

# La Salle College Old Boys' Association Newsletter

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Dear Fellow Old Boys,

Congratulations to the College's Athletics Teams for capturing both the B and C Grade Champions and the Overall Runner-up. It was one of the most exciting finishes in years with our B Grade Team trailing in 2<sup>nd</sup> place until the last relay race and eventually winning by one point. It's the great "Never Say Die" Lasallian spirit and in our minds, we are indeed the Champion by coming in first in two out of the three grades.

The Professional Network Round Table Dinner will be held on 9 May (Friday) at 7pm. Two heavyweight speakers, Dr. Leung Ka Tung, Tony 梁家棟, an Old Boy (1971 Form 7) and the CEO of Loch Holdings (HK) Ltd, and Pong Po Lam, Paul 龐寶林, a renowned fund manager, will give talks on the evening's topic "Investment in Properties and Funds, is it for you?". The dinner will take place at the World Trade Centre Club, 38/F World Trade Centre, Causeway

Bay. Reservations for seats at \$350 each can be made by email with your name, HKCEE graduation year and phone number to pnd@lscoba.com. For details please visit our website www.lscoba.com.

The next Happy Hour session is scheduled for 5 June (Thursday) from 6:30pm onwards at the China Coast Bar, 3/F Mariners' Club, Middle Road, TST. Mark Huang (85), our Vice President, resident historian and author of the Jubilee History Book "Sons of La Salle Everyone", will give a brief talk about his research while writing the book, the history and other little known facts about La Salle in Hong Kong. Many of these are NOT included in the book and you will be hearing them for the first time.

On 28 June (Saturday Day Race in Shatin), a long lost tradition of the Association, the Horse Racing Day, will be revived. The OBA has been working with The Hong Kong Jockey Club to organise the event and to commemorate the 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the College, the La Salle Diamond Jubilee Cup will be run as a Feature Race of the day. Old Boy horse owners are encouraged to enter their horses for this special race while all Old Boys, race fans or otherwise, are welcome to join this exciting event. **Only very limited seats are available** and we are taking **reservations strictly on a first-come-first-serve basis.** Please refer to the attached booking form (or you can download from our website www.lscoba.com) for details. Book your seats early to avoid disappointment.

I hope to see you all at these events.

Cheers,

Charles Chan (77)

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### **New Committee Member**

Sin Ching Yin, Jimmy (78), a current teacher in LSC, was appointed by the OBA Committee in accordance with the Memorandum and Articles of the Association as a replacement for Alan Chan (85), who resigned on his own accord due to career related considerations. Jimmy will be mainly responsible for school liaison work among other regular duties.

After leaving La Salle in 1978, Jimmy entered the Hong Kong Polytechnic majoring in Design. In 1983, he went to the United States to further his studies in Anthropology and Geography, obtaining an undergraduate degree in Geography in 1987 before completing his graduate studies in Cartography in 1991. He then worked for ten years in the field of Geographic Information System in forestry



application in Canada. Jimmy returned to Hong Kong in 2002 when he was "drafted" by Bro. Thomas to become a LSC teacher. Jimmy teaches English, Geography, Computer Literacy and Visual Arts in LSC.

Jim Sin Sir, as he is affectionately known, is very popular amongst his students whom he treats as his "younger brothers" and is most happy about this career change. He was also a director of the LSC 75th Anniversary Musical "Touching Hearts" last year.

Charles Chan (77) President

### Professional Network Visit to the Air Traffic Control Tower



The Air Traffic Control Complex provides air traffic control services for the safe and efficient flow of aircraft movements within the Hong Kong Flight Information Region (FIR). There were 300,000 aircraft, 22 million arrival, another 22 million departing passenger, and 3.6 million freight tonne movements in 2006. Fan Wai Chuen, Lucius (75), one of the six Old Boys working for the Civil Aviation Department (CAD), led two groups of Old Boys, their family members and friends on 12 January and 23 February for a tour of the Complex. A third tour is scheduled for 19 April.

At around 11am on the two Saturdays, CAD minibuses took the visitors from the Tung Chung MTR station to the Complex. Lucius then gave a powerpoint presentation demonstrating the intricate control procedures of aircraft movements. This was followed by a tour of the air traffic control centre where aircrafts in the FIR were managed by air traffic controllers. Finally a visit to the air traffic tower showcased control of aircrafts landing and taking off from the Hong Kong International Airport. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Lucius who spared his non-working Saturday mornings to lead the visitors.

