

**"We're by nature a friendly and happy bunch. It all started with a simple 'hello'. When you start the ball rolling, people will respond. I'm the handy man who's on call 24/7 for my neighbours. My race is not an issue. We no longer feel like we are invisible. Our relationship can only get better."**



**Janet Leong** 42  
Housewife  
Janet, 42, is one of three, does not look like a typical housewife. Her family was the second to move into this block of flats.



**Devin Soh** 34  
System Engineer  
Devin is the 'ice-breaker' who organises all the get-togethers. The neighbours decorated this corridor when he moved in. His parents live with them.

**Faith Soh** 34  
Secretary in financial advisory company  
Faith was not used to the closeness of the neighbours when she first moved in. "It was funny for me to be doing housework and suddenly see a neighbour looking in." Now, she craves for more and often packs goodie bags for the kids and mothers.

**Richard Chua** 50  
Sales Manager  
The group's 'summer' or 'winter' or 'rainy day' started the ball rolling by playing table tennis, and then installing informal chat sessions. He lives with his mother, his wife and two children. Neighbours say his 'ya sheng' is to do for.

**Zhao Wen Bing** 42  
Gas technician  
The China native from Shanxi Province, moved from one rental flat to another before buying this unit in 2007. Now a Singapore Permanent Resident, he lives with his wife, mother-in-law and teenage son.

**Chan Kok Meng** 52  
Construction site foreman  
He and his wife live there with two children, a daughter who is 19 and a son, 15.



**Nur Liyana Peter Abdullah** 33  
Bank Administrative Assistant  
She and her husband, a senior course, live there with their two daughters and Nur Liyana's grandma. They were the first family to move in.

# close

{ encounters of the nice kind }

The six neighbours who live on the 8th floor in Woodlands View leave their doors open because they trust, respect and care for each other like family. Their closeness is the envy of their friends and relatives, who now invite themselves to their regular corridor gatherings. It is no wonder that most of them think their unit is worth at least \$1 million each.

Just how close is close?  
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**Michelle Koh** 14  
Member of the school choir  
Michelle Koh, 14, is a member of the school choir. She lives with her mother and two brothers.

**Adriana Hie Hie Aoi** 9  
Student  
Adriana Hie Hie Aoi, 9, is a student at the local primary school. She lives with her mother and two brothers.