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Dear Lasallians,

Sweet music was in the springtime of 2013!

It may well be the first time in the history of La Salle College to capture four major awards in the Hong Kong Schools Music Festival, beating some of the strongest contestants who have been traditionally dominant in the music arena. In the 65th Hong Kong Schools Music Festival, our young musicians captured champions in Wind Orchestra, Chinese Orchestra, Treble Choir and Senior Choir. The success did not come overnight; it took us years to nourish the culture. We learnt the hard way from perseverance to believe in ourselves. The young musicians of 2012-2013 will have a special place in La Salle College's history and will be role models for our future generations to look up to.

And for those who missed the performance of the boys in the Music Festival, you now have a chance to attest the artistic work once again in the upcoming La Salle College Old Boys Premiere Concert to be held on 8th September (Sunday) evening in Tsuen Wan Town Hall. Ticketing instructions for the concert can be found in this newsletter. As we expect there will be a huge turnout, I urge you reserve your tickets without delay.

You win some, you lose some. On the sports' front, La Salle College captured 1st runner-up in the Inter-School Athletics Meet overall title, losing by a small margin of 2.5 points to our traditional arch rival. Despite the disappointment, our home-grown athletes, the cheering team, students and staff, together with the Old Boys stood up high with dignity and vowed to come back in next year's competition. The upset will only remind us of the utmost importance of integrity and we shall come back stronger than ever!

On the same evening of the Final Day of the Inter-School Athletics Meet, the Year of the Snake Spring Dinner was held. A total of 48 tables were put up with over 600 guests, comprising current students to senior graduates from the late 50's. The Spring Dinner has proved to be the most popular Old Boys' event. In case you are residing overseas and wish to come home to join your mates in 2014, the next Spring Dinner will be held on 28th February 2014. The LSCOBA will be honoured to offer a special gift to all home-

coming Old Boys for the 2014 Spring Dinner; do mark your diary.

In OBA students' initiatives, the Job Shadowing Programme for this summer has just been finalised. A record breaking 21 host companies from a wide spectrum of industries will take part in the annual programme. Over 100 students will have the opportunity to visit and learn from these companies in July or August. I must extend my heartfelt appreciation to the Old Boy entrepreneurs and the Student Affairs Subcommittee who have spent tremendous effort in driving this very meaningful programme.

After a rather long absence of Old Boys Happy Hour, a joint session with Maryknoll Convent School Former Students' Association was held on 23rd May at Psychic Jack Lounge in Central. A fun-filled evening attended by young professionals from both schools, it was a nice avenue to shake off the long working day with new acquaintances. No other school clicks better than MCS! Thank you, ladies!

The development of iOS sport facilities booking app has entered the straight, Paul Lee (89) and his programmers are busy running user acceptance tests over the last 2 months. With that, I am delighted to announce that the application will be officially launched in the upcoming Annual General Meeting.

As the term of 2012-2013 is drawing to a close, I would like to thank the Committee and fellow Old Boys who have supported the LSCOBA in the past year. The LSCOBA AGM will be held on 9th August in the large Lecture Theatre of La Salle College. Do come along as there will be an important agenda pertaining to a change in the constitution of the Association, in order to fulfill the qualification as the recognised alumni association of the School. This is part of the preparatory work for the establishment of the Incorporated Management Committee of La Salle College starting term 2013-14.

Yours in de La Salle,

Willie C. Wong (84)

President of LSCOBA 2012/13 Email address: president@lscoba.com



Are Boys Failing: A Look at Boys Education

Today, individual schools, education jurisdictions, and international assessment programmes such as PISA, TIMMS and PIRLS all conclude that secondary school girls have caught up and are outperforming boys in virtually all subject areas. The statement may be accurate in terms of the assessment tools used in assessing and credentialing secondary students today. However, these tools may measure something quite different to what achievement data measured in the past and that longitudinal analysis may suggest when we claim girls have caught up and passed boys we are not comparing like with like.

Having taught in eight secondary schools across the Asia-Pacific region (5 boys only, 2 coeducational, and 1 girls only) over the past thirty years, I am not sure that boys are performing any differently (worse) but rather that we teach and assess differently.

Buckingham (1999) states in the 'Literature Review of Boys Education' by Cuttance and Thompson (2008) that there are four main factors implicated in a suggested gender gap. These include biological differences affecting boys interest in the present learning curriculum and education contexts; gender biases which undervalue male/masculine models in the present teaching paradigm; teaching, curricula and assessment tools that favour girls; and socio economic factors that support gender inequity.

Buckingham has identified a biological difference between how girls learn and how boys learn. Research shows, although not convincingly, that brain structure differentials are greater for boys in mechanical and spatial reasoning, assertive speech, transformational leadership, and motor skills. While girls have advantage in writing, spelling and language, and perceptual speed. In addition, there is research from developmental psychology suggesting girls develop language acquisition earlier along with earlier puberty and associated psychosocial maturity which I suggest is now also accentuated by a change in curriculum design, curriculum content, pedagogy, and assessment that results in what we describe as a gender gap and boys underachievement.

Today admissions to university also show this imbalance in favour of girls. However, graduation rates in undergraduate and graduate programmes in general show either a balance in gender rates or rates slightly in favour of boys. This raises the question whether boys are underachieving or whether the underachievement is a record of the effect of societal changes, and changes in the learning context for boys in primary and secondary schools when in fact boys, given their preferred learning context, and boys in general, in the end, are achieving. Not all boys are part of the gender gap. Not all boys are underachieving compared with girls. La Salle College Hong Kong is a case in point.

Rowe (2003) cited in Cuttance and Thompson's Literature Review argues that there has been a change in pedagogy in primary and secondary schools from a lineal, logic paradigm around formulae to a higher level of operational learning based on skills and competencies embedded in verbal reasoning, communication, and collaboration. This pedagogical shift is sometimes referred to around the globe as a 'feminization' of both the curriculum and pedagogy. Whether such a term is accurate or appropriate, it is certainly true that the teaching and learning experience for boys over the past thirty years has changed in terms of curriculum content, curriculum design, and pedagogy (the teaching and learning process).

Today in many parts of the world both primary and secondary education is predominantly produced and delivered by women. The context, texts, and lexicon in our classrooms is developed and delivered by women. It is only natural and logical that it is different to the context, texts, and lexicon that was developed and delivered by men. One only needs to review the textbooks written and developed in the past, by men, to those of today.

While not for all boys and not a guaranteed solution, but all boys schools can address the metacognitive development of boys more specifically than can a coeducational environment just as can an all-girls school meet more specifically the metacognitive development needs of girls. Although research also shows that the very able who are from professional backgrounds that have parental support for learning and have rich learning experiences from an early age can achieve their potential in any learning context.

Hong Kong has a significant percentage of secondary students attending single sex schools. Hong Kong has been achieving in the top 4-5 in terms of PISA and TIMSS assessments inliteracy, mathematics, and science. I suggest part of the reason for this is that single sex schools can serve the needs of that gender more specifically. In boys schools the stories, the examples, the contexts and the lexicon the classroom is able touse taps into boys issues, boys agendas and serves to promote academics in a masculine way; a way that is acceptable to boys. And more importantly, boys in boys schools, who are generally less mature during the secondary school years than girls, cannot default the learning, leadership, and articulation of that learning in the classroom to girls.

