

End of Year Report 2004

(1st January 2005)

The AGM 2004 was scheduled on 16th July 2004. A quorum was not formed on that date as the typhoon signal No.3 & 8 were hoisted on that day. The AGM was rescheduled on 23rd July 2004. The newly elected committee members wasted no time and held the First Committee Meeting right after the AGM. *(Certain events were held before the AGM but were not included in the Annual Report of 2003-04. Hence, they were reported in this report.)*

1. Admission of new members

113 new members were admitted so far.

2. Alumni Development [Convener: Louis Law (1970)]

i Professional Network:

a. Youth Group Interview Workshop by Lawrence Ng (1977)

Lawrence spent a whole afternoon helping young members to prepare for job interviews.

b. Healthcare group: First gathering was held on 10th November 2004 with an excellent attendance of over 30 old boy doctors and medical students.

c. Finance, Banking, Investment and Accounting Network & Real Estate Professional Group: a joint gathering was held on 26th November 2004.

d. Gathering of University Student Network: a gathering was held on 11th Sept 2004.

ii Class Reunion

a. Class 66 Reunion – 18th November 2004

With the help of LSCOBA, the class of 66 held a BBQ reunion in LSC

b. Class of 64 - 40th Anniversary Reunion – 18th December 2004

LSCOBA welcomed the home coming of the class 64 in school with a presentation of LSCOBA's work. The president was invited to join their reunion dinner at HKECE.

3. Communication [Convener: Paul Wong (1976)/Stephen Cheung (1987)]

i. Newsletter

The first issue was issued on 1st October 2004. The other issues would be published in January 2005, April 2005 and June 2005.

ii. Email Forwarding Service

The email forwarding service was launched on 1st October 2004. Each registered

member of the LSCOBA (HK) could apply for the service free of charge. To date, 413 members applied for the service.

4. **Constitutional Review** [Convener: Lester Huang (1977)]

A survey was sent in June 2004 to all members for collection of opinions on different issues of the LSCOBA. The team is now analyzing the results.
5. **Credit Card** [Convener: Roger Lee (1985)]

The LSCOBA Visa card was officially launched on 3rd December 2004 at the Christmas Ball. To date, over one hundred of old boys and friends applied for the card. For each successful application, Wing Hang Bank would award LSCOBA \$150. At each transaction, a portion would be donated to LSCOBA. Cardholders can also participate in the Monthly Pledge. With this money, LSCOBA can sponsor more student activities and school events.
6. **Financial Affairs** [Hon. Treasurer: Henry Chan (1970)]
 - i. LSCOBA request organizers of all events to prepare budgets, which must first be reviewed and approved by the Financial Subcommittee before event implementation.
 - ii. A committee member was appointed as Event Controller for major events to monitor the income and expenditure.
7. **Heritage** [Convener: Peter Kam (1977)]
 - i. **Memorial mass for Brother Michael Curtin**– 25th November 2004
A special mass was held in LSC in memory of Brother Michael...
 - ii. **Grave-sweeping** - 27th November 2004
Old boys and current students paid homepage to the Christian Brothers buried in Happy Valley.
 - iii. **Requiem Mass of Dr. James Wong (黃霑)** – 8th December 2004
Our beloved fellow Lasallian Dr. James Wong passed away on 24th November 2004. The requiem mass was attended by his sons, his younger brother, Brother Thomas, Brother Patrick, Brother Alphonsus, Brother Mark and over 300 old boys and staff in the School Hall. A special Memorial Book with messages from old boys and students all over the world was prepared and presented to Uncle James' family. LSCOBA produced a DVD on the special event.
8. **Membership Update** [Convener: Constantine Au (1987) and Stephen Cheung (1987)]

Many entries in our database were outdated. Hence, LSCOBA took an active role in updating the database file. Membership update forms were sent via the newsletters. Online update was also installed. Up till now 735 members updated their data.

9. Overseas Chapters

Active communication with Overseas Chapters was made.

i. Visitations of Overseas Chapters

New York Chapter – 25th July 2004 by the President

Edmonton Chapter – 2nd August 2004 by the President and the Hon. Secretary

Vancouver Chapter - 5th Aug 2004 by the President and the Hon. Secretary

SF Chapter – 8th August 2004 by the Hon. Secretary

UK Chapter – 14th Sept 2004 by the Hon. Secretary

ii. The President's Summit and North American Soccer Tournament in Toronto

Bernard Kong and Constantine Au attended the summit on 31st July 2004 and watched the North American Soccer Tournament. The next summit and NA Tournament will be held by the LA Chapter in July 2005.

iii. The set up of President's Email Group

An email group was set up for easy communication among the president of LSCOBA and those of the Overseas Chapters.

10. Recreation [Convener: Willie Wong (1984)]

i. Dinner with Brother Thomas – 20th August 2004

A dinner was held in honour of Brother Thomas, the tenth principal of LSC.

ii. Past President Dinner - 7th September 2004

Past Presidents, current and past committee members and guests attended the dinner.

iii. BBQ for Christian Brothers' Cup – 17th September 2004

A BBQ was held to celebrate LSCOBA's victory in the tournament.

iv. Dinner for Tommy Chiu (1965) – 8th October 2004

A dinner was held as a token of appreciation to Mr. Tommy Chiu, the Executive Secretary of LSCOBA, for his 21 years of service to LSCOBA.

v. Christmas Ball – 3rd December 2004

The Christmas Ball was held at the Hong Kong Convention & Exhibition Centre (HKCEC) and the theme was Nostalgic 60's. It was attended by approximately 350 old boys & guests and was considered one the best Christmas Balls ever held by those who were present.

