When more than one billion people in the world live on less than one US$1 a day, how can the poverty trap be broken?

Poverty is fundamentally driven by the widespread disparity in access to networks of productivity and exchange. Connecting the bottom billion to fundamental goods and services, such as education, health care and banking, in a better way could be one of the solutions.”

Callum, one of the four founders of the social enterprise Mandala Group, believes an offline mobile phone App Store promoting economic inclusion can lift communities out of poverty. Mandala Group, naming after the Marathi word for ‘community’, is building the world’s first offline app store focusing on education, health and finance, the building blocks of an economy. It is specifically targeting the Indian market – the home to one third of the world’s 1.2 billion poorest people.

Mobile phone penetration in India is 95%, although 70% of Indians are not connected to the Internet. Mandala Group seeks to offer solutions that do not require an internet connection or a smart phone. “We utilise Cloud Telephony technology to build our solutions. Cloud telephony is simply a computer that can be accessed via a simple phone call or text message. This computer is where we store code and algorithms that allow us to transfer valuable information when a person signals for the information. An interactive voice call or SMS from the user is a key to open our data points which allows us to know what information to transmit or what action to take,” said Callum.

teleStory, an offline education app developed by Callum’s other social enterprise, is one of the current solutions provided by Mandala Group to help illiterate families read together by giving them access to audio lessons stored on a cloud computer along with a corresponding children’s book. With teleStory, Callum and his teammates made it to the finals of the Hult Prize 2015, the largest such worldwide student competition which is presented at the Clinton Global Initiative in New York. This year, he decided to set the challenge of doubling the income of 10 million people residing in crowded urban spaces by 2022.

Resources are now needed to take Mandala Group to the next level. A revolutionary online volunteering platform has been created to help anyone from anywhere to join their app-building journey. Volunteers, defined by their skill sets, are welcome to join different Expertise Groups, such as “Mandala Techies” and “Mandala Communicators”.

Sylvia, a final-year student of the Faculty of Social Sciences, decided to take a gap year from her studies to be part of Mandala Group in India. Working as a Mandala Communicator, she manages the marketing content for the Group. “From social media to public relations, I build content for sharing and reaching out to schools, NGOs and corporations.”

Be part of Mandala Group: www.mandalagroup.org/
Michelle, Timothy, Chris and Derek were among the 300 honourees of Forbes Asia’s inaugural 30 under 30 list – a list of the top most-promising young leaders, daring entrepreneurs and game changers in 10 different sectors.

“Everyone will have #bridezilla-like symptoms when being an entrepreneur. But I founded the Asia Wedding Network, an online wedding platform, with one goal – to make wedding planning fun and simple,” says Michelle. To keep things running smoothly, she uses the skills she learnt and the experience she gained at other startups, J.P. Morgan, the Wall Street Journal and the HKU Journalism & Media Studies Centre, to make sure she leads her marketing team effectively, and that the web content is always top-notch. “Being able to take part in the most important day of every woman’s life is a dream come true.”

Forbes’s honouree Timothy took a very different track from Michelle by focusing on helping students with their homework. He co-founded Snapask, an app for on-demand homework help with over 60,000 students signed up across Asia. “From a team of three to a staff of nearly 60, our monthly revenue is now nearly HK$1,000,000.”

Chris and Derek founded 9gag.com together with Ray Chan 陈展程 (LLB 2006) and two others. With almost 30 million followers on Facebook and on Instagram, 9gag.com, a leading social media platform to share jokes, is no laughing matter.

www.forbes.com/30-under-30-asia-2016/
Vincent Chow 周嘉俊 (BEng(CE) 2004)

Let’s Join-a-Ride!

"Join-a-Ride can find you ‘riders’ who can share the taxi fare. It saves your precious time and money, and can also reduce traffic jams and improve air quality."

Long queues for taxis during peak hours and on rainy days are a typical sight in Hong Kong. However, many passengers will be travelling alone despite taxis having four- or five-seat capacities, and some travellers might actually be going to similar locations.

