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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The 3rd AGM and EGM held on 29th October at the Chater Room, Royal Hong Kong Jockey Club, Happy Valley concluded another momentous year in the short history of the College. The annual report of the Council detailed the events of the past year allowing me to concentrate here on a report on the reconvened (adjourned) AGM, and the Council's plans for 1995.

The 3rd AGM was reconvened at 6.00 pm on December 15th. The new expanded Council, now with two Vice-president positions, is as shown on the front panel of this newsletter. Congratulations are extended to the newcomers to the Council, Dr Raymond Chu and Dr Albert Chan, and also to the new Vice-president, Dr KW Chan.

The occasion provided a good opportunity for discussion of training matters and a number of other issues of relevance to the College. The meeting was followed by a tour of the Academy and College facilities made available at the Pamela Youde Nethersole Eastern Hospital. This was followed by the Christmas party with a buffet dinner at the PYNEH. Many thanks are extended to Dr SW Pang, Dr F Cheung and Dr Raymond Yung and colleagues of the PYNEH, as well as to Dr WP Mak and Dr Joanna Ho for organising the party.

The Council's plans for 1995 include the following priority items:

1. The successful mounting of College examinations and further discussions with our sister Colleges on the feasibility of conjoint examinations (including partial conjoint examinations).
2. To establish a timetable and appoint suitable personnel to visit approved training laboratories as required by the Academy.
3. To finalize a scheme of CME accreditation.
4. To implement a successful College QA programme.
5. To arrange meetings between trainees and College representatives.
6. To make some progress towards laboratory accreditation

Your views and comments on all of the above are welcome. Please channel them direct to the Council through the Registrar and any Council member or share your views with College members via this newsletter. The more constructive ideas we receive, the stronger our College will be.

Membership of College

The total membership of our College is now 215 with 11 Honorary Fellows, 88 Founder Fellows, 42 Fellows, 14 Overseas Fellows, 27 Members and 23 Associates.

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<p>TRAINING AND EXAMINATIONS COMMITTEE</p>	<p>and fellows of the College, you are encouraged to voice your comments, suggestions and needs to the Committee so that it can serve you better.</p>	<p>with the HKMTA), Haematology and Transfusion Serology (in cooperation with the Red Cross Blood Transfusion Service).</p>
<p>All educational supervisors and trainees are reminded to keep the College informed of any changes in personnel and in training programmes for 1995.</p> <p>Examinations will be offered in 1995 in all disciplines for which there are candidates. Candidates wishing to apply should do so, using the applications form available from the Secretary of the TEC, Dr SL Loke (Phone 2711 2120). Applications close on March 31st, 1995.</p> <p>Written examinations for all disciplines, for both membership and fellowship assessments, will be held on August 16th, 1995. All practical and oral examinations will be completed by 21st October, 1995.</p> <p>The format of such examination is as indicated in the <i>Regulations on Post-graduate Training and Examinations</i> booklet of the College.</p>	<p>Communications can be directed to : Dr WAN Suk King, Secretary of the Education Committee, C/o Department of Pathology Queen Elizabeth Hospital.</p>	<p>After all individual programmes have completed their first cycle, the programme will be reviewed. Your participation and feed-back is important so we can ensure these programmes are useful.</p>
	<p><u>Important Dates</u></p> <p>March 31st, 1995 - Closing date for 1995 examination applications</p> <p>August 16th, 1995 - Date for all written examinations.</p> <p>October 21st, 1995 - All practical and Oral examinations are finished.</p>	<p>HONG KONG MUSEUM OF MEDICAL SCIENCES</p>
	<p>PROFESSIONAL & GENERAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE</p>	<p>The Museum Fund Raising Concert, held on September 6th at the City Hall Theatre, was most successful. The vocal recital was generously given by Dr FF Poon with support from Dr Wendy Wong, Miss Alexandro Lo and Dr Richard Poon with a guest appearance by Mrs Elizabeth Wong. While it raised more than \$150,000 for the Museum, perhaps more importantly it raised the awareness of community members to the presence and reason for such a fund.</p>
<p>EDUCATION COMMITTEE</p>		
<p>Dr K L Au, Education Committee Chairman, reports that the Education Committee aims to introduce the following programmes in 1995-96:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Introduction of a Continuing Medical Educations programme. 2. A feasibility study into the setting up of a resources centre at the Academy of Medicine's premises in Pamela Youde Nethersole Eastern Hospital. 3. A molecular Biology Workshop. 4. Organising joint educational programmes with other colleges or professional bodies. <p>Since the objective of the Education Committee is to serve all members</p>	<p>The Committee reports that progress has been made. Thanks mainly to Dr P Beh, on the Presidential Badge of Office with a design submitted by a specialist organisation in the UK.</p> <p>After surveying members at the AGM, a Selangor pewter vase/pen holder with a photo-etched college logo was selected. 50 have been ordered and will be available for purchase for personal use or to present as a memento or gift. The production of a sample design of College tie, in polyester, has been arranged and a scarf design will follow.</p>	<p>A contract for the renovation work for the Museum will be awarded in February and work will start on the Old Pathological Institute in March. It is planned for completion in August/September, 1995.</p>
	<p>QUALITY ASSURANCE COMMITTEE</p>	<p>The Museum Steering Committee and the College Council has proposed that a Hong Kong Museum of Medical Sciences Society, a new body, be formed to take over management and all other matters related to the Museum, including the signing of the lease with the Government Property Agency.</p>
	<p>Interpretative Quality Assurance Programmes are now underway in Anatomical Pathology, Chemical Pathology, Microbiology (in collaboration</p>	<p>Acknowledgement of the Colleges role in the formation of the Museum would be assured and the College would be able to use some of the facilities in the future. Further plans are in progress and an update will be given in the next newsletter.</p>

It is hoped, by setting up a specific independent Society, to encourage and broaden potential membership to persons from all areas of society and to relieve the College from a potential financial burden.

NEW FELLOWS, MEMBERS AND ASSOCIATES

The College extends a warm welcome to the following:

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7TH INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS FOR INFECTIOUS DISEASES HONG KONG JUNE 10-13, 1996.

This congress organized by the International Society for Infectious Disease in collaboration with the Department of Microbiology, Faculty of Medicine, The Chinese University of Hong Kong and the World Health Organization and will be held at the HK Convention Centre.

The 1994 Congress in Prague attracted 5,000 attendees and a similar good attendance is expected in Hong Kong.

A preliminary program and call for abstracts will be available in March 1995 and will be sent to those who make a preliminary registration by writing to:

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