

## Spotlight on budding fashion designers



At the Hong Kong Fashion Week 2007, two final year Bachelor of Arts students of fashion and textiles at PolyU's Institute of Textiles and Clothing won major awards in the prestigious Hong Kong Young Fashion Designers' Contest. Miss Sherry Kwok Wai-shan scooped the awards of the "Overall Winner" and "Winner of the Contemporary Day Wear Group"; and Miss Vikki Yau Wai-kei was "Winner of the Casual and Jeans Wear Group".



With a combination of her love for beige and use of bridal textiles like satin, Sherry's collection entitled "Innocent Girl Going to a New World" successfully brings out femininity. Her inspiration comes from simple geometry, and uses a lot of pleating and folding. For Vikki, the main hues of her collection, themed "Hymn for My Soul", are yellow, blue and green, which are her favourite colours.



Miss Sherry Kwok (fourth from right)



Miss Vikki Yau (second from right)

## Engineering students excel at international contest

The University's mechanical engineering students had successfully made it to the final round of the international competition organized by the American Society of Mechanical Engineers.

The competition challenged engineering students to create a "Human-powered Potable (Drinking) Water Still", highlighting the fact that engineers play a key role in society at large. Contestants were asked to design a portable device that could distil polluted water for drinking in adverse environment.

Led by academic supervisor Ir Lo Kok-keung, Engineer of the Department of Mechanical Engineering, the PolyU team had advanced to the final round amidst fierce competition in the regional contest, which covered nearly all non-US territories and regions, including teams sent forth by universities in Japan, South Korea, Singapore, Taiwan, Malaysia, New Zealand, India, and Australia.



## Community Service Learning Projects on display



About 1,000 students and staff members participated in the latest Community Service Learning Programme organized by the Student Affairs Office to apply their expertise and knowledge to philanthropic ends. Thirteen exemplary projects out of 44 were honoured at a special ceremony held in November. The ceremony, officiated by Mrs Betty Yuen, PolyU Council Member and Managing Director of CLP Power Hong Kong Limited, also marked the opening of a showcase which displayed all the community service learning projects of 2006/07. With a variety of other activities including free health screening services, stall games, exhibition and performances, the showcase was attended by more than 600 elderly and disabled people. ❖

## Logistics students receive government and industry support



A total of 42 students of the Department of Logistics were presented with scholarships under four prominent Scholarship schemes established by the Government or the industry. The four Scholarships are the Scholarship for Maritime Studies by the Hong Kong SAR Government, the Gao Yan Ming Scholarship donated by The North China Lines Limited, the HKSOA Scholarship by The Hong Kong Shipowners Association Limited and the Kalitta Air Scholarship by The Kalitta Air.

The scholarships will support PolyU students to study in the master's or bachelor's degree programmes in logistics, or pursue a career in shipping and transport logistics, or engage in student exchange activities. The support extended to the University by the government and the industry is an acknowledgement of its continuing efforts to nurture logistics professionals and enhance the status of the local maritime industry. ❖