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Anniversary

This is the 25th issue of The North American LaSallians since its inaugural release on February 1, 2009 meaning that the newsletter entering its third year of existence. The members of the Newsletter Committee would like to thank you for your support without which this newsletter cannot survive. It is important that you continue your support by

- introducing the newsletter to more fellow school mates and inviting them to subscribe
- supplying newsletter materials such as photos and articles to make it a true old-boys' newsletter

Please send your comments, feedback and contributions to editors@lscobaedm.org.

Reminders

Please see Chapter News for more details

Edmonton

Super Bowl Party

Date Sunday Feb 6, 2011
Time 4:00 pm – 8:00 pm
Venue Finnagans Bistro, Bar and Billiards
13560 – Fort Road

AGM / Annual Spring Dinner

Date Saturday March 26, 2011
Time AGM - 6:00 pm
Dinner – 7:00pm
Venue To be determined

Monthly Dim Sum Gathering

Date Feb 4, 2011 (every first Friday)
Time noon
Venue Urban China Restaurant
潮樓大酒樓
10604-101 Street

San Francisco Bay Area

Annual Spring Dinner

Date: Saturday, February 26, 2011
Time: 5pm - 10pm
Venue: Fu Lam Mum Restaurant
153 Castro St Mountain View

Southern California

Annual Spring Dinner

Date: February 12, 2011 (Saturday)
Time: Reception Starts at 6:00 pm
Dinner Starts at 7:00 pm
Venue: East Gourmet Seafood Restaurant
慶相逢海鮮酒家
8118A E Garvey Ave Rosemead
(626) 288-9128

Monthly Dim Sum Gathering

Date every first Sunday
Time noon to 2 pm
Venue Empress Harbor Seafood Restaurant
111 N. Atlantic Blvd., 3/F, Monterey Park

Toronto

Joint School Valentine's Ball

Date Saturday February 12, 2011
Time 6:30 pm – midnight
Venue Sheraton Parkway (Hwy 7 & Leslie)

Vancouver

Chinese New Year Dinner

Date Wednesday, Feb 9, 2011 (初七日)
Time 7:00 pm
Venue Shanghai River Restaurant
7831 Westminster Hwy, Richmond
(滬江海派料理) (604) 233-8885



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Lasallian Focus

A documentary film about La Salle College was uploaded to YouTube about two months ago. This has aroused the attention of many among the La Salle community.

We are thankful to Master Tang Kar Kiu (鄧嘉翹), a current La Salle student from class 5D, who took time, despite busily preparing for his exams, to write to inform us the efforts behind this film. He will continue to write to this newsletter in the next few months. We shall first introduce the Campus TV Production Team based on our communications with him.

Editors

The La Salle Campus TV Production Team was formed April 2004 and they have set the goal to become the best team in Hong Kong when they are celebrating their 10th Anniversary.

Master Ryan Chu, a current Form 6 student of La Salle, is the current Chairman and oversees the administration side of the team. Master Tang Kar Kiu, a current Form 5 student of La Salle, is the Vice-chairman overseeing the production side of team. Tang is actually the cameraman and editor of the documentary film about La Salle College now available at YouTube. The URL of this documentary is <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CAI8Y2os0dY>

The team logo has two versions as shown below for use in different environment. Either one will be used in this newsletter in subsequent issues to highlight notices from the Campus TV Team.



In November 2010, the team has launched a YouTube channel known as **Lasallian Focus** (Isfocus in short). They will regularly update the channel with new videos. The highlight program of the channel is **Focus on Sports** featuring interschool competitions. A new episode will be produced every month except January – the exam month. Readers of this newsletter are urged to give these young kids their full support by visiting the channel often and frequently.

Currently, two episodes had been uploaded and they were the November and December episodes. The following are links to these episodes:

Focus on Sports November Part 1 of 3: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pD4YvEsntyE>

Focus on Sports November Part 2 of 3: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=X97CdrItrw8&feature=related>

Focus on Sports November Part 3 of 3: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zKQxs4rYq8&feature=related>

Focus on Sports December Part 1 of 6: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rinECOqr0mw&feature=related>

Focus on Sports December Part 2 of 6: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1dRhAOufJUc&feature=related>

Focus on Sports December Part 3 of 6: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1cfZUAMdkds&feature=related>

Focus on Sports December Part 4 of 6: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uph561mSMdQ&feature=fvw>

Focus on Sports December Part 5 of 6: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pg7zv44rGQ&feature=related>

Focus on Sports December Part 6 of 6: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rbGNZQtUe30&feature=related>

There are other videos produced by the team on the YouTube channel.



