



# La Salle College Old Boys' Association Newsletter

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## Celebrate this Christmas with the Brothers



'Bro Aimar' teaching students with great respect

The LSCOBA Christmas Ball 2003 was held on Friday, 5th December 2003, at Holiday Inn Golden Mile, Tsim Sha Tsui. It was attended by over 350 Old Boys and guests. Dinner commenced at around 8:00pm when the whole floor greeted our beloved Christian Brothers upon arrival with a standing ovation. They were late due to the extended playing time of the Interschool Badminton Tournament, in which LSC got the Grand Slam winning in all A, B & C grades. Brother Thomas told us beautifully in his opening speech, "I am sorry to be late, but it took longer than expected to beat DBS", and that brought an immediate round of applause. After short speeches by Lawrence Ng, Robert Yuen and Brother Thomas, the dinner was officially started with a prayer, led by retired teacher, Mr. Henry Lau (40). From there on, all the food, drink, wine, performances and game rolled in.

Sammy Leung (91), our renowned DJ, acted as the M.C., who again never-faillingly brought us professional and yet homely leads and links of all programmes. In this Ball, we did not engage any pop artists as entertainers but our own La Salle boys, current and old. It was a night full of performances. It was started by Ernie Corpus (73), who brought us a hear-to-believe mix of different Chinese musical pieces, played on a keyboard. He had truly done it by "bringing the whole band onto stage with just one man!!". Bravo, Ernie, for a marvelous performance! It was followed by a Chinese Music ensemble featuring our National Youth Champion in Dizi (Chinese flute),

Lai Chun Ho, currently studying in F.3 of LSC. Between various performances, many Old Boys talked on stage regarding the good old days, our Brothers or simply gave us Christmas greetings. Among them were a video clip from Edmonton Chapter, San Francisco Bay Area Chapter President - George Law (66), Nicholas Ng (65) and David Cheung (63). A drama by LSC Drama Club was played, showing us various important times of LSC and the key Brothers involved. Every one of us was truly amazed by their talent, especially seeing "Brother Aimar" on stage. The Senior Choir of LSC, joined with several Old Boys, sang beautifully to us before the Millionaire game was played real-life. Questions were tough and both participating teams got zero score at the end, haha.

The highlight of the night was finally when a special slide show of our LSC Christian Brothers. It was truly a nice piece with well chosen background music, bringing touching moments to the Old Boys, who whistled and cheered whenever they saw a Brother dear to them. The whole night was concluded with the singing of our School Song. The Brothers left at around 11:00pm under another standing ovation bidding them farewell and Merry Christmas.

Besides a rundown of the night, the commemorative publication, "Our Brothers", is worth a special mention here. Within 3 months, all planning, research, writing, editing, design and printing were done and the book came into reality. It contains a chronological introduction of all 70 Christian Brothers related to LSC in the past 71 years, some stories and rare photographs of many of them. It was truly a tough project and the editorial team did an outstanding job. We have to say it is by far the most complete publication regarding our Brothers and every Old Boy is recommended to get one on his shelf.



'Our Brothers' (red) and the compliments booklet (purple).



'When the Old Boys get together, they will always sing this song.'

All in all, it was a night filled with laughter, fun, friendship, gratitude and dear moments. Above all, we have dedicated this Christmas Ball to our Christian Brothers and we do believe that they too, had a most enjoyable evening with us.

Our sincere thanks to all who helped make this Ball a success.

