



OLD STUDENTS NEWSLETTERS SEPTEMBER 1990

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**QES OLD STUDENTS ASSOCIATION
2nd Annual General Meeting**

November 24, 1990 (Saturday)

Banquet and Karaoke

Starting 6:30 pm at

Palace Seafood Restaurant
8601 Warden Ave. Markham
(North East corner of Warden and Hwy 7)

Ticket: \$40

For more information please contact:

George Wong 223-6867
Ann Ma 977-1400 Local 213
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Please come to join us with your spouse, alumni, friends,...

QES OLD STUDENTS ASSOCIATION (ONTARIO)

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If you like to participate, please complete the following:

Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

Number of Tickets: _____ Amount enclosed: \$ _____

**** Cheque payable to "QES Old Students Association"
mail to "Mr. George Wong - Treasurer
56 Summer Height Drive,
Willowdale, Ontario M2K 1Y4"

**Message from the President -
James Hon-Kit Tang (1961)**

The idea of forming our Old Students Association in Ontario actually came last June when Mr. Hinton visited us in Toronto. It was interesting that although we all knew that there are quite a few QES alumni in the Toronto area, it was not until Mr. Hinton came to Toronto and brought us together.

At the dinner party for Mr. Hinton at the Ontario Place, the room was filled with air of combined excitement and joy. It was a wonderful feeling to be able to talk again after all these years about old pals we don't see any more, silly things we did as 'kids', mischievous accomplishment in school, private jokes that no body else could comprehend, as well as pride and happiness that we once shared together during good old days.

Many felt we would enjoy similar get-togethers again. Who knows? We might again be surprised as some were that evening, when some co-workers met and learned for the first time they too are QES old students.

As more immigrants are coming to Canada from Hong Kong, we would see more and more our alumni here in Toronto. Our Association could definitely serve as a focal contact function as well.

It is indeed my great pleasure to be a part of this first QES Old Students Association outside Hong Kong. As you

could imagine, there are many organizational activities to be done during the first year. Fortunately, we do have a very capable and energetic group as the working executives.

During the past few months, we concentrated our effort in establishing network with old students in Canada and Hong Kong, expanding the membership, and to solicit ideas and directions for the Association. At the present time, a directory is being compiled and will be made available to you upon completion. So, if you have a list for your class, please give us the information as soon as possible.

On the social/recreation side, a picnic at the Taoist Tai-Chi Centre at Orangeville was organized in June. It was well attended and was a successful event.

We are now planning to hold the upcoming Annual General Meeting with a banquet featuring Karaoke on November 24, 1990 (Saturday). We hope you can take time out to support your Association, and to have fun once again with your classmates, families and friends.

Surprises ????

**MR. HINTON'S VISIT TO
TORONTO - Max Wong (1961)**

In June last year, Mr. Arthur Hinton, our long-time principal and beloved school teacher, and his wife visited us in Toronto. A full-scale dinner reception was planned

at Ontario Place to welcome the couple. Thanks to the dedicated efforts of James Tang, Henry Lee, and several others, this function turned out to be an enormous success. Over 90 former QES students attended, some coming as far away as Winnipeg, New York, and Boston. Surely, this had to be the largest gathering of "QES old students" held outside Hong Kong. The fact that this gathering actually sparked off the formation of the Ontario Chapter of the QESOSA speaks more eloquently than anything for the success of the function.

The reception took a semi-formal at first, starting with cocktails and mingling among old classmates, followed by a buffet dinner, the singing of our school song, and speeches -- many of them. By this time, the atmosphere was so relaxed that it was more like the re-union of a big family. We even had a "Trivial Pursuit" type of quiz contest on the history of QES. The evening ended on a note of discernible warm harmony that I haven't felt for a long time.

I mentioned the speeches in the reception. Yes, there were many made that evening -- impromptu and otherwise, by Mr. Hinton, by the organizers of the function, and by the representatives of the school graduates of every year. Mr. Hinton, with his usual humor, was most entertaining. Every representative seemed enthusiastic as well -- recollecting spontaneously and nostalgically his own experience of encountering Mr. Hinton. Consequently, unlike

most after-dinner speeches, these were anything but boring.

