

## **HKAYP Spring Reception 2007**

The Spring Reception of the Award Scheme in 2007 has been held on Tuesday, 6 March at Police Officers' Club. This was a great opportunity for our supporters, members of various committees and sub-committees, volunteers, and representatives from Operating Authorities and friendly organizations to get together. The Award Council also took this opportunity to offer our gratitude to all our friends in the Award for their support and service rendered to the Scheme in the past year.

During the Reception, Mr. Paul Fan, Council Chairman presented the Certificates of Appointment to 5 new Honorary Advisers of the year including the Commissioner of Correctional Services, Commissioner of Police, Chairman of the Hong Kong Federation of Youth Groups, Chairman of Board of Director of TWGHs and the Chairman of Board of Director of Yan Oi Tong.

Time flies, the Award Scheme has been serving Hong Kong for 45 years. The efforts and ardent support of AYP volunteers contribute one of the most significant elements for the success of AYP. To express our heartfelt gratitude, for those volunteers who have been serving AYP for over 20 years, 30 years and 40 years were invited to receive recognitions from Dr. Ronald Arculli (International Award Chairman) and Mr. Paul Fan (Hong Kong Award Chairman). Mr. Ho Che Leung was also invited to share his 40 years' volunteers' experience with the guests.

To appreciate the generous support of the volunteers in assisting the 2006/07 AYP Flag Day event, Mr. Ho Che Leung, Chairman of the Flag Day Organizing Committee presented souvenirs to representatives of 3 schools which had each involved over 100 students to participate in the event.

Last but not least, Prof. Wong Chack Kie, Vice-chairman of the Award Council presented the Certificates of Recognition to Award Headquarters staff members who had been serving the Award Scheme for over 10 years.

After the Presentation, there was the carving of roast pig and the Council Chairman proposed a toast to guests together with all Council Members. It was a warm and joyful evening that all our guests shared the happiness of the New Year and meeting old and new friends.