Lawrence Ng (77)  
Ball Chairman & Vice President  
LSCOBA 2003/04



The Crystal Ballroom - Venue of X'mas Ball 2003



Bro. Thomas is delighted to read 'Our Brothers'



Table 22 participating in 'Who Wants To Be a Millionaire'



Ernie Corpus (73) plays Chinese-styled music with keyboard



Mr. Henry Lau (40) leads the prayer before the Ball commenced officially



Performance by our Mini Chinese Orchestra



Standing Ovation to the Christian Brothers



## F.6 Orientation Camp



Team of devoted Old Boys serve in the F.6 O Camp on 19th September 2003

This is the story. We requested permission to attend the F.6 O Camp and it was granted by the school. The questions in our mind were, "How are we going to introduce the OBA to the F.6 boys? What have we to offer?". Our Subcommittee formed a task force to handle this event. I prepared the Powerpoint presentation of OBA, Tommy Chiu (65) printed notes for 150 students and K.F. Chan (80) prepared a welcome gift package for each applicant. Our initial target was to recruit 50 new members and we packed up 100 welcome packages. K.F. also brought loads of application forms for them to take home, just in case. So when all were set, the team of Old Boys arrived at the Camp Site at 7:15pm. We were first greeted by Mr. Peter Chiu (62), Ms. Cecilia Tang and Patrick Chan (77), and later introduced to the newly elected SA President, Edfeel Heung (03). While the students were still scattered around playing basketball and enjoying their BBQ, we set up our temporary OBA headquarter at a small round table in the middle of the field. We first approached the students group by group, introduced to them the OBA and invited them to join us. We also shared with them our plan of organizing summer vocation training, and so on, and the students were touched by our sincerity. Slowly, and slowly, the students came to our small table and started asking for application forms. Following the arrival of a few elite past SA Presidents and a big uproar, the site was filled with a warm atmosphere of brotherhood and we were ecstatic. The end result was that we collected a total of 131 applications which was an unexpected and encouraging result. We left around 10pm, feeling excited and charged, though practically had eaten nothing. One bonus worth to mention was that we heard just a few days later that some of the F.6 students were wearing the Old Boy Ties at school, a tradition re-picked up after many years. These Ties are now flying high and mighty in LSC again. Special thanks were given to the following Old Boys: Leo Fu (71), Arthur Lee (76), K.F. Chan (80), Roger Lee (85), Herrick Lau (88), Henry Nip (88), Stephen Cheung (87) and Keith Cheung (90). It was only a start, we need to work harder still.



Stephen Cheung (87)  
collaborating with F.6 boys happily

## Community Service Project

It was a rainy morning on 8th November 2003, but that did not dampen our spirits. Close to 30 students, 4 parents and 6 Old Boys gathered at LSC. After Bro. Thomas had given us a short speech and Mr. Yik Kwan (62) taken a group photo, we were off to the old folks' home at Saukeiwan. We were greeted by over fifty elders and we performed to them right after. It was a full one-hour of entertainment by PTA, LSC Senior Choir and 3 members of the LSC Chinese Orchestra. The elders were delighted and the room was full of joy with clapping cheers and laughter. The highlight belonged to Lai Chun Ho (F.3), the National Champion of Dizi Solo Competition Youth Section at Hunan in Aug, 2003, the elders listened with awe and wonder, unbelievably from someone so skillful only in his early teens. At the end of the performance, the students presented gifts to the elders and helped them back to their respective rooms. Every single elder showed a very gratifying face and kept on thanking all of us there. Afterwards, we walked through the facilities with the Superintendent and had lunch there before we left. We were pleased to afford the students a chance to explore and expose themselves to a less familiar world and one of the students even asked to sign up as a volunteer on spot. I am so proud of my school. The young fellows have done well. We did it together with current students and fellow old boys! Most of all, with lots of fun! We wish to thank everyone who supported this meaningful event both for their presence and contributions, as well as the LSC Choir, Chinese Orchestra and Bro. Thomas.



The elderly have a wonderful afternoon with the Lasalilians

"The world is moved not only by the mighty stories of heroes, but also by the aggregate of the tiny pushes of each honest worker." - Helen Keller.

