Opening New Doors

The Jockey Club Student Village II 賽馬會第二舍堂村 was completed in summer 2005 to provide accommodation for 900 students at HKU. The Student Village has three new halls:
- Morrison Hall 馬禮遜堂
- Lee Shau Kee Hall 李兆基堂
- Suen Chi Sun Hall 孫志新堂

Hall education has long been a fine tradition of HKU. The opening of the three new halls is a vivid reminder of the University's ongoing commitment to providing the most memorable and meaningful university experience possible for our students. With one third of the hall residents coming from overseas, the three new halls will help strengthen the University's global focus.

The halls have 90 single and 405 double rooms for undergraduate and postgraduate students. Each hall is also equipped with a Students' Association Room, a Multi-Purpose Hall and various meeting rooms.

With the opening of the three halls, HKU now has 4,375 hostel places — equal to 39% of the full-time student body.

The Suen Chi Sun Hall, named after the late Mr Suen Chi-sun (1929-1997), founder of the Simatelex Manufactory Company Limited, held its grand opening ceremony on November 16, 2005.

The three new hall wardens (from left): Dr David Plott of Lee Shau Kee Hall, Dr Ben Young of Suen Chi Sun Hall, and Dr Billy Hau Chih-Kang, 胡智強 (BSc 1991; MSc[EnvMan] 1994, PhD 2000) of Morrison Hall.

Commemorative plaque of the Suen Chi Sun Hall was unveiled by the Suen family including Mrs Suen Chi-sun (7th right), Ms Esther Suen (6th right), Ms Vilma Suen (5th right), Mr William Suen (3rd left), Ms Mona Suen (4th right), and the Vice-Chairman of Simatelex Group, Mr T C Ho (4th left).
On December 1, 2005, Dr Lee Shaukee, Chairman and Managing Director of Henderson Land Development Co Ltd, officiated at the opening ceremony of the Lee Shau Kee Hall.

“More than a hundred years ago, in 1881, Booker T Washington, a great educator, founded what was to become Tuskegee University in Alabama. He had a novel idea. He decided that the students themselves should construct the buildings at the university. In a sense, that is exactly what we are doing,” remarked Dr David Platt, warden of Lee Shau Kee Hall.

Vice-Chancellor Professor Lap-Chee Tsui expressed his gratitude to Mrs Suen Chisun and Dr Lee Shaukee for providing the unique experience of hall education for students, which has always been a crucial part of the HKU experience.

The new Morrison Hall will hold its official opening ceremony in spring this year.
New Media, New Space

Eminent figures from the world of journalism, business and academia were present at the opening on October 27, 2005 of the Shum Wai Yau Reading Room (岑維休書室) at the Journalism and Media Studies Centre at Eliot Hall. The Reading Room is named after the founder of the Wah Kiu Yat Po (《華僑日報》) in recognition of the contributions made by the Shum family to the newspaper industry in Hong Kong, and its generous support of journalism education at HKU.

Mr Chu Pui-hing 朱培慶 (BScGen 1971), the Director of Broadcasting, Mr Mark Clifford, Editor-in-Chief of The Standard, Mr Colin Kerr, Editorial Director of the South China Morning Post, Mr Frank Proctor and Mr Cyril Pereira from the Society of Publishers in Asia, and Mr Lee Cho-jat, Chairman of the Newspaper Society of Hong Kong were among the figures from the media world who attended the opening.

The Reading Room is the latest gift from the Shum family to the University. Mr Shum Wai-yau, the founder of Wah Kiu Yat Po, was forced to give up his higher education for financial reasons as a 17-year old in 1915. After founding a successful newspaper, he began an annual scholarship drive with support from the Hong Kong Jockey Club. The family continues the tradition of giving to promote media, culture and education. Mr Shum Choi-sang 岑才生 (son of Shum Wai-yau) and Mr Robert Shum 岑啟基 (grandson) are also early benefactors of the HKU journalism and Media Studies Centre.

The Shum Wai Yau Reading Room is a space for quiet learning and reflection. Its state-of-the-art conferencing facilities have allowed the Centre to create a virtual learning environment and networks linking experts and students from around the world.

Picture 1: The first issue of Wah Kiu Yat Po (a local daily newspaper) on June 5, 1925.

Picture 2: Professor Ying Chan 陳婉萍 (BScSc 1970) presented the new facilities to guests, with Dr Victor Fung 楊國楨, Chairman of HKU Council, looking on.