Yes there is a very real global issue with boy's achievement today in terms of what we are assessing. However it is not that boys can't achieve but that the learning context has changed and is not attuned as readily to the psychosocial and metacognitive needs of boys. I think for most boys a boys' only learning environment can serve them better. Research by authors such as Biddulph, Alton-Lee, the Boys

Education Lighthouse Schools Project (BELS) in Australia, and many others cited in Cuttance & Thompson (2008), and Lashlie (2005), all articulate my own belief and experience that boys need an education environment for boys. An environment that addresses their learning needs; that understands the texts and subtexts of a male culture and how to get boys to access the academic and social texts required by the assessment tools of today. They need short-term focused goals; they need scaffolds and structures; they need a competitive environment with plenty of 'other' activity. Most boys I believe need boys only schools to achieve at their potential.

Dr Bradley from the 'Boys' Schools Coalition' describes successful boys' schools as 'meat and potatoes' kind of schools, with no particular taste for trendy quiche and sprouts. By this we mean boys' schools offer a broad exposure across disciplines with an emphasis on core curriculum. Successful boys' schools are more traditional and less frill, they have a set of core values and high ethical standards. Excellent boys' schools routinely speak of civility, perseverance, teamwork, fair play; that virtue is to be valued more than brute force. (Boys' Schools Know Boys, www.theibsc.org)

Dr Bradley also uses the term we are familiar with at La Salle College - 'well-rounded'. It accurately describes what we seek to accomplish at La Salle College: exposure to a full range of academic subjects, arts, athletics, extracurricular activities, and community service. School is a place where boys can try things out, a place where one can explore without penalty and participate. (www.theibsc.org)

La Salle College has teachers who know boys and provides a traditional curriculum presented in the traditional didactic method with ample opportunity for sport and cultural pursuits and a large array of student run clubs and societies where students can explore and participate without inhibition or penalty. La Salle College knows boys and knows how to have boys achieve at their potential, not only gifted and accomplished, but wise and holy, possessing the character dimensions needed in the 21st century.

As the academic year 2012-2013 comes to a close I'd like to offer sincere words of gratitude to all old boys and all those that support the La Salle College Old Boys' Association for their tremendous support of the College. Without your interest and untiring efforts the boys would not achieve what they achieve, and the College would not be able to provide what it provides.

Because a thing is difficult for you, do not therefore suppose it to be beyond mortal power. On the contrary, if anything is possible and proper for man to do, assume that it must fall within your own capacity. (Marcus Aurelius)

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La Salle College Music Teams at The 65th Hong Kong Schools Music Festival

After achieving marvellous results in the 2012 Hong Kong Youth Music Interflows, our musicians continued to strive for their best in the 65th Hong Kong Schools Music Festival held in March 2013. March is not only the month for our athletes to compete in the Interschool Athletic Meets, but also the month for all musicians from La Salle College to show their talents and play beautiful music to the public.

This year, our music teams once again created legendary moments in this competitive arena. Among our five major music teams, four of them, including the Wind Orchestra, Chinese Orchestra, Treble Choir and Senior Choir, were crowned Champions in their corresponding categories. The Wind Orchestra, Chinese Orchestra and Treble Choir even out did our traditional rival, Diocesan Boys' School, with their consistency and their soul in their performances. Our Senior Choir will also be promoted to Division I in the coming year.

Apart from these, our ensemble groups also won several titles in the music festival. The melodica ensemble, for instance, was just established this year and successfully achieved the Champion in their first appearance. The pipa ensemble and the woodwind quintet placed third in their corresponding sections. Some of our musicians participated in the individual competitions as well, capturing five champions, nine first runner-ups and six second runner-ups in total.

Event	DBS	LSC
School Orchestra	1st	participated
Wind Orchestra	2nd	1st
Chinese Orchestra	2nd	1st
Treble Choir	3rd	1st
Senior Choir	2nd (Division I Foreign Language)	1st (Division II)



Let's hear from the captains of this year music teams:

Music is a Lasallian language, moulded and woven together with the effort of infinite unsung warriors. Playing profound masterpieces every Wednesday throughout the year, we strive to give our best to our alma mater and fellow schoolmates. We prepared tirelessly for the most important event of the year - Music Festival. Undoubtedly there was pressure built upon expectations, former achievements and idealistic pursuits of musicality; the Lasallian spirit is what inspires exuberance, determination and dedication in every musician. The outcome may not be the most favourable, but the journey is always worthwhile and every note played carries sweat and tears of ceaseless endeavours.

William Lai, Captain of Symphony Orchestra 2012-13

As the captain of LSCWO this year, I am glad to see the

improvement and the growth of our musicians. The outstanding results in this year, including the Gold Prize and the Grand Champion in the Hong Kong Youth Music Interflows and Champion in the Symphonic Band (Senior) in the Hong Kong Schools Music Festival gave me great pleasure. Meanwhile, it is also delighted to see our junior students become more mature after the training this year.

I must offer my heartfelt thanks to the school, the conductor and the old boys. I hope our wind orchestra will touch everyone's hearts with our unique music in the future.

Chan Yan Ting, Captain of Wind Orchestra 2012-13

喇沙書院中樂團於本年度校際比賽均獲佳績。樂團於十一月以京劇曲牌《穆桂英》參加香港青年音樂匯演中 樂團比賽,榮獲金獎,達成了五連金的非凡成就。其後於第65屆校際音樂節中樂團高級組演奏《湘西風情》, 勇奪冠軍,是繼零九年後再次獲得該項殊榮。評審更留下「此樂團極有潛質」的評語,令人鼓舞。

奏出好的音樂須要細心完善音色,亦需要時間磨合,更需要齊心由心演奏才能感動聽眾。喇沙音樂帶給我們 熱減,樂團亦因此能集合團員和舊生的力量。本年度的佳績正好肯定了團員的付出,感謝指揮、老師和舊生 的指導和支持!希望樂團薪火相傳,於未來再創佳績!

黃榮鏗 2012-13 年中樂團團長



During this academic year, we performed in the Christmas Gathering and participated in the annual Music Festival competition, in which we captured the champion and bring us to the Winner's Final Competition of Division II. These gave us opportunities to communicate with the audience, listen to marvellous performances by choirs from other schools and represent our school to sing.

Not only have we developed well-trained choral skills by the teaching of our conductor, Mr Ronald Lam, but we have also strengthened our passion towards music. I would therefore like to thank our singers who come to our rehearsals actively even though the schedule is tight.

Ray Nathanael Tse, Vice-Captain of Senior Choir 2012-13

This year, our Treble Choir made a historic achievement by winning the championship in the 65th Hong Kong Schools Music Festival. We took part in the Division One Foreign Language Junior Boys choir event, where our boys performed two amazing pieces and captured the first place. With united hearts and effort, we enjoyed the glorious moments to create music on stage and sing out the unity and spirit of La Salle.

The Treble Choir would like to show sincere gratitude and utmost thanks to our teacher advisors and our conductor Mr Lam for their guidance and support. We will continue to share good music with fellow schoolmates, parents and friends.

