SINGAPORE

Reunion by the Merlion

Former Vice-Chancellor Professor Wang Gungwu accompanied by Mrs Margaret Wang, and Dr Cheong Siew-keong (BScEng 1950), Pro-Chancellor of National University of Singapore (NUS), were at the recent HKU family gathering in Singapore held on March 3, 2006. Two very senior graduates, Mr Robert Hsieh (BA 1942), Mr Kan Yuet-fai (BA in the 30s), and well-known educationalist Mrs Goh Chi-lan also joined us at the dinner.

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Alumni who were previously on exchange at HKU helped man the HKU booth at an education expo in Singapore. (From left) Goh Keng-haw (NUS), Neo Kai-ling (NUS), Zhang Qinjie (NTU) and Wong Ee-wern (NTU).

Back Row (from left): President of HKUAA Singapore Mr George Sze (BScEng 1971), Dr Roger Pang (MBBS 70), Mr Tien Sing-cheong (BScEng 1970), Dr Ansgar Cheng (BDS 1990) & Mrs Cheng, Ms Polo Leung and Ms Isabella Wong.

Front row: Ms Janet Chung, Ms Bernadette Tsui, Mrs Stella Ho (BScSc 1977) and her mentee, Mandy Fung (BScSc year 2 student)
BOSTON

Alumni met with students at Harvard

A group of students from different years and faculties attended a one-week conference at Harvard. During the week they met with local alumni for dinner. Regrets were sent by Professor Siu Yum-tong 蕭裕堂 (BA 1963) who was not able to join as he had to give lectures in Houston.

Front (from left): Mrs Shirley Poon, Dr Poon Chi-sang 潘志生 (BScEng 1975), Dr Selina Siu 蕭黃秀芳 (BA 1964, DipSocSt 1965).

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

Election of Directors and Officers

HKUAASC held its annual general meeting on February 11, 2006, and nominations have been received for the following directors and officers to serve the association for the year 2006-2007:

President: Thomas Chiu 趙垣林 (BA 1966, CeriEd 1975)
Honorary Secretary: Karen Chan 陳勤玫 (BSc 1959; BSc(Sp) 1960; DipEd 1961)
Honorary Treasurer: Simon Keung 姜明光 (BA 1985)
Vice President-Program: Sheila Chau 周小麗 (BA 1981)
Vice President-Membership: Raphael Cheng 崔慶河 (BScEng 1971)

The new board will assume office for a 12-month period, from May 20, 2006, when the HKUAASC Annual Convention will be held at Harbor Village restaurant, Monterey Park.

At the same convention, HKUAASC will award two scholarships of US$500 each to students from Southern California who will be attending HKU or family of HKUAASC members who will be pursuing a degree in California.

NEW ZEALAND

Chinese New Year "Lily Pond" Barbecue 2006

Seventy-six alumni and friends attended the Chinese New Year "Lily Pond" Barbecue on February 5, at the Wrights Watergardens in Auckland. This was their first gathering since the chapter’s inauguration in October 2005.

Before the barbecue, held in true Kiwi style on the lawns of the Waterfall Café, the crowd enjoyed a leisurely stroll around the exquisite and photogenic grounds of the Wrights Watergardens. Famous for its water lilies, lotuses and aquatic plants, the Watergardens holds a Lotus Festival each year when the flowers bloom to the size of dinner plates. The barbecue coincided with the Lotus Festival and everyone brought their cameras to capture lilies in full bloom in the picturesque ponds by the Manku waterfall.

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As HKUAA VISA Cardholders, HKUAA members can enjoy greater convenience and benefits when using the facilities of HKUAA, PLUS an exclusive 5% discount on food and beverages purchased at the HKUAA Club House.

Since it is part of the “HKU Graduate Credit Card” scheme, HKUAA VISA Cardholders who are graduates are entitled to the same privileges offered to HKU Graduate Credit Cardholders, including:

- Perpetual annual fee waiver
- Bonus Point rewards on spending, which can be redeemed for cash coupons/converted to Asia Miles without any handling fees
- Exclusive year-round discounts and offers with over 350 dining merchants
- HKU Library Borrower’s Card, no deposit necessary

With the HKUAA VISA Card, HKUAA members can also support HKU and HKUAA at no extra cost. The Bank of East Asia (BEA) will donate HK$100 and HK$50 to HKUAA for every successful Principal Card and Supplementary Card applicant respectively. In addition, each time cardholders spend with the Card, BEA will make a contribution of 0.4% of each retail transaction to HKU, or to HKUAA for spending at HKUAA Club House.

