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今年十月中,香港喇沙書院舊生會舉行周年會員大會,暨內閣十六人及一位校友校董席位改選。熱烈之程度實在前所未見。兩內閣政綱及文宣均千錘百煉,雙方不乏各界翹楚及有識之士,亦有熱心校友安排兩候選內閣與四海校友作網上交流。海內外舊生積極參與,手上沒票的舊生也十分關心。 合共近三千會員一人一票選賢與能,當中千餘人投授權票,另外超過千五名校友晚上親身回母校投票,人數眾多,一度出現打蛇餅場面。



North American Lasallian 仝人謹祝賀各當選人。新內閣有最資深的七九年畢業,有最年輕的一七年畢業,也有海外回流的舊生。轄下各小組委員會均圖廣納百川,政綱之一乃「連結海外校友加強環球舊生網絡」;此特刊隨即誕生。

多得第一代主編 Calvin Chan (71)前輩多年筆耕,今日 North American Lasallian 總算能繼往開來。原編輯包括北美六大分會核心成員,今期特刊得香港總會牽頭連結海外校友加強環球舊生網絡, North American Lasallian 仝人略盡綿力,當仁不讓;更有世界各地其他城市的熱心舊生響應,將於香港北美及其他城市同時分發,前所未有,讓人振奮,我們深感欣慰。

只想讓大家知道,母校創校近一世紀,海外舊生對母校的支援 及連結從未間斷。處身全球化年代,各位他日身處彼邦,不妨 跟各聯絡人通一下消息。



Calvin Chan (71) and Victor Leung (77)

LSCOBA (Hong Kong)



Kent Lau (99) 劉錦德 President

Kent is the co-founder of an award-winning Technology PR agency. He also serves as the Chairperson of the alumni associations of Automation and Computer-aided Engineering and the Faculty of Engineering, Chinese University of Hong Kong, which he was involved in setting up and running the organizations for more than a decade. Kent believes the best way to serve our alma mater is leading the OBA to be Everyone's OBA, and the association would be even stronger with the concerted efforts of multi-generations of Lasallians. Kent also believes his dedication to the community would set up a good example to his young daughter.

Arnold Chan (06) 陳君洋

Vice President

Arnold is the Founder of an education NGO that serves underprivileged schools in Hong Kong. He is awarded Hong Kong's Top Outstanding Young Persons (2019) and Forbes 30 Under 30 (2019). He started his career at Goldman Sachs and obtained a MBA from Harvard Business School. He was often invited back to LSC for sharing and was interviewed by Lasallite. He was CCB chairman back in the high school days. Given his passion in youth development, he wants to be part of the team the leads an OBA that truly belongs to Old Boys, particulary the younger ones such that we can support current students better.

Kennex Chan (02)

陳奕勤 Honorary Secretary John Lam (04) Class of 2002, the current Honorary Secretary of the LSCOBA. Kennex pursued his studies in the United States upon graduating from La Salle College and is now a practicing lawyer. Kennex has practiced in various legal fields and has been passionately participating in volunteering services for La Salle and the society.

林上行 Honorary Treasurer John is currently a senior executive of a multinational telecommunications company. Prior to that he has been a management consultant for many years, focusing on strategy and technology. He hopes that he can help to transform OBA in a similar way as how has improved the performance of his client companies. Before the days of COVID-19, John used to spend half of his time away from Hong Kong for business trips around the world. Now he can utilize the travel time saved up to take care of OBA affairs as well as his one-year-old son, who is expecting to have a younger brother soon.

Stanley Shum (79) 沈志光 Committee member Having served the OBA as committee member for 14 years since 2006, Stanley was principally engaged in Student Affairs Subcommittee and had successfully implemented new projects including Job Shadowing programs, High Court visits, company visits, interview workshops and physiotherapy support to the LSC Athletics Team during his tenure, linking up old boys' expertise to benefit current students. Stanley was a banker and now a start-up entrepreneur. He is also an advisor to start-up businesses of young old boys (in personal capacity).

Paul Liu (87) 廖育榮 Committee member Paul served the Astronomy Society of La Salle College for many years. He gave many lectures not only to fellow Lasaillians but also to many other schools and universities over the years. With his extensive experience in student activities and his background in the legal field and the business field, Paul sincerely hopes that he can contribute more to his Alma Mater and the OBA.

Walter Cheung (88) 張明偉 Committee Walter is a Chartered Surveyor specializing in property development and assets management. Nicknamed "Water", but his heart is hot as fire. Amiable and full of good humour, Walter possesses all the qualities required to lead our recreation subcommittee. Good friends with many Lasallians, including his adolescent son who is now in LSC. Rest assured that activities under Walter will be family friendly!

