TEN DISTINGUISHED PERSONS MADE HONORARY FELLOWS

In celebration of its 40th anniversary, the University conferred honorary fellowships on 10 distinguished persons at the Second Honorary Fellowship Conferment Ceremony held on 30th May 2003 at the Lee Hysan Concert Hall.

The 10 honorees are all individuals who have been closely related to CUHK and who have made significant contributions to the University and Hong Kong. They were Mr. Chan Tak Lam, Norman, a distinguished alumnus and Deputy Chief Executive of the Hong Kong Monetary Authority; Prof. Chen Tien Chi, Emeritus Professor of Computer Science and Engineering of CUHK; Ms. Cheung Man Yee, the first Chinese Director of Broadcasting in Hong Kong and a distinguished CUHK alumna; Mr. Chien Lee, renowned entrepreneur and director of Hysan Development Company Limited; Mr. Lee Fei, outstanding industrialist; Dr. the Honourable Li Ka Cheung, Eric, certified public accountant and member of the Legislative Council; Prof. Ma Lin, former vice-chancellor of CUHK and current chairman of the Board of Trustees of Shaw College; Mr. Shum Choi Sang, an elder statesman of the press and chairman of the Overseas Chinese Enterprises Group Limited; Mr. Sung Sheung Hong, distinguished industrialist and chairman and superintendent of Pentecostal Mission in Hong Kong and Kowloon; Mr. Tam Chung Ding, Chief Executive Officer of the Hong Kong Science and Technology Parks Corporation.

Prof. Ambrose Y.C. King, vice-chancellor of the University, presided at the ceremony, and Ms. Cheung Man Yee represented the honorary fellows to address the congregation. Mr. Lee Fei received the honour in absentia. Profiles of the honorary fellows are carried on page 4.

Asian Heroes at PWH Receive Time Award

Time magazine held its inaugural Asian heroes award presentation ceremony and dinner in Tokyo on 11th June 2003. The aim of the ceremony was to honour Asian heroes for the positive work they did over the past year to help improve society.

Members of the ‘Dirty Team’ at the Prince of Wales Hospital, a winner of the award, were unable to attend the ceremony in person. But their representatives Prof. Joseph Sung (right 1), chairman of the Department of Medicine and Therapeutics, Prof. Gavin Joynt (left 2), associate professor in the Department of Anaesthesiology and Intensive Care, and Dr. Tam Lai-shan (right 2), adjunct tutor of the Department of Medicine and Therapeutics, had received the award earlier in Hong Kong from Mr. Karl Taro Greenfeld (left 1), editor (Asia) of Time magazine on 30th May. Video extracts of this occasion were shown at the Tokyo event on 11th June.

Pioneering Treatment for SARS

The Department of Medicine and Therapeutics has identified three phases in the course of SARS for which different treatments are required.

Prof. David Hui of the department explained that the first phase, corresponding roughly to the first week of illness, is highlighted by rapid viral replication. Symptoms during this period include high swinging fever, muscular pain, chills, dry cough, and minor lung infection. Twenty per cent of the patients may also suffer from diarrhoea. They can be treated with ribavirin, which inhibits the virus, with the addition of a low-dose steroid should the fever persist beyond 48 hours.

The second phase is days 5 to 7 from fever onset. There is immune-mediated lung injury with progression of pneumonia. Patients will have high fever again and some may develop respiratory failure. A high-dose of intravenous steroid is required to prevent lung injury during this phase. If the response is not satisfactory, i.e. if lung infection is serious and respiratory problems persist, convalescent serum therapy is applied. Immunglobulin is also used as an alternative for its immuno-modulating effects.

The third phase is the third week of the illness. Ninety per cent of the patients will have registered improvement and can start a rehabilitation programme that includes physical exercise.

The effectiveness of convalescent serum therapy has also been studied by the Department of Medicine and Therapeutics. It has been used on SARS patients since late March with encouraging results. In convalescent serum therapy, convalescent plasma with antibodies is first extracted from recovered SARS patients. The serum is then injected into the patients after tests for the HIV and the Hepatitis B virus. The antibodies in the serum are expected to curb the growth and development of the SARS coronavirus.