Chapter News

Southern California

LSCOBASouthern California Chapter Downey Rose Float Decoration

Anthony Luk (1966)

On Thursday evening, December 30, 2010, a group of LSCOBASouthern California Chapter members and their families assembled at the Downey Rose Float construction site in the City of Downey. We were anxious to gain first-hand experience in decorating the float sponsored by the Downey Rose Float Association (DRFA). The organization was founded in 1952 and has continuously entered a float to the Tournament of Roses since 1955.

Downey's entry is one of six floats which come under the parade classification of self-built. Its float has earned the distinction of completely financed, constructed and decorated through voluntary contributions and help. The 2011 Rose Parade theme was "Building Dreams, Friendships & Memories" and the DRFA's float was named "A Stroll Down Memory Lane." You can sense our excitement in participating in this community effort.

Johnson Chao (Class '95) led the group and we looked at the float in its existing framework of a long courtyard with a gazebo and notional floral arrangements from a design picture. Johnson then talked to Ernie, one of the float supervisors. She took our entire group of 15 to decorate the rails that would be placed on the camera side of the float. Our tasks involved: (1) separating the dendrobium orchids from their branches, (2) applying floral glue delicately from the end of the stem upward to the central petal, and (3) pasting the orchids along ten curvilinear rails.



Johnson and David Li (Class '95) started to select and remove the most vibrant dendrobium orchids from their packages. They also placed the flowers in an orderly manner in boxes so that the ensuing application of the floral glue could be performed with minimal human contact.

Four ladies and a young man volunteered to apply the floral glue from the end of stem upward to the central petal of a detached orchid. They were Diana Chiu, wife of Stephen (Class '63), Maureen Luk, wife of Anthony (Class '66), Karen Tsang, wife of Johnny (Class '82), Joanna, sister of Johnson and Joe, her friend. Ernie warned that the floral glue would get dry and clumpy in five minutes. Diana is a practitioner of Chinese painting – the technique of her brush strokes worked. The others soon got the hang of it and applied the glue smoothly on the soft petal without bruising any part of the flower. Ernie would give us additional directions when needed.





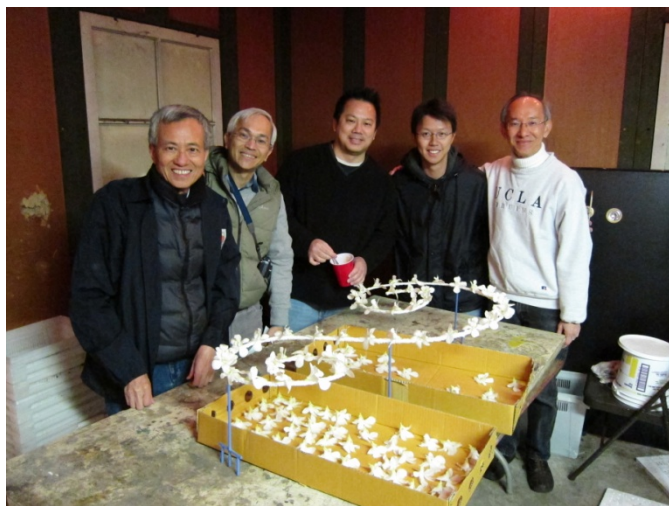
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Pasting the individual orchids to a rail so that they would flow naturally was another challenge. Each curvilinear rail had been coated with a layer of rice. Christopher Lee (Class '84), See See, his wife and their three daughters took charge of this process. Soon Stephen and Johnny joined the effort when extra space became available. Anthony moved between tasks in coordinating the inventory supply. After Ernie was satisfied with our "apprenticeship," she gave him the overall instructions when to take our end products back to the float construction warehouse.

Within two hours, some of us interchanged tasks. Johanna and Joe finished pasting one rail in record time. We added one more step for QA (quality assurance). Marisela, a Latina lady who had been a volunteer for the DRFA for a number of years, patiently inspected each orchid on a product rail. See See and Lindsay worked hard on the touchups. Johnny's "wind tunnel" test got Ernie's nod. Stephen even took a can of glue and a brush to the staging area where our end products laid for his final QA.

We completed our tasks in three hours – a total of 45 hours of combined effort. You can see the happy faces in the pictures. While we were working, hundreds of volunteers showed up and began in earnest to place thousands and thousands of various flowers on the float. Everybody enjoyed the process tremendously.



On New Year Day, we discovered that the Rose Tournament had awarded the Lathrop K. Leishman trophy for the most beautiful entry from a non-commercial sponsor to the Downey Rose Float 2011. We are elated that we had played a tiny part and shared the pride of City of Downey. We can certainly mark that down in our memory lane.