Bernard Kong (76)  
Convener

Current Student Affairs Subcommittee  
LSCOPA 2003/04

## Class Coordinator Meeting - A Brand New Beginning

My Dear Lasallians,

I wish to report to you all that 37 Old Boys from 28 Classes gathered today at La Salle College to kick start the formation of the board of class coordinators. In fact, 59 Old Boys have signed up with us to act as class coordinators and they are from the most seasoned Class of 1955 to the newly graduated Class of 2003, a span of 48 years.

The purpose of forming such a group by your OBA is very simple – to better organise all the individual class representation under one banner. The board of coordinators will provide us with a framework to work with each individual class. To be successful, mutual efforts are needed.

Judging from the response and enthusiasm shown by the attendees, I am glad to report to you all that their loyalty to the school and the cohesiveness shown by these Lasallians are really one-of-a-kind among local secondary schools, and more importantly, it transcends many generations of Lasallian. The big question for us (the OBA) is how to capitalise on this huge asset. On this point, may I challenge the Chatboard visitors to write, suggest, discuss and debate on it. Of course, we have defined roles of these coordinators. Each of them is given an information package detailing their responsibilities. They have to update their Class Directory, keep track of class activities in order to formulate class notes for publication in the newsletter every three months, membership drive among classmates, and finally as a link between his class and the OBA.

A brief note on the Class Coordinator Meeting is as follows:

The Meeting took place on 18th October 2003 in the school's gymnasium gallery from 2:00 pm onward and ended with a guided tour to LSPS by Principal Mrs.Pau. The Student Association helped to decorate and manned the reception. There were billboards displaying the first hundred days of the current OBA's activities, with a VCR showcasing the OBA's functions. In the ensuing three hours, there were welcoming speeches by Bro.Thomas, our President Dr.Robert Yuen and me. There were updates on our school and your OBA. Bro.Thomas spoke of a sea change in the increasing support by Old Boys over the decades, and commended us on our efforts to form the board of coordinators. Sadly, he also touched on his imminent retirement from the school as Principal, but the good news is he will be around with us as supervisor of the school to sustain all the tremendous achievement that has brought La Salle College to its acclaimed status as of today. Following light refreshment, the Meeting resumed with an introduction by Patrick Chan (77) on the School Improvement Program (SIP) which will add two annexes and a covered link bridge by 2005. We need about 5 million dollars to see this project through to completion. It is time to loosen your purse strings. Each attendee was then presented with a souvenir and photo taking was followed by the singing of our school song. Most went over to LSPS for a guided tour by Mrs.Pau and we were awed by the magnificent new Primary School.

It was a memorable, nostalgic three and a half hours, with a vision of a better and more representative OBA in the future. I wish you were there.

P.S. For the existing Class Coordinators, please check <http://www.lscoba.com/lscoba/member/classrep.shtml>

Louis Law (70)

Convener

Alumni Development Sub-committee

LSCOPA 2003/04



Bro. Thomas presents souvenir to Dr. L. Law (70) for hosting an Overseas Studies Talk on 27th September 2003 with attendance about 150.



All attending Class Coordinators with OBA Committee and Bro. Thomas



## Annoucement

**The Spring Dinner 2004** will be held on 12th March 2004 (Friday).Of course,that day will also be the Day 3 of Inter-school Athletics Meet. Entertainment,games and prizes will be there for you.Information is as follows:

Venue: Jade Garden,4/F,Star House, Salisbury Road, Tsim Sha Tsui, Kowloon

Pricing: HK\$300 per person (pay on or before 16th Feb, 2004)

HK\$330 per person (pay after 16th Feb, 2004)

HK\$3,600 per table for 12 persons

Booking form is available on [www.lscoba.com](http://www.lscoba.com) for you to download.

For inquiry and bookings,please email to [spring-dinner@lscoba.com](mailto:spring-dinner@lscoba.com) or call Tommy Chiu at 2339-3838 during office hours.

The answers of "Trivia Q & A" of last issue are as follows:

1.C 2.B 3.A 4.C 5.A 6.B 7.B 8.A 9.C 10.A

About the Naming Contest for our Newsletter,we need more creative and inspiring entries from Lasallians.Please email your ideas to [newsletter@lscoba.com](mailto:newsletter@lscoba.com).Special Gift Pack is still valid.

