

## Going away bash for Heather Allan



Chamber staff Janny Ng, Heather Doyle and new executive director Leslie Henderson with Heather Allan (second from left)

On March 18th, a party was held for Heather Allan, former executive director of the Chamber, to officially say good-bye and good luck. The masses assembled at JJs at the Grand Hyatt Hotel as Chamber President Marlene Lee thanked Heather and presented her with a silver engraved platter for a job well-done. After the speeches, a card-table sized cake emerged and was mostly devoured. The party gave people a chance to let Heather know how much her hard work and dedication to the Chamber was appreciated over the last three years. Heather and husband Jim will be moving to New Zealand in May. We wish them all the best.



Heather Allan, Margaret Coates, Art McInnis, Marlene Lee, and, Bill Thomson.

## Annual Board of Governors' Dinner

Dr Sylvia Ostry, one of Canada's most distinguished economists and public servants, was the guest of honour at the fourth annual Board of Governors' Dinner on March 23.

She spoke on the topic "Structural Changes in the Global Economy" and offered her expert insight into the deep changes which need to be made by both corpora-

tions and countries who wish to remain competitive in the global market.

Calling it a "tectonic shift in the world economy" Dr Ostry told those attending the black-tie event that multi-national enterprise, foreign direct investment and information technology are key structural elements causing the revolution.

Currently chairman of the Centre for International Studies at the University of Toronto, Dr Ostry has also served as the Canadian Ambassador for the Uruguay Round of GATT negotiations.



Leslie Henderson, Allan Zeman and Frederique Deleage.

Her lengthy list of accomplishments also includes serving as deputy minister of International Trade and as the prime minister's personal representative at the G7 Head of Government Economic Summits. In 1987 she received the Outstanding Achievement Award of the Government of Canada and in 1990 was made a Companion of the Order of Canada - the highest award in Canada's honour system.

While in Hong Kong, Dr Ostry chaired a two-day meeting of the Bank of Montreal's International Advisory Committee, whose prominent members from around the world gathered in Asia for the first time.

In years past David Lam lieutenant-governor of British Columbia, Michael Wilson, former Canadian finance minister, and Douglas Creighton, publisher of the Financial Post and CEO of the Toronto Sun have all been keynote speakers at the annual Board of Governors' dinner.

For copies of Dr Ostry's address, please call the Chamber at 526-3207.

## Clark carries message from Canadian government: an open society for Hong Kong

Joe Clark appeared relaxed and confident as he addressed a Canadian Cham-

ber luncheon following his week-long trip to China.

Close to 130 people packed the room at the Regent Hotel to hear Clark's speech which touched on Canada's Referendum 92, the Canadian government's support of Governor Chris Patten's reform package, and his trip to China where he met with Premier Li Peng. His wife Maureen McTeer, and daughter Catherine were in attendance at the luncheon as were several legislative councillors including Martin Lee.

Clark was prime minister of Canada from 1979-1980, and served as foreign minister from 1984 - 1991. He is currently President of the Queen's Privy Council for Canada and Minister Responsible for Constitutional Affairs. He called his high-level visit to China another step in the evolution in the relationship between Canada and China.

Clark reiterated the Canadian government's position, saying "Canada profoundly disapproves of the tragic events of June 1989, which deeply affected the bilateral relationship between Canada and China." Following that incident high-level contacts were severed, as was military cooperation. Most Favoured Nation status, however, was maintained.



Joe Clark addressed the Chamber on March 29.

"We sought to maintain people to people contacts, and to encourage the kind of economic reform that will make political reform inevitable sooner or later."

He says while the human rights situation in China remains a concern, he has seen some improvements - the recent release of dissidents, China's publication of a White Paper on Human Rights and the initiative to send delegations abroad to learn about democracy and human rights in the rest of the world.

While in China he met with Premier Li Peng and Vice Premier Zhu Rongji. Clark