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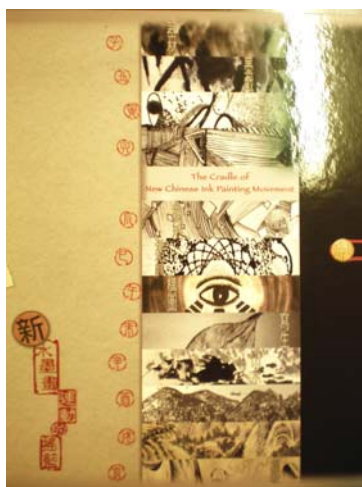
Spring Banquet 2007



Mr. Tam autographing his book

Attended by over 60 Wahyanites, family members and friends, the 2007 Spring Banquet was held most appropriately on St. Patrick's Day, 17 March at the Empire Legendary Oriental Cuisine.

Our former art teacher Mr. Laurence Tam made a very illuminating presentation on the recent Chinese ink paintings exhibition he organised in Hong Kong. These paintings were drawn by his WYK Forms 1 and 2 pupils from forty years ago. Everybody present was amazed by the calibre of the artwork of the young students.



Mr Tam's book

At the end of his presentation, Mr. Tam autographed copies of his book, “新水墨畫運動的搖籃” (The Cradle of New Chinese Ink Painting Movement) which were immediately sold out.

This evening we were able to raise C\$1,400, which formed part of the HK\$120,000 net proceeds from the exhibition. The money raised was presented to the Fr. Kelly's Educational Fund in April.



Principal So (right) accepting cheque

Dinner with Fr. Coghlan



Fr. Coghlan (left) with Messrs. Hsueh (middle) & Ho

Dinner Group photo



On Friday, 6 July, a dinner was jointly held with WYCHKOOA

at the Empire Legendary Oriental Cuisine to welcome Fr. Sean Coghlan, S.J. who was in town to visit his sister. It was well attended by his former students who were happy to see him and to hear the latest news of the two Wah Yans. Fr. Coghlan has taught at both schools and in 1996 retired as the last Jesuit Principal of Wah Yan College, Hong Kong.

Terry Fox Run



Community action has always been a vital element of the Wah

Yan spirit. Since 2005, our association has been a participant in the annual Terry Fox Run. Over C\$1,000 was raised each year thanks to our members' generosity. The 2007 event will take place on Sunday, 16 September. Please join Team WYKAAO for a worthwhile charity cause. For more information, please contact Alan Leong at - wykacao@gmail.com.

Annual Picnic

WYKAAO's annual signature event, our ever-popular free picnic at Louis Lau's farm, (Rural Route 9, Schomberg, Ontario L0G 1T0) is coming up again. It is on Saturday, 15 September starting at 12 noon; rain or shine. Be certain to join us for a fun-filled afternoon of barbecuing in the company of your fellow Wahyanites, families and friends while reminiscing those

good old days in WYK. Please reply by calling 416-222-3020 (evening only) or e-mail us at - wahyan@wykontario.org.

The Graduate – President Alan



Mr. Anthony Ho (middle) with Prof. Raymond Kan ('78) & Alan

Our current President Alan Leong (2001) has recently graduated from the University of Toronto with an Honour Bachelor of Science degree in

life science. Our sincerest congratulations go to President Alan.

Annual General Meeting 2007

The Annual General Meeting of our 25th year, session 2007~2008, will be held on Saturday, 3 November 2007 at the Empire Legendary Oriental Cuisine. More details will soon be available. Please be sure to mark your calendar to join your fellow members at the AGM that marks the beginning of our quarter century anniversary.

Class Notes

The class of 1967 is holding a reunion from 16 to 23 November 2007 to commemorate the 40th anniversary of their graduation. Tentative schedule: 16 November – boys

only reunion dinner; 17 November – functions at WYK; 18~23 November – side trips, sight seeing, shopping, golfing etc. under planning. Please stay tuned for further updates.

Earlier in June, Simon Mak Yiu-Wo brought the latest reunion news to Canada and the United States. Those who are interested please send an e-mail to – wyk@cogeco.ca.



Dinner with Simon Mak (2nd right)



Historic Fund Raising Drive for “Wah Yan One Family” - Letter from Fr. Alfred J. Deignan, S.J.

Dear Wahyanites, Friends and Parents of Wah Yan:

Our Dream for Wah Yans' Future

This is our dream – to make our two Wah Yan schools centres of excellent education and formation of character for the future. To do this we need your support and help. As you know the best investment of our resources and energy is in the future lives of our youth. We want to make our education in Wah Yan not only one of excellence in developing students' knowledge, but also one of excellence in developing students' character and values. As Theodore Roosevelt once said, “To educate a person in mind and not in morals, is to educate a menace to society.”

We need, besides creative school planning, to give teachers the opportunity to develop their professional skills and a formation in values and in Jesuit education vision and mission. We need to employ additional good teachers of both English, Chinese and Mathematics so that we can provide split classes, wider choices of subjects and teachers of debate, drama, music, games etc., so that we can provide a better all-round education to the students.

As you know, Government resources are very limited and so we need extra financial resources to fulfil our dream. Any help you can give, big or small, will be gratefully acknowledged and appreciated. Help us educate ‘men for others.’

Yours sincerely,

Alfred J. Deignan S.J.

Your help is crucial in order to reach the target of HK\$100 million. More information can be found on the “Wah Yan One Family” web site at - <http://www.wahyan.edu.hk/onefamily>.