Celebrating 120 Years of Medical Education

The Anniversary Dinner, held on December 14, 2007 at the Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre, marked the ultimate fete of the Faculty’s Celebrations of 120 years of medical education. The event was co-organised by the Queen Mary Hospital, which also celebrated its 70th Anniversary in the same year.

The Dinner’s Guest of Honour, The Hon Henry Tang, GBS, CH, Chief Secretary for Administration of the HKSAR, delivered a speech to kick-start the festive evening. The event was also honoured by the presence of Mr Huang Jiefu, Vice-Minister of Health, the People’s Republic of China.

A choir performance by more than 250 students and staff, a stand-up comedy entitled “Medic Fun Stories” by Dr the Hon Edward Leong Che-hung (MBBS 1982; Hon DSc 2006) and Professor Grace Tang (MBBS 1971; MD 2006); over 2,500 distinguished guests, staff members, alumni, students and friends of the Medical Faculty and the Queen Mary Hospital joined the Anniversary Dinner.

Milestones

1887 The Hong Kong College of Medicine for Chinese is formally inaugurated on October 1 with Sir Patrick Manson as its first Dean.

1892 The first two graduates, including Dr Sun Yat-sen, a graduate of the Hong Kong College of Medicine for Chinese.

1912 The University of Hong Kong is formally opened. The Hong Kong College of Medicine is incorporated within the University as its 1st faculty – the Faculty of Medicine.

1941 Activities of the University are brought to a halt by the Japanese invasion. In December until the surrender in August 1945.

1948 The University is officially reopened and new medical undergraduates are admitted again.

1965 Li Shu Fan Building on Sassoon Road is formally opened.

1997 The Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery (MBBS) programme is reformed. The Faculty becomes the first medical institute in the region to adopt a system-based curriculum using student-centred and problem-based learning approaches.
The "Long Service Volunteer Award Presentation cum Patient Groups' Gathering" was held immediately before the Anniversary Dinner. The special Guest of Honour was Dr. Hon Daniel Tsang 謝德聰 (Hon LL.D 2005), Chief Executive of the HKSAR, who presented the awards to 10 hospital volunteers with over 1,500 hours of voluntary service, as well as certificates to 16 patient groups in recognition of their contributions in promoting mutual help and care among patients.

Descendants of the Faculty's distinguished historic figures: Mr Peter Sun 温少棟 (front 2nd right), great-grandnephew of Dr Sun Yat-sen 孫中山; Sir Patrick Manson, the Faculty's first two graduates; Dr Gordon Manson Bahr (back 2nd left), great-grandson of Sir Patrick Manson, the Faculty's founding Dean; Ms. Jean Castle (front 1st left), granddaughter of Sir James Castle, the Faculty's second Dean; and Ms. Elizabeth Ride (front 2nd left), daughter of Sir Lindsay Ride, the Faculty's Dean in the 1930s and HKU's sixth Vice-Chancellor, 1949-1964.

"A Different Perspective" of the new complex by Anderson Tsang 董展亮 (MBBS year 3), one of the winning entries of the Anniversary photo contest.

The Medical Class of 1965 won the best support and most attendance prize of the Anniversary Dinner. Dr. Stephen Ho Kam-sak 博師新 accepted the prize on behalf of the Class.

Professor Sir David Todd 楊志賢 (MBBS 1952; MD 1956; Hon DSc 1992), who had flown in from Cambridge for the Anniversary Dinner, paid tribute to the predecessors whose achievements had been instrumental in bringing both the Faculty and Queen Mary Hospital to their present international stature.

2002
The Department of Microbiology identified SARS coronavirus as the primary causative agent.
(Premier Wen Jiabao 温家寶 visits the Faculty in June.

2003
The State Key Laboratories of Emerging Infectious Disease and Brain and Cognitive Sciences, the first State Key Laboratories located outside Mainland China, are established.

2005
The Faculty moves into the new complex with 48,250 square metres of well-equipped facilities for medical education and research.

A Time to Remember
The 120th Anniversary Medical Exhibition, which celebrates the Faculty's history, milestones and contributions to the health of Hong Kong, will be permanently displayed at the foyer area of the Cheung Kong Hui Conference Centre of the William MW Mong Block.

www.hku.hk/facmed/120years
A Celebration of 40 years’ success!

On the occasion of its 40th Anniversary, the Faculty of Social Sciences gave salute to the achievements of 40 outstanding alumni from its first 40 years.
Over 1,200 guests, alumni, students and staff members joined the 40th Anniversary Reunion Dinner on December 5, 2007 at the Grand Hall of the Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre.

