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## School News

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### Clean Sweep: La Salle College Orchestra's Win Gold's



The La Salle College **Symphony Orchestra, String Orchestra, and Wind Orchestra** all came first each winning the Gold Prize for their respective sections in the Hong Kong Youth Music Interflows 2010 on the weekend. This is the first time both our Symphony Orchestra and String Orchestra won these prizes. **La Salle Primary School Symphony**

**Orchestra** also won their section in the same competition.



## Merry Christmas

## Reminders

### Edmonton

#### Monthly Dim Sum Gathering

Date/Time noon Dec 3, 2010 (every first Friday)

Venue Urban China Restaurant

潮樓大酒樓

10604-101 Street

#### Christmas Party

Date/Time Saturday Dec 11, 2010

Time 6:00 pm – 9:00 pm

Venue Finnagan's Bistro Bar & Billiards

Contact [calvin@lscobaedm.org](mailto:calvin@lscobaedm.org)

### Southern California

#### Monthly Dim Sum Gathering

Date/Time 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

### Toronto

#### New Year Eve Dinner

Date Friday December 31, 2010

Time 7:30 pm – 1:00 am

Venue Century Palace Chinese Restaurant  
世紀皇宮大酒樓

398 Ferrier Street, Markham

Cost \$68/person

Please contact any of the directors.

## About this newsletter

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Toronto	Felix Leung (1985), Jimmy Chang (1966)
East Coast (USA)	Christopher Tse (1965), Peter Lai (1967)

Southern California	Eddie Shek (1985)
San Francisco Bay Area	Ephrem Fung (1976)
Edmonton	Calvin Chan (1971)



## Chapter News

### Edmonton

#### LaSallian Extraordinaire, Mr. Bill S.H. Wong (1966)

William Lai (1961)



Bill was a founding member of the LSCOB Edmonton Chapter which was officially formed in 1990. He has represented the Edmonton Chapter in all LSCOB Global Reunions, the most recent being the one in San Francisco in July of this year. Bill was elected Sports Director in 1996 and then served as Chapter Secretary from 1998 till now.

After completing a remarkable career of over 30 years as an Occupational Health and Safety Officer with the Government of Alberta, Bill has retired from his office. To mark the occasion, the Edmonton Chapter hosted a party to celebrate Bill's career and innumerable achievements in and outside of the civil service. The party banquet, held on November 13,

2010 at the Dynasty Century Palace Restaurant in Edmonton, was attended by over 70 people. Besides the usual gang of local LaSallians and spouses, guests included Bill's associates from various social, sporting and volunteer groups with which Bill has been involved through the years. These groups were the Edmonton Express Soccer Club, the Charger Football Club, and his golf buddies. His beloved family members were, of course, also in attendance. They were: his wife, Debbie; his son, Mathew; daughter, Tammy with husband, Scott and their son, Lachlan and daughter, Keva; daughter, Yena; and nephew, Tony Lee with his wife, Karen.

The evening was a fun-filled one, with two stage shows. The first skit was a spoofy parody of Bill's career in workplace health and safety enacted by an actress dressed in protective work clothes feigning a "close" working relationship with Bill and serenading him with Frankie Valli's "Can't Take My Eyes Off You", emphatically crooning "Oh, pretty baby, don't bring



(L-R) Tony, Karen, Mathew, Bill, Debbie, Scott, Tammy and Yena with Lachlan and Keva at the front

me down, ....and let me love you, baby". She concluded her segment by leading the singing of "He's a Jolly Good Fellow" in which the entire party whole-heartedly participated.

The main entertainment event of the evening featured fellow LaSallian Dr. Peter Chiu (1967) and his wife, Anninna. On this night, Peter became a cross between Carrot Top and Jay Leno. His stand-up comic tribute to Bill consisted of a continuous series of one-liners and penetrating jokes that reflected on Bill's achievements as well as personal attributes that had brought much joy and fellowship to family and friends alike. Peter's routine was tear-jerkingly hilarious. In the process of delivering his jokes Peter would pull out a prop caricaturing the point of the humour, à la Carrot Top. Not forgotten were





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Bill's prospective activities which he will have all the time in the world to do after his retirement. In this spirit, Peter presented Bill not only with some golf-related materials and advice, but also a manual on *Sex After 60*, a humungous Viagra, and a bed pan.

As a side bar, everyone present came away with the common belief that Peter would have a bright future in comedy should he tire of or finish with doctoring people. We were witnessing another Russell Peters in the making.

Other tributes were delivered by fellow LaSallians and former classmates, Louis Chan, Mike Kwong, Peter Chiu, Michael Lee, Calvin Chan, Football Club Coach, Mr. Dale Manko, and Bill's nephew, Tony. The themes of the tributes resonantly attested to Bill's generosity, selflessness, dedication, and



voluntarism in extending a helping hand where needed, in being passionately involved in community endeavours, and in executing his duties with competence and compassion. The consensus was that the so-called "retirement" merely meant for Bill the continuation of a rewarding life characterised by further fulfillment and accomplishment.

Following the slapstick performances was a slideshow, engineered by our esteemed Chapter President, Calvin Chan, on the life and times of Bill up to this point. There were many highlights of this chronicle, documenting Bill's successes in various fields, including pioneering the art of refereeing a soccer game from the comfort of a lawn chair.

In his response address, Bill thanked his fellow LaSallians and

associates for holding this memorable event and for the words spoken by those who paid tribute to him. He expressed his particular appreciation for the support of his wife, Debbie, children and other family members.

A magnificent time was had by all, and we all wish Bill and Debbie all the best in a thriving new chapter in their lives.

