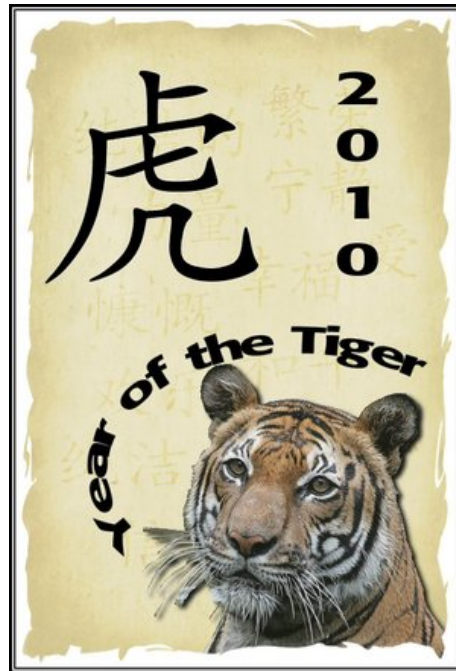




Happy Chinese New Year

Reminders

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Edmonton

Monthly Dim Sum Gathering
Date noon Feb 5, 2010 (every first Friday)
Venue Urban China Restaurant
潮樓大酒樓
10604-101 Street

Super Bowl Party
Date Sunday Feb 7, 2010
Time 3:30 pm – 8:00 pm
Venue Finnagan's Bistro Bar & Billiards
Contact Bill Wong billshwong@shaw.ca

AGM & Annual Spring Dinner
Date Saturday Apr 10, 2010
Time 6:00 pm – 9:30 pm
Venue To be announced

San Francisco

The Hollywood Dance Party
Date March 6, 2010
Time: 6:00 p.m.
Venue Marriott Pleasanton
11950 Dublin Canyon Road
Pleasanton, CA 94588
Cost: \$50 per person
\$30 undergraduates
\$25 children 12 and under
Register: 2010info@lscobasf.com
Ephrem Fung (408) 202-7313

Global Reunion San Francisco 2010

The 2010 Global Reunion will be held in the beautiful San Francisco Bay Area from July 1st to July 4. The online registration has been available since last November and we already have a good number of old boys signed for the event. This once-every-two-year event has promised to be fun, memorable and the best way to get connected with other old boys. We have also extended the Early Bird special to March 15th to allow more time for the old boys and their families to plan out their trip. **Brother Thomas Lavin** has committed to come to the event. For those who have not seen Brother Thomas for a while, this will be a great opportunity to catch up.

Please visit the registration website at
<http://www.lscobasf.com/reunion/> today!

Southern California

Monthly Dim Sum Gathering
Date noon to 2 pm, every first Sunday
Venue Empress Harbor Seafood Restaurant
111 N. Atlantic Blvd., 3/F, Monterey Park
Cost: \$15 per person
\$10 Children and full time students

Vancouver

Chinese New Year Dinner
Date: Thursday, February 11, 2010
Venue: Renfrew Dim Sum Seafood Restaurant
(炳勝風味大酒家)
1800 Renfrew St, Vancouver
(near East 2nd Ave),
Phone# 604-215-1800
Time: 7:00 p.m.
RSVP: Joseph Ng
josephkmng@yahoo.com



Chapter News

Toronto

New Year Eve Dinner

Jimmy Chang (1966)

The traditional Toronto Chapter New Year Eve Dinner was again a great success, attended by 45 tables of old boys, families and guests. Almost all had a most enjoyable evening in the company of old friends and families. The dance floor was packed every time music was playing.

In addition to the live band and DJ, several old boys also performed as guest singers. But the highlight of the evening was a surprise performance by Elvis the King, who turned out to be our First Vice President Peter Lau (1969). Peter certainly captured the hearts of many of the ladies present that evening.

Thanks to our generous donors, every lady was greeted with a beautiful yellow rose at the door (as in previous years), each table was filled with an abundance of table prizes, and there were so many door prizes that we almost didn't have enough time to draw them all. The first prize was even better than last year's – a 42" Samsung LCD TV.

As usual, the 50/50 draw was also very popular and the first prize went to chapter director Louis Pomeroy (1941), who led the grace before meal.