For details and application, please visit the Bank’s website at www.hkbea.com and HKUAA website at www.hkuaa.org.hk, or visit the HKUAA Club House at 1/F, Yip Fung Building, 2 D’Aguilar Street, Central.

Alumni Nite 2006 – Black & Crystal

On January 22, over 200 HKUAA members enjoyed a memorable evening at the Alumni Nite 2006 held at the Jockey Club. A team of ten masters of ceremony from different generations took the guests on a random walk down memory lane, sharing the songs and memories of their university days. The highlights of the evening included singing performances, a dance session and cheer demonstration. The evening ended on a high note with games and group singing.
Class of 2005

Cheers!

“Can hardly remember when I had such an enjoyable evening without dinner.”
Ken Hui 許智傑 (BEng|IETM) 2005

“Yeah! I did enjoy the fun evening! ... This is a very good beginning. It provided a great chance for us (the core group members) to network with our fellow classmates! Many of the participants appreciated our planning and efforts, and said they look forward to supporting our future events.”
Susanna Chung 鍾玉文 (BA 2005)

Class of 90s & Friends:
From Good To Great,
With You & HKU

It has been quite a long time since our paths crossed on the campus of HKU. In the past 10 years or so we have seen many challenges laid down on our pathways to personal growth. We survived the bubble boom, the 1997 handover, the economic downturn, the millennium, SARS, avian flu. We got our first jobs, our first properties, got married, had children and had full lives which kept us busy. And over those years we gradually lost our links with HKU and the precious friends we met there.

As you may know, HKU will celebrate its 100th birthday in 2011. By that time some 10 to 20 years will have passed since we graduated. So what better reason is there for us to get together to share our experiences and revive old friendships!

By connecting the alumni, we believe that we can contribute to the development of our alma mater, and raise the quality education for future generations and the community as a whole. And, at the same time, we can foster our personal growth by building a mutual support system.

“HKU Centenary – a perfect time for Class of 90s & Friends to contribute what we have learnt and experienced at HKU. So we all benefit and grow ‘From Good to Great, With You & HKU’” said Dr Winnie TANG 鄧淑明 (BA 1992, PhD 1999), Convenor of Class of 90s & Friends.

Class of 90s & Friends was formed and our first gathering was successfully held on March 25 to coincide with HKU’s 95th anniversary party. More events will be planned for the Class of 90s & Friends. Please visit http://www.hku.hk/alumnibodies/class90s for details.

We need your continuous support. Please join Class of 90s & Friends and stay in touch.
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The match finished at about 1 pm with a friendly War Cry and a rousing cheer for Ricci. After stretching weary muscles, the alumni enjoyed an excellent lunch at the Kiosk at Sandy Bay. Curry beef with rice, Singaporean noodles and soup really hit the spot.

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At the AGM held on February 7, ten St. Johnians were elected to be the Directors of the Association for the coming year. They are: Vincent Chiu, Nixon Lee, James Wong, Paul Lee, Steve Cheung, June Au, Michelle Chan, Lee Huen Yee, Vicky Li, Joanna Wong.

Alumni Networks

St. John’s College Alumni Association

Aquila at Seasons - 358 St. Johnians Rally Around

C alled Aguila at Seasons, the St. John’s Christmas Ball was held at the Four Seasons Hotel on December 17, 2005 and was attended by 358 guests. Highlights of the evening included: a band performance by four ‘brothers’ of the 80s – Dr Teddy Chik, Mr Victor Chan, Mr Ball Wong and Dr Yau Yik-kwong; a recital of Christmas carols by the Hall led by Dr Ip Man-ho; and an authentic Latin dance display by social dance course instructors Dr Kent Chow, Ms Kennes Yiu (Miss Asia) and Ringo.

Additional pictures of the evening are available on the website. A DVD, which includes nearly 500 photos and a short movie of the evening, is also available. To order a copy, please send an email to vchiu@kanbay.com with your name, mailing address, contact number and payment record of HK$100 made to SJCAA, HKU Ltd. account number HSBC 026-434613-001.

Alumni Sports Day

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