Chris Liang, Captain of Treble Choir 2012-13

La Salle College Old Boys Premiere Concert 8th September 2013 (Sunday), 8:00pm | Auditorium, Tsuen Wan Town Hall

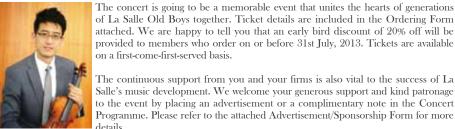
Dear Old Boys and friends,

It is our greatest pleasure to inform you that the first ever concert organised and performed by La Salle College old boys will be held on 8 September in Tsuen Wan Town Hall Auditorium. We sincerely invite you to come and witness this historic event in La Salle College's history.

Over 200 old boys and current students of both La Salle College and La Salle Primary School will be performing in this unprecedented event. Highlights of the evening's performance would be a double concerto for violin and piano by Mr Lam Che Ho (08) and Mr Johnson Leung (10), with the former having performed at the 2013 United States Presidential Inauguration Luncheon for Mr Barack Obama.



Mr Johnson Leung (10)



of La Salle Old Boys together. Ticket details are included in the Ordering Form attached. We are happy to tell you that an early bird discount of 20% off will be provided to members who order on or before 31st July, 2013. Tickets are available on a first-come-first-served basis.

The continuous support from you and your firms is also vital to the success of La Salle's music development. We welcome your generous support and kind patronage to the event by placing an advertisement or a complimentary note in the Concert Programme. Please refer to the attached Advertisement/Sponsorship Form for more details.

Mr Lam Che Ho (08)

For enquiries, please email to musicboard@lscoba.com or contact Mr Vito Ho (12) at (852) 5333 4299 or Mr Michael Ng (12) at (852) 6825 3194.

"When the Old Boys get together, they will always sing this song." We hope that you can support our concert and create the unique music of La Salle together!

Victor Wong (12) Convenor, Music Board 2012-14 LSCOBA

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2. All cheques should be made payable to "La Salle College Old Boys' Association Limited".

Two More Old Boys Appointed Senior Counsel



Simon Man-fai Tam (75) and Wesley Wai-chung Wong (87) were appointed Senior Counsel by the Chief Justice at an official ceremony held at Court No. 1 of the High Court on 11 May 2013. Both are now serving as directorate officers at the Prosecutions Division of the Department of Justice, having spent their entire legal career so far in the public service.

Under section 31A of the Legal Practitioners Ordinance (Cap. 159), the Chief Justice may, after consultation with the chairman of the Bar Council and the president of the Law Society, appoint as Senior Counsel those who have sufficient ability and standing as a barrister with the requisite years of experience as an advocate, and sufficient knowledge of the law, to be accorded that status. The provision was added and enacted in June 1997 as part of the localisation and adaptation of law exercise, to codify the prerogative power under the common law to appoint what used to be called "Queen's Counsel" by way of Letters Patent.

Such elevation to the inner bar (so regarded as Queen's Counsel, or "King's Counsel" during the reign of a male sovereign, sit and plead inside the dividing bar in English courts, ranking above junior counsel) is often referred to as "taking silk" because of the material used to produce the gown Queen's Counsel (and now Senior Counsel) wear when fully robed to appear in court or on ceremonial occasions.

Save for the fact that they studied at different times in La Salle and joined the Government at different years (Mr Tam in 1981 initially as court prosecutor and Mr Wong in 1993 as legal trainee), Messrs Tam and Wong crossed paths with each other in more ways than one. They both read law together at the University of Hong Kong and were conferred with a Bachelor of Laws degree (with honours) in 1992 and obtained the Postgraduate Certificate in Laws in 1993 at which year they started their pupillage together at the then Legal Department (more affectionately known as the "Attorney General's Chambers") and were called to the Hong Kong bar.

The two prosecute cases at various levels of courts on an everyday basis and both previously served at the Civil Litigation Unit of the Department of Justice. They value the opportunities afforded them by the Department and the support they receive from their colleagues.

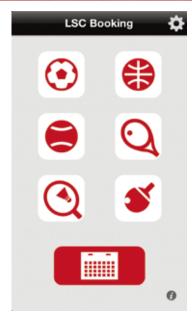
Simon and Wesley simply join the long line of barristers which our alma mater has produced and who have made it as a leader of the bar or as a judge, or both. Although it seems that we have not produced the largest number of Queen's or Senior Counsel for Hong Kong, La Salle has not done badly at all given the relatively smaller number of barristers whom we have come up with in comparison with those of us who have, in much larger numbers, chosen to enter the solicitors' branch of the legal profession or embarked upon other pursuits. The two old boys highlight the following excerpt from the lyrics of our school song which proves awfully predictive:

There are famous schools in plenty With their heroes by their score And their flourish high and mighty But La Salle is something more

A motto which the two new silks would give to fellow Lasallians: Labour, Stamina and Courage. You may wish to work out the acronym yourself.

Simon Tam (75) Wesley Wong (87) Patrick Ho (87)

Coming Soon: iPhone app to reserve sporting facilities at La Salle College



As you are reading this, final testing is under way for LSCOBA's first official iPhone app called LSC Booking, which aims to modernize the current phone and fax, pen and paper system for OBA members to reserve sporting facilities at our Alma Mater.

OBA members will be able to check for availability on the football field, basket ball courts, tennis courts, squash courts, badminton courts and table tennis rooms and make reservations right from within the app. Even better, the app integrates with the user's calendar to warn about potential conflicts before booking, as well as update the user's calendar after a successful booking.

We expect to release LSC Booking to the Apple App Store in the summer. The app will be free of charge but the user will need to be an OBA member to make a reservation, as per usual. There are currently no plans for an Android version, but hey, anything can happen. Stay tuned!

Paul Lee (89)



VISIT TO THE HONG KONG SHIPBUILDING LIMITED



On Saturday 13 April 2013 there were 9 Old Boys together with two family members taking part in the visit to the Hong Kong Shipbuilding Limited in Tsing Yi Island. We were overwhelmed as there were welcome signs everywhere. A brief Powerpoint

introduction was conducted in the boardroom followed by a tour of the shipyard. We saw many types of vessels including high speed ferries, huge yachts, and a sail boat which took part in the America Cup. Two kinds of propulsion systems were expounded, viz, propeller including state-of-the-art variable pitch propellers, and the jet propulsion system. A group photo whilst we were standing on the synchro lift was taken together with the presentation of our souvenir flag.



As an exchange for our fabric souvenir flag the company presented each of the participants with a multipurpose Swiss army knife embossed with the company logo! After that we were introduced to the synchro lift control system, the only one of its kind in Hong Kong, manufactured by Rolls Royce and capable of lifting a massive 3,700 tons.



Dr Gordon Fong (76) Convener, Alumni Development Subcommittee



VISIT TO THE HONG KONG SPORTS INSTITUTE



There were altogether some 16 Old Boys and family and friends attending the visit to the Sports Science Department of the Hong Kong Sports Institute in Fo Tan, Sha Tin on Saturday 27 April 2013. To our surprise the speaker was Robert Ng, a 1999 LaSallian. He was expecting some sports master and sports teachers but it turned out that there were many professionals instead. As a result his presentation was very professional too, sports-wise. Robert then showed us the portable recovery oxygen zip bag, the hyperbaric hyperoxia chamber, and the environmental chamber. He also demonstrated the safety features of the high speed giant treadmill for sprinters.

One of us tested out the iso-kinetic trainer where injured muscles are monitored in their recovery process. Subsequently the group was shown all the new facilities of the Institute under the current redevelopment programme. These included the Wushu Hall, the Bowling Alley, the Rowing Centre, and the brand new 52m Swimming Pool. Needless to say we were very impressed!