Corum Chu (96) 朱國毅

member

Digital Marketer. University Lecturer. Marketing Psychologist. Graduated from HKUST for Marketing, Warwick for MBA, and CUHK for MA in Psychology. Regularly deliver talks in universities and organizations about digital marketing and social media. Manchester

Committee member

United Season Ticket Holder. Eligible bachelor.

Christopher Lee (98)

李卓穎 Committee

member

A communication designer, a father of two, and a Lasallian. Chris founded his design studio (www.noiseless-design.com) in 2011 and has been awarded internationally such as Germany, USA, Korea, Taiwan, and Hong Kong. He also lectured part-time in Caritas Bianchi College of Careers for the young designer students. One feat he holds secretly is that he scored every grade (from A to F) in HKCEE, that he regards himself as an all rounded student in an alternative manner, haha!

Kanne Leung (98)梁啟康 Committee member

Kanne was the Chinese editor in both the Publications Board and the Editorial Board back in the Good Old Days - you might visualize a "book guy" who enjoys writing. Rumours have it that he found his second life writing pieces during the election campaign. In his free time outside OBA, Kanne works as a lawyer specializing in equity capital market transactions. Proud father of three kids.

Jazzy Yu (98)余浚銘 Committee member

Jazzy is the co-founder of a retail footwear brand called House of Avenues in Hong Kong. Graduated from HKUST, majoring in Accounting and Finance, Jazzy spent 6 years in a Big 4 audit firm specialising in financial institute audit and financial due diligence on M&A transactions. During his time in LSC, Jazzy has served as a CCB sub-committee and played for LSC soccer team. Jazzy would like to reunite our old boys and help build the sense of belongings of the old boys by improving the governance of our OBA. With his face looking young, he is already a father of two sons.

Brian Tsang (02) 曾繁俊(高 佬)

Committee member

Inter-school B grade 400m gold medalist, inter-school A grade 400m hurdle bronze medalist, also a key player of inter-school A grade football champion team. Brian currently works in the trading industry. Upon graduation, Brian has been actively organizing sports events for old boys, such as the old boys' football team New Wembley and the LSC old boys' football team.

Jimmy Chau (04)周致虔 Committee member

Winson Lee

Jimmy is currently working as a programmer in Hong Kong, he enthusiasts in programming and technology - fortunate enough to have graduated from an overseas University - Basically a geek, he translates between Chinese, English and computer language, and is very interested in that, visit www.jimmychau.com

(05)李啟彰 Committee

member

Winson studied in Canada before persuing Medicine in Hong Kong and is now a Psychiatrist resident in public sector. He prescribes drugs and he reads minds. Thank You the Old Boys in Toronto Chapter for making his high school life a memorable one. Let's go Raptors!

Harry Wong (13)

黃家勇

Committee member

Harry cofounded the Hong Kong office of enactus.org, an international nonprofit that advocates social innovation among university students, and he also leads initiatives related to public space and community engagement. Experienced in connecting the dots for good, he hopes to reconnect detached old boys from different generations, starting with a mentorship program for all, and more to follow.

Kenny Fong Hello C-hings from worldwide, I am Kenny Fong, Class of 2017, and am the youngest (17) 方国中 Committee member Kennon Tam (98) 譚仲麟 Alumni

Manager, IMC

committee member. Bringing new blood into OBA and rebuild the connection of all the alumni from La Salle is my mission. We hope young alumni will not be the missing puzzle in OBA in the future, and I hope we can build it back.

Kennon is the elected Alumni Manager who will sit as Old Boys' representative in the Incorporated Management Committee of the College. Besides bringing the voices of old boys into the School Management, he will also collaborate closely to work with the OBA Committee, in particular in preparing for the College to celebrate its 90th anniversary. Working till very late in school is nothing new to Kennon, since he has spent at least a multiple of evenings per year in school campus, to coach and train students in Debating Team.

Toronto Chapter



Spring Dinner 2019, to celebrate the HK Interschool Athletics

Meet Overall Championship



Senior old boys



New generations

By the mid 70s, more and more old boys immigrated from HK to Toronto with their families, including young professionals, businessmen, and even retirees. As such, with the blessing of Brother Raphael and members of the La Salle Old Boys' Association, the Toronto OBA was formed in 1986.

Today the Toronto Chapter has over 500 members in our membership database, including some who have since migrated back to Hong Kong or gone on to other corners of the world.