Vincent and his childhood friends Calvin Kong, Ken Chan and Kenneth Kwok, who are also HKU graduates, believe car pooling may help travellers save time and money while reducing pollution.

Eric Cheng 鄭耀邦 (BEng (IMMSE) 2002)

A Journey into the World of Magic

"I performed my very first stage magic at HKU Chong Yuet Ming Amenities Centre during Year 2. And today I performed my magic on stage in Italy to an audience of 3,000. The next FISM will be held in Busan, Korea in 2018 and I hope I can be part of it."

Eric is a licensed aircraft maintenance engineer and is capable of carrying out aircraft certification on aeroplanes by different manufacturers, such as Airbus and Boeing, and that includes the Dreamliner B787. He was one of seven magicians who represented Hong Kong at the 26th World Championship of Magic, also known as FISM, to compete against 150 other magicians from all over the world.

Rosie Grey 灰若 (BA 2009)

My Childhood Dream

My first opportunity to achieve that dream came when I worked for CULT magazine as a student reporter while at HKU. The editor felt I had talent and asked me to draw comics for the magazine. An image of a pink rabbit popped into my head and I created my signature character - Rosie Rabbie (露思兔子).

I started to draw a comic diary using Rosie Rabbie and shared them online. A local publisher published my first comic book - Rosie Rabbie VS Hong Kong Children 《爆豬兔子大戰港孩實錄》. It reflected the reality of the tutorial centres. A few years later, I became an official teacher at a local primary school. I try to incorporate my interests into my career and started a Story Writing Workshop (英文繪本創作班) at which I teach students to write and draw their own stories. Meanwhile, I continue drawing comics for online and have set up a Facebook fan page called "Miss Rosie Rabbie" (露思兔子教學血淚史), which shows the lives of today’s Hong Kong teachers.

www.facebook.com/missrosierabbie
www.missrosierabbie.com
**Vincci Law 羅韻芝 (BEcon&Fin 2003)**

**We make people SHINE**

Over the years running my family’s handbag manufacturing business, I have met many talented designers who dreamed of developing their own products but were not able to because of limited resources and a lack of professional guidance. It became my dream to help them catch their dreams.

After a whole year of preparations, I launched my handbag brand AIVEDETTE at a local fashion concept store in February 2016. AIVEDETTE is a platform that supports local designers in building their brands. It also gathers potential business partners and friends who share the same dream.

AIVEDETTE plays on the French words “ai”, meaning “have”, and “vedette”, meaning “star”. I believe that the numerous stars in the sky are gifts from Heaven. Each is as beautiful as any other. Some can be seen from Earth.

Starting a new brand in Hong Kong is not an easy task. The greatest challenge is to identify those “hidden” designers who have the same vision as AIVEDETTE. Take our debut collection “L’amour Macaron” as an example. Although the designers had total freedom on the design direction, materials, colours, and so forth, when it came to the manufacturing there were a lot of trial-and-error experiments and discussions to strike a balance between beauty and reality that was workable.

Currently, I am the only one who works on this full time while my teammates are part-time. But, we all share the same dream of “making people shine”.

www.aivedette.com

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**Peter Lee 李浩翔 (PGDE 2005; EdD 2014)**

**BALLOONS Lit. Journal**

“To celebrate the beauty of English and the arts was definitely the first aim of establishing this magazine. And I’m more than honoured to be able to gather excellent works from people all around the world and from all walks of life.”

Peter, currently the Panel Chair of English at Ying Wa Primary School, founded an independent online literary journal for young people titled BALLOONS Lit. Journal (BLJ). The name of this magazine comes from Peter’s drawings of balloon-like figures with faces, which he makes on students’ work along with his markings. The BLJ Advisory Board has now expanded to include academics and experienced educators including Dr Gary Harfitt, Assistant Dean (Experiential Learning) at the HKU Faculty of Education. BLJ will also receive funding from the Hong Kong Teachers Dream Fund for the next three years. www.balloons-lit-journal.com
**Doris Leung 梁淑儀 (MJ 2003)**

**My dream to CHANGE**

From TV journalist to social entrepreneur, I have made an extraordinary journey for a trained journalist. After graduating with a Master of Journalism, I remained at i-Cable News as a Principal Reporter for 16 years until 2009. The unexpected disability of my beloved mum in 2007 inspired me to start the unprecedented barrier-free taxi service, Diamond Cab, in Hong Kong in 2011.

