HONG KONG UNIVERSITY ALUMNI ASSOCIATION OF ONTARIO **NEWSLETTER**

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ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING SUNDAY, JUNE 10, 2001

Please mark your calendar and attend the upcoming annual general meeting. This is and excellent opportunity to socialize and network with fellow alumni members. Families and friends are very welcome.

This year, we are honoured to have Mr. John McCallum, Member of Parliament for Markham, as our keynote speaker. Mr. McCallum is formerly the chief economist of the Royal Bank of Canada and has an outstanding academic and professional career. Before joining the Royal Bank in 1994, Mr. McCallum was Dean of Arts at McGill University. He had also taught economics at various universities and authored or co-authored eight books and monographs. He will speak to us on the economic outlook for Canada in these uncertain times, followed by a question and answer period.

Details of the AGM are as follows:

June 10, 2001 (Sunday)		
Regency Room, Richmond Hill Country Club, 8905 Bathurst Street (north of Hwy 7), Richmond Hill (905-731-2800)		
5:00 pm - 6:00 pm	Reception	
6:00 pm - 6:30 pm	AGM	
6:30 pm - 7:15 pm	Talk "Canadian Economic Outlook" by John McCallum, M.P.	
7:15 pm - 9:00 pm	Dinner	
	Regency Room, Richmond Hill Co 8905 Bathurst Str Richmond Hill (9 5:00 pm - 6:00 pm 6:00 pm - 6:30 pm 6:30 pm - 7:15 pm 7:15 pm - 9:00	

Cost: \$40 per person (Children under 12: \$25)

For reservations please call: 905-886-0900 or fax the following reply slip to 905-886-0202 or email to <u>tc@timcheng-ca.com</u>

As an added attraction, for \$15 per person extra, our members can enjoy the use of the Richmond Hill Country Club facilities for a full day. The facilities include indoor/outdoor tennis, squash, indoor/outdoor swimming pool, fitness centre, indoor running track, outdoor cafe, showers and lockers. There is also an adjoining Golf Club for avid golf lovers. Members interested in the above activities in addition to the AGM please contact Tim Cheng at 905-886-0900.

NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

NOTICE is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of the Hong Kong University Alumni Association of Ontario will be held on Sunday, the 10th day of June, 2001 at 6:00 p.m. at the Richmond Hill Country Club, with the following business to be transacted:

1. To receive and consider the Annual Report 2000-2001;

2. To receive and consider the Treasurer's Report;

3. To elect directors or members of the Executive Committee of the association for the years 2001/2002;

- 4. To re-elect the Auditor; and
- 5. To transact any other business.

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that any regular member in good standing shall be entitled to nominate another regular member in good standing to the Executive Committee and to be elected to the Executive Committee and to cast vote. Any such nomination should be faxed to the Association at (905) 886-0202 before June 9, 2001.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD /EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE Tim Cheng, President May, 2001

UPCOMING EVENTS

Joint Function for North American Chapters of HKUAA - Jun 30 & Jul 1, 2001

The Hong Kong University Alumni Association of Ontario is proud to be the host for the 2001 Joint Alumni Function for North American Chapters.

The itinerary is as follows:-

June 30, 2001	Welcome Dinner for all out-of-town guests
(Saturday)	(Cost for June 30 - \$40 per person)

July 1, 2001 (Sunday)	Coach Tour
	Niagara FallsNiagara on the LakeTour of Winery
	 Harbour Cruise on Lake Ontario Glamorous sights of City of Toronto Scrumptious Buffet Dinner Gorgeous Firework Display in celebration of Canada Day (Cost for July 1 - \$150 per person)

Don't miss the chance to have a wonderful trip to Toronto and meet your friends!!

Please make your reservation directly with HKUAA (Ontario) through, or for further information please contact, **Tim Cheng**, President **by fax to (905)-886-0202** or by phone to (905)-886-0900 or by e-mail to tc@timcheng-ca.com.

Fall Colours Tour by Cruise - Sep 29, 2001

We are co-hosting this tour with 4 other alumni associations of universities from Hong Kong (namely Chinese University, Baptist, City Polytechnic and Ling Nam) under the name of Hong Kong Joint Universities Alumni (Ontario).

The trip will start at Port Severen on board the "Serendipity Princess" at 10:30 a.m. on September 29, 2001 (Saturday) with full course lunch. You will enjoy the famous fall colours of Ontario during the cruise.

The cost will be about \$40 per person (excluding land transportation). Further details will be released in due course. BUT mark your diary and make your reservation now. Please contact K.B.Ng **by fax to (905)-475-2494** or **by e-mail to** <u>kbng@accessv.com</u>. Seats are really limited!

RECAP OF EVENTS

Iron Road - April 21, 2001



Iron Road - April 21, 2001 It was a splendid evening when the alumnae got together and enjoyed a show at the Elgin Theatre about a young girl disguised as a boy travelling all the way from China to look for her father in Canada in the late 1800s only to witness and experience the harsh lives and deplorable working condition of the early Chinese labourers for the Canadian Pacific Railroad.

The play depicts the challenges that Chinese people at that time had to endure:- hunger, harsh winters, dangerous mission and despite all their contribution, they faced discrimination and abandonment at the end of the day.

The play is a good example of East meeting West with Chinese lyrics and instrument mixed with the Western orchestra conducted by Wayne Strongman and composed by Professor Chan Ka Nin. The librettist was Mark Brownell with about one third of his libretto and lyrics translated into Chinese by George K. Wong.



It is certainly one of those worthwhile events for everybody and especially a wonderful opportunity for the next generation of Canadian Chinese to appreciate and learn about our heritage!



Good news

We welcome the arrival of a new Member to our Alumni extended Family.

One of our Directors, Eddie Cheung, became a proud father of a new baby boy - Heinrich (6 lb 9 oz), on Jan. 30, 2001. Congratulations, Eddie and Christine!

Spring Dinner - January





24, 2001

As part of the tradition of HKUAA (Ontario), we held a Spring Dinner near the time of the Chinese New Year every year. The Dinner this year was well attended with 7 tables in a Chinese Restaurant. Friends got together sharing a few laughs; the new meeting the senior; having fun with quiz and winning a few prizes on lucky draws. We were honoured to have the Director of the Hong Kong Economic and Trade Office, Mrs. Rosanna Ure to update us on recent developments in Hong Kong, particularly on anti-corruption.





Our committee members for the year 2000-2001 at Spring Dinner

K.B.Ng; Lily Lee; Eddie Law; Irene Chu (Advisor); Sammy Chan (2nd V-P); Tim Cheng (President); John Chan; Peggy Sum; Warren Chiu; John Liu (Convenor -Award Fund); Kristine Lai (1st V-P); Augustine Chan (from left to right)