Mr Nicholas Ng Wing-fai, (SSocSc 1977), representative of the Class that established the “HKU Social Sciences Pioneer Class of 1967 Fund”

“The Faculty has graduated more than 16,000 students at undergraduate, masters and doctoral levels. Today, alumni of the Faculty of Social Sciences are leaders not only in Hong Kong, but also in Mainland China and many other parts of the world.”

Dr Victor Fung Kwok-King, (Hon LLB 1997), Chairman of HKU Council

“The Faculty has made an enormous contribution to the well-being of Hong Kong and the wider region through teaching, research and professional and community service.”

Mr Nelson Chow Wing-sun, (BA 1969; DipSocSc 1970; PHD 1978), Chairman of the HKU Social Sciences Alumni Association

“While you cannot beat us in age or seniority, we hope that you can beat us in the amount of money, or the similar award that I hope you will be able to establish. So, a very small token of thanks from our class to the Faculty on its 40th Anniversary.”

“HKU is currently ranked fourth best for social sciences in Asia.”

Professor Lap-Chue Tsui

The way forward

As the Faculty moves forward to implement the four-year curriculum from 2012, it has identified two core themes to guide future development: social innovation and global citizenship. In the years ahead, the Faculty looks forward to working with alumni and friends to extend its leadership in teaching, research and community service in Hong Kong, the Mainland and the world.

Social Innovation Internship (SI) provides students with different types of projects such as corporate social responsibility, social services, political advocacy, public policy analysis, management, marketing, public relations, media and journalism, and tourism and leisure.

www.hku.hk/soscc/40th
Faculty of Dentistry
25th Anniversary

The Faculty of Dentistry celebrated its Silver Jubilee during 2007. This milestone marked 25 years of serving Hong Kong and the region through advancing oral health and well-being, achieved with excellence in learning, discovery, patient care and engagement.

To date, sixty-five per cent of Hong Kong’s 1,800 registered dentists are Faculty alumni, and the Faculty has conferred over 1,600 degrees since 1985. The Prince Philip Dental Hospital is still the only dental teaching hospital in Hong Kong.

A Brief History of the Faculty

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<td>The Prince Philip Dental Hospital (PPDH) opens in Sai Ying Pun on Hong Kong Island</td>
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<td>The HKU Faculty of Dentistry is established and is housed at PPDH</td>
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<td>The first batch of 75 Bachelor of Dental Surgery (BDS) students graduates from the 4-year-4-month course</td>
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<td>The BDS course is extended to 5 years</td>
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<td>The HKU Faculty of Dentistry becomes a unitary faculty, without separate departments</td>
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The logo chosen by the Faculty to emphasise its message was an apple, representing ‘a healthy bite, healthy mouth and healthy lifestyle’. Coincidentally, the apple is also a Western symbol of learning and knowledge.

The main colours of the logo (red, blue and green) relate to the University shield’s colours and the motto echoes the University’s pursuit of sustaining and enhancing its excellence “through outstanding teaching and world-class research so as to produce well-rounded graduates with lifelong abilities to provide leadership within the societies they serve”.

The Faculty’s year-long Silver Jubilee events included two concerts at the Hong Kong Cultural Centre, a gala dinner, golf tournament, open days, special lectures and workshops, exhibitions, and an international conference on advanced dentistry.

“In a quarter of a century, the Faculty has made its mark on the region and the world. We are the only dental school in China that uses English as the medium of instruction and one of a very few dental schools in the world that fully implements problem-based learning in the undergraduate curriculum. And, our staff and students win major international prizes for their pioneering research,” says the Dean, Professor Lakshman Samarawickrama. “Our Silver Jubilee was the perfect occasion to reflect on the past and celebrate our future!”
A fit body makes for a fit mind!

HKU Marathon Team 2008

The Team
Alumni & families 76%
Students 18%
Staff members 6%

Youngest runner: 9 years old
Most senior runner: 70 years old

The Record
- No. of runners 2,103 +15% over 2007
- Winner of the Top One Prize of the Most Supportive Group Award for 2006, 2007 and 2008
- Rachel Sproston (PGDE 2006) won 1st place in the Master 1 category of the Half Marathon (Women) & 3rd place in the Half Marathon (Women)

19km 1,389 runners
Age >30: 46%
Fastest time: 39min 44sec (men)
50min 48sec (women)

21km (Half Marathon) 444 runners
Age >30: 99%
Fastest time: 1hr 24min 22sec (men)
1hr 29min 15sec (women)

42km (Full Marathon) 270 runners
Age >30: 87%
Fastest time: 2hrs 59min 34 sec (men)
3hrs 59min 6sec (women)

On the same day, February 17, part of the HKU Marathon Team, most were MEICOM alumni, ran in the 2008 Tokyo Marathon.