Perhaps I could sum up here my own feelings on the old school days through my personal encounter with Mr. Hinton:-

I have to admit that I was one of the more notorious students in my days -- having been summoned several times rather unceremoniously to Mr. Hinton's office for being the ring leader of some dubious activities. Quite deservedly, I was given a "black mark" on my school record by the then Senior Master, Mr. S.Y. Li. Yet it had been almost 25 years since I last saw Mr. Hinton. I was not surprised that he could remember me, for a principal usually remembers his best as well as his worst students. However, what impressed me most was that the first question he asked me that evening was "Max, are you still playing the piano?" and then we continued having a short conversation on music. It was this ability of Mr. Hinton to obliterate completely my notorious past and focus on the more pleasant side of my studentship that was so touching. It was this generosity and forgiveness to other people that he tried to teach us by way of example that made him so admirable. He was, no doubt, an excellent teacher. He was, no doubt, a great principal. But above all, he was a most inspiring human being.

When I sit back and think of my school days in QES, there are many incidents that I would rather not remember, but there are more on which I

dearly want to grip, and it was teachers like Mr. Hinton that helped to make these memories even fonder. Sure, I was thrown out of a class many times in QES; sure, the "black mark" on my school record must still be there; but I dare say I can speak for most of us: Teachers like Mr. Hinton (and also a few others in QES) always occupy a very special place in the depth of our hearts.

A day out in the country !!!!!

BBQ Picnic in Orangeville - Ann Ma (1970)

On Sunday, June 3, 1990, a BBQ picnic was held in the Taoist Tai Chi Centre in Orangeville. 36 adults and 20 children participated that day. The Centre provided us with a "all you can eat BBQ lunch". After lunch, some members of the Center demonstrated a set of Tai Chi and explained how we could benefit from practising Tai Chi. We were all on our feet trying a few exercises; some of us laughed half of the time, while others took it very seriously. It appeared that we all enjoyed the demonstration and hopefully some of us might take up practising Tai Chi and enjoy good health.

In order to recapture the QES spirit, we prepared a few group games for the "old" and the young. So Man-Yee (1968) conducted the games, there were Two Men Three Legs, Treasure Hunts, Marble in a Spoon and Tug of War ...etc. There were lots of laughs, we all enjoyed the games. We gave out prizes like M&M's

chocolate, Kit Kat, Marshmallows, boxes of raisins, freezes ...etc. Best of all, we gave out the QES 30th anniversary sweat shirts, one to each family. The kids might have preferred to have the sweets and probably have no idea what it meant to their moms and dads to receive souvenirs from the School.

It was a fun day, we all had a wonderful time. Come and be a part of the fun!!!

*******Local News*******

Annual General Meeting (1990) in Toronto

This year Annual General Meeting will be **SPECIAL** ! In addition to delicious chinese gourmet dinner, we have arranged entertaining attraction to your liking. Please see enclosed AGM Notice for details.

QES Old Students (in Canada) List

A new list of QES old students in Canada has been prepared by Ann Ma and is enclosed for our Life Members and Honorary Members.

Board of Directors for the year 1989-90

President : James Hon-kit Tang
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News from Thousands Miles
Away !!!!!

Express from Hong Kong:

QES OSA X'mas Ball in Hong
Kong

QES OSA in Hong Kong will be
holding the Annual Christmas
Ball at Grand Hyatt Hotel on
25 December, 1990. Price will
be HK \$500 to HK \$600,
depending on cost of singers.
If you are going to Hong Kong
around Christmas time, don't
miss this opportunity to have
fun and meet your friends.

You can make your reservations
by contacting Mr. Tong Wai
Lop, chairman of QES OSA in
Hong Kong, at telephone number
722-0688 or Fax 724-1334.

QES School Camp Renovation

Everyone of us is proud to
have the School Camp as an

exceptional ground for
education and development.
Over the past 28 years, camp
life has virtually been an
integral part of school life
for many of us who have
received training and fun in
cooking, first-aid, house-
keeping, roping, canoeing,
gardening andetc in its
excellent natural environment.

Now the Camp is in a rather
poor and shabby condition and
needs major repairs and
renovation. QES OSA and PTA
have projected a minimum of HK
\$ 500,000 is required to fund
the works. A total of HK
\$200,000 have been pledged.

Take this opportunity to show
our passion and loyalty for
QES by making generous
donations. Your check shall be
payable to QES OSA
in Ontario. Please send your
donation to Mr. George Wong,
Treasurer of QES OSA in
Ontario, Canada, at 56 Summer
Height Drive, Willowdale,
Ontario M2K 1Y4.

From Vancouver, British
Columbia

QES old students in Vancouver
are in the process of forming
a local QES OSA. We should be
hearing from them soon. Watch
for the news!

News from Australia ?????

Message from editors

We invite news, old stories
and suggestions from you.
Please contact any of us by
phone listed, or send in your
message(s) to your
Association. Everybody likes
to hear your voice and
presence in Ontario.