Four Honorary Degrees to be Conferred in October

Four distinguished persons will be awarded honorary degrees at the 40th Congregation to be held on Thursday, 11th October 1990 in the University: Dr. the Hon. Allen Lee Peng-fei and Mr. James A. M. Kung will be awarded the degree of Doctor of Laws, honoris causa; Prof. David Todd, the degree of Doctor of Science, honoris causa; and Prof. Chang Kwang-chih, the degree of Doctor of Social Science, honoris causa.

Dr. the Hon. Allen Lee Peng-fei
BS, D.Eng., CBE, JP, FHKE
Industrialist, member of the Executive Council, Senior Member of the Legislative Council.

In his capacity as member of the Council of the Hong Kong Trade Development Council and past chairman of the Council of the Hong Kong General Chamber of Commerce, Dr. Lee has made significant contributions to the development of trade and industry in Hong Kong. For his outstanding achievements, he was awarded the Outstanding Young Persons Award in 1977 and the Asian Productivity Organization National Award in 1986. Dr. Lee is also actively involved in the development of local higher education. He has been a member of the Council of the University of Hong Kong, chairman of the Polytechnic Council and deputy chairman of the City Polytechnic Council. He has recently accepted an invitation to be a member of the Council of The Chinese University of Hong Kong and to chair the Board of Overseers of the Hong Kong Institute of Biotechnology.

Mr. James Z. M. Kung
LLB, MBE, FAIA
Chairman and Chief Manager of Chekiang First Bank Ltd.

A prominent local banker, Mr. Kung is active not only in banking but also in the travel industry and education. He has made important contributions to the community by serving on various public bodies and committees. He is at present a member of the Banking Advisory Committee, director of the Travel Industry Council, and chairman of the Hong Kong Community Chest Executive Committee. He also sits on the Councils of the Hong Kong Polytechnic and the Hong Kong Baptist College. Mr. Kung has been associated with The Chinese University since 1976, when he became a member of the Chung Chi College Board of Governors. He was appointed to the University Council in 1981 and elected chairman of the Chung Chi Board of Trustees in 1986. All these years the University has benefited from his guidance and wise counsel.

Prof. David Todd
MB BS, MD, CBE, JP
Professor of Medicine, University of Hong Kong

Prof. Todd has taught at the University of Hong Kong for 37 years and made important contributions to the teaching of medicine and the training of generations of medical practitioners in Hong Kong. Apart from devoting himself to teaching and research, he has served on various educational and medical committees including the Hong Kong Academy of Medicine Preparatory Committee, of which he is chairman; the University and Polytechnic Grants Committee, and the Committee on Management and Financing of Teaching Hospitals of the Provisional Hospital Authority. He is also the founder president of the Hong Kong College of Physicians and has been instrumental in making Hong Kong an overseas centre for the complete MRCP (UK) examination. He was conferred a CBE in 1982 for his outstanding contributions to medical affairs in Hong Kong.
An outstanding archaeologist and anthropologist, Prof. Chang specializes in settlement archaeology and Chinese archaeology and has written extensively on the subjects, systematically introducing to the Western world the archaeological findings in China in the last few decades. His works and lectures on the early history of China have initiated many a Western student into the study of Chinese civilization. By actively promoting scholarly exchanges between the United States, Taiwan and mainland China, Prof. Chang has helped train many promising scholars in the field of Chinese archaeology and anthropology. Prof. Chang has been honorary adviser to the University’s Institute of Chinese Studies since 1986.

University News

Life Peerage for Dame Lydia

Dame Lydia Dunn, Senior Executive Councillor and member of the University Council since 1978, has been conferred a life peerage in the Queen’s Birthday Honours List published last month. The Hon. Baroness Lydia Dunn is the first woman from Hong Kong to be given a peerage.

