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President's Message

Dear fellow members,

It has been already five months since our last issue of Newsletter. This is the last newsletter of AFGA before our coming Annual General Meeting (AGM). We are going to have our AGM scheduled in May 2007. It is the time for you to think of joining the executive committee of the AFGA in the coming year. Should any one of you intend to join me in providing some of your valuable time to the AFGA, please do not hesitate to submit your executive committee member nomination form to us for further actions once you receive our AGM papers.

AFGA COACHING WORKSHOP 2006

Thank you for those members who have participated in this workshop on 30 September 2006. Those participants learnt and acquired constructive coaching skills by discussion and life examples shared. Please refer to the article and photos of the Workshop to get more information about the event.

ACCOUNTING AND FINANCE SOCIETY

The 25th Accounting and Finance Society was held on 26 October 2006. It is a great event of AFS. You may go to the article and photos below to share some of our happiness in participating the event.

GREENING HONG KONG BY POLYU ALUMNI 2006

On 26 November 2006, the Greening Hong Kong by PolyU Alumni was held. It had been the third time that PolyU and AADO jointly organized this meaningful event. For more information and photos of this event, please refer to the article below.

CAREER WORKSHOP

We have successfully run a Career Workshop on 12 February. The workshop is commented by the attendants to be a valuable and an interesting workshop for them. An article about the workshop is shown below for your sharing.

PUTONGHUA CLASS

The Putonghua Class tailor made for the AFGA members is now attending by some of our alumni was started on 10 March. We would ask our Putonghua teacher to write some short notes in our next newsletter to share with you some of the interesting stories on incorrect use of Putonghua.

AGM AND ANNUAL DINNER TO BE HELD IN MAY 2007

I would like to invite you to attend our AGM as well as the members' dinner right after our AGM. It is a very good chance for you to meet with alumni and to share your experience and ideas among us. We are going to send out the AGM papers and the invitation letter by post. Once you receive them please complete and return the reply form for the AGM and dinner gathering to us as soon as possible. We are looking forward to meeting you there.

OUTSTANDING POLYU ALUMNI AWARDS 2007

If you have read the recent newspaper, you may probably know that the awardees of this year include two graduates from the School of Accounting and Finance. They are Mrs. Yvonne Shing and Mr. Joseph Lo. I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate both of them.

PUBLIC APPOINTMENTS

To recognize outstanding achievements of our alumni in serving the public community, we are going to have a column on public appointments in our future newsletter. Please refer to the note below for more information.

POLYU 70TH ANNIVERSARY

Year 2007 is a very important and meaningful year of the PolyU and us. 2007 is the 70th Anniversary of PolyU. In the following months there will be a series of celebrating events organized by the University to mark this important year. I sincerely invite you to join these highly memorable and meaningful events. Please watch out for the announcements and invitations from the University for the coming events. The AFGA executive committee is looking forward to meeting you at the event.

Lastly, I would like to thank you, on behalf of the executive committee, for all your support and participation in the last year. Without your support, AFGA's activities cannot be held successfully.

Wish you all a good health and successful year to come!

Alex C B Wong
President AFGA
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AFGA Coaching Workshop 2006

The AFGA held its first coaching session in the afternoon of 30 September 2006 at the Hong Kong Polytechnic University. About 20 alumnae and alumni joined this interactive workshop together with two experienced trainers from the Hong Kong International Coaching Community.



To facilitate learning, the trainers first divided the participants into smaller groups for the purposes of discussion and role-playing. The trainers then highlighted the salient features of coaching which include the importance of building trust and rapport and creating happiness and fulfillment in jobs and in life. The workshop ended with a question and answer session in which practical questions were raised and discussed, and life examples shared.

Each participant learnt and acquired constructive coaching skills at the end of the workshop and as a token of appreciation to the trainers, souvenirs were presented at the end of the workshop.





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Accounting and Finance Society 就職典禮

第二十五屆 Accounting and Finance Society (AFS) 的就職典禮於二零零六年十月二十六日(星期四)，假香港理工大學蔣震劇院舉行。是夜，場面相當熱鬧，除了有多位會計及金融學院的教授和 AFGA 的代表出席外，還有 HKICPA 和 ACCA 代表，各 CPA firm 的代表和各大專院校的代表前來祝賀。

在典禮正式開始前，各來賓於會場外享用預先準備的 cocktail，大約七時許，各來賓皆對號入座，簡單而隆重的就職典禮隨即正式開始。首先是嘉賓們為新一屆 AFS 的 Ex-co 給予寶貴的訓勉，接著是由上一年度 AFS 的 President Eric 分享這一年擔任會長的感受，然後是宣誓儀式，由候任 President Mandy 帶領各候任 Ex-co 上台宣讀誓詞，這亦代表他們已正式成為 AFS 的 Ex-co，承諾來年為 AFS 效力。其後是 Mandy 致詞和致送紀念品予各來賓，以感謝眾人的支持。

典禮完畢後，各 Ex-co 與各來賓再一次於會場外一起享用預先準備的 refreshment，透過這個機會，大家可以聽取不少前輩的人生經驗和教導，整個典禮於大約晚上九時完滿結束。





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Greening Hong Kong by PolyU Alumni 2006

What can we do to develop Hong Kong to be a greener community? The answer was crystal clear.

On 26th November 2006, AFGA showed its continuous support and commitment to our alma mater and our community as well as awareness to our environment by participating in at Tai Po Waterfront Park

It had been the 3rd times that PolyU and AADO jointly organized the **“Greening Hong Kong by PolyU Alumni 2006”**. This year, we had Secretary for Security, HKSAR, Mr. Ambrose Lee Siu-kwong and our President Prof. Poon Chung-Kwok to be our officiating guests.

On that sunny day, alumni and friends of PolyU came together for the betterment of HK and planted green saplings in the park under the guidance of the staff from Agricultural, Fisheries and Conservation Department, HKSAR.

Our members had enjoyed themselves with the saplings-planting session as well as the performance by different performing parties like famous folk song singer, Mr. Albert AU. The function not only provided a chance for alumni to get closer to the environment, but also a platform for them to have fun by visiting different kind of booths, set up by students and AADO; notably there were booths for health and fitness check up.

If you have missed out the opportunity to build a greener Hong Kong, let’s meet in next year’s **“Greening Hong Kong”** and show the support to PolyU.





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Career Workshop

A career workshop organized by the AFS of the HK Polytechnic University was held on 12 February 2007.

About 40 students with their major in accounting and finance attended the workshop. Three ex-com members of the AFGA, namely, Judy Wong, David Cho and Ivan Au served as speakers for the event that evening and they shared their knowledge and experience in different aspects of their career and personal lives, which include progression of professional career in CPA firms, viewing opportunities and challenges of working in Mainland China, fostering and managing client and staff relations, relevance of technical and other soft skills, importance of life enrichment, setting and attainment of personal & career goals etc, with the attendees.

The sharing ended with a Q & A session where students raised follow up questions for further discussions. Lastly delicious refreshments were kindly served by the AFS. Everyone therefore has something to bring home, a solid foundation on future career development and a belly tummy!





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Public Appointments

To recognize outstanding achievements of our alumnae and alumni in serving the public community, there will be a new column on public appointments added in the website of AFGA and its newsletters.

Please send us details of the member concerned, current public achievements/ awards with copies of documentary support to Jody Wong at jody.wong@inet.polyu.edu.hk. The Excom shall obtain the consent from the member concerned and reserves the right to vet the accuracy and completeness of the information supplied, and would not announce appointments which are considered incorrect or inappropriate.



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