Picture 3: Shum Wai Yau Reading Room

Picture 4: The Shum family: Mr and Mrs Shum Choi-sang (4th and 3rd right), and Mr Robert Shum (1st left)
Mentors and Mentees: Rendezvous at Cyberport

The 9th HKU Mentorship Programme was officially inaugurated on November 22, 2005. Some 900 international and local Mentors and Mentees, staff members and friends enjoyed an enchanting evening at Cyberport.

The Hon Mr Justice Patrick S O Chan 陳兆鴻, LLB 1974, PCLL 1975, has been a Mentor since the inception of the Programme.

With Mr Gary Ho 何浩明 LLB 1999 and Ms Agnes Wan 溫可熾 LLB 1999, PCLL 2000, getting married, Professor Amy Chan 陳賢慧 BA 1971 and Mr Peter Wong Man-kong 英敏銘, Mentors since 1997, now each gains a Mentee-in-law.

Sharing through music on Mentorship by Mr Wong Chiu-chung 黃志強 MPhil 1997, Mentor since 1998.

Special thanks to the Hong Kong Cyberport Management Co. Ltd.
夢錯樓西

DREAM of the WEST CHAMBER

—— 不論在人生道路上還是藝術領域裏，我都非常認真，所獲所得的寶藏，實在遠遠超乎自身的限額。遺憾卻仍然在所難免。

“西樓錯夢” 乃是其中之一，半生艱難掛肚，教我耿耿於懷……

—— 唐尋任姐先後離世後，我漸漸悟出隨緣的道理，劇本結構上少許的失衡算不了什麼——戲和人相差無幾，假如有人的因素左右了戲，那也不外是珍貴的一痕生活印記，縱使有點悵惘，矜哀之中亦不乏淡淡的釋然。要是于叔夜和原素微的傳奇註定流失，我亦只好慶幸那一刻的短聚，揮一揮手目送它遠送紅塵……

—— 近近半世紀後的今天，機緣巧合，“西樓錯夢” 終於再現舞台，我感到恍恍惚惚，如夢如幻。……

白雪仙（藝術總監 ‧ 策劃）

摘自《西樓錯夢》場刊
HKU Culture & Humanities Fund

「港大人文基金」

The HKU Culture & Humanities Fund was launched in November 2005 to support initiatives including heritage projects, research, scholarships, professorships as well as community and school education programmes.

Proceeds from the “Dream of the West Chamber” Gala Performance amounted to HK$8M, including matching funds from the Stanley Ho Alumni Challenge. The majority of the fund has already been earmarked for the following programmes:

1. A seed grant for “Integrated Cantonese Opera in Education”;
2. A seed grant for the establishment of the “James Wong and Hong Kong Popular Culture” Archive;
4. “General Education Unit: Socio-economic Study Project”;
5. “Film Makers/Scholars-in-Residence Scheme”; and
6. “The Publication of Professor Jao’s Collection of Works in Art” and “The Research on Pre-oracle Chinese Writings”.

This is just the beginning. We need your continuous support for HKU’s culture and humanities development.

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百年港大，一代又一代的名字綻放不同的光華。從一九一一年到今天，朱光潛、許地山、陳寅恪、張愛玲、羅香林、牟宗三、饒宗頤，都是港大人文精神的火炬。

燃亮人文精神，需要薪火相傳。

感謝任白慈善基金借出【西樓論夢】演出一場，為創立「港大人文基金」籌款，推動文化藝術的教學和研究，設立教授席及獎學金，重拾歷史足印，編織文學漫步，舉辦公開講座和論壇，培育人才也潤澤城市生活，建立人文思想的平台，使香港成為中西文化聚光之處。

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The Leading Edge

The HKU Luncheon Talk Series “Against the Odds: Business Models for Hong Kong” (迎向挑戰) has been immensely successful, attracting more than 800 business professionals since its inception.

Co-organised by the HKU Foundation and the Faculty of Business and Economics, the Luncheon Talk Series brings together the insights and ideas of some of the most influential figures in Hong Kong today.

October 2005
Dr Philip Chen 陳南祿 (BA 1977, DipManStu 1983, MBA 1984), Chief Executive of Cathay Pacific Airways, spoke on the topic “BLUE SKIES AHEAD – Future of Aviation in Hong Kong”

November 2005
Dr Vincent Cheng 鄭海泉, Chairman of HSBC, spoke on the topic “Facts versus Frictions: A Role for Hong Kong in Sino-US Economic Relations?”

Dr Vincent Cheng suggested that Hong Kong should play an active role in building China’s international relationships and in particular Sino-US relations.

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Topic: Airport Business in Transformation

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黃至剛
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Topic: Beating the Odds – Where next for the Hong Kong Jockey Club?

Coming Next

March 21, 2006
Details to be announced

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