

Dedication of new facilities

Lo Ka Chung Centre for Natural Anti-Cancer Drug Development

Thanks to the munificent donation of HK\$20 million from respected jewellery businessman **Mr Lo Ka-chung**, the Department of Applied Biology and Chemical Technology inaugurated the "Lo Ka Chung Centre for Natural Anti-Cancer Drug Development" on 22 December. Led by award-winning multidisciplinary experts, this Centre aims to develop effective natural anti-cancer therapeutics and to provide professional training to undergraduates, postgraduates and postdoctoral researchers. In addition, the Centre will be involved in consultancy services, partnership projects and community education.



Mr and Mrs Lo (middle) receive a souvenir from the President.

James Hsioung Lee Foundation Product Testing and Analysis Centre

The Product Testing and Analysis Centre of the Department of Mechanical Engineering was officially named after the James Hsioung Lee Foundation on 20 November. The Foundation has generously donated HK\$1 million toward the establishment of the Centre. The Centre will provide a platform for the development of high-value added products through simulation, analysis and testing and also underpin relevant teaching activities.

Troels H. Povlsen Care Apparel Centre

With a mission to serve the less privileged in society, the Troels H. Povlsen Care Apparel Centre of the Institute of Textiles and Clothing (ITC) was opened on 18 January as the first of its kind in Asia. The Centre was named after Danish merchant **Mr Troels H. Povlsen**, Founder of Bestseller and Partner of Bestseller United China Limited, to acknowledge a major donation of HK\$3.3 million from the company's management.



The Centre will tailor-make special outfits to meet the needs of the elderly and the disabled, and also promote the novel care apparel concept through research, education and specialist consultation service.

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(From left) Prof. Tao Xiao-ming, Head of ITC; Mr Povlsen; President Prof. Poon Chung-kwong; Prof. Albert Chan, Faculty Dean; and Dr Frenzy Ng, Director of the Centre.

Ming Tao gala dinner pays tribute to 100 VIPs

To pay tribute to 100 well-known figures in town who shared their success stories with readers in the PolyU publication series *Ming Tao I and II*, PolyU organized a fund-raising gala dinner in their honour at the JW Marriott Hotel on 13 December. The event was officiated by **Dr Tsang Hin-chi**, delegate to the Standing Committee of the National People's Congress, PolyU Council Chairman Mr Victor Lo Chung-wing and President Prof. Poon Chung-kwong. The more than 500 guests of the dinner had a delightful evening of singing, dancing and exciting live auction for a good cause of raising over HK\$2.5 million for the University. ❖



An artistic rendition of the PolyU motto by scholar and painter Prof. Jao Tsung-I is auctioned and presented to Mr and Mrs Peter Mok.



Group photo: Celebrating the success of the Ming Tao publication project.

East Wing of student halls named after former Council Chairman



Sir Gordon and Lady Ivy Wu receive a souvenir at the naming ceremony.

On 20 December 2006, PolyU dedicated the East Wing of our Student Halls of Residence to **Dr Sir Gordon Wu Ying-sheung**, Founding Chairman of the University Court (1995-1997) and former Council Chairman (1997-2003).

Speaking at this memorable occasion, Council Chairman **Mr Victor Lo Chung-wing** said: "Sir Gordon has led PolyU to achieve important progress with his wealth of knowledge in higher education and management. He also generously donated HK\$15 million to the University to support its development in various areas. We found this naming decision the best way to express our sincere thanks to his longstanding, enthusiastic support."

Sir Gordon, Chairman of Hopewell Holdings, is a giant in the infrastructure development industry in South-East Asia. He has contributed his expert advice and many ideas throughout the planning and building of PolyU's student hostels. Thoughtful and practical designs of the hostels which involved insightful input from Sir Gordon included the multi-purpose dining hall, a flexi-settings amphitheatre and the bay windows in the rooms to capture maximum natural light.

Lately, Sir Gordon shows his support for the University by taking up the chairmanship of the Board of the PolyU Development Foundation to offer his wise counsel on the use of donations and sponsorships.



Naming of hotel and tourism resource centre

Dr Lui Che-woo, founder of the K. Wah Group and a pioneer in the hotel and tourism industry, has made a HK\$14 million donation under K. Wah's name for PolyU's education and research in hotel and tourism. In appreciation of his generous support, the University named the Hotel and Tourism Resource Centre of the School of Hotel and Tourism Management (SHTM), a depository of worldwide hospitality and tourism resource materials, after Dr Lui on 9 October 2006.

Part of Dr Lui's donation will be used to establish 10 scholarships to support SHTM students to gain hotel experience overseas or on the Chinese mainland. The rest of the sum will be used for conducting researches and organizing forums, staff exchange and development programmes. The research projects and forums will seek to enhance the professionalism of hotel chain and hotel brand management in China.

The naming ceremony also saw the presentation of PolyU's Honorary Degree of Doctor of Business Administration to Dr Lui by the University President. The award was conferred on Dr Lui in his absence last year in recognition of his outstanding achievements and contribution to the community. After the ceremony, Dr Lui gave a talk on the latest development trends of the hotel and tourism industry in Hong Kong and Macau. Dr Lui is a Founding Member of the University Court since 1995.



President Prof. Poon Chung-kwong (left) and Director of SHTM Prof. Kaye Chon (right) join Dr Lui and his wife in officiating at the naming ceremony.