Prof. Gregory Cheng of the department said that the therapy is most effective in the second week of medical treatment when the coronavirus is most active. About 70 per cent of the patients treated with convalescent serum have recovered within 22 days. Some 60 to 70 recovered patients from the Prince of Wales Hospital have donated their blood plasma. A mere 600 to 1,000 cc of convalescent plasma from a donor can benefit three to five patients.
Medical and other professionals at the University have continued to contribute to the understanding of SARS prevention and post-SARS recovery in the local media.

In the 24th May 2003 issue of Ming Pao Daily News, Prof. Sung Yun-wing of the Department of Economics points out that due to its dependence on the service industry, Hong Kong's economy suffers more seriously from the effects of SARS than the mainland's manufacturing-dominated economy. He predicts that the local economy will continue to be affected by SARS in the medium to long run. For economic recovery, he suggests the adoption of a life-before-economy mindset by the government, enhancing collaboration with mainland medical units, and greater transparency in government policy.

Prof. Terence Chong Tsu-lung of the Department of Economics has made recommendations on how the government, political parties, district groups, and social organizations could cooperate to revive the Hong Kong economy under the SARS epidemic. His suggestions, carried in The Sun on 8th, 15th, and 29th April 2003, include using the exchange fund to bail out small businesses, reducing the hotel room tax, providing free body checks and medication to tourists, and encouraging grown-up children to live away from their parents.

At an interview by RTHK's TV programme Leggo Review, broadcast on 22nd May, Prof. Sydney Chung, dean of the Faculty of Medicine, said that to respond adequately to emerging epidemics, medical professionals and academics must work closely with governments and international agencies. He also said that while the control of infectious diseases is the responsibility of the government, the University's faculty could provide support in research, training of medical and other professionals, and public education.

In the 2nd June 2003 issue of Sing Pao Daily News, Prof. Lee Kam-hon of the School of Hotel and Tourism Management pointed out that Hong Kong must pay attention to four points when trying to revive its tourism industry. Hong Kong should come to a consensus on the SARS epidemic with other countries through the WHO and use that as the premise for its economic activities. It should try to alleviate fear of the disease and draw up guidelines for immigration control. It should also find out about the perceptions and understanding of SARS risk in different countries and formulate promotion tactics accordingly. Lastly, it should launch large-scale promotional events after the foregoing three tasks have been accomplished.

Survey Calls for Rationality to Counter Misperceptions of SARS Risk

How do university students from different Chinese cities perceive SARS? To find out Prof. Jia Jianmin of the Department of Marketing conducted a survey on the risk perceptions of SARS and coping behaviour among 837 students from universities in Hong Kong, Beijing, Guangzhou, Shanghai, and Chengdu. The survey aims to provide insight into crisis management by comparing the youngsters' risk perceptions of SARS and their corresponding coping behaviour.

The survey finds that the mainland respondents think of death, then quarantine, infection, and face masks, at the mention of SARS, whereas their Hong Kong counterparts think of face masks, then medical workers, Amy Garden, and death. An overwhelming majority of respondents from all five cities regard SARS as the number one threat in the coming year and most tend to over-estimate the probability of personal infection and of dying from it. Female students feel more threatened than their male counterparts. Of all information on SARS provided by the government, that about new infected cases, new fatalities, and new suspected cases have had the greatest impact on people's perception of the disease.

The survey also finds that fear of SARS is induced by three major factors: high mortality rate and the disease's highly infectious nature; uncertainties about the incubation period, cause of the disease, and the effect of treatment and complications; external factors such as media reports and the number of mask wearers. Compared to the mainland cities, Hong Kong has the largest proportion of respondents with diminished confidence in their future and career. Hong Kong also has the highest percentage of students wearing masks while Chengdu has the most respondents who take Chinese medicine to prevent SARS.

CUHK and Leading Mainland Institutions Join Forces to Research into Terahertz Technology

The University signed a collaborative agreement on the research and development of terahertz technology with the University of Electronic Science and Technology of China, and the Electronic and Information Science Research Institute in Shenzhen in May 2003. The project, led by the CUHK Faculty of Engineering, is a major collaborative effort on the subject in China. At present, the only significant terahertz research teams in Asia are based in Japan and Korea.

Terahertz science and technology can make a significant impact on medicine, engineering, science, and industry in the coming 20 years. Terahertz waves are a form of electromagnetic wave whose frequency spectrum is sandwiched between those of microwaves and optical waves. Of these three types of electromagnetic waves, terahertz wave is the least studied and developed, with very few related commercial products in the market. In the next decade, it is anticipated that there will be huge investments worldwide in the research and development of terahertz science and technology. The faculty and researchers of the three institutions will conduct research mainly in Hong Kong and Chengdu, with system integration and potential product development to take place in Shenzhen.

