**Vice-Chancellor Prof. Ambrose King to Retire End of this Month**

Prof. Ambrose King is retiring at the end of this month after a full 34 years of service to The Chinese University. During his time at CUHK, he has served as head of New Asia College (1977–85), professor of sociology (from 1983), chairman of the Department of Sociology (1977–89), pro-vice-chancellor (1989–2002), and vice-chancellor (2002–4). At the meeting of the University Council on 15th June, Council chairman Dr. Edgar Cheng paid tribute to Prof. King on behalf of all Council members and thanked him for his loyal service and outstanding contributions to the University.

In his valedictory address, Dr. Cheng lauded Prof. King for his many splendid achievements during his term. These include organizing the 40th anniversary celebrations, identifying the University’s development targets for the next decade, launching a school of law, raising substantial donations and helping to nurture a new culture of fundraising on campus, and bringing up-to-date the University’s governance structure.

He pointed out that the last two years were most challenging for the University community. The SARS epidemic in 2003 and the government’s steep funding cuts posed serious difficulties for CUHK. But thanks to Prof. King’s superb leadership and unwavering determination, the University has emerged stronger, more agile, more confident of itself, and better prepared for the challenges ahead.

Dr. Cheng also expressed great appreciation of Prof. King’s utter devotion to the University and his selfless commitment to its ideals. Finally he wished Prof. King and Mrs. King happiness and good health in their retirement.

The University is holding a farewell dinner for Prof. and Mrs. King on 26th June at Hotel Conrad. In attendance will be close to 600 CUHK staff, University Council members, alumni, students, former vice-chancellors, and other dignitaries and guests.

**Prof. Lawrence Lau to Assume Vice-Chancellorship in July**

Prof. Lawrence J. Lau will assume office as vice-chancellor of the University on 1st July 2004. Prof. Lau, a distinguished scholar and visionary educationalist, was Kwok-Ting Li Professor of Economic Development at Stanford University prior to joining CUHK.

A world-class economist, Prof. Lau has made excellent research achievements in economic theory, economic growth and development, and the economies of East Asia.

Born in mainland China, Prof. Lau moved to Hong Kong where he completed his secondary school education with excellent results. He received his BS degree in physics and economics, with Great Distinction, from Stanford University in 1964, and his MA and Ph.D. degrees in economics from the University of California at Berkeley in 1966 and 1969 respectively. He joined the faculty of the Department of Economics at Stanford University in 1966 and thus began over 30 years of a career in academic research and teaching.

Prof. Lau’s research areas include econometrics, applied micro economics, agricultural and industrial economics, production and technical reengineering, and the econometric model of China. He is a fellow of the Econometric Society and his accomplishments are well recognized on both sides of the Taiwan Strait.

A widely published scholar, Prof. Lau is an Overseas Fellow of Churchill College at the University of Cambridge, an academician of Academia Sinica, Taiwan, and an honorary member of the Chinese Academy of Social Sciences. He has served as a consultant for many international financial institutions such as the World Bank, the Asian Development Bank, and numerous other public and private organizations.

Prof. Lau’s appointment means that he will be the University’s sixth vice-chancellor who will lead the University into its fifth decade of development.

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**Experts Gather to Discuss Supply Chain Management**

Over 100 representatives from academia, the government, and industry attended 'Moving Towards Virtual Supply Chain Management', a seminar organized by the new Centre for Supply Chain Management of the University’s Faculty of Business Administration on 28th May 2004 at the InterContinental Hotel. The seminar was sponsored by the European Commission and Li & Fung Group, and also supported by the Hong Kong Logistics Association and the Chinese Executive Club.

Sharing their insight and experience with the participants were Prof. Jeff Yeung, director of the University’s Graduate Diploma in Logistics and Supply Chain Management; Dr. Angel Ortiz, professor of the Polytechnic University of Valencia in Spain; Prof. Alberto Felice de Toni, professor of operations management and vice-dean, Faculty of Engineering, University of Udine, Italy; Dr. Jerry Banks, professor emeritus of the Georgia Institute of Technology in the US; Mr. Chang Ka Mun, director of Li and Fung Development (China) Ltd.; Mr. Tommy Lui, general manager of IDS Logistics International; and Mr. Spencer Huang, senior supply chain manager of Astec Power.

