



Picnic in May!!



It's our annual picnic again! And this year it's going to be Sunday, May 15, 2005!

We will set up our BBQ at 12:30pm at either Serena Gundy Park or Sunnybrook Park, depending on availability. The entrance to both parks is on Leslie Street, at the northwest corner of the intersection of Leslie Street and Eglinton Avenue.

We will have games (soccer, frisbee, kite flying, etc.). Hiking is planned and you are welcome to bring bikes too.

We will go to Edwards Garden after 4:00pm for sightseeing.

It is free! And remember to bring sunscreen! Please contact Kelvin Ng at 416-668-1735 for any further details.



Let's get into the Wah Yan spirit!

Joint school charity soccer

Sunday, July 31, 2005 will be St. Joseph's College 130th Anniversary Charity Cup. We will participate in this meaningful event with 5 other Hong Kong school alumni associations and help



Tim Kwan and Raymond Chan

for the Mon Sheong Foundation. For any further details, please email Raymond Chan <chanrayk@hotmail.com> or Tim Kwan <tkwan@sympatico.ca>.

And the next event with Wah Yan spirit is...

Because of the lack of participants, we will not be participating in the Dragon Boat race. However, we will keep our Wah Yan spirit alive and participate in one of the following events instead; if you have any preference please let us know:

- **Toronto Waterfront Marathon**—Sunday, September 25, 2005: For details please see <http://www.torontowaterfrontmarathon.com/en/index.htm>
- **Terry Fox Run**—Sunday, September 18, 2005
- **United Way CN Tower Stair Climb**—Date is to be announced, but is expected to be in October

Size Does Not Matter—Valentine Ball 2005

It proves once again that size is not all that matters—ticket sales was reduced from 918 in 2004 to this year's 586, yet our net profit per ticket is significantly higher this time: It rose from a net of \$0.94 last year to this year's \$3.40. WYKAAO has an overall net profit of more than \$800 from ticket sale, sale of roses, and advertisements in

the Programme Book. Feedback from our patrons has all been positive, a good indication that we are heading in the right direction.

Valentine Ball co-chair Zoheir Hasanbhai wrote, "... 'size does not matter' should be our mantra for upcoming Balls. Good management and the desire to have fun with good friends are the keys to success for an event like ours.

"...a highly successful Ball thanks to the Board members. We broke the old mould and we now celebrate the creation of a new and improved one..."



All the alumni presidents at VB2005

Get ready for IC2006!

From the Wah Yan International Conference 2006 website at http://wahyan.cim3.org/wah_yan/IC2006

In your life, have you ever experienced a global reunion of Wahyanites like this?

- Enjoy the clean air, magnificent landscape, excellent seafood and warm hospitality of Vancouver, City of the Winter Olympics 2010;
- Join Wahyanites and their families to pre-Conference trips to beautiful Victoria, capital of British Columbia, and Whistler, ski grounds of Winter Olympics 2010;
- In a conference setting (with inexpensive arranged accommodation in Richmond), relate our



Vancouver, the venue of the upcoming IC2006 Photo: Tourism Vancouver/Josef Hanus

secondary schooling experience to the Canadian educational experience, and share the Wah Yan Spirit of community service especially in the Canadian context, and need not worry about leaving your wife and children lonely because they will be taken care in our arranged shopping trips;

- Enjoy beautiful Vancouver in a city tour after a morning conference session, join hundreds in the largest annual event of Wahyanites in western Canada, the Annual Ball; and
- End the whole fiesta by taking a cruise with your family to Alaska, straight from Vancouver!

The pre-conference event will begin on Wednesday, August 16, 2006. Activities will probably include

group visits to Whistler, Victoria or other areas during the first 2 days. Conference meeting will begin on Friday, August 18, 2006. Meeting will be held in the morning on both Friday, August 18, 2006 and Saturday, August 19, 2006. Each day of conference will be followed by a group lunch and an afternoon of family activities. Dinner Gala will be held in the evening on Saturday, August 19, 2006. Cruise trip will be organized as a post-conference event with the journey beginning on Sunday, August 20, 2006.

August 16–17, 2006 (Wed–Thu): Pre-Conference trips
 Aug 18–19 (Fri–Sat): Conference, City Tour and Annual Ball
 Aug 20–26 (Sun–Sun): Cruise to Alaska

For ongoing updates, please subscribe to our IC2006 electronic newsletter by sending us an email at <vancouver@wahyan.net>.

Report on our Spring banquet

The 2005 Spring Banquet and mahjong competition was held at the New World Palace Restaurant on March 5. Steve Fung (1977) who won the mahjong tournament a couple of years ago was back for an encore championship. Following the afternoon's mahjong competition, seven tables of guests attended the lavish dinner, which began with the singing our solemn School Hymn. And the fun was just beginning. The luck draw was decidedly the most humorous and enjoyable part of the evening; the witty exchanges between Donald Ng, Philip Kam and many others brought thunderous laughter to the floor.