Up to April 2016, Diamond Cab has successfully accomplished more than 100,000 advance bookings, mainly for wheelchair passengers. Wanting to take the service beyond just transportation, I initiated the “Diamond Leisure” and other Diamond Events to advocate the importance of barrier-free access for the elderly and to create a culture of happy aging in Hong Kong. [www.diamondcab.com.hk](http://www.diamondcab.com.hk)

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**Rebecca Chan 陳靜怡 (BSc 2014)**

**Maxim’s and me**

I joined Maxim’s Group as an Executive Trainee after finishing my Bachelor of Science in Food and Nutritional Science. My encounter with Maxim’s started with a cup of caramel macchiato on my first day at HKU. Different Maxim’s brands were there with me throughout my university life: the coffee from Starbucks when I was doing my revision in the library; the student canteen Maxim’s Food2 where I spent most of my lunch breaks; not to mention the cakes and snacks provided by Maxim’s Cakes when I held the inauguration ceremony for my student society. It is marvellous that I now work for this ever-growing company!

The programme provides us with a fast-track learning and development opportunity in the rapidly growing food and beverage industry. We are provided with all-round exposure including on-the-job attachments and training, business and management training workshops, and corporate-wide projects. The company treasures new talent and each trainee is assigned an experienced mentor from senior management to guide us and give us direction in our career development. All these experiences help to deepen our understanding of the management and operations of each business unit. As an Executive Trainee, I find the training programme is a dynamic platform that allows me to excel in the company.
"I have faith that Professor Chan, the first holder of this professorship, will continue to inspire others through his frontier research and bring new insights to the field of science."

Daniel C K Yu
Chairman and Director, Maxwell Electronics Limited

Professor Chan was named as the holder of the Daniel C K Yu Professorship in Science at the 3rd Inauguration Ceremony of Named Professorships at HKUST. He is also Executive Director of the HKUST Jockey Club Institute for Advanced Study.

Professor Chan's main research interests include the application of first principles and related methods in the study of the electronic, structural and other physical properties of matter; surface physics; photonic band gaps; and material physics.

Donald Fan 范統 (BA(AS) 1979; BArch 1981)

Donald studied Architecture at HKU when his family migrated to Hawaii in the late 1970s. He misses his father greatly and recently shared his love and memories of his late father in the Apple Daily. Donald is the Chief Operation Officer of Paliburg Holdings Limited, and Executive Director of Century City International Holdings Limited and Regal Hotels International Holdings Limited.

最遺憾的一天

我爸爸是河北人，50年代由內地偷渡到香港，身無分文，講無人能聽得懂的河北話，卻能自力更生建大了我們三兄妹，實在不容易！由於他怕當時的共產黨，故千方百計移民海外，70年代尾他成功移民到夏威夷並開了一間上海餐館，隨後弟弟和妹妹都移民到夏威夷居住至今，當時因香港大學取錄了我，故只有我一個留在香港，一家分兩地直到現在。

1999年8月，爸爸癌症病危，醫生說他已到最後階段，我和太太連同子女一齊到夏威夷探爸爸，在那一段時間，爸爸見到孫女及孫仔，非常開心，胃口也好了，但病情每況愈下，一星期後，公司開始催促我回港，但爸爸甚麼時候才到終點，連醫生都不敢說，可以一星期，可以兩星期或一個月，作為長子，我很想陪他到最後，但又不能一直待在香港，而當時香港的公事實在非常繁重，若我離開崗位太久，自會阻礙事項的推動，對公司不公平，留或不留，當時真是腦交戰，最後逼於無奈把心一橫決定回香港。臨走的一天，可能是我一生人最遺憾的一天，太大，孫女及孫仔和爺爸逐握手道別，但爸爸只淚流著眼望前方，不看他們，也不看我，大家心中有數，這次一別是永別，下一次到夏威夷時就是爸爸的喪禮，我離開病房的一刻，見到爸爸是無意識在撫手拜拜，但仍然沒有轉頭望我們。