The initial phase of the research will concentrate on terahertz waves in medical, engineering, and scientific applications. Unlike X-rays or ultraviolet light, terahertz radiation is harmless to many biological cells. This makes it very useful for identifying the fine details of or imaging human cells and organs, as well as studying DNA molecules. Terahertz waves can also penetrate many materials, thus providing a powerful advantage for certain remote sensing applications. Terahertz radiation can also be used to study the structure of materials, to perform environmental and pollution monitoring, and to provide ultra-wide bandwidth communication.

Anti-SARS Activities

A Quick Run-through

Clinical and Scientific Work

• A telemedicine session on SARS was held jointly by the Faculty of Medicine and Macao Hospital Conde S Januario on 29th May 2003 to share information on infection control, clinical symptoms, and medical treatment.

Community Care and Service

• Health talks on anti-SARS measures were given by the Nethersole School of Nursing to pre-school educators and parents from Tai Po from 16th to 21st May 2003; the talks were filmed by RTHK and broadcast on ATV's Home channel on 1st June.

• Charity event Round-the-CU Walkathon was organized on 18th May by CUUMBA students and the CUUMBA Alumni Association to help distressed families and individuals affected by SARS.

Publications and Research Studies

• Steven Riley, et al. 'Transmission Dynamics of Etiological Agent of SARS in Hong Kong: Impact of Public Health Interventions,' Science, 23rd May 2003. (Co-author from CUHK: Prof. Edith M.C. Lau of the Department of Community and Family Medicine)
• A second round of five telephone surveys were conducted by the Centre for Epidemiology and Biostatistics in April and May on 858 Hong Kong residents aged 18 to 60 to monitor public views on SARS.

Corrigendum

The following entry carried in the 4th June 2003 issue of the Newsletter should be revised as follows:
• Christia A. Donnelly, et al. 'Epidemiological determinants of spread of causal agent of severe acute respiratory syndrome in Hong Kong', Lancet, 361(9371): 1761-6, 21st May 2003. (Co-author from CUHK: Prof. Edith M.C. Lau of the Department of Community and Family Medicine)

More Support for CUHK Research

The following research projects and conferences involving University staff as principal investigators and coordinators have succeeded in attracting funding support from different quarters:

- Designing Athletic and Casual Footwear Based on Functional Testing and Computer Simulation (HK$4,740,000)
  Sponsor: Innovation and Technology Fund
  Principal investigator: Prof. Hong Youlian (Department of Sports Science and Physical Education)

- School Decentralization and Parental Involvement in Children's Education: A Comparative Case Study (HK$210,000)
  Sponsor: The Fulbright Hong Kong Scholar Programme
  Principal investigator: Prof. Esther Ho Sai-chu (Department of Educational Administration and Policy)

- The International Conference on Parallel Algorithms and Computing Environments (HK$100,000)
  Sponsor: The Croucher Foundation
  Coordinator: Prof. Zou Jun (Department of Mathematics)

- Symposium on Marine Biology and Biotechnology (HK$100,000)
  Sponsor: The Croucher Foundation
  Coordinator: Prof. Chu Ka-hou (Department of Biology)

- Advances in Protein Sciences (HK$592,900)
  Sponsor: The Croucher Foundation
  Principal investigator: Prof. Shaw Pang-chui (Department of Biochemistry)
Seven Selected for The Exemplary Service Award 2002

The University’s Exemplary Service Award 2002 presentation ceremony was held in the Esther Lee Building on 31st May 2003. Over a hundred guests including senior management, staff, students of the University, and family members of award recipients attended the function. Prof. Ambrose King, vice-chancellor, presented awards to seven awardees: Ms. Lee Kiu Yunn, Iris (Department of Psychology), Miss Sin Yuk Chun (Personnel Office), Mr. Lam Chin Keung (Faculty of Education), Ms. Yik Siu Yee (Department of Computer Science and Engineering), Ms. Chan Suk Ying (Estates Management Office), Miss Poon Fung Mui, Jolo (Department of Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences), and Ms. Kwan Suet King (University Library System).

