

HOLY FAMILY CANOSSIAN COLLEGE ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER 2005

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING & DINNER

Got no time to contact and meet your old school friends and long missed teachers?
Here's a good opportunity!

Date : 12th March 2005 (Saturday)
Time : 6:30 p.m.
Venue : Serenade Garden (映月樓), Hong Kong Cultural Centre, Tsim Sha Tsui

The Association is hosting our Annual General Meeting (AGM) and Annual Dinner. Do come to join us and catch up with all your good old friends. As part of the big Holy Family, your family members are always welcome.

Member and family: HKD150- per head
Non-member : HKD180- per head

Please complete the reply slip on page 4 with cheque for the fee and **send back on or before 28 February 2005 to:**
Holy Family Canossian College Alumnae Association
c/o Holy Family Canossian College
33 Inverness Road, Kowloon City, Kowloon

You are welcome to form your own table (of 12) and send in the reply in one slip.
Please pass the good news to other fellow graduates.
Looking forward to seeing you all in March 2005.



UPCOMING EVENTS

FUND RAISING

It's very encouraging to see that our school had received tremendous support soon after our advice to you of the burglary in November 2004. Up till 11th January 2005, the school had received HKD443,810- donation for the replacement of the 17 stolen projectors, of which HKD152,900- were from our alumnae. We would like to express our utmost gratitude to your support of our alma mater. Please refer to our web site for letter from Sr. Cythnia.

The new building of our school is expected to be operative this coming September, our school will continue need our support to raise sufficient fund to equip the new classrooms as part of the School Improvement Program. We would keep you posted on the progress in our web site; and hope to receive your continuous and generous support.

All Rounder Award 2005

Established in 2000, the "All Rounder Award Presentation" to Holy Family students has become one of the annual projects in the calendar of the Alumnae Association. The aim of the Award is, through recognition, to encourage students to develop their comprehensive potential and to equip themselves to face upcoming challenges.

This year, the selection of the "All Rounder Award" winner will be held in late February with the hard work of a panel of 3 judges. Ms. Florence NG (吳翠桐), the chairman of the Alumnae Association, Ms. Angeline CHEUNG (張美德), the well-known horse racing programme presenter and Ms. Maggie CHOY (蔡湘湘), Vice-chairman of Student Association in the late 80's and now an experienced social worker, have kindly agreed to serve the judging panel this year.

While we are all anxiously awaiting the birth of All Rounder 2005, the Alumnae Association are proud to report that all 5 past winners do excel and continue to work hard as "All-rounders" in their career. Should you like to share their feelings, you are welcome to visit our web site for their recent news. Should you like to help on this project, please feel free to contact us at admin@hfccaa.org.hk.



TO SHARE THE HAPPINESS
WITH YOU

Running in the field

After having graduated for 27 years, it was my first time to be back in school for the Athletics Meet. I saw teenage schoolmates that reminded me when I was their age. Our school had only 10 classes in the first year. Of course, we would not have Athletics Meet so systematic as today, November 25, 2004. I am glad that our school has progressed so much.

The schoolmates wore PE uniforms of red, blue, yellow and white. They looked so young and energetic. I saw them screaming, singing, some even cried. I recalled myself reacted just the same way as they did during the Games Day in the school playground. Those were the days now. I am sure their experience will become precious memories when they come to my age.

Anne Anita Cheung, Michelle Li, Rosita Lin, Joan Billie Chan and myself represented HFCCAA to attend the 4x100 relay. We had alumnae like Christy Law, Joyce Ko, Karina Tsang, Shirley Liu joining. We also had Form 6 HFCC students, who are AA members now, joining too. We all enjoyed very much although my team lost the match. I felt young again like our schoolmates in their teens as if I were still an HFCC student.

I am proud to know from the guest of honour that our girls play rugby very well amongst the other schools, sort of got some reputation. Our girls' athletics ability even breaks his record when he was at their age. I am proud. I am proud of being alumna of HFCC.

I had an enjoyable day - HFCC Athletics Meet 2004 and would like you to join next year.

- Florence Ng -

Meeting with the School Management Board

Today is 15 December 2004, Wednesday. It is nice and sunny warm today. It is good for outing.

Now is 12:00 noon. I turn off my computer hurriedly and leave the office to Central MTR station where I will meet Teresa and travel together to Kowloon Tong station. Anne will be there and pick us up and drive to Shatin for lunch. We target to be back at school library 2:45pm. Our presentation to the School Management Board ("SMB") is at 3:00pm.

During our lunch, Teresa and Anne have been my audience and Teresa has almost written my script. Thank you very much Teresa and Anne.

At 3:00pm, we are called to go up to Room 303. Mrs. Lau accompanies us to attend the presentation.

There we have Student Association presentation about their trip to Singapore, which was jointly sponsored by Parent Teacher Association ("PTA"). There is also presentation by PTA. Special thanks to Joan Billie Chan, she has combined the powerpoint file I have prepared, Anne's photos and added on special effects which make up a very attractive presentation.

Smoothly I finish my presentation. After the presentation, we briefly share our experience with the PTA in organizing Annual General Meeting, increasing income and promoting membership etc. Anne emphasizes our need for IT support from the school especially in web site administration and membership data management.

Sisters and managers show their appreciation for our effort in organizing the Alumnae Association and support to the school. They say with our limited resources and with a full time job, they really appreciate our work. Sister Margaret has been very enthusiastic in giving us suggestions on better web site management. I am sure we cannot solve the problem at instantly, but we do raise the problem and let everyone face it. It is a giant step for us.

Lastly I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of you, including committee members of all previous years. You have spent your time, your energy, your effort and your money without reservation in supporting the Alumnae Association. No words can really express our appreciation. Thank you very much to you all.

