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WAH YAN COLLEGE KOWLOON Alumni Association of Ontario

Official Newsletter
December 2009

Season's Greetings

The Board of Directors of WYKAAO wishes to extend our warmest season's greetings to all our members, their loved ones and Wahyanites everywhere.

May you have a very merry Christmas and a blessed, healthy & successful 2010 !



Upcoming Events

Networking Dinner

Date / Time – 8th January 2010, Friday; 6 pm sharp
Venue – Asian Cuisine (敦煌閣)
9021 Leslie St., Richmond Hill, Ontario
905-881-8098

Price per person – \$35

Guest Speaker – Professor Sung Yun-Wing 宋恩榮教授 (1965)
Head of Economics Department, CUHK

Topic – China's Rise: Challenge to the World Economic Order
(中國 崛起對世界經濟體系之挑戰)

Reservation – Please call 416-222-3020 in the evening or e-mail to wahyan@wykontario.org

Spring Banquet

Date – 27th February 2010, Saturday
Please stay tuned for more details

AGM / WYK 85th Anniversary Dinner

Our 2009 Annual General Meeting was held on 21st November at the Emperor Fine Chinese Cuisine and was well attended by eight tables of members and guests. Directors for our 27th session were elected (see side panel on left) and official business of the Association taken care of. The newly elected Board convened to re-elect David Wong to lead us for another year as president.

Sumptuous dinner was served while everybody was treated to the



Francis Kwong (left) with MC
Sommy Sie



Mr. Ho summing
up his years at WYK



President David
chairing the AGM



premiere of the short version of “Moments in Time” a video presentation on the 85-year history of our alma mater (q.v.). The video received nothing but praise and was given thunderous applause.

Scholastic Achievement Awards were distributed to the fathers of the three well-deserved candidates and members of the honour classes were recognised and souvenirs presented. Bingo games and lucky draws brought the wonderful evening to a close.

“Moments in Time” – 85 Years of WYK



To celebrate the 85th anniversary of our alma mater, WYKAAO is proud to present “Moments in Time / 時光(瑞)道” – eighty five years of Wah Yan Kowloon on video.



For months, producer Dominic Chan (1964) was hard at work behind the computer splicing together historic pictures and footages supplied by a special history research team while the IT team was busy with the technical details. This video, the first undertaking of the kind for Wah Yan Kowloon, is not simply a pure chronology of

dull historic facts but ties together the important moments in the history of Wah Yan with the concurrent happenings in Hong Kong and China. In short, it is very informative and yet exceptionally entertaining.

A two-part full version was produced and distributed to all our AGM guests on DVD disks and an abbreviated cut was created specifically for showing at the AGM dinner 2009. The short version can be viewed on line by clicking [here](#) while the full version can be purchased by following this [link](#).

WYKAAO Blog

Please visit the WYKAAO Blog at the [Members' Corner](#) on our web site to read postings on many different subjects. At the moment, we have Food & Drink, Fun Stuff and Poems. Read the English renditions of classic Chinese poems by famous poets; learn the art and science of wine tasting or read something light and funny. More categories will be added as members expand their interests to other areas. Read the comments left by others but be sure to leave your own. You can even start your own thread. Just contact the administrator; details can be found on the blog page.



Join President David
for some Fun Stuff

Happy Corner

Past President Kelvin Ng (1995) was married this past October in Jinan, China. Our warmest congratulations to Kelvin and Cherry.



The perfectly matched couple cutting the beautiful cake

In Transit

*Left - Joe at dinner (standing 2nd left)
Right - Bearer of Olympic Flame torch*



Joseph Chan Kwok-Hung 陳國雄 (1967) was in town on business and members from the classes of 1966, 1967 and 1968 took the opportunity to gather together with him for dinner on 26th November. Joseph, the President of Fairchild Television, was one of the 2010 Winter Olympic Flame Torch bearers in Vancouver.

His Excellency, the Honourable Philip S. Lee (1960), Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Manitoba, was visiting Hong Kong early in the month and met with WYK's Principal Dr. John K. Tan (WYCHK 1981) for breakfast at the Mandarin on 6th December.



*Philip (left)
Dr Tan (right)*

Wah Yan One Family Walkathon



Hong Kong SAR Chief Executive Donald Tsang (WYCHK 62) in between Fr Deignan (left) & Fr. Chow (right) on front row at Walkathon opening in WYK



Mr. Laurence Tam (3rd right, front row) at Walkathon

Mr. Laurence Tam reports from Hong Kong, "Margaret and I arrived at WYK playground college just before 9 a.m. (18th October). The place was already full of people..."

The colour for this walkathon is yellow. All participants put on a yellow T-shirt provided by the organiser. Yellow is a striking colour, especially under the sun, as it was a gorgeous sunny day. The whole playground seemed to be flittering with shimmering yellow lights as the crowd of people moved around. I had the luck of meeting many of my old friends in the crowds at WYK playground, walking on the way to Tsimshatsui Star Ferry, in the ferry, walking from Wanchai Ferry Pier, through the Central Plaza and up the hill to Wah Yan Hong Kong. The closing ceremony was held at 1 p.m. at the playground of WYHK..."

WYCHK 90 / WYK 85 Gratitude Dinner

Mr. Laurence Tam reporting from Hong Kong, (13th December), "...I attended the Gratitude Dinner held to celebrate the 85th and 90th anniversaries of WYK & WYHK at the Grand Hall of Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre. It was a really big event of grand scale with well over one thousand people attending... Among those Wah Yan teachers I know were Mr Wong Chin-Wah, Mr Leung Kin-Ping, Mr Yu Boon-Leung, and Mr Chiu Hay-Kau, as well as Dr. Tan Kang, Rev Fr. Naylor, and Rev Fr. Deignan..."

The evening's programme began with the school songs, followed by welcoming speeches by the School Supervisor, the two School Principals and the Dinner Chairman. Then there was the cutting of the birthday cake, toasting and saying the grace before the actual dinner began. It was a Chinese dinner with elegant, tasty and healthy dishes accompanied by a series of well planned and most entertaining and captivating programmes, including stage performance by famous singer Hacken Lee and Raymond Yu (Ex. Assistant Principal, WYHK), souvenirs/prizes presentation, auctioning of specially meaningful item,... performance by WYK old Boys Choir and Group 281, raffle tickets draw, and "Wah Yan Millionaire"... All in all, it was a great evening..." You can read the full article on our web site.

(Left) The Head Table

(middle) Cake cutting

(right) Hacken Lee performing



Wah Yan International Conference 2010

The conference will be held at the San Gabriel Hilton Hotel from 20th to 22nd August, Friday to Sunday. The main event will consist of one full day on Saturday plus the Sunday morning of gatherings and speeches by keynote speakers. The dinner on Saturday will be a Gala event with entertainment.



There will be pre-conference activities (not included as the conference main events) on Friday evening (e.g. dinner), and local trips in the afternoons of Saturday and Sunday (e.g. shopping trips, beach barbecues), and potentially post conference short trips such as harbour cruises. If there is sufficient interest, short trips (several days) can be organised after the conference. This could include Mexico cruise to and from LA, trip to Las Vegas and /or Grand Canyon, etc. Please check [here](#) for updates.

Milestone

Mrs. Ma as we remember her from the 1960's

Mrs. Cecilia Ma Kit-Kwan 馬黃潔君女士 passed away on 31st October 2009 in her sleep at the age of 96. She started teaching in Wah Yan Nelson Street after World War II and retired in 1978 after over thirty years of service to the school. She will surely be missed by her former students. An album has been put together with her pictures all the way from the 1940's. Please click [here](#) to view.