時隔17年，我仍然不確定當時告別時爸爸在想甚麼？是否覺得我不孝，不陪他到最後，或是否他根本不是怪我，只是不想大家分別時，大家太難過，所以避開眼神接觸。回香港時，在飛機上百感交集，一方面自責自己為何不不留多一點時間，另一方面又自解公司既委以重任，要向公司負責，我媽媽、弟妹都沒有怪我，反而我的嚵咀女兒在飛機上哭不停，就連最喜歡的雪糕也不吃 (平時見到雪糕，她會眼睛發亮)，一個11歲的女孩比她爸爸還懂事！

一個月後，9月30號的早上收到弟弟的電話，爸爸走了！媽媽、弟弟和妹妹在爸爸患病的時候，一直小心照顧，陪伴左右，弟妹的孝心，比哥哥強多了！尤其在留院期間，爸爸大小二便都是弟弟幫他清潔，真的辛苦了他，我想幫爸爸清潔，弟弟怕我不慣，怎都要爭住做，從小到大，我和弟弟的身份是倒轉，弟弟在任何情況下都保護及維護哥哥，實在令我十分慚愧及感謝。

爸爸走之前，可喜的一件事是醫院准許爸爸最愛的狗狗 (Rocky)在醫院陪他(爸爸住的醫院是只照顧彌留病人)，Rocky是普通唐狗，流浪街頭，爸爸收留他，從此一直只當爸爸是主人，牠不漂亮但聰明有人性，我在相片看得見Rocky在病床上和爸爸凝望依依不捨的眼神，牠明白爸爸很快要離開，爸爸走了幾個月後，Rocky也走了。

直到今天，我對自己當時將事業放在親情前的決定還是不能釋懷，如果再給我選擇一次，我會陪爸爸到最後。

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Kwan Sek-yiu 關錫堯 (BSc (Eng) 1974)

Endurance and Perseverance on Land and at Sea
一分耕耘，一分收穫

This is the 40th year that I have participated in marathons. My plan is to run full marathons for 50 years.

My first marathon dates back to December 4, 1977. There were no half-marathons or 10k races then, so the full marathon was the only option. I was among some 200 runners who paid the HK$2 entry fee to run the gruelling 42.195 kilometres. Only 60 of us finished the full course within the five-hour time limit. Twenty years later, in 1997, the Open Marathon was named the Standard Chartered Hong Kong Marathon when the Bank became the main sponsor.

In 1996, I took part in the 100-km Oxfam Trailwalker for the first time as part of a Hong Kong University Graduates Association (HKUGA) team with three other HKU graduates. I have now participated in this popular fund-raising event every year since 1998, and 2016 sees me taking part in my 20th Trailwalker. Over our 19 years’ participation, the team has raised over HK$4.23 million to help the underprivileged, with over HK$2.75 million having been raised by myself. My active involvement in this meaningful event is most rewarding as I get to help many needy people, make good friends, train new members one after another, and share a great team spirit and positive attitude with my peer group. If you are interested in joining the Trailwalker, please email me at kwansekyiu@gmail.com.

I have also participated in distance swimming events, the first one being the 2,300-yard Cross Tolo Harbour Swim in 1971. For 30 years I have assumed the role of co-ordinator for distance swimming events including the annual New Year Swim, with temperatures ranging from 4ºC to 22 ºC. I feel fortunate to have been able to join the last two Victoria Harbour Swims from Tsim Sha Tsui to Central in 1977 and 1978, and it is disheartening to witness the narrowing of the Victoria Harbour from one mile to one kilometre.
Mainland China has 61 million “left-behind children” (留守兒童), the rural children left behind by parents who move to the cities for work. It is estimated that over the past eight years a further 2.42 million children have fallen into this category. The impact is huge. The lack of parenting may cause the children to have behaviour problems and emotional disorders, resulting in bullying at school. The Morrison Hall Social Service Group (MSSG) organised a two-week trip to Chongqing earlier this year to provide services to over 300 local left-behind children.