- Florence Ng -



嘉諾撒聖家小學五十週年

嘉諾撒聖家學校金禧校慶開放日暨「校園電視台」祝聖禮於二零零四年十二月十一日星期六上午十時在校園舉行，是日本人聯同張璇菲、蕭綺熙、吳碧筠及陳泳珠等出席。

吳碧筠以中學校友會名義訂製一盆清麗雅緻的白蝴蝶蘭，並題上賀辭：「春風化雨半世紀、桃李滿門賀金禧」，祝賀母校。本人以聖家小學校友及中學校友會名義在此感謝吳碧筠的雅意。

三十多年後今日，重臨兒時母校，真是百感交集，正是十年人事幾番新。校舍變了，以前我們心愛的搖搖板及攀架都消失了，操場部份蓋了頂，還有講臺，儼如小禮堂。操場邊幾棵假石栗及影樹也消失了。還記得當時有一棵樹吊著幾條折斷的粗麻繩，同學們圍繞著那幾根麻繩繪聲繪影地創作了許多段恐怖故事，令我不敢站在樹下呢！時至今日我卻深深地懷念著它。

進入校舍，今日的校長、老師都是一張張新面孔，想來我認識的校長、老師都退休了。唉！日子真有如白駒過隙！

是日「校園電視台」播放短片，介紹電視台的設備，小演員流利地講解及示範製作的情形。這確能讓小師妹們在語言、溝通及創作能力上有很好的鍛煉，並促進合作、團結的精神。在此希望小師妹們都懂得珍惜及感恩，並送上深深的祝福。

本人最感遺憾是學校分成小學(九龍城)、新校(九龍塘)及中學。如果中小學能在一起，校舍、人力資源等物盡其用，想必成就更大。

金禧晚宴則在十二月二十六日聖家節當天假座大會堂美心酒樓舉行，張璇菲、陳泳珠及本人代表參加。當晚最有意義是介紹嘉諾撒修會的形成、早年在香港的活動情形及嘉諾撒聖家學校的歷史。最激動人心是第一屆畢業的師姐跟當年的班主任周老師相見，互相擁抱的場面。人生難得幾回見，五十年的人生歷程仿如白雲蒼狗。願這動人場面永遠存在母校師生回憶裏。

在此衷心祝福九龍城及九龍塘兩所嘉諾撒聖家學校及嘉諾撒聖家書院老師的教學精神不倦，作育更多英才，讓同學們能更好地回饋母校及社會，發揚「同繫於愛」的聖家精神。

-吳翠柀-

The 50th Anniversary Mass Of the Holy Family Canossian School (Kowloon Tong)

I did not have a moment of hesitation when my primary schoolmate invited me to help in the 50th Anniversary Mass on 19th November organized by Holy Family Canossian School (Kowloon Tong). As an alumna, it is my honour to return and offer help to my beloved school. Honestly speaking, it was also a great chance for me to meet my favorite teachers. The mass itself was nice because the atmosphere was peaceful and the decoration, the choir and the dance were well done. My junior friends were all very cute and they showed dedication to their performance. After the mass, there was a refreshment session during which I grabbed every chance to initiate small talk with teachers and old friends. I was satisfactorily entertained on that day and I felt thankful for all those involved in the function.

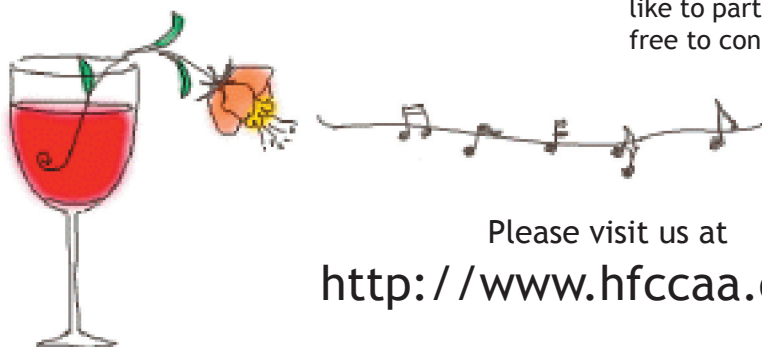
The slogan painted on the wall of the new building at Kowloon Tong says: "House is built by hands; Family is built by hearts". I found this spirit among sisters, teachers and students of HFCS. With the blessing from God, the school has already gone through 50 years. For the years to come, I hope God's blessing would remain with the school and the message of love can be spread out by the people in it.

- Michelle Siu -

MOCK INTERVIEW

Interview is an important stage in career and education development. With the aim of helping students to prepare for this challenge, AA organized the Mock Interview 2004 with Careers Guidance Team on 18 November 2004. This is the second year we held this activity; and were very excited with the active participation of both alumnae and students. There were 90 interviewees, a triple jump from last year's 30; and 32 alumnae in the interviewer panel. Such an encouraging figure! Our fellow schoolmates expressed their thanks to the interviewers for the precious advice and experience sharing. We would like to thank all those alumnae who volunteering their time and putting lots of effort and energy in the interview to make the event a success. We would also like to thank Mrs. Amy Chow and Mrs. Jessica Wong, school Careers Guidance Team's advisors, for their support. We would like to invite you to join us in the next annual Mock Interview around November / December time. Should you like to participate or need more information, please feel free to contact us at admin@hfccaa.org.hk.

- Sally Lo -



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Name of Participant : _____
Year of F.5 / F.7 Graduation : _____ Membership No. : _____
Membership Status : * Ordinary member / Life member / Non-member (delete as appropriate)
Address : _____

Telephone : _____ (res.) _____ (mob.) _____ (off.)
Number of Participant(s) : _____ Member(s) + _____ Family member(s)
_____ Non-member(s) + _____ Family member(s)
Total fee : HKD _____
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