*Acknowledgement: This article was authored by William Lai with assistance from Nick Domingo and Joe Alano.*



More pictures and video clips are available at the following url:

<http://www.lscobaedm.org/gallery/v/Bill+Wong+retirement+party/>

<http://picasaweb.google.com/joealano88/BillsRetirementCelebration?authkey=Gv1sRgCPfAkLLw6Zn3kAE&feat=email#>

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Fellow LaSallians



Friends from Charger Football Club



Friends from Edmonton Express Soccer Club



Golf Buddies



A card signed by everybody



Packed function room





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## Southern California

### Walk for Hope 2010

LSCOA Southern California Chapter has formed a team to participate in the Walk for Hope 2010 ([http://nationalevents.cityofhope.org/site/PageNavigator/walk\\_landing](http://nationalevents.cityofhope.org/site/PageNavigator/walk_landing)) organized by City of Hope on November 7, 2010 (Sunday) in Duarte. This is the 6th straight year of our Chapter's participation.

The purpose of the event was to support women's cancer treatment, research and education. Funding research is the only way to improve treatments and find ways to prevent and ultimately cure this disease. City of Hope has made much progress and we are proud to be a part of their work.

We had 20 participants for the 5K walk and have raised a total of \$2615 so far. The weather was beautiful and everyone had a good exercise through the heart of City of Hope's Duarte campus and its neighborhood for a good cause and enjoyed the entertainment, sponsor booths and giveaways.

The event ended at around noon and the team joined our Dim Sum regulars at Empress Harbor Seafood Restaurant in Monterey Park right after the walk.

Thanks to all team members and contributors. Special thanks to President Raymond Ho (our top fundraiser again), Class of '66 Maureen and Anthony Luk, Eunice and Stephen Ng, Vivian and David Sin, Diana and Stephen Chiu, Peter Chan and all those who couldn't join the walk but sponsored and fully supported our team. We are looking forward to your support again next year.







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## Visits from Joseph Chennault 陳飛虎 ('61) and Ronnie Poon ('61)

Joseph Chennault ('61) from San Francisco visited Los Angeles with his wife Cora. Joseph is the son of General Claire Chennault, Commander of the Flying Tigers in World War II.

Stanley Ng ('61) hosted a dinner on October 29 at 888 Seafood Restaurant in Rosemead. Everyone present had a great time. Joseph talked about his good old days in the old Perth Street campus. He was one of the handful of students who were boarding in the campus and his 6'2" height was the second tallest among all students, teachers, and brothers. He also remembered that Bruce Lee challenged him to fight. Luckily he avoided the fight and lived to brag about it.

We had such a good time that we decided to have dim sum lunch on Sunday. At that time, another LSC standout, Ronnie Poon ('61), also a good friend of Joseph would arrive from Hong Kong.



Dinner on October 29.

Back: Peter Chan ('67), K. K. Wong ('62), Sampson Chan '75), Ben Ng ('62), Felix Chan ('63)  
Front: Patrick Lau ('61), Joseph Chennault ('61), Mrs. Chennault, Mrs. Stanley Ng, Stanley Ng ('61)



Lunch on October 31.

Back: Peter Chan ('67), K. K. Wong ('62), Stanley Ng ('61), Patrick Lau ('61), Wellington Chan ('58)  
Front: Ronnie Poon ('61), Joseph Chennault ('61), Mrs. Chennault, Joseph's son and girlfriend.

K. K. Wong ('62) hosted the dim sum lunch on October 31 at Empress Harbor Seafood Restaurant in Monterey Park. K. K. and Ronnie were very close because they represented LSC in many track meets and together they won a lot of medals for the school. Joseph and Ronnie were so happy to meet each other again such a long time. We had an excellent time that we were the very last table to leave the restaurant.



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## Toronto Chapter

### Fall Mah Jong Tournament 2010

The Fall Mahjong Tournament was held on Saturday 13th November 2010 with over 20 players. The tournament was based on Cantonese mahjong rules, but 4 of the players deliberately broke off and played the game according to Taiwanese rules. As our chapter always welcomes new chemistry and input to better serve and entertain our members, this departure sparked the idea to hold our next mahjong tournament planned of March 2011 to be played to Taiwanese rules.

This was the second mahjong tournament held in 2010 and this time we were glad to have Tony Pomeroy (71) leading a troop of 71ers to participate. His classmate Paul Khoo also picked a nice red wine to go with our dinner that evening after the tournament.

John Yeung (73) was the only old boy left in the final round and he finished in third place. Well Done, John, you saved our day (face)! First and second places went to guest players Victoria Shum and Janet Choy (defending Champion) respectively.

Special thanks go to our event organizer and Vice President, Danny Au Yeung (67), who did not play but arranged all the logistics during the course of the afternoon, including venue and menu. 7 hours of mahjong would not have been as much fun of all players without Danny's good work.

Kudos also go to our referees, Danny Au Yeung (67) and Paul Wong (73). Paul also arranged for the trophies for the tournament.

At our last Directors' Meeting, it was agreed that our next mahjong meet will be held along with our Spring Dinner on 6th March, 2011. Mark your calendars, and see you then.



**Mini Class of 71 Reunion:**  
**Back: Ambrose Wong, Paul Khoo, Charles Yap, Paul Au**  
**Front: Andrew Chan, Tony Pomeroy, Sam Cheung**



**Janet Choy (1st runner up and last year Champion),**  
**John Yeung, 73 (2nd runner up), Kevin Kwok, 88 (event assistant),**  
**Danny Au Yeung (VP and Event Organizer),**  
**Victoria Shum (Champion), Stilina Lam (3rd runner up)**

