

**THE HONG KONG POLYTECHNIC UNIVERSITY
(WESTERN CANADA) ASSOCIATION
香港理工大學（加拿大西）員生會**

Annual Report for 2016 - 2017

MAIN OBJECTIVES OF THE ASSOCIATION

- 1.** To support the goals and activities of the Hong Kong Polytechnic University, including both the former Hong Kong Polytechnic and the Technical College (hereafter referred to as the “PolyU”), within the purview of the Association as an alumni association of the PolyU.
- 2.** To develop and maintain close relationship and contact between the PolyU and its graduates and former faculties and staff members in Western Canada.
- 3.** To enhance the friendship, communications, and fellowship among the Association’s members and their integration into the Canadian community
- 4.** To organize and promote projects and activities for the welfare and common interests of the Association’s members and the community at large.
- 5.** To promote better communication, interaction and linkage between the PolyU and Canadian education institutions as well as the Western Canada community.

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Professor POON Chung-Kwong, GBS, PhD, DSc, JP
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PRESIDENT'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR 2016 - 2017

To heighten the Association 20th Anniversary celebration (1996 - 2016), Prof. Timothy Tong, President of our alma mater, made a special trip to Vancouver to join us to celebrate happy anniversary with us. At the same time, the President's Band (Vancouver) was formed. The Band performed for the first time on stage with Prof. Tong at the celebration dinner on October 7, 2016. I am sure all participants should have the fondest memories of the performance. The 20th Anniversary Commemorative Publication (that richly recorded the work and achievements of the Association during all these years) was presented to all participants as souvenir in the evening.

In support of PolyU 80th Anniversary Celebration and to enhance its future development, the Association with the generous sponsorship from our members, has donated a "Wooden Nameplate" to our alma mater. The nameplate is now placed in the Alumni Atrium on PolyU campus.

We have organized three talks bringing interesting, educational and useful information to our members on wellness and healthy lifestyle as well as household tips. To promote fellowship among members and other alumni, the Inter-U Badminton Tournament, Table Tennis Fun Day and hiking trip encourage members to stay active. With the continuous support from all members, the Annual Dinner and Spring Dinner were well attended.

Starting this year, we have used NewsFlash, 15 issues in total, bringing the latest updates on activities planned to members speedily. Of course, we still publish our regular Newsletter that gave full report on each event organized with colorful photos. We are indebted to members who have generously contributed interesting articles in the Newsletter. The latest Issue (#38) was published/released on July 1, 2017, just in time to salute Canada's 150th anniversary.

During the year, we have started 2 new Interest Groups, namely "Singing and Music" group and "Dizi" class. Together with the existing four Interest Groups, Tai Chi, Table Tennis, Calligraphy and Badminton, all Groups are well received by members and friends.

The Association's "Calgary Division" started in 2012 now has 23 members. Wing Kuen, our Calgary Membership Liaison Officer, representing all members in Calgary/Edmonton, is joining us tonight to meet members in Vancouver as well as to report the activities and its future plan to the Board of Directors.

Tonight we will conclude our 20th Anniversary celebration year and will embark onto a new phase to strengthen our goals and objectives. I am happy and thankful that we have another successful and fruitful year. Last but not least, I have to thank our highly dedicated, motivated and energetic team of Directors and volunteers who contributed their valuable time and strengths to plan and organize all these activities. I am certain that with your continuous support, the Hong Kong Polytechnic University (Western Canada) Association will continue to grow and develop.

Andy Chan

President

Hong Polytechnic University (Western Canada) Association
Activities for Period October 1, 2016 – September 30, 2017

Date	Activities	Venue	Number of Participants
October 7, 2016	20th AGM/Annual Dinner 第二十屆會員大會暨聯歡晚宴	Pink Pearl Seafood Restaurant, Vancouver 珠城大酒樓	150
January 14, 2017	'Mindful Eating (Part 2)' 「食得健康」講座 by Mickey Tse 謝其賢先生 (中僑互助會屬下護老院行政總廚)	Sharon Manor, Richmond	32
February 18, 2017	2017 Spring Dinner	Royal Seafood Restaurant, Richmond 粵海山莊海鮮酒家	110
March 5, 2017	5th Inter-U Alumni Badminton Tournament 第五屆四大校友會羽毛球友誼賽	Richmond Pro Badminton Centre	Our team playing against 3 other university alumni associations
March 11, 2017	'Coronary Heart Disease - Prevention and Treatment' 「冠心病的治療與預防」講座 By Dr. P. K. Lee, 李霈祺醫生 Cardiologist	Sharon Manor, Richmond	52
April 8, 2017	Practical Household Tips and Tricks by "Wong Sir" 「解決家居疑難事，黃Sir 話你知」講座 By Candace Wong 黃耀德先生 (本地中文電台、電視台節目主持人)	Sharon Manor, Richmond	55
June 25, 2017	2017 Summer Table Tennis Fun Day	Bridgeport Sports Club, Richmond	15 players and 28 dinner participants
August 19, 2017	Summer Hiking Trip - Shoreline Trail at Rocky Point	Port Moody	30

Interest Groups - On-going Activities

Date and Time	Activities	Venue	Instructor
Every other Saturday 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm	Chinese Calligraphy Class 書法班	Sharon Manor 5791 Granville Avenue, Richmond	Mr. Richard Wong (黃振鵬老師)
Every Saturday 9:30 am to 11 am	Table Tennis Practice Group 乒乓球練習組	Vancouver Table Tennis Club, 3925 Fraser Street, Vancouver	
Every Friday 8:00 pm to 9:30 pm	Tai Chi Class 四十二式太極拳競賽 套路	#140-12855, Clark Drive Place, Richmond	Mr. John Yuen (袁志明師傅)
Every Sunday 2:00 pm – 4:00 pm	羽毛球練習組	Richmond Pro Badminton Centre 5800 Minoru Blvd, Richmond	
(1) 2nd Saturday of each month (2) 4th Sunday of each month	Singing and Music Group 歌樂組興趣小組	Richmond Vancouver	
Monday	Dizi (Chinese Flute) 竹笛基礎班	Richmond	Mr. Charlie Lui

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October 3, 2017

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On behalf of the Association, we would like to extend our sincere gratitude and thanks to Professor POON Chung-Kwong, our Honorary Advisor, for his guidance and unfailing support to us since inception.

Under the leadership and guidance of Professor Timothy W. Tong, our Honorary Patron, the Association will continue fulfilling its mission laid down in the “Main Objectives” in the Constitution.

Our special thanks to the Hong Kong Polytechnic University, especially of the Alumni Affairs and Development Office for their continued support and assistance.

We are also indebted to Ms Catherine Yuen, Principal Consultant, Hong Kong Economic and Trade Office (Western Canada), SAR Government and our alumni, Mr. Randy Chan, who have generously donated souvenirs and gift items for our various functions.