Prof. P. C. Leung Awarded Liston Victoria Jubilee Prize

Prof. Ping-chung Leung, chairman of the Department of Orthopaedics and Traumatology, has recently been awarded the Liston Victoria Jubilee Prize in Clinical Surgery by the Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh, UK in recognition of his outstanding contributions to microvascular surgery and free transfer of bone grafts. Prof. Leung is the second Asian recipient of the prize, the first being Prof. G. B. Ong, also from Hong Kong.

Prof. Leung received the prize in May from Prof. G. D. Chisholm, president of the college, at the college’s annual clinical and scientific meeting where he delivered a lecture on ‘The Use of Microvascular Technique in Bone and Joint Surgery’.

Mrs. May Choi of UHS awarded BEM

Mrs. May Choi, nursing sister at the University Health Service, has been awarded the British Empire Medal in the Queen’s Birthday Honours List in recognition of her contribution to the Hong Kong Auxiliary Medical Services.

Mrs. Choi has served in the Auxiliary Medical Services for 25 years and is now district commander for Sai Kung. Her work involves the supervision of all team members serving the Sai Kung district and the teaching of first aid and nursing courses.

Mrs. Choi joined the University in 1968 and has been actively engaged in community service in her free time. She is a 30-year member of the St. John Ambulance Brigade and was awarded the prestigious medal of Serving Sister of the Order of St. John in 1978.
First Twins from Frozen-thawed Embryos

The first twins in Hong Kong produced from frozen-thawed embryos were delivered by caesarean section at the Prince of Wales Hospital on 24th May.

Last year, the In Vitro Fertilization (IVF) team of the Faculty of Medicine successfully established the twin pregnancy in a woman by implanting frozen-thawed embryos into her uterus. They were surplus embryos obtained for a previous IVF attempt which turned out to be a failure. The embryos were deep-frozen (cryopreserved) and subsequently frozen-thawed last October before being transferred to the mother’s uterus.

The twins, a girl weighing 2.05 kg and a boy weighing 1.8 kg, were born six weeks premature. Both are in healthy condition.

The whole project was jointly carried out by the Department of Obstetrics and Gynaecology and the Department of Anatomy with support from the Department of Chemical Pathology and the Lee Hysan Clinical Research Laboratories. The medical and nursing staff of the Prince of Wales Hospital have also rendered valuable assistance.

International Symposium on Life Sciences

Over 700 prominent scientists from all over the world attended the ‘Third International Symposium and Workshop on Life Sciences’ held on the campus from 25th to 29th June. The symposium was jointly organized by the Society of Chinese Bioscientists in America (SCBA) and The Chinese University, and was formally opened by Sir Quo-wei Lee, chairman of the University Council.

Two Nobel Laureates were invited to be keynote speakers: Prof. Yuan-Tseh Lee, professor of Chemistry at the University of California, spoke on molecular beam chemistry; Prof. David Baltimore, professor of biology at Massachusetts Institute of Technology and president-designate of Rockefeller University, New York, gave a talk on mammalian genetics. Dr. Lap-Chee Tsui from Canada also presented a paper at the symposium.

Other papers presented at the five-day conference covered a wide range of topics: viral diseases (AIDS, hepatitis and cancer), genetics, biotechnology, environmental toxicology, immunology, herbal medicine, and plant and animal biology.

SCBA is the largest academic Chinese organization in North America with more than 1,300 members. The purpose of organizing a symposium in Hong Kong this year was to encourage scientists from Asia to participate in its activities. Indeed a large portion of the participants this time were from Taiwan, mainland China and Hong Kong. Prof. Savio Woo of Baylor College of Medicine, Houston, Texas was the chairman of the organizing committee of the symposium and Prof. C. Y. Lee of the University was the chairman of the local organizing committee.

Conference on Asia-Pacific Business

The sixth annual meeting of the Academy of International Business Southeast Asia Region (AIBSEAR) on the theme of ‘Asia-Pacific Business in the 1990s’ took place from 26th to 28th June at the Sheraton Hotel in Hong Kong. The conference this year was jointly organized by the University’s Faculty of Business Administration and the Asia-Pacific Institute of Business. Mr. D. A. C. Nendick, the Secretary for Monetary Affairs of Hong Kong, was invited to deliver a keynote speech entitled ‘Financial Business in the Asia-Pacific Region’.
Over 100 prominent academics and businessmen from all over Asia, the United States, Australia, the Middle East and Europe attended the conference and presented papers on problems and issues relating to business management, investment, and trade development in Asia.

