



HONG KONG UNIVERSITY ALUMNI ASSOCIATION OF ONTARIO

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## Annual General Meeting & Dinner 2017

Date:	April 27, 2018 (Friday)
Time:	5:30 pm AGM / 6:00 pm Reception / 7:00 pm Dinner
Venue:	<b>Premiere Ballroom &amp; Convention Centre (釣魚臺國宴)</b> 9019 Leslie Street, Richmond Hill, ON L4B 4A3 Tel: 905.709.3602
Cost:	\$55 for Adult / \$40 for Mentee
Registration & Contacts:	Register at <a href="http://www.hku.hk/hkuaaont">www.hku.hk/hkuaaont</a> or with Tim Cheng ( <a href="mailto:tc@timcheng-ca.com">tc@timcheng-ca.com</a> / 416.270.9830) Wilson Chan ( <a href="mailto:wc@wilsonchanca.com">wc@wilsonchanca.com</a> / 905.305.6812) Augustine Chan ( <a href="mailto:augustinetoronto@hotmail.com">augustinetoronto@hotmail.com</a> / 416.930.3666) Romeo Au ( <a href="mailto:romeohau@hotmail.com">romeohau@hotmail.com</a> / 416.529.3361)

We will elect the new board of directors and executive committee members for 2018 – 2019 at the A.G.M. All members are encouraged to nominate and be nominated for the Board for the coming year. Come and meet your alumni friends. This is an excellent opportunity to connect and re-connect with many fellow alumni in an evening of entertainment and fun. All alumni, family and friends are welcome.

## 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 Friday, the 27th day of April, 2018 at 5:30 p.m. at Premiere Ballroom & Convention Centre, 9019 Leslie Street, Richmond Hill, ON L4B 4A3 with the following business to be transacted: -

To receive and consider the Annual Report for 2017 -2018;

To receive and consider the Treasurer's Report;

To elect directors and members of the Executive Committee of the Association for the year 2018-2019;

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 Board of Directors and to be elected to the Board and to cast vote. Any such nomination should be emailed to the Association at [hkuaaont@hku.hk](mailto:hkuaaont@hku.hk) on or before April 20 2018.

By the order of the Board of Directors

Lilian Sin, Secretary, March 23, 2018

## SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS

Now that spring is just a few weeks away, our other special interest groups are also gearing up. So, check them out! Joining those groups is a sure way to make the year a happy and healthy one!

Badminton Interest Group	Romeo Au	區耀興	BSocSc 1976	<a href="mailto:romeoyhau@hotmail.com">romeoyhau@hotmail.com</a>
Bird Watching Group	Michael Lam	林容賜	MBBS 1978	<a href="mailto:michaellam78@gmail.com">michaellam78@gmail.com</a>
Hiking Interest group	Hannah Cheung	張彥華	BA 1979	<a href="mailto:emailhcathonta@gmail.com">emailhcathonta@gmail.com</a>
Karaoke Interest Group	Lily Lee Eddy Ho	李冰琪 何詠雄	PGDE 1973 BA 1980	<a href="mailto:lilybkleee@gmail.com">lilybkleee@gmail.com</a> <a href="mailto:ytomgr@wicefreight.ca">ytomgr@wicefreight.ca</a>
Table Tennis Interest Group	Hector Chan	陳錫雄	BA 1979	<a href="mailto:hectorschan@gmail.com">hectorschan@gmail.com</a>
Wine Tasting Interest Group	Tim Cheng Dennis Au-Yeung	鄭天祥 歐陽健昌	BSc 1970 BSc 1977	<a href="mailto:tc@timcheng-ca.com">tc@timcheng-ca.com</a> <a href="mailto:Dennis.Au-Yeung@concordadex.com">Dennis.Au-Yeung@concordadex.com</a>

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## **HIGHLIGHTS OF PAST EVENTS**