People coming in for the dinner, chatting, while the mahjong competition continues in earnest



Funny moment during the lucky draw; from left: Donald Ng (1957), Ricky Yiu (1999)

Not only was the whole evening s event orchestrated by our young members, we also saw the debut of the youngest one, Herman Sham of the class of 2005, who joined us for the first time. His expertise in photography was put into good use and his Spring Banquet photo collection can now be viewed on his web site at <http://herman.ygto.com>. A job well done everybody!

A second set of photos, taken by Ambrose Li (1986), can be found at http://ada.dhs.org/Photos/Ambrose/Wah_Yan/20050305_WYKAAO_Spring_Dinner/index.html.

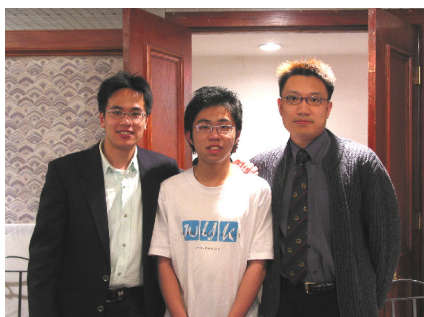
Wah Yan and me—An interview with Peter Wong (1962)

Interviewer: Eddie Lau (2003)

Some young members were interested in knowing how Wah Yan had shaped the careers of our senior members. Eddie Lau kicked off the series by interviewing Peter Wong who could claim to be a member of



School magazine DVD and VCD's were available for viewing before the dinner



Our photographer Herman Sham together with the two Kelvins

Class of 60, Class of 61 and Class 62. Peter repeated three years at Wah Yan. It is a record destined to stay forever. And, Peter is proud of all the activities he could enjoy after school.

When did you graduate from Wah Yan?

I graduated from Wah Yan in 1962 but could be as early as 60.

What is your occupation?

I am currently a realtor.

What is the most important thing that Wah Yan taught you?

Four things—my religion, to be fair to all people, to be all rounded, and to work hard.

How did it affect your life?

Wah Yan shaped me to what I am now.

Were there any interesting scenarios when you were in Wah Yan?

Everything was interesting—Everybody put their heart and soul into things. Looking back, I enjoyed being an altar boy, in the choir, in the boy scouts, in the Red Cross, and a life guard, playing football, marbles, ping pong and basketball, and, lastly, playing and studying with friends—but no single event strikes me as unforgettable. Everything comes together as one scenario. Funny!

Do you think Wah Yan should continue to use English as medium of instruction, or switch to Chinese?

Just follow what the big guys tell you to do—if they think that is good to the population, they must have a reason. I cannot assist in this answer



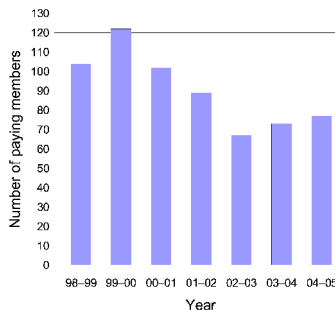
Peter Wong in 1960

because of my limited knowledge of Hong Kong.

Is there anything that Wah Yan should improve?

Again, my knowledge of the present Wah Yan is very limited and I am not able to give a constructive answer. I guess they need to upgrade their building, computers and equipment.

Membership report



We thank members who had sent in their annual membership fee of \$10 and those who paid up at the spring banquet. We would appreciate others to mail in their annual dues to support our activities in the rest of the coming year.

論發燒治病

文：劉佐端（一九五七）



世上所有熱血動物，包括人類在內，稍受微生物入侵感染了，便進行發燒，重復再三，直至感染跡象完整消失了，方始退燒，回復到正常體溫。

發燒這個現象，是跟着感染，隨之而來的，決不是倒轉順序，發了燒纔引起感染患病的。

從作者實驗觀察得到的發現和結論：隨着發燒，體內一般細胞，便出現了一個「能源危機」：所有細胞內的化學能 (ATP) 存量，遭逢到大幅度的降低引致了能源供應緊張和缺乏。此一來，正極需用大量化學能，而在快速繁殖中的感染病菌，亦因為化學能的缺乏，在不能繼續製造和組合本

身「零件」之情況下，終於宣告停頓，結束了快速生產以及分裂和繁殖。主體亦就趁病菌劇烈蔓延之解除，得到了殘喘，同時動員各項防禦抗菌措施，來對付並殲滅那些入侵的病菌。

發燒既為各種熱血動物所共同擁有，從此可知道其被採用的歷史的悠久，應該在人類與其他熱血動物尚未分化演變，各自步入歧路之前，估計最少應有數億年之光景也。

從此可看到：熱血動物能夠保持恆溫和隨意調節體溫，除了可在寒冷環境下活動自如外，更可控制體內能源的供應，連帶著管束外來感染體之繁殖和擴展，掌握了重要的關鍵！亦就憑此一勝券，足以能夠在微生物密佈的森林中，安全生存下去，歷億萬年至於今日。這個比起現代特效藥的抗生素來，確是我們萬靈的神醫了！

