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2008 Annual Dinner – January 6, 2009

The 2008 Annual Dinner cum Graduation Dinner was held at the Alabar, Causeway Bay in a casual settings. There were over 80 attendants joining the event to celebrate the new graduates. Apart from the usual graduation ceremony, the evening celebrated the reunion of different cohorts from GIA dated back from 1998. The new executive committee was nominated and elected in a group of 15 members.



On the evening, Ms. Seung Hae Moon (GIA Director of Global Education) also announced that our beloved Stella Lee (Director of GIAHK) was chosen as GIA Staff of the Year 2008. Congratulate for the marvelous work of Stella all over the years!

- Eric Chu

Bowling Tournament –October 18, 2008

To extend the 2008 Olympic spirit, GIAAHK organized a Bowling Tournament at the South China Athletic Association. About 20 members attended the event for the bowling games during the mid-autumn season. Two teams were eventually formed by several players and one of the teams received a \$1000 cash prize after scoring a higher team mark in the tournament. A barbecue dinner in front of the golf driving range was followed.

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Specification of Competency Standards – Jewellery Industry July 2008

Irene Leung (President of GIAAAHK), Eric Chu (Vice President of GIAAAHK) and various local gemologists were attending the consultation session for the new Specification of Competency Standards on April 19, 2008. Subsequently, Ms. Irene Leung, President of GIAAAHK, was providing suggestions to the Hong Kong Council for Accreditation of Academic & Vocational Qualifications on the draft of the "Specification of Competency Standards" in an attempt to raise the recognition status on the qualifications of gemologist in Hong Kong Jewellery industry. Below is the Letter of Appreciation for Irene's effort.

- Eric Chu



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3 July 2008

Ms Irene LEUNG
President
Gemological Institute of America
Alumni Association (Hong Kong Chapter)
Room 301, Aon China Building
29 Queen's Road Central
Hong Kong

Dear Ms LEUNG,

Gemological Institute of America Alumni Association (HK Chapter)
Comments on the draft Jewellery SCS

Thank you for your letter dated 30 May 2008 regarding the comments on the draft Jewellery SCS. Your comments are important to us to further enhance the Jewellery SCS. We are now consolidating the comments from the industry practitioners and will discuss in details in the forthcoming SCS Drafting Subcommittee meeting. Professional writers will then make relevant amendments accordingly for ITAC's final endorsement.

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Jade Tour – July 26 - 27, 2008

GIAAAHK was glad to have supports from the Sihui Jade Merchant's Association and Sihui Government Jade Industrial Management Office to arrange visits to the manufactories and selling markets in the Sihui, Guang Dong area. The tour covered the visit of the famous Guangzhou Jade Street and Sihui Midnight Jade Market. Different markets, workshops, and manufactories on raw material, semi-finished goods, and craving products were visited. 22 members attended the trip and some of them made purchases for their businesses and collections. The group was invited to a dinner by key Sihui government officials and the tour was also reported by the Sihui Television Broadcast.



- Eric Chu

Happy Hour at Lan Kwai Fong – May 9, 2008

For the first time in the last few years, The Hong Kong Chapter is hosting a happy hour gathering at LUX, Lan Kwai Fong. Complimentary drinks, sponsored by GIAAAHK, were offered to the early attendants. Over 30 students and members attended the opened area at LUX, enjoying wine and drinks for a relaxing evening.



- Eric Chu