### ***HKUAAO Annual General Meeting & Dinner on April 2, 2017 by Lilian Sin***

With the keen support of HKU alumni, mentees, families and friends, as well as guests from other university alumni associations, we had 153 attendees at the HKUAAO annual dinner held at Premier Ballroom & Convention Centre on April 2, 2017. The outgoing president (2016/2017), Dennis Au-Yeung, reported on the highlights of events of last year, and thanked all alumni, founding and current board members, supporters and volunteers for their invaluable support. He further passed the Brick to the new president (2017/2018), Wilson Chan. We sincerely thank Dennis for his diligent service to HKUAAO. Wilson Chan shared his vision as the new president of HKUAAO. He vowed to upkeep the excellent quality of alumni services offered by HKUAAO in the past years. Congratulations, Wilson! We had the honor of having Ms. Kathy Chan, Director of The Hong Kong Economic and Trade Office, to be our keynote speaker. Ms. Chan pen-pictured the present-day Hong Kong environment in terms of economy, trade, living, culture, etc., and presented the HK Government's initiative of attracting the second generation of HK overseas immigrants to reside and pursue their career in Hong Kong. The coordinators of various individual interest groups reported on the past activities, which provide excellent opportunities for Alumni to promote their interests as well as to bond with one another. It was impressive for us to see 7 out of our total 9 mentees were able to join the dinner, with the courtesy of vehicle rides by Romeo Au, Dr. K.F. Siu and Lilian Ma. The dinner was also honoured by the presence of guests from different University Alumni Associations from Hong Kong. Sophia Chan, Chairperson of the Joint-University (HK) alumni group, announced the upcoming joint-university alumni initiative and challenge to set a Guinness record. One of the highlights of the dinner was a much praised and entertaining singing performance led by our talented alumni, Eddie Ho in conjunction with Margaret Lau and John Sin. We thank Margaret Law for an excellent job as MC, as well as many alumni/volunteers who together delivered a HKUAAO annual dinner of great success.



### ***Bi-annual intra-squad tournament on April 9, 2017 by Hector Chan***

The HKUAAO table tennis group has been growing organically in the past few years. We are glad to see a few new faces participating in our bi-annual intra-squad tournament held at CCTA on April 9, 2017. Twenty participants were divided into 5 teams through random draw to play for the team championship. Of which, winning teams were determined by the aggregate result of the singles and doubles competition. Individual awards were also presented to the singles winners and the most improved players. Players ranking were re-shuffled to reflect their results in singles.

Congratulations to Danny Leung, Aries Cheng, Hector Chan and Dan Lam for winning the team championship; TY Kwan, Aries Cheng, Steve Fung and Dan Lam for winning the singles award.

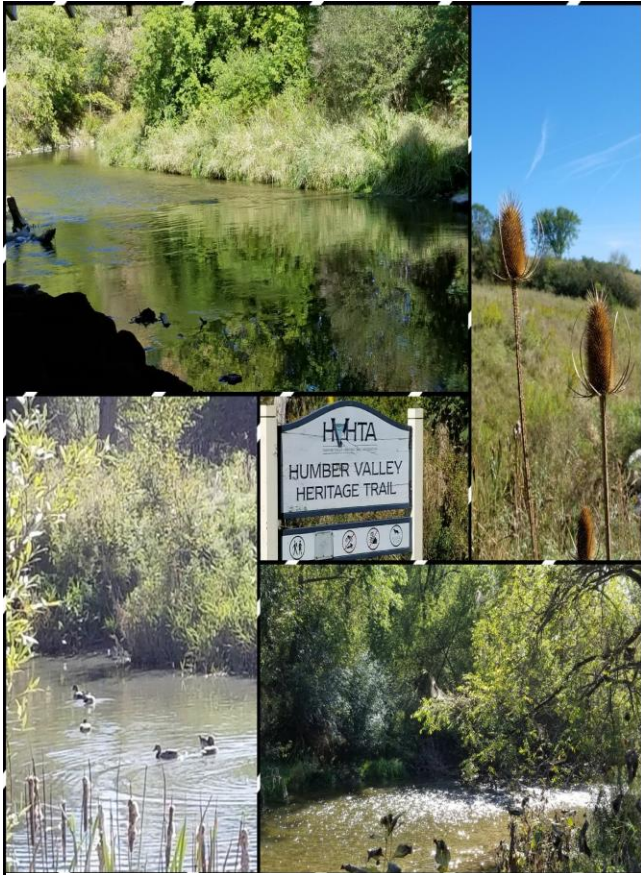




### ***HKUAAO Hikes in 2017 by Hannah Cheung***

We have held two hikes during the year, one in spring around Victoria Day, the other during the autumn season when we are so privileged to experience the gorgeous beauty of nature with the crimson and golden foliage in our mountains and valleys.