A couple of Old Boys received awards for their contribution in various fields,here is the awardees list:

1. Medal of Honour by HKSAR Government - William TONG Wai-lun (1977) on 11th Oct, 2003

In recognition of his contribution to the promotion of badminton sports.

2. Medal of Honour by HKSAR Government - Benjamin KWOK Bit-chun (1974) on 11th Oct, 2003

In recognition of his public service as a local district councillor.

3. Silver Bauhinia Star by HKSAR Government - James WONG Hung-kin (1963) on 11th Oct, 2003

In recognition of his long service as a professional civil servant.

4. CUHK Top Ten News Award - SO Kai-chi (1984) on 25th Oct, 2003

Awarded for excellence on his investigative reporting on Mainland.

5. 2003 Young Industrialist Award of Hong Kong - Arthur LEE Kam-hung (1976) on 7th Nov, 2003

Awarded for his leading role in the manufacturing of quartz calibration instrument.

## Careers Fortnight

**Jointly organized by The Careers Team of LSC and LSCOBA**

**Date: 13th Oct--24th Oct 2003**

**Time: 12:00 to 13:00**

**Venue: Language Lab, OB Room and Parlour**

**Target: F.6-7 Students**

Wesley Wong (87) engages in post talk discussion



13th Oct 2003 Legal Profession (in government)-Wesley Wong (87); Aviation-Clement Tam (94); Religious work and Catholic Formation-Rickie Lam (87); IT-Joseph Liu (94)

14th Oct 2003 Landscape Architecture-Stan Fung (60); IT-Kevin Wong (95)

16th Oct 2003 Civil Service-Eric Lee (90) & Andrew Tsang (93); Dentistry-Toby Kwok Hung Kan (80) & Earnest Foo (81); Architecture-Samuel Wong (80)

17th Oct 2003 Accounting/Finance-Patrick Ho (87), Andrew Hung (86) & Jacky Mok (00); Public Relation & Advertising-Harry Chu (87); Scientific Research-Joseph Lee (87)

20th Oct 2003 Finance-Michael Leung (71), Chris Ng (87) & Julian Li (92); Business-Derek Lee (80)

21st Oct 2003 Surveying & Real Estates-Jim Yip (87) & David Wan (87); Engineering (in general)-Patrick KT Chan (77), Pun Wai Keung (80) & Chan Kwong Fat (80); Biomedical/Genetic Engineering-Francis Kwong (75); Legal Study-Vincent Lung (98)

22nd Oct 2003 Social Service and Social Science-Rodney Chu (80); Medicine-Michael Lee (87), Arthur Cheng (88) & Bernard Kong (76)

24th Oct 2003 General Business-Lawrence Ng (77); Work Experience in Mainland China-Richard Woo (87); Legal Profession (private practice)-Lester Huang (77); IT-Eric Li (84)

Coordinators: Ms. Cecilia Tang (Careers Mistress), Thomas Chiu (87) & Constantine Au (87)

# La Salle is Grand Slam Champ

Being a Lasallian, one of the proudest moments is seeing our mighty RED & WHITE athletes walk away with championships in sports arenas. In 2003-04, this tradition continues. Up to this moment, LSC leads the block among all urban boys' schools with a stunning 20pt margin from the 2nd-placed DBS in the 2nd Bauhinia Bowl Award. On 10th Nov, 2003, we became the Co-Overall Champions in cross-country. It was a significant victory since we lost unexpectedly a year earlier. On the other hand, our footballers had played brilliantly so far. The seniors won our 1st A grade champ since 1989-90 with 2 cut-throat penalty-kick wins in both the Semi-final and Final. Our Final win was extraordinary since we were leading 1-0 in 1st half but we were overcome by West Island quickly in early 2nd half by 1-2. With 1 minute left, Darren Yan (2004) headed his 2nd goal of the match. In the PK session, once again, our goalkeeper "Fat Pang" blocked 2 goals from WIS and we won 4-1. What a 14-year drought! And it's over! Our B grade also finished 3rd so we are leading in the overall before the C grade matches commence in Feb, 2004. Moreover, LSC volleyball team is placing overall 2nd while our basketball team performed a bit below average this season.

