Alumna Iris Law, a senior statistician of the Government, recommends interested alumni to read a publication 'A Graphic Guide on Hong Kong’s Development (1967 - 2002)', which was released this summer by the Census and Statistics Department.

"To some people, official statistics publications may appear to be something which would only appeal to people who are impressively numerate, like economists, researchers and business professionals. But this Graphic Guide is a shining example showing how statistics, if presented in an interesting and relatively simple manner, can attract a wide audience from the general public," says Iris, editor of the Graphic Guide. "...There are many stories about the development of a place where we were born and/or studied or have worked for years. And, indeed, a place where we have contributed in one way or another."

The publication involves also the inputs and efforts of many alumni. There are tens of professional statisticians in the Department who are HKU alumni, among whom are the Commissioner, Mr Frederick Ho (BSc 1966; CertEd 1971; MSocSc 1989) and Deputy Commissioner, Mr Fung Hing-wang (BSocSc 1973; MSocSc 1983). For more information, www.info.gov.hk/censtatd/eng/graphicguide.html.

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Vivien Tye shares her poems in her recently published book "Quiet Songs". Vivien mentions in her book, "Our burden of living grows proportionately in weight and magnitude with the amount of love in our heart... I dedicate my poems to those of my kind who, like me, carry the burdens of love every step of our life."
Professor Tam Shang-wai (right) will be retiring from his job as President of the Open University of Hong Kong in November 2003. Professor Tam has led the Open University with steady growth and remarkable success for eight years. Professor John Leong (left) will succeed Professor Tam as President in December 2003.

John is an eminent orthopaedic surgeon, and has been working in HKU for 37 years and has been Professor and Head of the Department of Orthopaedic Surgery of the University since 1981. He is also the Chairman of the Hong Kong Council for Academic Accreditation.

At HONG KONG ACADEMY FOR PERFORMING ARTS
Herbert Huey 許文超 (BA 1974; MPhil 1978)
Herbert has just joined The Hong Kong Academy For Performing Arts as their Associate Director (Administration) and Registrar. Prior to this, he spent 16 years in teaching history and as an administrator in the University.

At UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO AT SCARBOROUGH
Shun Kwong-loi 信廣來 (BA 1975; MPhil 1978)
After completing 17 years of scholarship and leadership at the University of California at Berkeley, Professor Shun, former Dean of the Undergraduate Division of the College of Letters and Science of UC Berkeley, has been named Vice-President and Principal of the University of Toronto at Scarborough, effective from January 1, 2004. He taught moral and Chinese philosophy at UC Berkeley from 1966 - 2003. He has also published numerous articles and reviews and the first of a three-volume work on Confucian thought, Mencius and Early Chinese Thought.

Alice Yuk 郁德芬 (BSocSc 1975; MPA 1991)
"We have spent the past 20 months debating, formulating concepts and working hard to realize a dream, to put an ideal into practice - which is to develop a Learning Community that CARES (CARES - Creativity; Alternative Paths; Resilience; Empowerment; Service). On the September 1, 2003, we were at the main entrance of our School – the YMCA of Hong Kong Christian College – to receive the first batch of students. Our dream had come alive.

Twenty months ago the site where the school now stands, (2 Chung Yat Street, Tung Chung) was still quite deserted. It was so empty that friends, out of concern, were suggesting that we find a temporary campus as an interim measure. But with efforts from all parties, the school was completed on time. We could not contain our excitement on seeing the beautiful campus surrounded by the green mountains on three sides with a wide, clear view facing the International Airport. Our eagerness to interact with young people - some are confident, some a bit lost, some adventurous looking - was overwhelming! Yet we are well aware that the real challenge lies ahead. Our capacity to be patient, loving and wise in learning and growing with our students and teachers will be tested in the months and years ahead.

We look upon you for continuous support and guidance.”

"In quest of truth unwavering, through days and months we've sought.
Intense in thought, discussing well, to strengthen life and thought.
God calls us all to fragrant deeds, over bitter seas to gleam.
The world awaits a helping hand, to show a guiding beam”.

(In Quest of Truth Unwavering, Zia)