Prof. P.W. Liu, chairman of the Stuff Training and Development Committee, and Prof. Michael Hui, chairman of the Selection Panel of the Exemplary Service Award 2002, commended the winners on their commitment to customer service of high quality.

On the same occasion, a special tribute was paid to the medical staff in the Faculty of Medicine who were involved in combating the SARS epidemic. While presenting a crystal trophy to Prof. Sydney Chung, dean of the Faculty of Medicine, the vice-chancellor thanked the medical colleagues for their invincible courage, admirable professionalism, and selfless dedication, all of which constituted the kind of exemplary service that the University treasures. He called on the University community to follow their example and render services most needed by Hong Kong during post-SARS recuperation.

More CEOs Share Insight on CUHK-RTHK Show

Sir Gordon Wu, chairman of Hopewell Holdings Ltd., was the guest speaker of the 11th May episode of Talking to CEOs. The programme is co-organized by CUHK and RTHK.

Sir Gordon urged Hong Kong people to capitalize on China’s economic growth and the trading opportunities that abound in the next two decades. ‘Hong Kong people do this best — they are astute and quick at identifying opportunities. We should take full advantage of our geographical location and decades of accumulated expertise in international trade and services,’ he said.

Sir Gordon holds profound admiration for Chinese leader Deng Xiaoping and Singapore’s senior minister Lee Kuan Yew. He intends to study history after his retirement because ‘what’s happening, and what will happen, is but history replayed, over and over again’. His parting words of wisdom to the packed audience of students and alumni of the University’s EMBA and MBA Programmes were: study The Story of the Three Kingdoms and listen to classical music. The former is a valuable guide for business strategy and the latter brings tranquility of mind for clear vision.

The theme of the 25th May episode of Talking to CEOs was ‘Leading a Non-Profit Organization’. The show featured Mrs. Pamela Chan, chief executive of the Consumer Council.

Mrs. Chan said the easy part of her job was the clarity of mission, that is, protection of the consumer. The difficult part was its wide coverage and funding, which is hampered by the fact that the Consumer Council cannot accept donations. Mrs. Chan’s heroes are great leaders such as Dr. Sun Yat Sen, who do not only have a vision but are selfless in their pursuit of a worthy cause.

Mrs. Chan also serves on a number of committees and working parties to reform civil rules and procedures of the High Court as well as legal education. Her contributions to consumer protection extend beyond Hong Kong. She was president of Consumers International, an international body of 270 consumer organizations in 121 countries, from 1997 to 2000.

UC Berkeley Welcomes CUHK Students

Prof. Robert Berdahl, Chancellor of UC Berkeley, welcomed the first batch of 15 students from Chung Chi College to join his university’s summer programme this year. The students began their studies on 27th May. Seen here is a CUHK student presenting Prof. Berdahl with a souvenir from Chung Chi.

In his address Prof. Berdahl said that one of the joys being Chancellor is welcoming students from around the world to the University, which is a ‘wonderfully diverse and international place’. ‘I am very pleased that Vice-Chancellor Donald McQuade, who is with us today, was able to meet with you during his visit to The Chinese University of Hong Kong earlier this month, and we look forward to continuing our collaboration with your distinguished university,’ he said.

Chinese University Water Sports Centre ‘470’ Course Outing

On Sunday 25th May 2003, 29 students, staff, and alumni of the University sailed on 14 boats from the University’s Water Sports Centre to Lai Chi Chong as part of their ‘470’ course. All participants completed the course. The ‘470’ is a 4.7 metre sailing dinghy, a class of boat that has been used in the Olympic games for almost 30 years. The Water Sports Centre is presently leasing three of these boats from The Hong Kong School Sailing Association for the use of CUHK students, staff, and alumni. The centre also organizes many beginners’ courses in sailing and windsurfing for all members of the University. Interested parties can enrol by contacting the centre’s office at 2603 6776 or e-mail Bubbles@cuhk.edu.hk.
Mr. Chan Tak Lam, Norman

Mr. Chan Tak Lam is a deputy executive director of the Hong Kong Monetary Authority. He is also an executive director of the Hong Kong Mortgage Corporation, and a director of the Exchange Fund Investment Ltd. Mr. Chan plays a key role in maintaining monetary stability in Hong Kong and the proper functioning of the local financial market. He has been very supportive of the development of his alma mater, and has, since 2000, been a programme.

