2005 Leaders of the Year

David Li 李國寶 (Pro-Chancellor, 2001-Present), Chairman and Chief Executive of the Bank of East Asia, and Samuel Sun 曾世文 (BSc 1968; MSc 1972). Professor of Biology at The Chinese University of Hong Kong, received the 2005 Leader of the Year Awards in the fields of Finance and Education/Research, respectively.

With more than 37 years’ experience in the local banking industry and as a Legislative Council member representing the banking sector since 1985, Dr David Li spares no effort in his goal to enhance Hong Kong’s standing as a major international finance centre and to further the development of Hong Kong's banking industry.

In 1980, Professor Sun became the first person in the world to clone a plant gene and since then has been known as “the father of plant gene cloning.” Recently, he introduced transgenic approaches to improve the nutritional quality of plant proteins and rice grain quality, which he hopes will ease food shortages in China and other parts of the world. In August, Professor Sun was appointed as the Founding Master of SH Ho College of The Chinese University of Hong Kong.

Dennis Au-Yeung 欧阳健昌 (BSc 1977)

Dennis Au-Yeung, President of Hong Kong University Alumni Association of Ontario, has been honoured as a recipient of the Chinese Canadian Legend Award of 2005 红枫传奇 in recognition of his achievements and his contributions to society.

As Chief Financial Officer of Concord Pacific Group, Dennis travels extensively across Canada to work on large-scale real estate development projects. Yet his passion for charity work and community service is boundless. Dennis is the first Vice-Chairman and President of Mon Sheung Foundation 孟善会, a Canadian charitable organisation dedicated to the promotion of Chinese culture, heritage, language and philosophy through caring for the elderly, encouraging the young, and providing programmes and services for the needy.

Edwin Cheng 鄭大昭 (BScEng 1979)

Edwin Cheng, Chair Professor of Management, Department of Logistics of The Hong Kong Polytechnic University, was awarded the Doctor of Science degree by the University of Cambridge for his distinguished research attainment in scheduling science. The Doctor of Science degree is a higher doctorate and acknowledges the holder’s crowning achievements through original contribution to the advancement of science.

Joseph Sung 沈祖彬 (MBBS 1983)

Joseph Sung was awarded the second prize of the 2005 Cheung Kong Scholars Programme. The programme is jointly established by the Ministry of Education and the Li Ka Shing Foundation to enhance the competitiveness of China’s higher education sector, groom outstanding talents and promote the country’s development.
2006 Honours List

Grand Bauhinia Medal 大紫荊勳章
Charles Lee 李業廣 [Hon DScSc 2005] 1

Gold Bauhinia Star 金紫荊勳章
Lo Yiu-ching 茹耀柏 [MScEng 1981]
Shelley Lee 李麗娟 [BA 1971] 2
William Mong 蒙民偉 [Hon LLb 1994] 3

Silver Bauhinia Star 銀紫荊星章
Raymond Ho 何錦泰 [BScEng 1963] 4
Frederick Ho 何永信 [BSc 1966; CentEd 1971; MSocSc 1989]
Lee Jark-pui 李澤培 [BA 1962] 5
Lam Kin-che 林健枝 [BA 1970; MPhil 1974]
William Ko 高賢覺 [BScEng 1968]
Lorenz Tsao 曹德江 [BScEng 1958]
Marco Wu 吳美海 [MSocSc 1983]
Fan Sheung-tai 范上達 [MBBS 1976; MS 1992; MD 1998; PhD 2002; DSc 2005]

Bronze Bauhinia Star 銅紫荊星章
Jennie Chor 左翠翠 [BScSc 1974]
Elizabeth Shing 成小澄 [BA 1970]
Hui Yung-chung 許永鍵 [BA 1980; CentEd 1982]
Vincent Lo 羅榮生 [BA 1969]
Suresh Mansukhani 文瑞康 [BScSc 1971; MSocSc 1981]
Alice Lee 李阿玉 [BA 1973]
Tong Wing-shing 湯永成 [BScEng 1972; MSocEng 1980]
Jenny Fung 馮馬潔儀 [BA 1973]
James Hwang 黃樹德 [MBBS 1972]

Alumni on the Move:

