



Dear Fellow Lasallians,

Most of you are no doubt aware of the announcement by HSBC Holdings PLC on 2 March 2009 that it proposes to raise US\$17.7b by way of a fully underwritten rights issue on the basis of 5 new ordinary shares for every 12 existing ordinary shares. The issue price for shareholders on the Hong Kong branch has been set at HK\$28.00 per new ordinary share. As of 3 March 2009, LSCOPA held 36,673 ordinary shares of HSBC. These shares of HSBC Holding, the single largest asset held by the Association, were acquired by our predecessors to meet unanticipated needs in future as a measure to support the OBA should it experience tough economic times. During the regular Board Meeting held on 2 March 2009, the topic of HSBC rights issue was discussed in detail. The Committee agreed to conduct a round of consultation, including but not limited to seeking views from Past Presidents of the Association and Old Boys who are financial experts in the field, in order to explore the pros and cons of exercising the option. One such arrangement, the



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HSBC Rights Issue Investment Forum/ Happy Hour Gathering, was held on 16 March 2009 during which valuable input by attending Old Boys were gathered and preferences categorized for the Committee's final meeting on the subject held on 22 March 2009. Several options put forward by Members were thoroughly vetted for their merits and finally, a partial subscription of 10,000 shares, out of the entitled total of 15,280 shares, was favoured by the majority. The remaining 5,280 rights would be offered to La Salle Foundation at Monday's (23 March 2009) closing price in Hong Kong. Should La Salle Foundation opt not to take up the offer, these rights will be sold to the market on Tuesday, 24 March 2009. The proceeds thus received will be used to subscribe the above mentioned 10,000 new shares of HSBC at HK\$28 per share with the balance financed by the Association's internal resources. The Committee has the intention to donate these 10,000 new shares so subscribed, or its cash equivalent at the time, to the College on her 80th anniversary and hence, expressed this wish for the 2012-2013 Committee to consider.

A host of events were held in the first months of the New Year and here's a quick review:

A Young Members Dinner Talk was held on Friday, 13 February 2009. Lawmaker the Hon. Wong Yuk-man 黃毓民立法會議員 and Wong Tai Sin District Councilor Andrew To 陶君行區議員 (83) were the guest speakers at the dinner. Although it was billed as a dinner talk for our "younger" Members, Old Boys of different generations were present to enjoy the entertaining talk.

The Family Fun Day 2009 of LSC was held on Sunday, 22 February from 10:30am to 4:30pm at the school field. It was a day of fun and games for all ages and many Members, some with

their families, joined the festivities while supporting our Alma Mater.

On Saturday, 28 February a visit to the Prince of Wales Hospital was organised by the Association and two Old Boys, Dr Philip Chiu (87) and Dr Yip Hon Chi (01), gave a very informative tour through the Minimally Invasive Surgical Skills Training Center and Endoscopy Center amongst other facilities in the hospital.

The Interschool Athletics Meet, the major event in the sporting calendar of the College, was held this year in Wan Chai Stadium on 4 (Wednesday, Day 1), 10 (Tuesday, Day 2) and 13 (Friday, Finals) March. According to a long established tradition, the LSCOPA Spring Dinner was held on the Final Day of the Interschool Athletics Meet, 13 March 2009. Many Old Boys went to support our school team and later joined the fun and games of the Spring Dinner. Our boys, although not expected to seriously challenge our competitors this year due to vastly weakened A-grade and C-grade teams, put up a gallant fight and could have won the Overall Champions if not for a late disqualification of the C-grade 4x100M relay team which came in second after a brilliant race. A fine effort and true exhibit of the never-say-die Lasallian spirit, our hearty congratulations to the boys! A special congratulatory note must also go to our B-grade team whose overwhelming winning effort was underscored by a record haul of points (214), a wide margin over the previous record of 188 and a first by any to break the 200 points barrier!

Charles K. Chan (77)
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RESIGNATION AND APPOINTMENT OF TREASURER 2009

The Board of Directors (the "Board") of La Salle College Old Boys' Association Limited ("LSCOBA") wishes to announce that, due to personal reasons, Mr. Dennis LAM ("Mr. Lam") has resigned as the Honorary Treasurer of LSCOBA with effect from 19 January 2009. The Board would like to express its gratitude for Mr. Lam's dedication to LSCOBA in the past.

The Board is pleased to announce that Mr. Raymond Wing-Chung CHUNG ("Mr. Chung") has been appointed (according to Article 23 of the Association) as the Honorary Treasurer of LSCOBA with effect from 19 January 2009.