On May 22, 2017, twenty-five HKU alumni and friends met together at eastern part of Aurora. We hiked along the Eldred King Woodlands which is part of the famous Oak Ridge Trail. The hike was about 10 Km. We had a lot of fun during the 3-hour journey, roaming in and out of the woods and appreciated various kinds of wild plants. It was especially amazing to find some morel mushrooms along the trails. After the hike, the majority of the group continued with dinner and as usual it was a wonderful gathering for the evening. The autumn hike took place on October 1, 2017. We chose a trail in Bolton for our trip. It rained in the morning but dried up around noon time to make our hike a pleasant journey. Thirty seven people showed up, including ten exchange students/ mentees from HKU. The hike was about 10 Km long going from paved walks to uphill slopes and grassland. We saw a few trees with the autumn red/ orange leaves and our visitors from Hong Kong were excited to take photos. The hike was completed in about three hours. As usual, part of the group went on to join the dinner afterwards and had a good time before the day finished.



### ***Hong Kong Joint Universities Alumni Ontario Activities 2017 by Romeo Au***

HKJU is an informal organization established in 2000 and is growing steadily. Now we have 9 alumni members including Hong Kong Baptist University (BU), The Chinese University of Hong Kong (CU), Chu Hai University (CHU), Lingnan University (LNU), The Hong Kong Polytechnic University (PU), Hong Kong Shue Yan University (SYU), University of Hong Kong (HKU) and newly joined in 2017, City University of Hong Kong (CityU) and Hong Kong University of Science and Technology (UST).

The main purpose is to promote friendship, fraternity and communication among alumni in Ontario. This is the biggest post-secondary alumni organization outside Hong Kong. Hong Kong Economic and Trade Office (HKETO) Canada is a substantial patron and we really thank for their continuous support in the past years.

BU is the host University in 2017. To commemorate Canada's 150th Anniversary and the 20th Anniversary of the establishment of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region. HKJU had organized a series of activities throughout the year. Among those, a tree planting day in June and the attempt to break the Guinness World Record in October were the highlight of all.



### ***Tree Planting Day, Henry White Park, Markham on June 24, 2017 by Romeo Au***

This was held on a lovely sunny Saturday day in Henry White Park, Markham. Close to 100 people from all universities alumni came to enjoy this outing with their friends and relatives.

HKUAAO is represented by our president, Wilson Chan, past president, Dennis Au-Yeung, Romeo Au, Verdi Yau and Maggie Poon together with their new born.

There were a total of 10 trees planted in this occasion, 9 smaller trees (Aspen, Bur Oak, Dogwood and Sycamore) for each university alumni and a 10 feet Silver Maple for HKJU. Everyone onsite were eager to roll up their sleeves to do the hard and actually enjoying the process. May be one day when you stroll along Henry White Park, please take the effort to find all these trees (there is a plaque for easy identification).

Kudos to Verdi and Maggie to make such an effort to show up with the new born (less than 2 weeks).



### ***Attempt to Break Guinness World Record (GWR) on October 15, 2017 by Romeo Au***

Sunday, Oct 15, 2017 was a big day as HKJU alumni attempted to break the “Most participants bouncing table tennis balls using table tennis rackets in a single venue” in Pan Am Centre, Markham.

The record is 250 people to bounce the table tennis ball continuously for 10 seconds. To many people, it seems easy to bounce the ball for 10 seconds on your own. However, it looks easier than done. With people all around you doing the same action and a record is on the line, we all know the pressure is on. In view of this, HKJU had organized two practice sessions in late September and each had about 200 people attended. This laid the foundation of the success on the ‘Big Day’.

Over 350 HKJU alumni, friends and relatives came to face the challenge. HKUAAO has the biggest contingent among all with 70 people led by our president Wilson Chan, vice presidents Augustine Chan, past president Dennis Au-Yeung’s blessing from Hong Kong. We all had high spirits and well prepared.

Under the 3 witnesses, MPP Michael Chan, Kathy Chan of HKETO and Herbert Moon, Publisher – Today Commercial News observation, HKJU succeeded to break the Guinness World Record with 343 people.

The record has yet to be rectify by the GWR but all of us are proud of the performance.

After the GWR breaking effort, HKJU organized fun games like basketball shooting, QQ-ball relay, multi-format relay and ping pong marathon for all of us to relax and enjoy. Everyone involved had a lot of fun, laugh and tears all through the games. To conclude the day, there was a gala-dinner and filled with good food, drinks, excellent performance by alumni. We all left with a high note and anxiously looking forward to 2018 HKJU events.

On behalf of HKUAAO, I would like to thank all those who showed strong support to the events. Without you folks, I don’t think we can go this far to become a Guinness World Record holder. Hope to see you all soon.

