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Happy New Year! There is much to look forward to in 2007.

This year gives cause for a double celebration. Year 2007 marks the 30th anniversary of the founding of ICAAS, whose registration was approved by the Registrar of Societies in 1977. This is also Imperial College London's centenary year, a hundred years after it was formed from the merger of its constituent colleges.

A highlight will be the Asia Convocation. As part of the Centenary celebrations, all graduates in 2007 will be able to graduate in the Royal Albert Hall or in Singapore. The ceremony in Singapore will take place on the afternoon of Friday 30 November 2007 at the University Cultural Centre. However, only students due to graduate in 2007 will be able to attend the ceremony in Singapore.

ICAAS will organize several events around the Asia Convocation. There will be a day-long symposium that focuses on technology and management on 29 November 2007. Immediately after the Asia Convocation, a gala dinner at a leading hotel will be held for the joint celebration. Details will be made available as plans are firmed up.

The ICAAS Exco has also agreed to form an MBA Wing within the alumni association to look after the interests of the sizeable number of graduands from the Tanaka Business School. The wing will organize business and management related seminars and lectures on a regular basis, tapping upon the wealth of knowledge from the Business School, the depth of established IC alumni who are captains in industry, as well as the wisdom of the larger business community. The first of these will be held in April 2007, where alumnus Mr. Lim Hua Min (founder and chairman of Philip Securities) will speak at the MBA networking event.

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Dinner with Sir Roy Anderson



Sir Roy M. Anderson, Department of Infectious Disease Epidemiology, Imperial College, (St. Mary's Medical School, Norfolk Place, Paddington, London, UK) was in Singapore recently to deliver a lecture on "Transmission Dynamics and Control of Directly Transmitted Respiratory Tract Infections" at the 'Keystone Symposium on Respiratory Viruses of Animals Causing Diseases in Human.'

Several ICAAS members had dinner with Sir Roy at Chef Chan Restaurant on 9 December 2006.

L-R (Seated): Prof. Louis Chen (NUS), Dr. Stefan Ma (MOH), Sir Roy Anderson (IC), Dr. Lee Hing Yan (ICAAS President). Standing: A/Prof. Chin Wei Ngan (ICAAS life member & NUS), Allen Chong (ICAAS life member), Prof. Wong Limsoon (ICAAS life member & NUS), and Dr. Fu Xiuju (IHPC).

UK Alumni Presidents Networking Evening



British Alumni (Singapore) hosted a UK Alumni Presidents networking event at the Amici Bar & Restaurant on 18 January 2007, with Ms. Eunice Crook (Director, British Council) the BA patron as the invited guest.

The purposes of the get-together were:

- To facilitate the introductions between various UK Alumni Associations, BA and British Council;
- To seek inputs from Alumni Associations for BA's 20th Anniversary Publication; and
- To give an update on BA upcoming events.

L-R: Dennis Ling (ICAAS Exco member), Mohan Balagopal (BA President & ICAAS member), Dr. Lee Hing Yan (ICAAS President), Yap Tiong Peng (ICAAS life member), and Patrick Ong (IC alumnus).



With Ms. Eunice Crook (Director, British Council), third from left.



With UK-based Dr. Sandeep Shah (IC alumnus) who was visiting Singapore, first on left.

We seek your contributions...

If you have had a class or year reunion recently, do drop us a few lines and/or send us a photo to share with others in the newsletter. This is a great way to catch up and/or locate long lost friends.

Forthcoming Events in 2007

17 April	MBA Networking Evening @ Possibility Room, NLB Building Guest of Honour: Mr. Lim Hua Min (Founder & Chairman, Philip Securities)
21 April	Joint ICAAS-UIAAS Technology Innovation Symposium @ Possibility Room, NLB Building
07 June	MBA Lecture: Blue Ocean Strategy @ Possibility Room, NLB Building By Mr. Tan Kee-Hian (Co-founder, MAC Partnership)
August	MBA Lecture: TBA @ Possibility Room, NLB Building
September	Annual General Meeting & Dinner
29 November	Management Symposium @ NLB Technology Symposium @ NLB
30 November	Asia Convocation @ University Cultural Centre, NUS Gala Dinner

IDSA - Call for Nominations

The ICAAS Distinguished Service Award is the highest form of recognition offered by the association. Once again, ICAAS is issuing a Call for Nomination. See the criteria at www.icaas.org under Awards. The Award Committee, chaired by ICAAS President, comprises Oh Lock Soon (vice president), Prof. Wong Limsoon (past president), Lee Yew Wei (Youth Wing), and Ms. Ip Siok Hui (MBA Wing). The period of nomination is 1 January - 31 March 2007.