

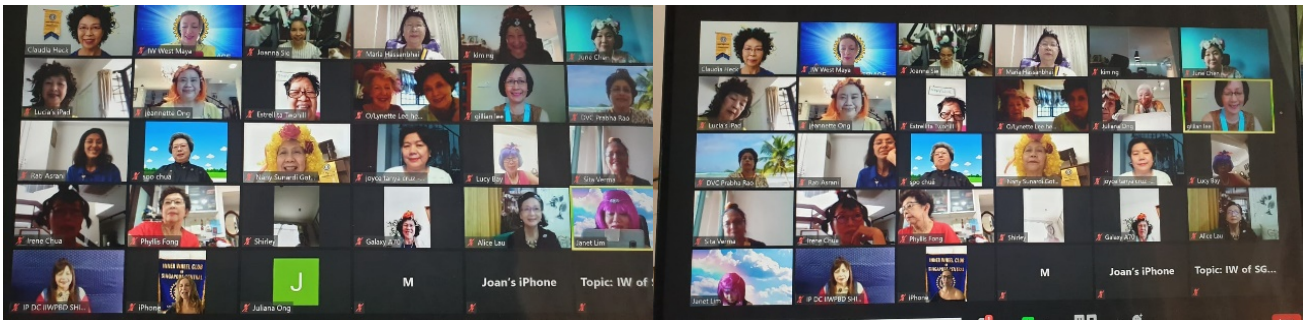
2020 Installation at IWC Singapore West

Talented Mrs Nany Gotze was installed as the 46th President of IWC Singapore West today.

Just like an unprecedented CoVID pandemic, this installation is an unprecedented virtual event conducted through ZOOM. The meeting was solemn and well-orchestrated with Claudia Heck as the MC and supported by the presentation of memorable picture clips, courtesy of DE Janet.

It must have been a unique experience for our members and guests as we are all accustomed to face-to-face fellowship, but we assimilate the atmosphere very well.

Among the guests were District Chairman Datin Gillian Lee, VDC Prabha, DEXCO Members, IPDC Shirin, NR Alice Lau and the Presidents of the other local Inner Wheel Clubs.



The meeting started with the traditional toasts to the President of Singapore, the International Inner Wheel and the guests, and followed by the playing and singing of the Inner Wheel song.

Outgoing President Jeanette thanked her committee before handing over the regalia to in-coming President Nany.



President Nany was the District Chairman in 2013-2014 and this is the third time she is President of the Club. She is truly talented - plays the piano and speaks many languages including Japanese, Bahasa Indonesia, German, English and Mandarin.

In the speech, she spelt out her plans for the year. These include the following:

1. Extending support to Anna and Joseph to care for the village children in Siem Reap.

IPP Jeanette had committed \$2500 last year and President Nany intends to continue with this worthwhile project. The scheduled trip to visit these villages in Siem Reap in February was rescheduled to November because of the Covid-19 pandemic.

2. Continuing assistance to the intellectually challenged persons at Sun Dac Daycare Centre

PP Gek Chew supported the Centre two years ago by setting up a kitchenette for them. Recently our club helped the Centre to procure masks and enabled the Centre to open safely.

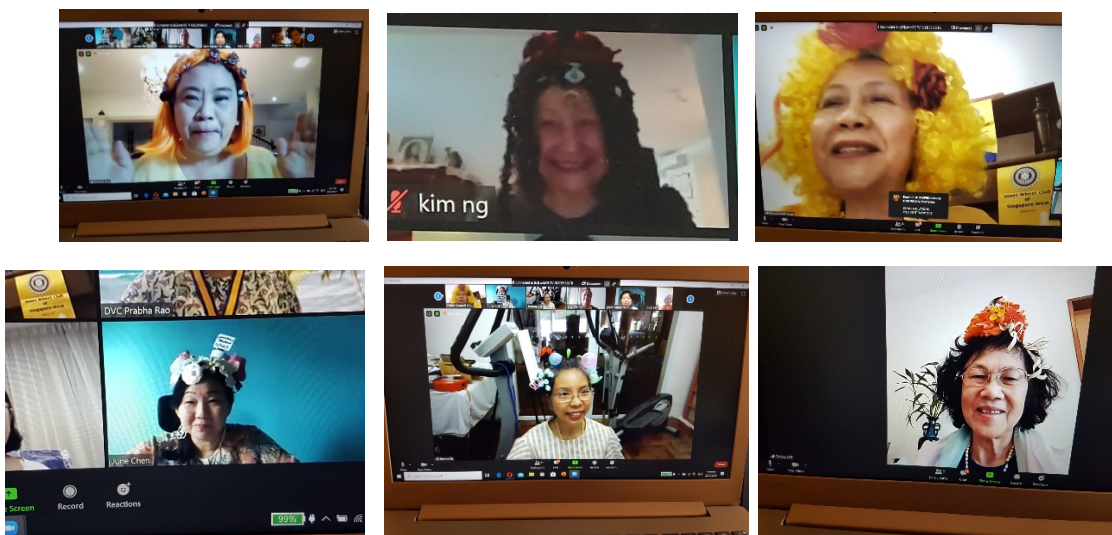
3. Assisting Adalina's project for needy Singaporeans.

She has been caring for the abused, homeless or single mothers in the last ten years. With the generous donation from an anonymous donor, we were able to sponsor her rental and groceries since April this year.

In her message, DC Gillian Lee reminded that life has changed after Covid 19 and we must embrace the change and manage well. She revealed a new learning program which will be released in September. She also encouraged all clubs to increase their memberships by 10%. She reiterated that we must cherish our existing members while recruiting new members.

She paid tribute to IPP Jeanette Ong for her accomplishments and wished President Nany a fruitful year and to lead a change for a better tomorrow.

The online Crazy Hair competition at the zoom session was a great success. All the ladies decked out attractively arranged hairdos. Joanna emerged the winner with her hairdo of balloons and clips. I thought Nany did well with her Elizabethan wig, Janet with her pink hairpiece from a Disney fairy tale and Kim with her Whoopi Goldberg's hairdo.



The meeting ended with a 2014 video clip featuring a lively dance by members of the three Inner Wheel clubs in Singapore.

We missed the face-to-face interactions with each other and the energy that the traditional methods of physical gatherings generate. Maybe a combination of both online and traditional ways is the way to go in future.

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