We owe this success to the experienced, dedicated and hard working organizing committee under the leadership of Peter Chan (1972), who actually could not attend the event in person that evening due to extraordinary circumstances. We all look forward to another great party next year, hopefully with an improved seating plan.



Greeting arriving old boys & guests at reception



Line dancing led by Thomas Tam (1963)



Having a good time!



Long time no see!



北美風沙 The North American LaSallians

Feb 2010



More dancing!



Johnson Ng (1963) performing.



The King – Peter Lau (1969)



Gloria, keeper of former chapter president Michael L.F. Yuen (1974) drawing a lucky ticket.



The grand price & other prizes.



Happy New Year!



San Francisco

San Francisco Chapter Spring Dinner Dance Party - "Hollywood Theme"

Happy New Year, LaSallians! I hope all of you are on to a great start for the new year. This year's annual dinner is going to be grand and fun, and you don't want to miss it.

2010 is an important year to all of us. It isn't only because of the World Cup in June, it's because the San Francisco Bay Area Chapter will be the proud host of the 2010 LSCOB Global Reunion. To kick off 2010 in style, we are hosting a **Hollywood-themed dance party** for our 9th annual dinner gathering. The evening's program will include a 3-course meal, raffle drawing, and hours of dancing. Everything is in place awaiting your graceful presence!

La Salle & Friends Celebrating 9th Annual Dinner: The Hollywood Dance Party

Saturday, March 6, 2010

Marriott Pleasanton

11950 Dublin Canyon Road

Pleasanton, CA 94588

6:00p Registration & Cash Bar

7:00p Program Commences

Cocktail Attire, Hollywood-themed

Adult \$50

12 & Under \$25

Old Boys currently in Undergraduate Studies \$30

We invite all local old boys and out-of-town guests to celebrate with us at this event. Please contact 2010info@lscobasf.com or call Ephrem Fung at 408-202-7313 to register.

Vancouver

Chinese New Year Dinner

Date: Thursday, February 11, 2010

Venue: Renfrew Dim Sum Seafood Restaurant

(炳勝風味大酒家)

1800 Renfrew St, Vancouver (near East 2nd Ave),

Phone# 604-215-1800

Time: 7:00 p.m

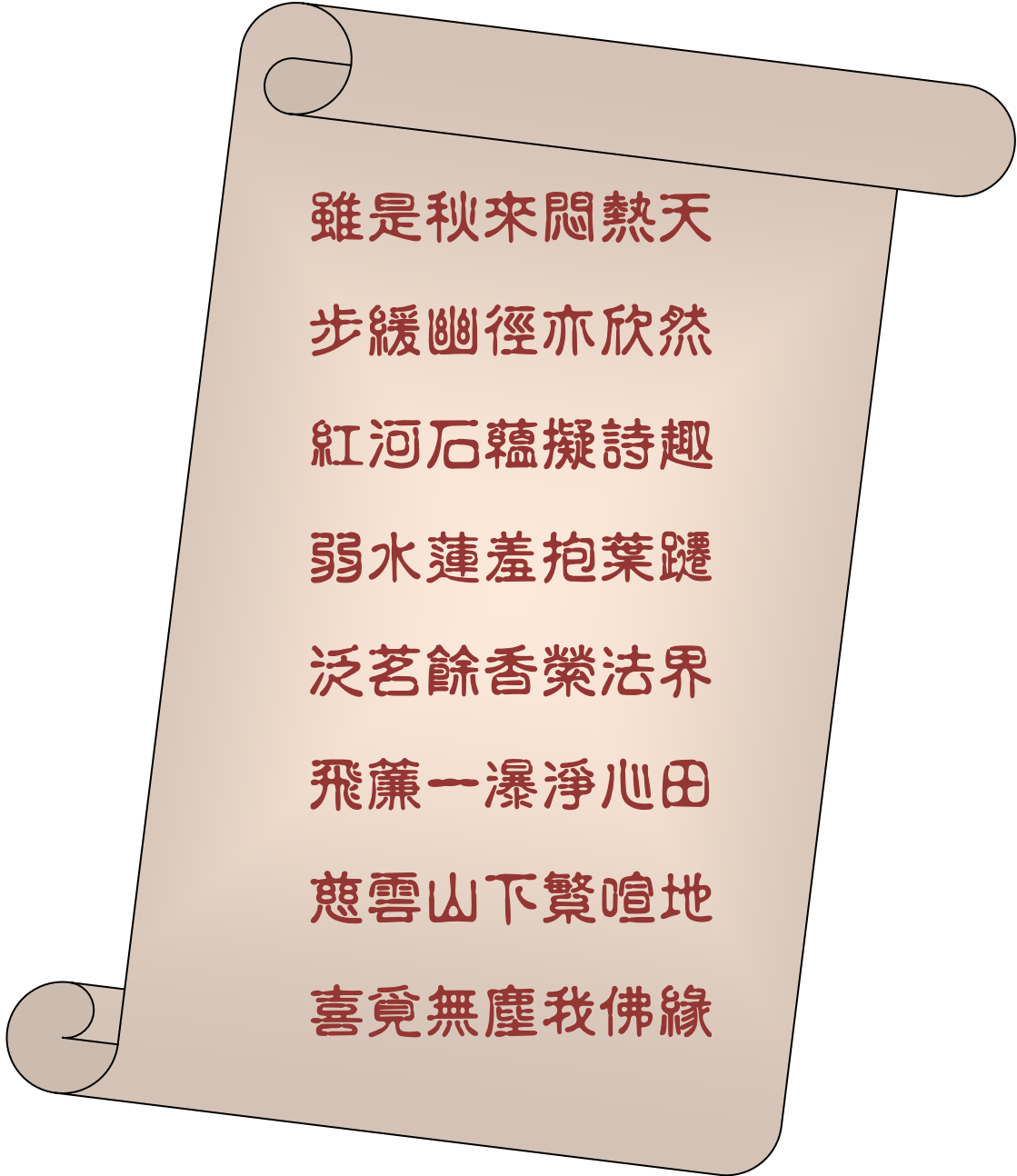
RSVP: Joseph Ng email: josephkmng@yahoo.com