Cherry Tse 謝淑惠
(BA 1984)
Permanent Secretary for Constitutional Affairs

Tam Wing-pong 梁榮邦
(BScSc 1971)
Passmaster General

Maria Kwan 劉慧寧
(BScSc 1974)
Director of Government Logistics

Keith Kwok 郭家強
(BA 1974)
Government Property Administrator

Ha Yung-kuen 夏勇權
(BScEng 1974)
Deputy Director-General of Telecommunications

Gracie Foo 劉小慧
(BScSc 1987)
Deputy Director of Broadcasting

Margaret Fong 方賢文
(BA 1985)
Commissioner for Economic & Trade Affairs, USA

Kwok Leung-ming 郭亮明
(MScSc 1998)
Commissioner of Correctional Services
To celebrate the 90th birthday and illustrious career of Professor Jao, Jao Tsung-I Petite Ecole has found a unique way to pay tribute to this internationally renowned poet, calligrapher, painter, historian, sinologist, archaeologist and translator.

A series of exhibitions will showcase Professor Jao’s paintings and calligraphies and, in December, an international conference focusing on his scholarly and artistic works will be held on the HKU campus.

Laurence Hou 侯勳存 (MBBS 1956) and MBBS Class of 1956

Dr Hou and his class celebrated their Golden Jubilee in style with a reunion dinner and a trip to Shanghai. At the reunion dinner on October 14 at the Dynasty Club, they were greeted by a surprise: the Medical Class of 1981 whose members were celebrating their Silver Jubilee next door! The perfect opportunity for a group photograph!

Over 15 reunions have been organised in the autumn of 2006. Catch up with more reunion news in the next issue of Convocation.

Stephen Ng 吳呂南 (BA 1976)

On April 23, Stephen Ng completed the London Marathon 2006 in 5 hours and 39 minutes, with an overall ranking of 30078. “Being an olderage novice runner,” said Stephen, “it was grueling for the lower part of the body, but the upper part was uplifted.”

Stephen raised over £7,000 in support of the Capital Fund of the Islington Chinese Association. Stephen is Chairman of the Islington Chinese Association which is a registered charity providing a multicultural resource centre for Chinese people in the local and national communities. Last year the Association won the Queen’s Award for Voluntary Service. The Association has begun fundraising for an additional £300,000 so that it may redevelop its present premises into a new Centre of Excellence together with St John Ambulance.

www.islingtonchinese.com
Tung Chi-fat 董志發 (BSoSc 1981; MSocSc 1994)

Since 1992, Tung Chi-fat has served as Executive Director of the Neighbourhood Advice-Action Council 鄭合輔善會 (NAAC), a non-profit organisation that provides community development service for grassroots and underprivileged communities.

Under Tung’s leadership, the NAAC today operates more than 90 service units throughout Hong Kong which combine business services with social responsibility. These enterprises include restaurants, a mobile car valet service, a Chinese soup delivery service, a hairdressing salon, and a uniform laundry.

“Through a real work setting, people with disabilities may shoulder work responsibilities, demonstrate their work abilities, gain public acceptance, lead independent lives, and contribute to our society,” explains Tung.

In the first four months of this year, the NAAC created over 110 jobs, employing over 55 persons with disabilities at its units.

Tung recently published his fourth book entitled 《同舟逆旅》 in which he draws on his many years of experience working in the social services. All proceeds from sales will be donated to charity. To buy a copy of the book, please contact Amy Poon of NAAC at 2527 4567.

www.naac.org.hk/

Raymond Liang 梁耀孫 (MBBS 1979; MD 1990),
Linda Kuk Lam 林谷薇麗 (BA 1976)

Initiated by Raymond Liang, Chair Professor of Division of Haematology/Oncology, HKU, the Hong Kong Blood Cancer Foundation 香港血癌基金 now raises funds to support research into medical treatments for leukaemia and to purchase new but expensive drugs for patients, thus overcoming medical expenditure restrictions imposed by the Government. The fund also makes available advanced technology which monitors the leukaemia cells in patients recovering from bone marrow transplants. This technology can detect even a single leukaemia cell among millions of normal cells.