Toronto is the most populous city in Canada with diversified cultural and language groups. Quite a few fine universities are within reach. The Beautiful Niagara Falls, Ottawa and Montreal are just a few hours drive away.

Regular activities include Mahjong Tournament/Spring Dinner, La Salle Day Dinner, soccer game, table tennis game, various joint school activities, BBQ, New Years' Eve Dinner.





Table tennis tournament

Soccer fun day



2019 BBQ, attended by 300 old boys, family and friends





New Years' Eve Dinner



Mahjong tournament

If you happen to be in town, let us know!
www.lscobator.org

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Spring Dinner



La Salle Day Dinner

San Francisco Bay Area Chapter

The San Francisco Bay Area has been traditionally a well-liked destination for the Old Boys' community. For younger graduates, we offer some of the finest universities, including Stanford and Berkeley, as well as an abundance of excellent community colleges. For working professionals, Silicon Valley is a global center of innovation and technology that has played a major role in shaping the modern world.

With over 200 registered members, the San Francisco Bay Area Chapter of LSCOBA welcomes all Old Boys to join our get-togethers where some lifelong genuine friendships can be formed amongst our members. Our activities include bimonthly dim sum luncheons, annual student welcoming picnic/ BBQ functions, and annual Spring Dinners. Many of us also love sharing the camaraderie of playing badminton, golf, and cycling with our fellow Lasallians. In addition to these regular activities, we often invite our members to come out and spend time with visiting guests from our mother school and other overseas chapters.





If you are currently residing in the San Francisco Bay Area, we sincerely hope that you find time to attend some of our future functions. If you are planning to visit, or just staying for a short trip in the area, drop us a message at lscobasf.com. It is up to all of us to ensure and grow a vibrant network of Old Boys and a continuation of our bonding anywhere we go.

Vancouver Chapter

"When the Old Boys get together, they will always sing (the La Salle College School) song". Most Lasallians will likely agree that one of our most treasured memories would date back to the fun and care-free primary and secondary school days. Benedict Lam (60') and Paul Ng (73') were no exception and were in constant peruse to gather fellow Overseas Old Boys to relive the good old times and, of course, to proudly sing our school song together. Thanks to their joint efforts and support from the organizing committee consisted of Dominic Lau, Alex Watt, Francis Sim, George Muller, and Arthur Yap-Chung, the La Salle College Old Boys Association (Vancouver Chapter) was officially formed in the summer of 1978. Formal Chapter constitution document, prepared by Benedict Lam, was officially signed in June 29th, 1978. The OBA inauguration success was celebrated with the first Annual Christmas/New Year OBA Ball which took place in New Years Eve of 1978 at the Bayshore Inn, Downtown Vancouver. In total, over 400 people had attended this very special celebration dinner.

To-date, Vancouver chapter has over 300 registered members and approximately 40 active members. Since inauguration in 1978, a total of 26 keen OBs have volunteered their time to serve as presidents of Vancouver Chapter.

(A tribute video of the past presidents is available at http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=f5lHix30a9c).

In addition to the many smaller and less official functions, the two main OBA functions include the Annual Chinese New Year Dinner Celebration, AGM Dinner, and Annual Summer BBQ. Highlights of some of the recent major events/activities of Vancouver chapter include:

- Global Reunion 2012
- November 2009 30th Anniversary of Vancouver Chapter
- February 2009 Chinese New Year Dinner
- October 2007 Celebrating Dinner for 75th Anniversary of LSC
- August 2007 Annual picnic at former president, Raymond Wong, Hot House Farm

 August 2003 – North America Soccer Game hosted by Vancouver Chapter



For those who wish to join as member or simply wish to say hi can contact either Albert Manson (67') at skubum_49@hotmail.com or Victor Leung (77') at vleung1977@gmail.com. One can also visit our website to look for next gathering event.

New York/East Coat Chapter

The LSCOBA New York/East Coast Chapter (LSCOBA-NY) was established in 1988, approximately 32 years ago. As of December 2019, we have over one hundred registered members on record and 30 plus active local members, spanning graduating classes and former LaSalle students from the fifties and onwards as well as current high school and university students. Most of the members reside in the greater New York/New Jersey Region while there are members from as far as Chicago, Connecticut, DC, Maryland, and Rhode Island. There is a very strong bond among the old boys here, an intense camaraderie which can only be

attributed to our common heritage: the LaSalle experience and the LaSalle spirit.

LSCOBA-NY is a registered entity, but our business style and setting is informal in nature. Our primary mission includes: a) to provide a warm and cordial environment allowing our members, including their families and friends, to have a good time together and b) to support each other in our home away from home, and c) to provide information and assistance to LSC students and Old Boys who plan to study or reside in our region.

