

HONG KONG UNIVERSITY ALUMNI ASSOCIATION OF ONTARIO

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KUNG HEI FAT CHOY!

WE WISH YOU A PROSPEROUS YEAR OF THE RAM!

A Chance to Share

As graduates from the same Alma Mater, we came to this country at different times. It was once such a vast and novel land and yet we all decided at the end to settle down and call it home. We share this common bond but have many different life stories to tell. They can be inspiring to others or even to our next generation. Beginning with this issue, we would like to devote some editorial space to these stories of outstanding alumni and news of common interest (such as new arrivals, unions and losses). So please don't keep it to yourself. Fax or email your stories to us now!

Mrs. Irene Chu, the founding president of HKUAAO, is kind enough to take the lead.

"Growing with Hong Kong"

A ninety years' chronicle of Hong Kong University and its graduates:

"Growing with Hong Kong: The University and its Graduates - the First 90 Years" is now available for sale from the Association.

This 400-page book contains 1,800 photos and is for sale at US\$38 (Can \$61) plus local delivery. Please call Tim Cheng (905-886-0900) to order your copy.

Spring Dinner

A great opportunity to make acquaintances, old and new, at one of our most popular events in the year. Mentees from the Hong Kong University mentoring program and exchange students will also attend and share with us their interesting experience. Please register early and show your support.

Date: **February 16, 2003 (Sunday)**
Venue: Times Dynasty Restaurant, Richmond Hill
Cost: \$43 per adult, \$21 per child under 12
Reception: 6:00 pm
Dinner: 7:00 pm
Reservation: Tim Cheng Tel: 905-886-0900
K. B. Ng Tel: 416-543-5264
Augustine Chan Tel: 416-930-3666
or contact any of our directors

Profile of an alumna:

Mrs. Irene Chu

As the founding president of Hong Kong University Alumni (Ontario) Association in 1985, Irene has devoted much of her efforts to public services. She was appointed as a Canadian citizenship court judge from 1985 to 1986 and a member of appeal division - Canadian Immigration & Refugee Board from 1986 to 1994. Irene has served on various boards of hospitals and health care organizations and is currently sitting on the boards of George Brown College, Rogers Media OMNI 1 & 2 and Sweda Canada Inc.

Irene has two grown-up sons both residing in North America. She is a licensed real estate broker by trade yet maintains a variety of interests in arts, such as playing pipe organ, calligraphy, oil painting and bronze sculpture. Some of her oil paintings can be viewed on <http://members.rogers.com/irenecchu/index.htm> and a personal website is now under construction which will showcase all her works.

Annual General Meeting & Joint University Alumni Dinner Dance July 27, 2002

The Annual General Meeting was held on July 27, 2002 at the Richmond Hill Country Club. The following Advisors and Board of Directors were elected for the term 2002-03:

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| Advisors: | Irene Chu (Arts) Peggy Sum (Arts) |
| President: | Tim Cheng (Science) |
| 1st V.P.: | Jennifer Chua (Soc. Sc.) |
| 2nd V.P.: | King Fun Siu (Medicine) |
| Secretary: | Lily Lee (Dip. Ed) |
| Treasurer: | Barry Po (Soc.Sc.) |
| Cultural Fund: | Sally Chan (Arts) |
| Membership: | Dennis Au-Yeung |
| Editor: | Loretta Hoi (Soc. Sc.) |
| Directors: | Augustine Chan (Arts) John Liu (M.Soc.Sc.) Warren Chiu (Soc. Sc.) |
| Overseas Director: | Evelyn Man (Arts) |
| Immediate past President: | K.B. Ng (Law) |

Our sincere appreciation for the valuable contributions by the following retiring directors: John Chan, Sammy Chan, Kristine Lai, Eddie Law and Sammy Lee.

The AGM was immediately followed by a Dinner Dance jointly organized by the Alumni Associations of HKU, CU, Polytechnic, Baptist and Lingnan Universities. Over 200 people attended, including 70 HKU alumni and friends. A speech by our Vice-Chancellor, Professor Lap-Chee Tsui, on gene regulations was the highlight. We were also honoured to have Ms. Bernadette Tsui and Ms. Janet Chung from the Development and Alumni Affairs Office of HKU and Dr. Evelyn Man attending.



Some of our alumni with Professor and Mrs. Tsui Lap-Chee

**HKUAA North American Joint Function in New York
Oct 11 -13, 2002**

A group of over 30 Ontario alumni, families and friends travelled to New York to support the North American Joint Function. It was a trip filled with activities and fun. The re-union dinner was held at the Peking Park Restaurant in Manhattan and was attended by many alumni from New York, Boston, Washington and California.

Distinguished guests include Sarah Wu and Jacqueline Willis of the Hong Kong Government Trade Office in the U.S. The trip has a surplus and the group is looking to organize a re-union too!



Group photo of our alumni in front of our the Hotel in New York

Upcoming Event

We will travel across continents this time! The 2003 HKUAA Joint Function will be hosted by the UK Chapter on June 27 and 28 (Friday and Saturday) in London, England. Further details to be announced soon.

Obituary

Mrs. Dorothy Ada Collins, passed away on October 2, 2002, will be missed by many alumni who were her chemistry students in HKU. She was also the warden of the Duchess of Kent Hall. Our sincere condolences!

Reminder: *If your email has changed, please advise us by email to tc@timcheng-ca.com.*