By order of the Board
La Salle College Old Boys' Association Limited

Charles Kit-Ying CHAN
President
Hong Kong, 21 January 2009

Credit Card Monthly Donation Form

You are encouraged to use your LSCOBA Visa Card or other Visa/MasterCards to make a monthly donation to the LSCOBA. All funds raised will completely and directly support our initiatives in scholarships, student development programs and student-related activities in LSC. As a token of appreciation for your generosity, the Association will offer the following gifts:

Donation amount (please tick):

- 1) HK\$100 (LSCOBA Cufflinks)
- 2) HK\$200 (LSCOBA Silk Red/ and Purple Tie)
- 3) HK\$300 (School Crest Desk Shield + LSCOBA cufflinks or red/purple tie + cufflinks)
- 4) HK\$500 (LSC Car Badge)

The above arrangement is to be valid for (please tick):

- A) 12 months, donated once a month
- B) 24 month, donated once a month
- C) Until further notice, donated once a month

Please charge the donation amount to my LSCOBA Visa Card

Card Number _____ (expiry date ____/____)

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Please charge the donation amount to my Visa/MasterCard Card

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Cardholder name _____

Name of Card issuing bank _____

Cardholder signature _____ Date: _____



LA SALLE FAMILY FUN DAY

On Sunday, 22 February the school campus was filled with lots of joy and fun. Students, teachers, parents and Old Boys got together to put up game and food stalls, mega games, as well as marvelous and hilarious performances. The OBA's game booth attracted the largest number of patrons for the day and we gave away over 500 gifts to the students and their families. We would like to thank Mr and Mrs Leung Lun (Lung Cheong International Holdings Ltd) and Dwight Chan (85) for their generous sponsor of toy items to make our game booth a very successful one. With the kind assistance of Dr Herman Liu (85), Dr Herrick Lau (88), Gilbert Chua (05) and Chan Kin Yan (05), we also set up a medical booth for staffs and parents to check their blood pressure and cholesterol level. We are very glad to know that Bro. Thomas has a healthy level of cholesterol! Moreover, we would like to say thanks to the 93ers, namely Kevin Liu, Eddie Chou, Henry Leung, Anthony Yeung, Danny Wong together with Thomas Yu and Horace Mui from DBS for indulging us with extraordinary band music.

Stanley Shum (79)
Student Affairs Subcommittee

Profit from Crisis

LA SALLE OLD BOYS SHANGHAI CHAPTER GATHERING DINNER

On 8 October 2008, the Shanghai Chapter organised a dinner gathering in Shanghai at a private restaurant in No 8 Bridge project, drawing a big crowd of 18 Old Boys.

The event began with a cocktail reception. "We have planned this event with good omen - the date and venue are all bearing the lucky number 8. 8888 is very much what we need most at the current time," said Jim Yip (87), convenor of the La Salle Old Boys Shanghai Chapter, in his welcoming speech to the Old Boys.

Keeping the classic tradition that La Salle boys know best in enjoying themselves, the dinner was a big fun for everyone. The post dinner speech was made by Jim, who is also Head of DTZ North China Investment. He spoke on the China real estate market and shared

his view on the impacts of financial tumult on real estate.

Joseph Tong (66), an Old Boy working in Hangzhou, described the event in his blog: "I went to Shanghai last evening to attend a dinner gathering of the local Old Boys chapter. You would be pleased to learn that the La Salle spirit is very much alive in this part of the world. There were altogether 18 boys in attendance coming from different graduating classes, as early as 1963 and as late as the late nineties. The venue was at a private club in the Luwan area of the city run by one of the Old Boys. Food served was of the hard to come by, but certainly very delectable Yangzhou style. The free flowing libation of some domestic vintage was surprisingly quite pleasing, but nonetheless deadly potent for the uninitiated."

"As expected, we had a wonderful if not riotous time, reminiscing and catching up," added Joseph.

To join La Salle Old Boys Shanghai Chapter, please contact Jim Yip at jim.ks.yip@dtz.sh.cn.

Jim Yip (87)





Fellow Old Boys and Parents Ready to Join Us!