Dr Gordon Fong (76) Convener, Alumni Development Subcommittee







YOUNG OLD BOYS TALK



The Young Members Career and Financial Planning Workshop was held on 1st June 2013 (Saturday). Old boys as young as the recent graduated class from year 2013 attended

the workshop. Gordon Fong (76), Alan Lui (79), Leonard Chu (83), Mark Huang (85), and Howard Wong (95) shared their life experiences from both career and financial perspectives. Attendees were presented with materials with introduction to personal career planning and finance management. Knowledge covering expense

management, importance of setting clear financial goals, and establishment of a balanced investment portfolio were shared with the attendees.

The group was happy to have exchanged ideas. Young members were able to understand how the elder old boys managed through their early years. The elder old boys at the same time, understood more what topics are the young generations more interested in. We look forward to seeing more young old boys in future events and help prepare them for challenges they would face from the society.

Howard Wong (95) Young Members Subcommittee

LSC CAREERS DAY

It is a long tradition that Old Boys return to the School to talk about their career experience and to inspire our students in their career planning. In collaboration with the LSC Careers & Guidance Team, a Careers Day was held on 2 March, 2013 in the afternoon for the F4 and F5 students. We grouped a total of 8 topics into four venues so that students only need to choose one venue to meet with Old Boys from related career streams.

There were total of 25 Old Boy speakers, university fresh graduates and undergraduates, giving career guidance and sharing their study experience in the professions of Dentistry, Private Banking & Fund Management, Accounting, Law, Journalism, Civil & Construction Engineering and Logistics. There was also a special topic on Overseas Studies and Non-JUPAS Pathways by a group of fresh university graduates who shared their experiences of studying high schools overseas and applying local universities using GCE results. Questions and discussions followed after the presentations and we were glad to see parents present too. The event turned out to be a successful one with more than 100 students and 30 parents attended.

We like to thank the following Old Boys for their great effort and time in supporting our Alma Mater.

Stanley Shum (79)



Accounting

Alan Lui (79) Freddie Chui (87) Terry Ho Yu Chung Mau, Vincent (07)

Banking (Private Banking & Fund Management)

Pang Shun Tak (82) Howard Wong (92)

Dentistry

Dr Henry Ho (84)

Engineering (Civil & Building Construction)

Shum Ngai Hung, Steven (76) Lai Kwok Hung, Lawrence (84)

<u>Journalism</u>

Edgar So (84) Jacky Chan (06)

Law

Vitus Leung (80) Dominic Wai (80) Randy Shek (88) Gere Sit (92) Henry Cheng (03) Desmond Cheung (04) Martin So (04) Siu Kai Yan, Kevin (09) Henry L Hung

Logistics

Sebastian Chan (84)

Overseas Studies and Non-JUPAS Pathways

Perry Pang (07) Jeff Lam (07) Kenny Chau (07) Oswald Kwan (07)





LSPS HERITAGE WALK

First History Lesson for P4 Lasallians

To let our Primary School students learn more about the school's rich history during the Second World War, Mrs Betty Ho, Principal of La Salle Primary School, invited the Heritage Subcommittee of the OBA to design an outing for all P4 boys.

A team of over ten heritage-keen old boys was formed and we began planning, on the one hand, for materials about on Hong Kong's war history, suited for 10 year olds. On the other hand, we planned on how to guide 200 students through the hills safely, and be able to tell them stories.



After several date changes due to an unusually wet April, the event finally took place on 30th April. We first briefed the boys in the school hall at 8 am on the walk and the history. Soon after, the bus loaded of boys were on the road, three classes headed towards WNCG Trail first, the other three to Stanley Military Cemetery.



The old boy guides, with the assistance of teachers and parent helpers, the first three classes were guided through Wong Nai Chung Gap Heritage Trail, where the HK Volunteer Defence Corps defended bravely. A good number of La Salle and St Joseph's old boys and teachers were positioned in



these hills, and sadly a number died in action. The boys offered flowers at pill boxes and other facilities where there were Lasallian fatalities.

The three other classes headed to Stanley first, and the boys visited the peaceful cemetery and were introduced to the graves of our war dead, offering them flowers and our prayers.



Afterwards the classes had a picnic lunch en route, and then they visited the other location after lunch.

The outing was the boys' first ever history lesson, and most were intrigued with the

details, especially as we remembered Lasallians who bravely fought. They were also very keen to take part in laying flowers, leading the prayers, or proudly singing the school song.

The day must have been a sweet day for the souls of the war dead Lasallians, hearing their the school song sung by their Lasallians juniors at their graves.



We will remember them.

Mark Hung (85)

LSCOBA PAST PRESIDENTS' DINNER 2013



What a lovely evening!

After a pause last year due to the 80th Anniversary Gala Dinner, this year the Past Presidents and the current LSCOBA Committees once again followed an over 30 years' tradition of the Association and gathered at the Past Presidents' Dinner held on 10 May 2013 at the Hong Kong Jockey Club, Shan Kwong Road Happy Valley Clubhouse for a most enjoyable dinner.

The Past Presidents' Dinner not only offers an excellent opportunity for the current Committee members to bond with the seniors, the current President and his committee can also take a good chance to update the Past Presidents on

the plans and affairs of the Association, and use the opportunity to hear comments and wisdom from the seasoned leaders of the Old Boys community.

On that night, we had a number of Past Presidents from different years and the current Committee, joined by Brother Patrick and Brother Steve, for a lovely Chinese dinner in Happy Valley. It was particular exciting to see some familiar faces "resurfacing" after a long absence from the Old Boys' gathering! Everyone had fun and the evening ended with a couple of civilized drinks at the Derby Bar and we all looked forward to the next Past Presidents' Dinner.

Eric Chow (00) Honorary Secretary

APPEAL FOR LSC and LSPS MEMORABILIA

We all remember our old school days. So have you kept something sentimental from those dear childhood or teenage days, tucked away in a box? Maybe your wife or mother keeps complaining about the La Salle "rubbish" you keep?

Mrs Betty Ho, Primary School Principal, and Brother Steve, College Principal, jointly invite old boys to donate your La Salle memorabilia. Both schools recognize that a rich heritage collection is an important historic record for the school, and it is also invaluable for students to look back at and learn from yester-years.

This appeal comes as LSPS create sits Heritage Centre, and when Br. Steve is keen to showcase more of the school's rich history around the campus to students and visitors alike. The items could be anything related to your school days in La Salle, for example:



- Old school ties, badges and pins, team uniforms, tracksuits, sweaters and LSC canvas shoulder bags, a prefects arm band
- Old school photos, slides or negatives
 School printed matters like: "The Lasallian" college newspaper, program books, newspaper cuttings, circulars, notices, or books like Bro. Casimir's: "A First Geography" book, old school hymnals or prayer books, report cards, certificates, school fee receipts, your school voucher or even school injection record cards etc.
- Old items used during school days (may not necessarily be directly related to school), eg a special pair of soccer boots, an old tennis racket, even an old brick or an old sign from one of the old schools!