In many Open grade events, we had some obvious improvement this year. In fencing, we overcame DBS (3rd) by finishing overall 2nd. Our epee team defeated New Method and captured our 1st team championship since the re-built of the fencing team in mid-1990s. Special thanks to the coaches since they are all 100% Lasallians. Our softball team lost by 1pt (13:14) in the Final to last year Champion Tam Lee Lai Fun. In the racket games, LSC is simply dominating. On 29th Nov, 2003, our table-tennis team finished 2/3 of our Grand Slam with A & B grade champs. Tennis boys held a comfort 3rd overall before X'mas. The most touching story was our mighty badminton team's Grand Slam victory. Here are the words from Team Captain, Alfred Lau (2002):

1. Heart-broken B grade basketball loss to DBS (43-44).
2. We beat West Island 2-2 (4-1) to clinch our 1st A grade Champ in football since 1989-90.
3. Table-tennis A & B grade Champions.
4. Alexander Cheung (1982) (1st from left, standing) & the La Salle Fencing Family.
5. LSC Epee Team (right) wins the Championship.

*As you all know, I am now in F.7. This year is my very last chance to represent La Salle and to fight for our long-awaited Grand Slam.*

*Every year, the badminton team aims for the Grand Slam. For 6 years, no matter how hard the team and I tried, we still failed. Finally it comes to my last year, my last shot. At the beginning of this season, I just felt different. I have a special feeling (the 6th sense may be) that we can make it this year. I just can't explain it but I know it's the time.*

*Although I am no longer the best player after all these years as I have spent my time to other ECA as well, I am still a 100% La Salle sportsman. Even I was 11-14 behind, I still didn't lose my hope. With the warm support from all of you, I believe I can catch up point by point. I know I can do it.*

*Finally, I did it. We did it. We brought home the Grand Slam, for La Salle, for us and for all of you.*

*I just can't ask for a better ending. A come back win, a Grand Slam, a dream comes true. I will remember the date 5th Dec 2003 for life.*

*Thanks everyone for your praises. But at the moment, I am thinking of everyone involved. We are a team and we are happy as a team. So here I wish to extend my gratitude to my teammates as well, especially Armstrong Leung and Hui Wai Ho. Both did a great job to bring us the A grade Champion.*

**LA SALLE RULES!!**

*Alfred Lau  
 Badminton Team Captain*

For your information, this is La Salle's 1st GRAND SLAM since our football team last won in 1988-89. It is also the 1st GRAND SLAM in Inter-school Badminton Competition (Kowloon Area). We simply say, "Congratulations!" On behalf of LSCOBA, we would like to thank all LSC athletes, coaches esp. Perry Chiu (1990) who led the badminton team and A grade football team to glory, teacher-advisors, parents, Brothers and Old Boys esp. Alexander Cheung (1982), the Toronto Chapter President who came back to support various sports teams 28 Nov-30 Nov, 2003 after 17-year absence from his Alma Mater and HK. We know we are SOMETHING MORE, aren't we?

Here are the results of the finished events:

Event	A grade	B grade	C grade	Overall
Badminton	1st	1s	1st	1st
Basketball	5th	3rd		
Cross-country	3rd	4th	1st	1st
Football	1st	3rd		
Handball (Div.2)	5th			
Life-saving	2nd	2nd		2nd
Swimming	3rd	2nd	2nd	2nd
Table-tennis	1st	1st		
Volleyball	6th	1st		

Fencing Epee-1st Foil-4th Overall-2nd  
 Softball Overall-2nd  
 Bauhinia Bowl Update: LSC - 194pt; DBS - 174pt.