Our big family – the Group Committee of The 17th Kowloon Group

The annual spring dinner of The 17th Kowloon (La Salle) Group Committee held on 22 February 2009 at the Hong Kong Scout Centre was the biggest gathering of its kind jointly hosted by the Chairman, Nelson Lee (58) and the two Vice-Chairmen, James Chiu (69) and Karl Ng (64). There were nine tables comprising the Principal of LSC as the sponsoring authority, Rev. Brothers Thomas and Alphonsus as Hon. Advisors, Charles Chan (77) and Dr Bernard Kong (76), present and past presidents of LSCOBAs, Frankie Jim, Chairman of LSPS PTA, Emily Leung, Principal of LSPS, Lai Kwok Wing, Kowloon City District Commissioner, distinguished guests, members and their spouses, scout leaders and scout representatives.

In his opening speech, Nelson Lee expressed his thanks to the scout leaders led by Ng Siu Wing, the Group Scout Leader (GSL), for their efforts in training up the scouts with great success and high reputation. He was grateful to the Principal and all La Salle Brothers for their full support. Special appreciation was extended to the LSCOBAs for its help to recruit a good number of young Old Boys to the Group Committee. He pointed out the merits of scouting in the training of discipline, leadership, responsibilities, and physical fitness for young people to be good citizens. In order to strengthen the momentum of the Group, he called for close liaison with the LSCOBAs and the PTAs of LSPS and LSC for more Old Boys to be new members/scout leaders, and parents to be trainers. Parent trainers would inevitably



Brother Thomas giving his speech

build up better understanding with their boys in the training field, hence making their families happier at all times.

Principal Wong Yen Kit addressed the audience by expressing his sincere thanks to all members and scout leaders for their dedication and support to the scout movement in La Salle. Congratulations were given to (a) Nelson Lee for the “Good Service Award” given to him in the Founder’s Day Awards 2009 by the Scout Association of Hong Kong (SAHK); and (b) the Venture Scout Troop for the trophies just obtained on the same day in the open competition 2008/2009 as announced by Dr Foo Tai Chuen, Asst. GSL:

Overall:
2nd runners up

Event 2 Outdoor Challenge:
1st runners up

Event 3 Scout Craft:
1st runners up

Individual Item – Pioneering:
Champion

Then came the enlightening speech of Rev. Bro. Thomas. He recapitulated some interesting facts about the Group’s glorious history written in chapter 13 of “Sons of La Salle Everyone” dating back to its first investiture on 23 July 1937 before he was born. He related

the story about how the Group got its special name of 17th Group instead of the original 16th Group. It was the doing of God to inspire the unity of the 17th Group since 1937 as 17 is a prime and indivisible number.

Pau Shiu Hung SBS, the Hon. Consultant, mentioned the inscription of The 17th Kowloon (La Salle) Group in the Rolls of Honour in the Headquarters of SAHK in the 50s and 60s. He expected with confidence its re-appearance in the near future through the concerted efforts of all parties. In promoting interest and sustaining traditions of the Group, more experienced scout leaders from the Old Boys are needed as they had a sense of belonging to the La Salle family and were generally enthusiastic for their involvement. Also, it is hoped that more parents are invited to become assistant cub scout leaders after attending some basic courses from the SAHK. All these new bloods were intended to be helpers, rather than replacements, to lighten the workload of teacher scout leaders, whose experience, skill and solidarity with the Group should help cultivate more interest and fun for the cubs and scouts. In order to arouse the interest of cub scouts to become scouts, the Cubs should be encouraged to have their meetings alongside the scouts in the College. This would engender a stronger bond with each other as Cubs would see what are in store for them when they move

up. They would also be able to share their cubbing lives with their bigger brothers during the practice of scout skills. He echoed with the Chairman that both the LSCOBAs and PTAs of the College and the School could certainly contribute positively to this objective.

The spectacular of the evening was the presentation of the trophies to the venture scouts by Rev. Bro. Thomas, and the presentation of 10-year and 15-year Long Service Awards to 8 members of the Group Committee by Rev. Bro. Alphonsus and Rev. Bro. Thomas respectively. The vote of thanks was shared between Karl Ng (64) to the guest speakers and Ng Siu Wing GSL to the members at the close of the play.

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What a glorious moment for our venture scouts!



Halloween Extravaganza



And the story begins...

“Almost 30 years ago, two well-known schools co-hosted a Halloween Party at their school hall. During the night, two individuals had the chance to finally meet each other. While the screaming, music and laughter were all up in the air, a curtain caught fire with one of the candle-light decoration on the side. The night ended peacefully, cold and quiet ... with only ashes flying across the burnt hall...”

From then on, it seems that these two schools were cursed and no one ever talk about this accident. The schools never interact again and the two individuals completely lost their contacts until ...”