“One of the teachers shared with us that there was a left-behind child with emotional issues who set a fire during class. I was so shocked. But then I realised the left-behind children, without much care from their parents, feel hopeless about their future and like to challenge their teachers’ authority,” said Sabrina.

Norris shares the same thoughts as Sabrina, that the service trip offered a first-hand experience in understanding the needs of the left-behind children. “In the classrooms we visited around 60-90% of the pupils were left-behind children. Their self-management skills are very poor and they tend to build harmful relationships with others. But at the end of our trip some children gave us freshly harvested white radishes as a token of thanks!” Matthew, another participating organising committee member, also benefitted from this trip in a way that surprised him – he realised that his interests lie in teaching.

Throughout the past decade, MSSG, with its motto of “We enrich life through Service”, has been providing various services to different groups, such as the needy, the youth, the elderly, and the mentally challenged, as well as to environmental projects.
紅黃齊奪魁元日 玫瑰銀碗璧還時

香港大學何東夫人紀念堂與利瑪竇宿舍交往素睦，合作良多，比如舉辦何瑪營、球隊訓練、樂隊演奏、友誼辯論等。每年九月，兩舍新生均積極投入「搶銅鑼」攻防，手腳並用，水袋飛濺，誠為港大多年佳話。電影《玻璃之城》的浪漫情懷，更是教人黯然不已。

適何東夫人紀念堂65周年堂慶，又逢利瑪竇宿舍及何東夫人紀念堂於2016年度聯合體育比賽中競逐，分別奪得聯合舍馬來人挑戰盃（「馬來人盃」）Malayan Cup及奧瑪玫瑰挑戰碗Omega Rose Bowl。利瑪竇宿舍宿友楊思亮、何東夫人紀念堂友陸之颱夫婦，經利瑪竇宿舍文物及保育徵集計劃協助，覓得1967年友堂奧米加玫瑰碗乙枚，於何東夫人紀念堂堂慶高桌晚宴期間，慷慨將玫瑰碗璧還為慶，藉此祝願兩堂友誼永固，宿生自強不息。

璧還銀碗其來有自。話說在1965年，香港大學邀請阿米加奧姆迪斯公司捐出舍際體育比賽獎項，女子總冠軍為「奧米加玫瑰碗」。1995年，贊助商改為奧爾瑪公司，該碗亦改稱為「奧瑪玫瑰挑戰碗」。勝出的舍堂學院可保有大碗一年。名列前茅的亦會有一隻紀念小碗永作存念。今次物歸原主的，正是四十九年前的紀念小碗。男子總冠軍獎盃全名為聯合舍馬來人挑戰盃，由泛馬來亞校友聯會於1949年捐出。無論是馬來人盃抑或是玫瑰碗，上面都鑲有獲勝舍堂學院的名字。不少校友即使畢業良久，只要手執盃碗，也能數算著上面的銘刻，娓娓道來當年的熱血和疯狂。

利瑪竇宿舍和何東夫人紀念堂齊奪舍際男女體育總冠軍，上次已是九年前往事。兩所舍堂均為聯合體育比賽常勝客。從1949年至今，利瑪竇宿舍三十五次奪得男子總冠軍殊榮，次數冠絕所有舍堂學院。自1945年起，舍堂更三年連霸，蟬聯魁首寶座。何東夫人紀念堂自1965年起曾十六次勇奪女子總冠軍，成績彪炳顯赫。

香港大學利瑪竇宿舍文物保育及徵集計劃及何東夫人紀念堂舊生會一直致力保育徵集舍堂有關的文物和歷史，從而提高舍堂學生、大學同僊、畢業校友，乃至廣大公眾對相關文物歷史的興趣和認識。如有查詢，歡迎與香港大學利瑪竇宿舍文物保育及徵集計劃聯席召集人梁浩基（電郵：leungdei@connect.hku.hk）或何東夫人紀念堂舊生會主席何思慧（電郵：lht.ceciho@gmail.com）聯絡。

