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Treat for senior citizens

TO celebrate the 100th birthday of its founder, the Tan Sri Tan Chin Tuan Foundation treated over 50 residents and helpers from the Little Sisters of The Poor and Silver Jubilee Home for the Aged to a hearty luncheon at the Parkroyal Hotel in Penang recently.

As they enjoyed their sumptuous meal in the cosy Tamarind Brasserie, the guests were entertained by two groups of senior citizens with a passion for music and dance – the Singing Golden Girls and the Silver Jubilee Dancers.



In harmony: The Singing Golden Girls and the Silver Jubilee Dancers performing a dance to entertain the guests during the luncheon.

Adding to the celebratory mood, senior citizens of the two homes whose birthdays fell in December gathered to sing a birthday song before collectively blowing out the candles on their 5kg birthday cake.

They were joined by foundation deputy chairman Chew Gek Khim, also the granddaughter of the late Tan.

Little Sisters of the Poor resident Regina Chan Swee Peng then serenaded her companions with *Silent Night* and the Teresa Teng classic *The Moon Represents My Heart*.

The day was capped off with two teenagers singing *You Are My Sunshine* while residents were presented with flowers, goody bags and ang pows.

The foundation also gave each home cheques for RM5,000.

The foundation, headquartered in Singapore, was established in 1976 by Tan, with the objective to help the needy,

The foundation supports projects that are viable, sustainable and well-managed with definable social outcomes.

Also present at the luncheon were foundation chief executive officer Eric Teng and Parkroyal Penang general manager Mark Losi.

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