Chen Tien Chi

Professor Chen Tien Chi is a distinguished alumnus of the University of Hong Kong. A remarkable biochemist and a devoted educator, Prof. Ma’s vice-chancellorship was daunting. Nonetheless, he remained active in his service to CUHK, rendering guidance to the Office of University General Education in his capacity as visiting professor. A prominent figure in computer research, development, and application, Prof. Chen is a member of numerous professional organizations and highly respected in his field.

Cheung Man Yee

Ms. Cheung Man Yee was an outstanding alumnus of the University. She is a member of numerous professional organizations and highly respected in the financial community. She has been very supportive of the development of her alma mater, and has, since 2000, been a participant of the college’s mentor programme.

Lee Chien

Dr. the Hon. Lee Chien is a distinguished alumnus of the University. He is a renowned entrepreneur, and has been an active supporter of the University. His contributions include the establishment of the Faculty of Medicine and the admission of the first batch of medical students, the development of the overseas Chinese enterprises group, and contributions to the arts and cultural development in Hong Kong. He has been a member of the Board of Trustees of United College, and has been instrumental in the development of the University's overseas education initiatives.

Ma Lin

Prof. Ma Lin was vice-president of the University from 1978 to 1987 and is currently chairman of the Board of Trustees of United College. He is also chairman of the Board of Trustees of United College. The University and United College have benefited tremendously from Prof. Ma's contributions. He has been a member of the Board of Trustees of United College, and has been instrumental in the development of the University's overseas education initiatives.

Shum Choi Sang

Mr. Shum Choi Sang is an elder statesman of the press and a dedicated community leader. He has been a successful entrepreneur, and has been an active supporter of the University. His contributions include the establishment of the Faculty of Medicine and the admission of the first batch of medical students, the development of the overseas Chinese enterprises group, and contributions to the arts and cultural development in Hong Kong. He has been a member of the Board of Trustees of United College, and has been instrumental in the development of the University's overseas education initiatives.
The University’s second honorary fellowship conferment ceremony was held on 30th May 2003 in the Lee Hysan Concert Hall to confer honorary fellowships on 10 distinguished persons who are closely related to CUHK and have made remarkable contributions to the University and the Hong Kong community.

Profiles of Honorary Fellows

Mr. Sun Hung Hong

An ardent supporter of public services, Mr. Lung has contributed significantly to engineering, technology and business. He is chairman of the Board of Trustees of Shaw College and a member of the University’s Academic Committee. Mr. Lung has had close links with the University, especially the Faculty of Engineering, and has contributed substantially to the development of Shaw College.

Mr. Tam Chung Ding

Mr. Tam has been a staunch supporter of tertiary education in Hong Kong, and has donated substantially towards the University’s development and growth. He is currently chairman of the Technology Committee, and has served as chairman of the Innovation and Technology Fund.

Mr. Lee Fei

Mr. Lee has made significant contributions to the textile industry in Hong Kong, and has been an ardent supporter of tertiary education. He is a member of the University’s Academic Committee and has donated substantially towards the development of Shaw College.

Dr. Li Ka Cheung, Eric

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Mr. Sung Sheung Hong

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Shihlun Tang

Shihlun Tang is responsible for advancing the textile industry in mainland China and played a pivotal role in developing Hong Kong into an international textile hub. Being someone committed to the cultivation of talent, Mr. Lee has been an ardent supporter of tertiary education in Hong Kong, and has donated substantially towards the development of Shaw College.

Mr. Lee Fei

Mr. Lee has made significant contributions to the textile industry in Hong Kong, and has been an ardent supporter of tertiary education. He is a member of the University’s Academic Committee and has donated substantially towards the development of Shaw College.
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The Senate approved the introduction of the following programmes and name change at its meeting on 9th April 2003.