If you have something to donate: for Primary School items, please contact LSPS Office at 2336 2609 / for LSC articles, kindly ring the College Office at 2338-7171, to obtain collection arrangements. If you wish to first speak with someone on your donation or find out more, please contact the OBA Administrator, Ms Fanny Leung at 2336-2985 during office hours, or email the LSCOBA Heritage Sub-committee heritage@lscoba.com. For overseas old boys, please email the Heritage Sub-committee so that collection arrangements can be made.

If in doubt of the items, don't hesitate, get in touch!

Mark Hung (85)

INTERVIEW WORKSHOP FOR FORM 6 STUDENTS



Jointly organised by the OBA and the LSC Careers & Guidance Team, this is our annual workshop to help students to prepare for their university admission interviews after they finished the DSE exams. It was held in the afternoons of 4th and 12th May 2013 with 30 Old Boys,

both senior and younger ones (fresh graduates or undergraduates), coming back to the School to help in this workshop.

A total of 50 students participated in 12 mock group interviews of the following faculties: Architecture, Business & Finance, Dentistry, Engineering, Law, and Social Sciences. Students were asked to dressed up as if they were attending the real interviews. Two or three senior Old Boys worked together as the interview panel. Resembling the



real interviews, each student would do a self-introduction and they will then have a group discussion on a given topic, except for dentistry which we conducted individual interviews for the 9 students.

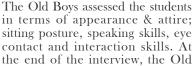


To help the students in their selfintroduction, we introduced an acronym "LSC" representing LOVE, SUITABILITY and CAPABILITY. These are the three key words that we advised our students to consider. Love (Passion) - one should express why he loves and has passion for the

career and what his visions, inspirations, dreams and goals for his career life are. Suitability - to elaborate on his personality/interests/ career orientation to demonstrate he is suitable for the study/career. Capability - to highlight his strengths, skills, achievements in the school and extracurricular activities that are relevant to his future study/career and these capabilities could enhance him to do well.

Students were advised to demonstrate a good attitude throughout the interview process, i.e. they should impress the interviewers by showing they are highly motivated and prepared to get into the faculty and to become a professional, doctor, lawyer, teacher, social worker, etc. A good attitude can be reflected in punctuality, dressing up properly,

a well prepared self-introduction, communication with interviewers/ interviewees and in raising proper questions to the interviewers.





Boys evaluated each student's performance and advised them how to perform better at the real interviews. For some of the students, we took videos for them when they spoke so that they could review their own performances for improvement. At the end of the day, we gathered together to have a common sharing session so that everyone could hear more different comments and advices. We are glad to know that they feel more confident after this workshop.



We would like to thank the following Old Boys for their time and effort in helping our younger brothers. All the best to our F.6 boys and we wish them every success with their real interviews.

Architecture

Gordon Fong (76) Albert Ng (78) Joey Au Yeung (07)

Business & Finance

Alan Lui (79) Wilson Wai (74) Dennis Wong (81) Dennis Wong (81) Lee Sai Wing (81) Rov Lam (83) Andy Chan (02) Jonathan Chu (07) Henry Keung (07) Owen Poon (08) David Tche (09) Howard Yeung (10)

Engineering

KC Ng (70) Steve Mok (83) Vincent Hau (07)

Law

Dominic Wai 80 Vitus Leung (80) Gere Sit (92)

Dentistry

Dr Raymond Li (77) Dr Chan Tak Kam (80) Dr Henry Ho (84)

Social Sciences

Simon Lai (81) Kennon Tam (98) Jacky Yu (10) Willy Tam (12)

Reported by: Alan Lui (79) Stanley Shum (79) Simon Lai (81) Student Affairs Sub-committee



Inter-School Competition Results



	A	В	С	Overall
Archery	2nd	1st	1st	1st
Athletes	2nd	2nd	1st	2nd
Badminton	4th	5th	1st	3rd
Basketball	3rd	1st	3rd	3rd
Beach Volleyball				6th
Cross Country	2nd	3rd	2nd	2nd
Fancing	Foll	Epee	Sabre	
Fencing	1st	4th	2nd	2nd
Football	4th	6th	6th	6th
Handball	7th	2nd	2nd	3rd

	A	В	С	Overall
Indoor Rowing	1st	3rd	1st	2nd
Life Saving	2nd	3rd		
Rugby 7s		Bow1	Cup	
Rugby 78		3rd	1st	
Softball				5th
Squash				2nd
Swimming	3rd	3rd	1st	3rd
Table Tennis	1st	3rd	4th	2nd
Tennis				2nd
Ten Pin Bowling				1st
Volleyball	6th	6th	5th	7th

SHANGHAI CHAPTER



The Shanghai chapter remained active in the first half of the year.

A golf game and happy hour drink were organised with strong responses and the chapter also added a few new members.

We welcome you to contact us at kinshingyip@gmail.com for our next event.

Jim Yip (87)



HAPPY HOUR



Having co-organized successful events in the pasts, the MCS Former Students Association (MCSFSA) and LSCOBA once again got together and organized a joint-association Happy Hour gathering on Thursday, 23 May 2013 at Psychic Jack, in Lan Kwai Fong, Central. More than 80 Old Boys and MCS past students attended the Happy Hour.

After a busy week, it was a perfect time to relax with a pint of chilled beer or a glass of white-wine spritzer, to wind down a whole week of work and stress. Special thanks to Steven Khouw (83) who let us use the lounge for this happy hour gathering!!

Terence Mak (97)

A Time of New Beginnings for the Seventeeners



The spring dinner of the Group Committee was something special this year. James Chiu (69) our new Chairman to serve after Nelson Lee (58) first jointly hosted the function on 10 March at the Hong Kong Scout Association with the two Vice-Chairmen Karl Ng (64) and Lau Sai Lai (Dr.). The event was attended by some 100 persons, including members / their spouses, scout leaders, instructors, ex-principals of LSPS and the following distinguished guests:

Rev. Bro. Steve - Principal of LSC & Sponsoring Authority of the Committee

Rev. Bro. Thomas - Hon. Advisor

Ms. Betty Hau - Principal of LSPS

Mr. Willie Wong - LSCOBA President

Mr. Humphrey Lee - LSC PTA Vice-Chairman

Mr. Leonard Chu - LSPS PTA Chairman

Mr. Lai Kwok Wing - District Commissioner of the Kowloon City District, HK Scout Association

In his welcoming speech, James Chiu recalled that he joined the Committee in 1988 to succeed after his father. Now that he had invited his son Henry (93), being of the third generation, to serve the Group as Rover Scout Leader. This was not an isolated tradition when he went on to commend Lau Sai Lai (Dr.), Stephen Wai (65) and Tse On for their "father-and-son" combinations in this Committee. We had new blood from old boys and sons of members like Dennis Law (69) and Allan Li handed down from generations to generations. Our motto is once a 17er, always a 17er. The Committee had strong financial support from



members. He appreciated the hard work of all Scout Leaders and Instructors who were encouraged to wisely make use of the resources to provide better equipments and to organize more local /overseas activities for our scouts leading to obtaining more awards in the open competitions.



In memory of the late Linus Fung, the former Scout Leader of the Scout Troop, Rev. Bro. Thomas emphasized the value of the Lasallian Family. He said that the Committee with a strength of 76 was obviously the biggest body in the history of La Salle. The La Salle spirit embraces boys with courage and daring to face challenges and, no matter win or loss in the athlete meets with other counterparts, the boys are the champions themselves. The indivisible number 17 in March is also the Feast Day of St. Patrick.