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2015至2016年度香港大學學生會何東夫人紀念堂宿舍會主席
Vadim Bonch (BSc(Eng) 1937)

The Russian Link

Vadim Bonch studied Electrical Engineering at HKU in the 1930s and resided at Morrison Hall. After graduation, he worked for the HK Electric Company at the power station when it was a coal-powered facility, located by the harbour past Causeway Bay. Bonch joined the British army during the Japanese attack in the 1940s and became a Prisoner-of-War. Bouch and his wife were in Japanese prison camps, he at Stanley Bay and his wife in Shanghai where she was sent to a civilian camp. He and his family left for Canada in 1957.

"The photos and story are poignant reminders of what my parents went through, as did so many. They were survivors. My father never spoke of the difficulties. He emerged from the ordeal with the philosophy that life is to be enjoyed and appreciated. When I asked questions about what it was like, he replied that one time they made curry in a large metal tub, although it took a long time to gather the ingredients."

Barbara Myronuk
Daughter of Vadim Bonch

At the Singularity University X Li Ka Shing Foundation Techcracker Exponential Learning Program on April 15 & 16, 2016 at Chi Sun College, Kathryn Myronuk of Singularity University showed the photo of her grandfather Vadim Bonch, a Russian student at HKU in the 1930s.
In Memory of

Professor Brian Lofts (1929–2015)

• Head and Chair Professor, Department of Zoology (1967–1989)
• Pro-Vice-Chancellor (1981–1984)
• Emeritus Professor

It is with deep sadness that we mourn the passing of Professor Brian Lofts, our Emeritus Professor, on the 6th of December, 2015 at a hospital in Norwich, at the age of 86.

Professor Lofts’ exceptional research achievements were well recognised internationally. He was the Fellow of the Institute of Biology (which was later merged with the Biosciences Federation to form the Society of Biology), a Fellow of the Zoological Society, and a Doctor of Science (Zoology), and was a recipient of the Order of the British Empire. He was also elected as the Honorary Member by The Hong Kong Society of Endocrinology, Metabolism and Reproduction in 1988 and was a Justice of the Peace.

Professor Lofts was renowned and respected for his lifelong dedication to the disciplines of biology and zoology. During his 22 years of service at HKU, Professor Lofts was keen to promote conservation and zoology. He was one of the founders of the Conservancy Association in Hong Kong in 1968. He actively engaged his students to research on the physiology and endocrinology of Hong Kong’s reptiles and amphibians. He published several popular titles in biology, including *Photoperiodisme animal* and *Animal Photoperiodism (Studies in Biology)*.

We honour the memory of Professor Lofts for his lifetime dedicated to endocrinology scientific research. He will be dearly missed by all whose lives he touched.

Professor Sun Kwok
Dean of Science (2006-2016)

In late 1969, I received a letter from Brian Lofts asking if I would be interested in applying for a position in the Zoology Department of HKU. I replied that I was, duly applied, was interviewed at the Office of the Association of Commonwealth Universities and finally received another letter from Brian inviting me to meet him in London. He explained that he would meet me under the clock in Victoria Station at a certain time and date and that I would be able to recognise him by his distinctive striped jacket that made him look like an ice-cream seller. On arrival at Victoria after a two-hour train ride from England’s south coast, I saw Brian, approached him and said “Hello, I’m also Brian; can I have two cornets please?” He looked at me for a few seconds and then said: “why do you want two?” I replied that “I want to take one back to Sussex for my wife!” Again, he looked at me for a few seconds and then roared with laughter. “Come on,” he said, “let’s get a cup of coffee.” We chatted over coffee for about an hour, he explained that he wanted to restart the teaching of marine biology at HKU and asked if I was up to the job. I said that I thought I was and, really, that was that. I received the official telegram of appointment a few weeks later.

