

**Speech of Sanford Yung, Patron SEYSA to be made  
at the Gala Dinner, 27 March 2010**

(Due to illness and unable to attend the Dinner, S Yung  
has asked Mr. Li Wing to kindly deliver the speech on his behalf.)

Mr Chairman,  
Lady Youde,  
My friends at the SEYMFC,  
Ladies and Gentlemen,

At the outset, I wish to convey my hearty congratulations to this year's Scholarship winners and Awardees. May you have continuous success in your studies and career pursuits. Hong Kong's brighter future tomorrow much depends on the calibre and quality of today's younger generation.

Last year, most of us were here in this very Hall for SEYSA's first Gala dinner event. Since then I have been invited to be an Honourary Advisor to the SEYMF Council. Also, I have agreed to be a Patron of SEYSA; in return I pledge an annual patronage of HK\$50,000 each year to help finance the Association's various activities.

In addition, I intend to work closely with your Executive Board members with a view to strengthening your Association - both in quality and in number. One of my keen desires is to meet regularly with scholars - past, present and Future - for an opportunity for "Sharing". I could share with your members some of my experience, guidance and perhaps wisdom. We had one "sharing" session in early January 2010 at my former office when only 16 or 17 were able to attend. In joint efforts with your Board members, I shall try to schedule more, and preferably regular such "sharing" events over a buffet supper.

As SEYSA is strictly speaking NOT an alumni association (as scholars came from different schools or universities), the only common link or denominator is SEYMF. How we may stay "together as one Group" is not without practical difficulties, and the work for publicising and building up SEYSA's name has to be carried out more vigorously and effectively. I shall do my best to help the Association to go forward in this respect.

As Patron of SEYSA, I am no longer an outsider (not that I ever felt like one!!), I wish to say how much we appreciate Lady Youde's presence. Every year she spends a tremendous amount of time and energy coming to Hong Kong for annual award ceremony. Her fervent interest and personal involvement must give inspiration, encouragement, as well as recognition to our young students in Hong Kong for them to continue to do well. To you, Lady Youde. We the people of Hong Kong are deeply grateful.

Thank you.