On 25 October 2008, the LaSallians (LSCOBBA) and the Maryknollers (MCSFSA), after all these years of “no-contact”, organised their first-ever joint association fancy-dress gathering – The Halloween Extravaganza at Maryknoll Convent School Secondary Section. Everyone was so anxious about how this would turn out, and whether the curse still exists. All these did not stop the soldiers from both schools. They went ahead with it.

The event started at 5pm, when the alumnae, alumni and their families enjoyed the early BBQ, tea and

game counters. While the kids - spider-man, Darth-Vader, Woody and all, were busy at the face-painting counter, the adults sat at the courtyard to enjoy the BBQ dinner prepared by professional caterer.

Straight after dinner, the President of LSCOBBA and the Chairlady of MCSFSA announced the winner of the “12 or under Costume Competition”, as well as officially opened-up the queue for the Haunted Trail specially prepared by the Student Associations of both schools.

The night did not end there. The younger ones (or at least the ones who were younger at heart) all moved on to the school hall, where a misty and foggy atmosphere with up-to-beat music and free flow of soft-drinks were served. There were break-dancing competitions, bachelor and bachelorette auction, as well as all the boys and girls in their costumes. The venue was full of joy instead of tears. It was a very successful event indeed. Nothing like what happened 30 years ago, except for one little side story ...

“The two individuals happened to find a way out of the accident 30 years ago. Although they have lost contact, this event has pulled them back together. A LSC Old Boy and a Former Student of MCS, through this event, found each other and were once again reunited.”



Joint Happy Hour

LSCOBBA and MCSFSA once again pulled off another great event soon after the ever-successful Halloween party – the Joint LSCOBBA and MCSFSA Happy Hour held on 5 December 2008 at Club 90 Plus in Lan Kwai Fong. It was a Friday night and after a long week of work, what’s more appealing than going to a nice cozy place for a glass of fabulous wine and catch up with your mates?!

The night picked up at around 6pm, as many new faces crossover with familiar ones. Both former MCS students as well as LSC Old Boys joined together for a nice causal chat with a glass of fine wine in hand.

The peak period of the night fitted around 60-odd people in the club, and the background music was filled with all the energy, laughter and conversations by the lot – putting all work behind and simply enjoying the atmosphere, wine and most importantly - the ‘Happy Hour’.

Joint CNY Happy Hour

Friday of the first full week after CNY holiday, work has been long and hectic. What can top this up better than a pint of chilled beer or a glass of white-wine spritzer after the whole week of work? HAPPY HOUR!!!(Indeed!)

Once again, LSCOBBA and MCSFSA, having co-organised the previous ever-successful events – Halloween Extravaganza and Happy Hour Gathering in 2008, joined hands again to organise another Happy Hour on 6 February 2009 @ Bit Point in Lan Kwai Fong.

Since this was the second gathering, the lot have already gotten pretty familiar with each other, plus some extra new faces. The peak period was actually around 7pm, with Bit Point filled with Lasallians and Maryknollers, roughly 50 to 60 of us. Some were standing outside catching up with each other while the rest were sitting inside on the cozy sofa chatting and grumbling about how tiring work has been for the whole week.

A little side story for the night too. A few of us actually got interviewed by the Cable TV, and tested on the new ‘alcohol-level’ indicator which was being introduced. Good thing that we were only on our first then!

Ricky Chow (03)
Recreation Subcommittee





Royal Asiatic Society Lecture on The History of La Salle College



Mark Huang (85), LSCOBA Vice President and the author of the school's history book, "Sons of La Salle Everyone", was invited to give a lecture to members of the Royal Asiatic Society, Hong Kong Branch (RAS) on 9 January 2009. The lecture was attended by over 70 members from the Society and Old Boys at The Helena May, long time neighbor to our sister school St Joseph's College.

During the talk, Mark offered an overview of the beginning of the De La Salle Brothers' work in Hong Kong in 1875 to start St. Joseph's College. He then told of the commencement of the St. Joseph's Branch School in 1917, and then the purchase of 10 land in rural Kowloon and the commencement of La Salle College in 1932. Mark continued with our La Salle war time stories, as well as shared tales of bravery of Old Boys during the war, some giving up their lives. Classes resumed after the war, but Mark told of another battle that began in 1949, when the campus was taken over by the British Army, and the Brothers fought for ten years to get it back. Mark then shared the Brothers' decision to give up the old building for a state-of-the-art new school building.