Dr. Gordon Fong (76) Alumni Development Subcommittee

### **LSC Family Fun Day**

Held on 3 February and after weeks of rain, the event was blessed with sunny weather throughout the day. Games and home-made food stalls were operated by students and parents. Performance by teachers, students and Old Boys brought lots of joy and fun to all visiting Lasallians and their families. With the kind assistance of Dr. Herman Liu (85) and Dr. Herrick Lau (88), the OBA set up a booth to offer medical check-up (blood pressure and cholesterol) for the staff and parents. We also like to thank Lam Sheung Chi (04) for his performance on behalf of the Old Boys.

Stanley Shum (79) Student Affairs Subcommittee







### **COMING EVENTS**

#### **Round Table Dinner**

A Round Table Dinner Talk on "Investment in Properties and Funds, is it for you?" featuring Dr. Leung Ka Tung, Tony 梁家棟, an Old Boy from 1971 (Form 7) and the CEO of Loch Holding (HK) Ltd, and Pong Po Lam, Paul 龐寶林, a renowned fund manager, will be held on 9 May (Friday) at 7pm. The dinner will take place at the World Trade Centre Club, 38/F World Trade Centre, Causeway Bay. Reservations for seats at \$350 each can be made by email with your name, HKCEE graduation year, and phone number to pnd@lscoba.com. For details please visit www.lscoba.com.

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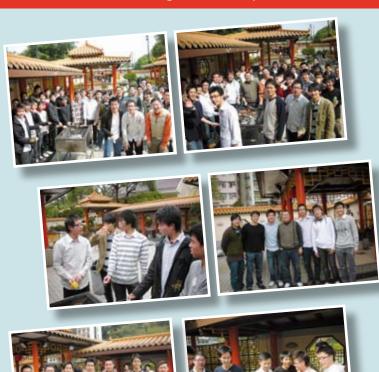
#### **Interview Workshop for Form 7 Students**

Jointly organised by LSC Careers Team and LSCOBA, the workshop will be held on 4 May (Sunday) and aims to enhance the students' communication skills for their university admission interviews. Old Boys will conduct mock interviews for all participating students.

#### Job Shadowing for Senior Students

Jointly organised by LSC Careers Team and LSCOBA, students will have a 1-day stay with Old Boy mentors in June/July at their workplace to "shadow" their daily work and be motivated to plan for their future studies / careers.

If you are interested in assisting the interview workshop or job shadowing, please contact Nicole Lee at 2336-2985 or admin@lscoba.com.



### **Mentorship Program** Second Gathering

After the kick-off event of the Mentorship Program, we received suggestions from the mentees that for the second large group gathering, they would like to have a more casual setting to mingle with the mentors in a more relaxed atmosphere. Hence, a BBQ lunch gathering was held on 16 February (Saturday). A total of 42 mentors and mentees attended the gathering at the Police Sports & Recreation Club in Prince Edward, Kowloon and had an enjoyable weekend afternoon.

The final gathering of the Mentorship Program 2007 - 2008 will be held in early June, see you all then!





### **Opening of La Salle Swimming Pool in 2008**

Dear Lasallians,

On behalf of the La Salle Swimming Pool Management Committee, it is my pleasure to announce the opening of the La Salle Swimming Pool this year from 1 May until 31 October. Unless closed for other events, the pool will open daily with a morning session from 7am to 1pm and an afternoon session from 2pm to 8pm.

Please note that all members of La Salle College Old Boys' Association Limited are entitled to use the pool upon production of your LSCOBA membership card and payment of an admission fee of HK\$45 per visit. Each LSCOBA member will also be entitled to bring along a maximum of 4 guests per visit to enjoy the pool facilities for an admission fee of HK\$45 per guest.

Alternatively, any Old Boy of La Salle College may join as a Special Member of the pool at the discounted annual fee of HK\$2,600 for himself or HK\$4,200 for his family (including himself and 3 family members) to enjoy unlimited use of the pool during the opening period. Each Special Member will also be entitled to bring along a maximum of 4 guests per visit to enjoy the pool facilities for an admission fee of HK\$45 per guest. Upon successful application as a Special Member, there will be a gift of 20 admission coupons for use by his guests.

