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### General News of the Hong Kong Section

The 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting was held on Wed 20 October 2004 at World Trade Centre Club. During the meeting, Ir Dr. Mark Chan, President of Session 2003/2004 delivered a report on the activities of the Hong Kong Section. Highlights include collaborations/communications with various local and International professional bodies, the organization/co-sponsoring of seminars, courses and site visits as well as the provision of support and assistance to the formation of international student groups in Southwest Jiaotong University (Chengdu), the University of Hong Kong and the University of Macao. In the meeting, Dr. Christopher K.Y. Leung, MASCE (President), Ir Andy Yiu, MASCE (President-elect) and the other officers of the Hong Kong Section for the 2004/2005 Session were elected. The new officers, their corresponding posts and contact information are as follows:



Ir Dr. Mark Chan (President of 2003/04 Session) delivering his report at the AGM  
In the picture (from left to right) are Dr. Christopher K.Y. Leung, (President-Elect), Ir Dr. Mark Chan, Dr. Limin Zhang (Secretary) and Ir Andy Yiu (Vice President)

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The Annual Meeting was followed by the Annual Dinner. The Guest of Honour, Dr David Pang, CEO of Airport Authority, gave a talk on "What Airport Business is All About?". Other guests included The Honourable Ir Dr. Raymond Ho (Representative of Engineering Functional Constituency, LegCo), Ir Raymond T.K. Cheung (Director of Drainage Services, HKSAR), Ir. William G.K. Ko (Director of Water Supplies, HKSAR), Ir S.Y. Yu (Chairman, Civil Engineering Division of HKIE), Ir S.H. Mak (Chairman, Geotechnical Division of HKIE), Ir Joseph Y.W. Mak (Chairman, Structural Division of HKIE), Ir Dr. John W.K. Luk (Chairman, HK Association of the Institution of Civil Engineers), Ir L.M. Mak (Hong Kong Geotechnical Engineering Society), Prof. Moe Cheung (Head of Civil Engineering, HKUST), Prof. Wilson Tang (ASCE Honorable Member)

At the Annual Dinner, awards were given to winners of the Best Final Year Project organized by the Section. The winners are:

Ms SHEK King Fai (HK PolyU) - Residual Properties and Permeability of Self-Compacting Concrete after Fire

Ms LI Kit Man (HKU) - Behavior of Jacked Piles

Ms CHUA Shui Ying (HKUST) - Centrifuge and Numerical Modeling of Shielding Effect on Pile in Consolidating Clay

## **REPORT ON RECENT ACTIVITIES**

### 29 August, 2004

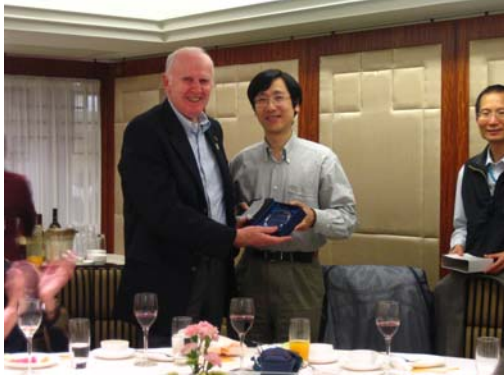
A seminar on "The London Underground Public Private Partnership" was organized jointly by ASCE-HK Section and HKIE Civil Division. The speaker was Dr. Arthur McInnis of Clifford Change. The seminar was chaired by Ir Dr. Mark Chan and was attended by about 80 participants.



Dr. McInnis (left) receiving a souvenir from Ir Dr. Mark Chan

### 9-11 December, 2004

An ASCE Delegation, led by William Henry, ASCE President, visited Hong Kong in early December. On Dec.9, the Directors of the HK Section host a dinner meeting with the delegation. President Henry talked about some of his visions about the profession and agreed to look at ways to provide additional assistance to local sections. On Dec.10, under the accompaniment of Ir George Cheng, the ASCE Delegation met with Ir James Kwan, President of HKIE and other HKIE executives to foster better mutual understanding between the two associations. On Dec.11, the HKUST ASCE International Student Group hosted a visit to the university and made a presentation on their past activities. The delegation was impressed about the work of the group, and President Henry would look into the possibility of organizing programs for International Student Groups, so they could interact more with U.S. students and participate in ASCE Student Activities.



ASCE-HK President Dr. Christopher Leung  
Presenting a Souvenir to ASCE President  
William Henry



Group picture of ASCE Delegation  
and ASCE-HK Directors

#### 20 January, 2005

In mid-January, a group of students from the George Mason University ASCE Student Chapter was visiting Hong Kong with their supervisor, Prof. William Roper. On the morning of Jan.20, 2005, the ASCE HK Section arranged a visit for the group to the Geotechnical Engineering Office, CEDD, to learn about measures to ensure slope safety in Hong Kong. In the afternoon, visits to the Kowloon Station sites and the Nina Tower were arranged with the assistance of Ir Kelvin Lam, Associate Director of Ove Arup Hong Kong. For these two visits, the George Mason group was joined by members of the HKUST ASCE International Student Group. The event therefore also provided an opportunity for interaction between U.S. and local civil engineering students.

#### **UPCOMING ACTIVITIES**

In the coming months, a number of activities have been planned. A tentative activity plan is given below. More specific information will be sent to all members when the date of the event is approached.

##### March

Basketball Match between ASCE members and student members at Chu Hai University, HKU, HKUST, to be held at HKUST on March 6. Organized by Ir Andy Yiu and Dennis Wong.

##### April

Seminar on "Long-Term Effects of Geotechnical Processes" by Prof. K. Soga of Cambridge University, from 6:15 – 7:30 p.m. on April 1 at City University. Co-sponsored by City U, HKIE, HKGES and ASCE (HK Section)

Welding workshop at Vocational Training Centre on April 9 (Tentative). Organizer: Ir Dr. Patrick Cheung

##### May

CPD course on bore pile construction to be held on May 7, at Novotel Century Hotel, Wanchai.

Person in charge: Ir Dr. Albert Yeung

##### June

Site Visit to Kowloon Station Package V. Organizer: Ir Bernie Ng

##### July

CPD course on Structural and Geotechnical Seismic Design. To be held on July 2 at Novotel Century Hotel. Persons in charge: Ir Dr. Patrick Cheung, Dr. Jun Yang

##### August

Technical Workshop on Slope/W, Slope 2000 and Lateral Pile Load Test.

Person in charge: Ir Dr. Mark Chan

##### September

BBQ

##### October

Annual Meeting and AGM