- Higher Diploma Programme in Business Studies in September 2003;
- Graduate Diploma Programme in Critical Care Nursing in July 2003;
- Certificate Programme in Financial Planning in May 2003 by the Asia-Pacific Institute of Business;
- Certificate Programme in Adventure Tourism in May 2003;
- Certificate Programme in Financial Planning Education in May 2003 by the Asia-Pacific Institute of Business;
- Certificate Programme in Critical Care Nursing in July 2003;

Non-teaching staff Appraisal Reports

Appraisers and Appraisees should be prepared to discuss their performance and progress at the appraisal. A brief session to familiarize the new supervisors (i.e. those joining the University or becoming supervisors in the past year) with the appraisal scheme has been scheduled for 26th June 2003. Those who are interested but have not yet enrolled may contact Mr. Daniel Chow, training manager of the Personnel Office, at 2699 8667 for details. The Appraisers' Manual and Appraisees' Guide are available at the Personnel Office website (http://www.cuhk.edu.hk/personnel/res/renew/Learning_Resources.html). Enquiries pertaining to the appraisal scheme can be directed to Ms. Corinna Lee, personnel manager, at 2699 7183 for Terms A staff, or Ms. Ivy Cheung, personnel manager, at 2699 7287 for Terms B and C staff.

University Swimming Pool Notice

The University Swimming Pool will be extended as follows:

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To prevent possible SARS transmission and infection, two extra sterilizing sessions will be conducted. The peak swimming season from 9th June. Meanwhile, the pool will initially be open to students/staff/Family and their immediate family members only. No visitors are allowed to use the facility until further notice.

Obituary

Mr. Li Hiu-ming, general clerk II of the Office of Student Affairs, passed away on 29th May 2003. Mr. Li joined the University in March 1993.
工程學院結合內地科研力量
開發太赫茲技術

本校上月底與中國電子科技大學及深圳電子信息科學研究院簽定「太赫茲技術的研究與開發合作協議書」，集中三所院校的技術和資源發展最新的太赫茲（Terahertz）技術。是項合作是中國大型的太赫茲技術開發研究，亞洲只有日本和韓國設立了具規模的太赫茲研究單位。

太赫茲是一種類似微波和光波的電磁波，其波長短於微波，但長於光波。相對於微波和光波，太赫茲是最少人研究的電磁波，利用太赫茲開發的產品仍非常有限。這種新的電磁波技術陸續被人重視，投入龐大資源去研究開發，預計未來二十年，太赫茲將在醫學、工程科學和工業廣泛應用，並且影響深遠。

本校工程學院有豐富的經驗，將根據協議與中國電子科技大學和深圳電子信息科學研究院互派研究人員。研究初期的重點為醫學、工程及科學應用。太赫茲與X光及紫外光不同，它對大部分生物細胞無害，可用作細胞及器官鑑定或成像，以及放射診斷和遺傳因子的研究。太赫茲可穿越不同的物質，對遙感技術的應用有很大的幫助。此外，太赫茲技術可應用於物料分析、環境污染監察、超寬頻通訊等。

是項合作研究由中大工程學院牽頭，三院校亦會合辦太赫茲技術研討會。

第二屆員工優異服務獎頒獎典禮

左起︰陳淑英女士、易笑儀女士、許敬文教授、金耀基校長、廖柏偉教授、冼玉珍女士、李喬欣女士。

「二零零二年員工優異服務獎」頒獎典禮上月三十一日在利黃瑤璧樓舉行，由金耀基校長頒獎予七位獲獎同事，他們分別為心理學系李喬欣女士、人事處冼玉珍女士、教育學院林展強先生、計算機科學與工程學系易笑儀女士、物業管理處陳淑英女士、眼科及視覺科學學系潘鳳梅女士，以及大學圖書館系統關雪瓊女士。觀禮者包括得獎者的親友及同事逾百人。

員工培訓及發展委員會主席廖柏偉教授和員工優異服務獎遴選委員會主席許敬文教授分別在會上致辭，讃揚七位得獎同事在不同的工作崗位上努力盡心，在客戶服務方面樹立了優良的榜樣。

而大學為了向參與對抗非典型肺炎的醫學院同人致意，特由金耀基校長致送一個水晶紀念座予他們，由醫學院院長鍾尚志教授代收。金校長稱，非典型肺炎這場戰役中，醫學院同人獻上無私的服務，當中表現出的勇氣、堅毅與專業精神，堪稱典範。金校長呼籲同人繼續支持他們，並以他們為榜樣，在疫後協助香港復元。

頒獎典禮的詳情和得獎人的工作心得錄像，已上載員工優異服務獎的網頁(http://www.cuhk.edu.hk/esa/index.htm)。

生化系致力普及科學

本校生物化學系與香港科學館本月十日起合辦「有益的『害蟲』——果蠅」科學展覽，形式包括專題展板、實物展覽、影片播放及電腦遊戲。開幕禮由生物化學系系主任何國強教授及香港高等教育學院校長講師楊友源博士主持。