Film producer Linda Kuk Lam is currently Chairperson of the Foundation and celebrity Chan Pochu 陳寶珠 acts as its Honorary Ambassador.

www.hkbcf.org.hk/i01.html

Pan Pey-chyou 潘佩鏗 (MBBS 1979)

Pan Pey-chyou is a consultant in psychiatry in public service at the United Christian Hospital in Kwan Tong. He has been involved in trade union work as a volunteer for many years. In April this year, he was elected Vice-Chairman of the Hong Kong Federation of Trade Unions 香港工會聯合會. “Years of working overseas have changed my attitude of trade unions,” he said. “It is not just for people at the grass roots. In this age of changing and shifting social paradigms, everyone working for a salary needs a trade union to protect his/her own rights.”

James Lau 劉漢杰 (MBBS 1979)

James Lau’s heart was deeply saddened when he first saw Xiao Fang, who could only crawl with her paralysed legs dragging behind her. A sweet nine-year-old girl from a farming community, Xiao Fang was infected with poliomyelitis at the age of four and lost her ability to stand or walk. James, who trained as an orthopaedic surgeon, decided to treat her and do what he could to help her to walk again.

James founded HIS Foundation 天鈞基金會 in the United States to send medical teams to China to provide free quality medical care for indigent patients. Over the years, hundreds of medical volunteers have visited China and thousands of patients have been treated.

Today, Xiao Fang is able to walk with crutches and she returns almost every year to visit James. “I know that we have made positive changes in her life forever,” said James.

www.his-foundation.org/
Francis So 蘇汝成 (BA 1976)

Francis So, Chairman & Chief Executive Director of leading scaffolding specialist WLS Holdings Limited, emphasised "Safety, Quality and Efficiency" in business operations. With 16 years' service in the Labour Department of the Government before joining the Group in 1991, he pays particular attention to employees' welfare and occupational safety, while exerting great efforts in research and development that enhances the quality of scaffolding systems and other engineering works. WLS holds the patent Metal Bamboo Matrix System Scaffolds (MBMSS), which is proven to be safer, more efficient and highly resistant to typhoon attacks compared to traditional scaffolding systems.

Francis So (right) is also Vice President of St John Ambulance, Hong Kong Island. He was appointed by Her Majesty The Queen as Serving Brother to the Order of St John (SBStJ); the award was presented by the British Consul-General (left).

John Chan 陳祖澤 (BA 1964; DipManStud 1971);
Philip Chen 陳南雄 (BA 1977; DipManStud 1983; MBA 1984)

John Chan, Managing Director of the Kowloon Motor Bus Co Ltd, has been elected as Chairman of the Hong Kong Jockey Club for 2006/07. Mr Chan said he is taking over the Club chairmanship at "a hugely exciting time", with many important challenges ahead, like the planning of the equestrian events of the 2008 Olympics and the development of the Club's new Beijing Clubhouse. He also looks forward to working with local community partners through The Hong Kong Jockey Club Charities Trust.

Chief Executive of Cathay Pacific Airways Philip Chen has been elected as a new Steward of the Club. He has been a Voting Member of the Club since 2003.

Tse Chi-yung 謝知勇 (BBA(S) 2004; BEng(SE) 2005)

At the end of September, 24-year-old Tse Chi-yung headed off to Google's head office to take up his new post as a Software Engineer. He was one of the Bronze winners at the 2005 ACM International Collegiate Programming Contest and was then invited by Mr Sergey Brin, Google's Co-Founder and President of Technology, to visit the head office. He received his job offer after playing with Lego and having several rounds of tough interviews with Google's management.

Patrick Poon 潘錦昌 (BSc 1970)

Early this year, Patrick Poon joined China Pacific Life Insurance Co. Ltd. as Chairman of its Operation Committee, which oversees day-to-day operations and management. His vision is to build the company into a world-class insurer in China and contribute to the development of China's insurance industry. Patrick is a well-recognised leader in the Asian insurance industry with 35 years of experience in the life insurance industry. He was formerly the CEO and President of the ING Group, responsible for its Greater China operations, and a member of the firm's global management committee. Recently, he published the Korean version of his former book《聽老闆的,就錯了》.

