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Cheryl Chan, 38, is Head of Secondary Industries (Corporate Strategy & Market Intelligence) with The Linde Group (Gas & Engineering). In her current role, she oversees a group that provides market insights of the industry, develops growth opportunity areas and supports development of the company's strategies for various industry sectors. Since joining Linde in 2007, she has held several management positions in Electronics sector on market development, product portfolio management and supply chain operations.

Prior to joining Linde, Cheryl spent several years in technical roles and engineering management before moving on to product marketing in Asia with Kulicke & Soffa, the world's leading supplier of semiconductor back-end assembly equipment.

She was a student at the Singapore Chinese Girls' School and Catholic Junior College. Later, she obtained an Honours degree in Applied Science (Materials Engineering) from Nanyang Technological University and furthered her studies, part-time, in Business Management from the MacQuarie Graduate School of Management, while working full-time.

In 2005, Cheryl joined the grassroots organisation in Fengshan and served in the Neighbourhood Committee, Youth Executive Committee and was actively involved in the community. Throughout this period, she was also involved in the Branch activities and supported the Meet-the-People sessions and the house visits among others. In 2012, she was appointed Chair of the Community Club Management Committee and also served as member in the Citizen's Consultative Committee and East Coast Town Council.

Cheryl is a firm believer in the importance of values and how, combined with a spirit of active volunteerism and a strong sense of community; could help us attain our collective goal of a gracious and inclusive society.

Apart from her community work, she spends her leisure time with her family and friends and enjoys cooking, yoga, jogging and reading.

Summary of Statement

I enjoy interacting with people and believe that volunteer work provides this platform and is akin to attending a social learning school. To me, giving help to someone in need and knowing that he/she is eventually able to move on with their lives brings great satisfaction. The strong friendships built with fellow volunteers over the years have also kept me going.

Be it volunteers or activists, we continue to outreach to groups of people that crosses path in our lives. We need to stay focus on our path and truly serve the cause that brought us into this shared journey of service to our fellow Singaporeans.

Personal quote:

I hope more people will take efforts to look beyond themselves, speak up for the right causes and take the first step to reach out to those who need more support. With more people in the community having positive shared values and paying it forward, we can certainly achieve more together - united and as a caring nation.