HKU in North America!

From shore to shore, from coast to coast, from sea to shining sea. This autumn, in the first tour of its kind, Vice-Chancellor Lap-Chee Tsui and his delegation visited the alumni chapters across the United States and Canada (Los Angeles, San Francisco, Toronto and Vancouver).

Thanks to the support given by the respective alumni chapters, the dinner gatherings were held at either the residences of alumni or as Chinese banquets, and were attended by about a hundred guests in each city. Some were attending an alumni event for the first time, and some were reunited with their classmates for the first time in over thirty years!

In addition to meeting alumni, Professor Tsui also spoke at four luncheons on the topic “The New Silk Road – A Renaissance of Asian Development” (see this issue’s cover story on page 10). The luncheons were well-received by the audience and over 30 media contacts were made during this trip. Apart from the University alumni chapters, luncheon co-organisers included the Hong Kong Economic Trade Offices, the Canadian Club (Toronto), the Hong Kong-Canada Business Association, the Hong Kong Associations and the Friends of HKU Ltd. The delegation also made courtesy visits to several partner universities, to enhance collaborations for student exchanges as well as teaching and research activities.

Go to www.hku.hk/daao/northamericavisit for more photos and details.
San Francisco

Alumni Dinner at Dr Chan Shu-wing’s house in San Francisco

(From left) Professor Kan Yuetwai, President, Friends of HKU Ltd; the Vice-Chancellor and Dr Bill Mok, President, HKUAA Northern California.

HKU Delegation at UC Berkeley with Dr Donald McQuade, Vice-Chancellor-University Relations and Ms Julia Hsiao, Assistant Vice-Chancellor, International Relations

Alumni Dinner, Oct 23

Luncheon Talk at Omni San Francisco Hotel, Oct 25

Conferences & Award Banquets
Head Table guests at The Canadian Club Luncheon Talk including (from left: Ivan McFarlane (Director, The Canadian Club), Tony Wong, MPP (Ministry of Economic Trade & Development (Ontario)), Anne Sado (President, George Brown College), John Evans (Chairman, Torstar), Shun Kwong-loi (VP & Principal, UT Scarborough), Bassanio So (Director, HKETO), Noella Milne (VP, The Canadian Club).

At the University of Waterloo. 3rd left: Dr Amit Chakma, Vice-President, Academic & Provost.

Alumni Dinner, Oct 30

Toronto Luncheon Talk


Luncheon Talk at Metro Toronto Conference Centre, Oct 29

Conferences & Visits
Past Presidents of Hong Kong University Alumni Association British Columbia. To the right of the Vice-Chancellor: Harry Lee, current President of HKUAA BC.

Exchanging souvenir with Dr Martha Piper, President of University of British Columbia.

Vancouver Alumni Dinner attended by alumni, students, staff and friends.

Government officials, businessmen, academics and community leaders at the luncheon talk.

Vancouver Luncheon Talk at Terminal City Club, Nov 2.

Alumni Dinner, Nov 2

University & Other Visits

Next destination? Stay tuned!