With its headquarters in the United States, the Academy of International Business aims to promote and facilitate research in international business. AIBSEAR was established in 1985 and has since been chaired by Prof. K. C. Mun, dean of business administration, CUHK.

College Graduations
New Asia College and Shaw College held their graduations at the Sir Run Run Shaw Hall last month.

The 39th farewell assembly in honour of the 1989-90 graduates of New Asia College was held on 10th June. There were 431 graduates this year. Prof. T. B. Lin, head of the college, officiated at the ceremony and Prof. Ambrose Y.C. King, pro-vice-chancellor of the University, was invited to address the graduates. Souvenirs were exchanged amongst the representatives of the graduates, the college and the student union. After a tree-planting ceremony, Prof. Lin led all the staff and graduates to the New Asia Concourse for a group photo, and refreshments were then served in the Yun Chi Hsien and the student common room. Over 1,000 guests attended the function.

Shaw College held its first graduation ceremony on 16th June. Prof. Baysung Hsu, pro-vice-chancellor, was the guest of honour. He addressed the graduates and, together with Prof. C. N. Chen, the college head, and other college trustees, presented certificates of merit to prize winners. The ceremony was followed by photo-taking and a tea reception on the college campus. There were 66 graduates this year.

393 to be Awarded Diploma-in-Education
This year, a total of 393 students of the School of Education have completed programmes leading to the postgraduate Diploma-in-Education. Of these, 131 are from the one-year full-time programme, 129 from the two-year part-time day programme and 133 from the two-year part-time evening programme. They have passed both the theory and teaching practice examinations.

Conference on the Teaching of English Language/Literature
A conference on 'the Teaching of English Language/Literature in the Hong Kong Context' took place on the campus from 7th to 9th June.

Jointly organized by the English Department and the English Language Teaching Unit of the University, the British Council, and the Secondary English Teachers Association, the conference offered an innovative blend of papers and workshops aimed at exploring English language and literature teaching at both the tertiary and the secondary school levels. There were some 50 presentations covering a wide range of topics such as teaching methodology, course and syllabus design, and the uses of technology in the classroom. Speakers for the plenary sessions included noted English language teaching specialist Prof. H. Douglas Brown of San Francisco State University, literature specialist Prof. David Punter of the University of Stirling, and stylistics expert Dr. Alan Durant of the University of Strathclyde. Teachers and students from three local secondary schools were also invited to demonstrate creative teaching techniques.
* Mr. Stephen C. M. Yam, lecturer in accountancy, has been appointed by the Sha Tin District Office as a member of its Youth Committee from 1st April 1990 to 31st March 1991.

* Prof. S. W. Tam, dean of graduate school and professor of chemistry, and Prof. To Cho-yeo, professor of education, have been appointed by HE the Governor as members of the Hong Kong Council for Academic Accreditation for one year from 8th June 1990.

* Prof. T. B. Lin, professor of economics, has been reappointed a member of the Air Transport Licensing Authority by HE the Governor for two years from 15th May 1990.

* Miss Mary Lena Fung, senior physical education instructor, has been invited by the Hong Kong Sports Association for the Physically Disabled to serve as the chairperson of its Technical Sub-committee for one year from January 1990.

* Dr. K. M. Chan, reader in orthopaedics and traumatology, has been elected a member of the Executive Committee of the International Federation of Sports Medicine for four years from 1990 to 1994. Dr. Chan has also been appointed chairman of the federation's Public Relations Commission.

* Dr. Wong Tze Wai, senior lecturer in community and family medicine, has been appointed a member of the Working Party on Chinese Medicine by the Secretary for Health and Welfare from 30th May 1990. Dr. Wong has also been appointed a member of the Scientific Working Group on AIDS under the Advisory Council on AIDS by the Department of Health, Hong Kong Government.