That was Brian: always immaculately dressed, affable, cheerful and friendly. The epitome of an English (but actually Welsh) gentleman. As with every University in the 1970s, he ran the Zoology Department of HKU as a kind, benevolent dictator. We as staff had no input into the department’s budget or its allocation: instead we just asked for what we needed and typically got it. In 20 years of working with Brian, I never had a single argument with him, his office door was always open, we talked often, he helped my career along and occasionally he circuitously sought my advice. When he retired in 1989, I had affectionately known my ice-cream vendor for 20 years and was very sorry to see him peddle off. It is also very sad that he has now died taking a big chunk of my life with him.

Professor Brian Morton
Emeritus Professor

In his capacity as a Pro-Vice-Chancellor Professor Lofts was Chairman of the Management Committee of the Fung Ping Shan Museum from 1978 until 1986. He was deeply interested in Chinese works of art and antiquities, and together with Mr Duncan Mackintosh of the Department of Extra-Mural Studies and myself were three of the seven founding members of the Oriental Ceramics Society (OCS) of Hong Kong set up in March 1974. He was the Society’s Honorary Treasurer from the beginning until 1986 and on departure was elected Honorary Life Member of the Society. He and his wife Claudine had a small collection themselves and before leaving Hong Kong donated a pair of early Qing mother-of-pearl inlay plates to the Museum. Apart from ex-HKU colleagues and students he will be remembered with affection by members of the OCS, a society that has remained active here in Hong Kong.

Ellie Alleyne 王蘅 (BA 1952)
Registrar (1980–1985)
Ronnie and Tony first met at a casual meeting of the Arts Association, HKUSU. Tony assumed the position of General Secretary of the Association later that year, while Ronnie turned her focus to the Film Society.

They were not close friends, only keeping in touch through Facebook – that is until ten years after they first met. They shared trips back to HKU before the Faculty of Arts moved to the Centennial Campus, and also celebrated the University’s Centenary as well as attending the Bricks Wall opening together. And then love blossomed.

“HKU is the place that cultivated my thinking. The Main Building holds a lot of shared memories for Tony and me. He can even recall the very moment we first met in the Main Building when we were between lectures. We met again when we were much more mature and ‘marriage-ready’. We definitely want to raise a family if it is God’s plan for us,”
Love struck at Stanley Ho Sports Centre

“We met at P2, the softball pitch in Stanley Ho Sports Centre. Rathaphattaya was the softball team coach for our Hall. HKU is a place that we are very proud of and we have a lot of great memories of the city. We made a lot of friends and also found our life-long partner. We appreciate the unique hall culture at HKU, which gave us a lot of opportunities to try out different things and make friends from different backgrounds.”

Rigel and Rathaphattaya met in 2007 when they were HKU students. Rigel was a member of the Duchess of Kent Hall and a member of the softball team, while Rathaphattaya was staying at Ricci Hall. Having been together for eight years, they decided to tie the knot in 2015.
William Choi 蔡振雄 (BEng 1996), Janey Wu 胡珍莉 (BSc 2003; PCEd 2004) and their kids Hailey and Harris


Cathy Lai 賴瑩瑜 (BBA(Law) 2010; LLB 2012) and Louis Leung 梁賀銘 (BSc(SL) 2007)

Christy Yu 余杏芳 (LLB 2004; PCLL 2005) and Peter Tai 戴辛酉 (BSc(CIS) 2004)

Sue Lam 林詩雅 (BAcc 2005) and Tony Tang 鄧文滔

Alina Cheung 張曉欣 (BNurs 2009; MPH 2011) and Dr Wilson Chan 陳祐祈 (MBBS 2010; MPH 2015)

Euji Lam 林曉鋒 (MEd 2011) and their son Chi-hang

Judy Kwok 郭玉珠 (BMS 2010) and her husband Leo Li and daughter Pui-lam

John Lam 林志明 (BEng 2004) and his son Ching-hin

Wong Ching-yee 黃靜儀 (BJ 2007; PGDE 2011) and their son Chi-hang

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