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***The 8<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting and Annual Dinner***

**The Annual General Meeting**

The 8<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting and Annual Dinner was successfully held on October 26 at the World Trade Center Club. During the meeting, Ir Andy C.S. YIU, President for the session 2005-2006 delivered his report on the year's activities. Highlights include several well-responded Continuing Professional Development (CPD) courses, visit of students from Tsinghua University ASCE International Student Group as well as meeting with Managing Director of Strategic and International Initiatives of ASCE Headquarters. Special thanks dedicated to Directors and speakers' engagement in arranging the CPD courses, site visits and other technical seminars. Andy also expressed sincere gratitude to Messrs Ove Arup & Partners Hong Kong Limited for their kind assistance to ASCE HK including offering their meeting room and other facilities for our Board Meetings.



The Board of Direction for the Session 2006-2007 is composed of Ir Dr. Albert T. Yeung (President) of HKU (6th from left); Ir Andy C.S. Yiu (Immediate Past President) of Chun Wo Construction & Engineering Co Ltd (5th from left); Ir Dr. Patrick P.C. Cheung (Vice President) of ASD (1st from left); Miss Barbara W.Y. Siu (Secretary) of HKUST (4th from left); Dr. Limin Zhang (Treasurer) of HKUST (5th from right); Ir Benny Ng (Director) of OAP (2nd from left); Ir San Yee Bai (Director) of KCRC (3rd from left); Dr. Jun Yang (Director) of HKU (2nd from right); Ir Patrick Chan (Director) of KCRC; Ir Patrick Tam (co-opted Director) of OAP; and Dr. Yu Wang (co-opted Director) of City University. Also in the picture are past presidents of the Section: Prof. Christopher Leung (4th from right) of HKUST; Ir George Cheng (3rd from right) of China State Construction Engineering (HK) Ltd.; and Ir Dr. Mark Chan (1st from right) of GEO.

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**Forecast for the session 2006-2007**

In the Annual Meeting, Ir Dr. Albert T. Yeung, President for the session 2006-2007 expressed that in conjunction with the internationalization of ASCE, the Hong Kong Section would aim at more global exposure. Directors and Past Presidents are encouraged to promote ASCE HK image through visitations, seminar and other learned society activities, both in Hong Kong and overseas. In addition, ASCE HK is sponsoring two sections in the upcoming 4<sup>th</sup> Civil Engineering Conference in the Asia Region to be held in Taipei in June 2007. On top of extending the connections of ASCE HK outside Hong Kong, another goal for the coming year would be raising the status of ASCE HK. In the Meeting and Dinner, Albert encouraged eligible Members to promote to Fellow grade of membership. For more details, please contact the President, Ir Dr. Albert Yeung or the Secretary, Ms. Barbara Siu.

**The Annual Dinner**

The Annual General Meeting was followed by the Annual Dinner. The Dinner was well attended by guests and fellow members, including the delegation of the proposed International Student Group at the University of Macau. Board Members, guests, Members and Student Members have had a warm mix and exchange of idea. The Guest of Honor, Mr. Russell Black, Project Director of MTRC gave a delightful speech on “MTR Railway Activity in Hong Kong and China”, highlighting how the experience and expertise in building and managing railway can be turned into business opportunities in major cities in China. In the Dinner, Best Master Thesis and Best Final Year Project Award have been presented.



Russell Black giving the keynote speech

**Best Master Thesis Award**

Wong Sze Man	HKU	Seismic performance of reinforced concrete wall structure under high axial load with particular application to low-to-moderate seismic regions
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*Honorable Mentions*

Leung Shun Cheong	HKUST	The mechanical characteristics of cemented sand : particulate scale study
Lou Ching Yee	HKPU	Treatment ofalachlor by modified photo-fenton process

**Best Final Year Project Award**

To Chiu Yin	HKU	Fire resistance of fixed-ended stainless steel tabular columns
Tse Yin Man	HKUST	Pile shape effect on piles behaviour in consolidating ground
Yuet Man Fung	HKPU	Bridge cable vibration control using passive dampers : analysis and design procedures

**The ASCE Annual Conference**



Region 10 Governors being installed by President Dennis R. Marten on October 20, 2006 in Chicago.

At the ASCE Annual Conference held in Chicago in October 2006, the new international Region 10 was formed. This completes the reorganization of ASCE's governance structure, which includes nine domestic regions and the international region. The new Region 10 has a six-member Board of Governors and is chaired by the ASCE International Director, who serves on the ASCE Board. The Region 10 Board of Governors will look after the interests of ASCE's international members, sections, and groups. Also new: an international member is now eligible to become ASCE president.



ASCE Region 10 Board of Governors: Potenciano Leoncio of Philippines (back row first from left), Jaime Santamaria Serrano, Chair, of Colombia (back row second from right), Munirud Dean of Australia ((back row first from right), Carlos Garcia-Reyes MacLellan of Colombia (three row first from right), C.R. Dutta of India (2nd row left), Gamal Elsaed of Egypt (2nd row right) and Albert T. Yeung of Hong Kong (front row), with ASCE President Dennis R. Marten (third row first from left) and Executive Director Patrick J. Natale (back row 2nd from left).

## Upcoming Activities

A tentative activity plan for the coming year is given below. More specific information will be dispatched when the date of the event approaches. Updates would be posted on our website, check it out!

Function	Contact Person
<u>January</u> <b>Sponsored Seminar:</b> Modeling Cover System for (Mine) Waste by Prof. Delwyn G. Fredlund	Limin ZHANG
<u>February</u> <b>Lunar New Year E-card Design Competition</b>	Barbara SIU
<u>March</u> <b>Sponsored Function:</b> Bridge Model Building Competition organized by the University of Hong Kong and IVE	Albert YEUNG
<b>Site Visit:</b> Kowloon Station Mega Tower Lok Ma Chau Spur Line	Berny NG/ Patrick TAM S Y BAI/ Patrick CHAN
<u>April</u> <b>Site Visit:</b> Stonecutters Bridge	Berny NG/ Patrick TAM
<u>May</u> <b>CPD Course</b>	Patrick CHEUNG/ Jun YANG/ Yu WANG
<u>June</u> <b>Sponsored Function:</b> Civil Engineering Conference in the Asia Region More details can be found at <a href="http://www.elitepco.com.tw/4cecar/">http://www.elitepco.com.tw/4cecar/</a>	Albert YEUNG
<u>August</u> <b>Site Visit:</b> Residential Training Complex for Juveniles in Tuen Mun <b>Social Function</b>	Berny NG
<u>September</u> <b>CPD Course</b>	Patrick CHEUNG/ Jun YANG/ Yu WANG
<u>October</u> <b>Annual General Meeting and Annual Dinner</b>	Barbara SIU

### ***Facts about us...***

- ASCE International Group held its Inaugural general Meeting on July 25, 1997
- The Group was upgraded as a Section on October 20, 1998
- The Section currently have 600+ members, out of which around 30% are Student Members
- Among the 15 members of the current Board of Direction, there are three "Patrick"s !

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