By Clement Chan (1987)







- 6. Overall 2nd in swimming on 15th Oct, 2003.
- 7. Alfred Lau (2002) cheers with his loudest voice (2nd from right).
- 8. Badminton GRAND SLAM on 5th Dec, 2003.
- 9. Co-Overall Champ in cross-country on 10th Nov, 2003.

## Golf Tour



Dear all,

The 19th golf outing organised by LSCOBA was held on Friday, 21st November 2003 at Century Seaview Golf Club. A total of 36 old boys had signed up for this event but unfortunately 3 of them had to pull out at the last moment due to work commitment. The golf course is quite challenging with beautiful view and we were blessed with the fine weather for a good day out of the office.

The winners are as follows:

- Champion : Ian Kwok (81)
- Second : Lawrence Chow (71)
- Third : Dale Chan (75), Roger Wong (75)
- Best Score : Leonard Chu (83)
- Best Front 9 : Caesar To (83)
- Best Back 9 : Philip Chan (75)
- Longest Drive : Stephen Ting (77)
- Nearest Pin : George Chan (78), Leonard Chu (83), Peter Leung (75),  
 Stephen Ting (77)

According to the "La Salle golfers local rules", Ian Kwok (81) will make a donation of HK\$2,000 to the golfers' fund. I would also like to thank Thomas Tung (77) for acting as the official scorer.

There is a tentative plan that LSCOBA will organise an overseas golf trip around May to celebrate our 20th golf outing. Stay tuned.

Roger Wong (75)



Roger Wong (75)(1st from left, standing) and the La Salle golfers.

## Obituary of Mr. J.R. Lee



1923-2003

Mr. John Richard Lee was born in 1923 in the district of the British Consul-general in Hankow, China. He was baptized at the St. Joseph's Church in Hanchow when he was 3 years old.

Mr. Lee attended La Salle College and graduated in 1940. Before joining the teaching staff at La Salle, he had worked as a reporter with the South China Morning Post. He was also certified by the St. John Ambulance Association as a first aid assistant in 1952.

Mr. Lee began his career at La Salle in the 1940s teaching Form 5 English and Religious Studies, and was a grader for the HKCEE in English and Religious Studies. Apart from teaching, he was also actively involved in organizing the annual swimming galas at La Salle.

He is survived by his wife, Juliana, a retired student counsellor and school teacher and 2 daughters, Leona and Nancy.



Bro. Thomas presents a Memorial Book with Old Boys' condolences to Mr. Lee's family after the Requiem Mass on 10th Dec, 2003

By Calvin Chan (1971)



# What Happened...



Class of 1953 - 50th Anniversary Dinner on 10th Dec, 2003.



Class of 1983 - 20th Anniversary Dinner on 22nd Nov, 2003.



La Salle Old Boys Human Services Professional Network Meeting on 14th Dec, 2003.



Homage Visit in Happy Valley Cemetery - 29th Nov, 2003.

La Salle boys win the Overall Champions in Chinese Prose Solo in the HK Speech Festival.



LSC Symphonic Band captures Silver Prize in 2003 Hong Kong Youth Music Interflowers.



LSC captures 2nd runner up in 35th Joint School Chinese Debate Competition in Oct 2003.



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**Co-ordinator:** Mr. Clement Chan (1987)  
**Contributors:** Mr. Michael Yik (1962)  
 Mr. T.C. Chu (1971)  
 Mr. Lawrence Ng (1977)  
 Mr. Joseph Chiu (1977)  
 Mr. Mark Huang (1985)  
 Mr. Harry Chu (1987)  
 Mr. Herman Bo (1989)  
 Mr. Larry Lee (1996)

The Hong Kong Institute of Education President – Prof. Paul Morris (4th from left) is the Guest of Honour of Speech Day 2003.