Prof. Zhao Xiande, director of the Centre for Supply Chain Management, foresaw the need for supply chain management for Hong Kong’s industries. He and his colleagues are close to completing a 21-month “Asia V-Chain” project funded by the European Commission in collaboration with the University of Udine and the Polytechnic University of Valencia. The project will come up with an advanced supply chain solution model specifically designed for Asia, based on success stories in Europe.

Convinced that supply chain management is critical to the competitiveness of Hong Kong’s industries and its continued viability as a key player in the Greater Pearl River Delta, the University is also establishing a research centre in collaboration with faculty members from the South China University of Technology and Tsing Hua University to conduct state-of-the-art research in supply chain management and to promote its application in the region through research, consulting and training activities.

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Engineering Team Rewarded for Innovation at Imagine Cup 2004

Three engineering students of the University — Dexter Chan, Edmund Tse, and Cheryl Wong, and Eric part of the work from the University of Washington, Seattle, beat 19 other entries to win Imagine Cup 2004 (Hong Kong), a software design competition organized by Microsoft. The name of their product is the Portable Shopping Companion (PSC). The team was awarded HK$120,000 and it will represent Hong Kong to participate in World Imagine Cup 2004 in Brazil this July. The Hong Kong competition took place on 9th May in the conference room of the Grand Hyatt.

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CUHK Students Placed Second in Division at Moot Corp 2004

Four graduate students of the University — Alan H.F. Lam (Ph.D., engineering), Vincent Wang Dong (MPhil, engineering), and Rockson Zhang Changchun (MBA) won second place in their division at the Global Moot Corp 2004 Competition held at the University of Texas in Austin from 5th to 8th May 2004. The CUHK team presented a plan for Sengtal (HK) Ltd., a company which designs and markets products based on low-power, wireless, motion sensing technologies, including a computer mouse on a ring and a game controller. The company registered last month and has plans to begin operations soon at the Science Park. The overall winner of Global Moot Corp 2004 was Carnegie Mellon University.

Moot Corp (http://www.mootcorp.org) is a prestigious international business plan competition where students from top business schools in six continents present plans for start-up ventures to panels of venture capitalist judges.

Chinese Biblical Scholars Assemble at Chung Chi

Over 70 ethnic Chinese biblical scholars from 14 countries and regions in Asia, Europe, North America, and Australia took part in the first International Congress of Ethnic-Chinese Biblical Scholars from 25th to 29th May 2004. The congress, jointly sponsored by the Ethnic-Chinese Biblical Colloquium and the Theology Division of Chung Chi College, comprised six plenary lectures, papers in five concurrent sessions, two forums on 'Present and Future of Biblical Studies', and three lectures for the general public. The congress took place in the Theology Building except for the two public lectures which were presented at YMCA on Waterloo Road.

Rev. Prof. Lo Lung-kwong, head of the Theology Division, welcomed the participants at the opening ceremony on 25th May, while Archbishop John Ha of Kuching (Malaysia) gave the convocation address. An opening banquet was held at the staff club of Chung Chi College in the evening, hosted by Prof. Rance Lee, head of Chung Chi College.

Taiwanese Pioneer in Gender Studies Visits Gender Studies Programme

Prof. Nora Chiang, dean of humanities and social sciences and professor of the Social Work Department of the Pingtung University of Science and Technology in Taiwan, visited the University's Gender Studies Programme from 3rd to 6th May as the programme's Visiting Scholar 2004.

Prof. Chiang gave lectures and seminars during her visit. On 6th May, she spoke on 'Feminist Geography: A Quiet Revolution' and had a roundtable with gender studies faculty on 'Engendering Social Science Pedagogy'. On 5th May, she gave a workshop for graduate students on 'Feminist Methodology: In Qualitative or Quantitative Better'. All these activities were coorganized by the Gender Research Centre of the Hong Kong Institute of Asia-Pacific Studies.