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Services to the Community and International Organizations

* Mr. S. S. Tam, assistant secretary, Personnel Section, Secretariat, has been invited to serve as honorary general secretary of the South China Athletic Association for one year from 1st June 1990.

* Prof. S. T. Chang, professor of biology, has been invited to serve as a member of the editorial board of World Journal of Microbiology & Biotechnology.

New Exhibition at the Art Gallery: Chinese Ivories from the Kwan Collection

The Art Gallery will mount an exhibition of 'Chinese Ivories from the Kwan Collection' in the West Wing Galleries from 28th July to 14th October 1990. There will be 200 items of exhibits from the collection of Dr. Simon Kwan, a well-known architect and collector of Chinese art. Together these exhibits present a comprehensive survey of the historical development of the art of ivory carving in China.

Forty-five items are bone and ivory carvings of the Shang to the Yuan period. They include utilitarian objects, ornaments, fittings and game accessories. The other 155 items comprising figures, scholar's articles, vessels and decorative objects are carvings of the Ming and the Qing periods. Apart from a few pieces of imperial production, most items come from different provinces showing the regional characteristics of the Jiangnan, Guangdong, Fujian and Beijing schools.

A preview of the exhibition will be held on 27th July at 4.30 p.m. All are welcome.

New Publication of The University Press

The following new book will be sold at a 20 per cent discount to staff members at the University Bookshop, John Fulton Centre:

- 《醫療與保健》 (in Chinese), edited by the School of Education and the Hong Kong Medical Association, viii + 231 pp., (paperback, HK$40).
Paper folding, to most people, is only a children's game, but to Dr. Philip Shen, our next head of Chung Chi College, it is an art and a pastime. Whenever he can free himself from his heavy teaching and administrative duties, he plunges into its engrossing pleasure.

Actually, Dr. Shen has long made a name for himself in paper folding. Back in 1970, an article in the Chinese edition of the Reader's Digest introduced both him and the magic of the art. In 1982, British Origami published a special booklet about him and his creation. Over the years, his works have been exhibited or published in the UK, USA, Japan, Germany, France, Italy, Spain, and Singapore.

But what exactly is the joy of paper folding? How did Dr. Shen come to fall in love with it? Let us turn to Dr. Shen himself for answers.

His interest was rooted in childhood and sprouted during his study abroad

Like many other activities, paper folding was only one of Dr. Shen's childhood games. One day, his father bought him a set of four folding manuals, published in Shanghai, with attractive drawings and clear instructions for numerous folded models. These manuals provided him with the basic training in the art.

While a student in the United States, he once worked as a camp counsellor in a summer camp for children. After a few days in the camp, he found that he had already run out of things to do with the children. How should he keep them occupied? It was then that he remembered his childhood game - paper folding - and, quite to his surprise, the children took to it instantly. Later, he taught an adult education course in paper folding at the Chicago YMCA, and this set him on the road to creativity.

Folding paper is like going exploring – its pleasures are endless

In Dr. Shen's view, paper folding is a simple and economical pastime which is both useful and enjoyable. The only material required is paper and that is available everywhere. Once you have a piece of paper, you can fold it into an interesting, useful, or beautiful shape (or 'model' in the paper folding language). There is great joy in the actual folding process; in fact the process is far more interesting than the outcome. Dr. Shen says that, in creating, he does not usually have any preconceived model in mind. He simply takes up a piece of paper and folds, and a model eventually emerges. The experience is like going exploring without knowing the destination until one reaches it. Paper folding is also therapeutic. It can be so absorbing that it helps people concentrate and forget about their worries. A psychiatrist friend of Dr. Shen's often uses paper folding as a means of communication with his child patients.

