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We appreciate your keeping in touch with us!

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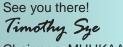




On 25 April 2009, Mr David Chan, Legal Advisor of MUHKAA, has been elected Chairman of The Federation of Australian Alumni Associations Hong Kong Limited (FAAA HK) for the third consecutive year, and will continue to be actively involved in the development of FAAA committee projects and activities.



# **CONGRATULATIONS!**



Monash alumni and friends from other universities

### A Fabulous Evening at **Hong Kong Football Club MUHKAA AGM Dinner Party,**

was the first time we hosted the AGM

dinner party, acting as the Master of

Prior to the dinner, we, as the MC of the

party, first introduced ourselves when the

background music started. Then, we

briefed the program run down to all

audiences. Thereafter, our Chairman, Mr. Timothy Sze, and Vice Chairman, Ms

The audiences were then asked to vote

for their favorite "Mr. and Miss

Gorgeous", and to nominate the new

committee Directors and Program

Coordinators. Everyone seemed to enjoy

the buffet dinner and had a great time

chatting, getting to know each others

After the dinner, the game part began.

"Guess a Number from 1 to 100" was our

first game. The members of each table

tried to guess a number from 1 to 100.

The second game was "Guess Which

Chinese Song Patricia Sang". (More,

Kathleen Ng, gave an opening speech.

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Ceremonies.

during the dinner.

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MUHKAA AGM dinner party attracted Thank you for your support again this more than 70 alumni members, friends as year, I consider it a tremedous honour to well as guests from other Australian serve as your Chairman for the 2009-University Alumni Associations. Ivan and I were excited about this dinner party as it

During my duty last year, it was a great experience to work with the committee members and I really want to take this opportunity to say thank you to them for the good work they have put in and their contributions last year. Hope everyone also enjoy our activities organized especially for you!

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Chairman's

Message

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2010 term.

This year committee members have been formed and we had few meetings for coming activities's plan. I am delighted to tell you those ideas are amazing and cover different interest areas and have a good balance of professional development and social gathering.

The upcoming event will be a drink party in JJ's, Grand Hyatt Hotel, Wanchai at 5 June 2009.

I guarantee it will be good fun. Want to see us face to face and extend your social network with Monash Alumni?

Chairman, MUHKAA



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▲ Ivan Fan and Carol Chan are the MC of the AGM dinner party



▲ There was an ice-breaking activity to let everyone warm up themselves right before the dinner.



▲ The 6 nominated finalists of Mr and Miss Gorgeous: (From left to right) Alvina Chan, Rebecca Hung, Kathleen Ng, Timothy Sze, David Chan and Steven Wong.

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▶ Shown in the picture are Patricia Tanizar with her i-phone and Carlos Ser. One of the short games, "Guess which Chinese song Patricia sang". Our alumna, Ms Patricia Tanizer, an ABC, was the Singer in this game. She imitated to sing what she heard from her i-pod/MP3 on her iphone despite her lousy Chinese. The audiences needed to guess what she sang.

Subsequent to the 2 (two) short games, we started the funniest game part of the dinner party – "Mr. and Miss Gorgeous Contest". The 6 (six) nominated finalists entered into the final. The contest consisted of 3 sessions. They are Styling, Intelligence and Talent Tests. For the 1st part of the contest, the "Styling Test", each contestant needed to show his/her own style of runway walk according to the music they heard.

The second part of the contest was "Intelligence Test". Each finalist needed to answer 5 (five) preset questions with the participation of the other contestants simultaneously. The final part of the contest was "Talent Test". Each finalist could choose either to demonstrate his/her own talent within 5 (five) minutes, or to answer a pre-set question selected from 3 (three) cards.

Our five judges selected the most gorgeous man and lady of the night who was each awarded a HK\$500 cash coupon. The response was fabulous and the room was full of laughter and fun. The event would not be so successful without the combined effort and support of the AGM task force, alumni and committee members, sponsors and the Monash University.

The AGM dinner served as a way for alumni to reconnect with other fellows and friends. To sum up, this is one party you really shouldn't miss!



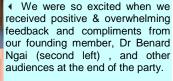
◀ After a series of bitter contest, Mr Stephen Wong and Miss Rebecca Hung won the Championships of Mr and Miss Gorgeous. Congratulations!



▲ The lucky draw winner won a HK\$800 cash coupon & prizes from our sponsors.



▲ The game winners received prizes for the whole table.





**Guangdong Province** 

Day 1

▲ Visit to Guangzhou Daily.

▲ With daily circulation of 1.850.000. Guangzhou Daily is

one of the largest circulation

That's an amazing group of

Visit to The Development and

Miss

Kathleen Na

**GAC Toyota** 

Notor Co Ltd.

takes picture at

Reform Commission of

Guangzhou.

people right there!

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FAAA EVENT 2009 – CHINA EXCHANGE PROGRAM IN GUANGZHOU

# An Inaugural Exchange Program Received Great Attention FAAA China Exchange Program in Guangzhou, 9-10 April 2009

By Carol Chan

A delegation of more than 60 representatives from nine different Australian universities alumni in Hong Kong attended an inaugural two-day exchange program to Guangzhou on 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> April 2009. The program was organized by The Federation of Australian Alumni Associations (FAAA). With the assistance of Liaison Office of Central People's Government in the HKSAR (中聯辦) and the support from the Australian alumni associations of The University of Queensland, University of Adelaide, University of Melbourne, University of South Australia, University of Ballarat, Griffith University, Royal Melbourne Institute of Technology (RMIT), Queensland University of Technology (QUT) and Monash University, the exchange program ran successfully and smoothly.