To Promote Bone Health among Mothers

Over 300 women attended the Mother's Day Bone Health Programme organized by the Jockey Club Centre for Osteoporosis Care and Control at the Postgraduate Education Centre of the Prince of Wales Hospital on 8th May. Dr. Dicky Chey, centre physician-in-charge, talked about the causes and treatment of osteoporosis while Ms. Winny Lau, centre dietitian, explained about a high calcium diet. Mr. Anthony Kwok, centre manager and physiotherapist, discussed exercises against osteoporosis. On 30th May, over 650 seniors attended the Parents' Day Bone Health Programme (photo) organized by the centre jointly with the Hong Kong Osteoporosis Foundation and the Hong Kong Federation of Women at Leighton Hill Community Hall. The participants received free blood pressure examination, ultrasound bone density measurement, and medical consultation. Officiating at the opening ceremony were Ms. Rita Fan, chairman of Legco, Ms. Peggy Lam, chairman of the Hong Kong Federation of Women, Dr. K.H. Mak, vice-chairman of the Hong Kong Osteoporosis Foundation, and Prof. P.C. Leung, director of the centre.
The University Council has appointed Prof. Leung Yuen Sang, professor of history, as the new Dean of Arts for a new term of three years from 1 August 2004.

Prof. Rance P.L. Lee.

Mr. Kenneth Fung is the son of the late Sir Kenneth P.F. Fung, chairman of the Hong Kong Productivity Council Mainland Committee, the Hong Kong Productivity Council Business Development Committee Industry Work Group on Information Technology, and the Board of Design Innovation (HK) Ltd, and senior vice-president of the Hong Kong Association for the Advancement of Science and Technology Ltd.

The scholarship is tenable for one academic year (from September through the following July). Fellows may be invited to go to Harvard the previous July to take an intensive course in English. The fellowship covers transportation to and from the university which the applicant will attend, tuition, health fees, and a living stipend adequate for a single scholar to be determined with reference to the local cost of living and other sources of support.

This programme provides junior faculty members in the humanities or the social sciences who are Ph.D. candidates in their own universities with an opportunity to do dissertation research at Harvard University. Preference will be given to scholars working in East Asian Studies. The natural sciences and applied fields such as business management, library science, teaching English as a second language are excluded. Candidates must:

- be regular faculty members who will return to their home universities upon completion of their studies;
- have sat for the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) by September 2004 as well as the Graduate Record Examinations (GRE); and
- have applied/have been admitted for Ph.D. studies at Harvard University or other major universities.

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This programme supports junior faculty members to pursue Ph.D. studies in the humanities or the social sciences. Applied fields of studies such as business management, library science, teaching English as a second language are excluded. Candidates must:

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Applications/nominations are now invited from faculty members in the humanities and social sciences for the following three Harvard-Yenching Programmes: 

1. Visiting Scholars Programme
2. Doctoral Scholarship Programme
3. Visiting Fellows Programme

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The University is a Diamond member of Mission Hills Golf Club (MHGC) in Shenzhen. Staff from the University may be nominated as a member of MHGC. Terms (A) and equivalent terms staff are invited to bid for the privilege of being the University-nominated member (w.e.f. 1st September 2004) on the following terms and conditions:

1. **The minimum bid (monthly charge payable to the University) is $1.**
2. **Membership is subject to the nominee remaining a full-time University employee of the University.**
3. **The new member pays the non-refundable nomination transfer fee of $2,000 charged by MHGC. The fee can be paid via payroll deductions over a period of two years.**
4. **The minimum term is two years, which can be extended for another year at the request of the member, subject to agreement by the University.**
5. **The vice-chancellor has discretion as to the assignment of membership. In case of similar bidding prices, preference will be given to those who have not been a nominee before.**
6. **In addition to the monthly charge payable to the University, the nominated member is required to pay a monthly membership fee to the golf club concerned, plus other usage charges.**
7. **The University is required to abide by the rules of the relevant golf club.**

Presently, MHGC has ten 18-hole courses, with night golfing available on two of the courses. MHGC also has a five-star resort hotel plus facilities attached to the golf club. Members can arrange accommodation at discounted rates. The club operates a shuttle bus service from their parking lot at Sun Fim and it takes about 50 minutes to travel from the parking lot to the club. The nominated membership also covers spouses and children under 21 years of age.

