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Dr. Woffles Wu graduated with a M.B.B.S. from National University of Singapore in 1984. He is one of Asia's most prominent plastic surgeons, as well as a highly sought after speaker. He has been featured as one of the 19 most famous aesthetic surgeons in the world and is most famous for inventing the procedure called the Woffles Lift. Dr. Wu is the Medical Director and Consultant Aesthetic and Plastic Surgeon to the Woffles Wu Aesthetic Surgery and Laser Centre. He has held numerous academic appointments and received numerous honours and awards. He has presented over 135 invited panels, workshops and lectures worldwide. He is active in research and has published many papers relevant to plastic surgery. He is an active member in over eight International Plastic Surgery Societies and has held over 18 official positions in Committees and Organisations in Asia. Dr. Wu is the regional editor for the journal, Aesthetic Plastic Surgery and has regular columns in various magazines and newspapers.

You have to be passionate about what you do. Give a 110% to everything you do and live life to the fullest.

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Designed to Give

My campus life was an important developmental period where I learnt new things about myself and my capabilities. This period helped me to consolidate what I wanted to become later in life. I also learnt to develop empathy for people from all walks of life, appreciate diversity, develop interpersonal skills and learn to navigate the waters fending for myself like a small fish in a big ocean. Along the way, we had great fun and found people with similar aspirations who eventually became our friends for life.



One memorable campus memory I recall was a funny prank we played on a classmate who was very precious about his sports car. Except for him, no one was to touch or drive it. Through some strange set of circumstances, his spare car keys ended up with me and we began to spook him out by secretly re-parking his car all over the car park until he thought he was going bonkers! Finally after one month of mental torture, we confessed our prank.

I am a very creative and artistic person who would rather design and redesign the human body than to do boring accountancy in the office. I am hopeless with numbers. I love to design; whether it is a house, a dress, a face or a garden landscape. If I were not a plastic surgeon, I would probably become an interior designer or architect. My varied creative pursuits include filmmaking and my upcoming private art museum. In the end, you must do what you have a passion for. It may not be practical but you must follow your heart.

I feel strongly about giving back to society. My family has always been giving generously to underprivileged people and charitable causes. We believe we have been lucky in life and blessed with much. I wouldn't be where or what I am today if I had not gone through University. It is only fitting that I should contribute towards making my alma mater a better place for future generations of students who can then benefit from better programmes and facilities.



During their time in college, students must be taught that the University is not just a stepping stone in life. Besides money, they can contribute their time and effort too. I am currently the President of the Saint Andrews Alumni Association and one of our aims is to get current students involved in volunteering their time with the school in meaningful activities. These values of giving back must be nurtured in them during their tenure while they are still young and receptive.



With the opening of the Shaw Foundation Alumni House, NUS should try to breed a stronger school spirit. Currently, I feel that the alma mater does not really engage the alumni except when soliciting funds and donations. To get more alumni involved, the Alumni House can offer free courses on digital photography, animation, cooking or other lifelong learning and special interests courses.

Generally speaking, people are more willing to help others in distress rather than contribute to the endowment of a building where people can enjoy themselves. A community project for a worthy cause organised under the auspices of the Alumni House would be a good start to get the alumni to give back to society.



DID YOU KNOW?

Dr Wu dreaded anatomy class for the odour of cadavers and formalin lingering on his clothes. One day, his classmates played a prank by putting a cadaver's penis onto the outstretched palm of an unsuspecting Dr. Wu while he was engrossed in his textbook. He fell off the chair in shock and hysterical laughter.