Julia Wen 溫馮月環 (BSocSc 1974); Lydia Yip 葉小明 (BSocSc 1982)

Julia Wen published a collection of her English poems with a Chinese translation by her friend, Lydia Yip. Much Ado About Nothing《小題大做》is full of lighthearted poems about the "small things" in our daily lives, from fashion, art and aesthetics, to friendship and family. The book is also a special celebration of these two alumnae, as they spent days and nights working over the use of diction, rhymes and rhythms in these poems. Julia is the co-owner of Galerie La Vong, a pioneer art gallery of contemporary Vietnamese paintings, while Lydia is Head of Monetary Management & Infrastructure Department, Hong Kong Monetary Authority.
Barrie Ho 何居禮 (BA(ArchStud) 1993; MArch 1996)

Barrie Ho (second left), a young and influential architectural designer, was awarded both the Ten Outstanding Young Persons 2005 Award and Ten Outstanding Designers Award 2005 in recognition of his achievements in architectural and interior design.

Barrie started his own practice, Barrie Ho Architecture Interiors Ltd, in May 1999 and focuses on quality fusion design services in architecture, interior design and furniture design. Since 2003, Barrie Ho Architecture Interiors has won six awards at the Asia Pacific Interior Awards. His JADE collections (The Red Chamber) won the Gold Medal in Jewellery Design at Hong Kong Designers’ Association Awards 2005. “Spaces and Places – Round Heaven, Square Earth” won the PRDA Prize at the Perspective Design Recognition Awards 2005.

UNESCO Asia-Pacific Heritage Awards 2006

Kenneth Nicolson (MSc(Conservation) 2002; PhD 2005);
Ivan Ho 何志強 (BA(ArchStud) 1978; BBlg 1979; MSc(UrbanPlanning) 1985; MSc(Conservation) 2002)

Two Hong Kong projects won the 2006 UNESCO Asia-Pacific Heritage Awards for Culture Heritage Conservation and both involved HKU graduates from the Architectural Conservation Programme (ACP).

Kenneth Nicolson, a teaching staff member with ACP, led the team in restoring St Andrew’s Church (bottom) on the eve of its centenary celebrations. The Award of Merit was given to the project, in recognition of the “thorough conservation approach which sought to fully understand the building’s significance and deterioration process before proposing solutions”.

Ivan Ho’s team won Honourable Mention for dramatically restoring Liu Ying Lung Study Hall (top) to its original Qing Dynasty condition. After an interim period of 150 years, the study hall, complete with conserved murals and vernacular architectural details, now serves as a fitting backdrop for reviving communal social functions and rituals.

Billy Tam 湯漢華 (BA(ArchStud) 1997; MArch 2000)

Early this year, Billy Tam won the Young Architects Award 2005 organised by the Hong Kong Institute of Architects. The award honours and acknowledges the talents and contributions of young architects aged 25 to 35. Billy is also one of the Curators for Venice Biennale Exhibition of Architecture 2006 (Hong Kong).

Dung Kai-cheung 盧啟章 (BA 1989; MA 1994)

《天工開物·栩栩如真》獲「第一屆紅樓夢獎：世界華文長篇小說獎」的決審團獎，作品構思新穎，雙數章節以物件史為基礎，更將傳統豐富的中國歷史及文化傳統巧妙融合，塑造一個美麗、奇幻的中國世界。紅樓夢獎每兩年舉辦一次，來自世界各地的華文作家參加。

他的另一部作品《第一千零二夜》在「第十七屆中學生好書獎」中被選為十大好書。盧啟章說他最大的願景是希望讀者看了這本書後，再去閱讀文章介紹的十本書名和書評。
Billy Tao 陶象國 (MBBS 1969), Grace Leung 梁惠蘭 (BSc 1971) and their children

Thirty-one-year-old Terry Tao, son of two HKU alumni Billy and Grace Tao, received the world’s highest prize in mathematics, the Fields Medal, regarded as the discipline’s Nobel prize. He is the second Chinese to receive the award and the first winner from Australia. Gifted with a 221 IQ, Terry had earned two university degrees by the age of 17, and was made a professor of mathematics at the University of California, Los Angeles, at 24.

Billy Tao is a paediatrician while Grace was a first-class honours graduate in mathematics and physics of HKU. The couple are blessed with three exceptional children. Their second son, Trevor, is an autistic musical savant and a chess champion. He had degrees in music and last year he earned a PhD in applied mathematics from the University of Adelaide. Youngest son Nigel has degrees in computer science and economics and works for Google in Sydney.