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Southern California

Annual Spring Dinner

Chinese New Year is just around the corner and that means it is almost time for our Chapter's annual Spring Dinner. At the LSCOB Southern California Chapter Year of the Rabbit Spring Dinner 兔年春茗, we will have lion dance, raffle drawing, games, karaoke and other fun activities throughout the evening. Of course, you will enjoy the happiness when we old boys get together. Bring your family and friends too. We look forward to seeing you there!

DATE: February 12, 2011 (Saturday)
TIME: Reception Starts at 6:00 pm
Dinner Starts at 7:00 pm
LOCATION: East Gourmet Seafood Restaurant 慶相逢海鮮酒家
8118A E Garvey Ave Rosemead, CA 91770
(626) 288-9128
COST: Adult \$38
Student/Child \$25

RSVP to Mr. Thomas Tsui ('95) at tsuisk@hotmail.com or (626) 757-4262 before February 5 (Saturday).



**LSCOB Southern California Chapter
ANNUAL SPRING DINNER 2011**

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8118A E Garvey Ave Rosemead, CA 91770
Tel: 626-288-9128

COSTS: Adult \$38
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RSVP: Please reply to Mr. Thomas Tsui at tsuisk@hotmail.com before 2/5/2011

Payment: Please send check payable to LSCOB to:
Mr. Thomas Tsui
471 W Duarte Road, Unit 221, Arcadia, CA 91007

Please note: If you are sending in checks for making reservation, please send it (postmark) no later than February 4, 2011 (Friday)

We will have karaoke, lion-dance and other fun activities throughout the evening. Of course, you will enjoy the fun and happiness when we old boys get together. An unbelievable evening awaits you. Family and friends are welcome. Seats are limited, please respond ASAP.



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Vancouver

Chinese New Year Dinner

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Place: Shanghai River Restaurant (滬江海派料理)
7831 Westminster Hwy, Richmond
(604) 233-8885
Cos: \$45 per person
RSVP: Joseph Ng (josephkmng@yahoo.com) or Victor Leung (vlfun@shaw.ca) by Feb 6, 2011

San Francisco Bay Area

Annual Spring Dinner

The LSCOBASan Francisco Bay Area Chapter will hold its Annual Spring Dinner on Saturday, February 26, 2011. All LaSallians are invited. If anyone happens to be in the San Francisco area, please join us in this festivity. We have a full program for that evening, including games, luck draw, guess speakers and of course, fine food. Details of the event are as follow:

Date: Saturday, February 26, 2011
Time: 5pm to 10pm
Venue: Fu Lam Mum Restaurant
153 Castro St
Mountain View, CA 94041
Costs: \$35/Adult,
\$15/Student,
\$15/Children from 5 to 14
RSVP: sf@lscoba.com or ephremfung@yahoo.com

Edmonton

Super Bowl Party

Date: Sunday February 6, 2011
Time: 4:00 pm – 8:00 pm
Venue: Finnagans Bistro, Bar and Billiards
13560 Fort Road
RSVP: Bill Wong billshwong@shaw.ca

AGM / Annual Spring Dinner

Date: Saturday March 26, 2011
Time: AGM – 6:00pm
Dinner – 7:00pm
Venue: to be determined



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Toronto

New Year Dinner

Kevin Kwok (1988)

During the first 2010 Toronto Chapter Directors meeting, the directors agreed to have another great New Year Eve Dinner on the 31st Dec 2010, and with an improved seating plan. We not only converted our words into action, we had the most successful dinner party with 450 old boys, family and guests at Century Palace Restaurant.

This year, we were very honoured by the presence of the presidents and representatives of the alumni associations of several Hong Kong secondary schools, viz. St Joseph College Hong Kong, St Joseph Anglo Chinese School, Sacred Heart Canossian College, St Francis Canossian College, St Paul's group of schools, and Salesian College. We were also graced with the attendance of our former teacher, Mr. Joseph Yu (formerly known as 余學燧). Their presence made the event so much more special.

Under the supervision of Peter Rodriguez (76) the table layout was the best in all the years, with lots of access aisles between tables. With the strong comeback of our veterans Joe Tang (71), Peter Chan (72) and Paul Wong (73), and new member Danny Leung (71) on the performance stage, the music was superb, another big improvement over last year. The atmosphere was excellent and the dancers were well disciplined even the dance floor was packed. Credit must be given to Thomas Tam (63), who led the line dancing that evening. As usual, we had a number of old boys performing as guest singers and our president, Jimmy Chang (66), also brought us the Class of 66 song 喇沙精神 (La Salle Spirit).



Countdown!