Throughout the lecture, Mark offered references to the historic background of Hong Kong and even worldwide, and it goes to tell how closely La Salle's history is tied to historical events in Hong Kong and around the world. For example, Hitler's attack on Poland, and Britain's declaration of war in 1939 (La Salle was converted into a German internment facility), and the rising of Communist China in 1949, (the British Army took over LSC to create a hospital in case Mao's Army attacked HK).

To support the narration, Mark offered many photos of the school and old Hong Kong, which kept the audience captivated. Besides offering the story of the school, Mark also shared on how he and his team researched for and uncovered material, ranging from using the HK Public Records Office, searching on Google, interviewing with seniors Old Boys and

local historians, to finding old photos and out-of-print books on eBay and other websites.

At the end of his talk, Mark thanked the many members of the Society, themselves accomplished historians, who supported his research. Among them were well known local historian, Jason Wordie; Associate Professor in the Department of History in HKU, Dr Peter Cunich, himself an alumni of a Lasallian school in Australia; and former Chief Curator of the HK Museum of History, Dr Joseph Ting, who is also a St Joseph's Old Boy. Last but not least, Mark also showed his gratitude to two of the Society's members who supported him but had unfortunately passed away since: Rev. Carl Smith and Professor Anthony Sweeting, both much respected historians in Hong Kong.

For all that the RAS members had offered to Mark throughout his research, it was only fitting that Mark was able to offer a lecture back to the Society. It was an honor for both the LSCOBA and to Mark for being invited to talk for this esteemed Society. As remarked by the emcee of the evening, the lecture was "a memorable and, rightly, educational evening".

Mark Huang (85)
Heritage Subcommittee

Appeal from the LSCOBA Heritage Subcommittee

Mark Huang, Heritage Subcommittee Chairman, wishes to take this opportunity to appeal to Old Boys for their assistance in further research into the school's history. Mark said: "We have already done much work on the school's history, but there are still many areas that await us to discover. However, we lack man-power, or rather Old-Boy-power!" Please contact Mark if you are interested to offer your assistance at heritage@lscoba.com. All we need is a passion for La Salle, no experience is required!



DINNER TALK WITH THE HON. WONG YUK-MAN AND ANDREW TO (83)

On 13 February the Young Members' Section Taskforce invited the Hon. Wong Yuk-man, member of the Legislative Council famous for his outspokenness, as well as our fellow Old Boy and Wong Tai Sin District Councilor To Kwan Hang Andrew (83) to a dinner talk. About 40 Old Boys of all ages attended the event held at London Restaurant in Mong Kok. Yuk-man shared with the audience how he journeyed from being a professor of Journalism at Zhu Hai College, to become a popular radio phone-in program host and eventually a lawmaker. Andrew then described his personal struggle as a political activist in Hong Kong. Both speakers highlighted the importance of upholding their personal beliefs and provided our Young Members with insights into a career in politics.

The evening was, however, not entirely about politics. Andrew recounted on his happy days as a La Salle athlete and Yuk-man shared with us some anecdotes on the legislative council elections and meetings. The Old Boys had an entertaining evening and LSCOBA would like to thank Yuk-Man and Andrew for providing our Members with an insightful and entertaining talk.

The Young Members' Section Taskforce caters to the needs of our younger Members like you. Your input is needed to help us organise events that better suit your needs so please do tell us your opinions and suggestions on our chatboard at the LSCOBA website!

Dominic Ho (03)
Young Member Section Task Force



WE'RE ON FACEBOOK!

LSCOBA has launched its official group called "La Salle Old Boys' Ties" on the Facebook social networking website and all Old Boys are invited to join.

While you are online, check out the following link and note what you see at 1 min 15 seconds:

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3PCOcyt7BPI&feature=channel_page

Mark Huang (85)



PRINCE OF WALES HOSPITAL VISIT

On Saturday, 28 February the LSCOPA Professional Network Subcommittee organised a visit to the Hong Kong Jockey Club Minimally Invasive Surgical Skills Training Center at the Prince of Wales Hospital in Shatin and some 32 Old Boys and guests attended. Dr Philip Chiu (1987), Associate Professor in the Department of Surgery at the Chinese University of Hong Kong, explained that minimally invasive surgery, popularly known as “keyhole surgery”, is the established trend in surgical disciplines and Hong Kong is one of the leading centres of excellence in the world.