Traditionally, the Chapter organizes six major gatherings a year. Each event is usually hosted at an Old Boy's home in Connecticut, Long Island, New Jersey or in selected restaurants/facilities. These events include but not limited to:

- Chinese New Year Party
- Spring (Easter) Party
- Summer BBQ Pool Party
- Mid Autumn Festival Party
- Global LSCOBA Reunion in 2008 and 2018



There are also numerous year-round social and occasional gatherings such as the Friday Chinatown lunch and Sunday dim sum lunch at Flushing; the chapter had also participated in the Annual Dragan Boat Races organized by Hong Kong Dragon Boat Festival New York Inc. as well as functions organized by Hong Kong Schools Alumni Alliance, an alliance of several colleges and universities from Hong Kong.

All Old Boys are welcome to join the big family and to expand the LaSalle connection in our region. For further contact, please kindly send your information and request to our inquiry info@lscobany-useast.org and we will get in touch with you promptly. Alternatively, you can write directly to LSCOBA-NY c/o Angus Wong, 109 Lafayette Street, Suite 302, New York, NY 10013. (212) 966-6667.

Edmonton Chapter

The first informal gathering of La Salle old boys in Edmonton took place in August 1978 during the Commomwealth Games held in Edmonton. The dinner gathering was organized by the late Ralph Yip, in Bamboo Palace Restaurant. Among us was the late Mr. A Sales, an old boy, who was the Head of the Hong Kong Olympic Committee and Manager of the 1978 Hong Kong Athletics Representative team that participated in the Edmonton's Commonwealth Games. After this historical gathering, Ralph also organized some gatherings throughout the years.

In 1990, the Edmonton Chapter of the HK LSCOBA was officially formed and registered with Alberta Corporate Registry as a non-profit organization. At the beginning, we have more than 50 members, but as time goes by, many old boys retired from work or for other reasons left the city. Now, the number of old boys on our registry file is down to just over 30 members. Edmonton is a small Chapter and geologically located quite far north of Canada. Because of the cold weather in Edmonton in winter, it is not an attractive place for immigrants from Hong Kong.

The Edmonton Chapter activities are:

- Dim Sum gathering every first Friday of the month
- Christmas dinner gathering
- Summer BBQ
- Grey Cup party
- Super Bowl party
- Wine tasting and food pairing



Although the Edmonton Chapter is small, we have a nucleus group of old boys who had participated in every event organized by the Chapter. These old boys not only demonstrated their La Salle spirit to the utmost, but also showed their brotherly love as Lasallians. We are closely connected!

For those who are interested in joining Edmonton Chapter or wish to get together during your next visit to Edmonton, please contact Bill Wong at billshwong@shaw.ca.

Southern California Chapter

The LSCOBA-Southern California Chapter was found in 2001 with the goal of providing a networking platform for the LSC Old Boys in our local area to interact, socialize and support each other. Over the past 19 years, our membership grew and we now have over 250 members ranging from classes of 1937 to 2015. We also have 150 members in the Facebookgroup. Contact us at info@lscobasc.org.

The Chapter organizes several events and gatherings for the old boys and family every year, which includes the Spring Dinner in celebration of the Chinese New Year, La Salle Day Mass in May, BBQ picnic in the fall, and Entertainment Day with Mahjong and video game competitions. We also have monthly board meetings, dim sum luncheons and soccer practices every Sunday at a local high school. We hosted two Global Reunions in years 2005 and 2014, which were well attended by La Salle College Principals, former teachers and Old Boys from all over the world.











Shanghai Chapter

"When the old boys get together, they will always sing this song". Be it at La Salle Road, Hong Kong, or at Huihai Zhong Road, Shanghai, the song never loses its beat. A defining moment was drawn in La Salle College old boys history when 26 old boys celebrated the inauguration of the first La Salle old boys chapter in Shanghai on 28 October 2006. As the population of Lasallian residing and working in Shanghai has been rapidly growing in recent years it was natural for the old boys family to establish a chapter in Shanghai. There was support from many old boys in the past, particularly from David Fong, that have made it possible for the establishment of the Shanghai Chapter. The inauguration ceremony was graced by the then LSCOBA president Dr Bernard Kong and his committee members Charles Chan, Alan Lui, Dr Gordon Fong and Dennis Lam as well as several old boys who specifically flew in to attend the event. Dr Kong said that he was proud to see the first old boys chapter set up in our motherland. A strong platform to foster fraternity amongst old boys has thus been established here. Dr Kong presented the La Salle College school flag and the Lasallite 2005, a gift from Brother Thomas to the Shanghai Chapter as a blessing to the newly born chapter. The La Salle College school song was proudly sung in Shanghai for the first time.