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Please contact Ms. Jacqueling Cho at Ext. 7887 for further information and visit the Business Office’s homepage at http://www.cuhk.edu.hk/bus/WTCClubBidding.doc to download the bidding form.

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**ITSC to Offer Certificate Course in IT Essentials for Staff**

To further raise the information technology skill level of the University staff, the Information Technology Services Centre (ITSC) will conduct a Certificate Course in Information Technology Essentials for staff of the University in July 2004. Composed of six modules, viz. (a) Internet and its applications, (b) web-based teaching, (c) smart card and its applications, (d) enterprise computing, (e) document management, and (f) information security, the course is part of a training initiative to help develop the IT competence of administrative and support staff.

Further training and face-to-face tutorials, the course will be delivered by experienced ITSC computer officers.

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World Trade Centre Club Membership

The University holds a membership of the World Trade Centre Club (WTCC). A staff nominated by the University to take up membership is eligible to use the club’s facilities including the rooms, the sports facilities located at Park Lane Hotel, and the reciprocal arrangements club with the Grand Club, Sham Rivier Course, Private Box, and a number of golf clubs.

Full-time Terms (A) or equivalent staff members are invited to bid for the privilege of being the University’s nominee with effect from 1st September 2004.

The minimum bid, i.e. the monthly charge payable to the University, is HK$500. In case of identical bids, preference will be given to staff with longer service. Membership, subject to the nominee remaining a full-time Terms (A) or equivalent employee of the University, has a minimum term of two years and can be extended for another year at the member’s request and with the University’s agreement. Members are required to pay HK$320 per month inclusive of spouse and children aged 16 to 21 years of age. The transfer fee is refundable if the staff keeps his/her membership for over two years.

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劍橋遺傳學權威來訪

英國劍橋大學遺傳學教授Prof. Cahir O'Kane本月五至二十日應生物化學系邀請，以「尤德爵士紀念基金客席教授」身分訪問本校，並主持多場講座。

Prof. O'Kane在八十年代開發了一套分辨果蠅基因的精密方法，藉此找出逾千種新基因並了解它們的功能；此方法後被移作分辨其他生物基因，間接促成人類基因圖譜於二零零一年初步完成，對遺傳學貢獻巨大。他現在的研究工作集中在分子神經生物學。

訪校期間，Prof. O'Kane還先後於六月八及十日在校園主講「從果蠅身上窺探人類之秘密」和「一種與內吞作用有關的蛋白之其餘細胞功能」，六月十三日在尖沙嘴香港科學館演講廳主持科學普及教育講座，講題為「『蠅』擊遺傳病」。

為促進香港與世界各地的學術交流，「尤德爵士紀念基金客席教授計劃」自一九九五至九六年度起，贊助海外知名學者來港主持學術講座，並探討與本地大學合作研究。該基金今年又贊助中大生物化學系、港大生物化學系及兒科與青少年內科學系，以及科大生物系合辦「研究生學術交流會議」，讓世界各地研究生在會議上展出及講解各自的研 究成果。
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金耀基校長於本月底榮休，歷任新亞書院院長、社會學講座教授、社會學系主任、大學副校長，以及大學校長，於今月底榮休。在六月十五日舉行的校董會會議上，校董會主席鄭維健博士代表大學對金校長於任內完成多項重要任務，包括推動兩年的四十周年校慶活動，取得極輝煌的成績；為大學第五個十年的發展確立方向；成功爭取開設法律學院，為香港培養優秀的法律人才；為大學籌得鉅額捐助並建立籌款文化；以及改革大學的管治架構等等。