Life Update

Michael Yuen (1974)

去年秋回港，初到中環國際金融中心一逛，驚嘆其之金玉巍峨，又失怯於熙攘男女，寶馬雕車，茫茫然大都會之繁囂。翌日到志蓮淨苑，繞步南蓮園池，心神一曠。始知紙醉迷城，慈雲山下，尚有一漂寒清，半畝禪香，喜幸為港人心靈綠洲，試以七律寄意。



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弱水蓮羞抱葉躑
泛茗餘香滎法界
飛簾一瀑淨心田
慈雲山下繁喧地
喜覓無塵我佛緣

源禮藩(74)



VISIT TO HONG KONG
December 2009 – January 2010

William Lai (1961)

My wife, Vivien, and I visited Hong Kong for a family wedding. During the stay, I had the opportunity to attend two functions involving La Salle Old Boys.

The first was a joint Happy Hour of Maryknoll Convent School former students and La Salle Old Boys, held at the Lusitano Club in Central on Friday, December 19. Apparently this social gathering occurs semi-regularly, but I had never been to one. I was informed of this occasion before we left Edmonton and was encouraged to attend if possible. Upon arrival at the Club, I did not know anyone there, including OBs. But I was quickly made welcomed and included into the group. There was also an instant rapport with the Maryknoll participants, which points up the unique relationship between La Salle boys and Maryknoll girls. Interactions between and among those present were very lively. It was a very enjoyable evening.



From right: Henrique Souza (1965), William Lai (1961) and two Maryknoll Convent School former Students, Lani Sinawi and Helena Nguyen.

On January 8, I was invited to a lunch gathering with about 20 OBs from my era (early 60s). Apparently this group meets regularly. Ronnie Poon, my F5 classmate who had also visited us in Edmonton in 2008, was the prime mover behind this luncheon to time it to coincide with my stay in Hong Kong. Yip Kim Hung, Honorary President of the Edmonton Chapter now residing in Vancouver, was also present. I did not know everyone there, and many were not from my class or graduation year, but I did reconnect with a couple of old classmates.



seated from left:
Yip Kim Hung (62), Ip Moon Wai (61), Ronnie Poon (61),
William Lai (61), K.K. Wong (62), Yip Kam Kong ((61),
Tang Kam Hong (60), Poon Wai Chau (62);

standing from left:
Dennis Ho Chung Kuen (61), James Ho Kam Cheong (61),
Lau Yin Yue (61).



seated from left:
William Lai (61), Chan Yin Fat (62), Chan Ho Fung (61),
Tang Kam Hong (60), Dennis Ho Chung Kuen (61);

standing from left:
Peter Kimpton Wong (61), Thomas Leung (62), Poon Wai Chau (62),
Lau Yin Yue (61), James Ho Kam Cheing (61), Yip Yam Kong (61),
Ip Moon Wai (61), K.K. Wong (62), Ronnie Poon (61),
Fung Man Fai (61), Michael Wong (62), Ho Fook Shu (61).