His works are simple and aesthetically beautiful, marked by a distinctive style

Dr. Shen has folded for more than thirty years and has created more than a hundred models. He stresses the artistic value of paper folding and believes that all models should be aesthetically pleasing. His guiding principle is simplicity and economy, i.e. to use the minimum points, lines and surfaces to achieve the optimal effect. He favours curved surfaces, abstract and three-dimensional models. In his view, two-dimensional folding has already reached its limit; to achieve greater variation, one has to turn to three-dimensional folding, which of course is more difficult and, therefore, more challenging.
Having collected years of experience, Dr. Shen is convinced that there is a theory to the art, and the theory, he says, is ultimately related to topology. Elsewhere in the world, people have investigated the mathematical factors in the art of paper folding, and have come up with preliminary results, mostly geometrical. Dr. Shen likes to compare paper folding to academic pursuits, saying that both are continuous and infinite. There is, however, one difference: academic pursuits do not always yield results, but paper folding will always end in a model. A great admirer of Plato, he always tries to apply Plato’s thinking to his works, saying that every good model should be a perfect exemplification of a Platonic idea.

The origin and the spread of paper folding

No one knows for certain when and where paper folding began. The earliest documentation appeared at the end of the eighteenth century in Japan, but Dr. Shen believes that the art must have originated in China for the simple reason that paper was first made in that country. Unfortunately, in China paper folding has always been considered a children’s game and has never been seriously taken by adults. Furthermore, the art was handed down through the generations from person to person and, children’s memory being short, many of the ingenious folds have been lost on the way. This folk art has therefore never been able to enjoy full prosperity in China.

The perpetuation of the art clearly requires adult devotion. In countries like Japan, UK, and the USA, as well as in Europe, the past thirty years have been the golden period of this folk art. A lot of new models have been created by devotees and books have been written about them. There have been exhibitions, conventions, TV shows, publications, and even research on paper folding.

Because the boom began first in Japan and later spread to Europe and the United States, paper folding is often known as ‘origami’, a translation from the Japanese name for the art. In different parts of the world, paper folding tends to take up different characteristics. The Japanese tradition features a lot of animal models. In Europe, Spain has the longest tradition in the art, and models of utensils as well as animal figures have been predominant. On the other hand, in the UK and the United States, the art has been liberated from its traditional mode and a great variety of new models have been created over the past two decades. However, animal models are still popular because they are attractive and have an instant appeal; in fact, more and more difficult folds have been created for them. When it comes to China and Taiwan, there are only a few publications on paper folding and they are mostly translations from Japanese.

Here in Hong Kong, Dr. Shen seems to be a lone paper folder. According to him, there is but one other creative folder besides himself. We asked Dr. Shen if he has considered running courses to promote the art, and he replied that it would probably take a few years for the subject to be covered adequately. He has taught some short courses in the past, but in recent years he has been so bound up in teaching and administrative work that he has only been able to manage a few introductory sessions. We suggested to Dr. Shen that perhaps he could work with UIMS and have a paper folding course video-recorded, thus helping it to spread in Hong Kong. He said he would give the idea serious consideration.
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Announcements

Appointment of Dean of the Graduate School
Prof. S. W. Tam has been reappointed dean of the Graduate School for a further term of one year from 1st September 1990.

Election of Dean of Business Administration
Prof. K. C. Mun has been re-elected dean of business administration for a further term of three years from 1st August 1990.

Professorial Appointment
Professor of Paediatrics
Prof. Stephen James Oppenheimer has been appointed as professor of paediatrics from 1st June 1990.

Prof. Oppenheimer obtained his BA and B.M., Ch.B. from the University of Oxford in 1971 and was admitted as MRCP (UK) in 1975. He was conferred a DM in 1987 and an MA in 1988, both from the University of Oxford.

Prof. Oppenheimer has held various appointments both within and outside the UK since 1979, acquiring extensive teaching and clinical experience in paediatrics. He taught at the Department of Tropical Paediatrics in the Liverpool School of Tropical Medicine from 1979 to 1984 and had been on secondment to Papua New Guinea for some three years during the period. From 1984 to 1987 he was honorary fellow at the Liverpool School and at the same time taught at the Department of Paediatrics in the Oxford University. Before he joined this University, he was associate professor of the Department of Paediatrics, Hospital Universiti Sains Malaysia, and honorary senior lecturer of the Department of Tropical Paediatrics, Liverpool School of Tropical Medicine.