### DAY ONE PROGRAM

On Day One, we first gathered at Hung Hom Train station at 8:00am, via Lo Wu and Shenzhen, to Guangzhou. We arrived in Guangzhou at around 12:30pm. The first visited site was **The Hong Kong Economic and Trade Office in Guangzhou (特區駐粵經濟貿易辦事處, "GDETO")**. During the visit, Ms Alice Choi, Deputy Director of GDETO, and her team introduced the functions of the GDETO. In general, GDETO promotes mutual trade and economic ties and cooperation between Hong Kong and Guangdong; capitalizes on the implementation of the Mainland/Hong Kong Closer Economic Partnership Arrangement (CEPA); promotes investment activities, tourism development, major infrastructure works; increases the frequency of Guangzhou-Hong Kong through-train service; and provides better support for Hong Kong businessmen with operations in Guangdong. For further details about GDETO, please visit <a href="https://www.gdeto.gov.hk">www.gdeto.gov.hk</a>.

Afterwards, we visited the Government enterprise's giant media group, **Guangzhou Daily** (廣州日报), which was owned by Guangzhou Daily Newspaper Group. In 2008, its total advertising revenues amounted to 2,206 million Yuan. During the site visit, we were astonished by the various advanced and sophisticated printing equipment. A hundred thousand packs of newspapers could be produced every day. The Guangzhou Daily is the largest printing center in Asia and one of the most successful national newspapers. For further details about Guangzhou Daily, please refer to <a href="http://gzdaily.dayoo.com">http://gzdaily.dayoo.com</a>.

After the visit of Guangzhou Daily, we headed to a cocktail party with ACG, ACAA and CPA in China at O'Wine Bar. All the wines in O'Wine bar are from Australia. One of the partners of the bar is an Australian alumnus in Guangzhou, Mr. Matthew Ng, who is an AGSM MBA graduate and also a President/CEO of a Guangzhou-based listed company, ET-China. We met many nice folks from many Australian organizations in this party. These organizations include Australian Consulate General, Australian Trade Commission, Australian Education International, Queensland Government Guangzhou office, Australian China Alumni Association, Australian Chamber of Commerce, some senior executives from Guangzhou, Shenzhen & Wuhan enterprises, and also our Monash College Guangzhou team, etc. We enjoyed good wines and had great time during the party.

The first day program ended after having a countryside farm style cuisine at a local Chinese restaurant.

#### DAY TWO PROGRAM

The next day, we first visited another government body, The Development and Reform Commission of Guangzhou (廣州市發展和改革委員會). Then, we participated in an exchange forum with EMBA students of The Jinan University (暨南大學).

Next, we made a site visit to a multinational corporate, **GAC TOYOTA Motor Co.**, **Ltd.** (廣汽豐田汽車有限公司; **GTMC**), which is a joint-venture company, established and operated by Guangzhou Automobile Group Co., Ltd and TOYOTA Motor Corporation with 50-50 share holdings. GTMC locates in Nan Sha Development district of the Guangzhou city with about 860 employees. Two major brands are manufactured in this plant – the new generation sedan CAMRY and YARIS. We were impressed by the state-of-the-art equipment and the latest technology with the most advanced assembly line. The complete intelligent information network and the robotic systems monitor almost the whole operation automatically. The Set Parts System (SPS) produces parts and components efficiently. SPS greatly improves the efficiency of logistics and saved the logistics costs.

The final site to visit was Nansha Stevedoring Co., Ltd. of Port of Guangzhou (廣州港南沙港務有限公司), which was registered on March 17, 2003 and a joint venture between Guangzhou Port Group Co., Ltd, and Guangzhou Nansha Assets Co., Ltd. Its main business covers: loading/unloading of cargoes; logistics for containers; agency for storing, manufacturing, processing and maintenance. Nansha terminal phase I with four berths of 50,000 ton capacity each was put into operation in September 2004. Nansha is the geographic and geometrical center of Pearl River Delta, and is the only gateway to the ocean for Guangzhou-Foshan economic area and the city clusters in the west part of the Delta.

We believe that China will be the key to the Pacific Rim in the 21st century, and my two-day visit re-confirmed that belief. I have been surprised by the pace of the economic and technological development in China.

Many of our participants took advantage of this trip to make connections with both Australian graduates and alumni in Hong Kong and in China. The trip provided an excitement and unique opportunity for the participants to explore the areas in the advances in technology in China and to gain a better understanding of the latest and future developments in the Pearl River Delta region.



Group picture at GDETO.



▲ A cocktail party with ACG, ACAA and CPA in China at O'Wine Bar in Guangzhou.



▲ Group picture with Mr Sean Kelly, Consul-General in Guangzhou, Dept. of Foreign Affairs& Trade, Australian Government.



An Exchange Forum with EMBA students of The Jinan University.



▲ Visit Nansha Stevedoring Co Ltd of Port of Guangzhou.

