

On the charity track

Some 700 PolyU members took part in the Community Chest's "Walks for Millions" for the eleventh year this January and successfully raised HK\$200,000 for the needy.

Led by President Prof. Poon Chung-kwong, Deputy President Mr Alexander Tzang Hing-chung, Vice Presidents Prof. Leung Tin-pui and Dr Lui Sun-wing, the PolyU team comprised members from over 40 departments and students and alumni associations. They all set off from the Hong Kong Stadium.

In order to encourage participation, internal awards have been set up by the University. This year, the awards of the "Largest Staff Team" and the "Largest Student Team" went to the Industrial Centre and the Faculty of Business and Information Systems respectively.

Members of PolyU's Accountancy Graduates Association took pride in sweeping all alumni awards for being the "Largest Alumni Team" and team and individual "Top Fund Raiser".

Since 1993, the University has participated in the "Walks for Millions". Over the past 10 years, over 7,300 PolyU members have participated in the Walk and raised more than \$2 million for the Community Chest. ❖



Loyal staff honoured

A total of 171 staff members were honoured for their loyal and committed services to the University in a ceremony held in mid-January 2003.

Among this year's awardees, 27 have served for 25 years, 82 for 20 years and 62 for 15 years — including all teaching, administrative and general staff. Each awardee was presented a certificate and a small gift from President Prof. Poon Chung-kwong as token of thanks from the management.

The Long Service Award Scheme has been introduced since 1990 to foster a sense of belonging among PolyU staff. The award presentation ceremony provides a meaningful gathering for the University to publicly acknowledge the long-serving staff for their years of dedication and devotion. ❖



Humanitarian award for hospitality guru

Prof. Kaye Chon Kye-sung, Chair Professor and Head of the School of Hotel and Tourism Management (HTM) has recently been honoured as recipient of the 2003 FTA Hospitality Humanitarian Award. This annual award was founded by the Frederic A. Tibbitts and Associates in New York to recognize an individual who is a leader in the hospitality field and an active participant in community services. Prof. Chon has kindly donated his cash prize of US\$5,000 to set up a scholarship in HTM to support economically disadvantaged students who want to pursue exchange or placement programme overseas. ❖



Prof. Kaye Chon



Prof. Andrew Baldwin

New head joins building department

The University has appointed **Prof. Andrew Baldwin** to the post of Chair Professor of Building, in addition to his concurrent appointment as Head of the Department of Building and Real Estate (BRE) effective 31 March 2003.

With a PhD from the Loughborough University of Technology obtained in 1982, Prof. Baldwin had engaged in senior positions in the construction industry for some years before he embarked on his academic career in 1989. ❖

External appointments

- **Mr Alexander H. C. Tzang**, Deputy President, has been appointed as an Honorary Professor in the Chaoshan Institute of Vocational training (潮汕職業技術學院), effective 21 December 2002.
- **Prof. Philip K. W. Yeung**, Vice President (Academic Development), has been re-appointed as an Honorary Professor in the Faculty of Education of the University of Hong Kong for a further year up to 20 April 2004.
- **Prof. Judy Tsui**, Dean of the Faculty of Business and Information Systems, has been appointed as a member of the Council of the Hong Kong Society of Accountants (HKSA) for a period of two years, with effect from 14 December 2002.
- **Prof. Albert S. C. Chan**, Head of the Department of Applied Biology and Chemical Technology, has been appointed as an Honorary Dean of the School of Pharmaceutical Sciences in Zhongshan (Sun Yat-sen) University (中山大學), for a three-year period from October 2002 to October 2005.
- **Ir Prof. W. B. Lee**, Head of the Department of Industrial and Systems Engineering, has been re-appointed by the Government as a member of the Foundation Industries Projects Vetting Committee for the Innovation and Technology Support Programme under the Innovation and Technology Fund, for a further period of two years effective 1 January 2003.
- **Prof. Edwin Cheng Tai-chiu**, Chair Professor of the Department of Management, has been appointed as an external assessor for the Department of Information Systems of Lingnan University, with effect from 12 December 2002. ❖