要特別注意的，是病人在高溫情況下，凡呼吸及出汗的去水率都增高了不少，容易乾涸而對各器官有不利之處，故此要不斷的給予補充水份，例如涼茶清湯之類，甚至單只開水加鹽及糖少許，便有助長治病的好處及功能。

熱血動物既全靠發燒來驅除病菌，但我們對這一宗世世代代的活命救星，認識卻微不足道，賽若魚類對水之無知焉！近代醫學界更諸多使用退熱丸散，甚至將小孩淋浸冷水降溫，實為弄巧反拙，拔苗助長之舉，彷彿發燒治病之正常過程和作用。

現代廣泛用以抵制病菌感染的抗生素，採用至今來，已有八十多年歷史。由於微生物之能夠不斷突變，抗生素的滅菌能力，亦日見消蝕，看看漸臻失效矣。

發燒是憑著物理的基本作用對細胞生理化學的影響，導致能源供應的減縮，而最後限制了侵染體的生長，這種機能和作用，是永恆不變的。其效力亦始終不會消蝕的。我們依賴發燒而生存着，已歷億萬年！確信在漫長的未來年代中，它將仍是人類，以及其他熱血動物莫大的護身符也！

Irish Jesuit web site

Bonbon Hu (1965) of Vancouver came across the site <http://www.sacredspace.ie/>, a web site made by the Irish Jesuits. It features daily prayers and articles for reflection.

**R.I.P.—Father Albert Chan, S.J.
耶穌會會士陳綸緒神父 (1915–2005)**



Fr Albert Chan, S.J.

Father Chan passed away in Los Gatos, California on March 10, 2005.

Born in Peru, Father graduated from Wah Yan College, Hong Kong and immediately joined the Jesuits in 1934. He completed his Bachelor and Master degrees in the Philippines and was ordained in Dublin, Ireland in 1947. With a Ph.D. in Chinese studies at Harvard in 1954, he taught at Wah Yan Hong Kong until 1959 and then taught a year at Wah Yan Kowloon in 1961.

Apart from a few years of research in Lisbon, Madrid and Rome, Father stayed at Wah Yan Kowloon focusing on his studies on the Ming and Qing Dynasties.

In 1995, he left Hong Kong to join the Ricci Institute at the University of San Francisco, bringing with him 70,000 copies of his books he collected and read over the years.

A scholar and a linguist, Father could read not only Chinese and English, but also Latin, Spanish, Portuguese, Italian, Japanese, German, French, and some Russian. He spoke not only Cantonese and English, but also fluent Spanish, Portuguese, French, and Italian.

A historian, Father also enjoyed poetry and painting. He loved cooking and would prepare authentic Chinese dishes for the Wah Yan Community during Chinese New Year when the kitchen staff enjoyed their annual leave.

A truly scholarly Chinese Jesuit, he will be missed by his friends.

Para-Alumni Association for all Jesuit schools formed



In October, 2004, the first meeting of the Partnership of International Jesuit Alumni/ae was held; present

were 35 alumni/ae from Jesuit schools in India, the Philippines, the Netherlands, Scotland, Jamaica, U.S.A., and Canada. The purpose of the Partnership is to encourage Jesuit alumni/ae living in Toronto and vicinity to reconnect with the Jesuits, and with alumni/ae from their own and other Jesuit schools. Beside social events, next year they will be looking to add speakers on topics of interest and have opportunities for spiritual development. They do not aim to replace existing alumni/ae associations, but rather to broaden the perspective of Jesuit alumni/ae.

We have been invited by Fr. J. Winston Rye, S.J. of the Jesuits of Upper Canada to attend the next meeting on Wednesday, May 11, between 5pm and 7pm. It will be held at the Jesuit Offices on Bay Street near Davenport Road.

Two of our board members will attend, but all members are welcome; if you are interested please contact us for more details.

Report from board meeting

Sonny Sie (1960), who had left the board for a while, has rejoined us as a director; his appointment was unanimously accepted.

Wah Yan One Family Fund

On another note, our contribution to the Wah Yan One Family fund has been received and acknowledged in writing.

Next board meeting

The next board meeting will be in June, but the date has not yet been decided when this issue of the newsletter went to print. If you would like to attend the next board meeting, please contact us by phone or email.

Extensions of school building

The four pictures, supplied by Martin Lee (1961), outline the growth of our school campus.



The 1968 extension



The 1990 extension



The 2005 extension



Close-up of the 2005 extension