Rev. Bro. Steve was moved by the great tradition of the 17ers. He thanked members for their unfailing support and was confident that this close friendship and fellowship will go on.

Willie Wong appraised the 17ers for imparting the La Salle characteristics to young men to be trustworthy, collaborating with others and committed to their own responsibilities. The LSCOBA will take every step to assist and support the good work of the Committee.

Humphrey Lee echoed that effective communication as observed in LSCOBA's participation in LSCPTA meetings could be maintained among all parties in the future to discuss matters of common interests. e.g. the joint effort in the P.6 and F.1 sharing sessions had led to the recruitment of quite a number of parent helpers.



Leonard Chu commented that the scouting experience provided boys with a very practical training for self-discipline and independence in dealing with their home work and routines.

After the speeches, there were certificate / souvenir presentations by Rev. Bro. Steve and Rev. Bro. Thomas to members and by Mr. Lai Kwok Wing to the scout leaders in the following manner:

- (1) volunteer service certificates issued by the Social Welfare Department to members having served a specified number of hours of service in attending meetings and scout activities of the Committee; and
- (2) long service awards (certificates for each and every 5 years; souvenirs for each and every 10 years) to recognize the long and dedicated service of members and scout leaders in the Committee / Group.

Year of Service	Member	Scouter
5	Mr. LAM Po-loy, Patrick Mr. LO Lap-shun, Alex Mr. YAU Wai-man, Philip Mr. LAM Po-loy, Patrick	Mr. LAI Chun-fai Mr. MO Hon-to Mr. LI Sai-lai, Sydney Mr. CHEUNG Siu-ko, Ringo Mr. LEUNG Yue-kong Dr. LAM Sui-kuen, Irene Mr. MONG Kin-sing, Tyrone Ms. LEUNG Yuen-ting, Teresa
10	Mr. CHAN Kwok-keung, Eric Mr. LEE Kam-hung, Arthur	Mr. Henry CHIU
15	Mr. Dennis LAW	Mr. HO Tsung-kin, James
20	NIL	NIL
25	Mr. James CHIU Mr. Li Hon-hung, Allan	NIL

Karl Ng gave vote of thanks to express his appreciation to members, scout leaders and instructors present, the hard-working executive committee, Patrick Lam (93) the master of ceremony and, in particular, all guests of honour attending the spring dinner.

We enjoy being 17ers in the big Lasallian Family and are sure that the La Salle spirit will put us together to achieve a new height under our new leader, James Chiu.

Chow Loi (62)

Hon. Secretary

The 17th Kowloon (La Salle) Group Committee



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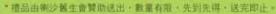
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Induction of the late Dr. Wilson Tang Hon Chung (61) into the ASCE OTC Hall of Fame



The late Professor Wilson Tang Hon Chung (Dr. Wilson H. Tang) was an eminent teacher and researcher in civil engineering. An international leader in the field of uncertainties and reliability analysis, he is best known worldwide for his accomplishment in the development and

application of probabilistic and reliability-based approaches to geotechnical engineering system and to other areas of civil infrastructures and management. His innovation and pioneering work has profoundly impacted the practice of geotechnical engineering.

Dr. Tang received his BS (1966), MS (1967) from MIT and his PhD (1969) from Stanford University, all in Civil Engineering. His distinguished academic career included 27 years of research and teaching at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. In 1996 he joined HKUST as Chair Professor and Head of the Department of Civil Engineering and led the department to be one of the best in Asia. After his retirement in 2009 he remained active in academic research and public service. Among the prestigious awards and honors he received included the State of Art Award, Fellow and Distinguished Member of the American Society of Civil Engineers, Hsieh Award from the UK Institution of Civil Engineers, and many more. He had published over 200 manuscripts and coauthoreda well-known textbook on probability concepts in engineering planning and design, widely adopted by top universities worldwide and translated into five languages.

The Gala Dinner May 07, 2013, Petroleum Club, 800 Bell Street Houston, Texas, USA

Since its inception in 1969 the Offshore Technology Conference (OTC) has become an annual trade show whose agenda includes conference and exhibition with an emphasis on the development of offshore energy resources, primarily oil and natural gas. Held annually during the first week of May in Houston, Texas, USA, it is considered the largest oil and gas trade show in the world. Culminating this event is the Hall of Fame Gala Dinner at which time ASCE (American Society of Civil Engineers) honors the authors of extraordinary papers from previous years with ASCE OTC Hall of Fame. Those papers presented some twenty or more years ago still form the core of current industry practice worldwide, providing innovation, direction and lasting impact on the design, construction or installation of the offshore infrastructure. Dr. Wilson H. Tang and fellow co-author Dr. John H. Pelletier presented their OTC Paper 6379 in 1990: Performance Reliability of Offshore Piles was so selected under this criterion.

Representing her late husband Dr. Wilson H. Tang, Bernadette attended the function and accepted Wilson's award. Her guests at the Gala included Wilson's sister and her husband, a former student now a university professor, and a La Salle Class of '61 former classmate who penned this article for all 61ers. After the dinner attended by over 200 guests, the main event was kicked off with Words of Recognition to the honorees collectively by Mr. Gregory E. Diloreto, President of American Society of Civil Engineers. After an individual introduction and special word of appreciation for Dr. Wilson H. Tang's work, a crystal plaque was presented to Bernadette on Wilson's behalf. Bernadette in turn delivered a wellreceived acceptance speech partly based on Wilson's own "Thank You Message" he delivered in 2002 when he was inducted into the US Energy Center's Hall of Fame. The Message: "It is a great honor to be inducted into the Hall of Fame...... to join such illustrious experts in reliability engineering. It has been most rewarding to have been involved in the development of improved design practices that will have a long lasting and positive impact on the industry." These few lines truly exemplify Wilson's profound contribution to the field of technology he loved and humility he maintained even at the pinnacle of his career.

For full version of this Report, the Dinner Program and reference material, please go to the LSCOBA website, or in the alternative access the Class of '61 website via the ink below: http://www.realsantaclara.com/travel/?p=2232





ASCE OTC Hall of Fame Award

Front Row (L to R) Dr. Demir I. Karsan, Bernadette Tang (accepting the award on behalf of Dr. Wilson H.Tang), Dr. Suzanne Lacasse (accepting her own award, also accepting the award on behalf of Dr. Svein Fjeld), and Dr. Jim R. Lloyd

Back Row (L to R) Dr. Fred Moses, Dr. Bernhard (Bernie) Stahl, Patt Dunn (accepting the award on behalf of Dr. Richard Larrabee), Dr. John H. Pelletier, and Dr. Alain M. Goulois

La Salle College Old Boys' Association Limited 喇沙舊生會有限公司

("LSCOBA" or the "Association")

Explanatory notes regarding the proposed changes to the Memorandum and Articles of Association

Introduction

As many of you may be aware, there are a number of changes made in the Education Ordinance (Cap. 279) (the "Ordinance") to introduce the school-based management and the Incorporated Management Committee (the "IMC") of La Salle College (the "School"), which will replace the current School Management Committee of the School, will soon be established.

According to the constitution of the IMC (the "Constitution") (which have been approved by the Education Bureau, HKSAR), there will be an alumni manager in the IMC (the "Alumni Manager"). In order to determine the person for nomination as the Alumni Manager, an alumni manager election is to be conducted by a recognised alumni association recognised by the IMC. For the Association to be so recognised by the IMC, a number of changes to the Memorandum (the "Memorandum") and Articles of Association of the LSCOBA (the "Articles") are to be made so that the Association will satisfy the relevant sections in the Ordinance and the Constitution.