News Clip

I find this article in MingPao (明報) Hong Kong January 24, 2010. The content is very inspiring especially for those new and young graduates. Thus I submit to the newsletter and hope to share this good read with you.

Calvin Chan (1971)

最大網上鞋店總裁：快樂是成功之本

【明報專訊】一名婦人的丈夫在全球最大網上鞋店 Zappos 訂購鞋子，剛收到貨品便過身了。妻子致電公司詢問可否退貨，要求獲接納之餘，更收到顧客服務員自發送來的鮮花。Zappos 行政總裁謝家華 (Tony) 表示，員工投入工作是因為工作愉快，而令員工和客人開心，正是 Zappos 的成功之道。

初創廣告公司 後賣微軟

香港當代文化中心一連 3 日舉辦「MaD 全會」，昨日請來美籍台灣人 Tony 在內的 3 名企業家分享創業心得。Tony 在哈佛大學修讀電腦科學時於宿舍創立薄餅速遞公司，後與友人成立廣告網絡商 LinkExchange，但他漸漸發現早上不願起牀上班，「這裏不再是個好玩的地方」，遂把公司以 2.65 億美元賣給微軟。那年他才 24 歲。

以前工作為賺錢，現在錢已足夠讓 Tony 一世不用工作，他於是開始反思工作的意義。他發現，人生目標無論是健康、置業還是覓得合適伴侶，最終都是為了快樂，既然如此，工作時何不讓自己開心一點？

那時 Tony 與友人成立公司投資及協助新興網絡公司，1999 年開始為成立兩個月的 Zappos 擔任顧問。雖然鞋店 99 年總銷售額幾乎是零，但 Tony 覺得公司「好玩」之餘亦具潛力，00 年轉為全職打理。Zappos 在他領導下，銷售額由 00 年的 160 萬美元升至 08 年逾 10 億美元。

訂貨翌日即到 一年內可退貨

Tony 的領導重點是提升服務質素，公司 10 個「核心價值」之首正是「服務要好得令人嘩然」(Deliver WOW Through Service)。Zappos 每天 24 小時都有顧客服務員接聽熱線，美國本土郵遞全免，大部分顧客在訂購翌日便收到貨。Zappos 更設有 365 日退貨政策，即客人如果對貨品不是百分百滿意，可於 1 年內獲原銀奉還，在美國退貨的郵遞亦全免。Tony 表示，他們的成功就是靠客人購物開心而向親友宣傳，建立口碑。

怪招確保員工熱愛工作

Tony 說，員工工作愉快，對服務質素非常重要，要做到這點，「員工不要把工作視為工作、事業，而是一種感召」。因此，應徵者要接受「文化適合度面試」(cultural fit interview)，看看是否合乎公司「創造趣味與一點趣怪」(create fun and a little weirdness) 等核心價值。獲聘者接受為期 4 星期的有新培訓後，可選擇收取 2000 美元離開，確保留下來的都是因為熱愛工作而不是單單為錢。

面對台下一沓準備踏入社會的年輕人，Tony 說，如果你願意不收一分錢但熱心投入一份工作 10 年，那就是適合你的工作，「追隨你的理念，錢、顧客、合作伙伴，自然隨之而來。」

明報記者 雷樂行



A Christmas Letter

Dear Editors

Please forward my appreciation to Mr. Kan Man Fai for his articles about his LSP school days. Just want to let Kan Man Fai know that I also came from the Tak Sun (德信) Primary School (100% Chinese school in Austin Rd). I was in P4 in 1958 (did Kan Man Fai and I knew each other then?) I still remember the class gathering bell that our headmistress at Tak Sun pulled when recess was over and we all had to freeze before the second bell sounded again at the playground. I also remembered following our teacher to her home at the Sau Chuk Yuen Rd (In Kowloon City) before I joined LSP in 1959 as a repeat for P4 (just started learning ABCD in the Chinese school and so have to repeat P4 at LSP).