Another Lasallian intern Dr Yip Hon Chi (01), a new graduate with Distinction in Surgery and Medicine, shared his insight on the life of a medical student at CUHK, most notably the overwhelming presence of the many female classmates, with ratio running as high as 7 to 3! This was followed by a visit to the Endoscopy Center and a look at the surgeon’s assistant - the Da Vinci robot, and hands on trial at the many simulators. A networking lunch took place at the nearby floating restaurant after the group visited the student hostel. It was of interest to note that, contrary to popular belief, the Centre trains doctors instead of medical students and that live pigs were used as the training material.

Gordon Fong (76)
Professional Network Subcommittee



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Old Boys News

Willie Wong (84) and Florence welcome with love their second son, Nicholas Aldric. Nic was born on 16 February 2009 in Kowloon, Hong Kong.



Joyce and Charles Chan (77) are thrilled to announce the arrival of the latest addition to their family, Crystal. Born 8 July 2008, the 7.5 lbs bubbly bundle of pride and joy is one happy baby, always smiling and a darling to her two elder brothers.



Philip Yeung (93) and Stephanie are proud to announce the birth of their adorable daughter Audrey on 15 October 2008 and she weighs 7 lbs.



OBITUARY: BROTHER HERMAN FENTON F.S.C. (1913-2009)

Brother Herman Fenton F.S.C. passed away peacefully on Saturday, 21 February 2009 at 4:30 pm, at the ripe old age of 95.

The funeral service for Brother Herman was held on 25 February in St Teresa's Church, Kowloon, at 9:30 am, followed by the burial at the Happy Valley St Michael Catholic Cemetery at the Brothers' Plot.

Brother Herman was born in County Limerick, Ireland in April 1913. He arrived in Hong Kong together with Brother Raphael Egan in October 1947 and the two Brothers joined the La Salle College community within a few years from each other. Brother Herman taught in LSC from 1947 to 1969 and was the Sports Master of the school.

While still teaching at LSC in 1965, Brother Herman founded the La Salle Evening School which used the LSC campus from 3:30pm to 8pm on school days, and many of the teachers in the evening school were from LSC. This school, with over 500 students, was the Brothers' response to the great demands in Hong Kong for more school places at the time, especially for the poorer children. In 1969, the Evening School moved to a newly built campus in Homantin to become Chan Sui Ki (La Salle) College, with Brother Herman as the Founder and first Principal.

At the 40th Anniversary celebrations of Chan Sui Ki (La Salle) College held earlier in February 2009, Brother Patrick Tierney, Guest of Honour of the opening ceremony, shared the following on Brother Herman, the Founder of the school:

Although we are sorry he cannot be with us today, we thank God that Brother Herman is still alive and still keenly interested in the affairs of the College. In fact he holds the distinction of having founded 3 schools in all: La Salle Evening School, Chan Sui Ki (La Salle) College and Chan Sui Ki (La Salle) Primary School.

Learning of the passing of Bro. Herman, one Old Boy of the evening school said:

Brother Herman was offering the same elite LSC education to the less fortunate boys, who otherwise could not afford a secondary school education. Thank God! I was one of the poor boys who benefited from the Evening school. The elite LSC education has changed my life, and changed so many other poor boys like me.

Brother Herman was a witness to La Salle College's many landmark events. He arrived in Hong Kong in 1947 to see LSC recouping from the Second World War. He was there when the British Army took over the campus and put the school into Perth Street hutments. He came back to the La Salle Road campus in around 1960, and a few years later, began his work on the Evening School, then Chan Sui Ki (La Salle) College and later Chan Sui Ki (La Salle) Primary School. He also lived through the decision to demolish the old La Salle building and the building of the new campus in the late 1970s. Brother Herman remained active in the CSK front throughout his life, and lived on the Brother quarters on campus for many years. It was in the last few years that Brother Herman moved to live in La Salle College.

Up to his last days, Brother Herman had always been alert and followed the developments and affairs of CSK closely. We are sure that Brother Herman was very pleased with the significant milestone that the Chan Sui Ki (La Salle) College had reached 40 years after his founding of the school.

When I was writing the book for the school's history in LSC in 2007, I remember seeing Brother Herman being taken on his wheelchair to the Brothers' Library to read. He was not only quietly reading, but he was also excitedly explaining what he was reading to the assistant who was looking after him. Indeed he was sill sharp and caring towards others up till his last days.

Meanwhile, Old Boys can leave remembrance messages on the Lasallians Remembered section of the OBA website at: http://www.lscoba.com/significant/viewperson_list.php

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Brother Herman. May God grant him peace and eternal rest in our true home above.

Mark Huang (85)
Vice President

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