Moreover, as one of the objectives that the Committee would like to achieve in this term, the Committee of the Association has reviewed the current Memorandum and Articles (in which most of the articles were drafted in the 1970s), aiming to review some of the not up-to-date articles in order to make communications and administrations more efficient and more environmental friendly by leveraging and making use of modern telecommunication technologies.

Hence, the following are the changes to the Memorandum and Articles recommended by the Committee, members are encouraged to read and consider the following changes before the Annual General Meeting.

Proposed changes to the Memorandum and Articles

- 1. THAT the Memorandum be amended by adding the following new Clause 4A immediately following Clause 4 of the Memorandum:
- "4A. To be recognized as the recognized alumni association for the purposes of making nomination of such person for registration as the alumni manager of La Salle College as may be provided for in the constitution of the incorporated management committee of La Salle College; and to conduct the election for the purposes of making the nomination of such person."

Committee's note:

- The proposed change is to add the relevant object clause to the Memorandum in order to enable the Association to be recognized by the IMC as the recognized alumni association and to conduct the election of the alumni manager.
- 2. THAT the Articles be amended by adding the following new definition of "Alumnus" in Article 1:

Alumnus (or Alumni)	Any person(s) who has been a pupil of La Salle College but is no longer such a pupil.
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3. THAT the Articles be amended by deleting Article 4 and substituting the following in its place:

Qualification for Membership	4. Membership of the Association is open to all Alumni of La Salle College.
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Committee's note:

- The proposed change to the qualification for membership of the Association is to tie in the definition of "alumnus" in accordance with section 40AB of the Education (Amendment) Ordinance.
- Definition of "alumnus" under section 40AB: "alumnus", in relation to a school, means a person who has been a pupil of the school but is no longer such a pupil.
- The Committee is of the view that the proposed change to the membership, which is in line with the definition of "alumnus" in the Ordinance and the Constitution, is necessary in order for the Association to become a "recognised alumni association" to be recognised by the IMC.
- 4. THAT the Articles be amended by deleting Article 10 and substituting the following in its place:

	10. Only Members shall, subject to these Presents and any Rules, be entitled to all privileges of
	membership and be qualified to vote or hold office on the Committee or any Sub-Committee;
	and without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing only the Alumni may elect or become
	office-bearers of the Association or members of the Committee.

Committee's note:

- In addition to the changes in the qualification for membership, we also propose to change Article 10 in order to enable, candidates who are both members of the Association and the Alumni, to elect or become office-bearers of the Association or members of the Committee.
- 5. THAT the Articles be amended by adding the following new Article (aa) immediately following Article 22 (a):

(aa) As to the election for the purposes of making nomination of such person for registration as the alumni manager of La Salle College as may be provided for in the constitution of the incorporated management committee of La Salle College and all matters in connection therewith; provided that the system of election held for such purposes should be fair and transparent.

Committee's note:

- The proposed change confers the power to the Committee of the Association to make, and may from time to time amend, revoke and alter if necessary, rules for regulating the election of the Alumni Manager.
- The Committee should also ensure that, based on this new Article 22(a), the system of the election of the Alumni Manager is fair and transparent.
- 6. THAT the Articles be amended by adding the following new Article 27A immediately following Article 27:

27A. Any member of the Committee may participate in a meeting of the Committee by means of telephone or other audio or electronic communications equipment whereby all persons attending or participating in the meeting can hear each other. The person participating in the meeting in such manner shall be deemed for all purposes to be present at such meeting.

7. THAT the Articles be amended by deleting Article 30 and substituting the following in its place:

Business transacted by circulation of papers

30. The Committee may, if they think fit, transact any of their business by the circulation of papers, and a resolution in writing signed by a majority of the members thereof shall be valid and effectual as if it had been passed at a meeting of the Committee duly convened and held, and such resolution may consist of one document or of separate copies, and for this purpose a member of the Committee may deliver his signature by facsimile or scanned copy via email or other electronic means.

Committee's note:

- The proposed changes above are purely aiming at improving the efficiency of the administration of the Association, in which with the advancement of technology and the popularity of emails, telephone, video conferencing, the Committee can reach prompt decisions without convening physical Committee's meetings all the time.
- 8. THAT the Articles be amended by deleting Article 50 and substituting the following in its place:

Resolution to be decided by a show of hands

50. At any General Meeting a resolution put to the vote of the meeting shall, unless otherwise provided herein or in any Rules and subject to any legal or other requirements or applicable law, be decided on a show of hands, and a declaration by the President that a resolution has been carried or carried unanimously, or by a particular majority, or lost, and an entry to that effect in the book of proceedings of the Association shall be conclusive evidence of the fact, without proof of the number or proportion of the votes recorded in favour of or against that resolution.

Committee's note:

- With the continual increase in the number of our members (latest number of members as of 30 June 2013: 6777 members), it will be impossible and inefficient for the resolution at the General Meeting be decided by a show of hands.
- The proposed change also enables the Association to conduct the election of Alumni Manager in accordance with the election system.
- 9. THAT the Articles be amended by deleting Article 64 and substituting the following in its place:

Service

64. A notice may be served by the Association upon any Member either personally or by sending it through the post in a prepaid letter addressed to such Member at his registered address appearing in the Register of Members, or by transmitting it to any facsimile transmission number or electronic number or email or electronic address supplied by him to the Association for the purpose of giving notice to him (as the case may be).

10. THAT the Articles be amended by deleting Article 65 and substituting the following in its place:

Proof of Service

65. Any notice served personally shall be deemed to have been served at the time of delivery. Any notice served by pre-paid post shall be deemed to have been served on the day following that on which the letter containing the same put into the post and in proving such service it shall be sufficient to prove that the letter containing the notice was properly addressed and put into the post as a prepaid letter. Any notice served by facsimile transmission, email or other electronic means shall be deemed to have been served upon transmission.

Committee's note:

- As one of the objectives that the Committee would like to achieve, that is to make communications and administrations of the Association more efficient and more environmental friendly, together with the fact that the Committee has received views from the members to reduce the printed materials (notices) to be posted to members' registered addresses. The proposed change provides an alternative ways for the members who would like to opt for receiving electronic mails rather than printed materials to be posted to the registered address.

Members' views

The Committee understands well that it is an important issue of the Association to make changes to the Memorandum and Articles and we treasure views from the members of the Association, therefore members can provide your views by the following ways on or before 27 July 2013 (Saturday):

- 1) By email to Willie Wong (84'), President of the Association, at president@lscoba.com and Eric Chow (00'), Hon. Secretary of the Association, at secretary@lscoba.com;
- 2) By telephone to Willie Wong (84') at 5373-6269 or Eric Chow (00') at 9675-7514 during office hours; and
- 3) By attending one of the following open forums:
- 3a) Open Forum II: From 11am 1pm on 27 July 2013 (Saturday) at the Old Boys' Room 107, La Salle College, Hong Kong; or
- 3b) Open Forum III: From 11am 1pm on 3 Aug (Saturday) at the Old Boys' Room 107, La Salle College, Hong Kong.