In addition, there will also be "Learn to Swim" group programs for swimmers of different levels with 6-8 persons per group. Each program will comprise 10 lessons of one hour each, at the charge of HK\$1,000 per person per

The La Salle Swimming Pool is a private property and is a standard 50-metre pool with recently refurbished changing rooms located right next to the school campus of La Salle College. It is managed by La Salle College Sports Club Limited. For any enquiry, please contact the Pool Administrator Pauline Chan at 2338-7171 or visit www.lscpool.org.

> David Hsu (73) Hon. Secretary La Salle Swimming Pool Management Committee La Salle College Sports Club Limited

### **Bulk Order Discount for School History Book**

In response to popular request by Old Boys, the LSCOBA is pleased to offer discount for bulk order of the much sought after "Sons of La Salle Everyone - A History of La Salle College and Primary School, 1932 - 2007" hard-covered school history book. You can now enjoy a discounted price of HK\$350 per copy for every order of 48 copies or more. A further discounted price of HK\$300 per copy is also available for every order of 80 copies or more. These offers are only available while stock lasts so hurry up and order this invaluable piece of La Salle history for you and your friends now! To place your order, please contact Nicole Lee at 2336-2985 or admin@lscoba.com.

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After all the Chinese New Year gatherings, loads of food and giving out/receiving numerous red packets, a cozy and romantic poolside party was the choice for some Lasallians. The Chinese Valentines' Poolside BBQ Party (元宵晚 會) was held on 22 February (Friday) under the beautiful full moon at the United Services Recreation Club, King's Park, Kowloon. It was a good chance to meet with fellow Lasallians, their families and friends during the festive Chinese New Year season.

The participants were not discouraged by the not-very-nice weather on that evening and about 60 Old Boys and friends came to the party, enjoying the delicious BBQ food and free flow of wines. Traditional lantern riddles (燈謎) and special games were held during the party. It was a pleasant surprise to see one team got 28 correct answers out of the 30 riddles!! We had much fun in the party and look forward to see more of you in the next Poolside BBQ Party.

> Eric Chow (00) **Recreation Subcommittee**





Participants enjoying the BBQ food in the indoor area.



Help! Can somebody please tell us the answers?



A little "wine-break" before more riddles challenges.



Team discussions ...



Mingling and gossiping session



Committees enjoying themselves under the romantic environment.



Our President Charles Chan (77) presenting the prizes to the winning team, which scored 28/30 correct answers. Unbelievable!



Time to say goodbye. Still haven't had enough? We'll see you next year!

### Year of the Rat Spring Dinner

The Year of the Rat Spring Dinner was held on 14 March (Friday) at the Quanjude Roast Duck Restaurant (香港全聚 德烤鴨店) in Wan Chai. With the 25 tables all sold out, the evening was filled with laughter of nearly 300 Old Boys, students, teachers, Brothers and guests.

It is a long standing tradition that the Spring Dinner be held on the Final Day (Day 3) of the Inter-School Athletics Meet. This year, the La Salle athletes put up their very best fight for the school, coming in fourth in Boys A grade and capturing the



Champions in both Boys B and C grades to finish in second place overall. Well done boys!! The sharing by our La Salle athletes on stage served as one of the highlights of the evening.

Throughout the dinner,

the venue was overflowed with joy and happiness of the Old Boys. The Spring Dinner has always been a must-attend annual gathering for some of the classes. It is difficult

to imagine anything more enjoyable than sharing stories of the good old days, updating with

classmates about each other's latest happenings and future plans regarding families, girlfriends, movies, cars.....and all sort of things. Thank you all for coming and hope you all had a wonderful evening.

On behalf of the LSCOBA, I wish you all a healthy and prosperous Year of the Rat.

See you all next year!

Eric Chow (00) Spring Dinner Chairman

















#### Inside the LSCOBA

In this third installment of the insiders' guide to LSCOBA operations, we take a look at the Souvenirs Subcommittee, Sports Subcommittee and Credit Card Subcommittee.