11. School Improvement Project (SIP)

LSCOBA took an active role in fund-raising for the SIP. The project was co-ordinated by La Salle Foundation (LSF). The President and the Vice President were members of the fund raising campaign committee.

i. Pledges to members

LSCOBA helped to send out pledges to Lasallians and sponsored for the envelopes.

ii. **Surplus of Christmas Ball 2004**

LSCOBA donated all the surplus of Christmas Ball 2004 to SIP via LSF.

iii. **Walkathon for SIP -7th November 2004**

LSCOBA played a leading role in the organization of the Walkathon for SIP. Over 500 old boys, students and parents participated in the event.

12. **Sports** [Convener: Herman Bo (1989)]

i. **Christian Brothers' Cup (CBC)- 15th August 2004 and 22nd August 2003**

Under the training by Mr. T.P. Cheung, LSCOBA captured the Overall Championship.

ii. **Soccer**

1. **7-a-side Soccer Tournament - 12th September 2004 & 3rd October 2004**

8 teams participated in the tournament.

2. **The Soccer League** kicked off on 10th October 2004.

23 teams participated in 2 divisions.

iii. **Golf Tournament**

1. **Winter Golf Tournament - 19th November 2004.**

Old boys played in the Nansha Golf Club (番禺南沙高爾夫球會)

iv. **The Basketball League** kicked off on 5th December 2004

Six teams of Old boys plus one team from Chan Sui Ki (La Salle) College participated in the league.

13. **Student Affairs** [Convener: Bernard Kong (1976) before AGM] and KF Chan (1980)]

i. **Graduation Dinner of F.5 students (5th July 2004) and F.7 students (7th Aug 2004)**

LSCOBA sponsored these two dinners. Committee members attended the dinners for recruitment of members.

ii. **Visit of F.7 students (class of 2002) – 9th July 2004**

Committee members visited this class on the day of release of HKAL results. Students were invited to join LSCOBA and the Young Members Network.

iii. **Final Assembly of Students – 12th July 2004**

Students received their report cards on this date. Committee members introduced LSCOBA to them in the school hall.

iv. **Camp of F.3 Peer Counseling Scheme – 13th July 2004**

LSCOBA sponsored this camp for these potential achievers. Committee members and Old boys attended the camp and shared their personal experience with the boys.

v. **F.5 Student HKCEE Assembly – 21st July 2004**

Old boys shared their experience on school application after HKCEE.

- vi. **Newcomers' Day – 14th August 2004**
The President addressed the new students and their parents on this day. The Old Boys' room was opened for visit.
- vii. **F.6 Orientation Camp – 24th Sep 2004**
Old boys visited the F.6 boys. Many of them joined LSCOBA on spot.
- viii. **Careers Fortnight with the Careers Team of LSC – 4th October 2004 to 14th October 2004**
This was a joint venture between the Student Affairs Subcommittee and the Careers Team of LSC. Old boys returned to LSC during lunch time to discuss with the students about their choices in career.
- ix. **Workshop on School Application by Louis Law (1970)**
Starting from October 2004, Louis spent one Saturday evening each month with the boys who wanted to pursue their studies overseas. Discussion included choice of schools, departments, preparation of interviews, portfolio etc.
- x. **Kick off of Peer Counseling Scheme – 13th November 2004**
The class of 66 held a BBQ reunion in LSC. Students who participated in the Peer Counseling Scheme 04-05 were invited to join the BBQ. This was a great gathering among boys and old boys.
- xi. **Service to the elderly – 13th November 2004**
Around 30 students, parents and old boys served and entertained the elderly at the St. James' Settlement in Wan Chai.
- xii. **Cultural Promotion Board**
LSC formed this board to promote the cultural development and activities among students. KF Chan represented the LSCOBA in this board.

14. **Participation in School Events and Lasallian Family Events** [Bernard Kong (1976)]

- i. **Participation in Lasallian Musical Odyssey – 7th July 2004**
Old boys enjoyed the wonderful performance by the boys of LSC and LSPS in Auditorium of Sha Tin Town Hall.
- ii. **Participation of the Opening Mass of the new school year - 8th September 2004.**
Committee members attended the mass on behalf of the old boy community.
- iii. **Participation of the Swimming Gala of LSC – 23rd September 2004.**
Members of the OBA, teachers and parents participated in the old boys' race.
- iv. **Speech Day of LSC – 11th November 2004**
LSCOBA sponsored a number of prizes and scholarships. Dr. Choi Kin (65), an old boy doctor and the President of the Hong Kong Medical Association, was the Guest

of Honour.

- v. **Sports Day of LSC - 18th November 2004**
Old boys participated in the relay races.
- vi. **Speech Day of LSPS – 18th November 2004**
Committee members attended the Speech Day on behalf of the old boy community, followed by the third committee meeting.
- vii. **Open Day of De La Salle Secondary School – 28th November 2004**
Members participated in the 7-A-side soccer tournament and the Big Bowl Festival.
- viii. **Talent Quest of LSC – 3rd December 2004**
LSCOBA sponsored the Talent Quest. The President attended the event on behalf of the old boy community.
- ix. **7th Asia-Pacific LaSallian Youth Congress (APLYC) Cultural Night – 15th December 2004**
Christian Brothers, teachers and Lasallians from all over Asia Pacific met in Hong Kong. They held a camp in Sai Kung and a cultural night in the school hall of LSC. The Immediate Past President, President, Vice-President and the Hon. Secretary attended the Cultural Night.
- x. **Attendance of Christmas Eve Mass of LSC – 24th December 2004**
Christian Brothers, teachers, about 100 old boys and friends attended the mass.

15. Participation in Public Events

- i. **Oxfam Trailwalker 2004** [PIC: Eddie Yip (1980)]
Four Lasallians represented LSCOBA in this event. About \$30000 was raised for Oxfam.

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