喇沙精神- La Salle Spirit brought to
you by Jimmy Chang (66) and fellow old boys



L - R: Liza Wang (Grand prize winner),
Edward Kwong (65), Jimmy Chang (66), President

Thanks to our generous donors, every guest had 2 table prizes to bring home. The grand prize, a 47" LCD TV, was the limelight of the event and it went to our guest, Liza Wang, guest of Edward Kong (65). The evening came to the climax with the 50/50 draw and our guest, Doris Lau, was the lucky winner of the first prize.

Our ex-director, Andy Mak (66), arrived at 11:30 p.m. to join us for the countdown. Andy had been absent at most of our chapter activities in recent year due to health reasons, and all were overjoyed that he could join us that evening. It was quite an emotional scene when we sang our school song again after countdown at Andy's request, the first time in 2011.

We thank the organizing committee and all those who helped



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for their very hard work to make this such a successful event – Stephen Leung (63), Danny Au Yeung (67), Peter Lau (70), Joe Tang (71), Peter Chan (72), Paul Wong (73), Peter Rodrigues (76), Gordon Tam (77), Felix Leung (85), Sebastian Hon (87), Kevin Kwok (88) and Chris Fong (94).



Kevin Kwok (88), Dominic Sim (ex- president of SJCOBA), Doris Lau (50/50 first prize winner) & Eisa Kwong (President of The Paulinians)



Seniors well taken care by the juniors
Gordon Tam (77), Johnny Yung (41), Willie Woo (85), Albert Ho (54)



Andy! Welcome back! We all missed you!



school song again with Andy Mak (66)



Floor manager, Peter Rodriguex (76) & Chapter President, Jimmy Chang (66)



Line dancing led by Thomas Tam (63)



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Danny Leung (71), Chris Fong (94), Joe Tang (71) with 2 guest dancers



Performing Group!

East Coast, USA

Invitation to the 2011 Chinese New Year Dinner & AGM

You are cordially invited to join fellow La Salle families to celebrate the year of the Rabbit and for the Annual General Meeting of all New York Chapter of the LSCOBAs

Once again, we are very pleased to be able to host the event at James Ng's (66) beautiful restaurant where we have conducted and celebrated many memorable events and occasions.



Date: Saturday, February 12th, 2011
Location: Orchid Chinese Restaurant
730 Franklin Avenue
Garden City, NY 11530
(516)742-1116
AGM: 4:30 - 6:30 pm
Dinner: 7:00 - 11:00 pm
Cost: **Members & Immediate Family:**
Adults: \$20.00 per person
Children (under 18): Free
Guests: \$40 per person
Menu: Cantonese Special



RSVP at <http://nylscoba.org> (You must login to RSVP) by February 5th, 2011. [**Note:** You can retrieve your user ID and password by clicking on the 'Forgot Login?' link under the Login Box on the left side of the page if you cannot find your user ID or remember your password]

Send us an email (2011CNY@nylscoba.org) if you need help with travel and accommodation arrangements, especially if you are travelling from outside the NY Metro Area.

Thank you and we hope to see you all at the event.

Sincerely,

Peter Lai





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School News

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



2011-01-26

La Salle Boys Selected for Hong Kong Team for the 2011 World Championship Public Speaking Competition

On Saturday, 22nd January, Benjamin Allen (6C) and Raphael Leung (6D) represented La Salle College in the Hong Kong Public Speaking Championships 2011. As the highest level public speaking competition in Hong Kong, the championship also served as the selection trial for the Hong Kong Public Speaking team for the 2011 World Championships in Brisbane later this year. After 8 hours of intensive competition, Benjamin Allen was awarded Champion, and both Benjamin and Raphael were selected for the Hong Kong Team to compete in Brisbane in April. Griffith Cheng, a former student of La Salle College, was also selected for the Hong Kong Team, thus 3 out of the 6 members (50%) of the Hong Kong Team will be LaSallians.

2011-01-26

Government Scholarships 2010/11 & 2011/12

Congratulations to

CHOW Tsz-fung

LAM Hoi-kin, Allan

LEUNG Chun-yue, Raphael

LO Jing-hoi

WONG Yiu-nam

for attaining the Government Scholarships 2010/11 & 2011/12 which are conferred to students who came first 40 in Hong Kong Certificate of Education Examination 2010.



About this newsletter

This newsletter is aimed at providing an electronic platform for communication among La Salle College old boys residing in North America. However, it shall not be used as a tool to promote any personal agenda. The editorial board therefore reserves the right to review and edit all submissions to ensure that no inappropriate contents appear in any issue of this newsletter. The editorial board also reserves the right to reject any submission that is not in line with the objective of this newsletter. Please send all your communications to editors@lscobaedm.org.

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