#### **Souvenirs Subcommittee**

The Souvenirs Subcommittee coordinates the production of quality yet competitively priced La Salle related souvenirs. The Subcommittee performs monthly inventory updates and maintains healthy year-end balances.



Over the past few years, celebrated and warmly applauded items such as the cufflinks, modified wooden shield, T-shirts, 75th anniversary blazer, 75th anniversary polo shirt set and 75th anniversary coffee mug were sold out with ease and brought in an attractive margin

to support the various student and Old Boy activities.

Newly added items such as the Red/ Purple striped pure silk tie and the 75th anniversary history book "Sons of La Salle Everyone – A History of La Salle College and Primary School, 1932-2007" are very much sought after by Old Boys in many LSCOBA functions.

The Subcommittee has made available online ordering and credit card payment since 2005. Details of the souvenirs are also uploaded to the www.lscoba.com website for ease of ordering and online viewing.

The Subcommittee welcomes fresh ideas from all Old Boys and there are, lately, more than 10 new product proposals under consideration. Please feel free to email any proposal and comment to souvenir@lscoba.com.

> Raymond Chung (97) Convenor, Souvenirs Subcommittee

### **Sports Subcommittee**

When the Old Boys get together, they will always... play some sports. What's better than playing your favourite sports games with your best friends from La Salle over weekends to revive the memory of your good old days on the La Salle sports ground? The Sports Subcommittee is responsible for organising the Soccer League, Basketball League, Golf Tournament as well as badminton and tennis activities.

#### Soccer League

One of the oldest event held by LSCOBA, the Soccer League kicked off with a record 26 participating teams this season. Managing a league of over 700 players is no easy task and a soccer league subcommittee is thus formed to oversee all soccer events including 7-a-side, 3-on-3 Indoor Tournament, Christian Brothers Cup, the Soccer League and the Brother Aimar Challenge Shield.

#### Basketball League

Team Vantage clinched this year's title by beating team Mega Resistance in the championship match. Competition was fierce as the title was decided by a mere 3 points. Congratulations Team Vantage!!

#### Golf Tournament

Twice a year our golfers get together for a round of golf and fun in a tradition that can be traced back to 1994. Last year saw a record 63 golfers participating in the 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Reunion Tournament. The 2008 summer golf tournament will be held on 30 May in Dongguan and the golfers will once again be playing hard for Eagles and Birdies. Details of the golf tournament can be found in a separate announcement in this issue.

#### Badminton and tennis

Though we don't have a league for badminton and tennis, the racquet lovers can always come back to LSC and enjoy a game with friends on Sunday.

Bookings can be made online for LSC sports facilities at www.lscoba.com. So don't wait, join one of our sports activities and keep yourself fit!

Herman Bo (89) Convenor, Sports Subcommittee

### **Credit Card Subcommittee**

The idea of having a LSCOBA credit card came out from chatboard discussions years ago and it was finally materialised in mid-2004 when a credit card working taskforce was formed with the endorsement by the Committee 2004-2005. The taskforce comprised four Old Boys including Roger Lee (85) as convener, Constantine Au (87), Gerald Huang (88) and Derek Lin (01) as members. The taskforce aimed at deriving a product that Lasallians would feel proud to be associated with while contributing to the school without spending an extra penny.



The taskforce drafted and sent tenders to various card issuing banks in Hong Kong and ended up receiving 3 proposals. After meeting with each of these banks and negotiating for the best terms and offers, Wing Hang Bank was finally selected as our partner for the affinity card program. The card launching ceremony was held at the X'mas Ball 2004 when the very first LSCOBA VISA card was presented to Brother Thomas.

Since the launch in December 2004, the card program has sustained strong growth momentum both in terms of card number and spending volume. Below is a summary of the program performance for the period ended December 2007.

#### Snapshot of Program Performance for the Period Ended December 2007

- Total card number: 965 10% yearly growth (876 in 06)
- Total spending: \$15 million 15% yearly growth (\$13 million in 06)
- 0.3% contribution to OBA: \$45,000 15% yearly growth (\$39,000 in 06)
- Total donation generated so far: Over \$200,000

I would also like to urge all of you to apply for the card if you have not yet got one. You may obtain the application form from the OBA Office, the website of Wing Hang Bank at www.whbhk.com, or kindly email me at visa@lscoba.com.

