

TOAST TO KELLOGG COLLEGE ON THE OCCASION OF GAUDY DINNER ON 23 SEPT 2023

President, Fellows of the College, my fellow Alumni, my fellow Alumnae, Distinguished Guests.

It is the custom and convention that we toast the College at this stage, and it is apt to do so when we have had a portion, but we look forward to more to come.

Kellogg College looks forward to more to come. It looks forward to its expansion in the West Campus and the re-design of these lovely grounds.

But Kellogg College has always been more than bricks and stone. We are not defined by a dome or confined by a capstone.

We don't describe ourselves by reference to a pellucid pond or a mud-strewn meadow.

Kellogg College has always been clear about its vision of which many of us are beneficiaries: that of flexible learning, lifelong learning, and the gift of the freedom to work or to care for others, so that we can have that very freedom to be here to learn and to conduct research.

And whilst here, to have the chance to meet others of like mind and spirit though we pursue diverse subjects, and to sit, sup and commune at the same table and to enjoy the wonderful creations of the dining hall team and staff of the College to whom we owe our grateful thanks and appreciation.

So, may I ask you please to charge your glasses, to be upstanding, and to toast Kellogg College.

TO KELLOGG COLLEGE!

Seung Chong