過去兩年，形勢非比尋常。非典型肺炎的爆發和政府削資為大學帶來極大的衝擊。金校長不辭勞苦，以堅毅的精神，在這非常時刻領導大學跨過一重又一重的考驗，更為中大的穩步前進鋪平道路，實在功不可沒。

鄭博士指出，金校長對中大使命的擁護和堅持，他的卓越才情和學者雅範，都令大學同人難以忘懷。他祝願金校長和金夫人退休後事事如意，身心愉快。

另，校方將於本月廿六日假港麗酒店設宴惜別金校長伉儷，屆時將有近六百名教職員、校董、校友、學生、大學前任校長，以及其他教育界嘉賓友好參加，一同向金校長話別。

新任校長
劉遵義教授七月履新

劉遵義教授將於七月一日履新，成為中大第六任校長。劉遵義教授學術成就卓越，是經驗豐富和具有遠見的教育家。加入中大之前，劉教授是美國史丹福大學李國鼎經濟發展講座教授，他在經濟理論、計量經濟學、經濟發展和經濟政策的研究，尤其是東亞經濟發展研究方面成就卓著，榮獲世界經濟學大師。

劉教授出生於中國內地，移居香港後，以最優異成績中學畢業，後被美國史丹福大學錄取，取得物理及經濟學理學士學位。劉教授自一九六六年起在史丹福大學經濟系任職，展開他三十多年的學術研究與教育事業。

劉教授的研究領域為經濟理論、發展與增長、應用微觀經濟學、計量經濟學、農業及工業經濟，包括中國在內的東亞經濟、生產與技術轉型、工業國家和新興工業國家的經濟增長，以及中國的計量經濟模型，他以高才遠識和堅實的研究成果，為台灣兩岸的經濟發展和政策制定提供了不少精闢的建議。

劉教授有專著多種，身兼劍橋大學邱吉爾學院海外院士，計量經濟學會院士，台灣中央研究院院士及中國社會科學院榮譽院士，且獲聘擔任世界銀行及亞洲發展銀行等國際金融機構的顧問，又為國際學術組織，劉教授上任後，將策導中大在第五個十年騰飛精進，於區內及國際間爭取更佳的成績。

全球華人計算機教育
應用大會

由全球華人計算機應用學會主辦的「全球華人計算機教育應用大會」，已成為學術界及教育界討論教育科技如何在教育應用的重要場合。會議自一九九七年先後於廣州、香港、澳門、新加坡、台灣、北京、南京舉行，產生極大迴響。今年會議主題為「資訊科技——何去何從」，於五月三十一日至六月三日在本校舉行，並擴大由香港中文大學、香港理工大學、香港城市大學、香港浸會大學及香港電腦教育學會合辦。

開幕典禮於六月一日在利黃瑤壁樓一號演講廳舉行，由金耀基校長、教育統籌局副秘書長鄭恩賜先生和台灣清華大學前任校長劉炯朗教授任主禮嘉賓。左起：金耀基校長、盧乃桂教授、劉炯朗教授、鄭恩賜先生、陳德懷教授、李浩文教授

國際華裔聖經學術會議

崇基神學組與華裔聖經學會於五月二十五至二十八日在綜合大樓舉辦「國際華裔聖經學術會議」，以聯繫全球華裔聖經學者並促進有關聖經的學術研究和交流。

與會者七十餘人，來自歐洲、美洲、亞洲、以色列、中國、內地等，發表論文三十二篇，大會設七個全體會議、五個分組會議，以及五個分組論壇，討論有關聖經學的研究和交流。開幕禮由崇基神學組主任盧龍光教授致歡迎辭，而美國南安大學聖經教授及多倫多大學聖經學教授盧日光教授分別就聖經學的發展和聖經學的學術研究發表演講。另外還有三個公開講座，分別為聖經學家的使命和聖經學的使命。

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