Eric Chow (00) Honorary Secretary 2012-13

LSCOBA Open Forum II on 27 July 2013 and Open Forum III on 3 Aug 2013

Dear members,

It is one of the objectives of the Committee to embrace different voices and to listen to our members' views. Further to the LSCOBA Open Forum #1 held in January, the Committee would once again like to invite our members to join the following Open Forums:

Open Forum II

Date: 27 July 2013 (Saturday)

Time: 11 am - 1 pm

Venue: Old Boys' Room 107, La Salle College

Open Forum III

Date: 3 August 2013 (Saturday)

Time: 11 am - 1 pm

Venue: Old Boys' Room 107, La Salle College

Members are welcomed to join the above informal sessions in which the office-bearers and the Committee members will be there to discuss the update of the Association as well as the proposed changes to the Memorandum & Articles of Association.

Looking forward to seeing you at the forum.

Eric Chow (00) Hon. Secretary

ROUND TABLE DINNER 2013.

LIFE AS A JUDGE

Date: Friday 30August 2013

Time: Drinks (cash bar) from 6:30pm, dinner starts at 7:30pm

Talk will commence after main course

Venue: Club Lusitano, 27/F Club Lusitano Bldg, 16 Ice House Street, Central

Fee: \$450 per head; \$430 if using LSCOBA Visa/Mastercard;

\$330 for young members graduated 2003 or later;

\$200 for current undergraduates or current LSC students

Topic: Life as a Judge

SPEAKER

Deputy High Court Judge David Lok(1982) 陸啟康法官

David Lok studied in La Salle Primary School from 1971 to 1977 and in La Salle College from 1977 to 1984. He was the President of the La Salle College Students' Association from 1982 to 1983. He obtained his Bachelor of Laws degree in 1987 and his Postgraduate Certificate in Laws in 1988 from the University of Hong Kong. David then completed a Master of Laws from the London School of Economics and Political Science in 1989. He commenced his private practice as a barrister from 1989. In 1995 he changed his career path to be a Magistrate. He was promoted to a District Court Judge in 2001. He is now in charge of civil listing, PI & ECC list and Equal Opportunities List and Acting Chief District Judge. He was a Member of the Public Complaints Committee of the Hospital Authority from 2001 to 2004. In 2011 David was appointed as a Deputy Judge of the Court of First Instance of the High Court of Hong Kong.

REGISTRATION

Any old boy, and a maximum two (2) guests on his invitation, interested in joining the above please register on a first come first served basis (quota 80 people) on or before Tuesday 27 August 2013 by filling in the details below and faxing it to 23374951, or scanning and emailing to admin@lscoba.com, for payment of the dinner fee:

Your name	Total number of participants to be charged
HKCEE/HKDSE graduation year or cur	rent university year or LSC class
Mobile phone number	Your email
Payment by (circle as appropriate) LSC	OBA- Visa / Mastercard / Visa / MasterCard
Cardholder's name	
Card number	
Expiry date (month / year)	
Name of issuing bank	Cardholder's signature

You will receive a confirmation email if your registration has been successful. Should you need more information, please call LSCOBA Administrator Ms Fanny Leung at 23362985.

Dr Gordon Fong (1976)

Convener, Alumni Development Subcommittee

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SPRING DINNER

The Spring Dinner has always been a popular old boys' event in the past; and this year was no exception. The Year of the Snake (2013) Spring Dinner was held on 1 March 2013 at Paramount Banquet Hall, Causeway Bay (銅鑼灣伊利沙伯大廈百樂門), immediately after the Inter-school Athletics Finals.

Immediately after the Athletics Meet, more than 100 old boys joined the happy hour mingling with beer and wine in hand at the restaurant. This arrangement proved to be very much welcomed and if you missed it, do join us next year!

We filled the dining hall with a record breaking

48 tables. More than 550 old boys joined the dinner and enjoyed the great fun, together with past and present teachers and also students from the athletics teams and other sports teams and supporting functions (all being guests of the OBA). Some highlights of the night included the personal sharing by our La Salle athletes on stage, lucky draw and of course the traditional beer drinking competition.

We may not have served the best wine or food for the night, but it was the best gathering for our brotherhood.

Terence Mak (97)



OBITUARY

RIP Anthony Cheung (65) 張建德 1946 - 2013

Anthony, eldest son of Albert Cheung (Class of 1940) passed away in Chicago on May 24, 2013 in Chicago. His remains has been brought back to his beloved home in Hong Kong pending interment details.

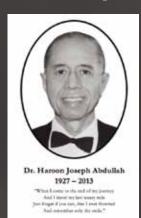
Anthony went to the United Kingdom after finishing Form 3 in 1963, then went to Hawaii where he married his wife Connie and later moved to Chicago more than 30 years ago. They had two boys and one girl.

He was the Managing Editor of an international academic publishing company, Imprint Publications (www.Imprint-Chicago.com).

His surviving father is Albert Cheung 張耀芹 , original founder of Garden Bakery. He is one of the oldest Lasallians in HK.

Please remember his family and friends in your prayers.

RIP Haroon Joseph ABDULLAH (44), 1927 - 2013



Haroon Joseph ABDULLAH passed away on 17th March 2013 after a drawn-out battle with his illness. Prior to his illness, he had never taken time off and neglected his patients except when he was in hospital to deal with his coronary problems. He was really disappointed this time when he had to give up his practice because of his illness. During the past few months when I visited him in the hospital, he always gave me his perpetual smile despite the suffering he was enduring. When I visited him at home during his remission, he could still throw out a joke here and there from time past. He was a soldier till the end.

Haroon Joseph was my senior in La Salle. In fact, the brothers taught 3 generations of his family. Naturally, being a LaSallian, he was a devoted Catholic, a religion shared by his whole family. After the war, he studied medicine in the University of Hong Kong and resided in Ricci Hall with Barnes, who later also headed the medical team B in Queen Elizabeth Hospital. He graduated in 1952 with Sir David Toddtrained in obstetrics and gynaecology, and ultimately took up O&G A team in Queen Elizabeth Hospital and made it count till he retired. Many famous gynaecologists came from that unit nourished by him. As his son Victor said, he was a self-made man. He reminded me now and again that he was also council member of the HKMA between 1972-74, an event he was proud of.

Haroon did not retire after stepping down from his position in Queen Elizabeth Hospital. He took up Honorary Consultant position in Precious Blood Hospital and single-handedly, made that hospital viable through its obstetric service. The hospital must have regretted his decision to retire from hospital practice and limit himself to office gynaecology subsequently.

Haroon always like to recount fond memories from the past. One of his favourite stories was how he, as a retired government servant, could have a monthly pension which allowed him to live happily and provided him with first class medical care and surgical treatment. I had to remind him that he had provided long years of public service to earn this reward. Another story he told of was how he listened to my father-in-law's advice to stock up shares of the HSBC, something which allowed him to educate his children in the Universities of England. I heeded and passed on his advice to our Honorary

Haroon was married to Lillian, aunt of my wife, and was blessed with four children who were his gems – David the dentist, Victor the otolaryngologist, Tony the dermatologist (my godson) and Gloria the solicitor. He was even more pleased with the straight as of his grandchildren in UK.

Haroon Joseph will be missed by his family, his friends and his colleagues. His support and remarks on issues like clinical practice, politics and financial problems will be long remembered.

Dr. CHOI Kin (65)

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