生化系為提高大眾對科學的興趣，了解生物化學的硏究，特與香港科學館合作，介紹以「果蠅」為主題的科研。早於一九一零年，科學家已利用果蠅研究人類的疾病，果蠅的體積雖小，卻擁有與人類相似的器官和結構，包括眼睛和精細的腦袋。科學家在果蠅的基因圖譜中找到超過三分之二的人類致病基因；而帶病的果蠅亦會出現與人類相似的病徵。科學家已從果蠅身上找出不少可做基礎研究的基因，以及可以輔助人類進化的基因。

展覽於尖東科學館二樓展覽廳「科訊廊」舉行，展期至八月底。

柏克萊校長歡迎中大生留學

三十八名崇基學生參加本年柏克萊加州大學的暑期留學計劃，進修四至六個星期不等。首批十五名中大生更獲柏克萊校長Prof. Robert Berdahl歡迎。

柏克萊校長在歡迎會上代表柏克萊大學歡迎來自本校的傑出學生入讀該校的暑期課程，並期望兩校可以進一步加強合作。

節目完結前，胡應湘爵士（中）與節目主持人周融先生（左）和陳志輝教授（右）合照。
內科及藥物治療學系
公布治SARS心得

分三個階段治理

內科及藥物治療學系積累了治療非典型肺炎的臨床經驗及藥物治療心得，把病情劃分成三個階段，採取不同的治療方法。

該系余國明教授解釋，非典型肺炎有高度傳染性，能於短時間內導致多人受感染及死亡，根據其病情發展及藥物治療過程，可分為三個階段。

第一階段為發病後的第一個星期，病毒會不停地複製。大部分患者會發高燒、發冷、肌肉酸痛及乾咳，但肺部受損程度較輕，約四成患者會發高熱。在這個階段，利巴韋林是主要的治療藥物。若患者四十八小時後仍未能退燒，便須加入低劑量的類固醇醫治。

第二階段是發病後的第五至七天，患者肺部受損情況轉趨嚴重，會再次發高燒，有些患上急性腎功能衰竭，須接受腎臟透析的治療。若治療反應不佳，便會施行人工呼吸機治療。約九成患者會在這個階段康復。

第三階段是發病後的第三個星期，約三分之二的患者會逐漸康復。

該系許樹昌教授表示，整體來說，約兩成四的患者需接受深切治療，一成五需依賴儀器及藥物協助呼吸，而死亡率接近百分之十。

血清治療

該系又積極研究血清治療，並於三月底開始臨床使用，證實能提高康復率，七成的早期用者，更於廿二天內康復出院。

醫生會先從非典型肺炎康復者身上提取含有抗體的血清，經化驗證實不含肝炎及愛滋病等病毒後，再將血清注入患者體內，對抗病毒。患者發病後的七至十四日，是病毒高速生長的階段，此時最適宜使用血清治療，以抗體殺死病毒及抑制其生長，避免病情進一步惡化。越早使用血清治療，康復機會越高。

現在，威爾斯親王醫院約有七十名康復者自願捐出血清。每人只需捐出六百至一千立方厘米的血漿，便可使三至五名病人受惠。該院收集的血清亦分發予聯合、大埔那打素、瑪麗及瑪嘉烈等醫院使用。

市民及社區

市民防炎意識仍強

公共衛生學院流行病學及生物統計學中心三月下旬開始監察市民對SARS的看法和有關的預防行為，首六次的調查結果已於四月初公布。第二輪五次隨機電話調查分別於四月及五月進行，受訪者包括八百多名十八至六十歲的香港市民。

