



# A Warm Thank You

By Sylvia Thay, Editorial Executive

**CONTINUING THE** spirit of showing appreciation to SMA's members and volunteers (who were the focus of this publication's December 2014 issue), *SMA News* decided to host an inaugural Thank You Session for our article contributors from the second half of last year. The event was also intended as a platform for the *SMA News* editorial board members and staff to discuss ideas with and obtain feedback from these writers. The cosy meetup, held on 23 January 2015 at the SMA Secretariat conference room, eventually saw 20 doctors, medical students and staff gathered over light refreshments.

Editor Dr Tan Yia Swam welcomed the guests with a simple speech, thanking them for setting aside time to join us for the occasion, and writing for this newsletter. She also expressed her hope for their continued support in the coming years. In another highlight of the evening, Dr Tan presented a Canon EOS 1200D camera (sponsored by Canon Singapore Pte Ltd) to Dr Alvin Lum, whose image of water droplets was voted as the overall Grand Prize Winner of the Life in Pixels 2014 photo competition. To view all participating entries, visit <http://www.sma.org.sg/lifeinpixels>. (Turn to page 6 to read more about Dr Lum's photography.)

The two-hour gathering also served as the perfect setting for a casual networking session, with many of the attendees engaging in both deep conversations and light-hearted banter throughout the evening.

Here, we wish to express our gratitude to the writers who were able to join us for the Thank You Session. We would also like to take this opportunity to call out to all readers who are interested in contributing to *SMA News*. Submit your stories or ideas to the team at [news@sma.org.sg](mailto:news@sma.org.sg)! ■



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Dr Alvin Lum and Dr Tan Yia Swam

Dr Sato Kenichi (left), Dr Tan Yia Swam and Dr Samuel Yeak

Dr Tan Su-Ming and Editorial Board Member A/Prof Cuthbert Teo