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Twelve Outstanding Individuals named Honorary Fellows

The University of Hong Kong presented Honorary University Fellowships to twelve distinguished individuals in recognition of their contributions to the University and community. The ceremony was presided over by Dr the Hon David Li Kwok-po, Pro-Chancellor of the University.

Dr Chan Sui-kau 陳瑞輝博士
Dr Chan is a prominent industrialist, philanthropist and ardent supporter of education. He helped to found the China Synergy Programme for Outstanding Youth in 1999. Now in its eighth year, the Programme enables ethnic Chinese students of renowned overseas universities to visit Hong Kong, Macau and the Mainland.

Mr Paul Chow Man-yiu 周文耀先生
(BScEng 1970, DipManStud 1979; MBA 1982)
Mr Chow is the Chief Executive of the Hong Kong Exchanges and Clearing Limited (HKEX) and an ex-officio member of the Boards of HKEX. He has made significant contributions to his alma mater, especially as a member of the University’s Council and Court.

Mr Gallant Ho Yu-tai 鍾鴻泰先生
(BA 1965)
Mr Ho is the founder of Gallant Y T Ho & Co, a major local law firm. His commitment to education is widely recognised. Besides endowing numerous school scholarships, he has made significant contributions to the establishment of two primary schools, named after his late father Mr Ho Chak-wan.

Professor Norman Ko Wah-man 高華民教授
(BScEng 1962; DSc 1995)
Professor Ko is an expert in fluid dynamics and acoustics, and a pioneer in noise pollution control in Hong Kong. His professional knowledge is well-recognised through his public service. He has been a past member of numerous government environmental committees and is presently Council Chairman and Supervisor of the Chun Tak School.

Mr Lam Sum-chee 林善池先生
(BA 1967)
Mr Lam is an investment guru and one of the first generation of Hong Kong’s financial analysts. He established a private trust in 1986 that has since donated scholarships and bursaries to undergraduate arts students. He also pledged to donate his entire private trust to his alma mater.

Professor Francis Lau Shiu-kwan 劉樹全教授
Professor Lau is one of the leading figures in the real estate and construction industry in Hong Kong. He is dedicated to public service in Hong Kong and the Mainland, having advised various municipal governments in the latter and served on a number of government advisory committees in the former.

Dr Jenny Lee Yee-ching 李慧玲博士
(Bachelor of Arts)
Dr Lee is a prominent philanthropist and visionary educator. Her tireless devotion to education led her to establish the "Lee Shiu Socio-Economic Study Project" in 1998 to bring together outstanding university students from Hong Kong, China, Singapore and the US with the purpose of cultivating international leaders.

Professor Walton Li Wai-tat 李偉才教授
Professor Li is Medical Superintendent and Head of Department of Ophthalmology of the Hong Kong Sanatorium & Hospital, and Honorary Professor of the Eye Institute of HKU. He has made profound contributions to the medical profession and his achievements are well-recognised.

Mrs Anne Marden 林曼芬女士
Mrs Marden is dedicated to community service and committed to supporting education. She led the Hong Kong Red Cross in establishing the Princess Alexandra Red Cross Residential School; worked closely with Caritas and the Education Department to set up three Marden Foundation Schools; and since the 1990s has funded Visiting Fellowship at HKU’s Faculty of Education.

Mr Shum Choi-sang 池才生先生
Mr Shum is a prominent figure in Hong Kong journalism and committed to the development and welfare of society. He is Honorary President of the Newspaper Society of Hong Kong and Advisor to the Chinese Language Press Institute. Mr Shum is currently Chairman of the Overseas Chinese Enterprises Group Ltd. and of Real Connection Ltd.

Dr Vivian Tszm Wong 黃語賢醫生
(MBBS 1969)
Dr Wong is the Hospital Authority Advisor of Integrative Medicine. She is dedicated to medical education, research and improving public health. Dr Wong has committed herself to public and social services over the past three decades. Her areas of interest include women, children, environment, education, health and Chinese Medicine.

Mr Yeung Pak-sing 楊柏成先生
(BScEng 1973; MBScEng 1980)
Mr Yeung is an entrepreneur in the power supply industry and an engineer by profession. He helped found the Hong Kong University Graduates Association [HKUGA] and the charitable HKUGA Education Foundation to promote quality education. The Foundation has established two direct-subsidy schools, one primary, the other secondary.

http://www.hku.hk/honfellow/