Roger Lee (85) Convenor, Credit Card Subcommittee

#### **LSCOBA 2008 Summer Golf Tournament**

Details of the next golf tournament of LSCOBA are as follows :

**Date:** 30 May 2008 (Friday)

**Venue:** Dongguan CITIC Changping Golf Club (東莞中信常平高爾夫球會)

**Departure Time:** approximately 6:45 am with coach pick-up on both Hong Kong and Kowloon side (details to be con-

firmed)

**Return Time:** approximately 4:30 pm leaving the Golf Club

**Price:** HK\$1,250 per person (including green fee, caddie, golf cart, locker, lunch and return transportation)

(Note: HK\$650 per person for member of Dongguan CITIC Changping Golf Club)

Vacancies: 60 LSCOBA members on a first-come-first-served basis

**Deadline:** 21 May 2008 (Wednesday)

**Remarks:** • No entry will be accepted unless accompanied with full payment.

• Prizes will be awarded to the winners with the best total score, highest Stableford points, Best Front-

9, Best Back-9 as well as winners for the longest-drive and nearest-pin.

Make sure you have valid travelling document to go to China.
All itineraries and prices are subject to change without prior notice.

• LSCOBA reserves the right to cancel the event at its sole discretion in which event a full refund will

be made.

LSCOBA,

accompanied with payment.

To:

• LSCOBA and the organisers shall not be responsible for any personal injury or loss or damage whatsoever to any person howsoever arising in connection with this event.

• For further enquiries, please contact Roger Wong (Email: roger.wong@klgates.com Tel: 2230-3522,

Fax: 2511-9545)

#### **LSCOBA 2008 Summer Golf Tournament**

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### **Interschool Athletics Meet**

The Interschool Athletics Meet was held in early March and saw the LSC athletes putting up a courageous fight to the very last race with a truly "Never Say Die" spirit to win two of the three Grades. After intense competition, we finished overall as first runner-up. Following is a summary of the results and further details are available online at athletics lscsa com

	A Grade	B Grade	C Grade	Overall
LSC	97.5	136	179	412.5
DBS	183	135	144	462
	Fourth	Champion	Champion	Second

This is also the second year that OBA arranged for our Old Boy Ho Cheuk Wa, Ivan (98), a practicing physiotherapist, to provide on-the-spot physiotherapy treatment to the athletics team during the Interschool Athletics Meet. As a qualified fitness trainer, he will also provide physical training advice to the team during regular training. We would like to thank Ivan for his great support to the athletes.

> Stanley Shum (79) **Student Affairs Subcommittee**



#### **Lasallians Remembered**

Roy Tan Hardy (76) passed away on 25 January 2008 in Australia. Roy was a key player of the LSC soccer team and played for First Division soccer team Kwong Wah while still studying in La Salle. Roy also played for Team Forties in the LSCOBA Soccer League.

Alan Fraser Findlay (86) passed away on 30 January 2008 in Hong Kong. Alan was an avid long distance runner and athlete in the school team during his school days in La Salle.

### **Lasallian News**

10 January 2008 was an unforgettable day for Samson Poon (97) and Cheryl Chan: the couple was married at the Rosary Church in Tsim Sha Tsui, and hosted a wedding banquet at Harbour Plaza Hotel in Whampao. Samson is currently working at HSBC as the Vice President of Commercial Banking at the

bank's Headquarter in Central. Cheryl

is in the Relationship Manager Associate program at HSBC. While at LSC, Samson was a member of the Discipline Board from 1994-1997; he was also on the committee of various clubs and joint-school associations.

Michael Chung (87) is proud to announce the birth of Nicholas in February 2008. The delivery was smooth and quick. Nicholas is the second child of Michael and Violet. Michelle, the older child, still finds TMX Tickle Me Elmo more interesting than his baby brother. George Chung (56) is excited to have his first grandson



too. They are now living in the Washington, DC area.



Cheung Wai Tung (84) and Teresa are proud to announce the arrival of their adorable daughter Grace Cheung on 24 March 2008 in United States West Coast.

The lovely Andrea Lam, daughter of very pleased Anthony Lam (84) and Ivy, was born on 28 March 2008 in Hong Kong and weighs 8lbs 12oz.



If you have news to share, please send it to newsletter@lscoba.com.

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