Shun Kwong-loi 信廣來 (BA 1975; MPhil 1978)

Shun Kwong-loi accepted the position as Chair Professor of Philosophy at The Chinese University of Hong Kong. Shun stepped down from his position as Vice-President and Principal of University of Toronto at Scarborough (UTSC) to take up his new post.

Shun led an important evolution at UTSC during the past two and a half years, making the experience of UTSC students a central concern in planning and overseeing a CAN$ 150 million expansion of the campus. The campus recently opened four major academic facilites: the Arts and Administration building, the Management building, the Doris McCarthy Gallery, and renovated science laboratories.

Yeung Chee-kong 楊志剛 (BSocSc 1977)

In May, Yeung Chee-kong took up the position of Director of University Development and Public Affairs at the Hong Kong University of Science and Technology.

Yeung Chee-kong and his wife Annette (BSocSc 1977).


Winnie Cheng, Professor at the Department of English, Hong Kong Polytechnic University, has been recently appointed Director of the newly established Research Centre for Professional Communication in English. The new centre aims to enhance people’s understanding of the intricacies of communicating professionally in English and better serve the needs of professional communities.

Winnie has been active in alumni activities as an organising committee member of Class of 1981 Reunion and “Dream of the West Chamber” Fundraising Gala.

Kara Chan 陳家華 (BSc 1982; MSocSc 1989)

Kara Chan, Professor and Public Relations & Advertising Option Coordinator at the Department of Communication Studies, Hong Kong Baptist University, recently won the 2006 President’s Award for Outstanding Performance in Scholarly Work from her university. “Getting an award in scholarly work needs a lot of hard work. You need to have passion, determination and patience,” said Kara Chan, who has taught for 13 years at HKBU.

Kara is also the editor of a new book entitled Advertising and Hong Kong Society published by The Chinese University Press. The book probes into the role of advertising as a form of social communication in Hong Kong, and analyses the broader legal, cultural and socio-economic contexts in which advertising takes place.
Cheng Kwok-kew 鄭國興 [MBBS 1939; DSc 1973; Department of Physiology 1961-1976]
Emeritus Professor of the Department of Physiology Cheng Kwok-kew celebrated his 90th birthday on May 15. His former colleague Kok Siu-hoi 郭兆海, who retired as Senior Lab Superintendent in 2002, escorted him back to the Department for a birthday party with his former colleagues and students at the Alumni Chamber. Among the guests were Professor Wong Tak-ming 黃德明 [BScSp 1969; MSc 1972; PhD 1975] (right) and Honorary Professor Leung Nai-kong 梁乃光 [MBBS 1966].

Peter Lee 李仲賢 [MBBS 1952; HonLLD 1977]
Peter Lee recently celebrated his 80th birthday with an act of philanthropy by donating $1 million to The University of Hong Kong School of Professional and Continuing Education (HKU SPACE) ALUMNI Education Fund. The amount was collected from donations made by guests of his birthday party, the total of which was matched dollar for dollar by Dr Lee. The fund was set up by HKU SPACE, the continuing education arm of HKU, to benefit needy students of HKU SPACE Community College. Dr Lee is the Founding Chairman of HKU SPACE ALUMNI Association in 2004.

Dr Peter Lee cutting the birthday cake with his wife, son and daughter-in-law Mr & Mrs Adrian Lee, and grandson Adrian.

Allan Chiang 蔣任宏 [BSc 1972; DipEd 1973; DipManStud 1981; MBA 1983; MSoeSc 1986]
On May 5, Allan Chiang formally stepped down as Postmaster General after a career in the civil service which spanned 33 years. During the past three years as Head of Hong Kong Post, Allan made his name by instilling a new corporate culture in this 165-year-old public body. In his new book, Hong Kong Post: Heart for Excellence 《香港郵政·卓越唯心》, he shares the experience of the journey of cultural alignment over the past few years.

Raymond Ng 吳錦輝 [BA 1973]
Deputy Director of Broadcasting Raymond Ng retired this year after 32 years’ service at Radio Television Hong Kong (RTHK). He has groomed many talents to become household names, and founded RTHK’s youth channel – Radio Two – and also led RTHK’s venture into new media. Director of Broadcasting Chu Pui-hing 朱培慶 [BSc 1971] [left] said Raymond had contributed much in building up RTHK to be “a credible public broadcaster”.