The Chapter now comprises over 128 old boys of different generations and across different professions from private business, real estate, accountancy, legal, IT, management consultancy to academics. The Chapter actively promotes networking amongst old boys in Shanghai and a monthly event is held. The financially self-supported Chapter does not charge a membership fee. It acts as a link between the Alma Mater and all Lasallians in Shanghai.

For coming events or you would like to help us expand the Shanghai old boys database please contact either Jim Yip at jimksyip@hotmail.com, Tel: 13817851711, or Wechat ID: thegoldenleaf; or Larry Lai at 13512176383 or Wechat ID: larryleitw.

United Kingdom Chapter

The UK Chapter aims to bring together La Salle College Old Boys across all backgrounds who reside in the United Kingdom, to foster a close and enduring bond of friendship, and a brotherhood united in the La Salle Spirit and our lifelong connection with our Alma mater.

The UK has long been a popular destination for travel, study, professional development and recently for Hongkongers, working holidays too. Every year we welcome many young Lasallians to our Chapter. We currently have about 100 members.



Our chapter's main event is an annual yum cha lunch in London in the autumn. We also maintain contact with a network of young Lasallian old boy groups in various universities around the UK, who hold events and look out for La Salle boys furthering their studies in their respective universities.

Old Boys living in the UK, whether temporarily for study and work, or permanently settling, are encouraged to join the UK chapter by contacting our convenor Prof. Christopher Liu (1977) or secretary Francis Wan (2003) at enquiries@lscoba.uk. You can also find out more about our chapter and our activities on our website http://lscoba.uk/ or on Facebook https://www.facebook.com/groups/lscobauk/.

Singapore Chapter

Old boys are always a stone's throw away and Singapore is no exception to their presence. Founded in the 90's, the unofficial Chapter brought together a group of old boys who shared their mutual love and support to their Alma Mater. The Chapter today is made up of old boys who are passionate about sharing their lives and experiences with each other. The sense of brotherhood and togetherness that was characteristic of their time at La Salle continues to be alive in the regular meetings of the Chapter to this day.

We welcome and encourage Lasallians who are or plan to be in Singapore for work, study or even vacation to get in touch with Stanley Hui (00') at stanleyhui.sg@gmail.com and Felix Wong (14') at wongsiulai001@gmail.com. The Chapter contributes to growing and coordinating the Lasallian network here. We look forward to hearing from fellow Lasallians in Singapore!





Montreal

Currently consisting of several old boys attending McGill University, we are a group dedicated to connecting Old Boys wherever they go. The Montreal group is relatively new and would love to welcome more fresh members to participate no matter when they graduated. We cover the entire city of Montreal, and are in frequent contact with other chapters throughout Canada, particularly in Toronto and Vancouver. For more information please contact Kevin Leung ('17) at leungkevin24@gmail.com.



New Orleans

Hi everyone, I am Louis Kong from the Class of '79. I have been living in New Orleans for the last 40 years. In 2018, I helped in setting up the program for the La Salle Old Boys Association Global Reunion New Orleans side trip. Highlights of this trip including a private tour to New Orleans De La Salle High School, visit to the historic French Quarter and St Louis Cathedral (the oldest cathedral in North America), Garden District and St Charles Avenue bus tour, and a private tour of THE PINK LADY Victoria Mansion.









I am pleased to be chosen by the La Salle Old Boys Association to the representative in New Orleans. This City is a major tourist destination in the United States and is known to be the most European City in the country. Being the second oldest city, New Orleans is world-renowned for its distinct music, Creole cuisine, unique culture, and its annual celebrations and festivals, most notably Mardi Gras and Jazz Festival. If you happen to be visiting New Orleans, please feel free to contact me at louisk499@gmail.com.



Washington DC

No matter where we go, we can always find "喇沙仔". The Washington Metropolitan area is no exception. Although we are not an official chapter, our old boys meet up all the time. Our region mainly covers Washington D.C., Maryland, and Northern Virginia (DMV), with our network extending to the neighbouring states such as Delaware, Pennsylvania, West Virginia, and North Carolina. We graduated from the late 50's to early 2000's. That is why we never run out of topics when we get together. We would love to connect with you if you are a DMV resident or visitor. For more information, please contact Eddie Liu (88') at mr.eddieliu@gmail.com or Michael Chung (87') at chung@wasoftware.com.

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