Great article and carry on. Thanks for bring up the memories.

David Wong Wan-Keung (1967)

Dear Dave,

I am sure Calvin would not mind that I reply directly to you. Since my school cert year was 1966 and yours 1967, I am sure we have seen each other both at Tak Sun and in La Salle.

Thank you for reading my garble on the news letter. Calvin and the editors are doing a great job with the newsletter to bring us together again, those of us who grew up under the same sky, on the same playgrounds, etc. If my writing jogs your memory, please join in and share some of your thoughts or experiences. I am sure the editors would like to hear from more contributors. I know there are many who are reading and enjoying the newsletter but have not said anything. (Somebody actually stopped me in Sai Wan Ho 西灣河 (!) and introduced himself as another old boy and told me he read and knew me from the Global Newsletter. Isn't that wonderful, Calvin?)

Good to hear from another La Salle boy who came through Tak Sun. Yes I remember the strange bell system: we were supposed to freeze at the first bell, unfreeze at the second. The nuns were pretty scary for me. They were Canadian nuns. I still don't know what denomination. The Canadian nuns later sold Tak Sun to Opus Dei, which now still runs Tak Sun.

I also did visit a Tak Sun Teacher at home when I was there: but on a side street close to Tin Kwong Road. Yes, those were the days when students visited teachers at their homes. Do they still do it?

At that time, I always thought Tak Sun 德信 was somehow related to Good Hope 德望, girls there.

Many of my classmates at La Salle came from Tak Sun. It must have something to do with Brother Henry having a good relationship with the nuns.

Judging from your email address, you may have something to do with Edmonton Power. If that is the case, you might have gone to the University of Alberta. And if you did, we might have been college-mates at U.A. Or, at least you will be interested to know that I have lived in Edmonton. I was at U.A. between 1970 and 1975. And then I was with Treasury Department of the Alberta Government for a few years before moving to Vancouver.

Everly yours,

KMF

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Editorial board



School News

Excerpts from <http://www.lasalle.edu.hk>

2010-01-07

2009 Hong Kong Youth Music Interflows

Our Chinese Orchestra has captured the **Gold Prize in the Chinese Orchestra Contest (31-90members) of the 2009 Hong Kong Youth Music Interflows**. The team members would like to thank their teacher advisors, **Mr Christian Wan, Mr Fong Kai Io**, and their conductor, **Mr Ng Chiu Shing**, for their invaluable guidance and support.



Our Wind Band has captured the **Gold Prize in the Symphonic Band Contest - Intermediate of the 2009 Hong Kong Youth Music Interflows**. The team members would like to express their gratitude to their teacher advisors, **Mr Christian Wan, Mr Jim Sin, Ms Sina Lo**, and their conductor, **Mr Ngai Lung Shing**, for their invaluable guidance and support.

2010-01-28

Interschool Individual Squash Competition 2009-2010

Congratulations to our students who have achieved remarkable results in the Interschool Individual Squash Competition 2009-2010:

Grade A Champion - Fung Ngo Long Ivan (6A)

Grade C Champion - Tse Man Ho (2F)

Grade C Second - Lo Cheuk Hin, Chris (2C)

HKOI 2010

The Computer Team would like to announce that the following students have captured marvellous results in the Hong Kong Olympiad in Informatics (HKOI) 2010.

Senior Group:

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| Gold Medal | Wong Man Lok (6C) | Wong Ka Chung (7B) | | |
| Silver Medal | Lo Jing Hoi (5C) | Yu Tak Hei (5C) | Cheung Lap Chung (6B) | Lee Ting Cheung (6B) |
| Bronze Medal | Yu Ho Long (6B) | Shum Chun Ming (7B) | | |

Junior Group:

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| Bronze Medal | Lee Cheuk Him (3A) | Wong Ngo Hei (4C) | Ng Cheuk Sing (4F) |
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La Salle College

Overall First Runner-up

They would like to thank their teacher advisors Mr. Gary Ho and Mr. Martin Ma for their invaluable guidance and support.

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