Raymond Ng (right) is now teaching part-time at HKU Journalism and Media Studies Centre.
In July, Regina Ip spoke at the opening ceremony of the Asia Institute for Political Economy summer academic programme 2006. In her talk entitled “Globalisation, Rise of the Knowledge-based Economy and the Future of Hong Kong”, she shared her views on how Hong Kong could make itself even more competitive so as to face the ever-growing challenges from the outside world. Regina graduated with a Master of Arts degree from Stanford University this year. She has recently set up a think tank, Savantas Policy Institute, in which she serves as Chairperson of the Board of Governors.

On June 24, Lam Cheuk-fung took his mentees and friends of the Hong Kong University Engineering Alumni Association (HKEAA) to Yuen Long for an exciting war game. In a baking 34°C, they geared up with tons of modern weapons, such as mechanised guns, “Star War” helmets and camouflage uniforms, and fought a series of fierce battles. A first-timer at war games, Lam found it beneficial for developing team building and strategic thinking skills. And of course, it was great fun!

Friends of Ching Cheong and HKU alumni formed the Ching Cheong Concern Group to support him during his detention in the Mainland. Last December, the group published the book 《漫漫愛國路：程翔文集》a collection of essays by Ching Cheong and commentaries about him written by others in the community. [http://www.chingcheong.com](http://www.chingcheong.com)
Irene Kafeza [LLM(ITU) 2003]

An alumna from the Mediterranean, Irene Kafeza (left) is now living and practicing law in Athens, Greece. She enjoyed making a trip back to Hong Kong.

Petula Ho 何式凝 [BSocSc 1981; MSocSc 1990]

Petula Ho was met with thundering roars from the audience when she transformed into a bubble-blowing fairy at the grand finale of the show “When the Supergirls Meet the Metrosexuals”. The three-hour multimedia performance featured 115 students who took the course “Sexing Culture and Identity” taught by Petula and Travis Kong at the Department of Social Work and Social Administration. With 11 visual arts and 13 performing acts, the show was complete with modern dance, vocal performances (ranging from Cantonese Opera to Hip-hop), and dramas that explored the subjects of sexuality and self-identity from the very novel perspective of students.

Jackson Kwan 開卓承 [MSc (ECom & IComp) 2006]

Jackson Kwan, Regional Head of Analytics for Bloomberg LP, was thrilled to graduate from the MSc Electronic Commerce degree this year after three years of hard work. As well as supervising a staff of around 75 people, Jackson makes very frequent trips to Tokyo and Singapore. Yet the biggest challenge he faces today is raising his baby daughter Ashley, who is now one and a half years old. According to the proud father, she’s a very loud little girl with a strong character. And with her parent’s devoted tutoring, her vocabulary increases exponentially each day.

Thomas Chiu 趙堯林 [BA 1966; CertEd 1975]

Thomas Chiu (right), the newly elected President of HKUAA Southern California.

Falk Kagelmacher [MArch 1996];
Sebastian Herfurth [LLM(CFL) 2003]

While living in Beijing, Falk Kagelmacher (left) and Sebastian Herfurth met at Professor Hou Jian Cun’s celebration (p.40). Falk is working with the China Academy of Urban Planning. Sebastian studied Chinese in Renmin University and moved back to Germany in September.

Friends and classmates who wish to get in touch with them may email them: Falk (mail@kagelmacher.net), Sebastian (herfurth@graduate.hku.hk).

Sunita Sharma [PCEd 1988];
Seetal Sharma 沈蔚蔚 [BA 1999; MA 2002]

Seetal Sharma and her mother Sunita Sharma were recently featured in “Eyes of Five Colours” (五色的眼睛), a television programme by Asia Television Ltd about multiculturalism in Hong Kong. Both were born in Hong Kong and speak fluent Cantonese.

They co-founded the Proceed Education Centre this year to enhance the English oral and writing skills of primary and secondary students. Sunita taught English for over 20 years in Band-One secondary schools until her recent retirement. Also a teacher in English and English Literature, Seetal has been engaged in writing lesson plans for Young Post SCMP for the past year and is currently finishing a book on writing skills aimed at HKCEE and HKALE students.

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