Borned in 1947 in UK, Prof. Oppenheimer is married with two children.

Professor of Physiology
Prof. Patrick Yee Ding Wong has been appointed as professor of physiology from 1st June 1990.

Prof. Wong graduated from the University of London in 1969 and obtained his Ph.D. at Cambridge University in 1973. After working for two years as research fellow at Jesus College of Cambridge University, he returned to Hong Kong and joined the University of Hong Kong as lecturer in physiology. He was promoted to senior lecturer in 1978 and reader in 1982. He also obtained his D.Sc. from the University of London in 1989. He left the University of Hong Kong in May 1990 to join The Chinese University as professor of physiology.

Prof. Wong, aged 44, is married with three children.

International Conference on Migration
Calls for Papers
The Centre for Advanced Studies of the National University of Singapore is organizing an international conference on migration to be held from 7th to 9th February 1991.

The conference aims to bring together scholars and policy-makers from the Asia-Pacific area to analyse patterns of migration in the 1980s and to explore future trends. Staff members of the University are invited to submit papers on the following themes: overview of migration patterns in the Asia Pacific region; theories and concepts of migration; overview and evaluation of methodological issues in migration research; types and patterns of migration; migration policy; country reports; settlement and adaptation of immigrants.

Abstracts of papers should be submitted by 30th September, and completed papers by 31st December 1990. No financial assistance will be provided for paper writers. Please direct all enquiries to Dr. Chew Soon Beng, Chairman, Organizing Committee, Centre for Advanced Studies, Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences, National University of Singapore, 10 Kent Ridge Crescent, Singapore 0511, Republic of Singapore.
The Pastoral Programme jointly run by the Theology Division of the Department of Religion and the Department of Extramural Studies will offer one-year elementary and intermediate certificate courses in theology in autumn.

The programme of studies of the elementary course will include basic theology, introduction to the Old and the New Testaments, Christian education, missiology and counselling. As for the intermediate course, subjects offered will include political theology, major themes in the Old Testament, Pauline epistles, Chinese church history, pastoral theology, counselling and growth, Christian education and democracy, and sociology of religion.

Those who are interested should apply before 10th August. For further information, please call Mrs. Ina Tan (ext. 2533).

New squash courts on the 3rd lower ground floor of the Shaw College Student Hostel are now open for use. The courts are open daily except on Wednesdays and Sundays from 9.00 a.m. to 9.00 p.m. Admission fee per session (45 minutes) is $10 for students and $20 for staff. An additional charge of $10 will be levied on each accompanied guest.

Information on booking procedures may be obtained from the information counter at Room G07, Low Block, Shaw College Student Hostel or by calling 6035088. General inquiries should be directed to Mr. Lau Wing Chung at ext. 2096.

Children Bus Service 1990-91

Applications are now invited from staff members living on campus whose children will need to use the children bus-service to travel to and from school in 1990-91.

There will be nine routes covering areas like Kowloon Tong, Homantin and Tsimshatsui. As the service will be run by contractor buses on a self-supporting basis, under subscribed routes will not be operated. Rates for 1990-91 are as follows:

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Application forms are obtainable from the Transport Unit. For details of bus-routes and other information, please call Mr. K.W. Chow at ext. 2268.

Local Education Allowances (LEA)

Members of staff who are entitled to claim LEA for their dependent children in 1990-91 are requested to complete an application form for each child and return it to the Personnel Section with receipts of school-fees as early as possible. Please direct all inquiries to the Personnel Section at Ext. 2224.

Revised Rates of Private Tenancy Allowances

The rates of private tenancy allowances payable to eligible staff have been revised with retroactive effect from 1st April 1990 as follows:

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The arrears for adjustments in the monthly allowance have already been paid in June. For enquiries, please call Mr. Laurence Chiu of the Accounts Section (ext. 2244).