## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



During the past month, I met several important officials of the Government and also had the chance to communicate with our newly qualified surveyors. Some important events are pinpointed below.

- HKIS Spring Reception was held on 26 February 2008 at HK Jockey Club, Happy Valley. A number of honorable guests from the Government, liaison office, universities, etc. joined our party to celebrate the Chinese New Year. During the event, there was a ceremony to present the HKIS Diplomas to our new members. I wish them all a success and look forward to seeing their contribution to the society with professionalism.
- The HKIS Outstanding Final Year Dissertation /Thesis Awards 2007 were held in the same event. Ten undergraduates and three postgraduates were awarded for their outstanding research works in our industry.
- A Surveyor's Lunch was held on 29 February 2008 at World Trade Centre Club. Our honourable guest speaker, Mrs Carrie Lam Cheng Yuet-ngor, JP, the Secretary for Development, shared with us her work schedule in the coming future. Participants had a memorable moment in the luncheon.
- In order to fulfill our aims to have a better understanding and communication with local associations in real estate industry, General Council and Divisional Council members visited several unions including Local Building Surveyors Association, Maintenance Surveyors Association, Association of Government Local Land Surveyors, Estate Surveyors Association, Housing Department Quantity Survey-

or's Association. In addition to the above associations, we have also visited the Rating & Valuation Department.

- I was invited to present the welcome remarks on the Climate Change Business Forum (CCBF) and WWF's seminar on the topic of "Proposed Mandatory Building Energy Codes - Do they go far enough?" on 13 March 2008. In the future, we will keep on participating in the formulation and implementation of government policies on sustainable development, energy saving and environmental friendly practice.
- I will lead a team to Beijing from 16 18 March 2008 for further discussion about the mutual recognition of professional qualifications between Hong Kong and the Mainland as well as to facilitate the arrangements relating to the implementation of commitments secured under CEPA Supplement IV. Departments to be visited include the Ministry of Commerce, Ministry of Construction and the Hong Kong and Macao Affairs Office of the State Council. The progress will be reported in the coming Surveyors Times.

Thank you for your generous support and donation of the funds for the relief operation in snowstorm-affected areas in China.

I wish you all a good time in the coming Easter Holidays.

Yu Kam-hung President



在過去的一個月,我曾與幾位政府的重要官員會面,並且有機會與學會的新會員接觸交流。以下是一些近期學會重要事務的簡介:

- 學會在2月26日於快活谷香港賽馬會舉辦了春節酒會,得蒙多位來自政府、中央駐港聯絡辦及專上學府等的嘉賓出席,與我們一起慶祝農曆新年。在酒會上,我們還同時進行新會員的証書頒贈儀式。謹祝願他們事業有成,並盼望他們能以其專業貢獻社會。
- 學術論文獎狀頒獎禮亦已於春節酒會時一同舉行。有十位 大學畢業生及三位研究生被授予這項殊榮,以表揚他們對 測量業界研究工作上的出色貢獻。
- 本年度首次的測量師午餐聚會已於2月29日假世貿會舉行。 會上,我們有幸得到演講嘉賓發展局局長林鄭月娥女士與 我們分享了她在未來的工作計劃,令會員對發展局各最新 事務有所了解。
- 為與業界各協會能有更好的理解和溝通,理事會及各組別理事會成員拜訪了多個測量師員工協會,包括本地屋宇測量師協會、保養測量師協會、政府本地土地測量師協會、產業測量師協會、房屋署工料測量師協會等。除上述協會外,我們最近亦拜訪了差餉物業估價署。

- 於3月13日,我被邀請出席由『氣候變化商界論壇』及『世界自然基金會香港分會』共同舉辦的研討會『建議中的強制建築能源守則一是否足夠?』(Proposed Mandatory Building Energy Codes Do they go far enough?) 並致歡迎詞。日後,我們將會繼續在可持續發展、能源節約及環境保護等範疇上,就政策的制定與推行提供意見。
- 本人將會於3月16-18日率領代表團到北京,與內地有關方面進一步討論香港和內地的專業資格互認,以及就『內地與香港更緊密經貿關係安排』(補充協議四) (CEPA Supplement IV)的實施安排。我們將會拜訪國家商務部、國家建設部及國務院港澳辦。我們將於測量師時代中報告最新進展。

在此, 謹多謝 各會員對內地受雨雪災難影響的同胞的鼎力 支持及慷慨捐助。

祝 各會員復活節愉快。

余錦雄 會長