by the warm compassion and commitment shown by the volunteers and very proud that I am part of it.

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