

Further support from the community

From last September to January, PolyU continued to receive support from various sectors of the community. The wide support is recognition of PolyU's achievement in grooming preferred graduates for trade and industries in Hong Kong.

Jockey Club Rehabilitation Engineering Clinic

The University named the rehabilitation engineering clinic after Jockey Club in recognition of its support for the University over the years and its recent donation of \$19.38 million to the University's development of innovative rehabilitation technologies for the elderly and the disabled.

Officiated at the ceremony were Mr David Eldon, Steward of the Hong Kong Jockey Club; Mr Victor Lo, PolyU Chairman of Council; and Prof. Poon Chung-kwong, PolyU President.

With a firm commitment to charity and community services, Jockey Club helped establish the Jockey Club Rehabilitation Engineering Centre in 1987 with a grant of \$10.4 million to develop technologies for the rehabilitation of people with disabilities.



Croucher Foundation Product Mechatronics Laboratory

In mid November, Deputy Council Chairman Mr Roy Chung and President Prof. Poon Chung-kwong joined Chairman of the Croucher Foundation Prof. Kan Yuet-wai to unveil the Product Mechatronics Laboratory named after the founder of the Croucher Foundation, the late Mr Noel Croucher.

By offering scholarships and fellowships to top-notch scholars in Hong Kong over the past 25 years, the Foundation has supported a group of elite scientists and many research projects in the areas of science, medicine and technology. Fifteen academic staff and 44 projects of PolyU have benefited from the Foundation's support.

Tribute paid to Hong Kong Electronic Industries Association

Six classrooms were dedicated to the Hong Kong Electronic Industries Association in recognition of its generous donation of \$2.5 million to the University. The ceremony also saw the signing of "Strategic Partnership Agreement", under which the Association will join PolyU's "Preferred Graduate" Development Programme by providing PolyU students with placement opportunities during summer while PolyU will offer technical support and assistance to the Association's members.



Manulife continues aid to children with learning disabilities

The University earlier received \$2 million donation from Manulife Charitable Foundation in support of the operation of the Manulife Centre for Children with Specific Learning Disabilities for the next three years.

Jointly founded by the Foundation and our School of Nursing in 1999, the Centre provides academic and professional services to children with learning disabilities. Since its establishment, the Centre has received an accumulative donation of \$3.8 million from the Manulife Charitable Foundation. Up to date, the Centre has attracted a membership of about 1,200 and has held over 300 seminars, workshops and training camps for children, parents and teachers.



Donation to advance sports physiotherapy

Mr Frank Pong, former Executive Director of Shiu Wing Steel Ltd and member of PolyU's Court from 1995-2002, earlier donated \$1 million in support of the development of sports physiotherapy education in the Department of Rehabilitation Sciences.

The cheque presentation ceremony was joined by Mr Pong and Mr Timothy Fok Tsun-ting, International Olympic Committee Member, President of Sports Federation and Olympic Committee of Hong Kong.

On this happy occasion, Mr Pong quoted his personal experience three years ago of how physiotherapy treatment at PolyU's Rehabilitation Clinic helped him recover from his foot injury so that he could return to his favourite sport of sailing.



Hong Kong Jewelry Manufacturers Association named strategic partner

The Hong Kong Jewelry Manufacturers Association (HKJMA) has recently been named a strategic partner of PolyU in recognition of the Association's tremendous support and donation of \$401,000 to the University.

At the opening ceremony of the 12th Hong Kong International Jewelry Manufacturers Exhibition last December, Dr Lui Sun-wing, PolyU Vice President, presented a plaque of strategic partnership to Mr Aaron Shum, President of HKJMA, to mark the new bonding.

Under the strategic partnership scheme, PolyU will provide support to members of HKJMA in the areas of technology and management update and corporate development. ❖

Tennis brings PolyU friends together



Business leaders took time out from their busy schedules to enjoy a day of fun and friendly matches on the tennis courts

More than a million donation was raised by tennis lovers who participated in the PolyU Tennis Invitation 2004 held in mid-October, sponsored by the Techtronic Industries and Tung Group.

The event successfully attracted 48 players and more than a hundred PolyU supporters to attend. Among them were business leaders like Mr Roy Chung, Dr Tung Chee-chen, Dr Patrick Fung and Mr Kenneth Lam; and PolyU supporters Mr Pang Chung, Secretary General of the Sports Federation and Olympic Committee of Hong Kong, China; composer Mr Mahmood Rumjahn and artist Mr Cheung Kwok-keung, to name a few. They all met at the Joint Sports Centre in Kowloon Tong for friendly matches to compete for a total of six Trophy Cups and three Title Cups. ❖



Dr Tung Chee-chen, Honorary Patron and Chairman of the Tung Group



Friendship first, competition second!

Dr Patrick Fung, Chairman and Chief Executive of Wing Hang Bank and a member of the University Court



Mr Roy Chung, Chairman of the Organising Committee and Managing Director of Techtronic Industries



Artist Mr Cheung Kwok-keung is also a fan of tennis



Trees, bricks and chairs are named in recognition of the generous support received from various community sectors.



Support is everywhere on campus



Deputy Council Chairman Mr Roy Chung (right) and President Prof. Poon Chung-kwong (left) present souvenirs to the ardent supporters.

Thanks to the great support of many donors, PolyU has earned more than \$200 million under the Government's Matching Grant Scheme. In response to the Scheme, a "Trees-Chairs-Bricks Sponsorship Campaign 2003/04" was introduced in October 2003 to raise fund for the University. A naming ceremony was held last September to acknowledge donors who have supported this Campaign.

As of last September, a total of 246 individuals and organization donors have shown their support to PolyU, raising more than \$5 million donations. They ranged from business and industry partners to staff, students and alumni of different generations. Some of the donations even came from Macau or overseas.

In recognition of their tremendous support, the University had on-campus property named after the donors. Currently, 66 trees, 80 seats and 105 bricks have been marked with the donors' names.



Donors share their joy and support to PolyU with family.