中心主任劉德輝教授上月二十七日在醫學院深造中心公布第二輪調查結果，並歸納為以下五點：

(一) 市民開始覺得疫情受到控制，對害怕和憂慮受感染的情況業已緩和，亦逐漸回復正常生活。

(二) 市民仍然覺得內地是高危地區，並減少到內地。

(三) 市民沒有因為疫情改善而放鬆個人的衛生預防行為，仍然戴口罩，勤洗手和消毒家居等。市民似乎已有和病毒在較長時間共存的心理準備。

(四) 只有少數市民認為政府處理非典型肺炎的工作比較及時。

(五) 市民的社會適應能力和生活習慣逐漸恢復。
大學上月三十日在利希慎音樂廳舉行第二屆榮譽院士頒授典禮，今年為慶祝創校四十周年，特頒授榮譽院士銜予十位跟中大關係密切，並對大學和社會有卓越貢獻的傑出人士。他們是香港中文大學傑出校友、香港金融管理局副總裁陳德霖先生，香港中文大學計算機科學與工程學榮休講座教授陳天機教授，香港中文大學傑出校友、香港首位華人廣播處長張敏儀女士，知名實業家、希慎興業有限公司董事利乾先生，成就卓著的工業家李棐先生，香港特別行政區立法會會計界功能組別議員、執業會計師李家祥議員，香港中文大學前任校長、逸夫書院校董會主席馬臨教授，資深報人、華僑置業集團有限公司主席岑才生先生，傑出實業家、港九五旬節會主席兼監督宋常康先生，以及香港科技園公司行政總裁譚宗定先生。

典禮由金耀基校長主禮。李棐先生因身體不適，未克出席。各院士之簡介刊於中間大頁。

校教師提供專家意見 協助當局制訂抗炎政策

本校多名教師就非典型肺炎的防治及經濟重建發表專業意見，供當局參考。撮要如下。

‧人命重於經濟

經濟學系宋恩榮教授指出，香港經濟以服務業為主，與人的接觸密切，是以受SARS的影響也較內地嚴重。香港政府制訂政策時應以人命而非經濟為首位，苜預計本港的經濟不單是短期，甚至中長期都受到疫情的影響，政府有必要加強與內地醫療單位的合作，並採取開放透明的政策。

宋教授的言論刊登於五月廿四日出版的《明報》(B8版)。

‧經濟復甦策略

經濟學系莊太量教授建議政府、政黨、地區組織、社會團體及市民在疫情下合作，刺激消費，協助經濟復甦。他的建議包括動用外匯儲備幫助小商戶周轉；減免酒店房間稅，並向遊客提供免費的身體檢查及預防藥物；藉稅務豁免，鼓勵成年子女搬離父母居所，以刺激物業租售及帶動家房服務業，他解釋，百業蕭條的原因是市民對經濟的信心不足，政府及地區組織及社會團體應鼓勵他們消費。政府更應成立應急基金，援助商戶。政府的一百一十八億元救市方案，其中的商戶貸款應由政府自行管理，受惠行業也不應只限於飲食、零售、旅遊及娛樂，他又建議設立消費免稅額，寬免飲食、旅遊、娛樂、的士、小巴、校巴及旅遊巴的牌照費，補助的士司機，以及撥款援助非典型肺炎病患者及死者家屬。

李教授的文章刊登於五月十八及廿九日出版的《成報》(B8版)。

‧傳染病控制及預防

醫學院院長鍾尚志教授在港台電視節目《議事論事》中，談論傳染病的控制及預防，以及中大醫學院可擔任的角色。鍾教授接受訪問時說：「傳染病是無分國界的，為有效對抗疫症，醫護人員及學者必須與政府及國際組織如世界衛生組織密切合作。」被問及香港若成立傳染病控制及預防中心，中大醫學院可扮演怎樣的角色時，鍾教授回應道：「控制疫症是政府的責任，中大醫學院能夠從科研、培訓醫生及其它專業人才，以及在教育上提供協助。我們的公共衛生學院，是全港唯一的公共衛生學院，能為傳染病控制及預防中心作出重大貢獻。」

該節目(www.nthk.org.hk/rthk/wv/gee_review)已於五月二十二日晚上七時在無線電視翡翠台及晚上八時半在香港電台新聞台播出。

‧振興旅遊業的四條主線

酒店及旅遊管理學院院長李金漢教授指出，要振興香港的旅遊業，必須抓緊四條主線：(一)香港應通過世界衛生組織，與不同地區建立對世界各地疫情的共識，作為策劃經濟活動的基礎；(二)透過各地政府醫療衛生部門合作，消除因疫症而引起的不必要恐慌。香港衛生署可與有交往地區的衛生部門聯絡，參考世界衛生組織的建議，共同制訂出入境指引；(三)找出各地對SARS風險的認知和感受，推出針對性的廣播及宣傳。(四)要針對所有主要交往地區完成上述三種工作，然後才推出各類大型宣傳或造勢節目，以收事半功倍之效。

李教授的文章刊登於六月二日出版的《成報》。