



会长庄志达教授谈

“连系与联络”



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这期校友会会讯的主题是“连系与联络”。我们选择这个主题的目的是要让大家知道校友会的宗旨是为母校与校友服务，也为母校与校友而存在。

以校友来说，“服务”与“存在”这四个字就围绕在“连系”与“联络”这两个主题上。校友会是校友与校友之间的联系中心，也是各位校友的联络站。

为求达到这个目标，我们已经开始，并且在下来这一段日子里会继续，收集有关校友的主要联络资料，如地址，电话号码，互联网网址，以及最近工作单位等。我们希望在不久的将来能够完成这个工作。一旦资料充足，我们就会有一个很好的联络网，为各校友服务。

成立一个健全以及有灵活性的联络网非常重要。近来有不少校友前往中国发展，而上海，北京等地更是多人聚集的地方。两地校友彼此之间的联络可从校友会的联络网收益。这也是校友会与大家一起迈向世界的重要一步。

当然我们也希望每一位校友在发展事业之际也不忘母校当年的栽培。常与母校保持来往也是连系与联络的实现。校友会希望能够通过这个联络网得到每一位校友对母校的关怀与支持。这种精神可以从各方面体现，不管是参加每年的校庆晚宴，或是参与校友会为在籍同学所主办的辅导活动，或成为执委，或做校友会的代表，或帮助校友会的募捐活动等，都无任欢迎。另外一方面，如果对校友会活动或计划有任何意见或建议，请随时与我们联络。我们非常乐意听到校友们对我们各项活动的反映。

这篇简文拟稿之际，正是母校报捷成绩之时。大家都为这个好消息的传来而受到莫大的鼓舞。公校的校长，老师与同学们的集体努力应该得到赞扬。当然我们希望母校能够百尺竿头，更进一步。校友会也会为母校的继续发扬光大而努力。

还是这么一句话：希望大家多多支持母校与校友会。

公教中学好像双轨火车，中英并重，脱然无累，直向它的目的地驶去，谁跟它走的，真是幸福，必然获得健全的教育。

——本校创办人劳爱华神父

The way of the Catholic High School is a way of two rails, Chinese and English; free from any entanglement, straight to its end.
Happy are those who follow, they shall obtain the scope of a sound education.

- The Late Rev. Fr. Edward Becheras, Founder of our School.



连系与联络

校友会网站的新使命

校友会的宗旨是为母校与校友服务，校友会也是为母校与校友而存在的。

公教校友从事各项行业在商，政，文教界都不乏其人。大家平时各自为自己的事业忙碌，其中还有不少长期在国外工作，难得有机会相聚一堂。在互联网上设立网站，便成为连系与联络分布在五洲四海的校友的最好的选择了。

发展校友会网站的工作，目前已经积极的展开了。我们要通过这个网站为校友们提供及报道有关校友会及母校的消息与活动，校友也可以通过这个网站提供校友的联络资料，给校友会提供意见等等。

校友会的网址：www.chsoba.org.sg

目前网址还在建设中，大家如果有什么意见或要提供上网资料，请电子邮寄：
joontai@mybookstall.com.

公教中学校校友会第33届理事合影



前排(左到右):陈沛国,杨宽新,杨舜茗,曾士生,庄志达教授(会长),颜文山,王耀明,王运开。
后排(左到右):连振成,周晓初,王安坚,杨庆朝,吴韦材。
未能出席的理事:朱健堃博士,陈俊敬,吴荣汉,杨新发医生。



团体照



高球消息

2001年七月十四日圣尼各拉校友会与我会联办高球赛后，不少同学表示校友会应该多多举办高球会。校友会於是在去年底通过成立

高球小组，由王安坚与王耀明负责。

2002年新春过后，拉到黄少帆，符永强，源汝泰与王汉章一共六位同学，一起筹办校友高球友谊赛。三月底筹备工作快马加鞭进行。

有史以来第一次为校友而举办的高球赛终于在四月二五日在胡姬高球俱乐部举行。虽然当天下午下了一场小雨，大家的热忱完全没有受到影响。这次赛会，有几件事值得一提：

- (一) 共有六十四位同学参赛。
- (二) 参加者的年龄由十九岁到八十岁之间。
- (三) 每位同学获赠十二粒球，两瓶Livita，两瓶矿泉水。
- (四) 优胜者获球杆袋，凡参赛者都获赠礼品，皆大欢喜。
- (五) 祖父孙三人一起参赛。

要谢谢下列热心赞助礼品的同学：

杜崇智，王林森，赵祚友，林作仪，李晓和，王汉章，连振成，黄少帆，林汉翔，余浩熙，庄仲，源汝泰，颜文山。

当然我们要谢谢所有参赛者的热烈支持，还有我会的金牌摄影师陈福成和金牌司仪——杨宽新。

我们希望明年三月底／四月初能再为大家举行另一次友谊交流赛，并期望更多校友会参与盛会。筹备消息将会上网，网址为：www.chsoba.org.sg。



祖孙三代高手



前辈与后辈



大家一起唱校歌

一年一度举行的圣尼各拉校友会／公教中学校友会高尔夫球赛经于六月二十八日在SAFRA GOLF CLUB举行。本局的优胜奖杯称为《圣谊杯》，象征着两校及两校校友会长久以来的友谊。圣尼各拉校友会在刘心玲会长的领导下，参赛者和以往一样的踊跃。我会出席参与筹备工作的有执委王安坚，王耀明与吴荣汉。结果代表圣尼各拉校友会的参赛者技高一筹，捧走本届《圣谊杯》，刘心玲与她的女将们的努力果然没有白费。

在此，恭喜她们！

OBA-CHS MENTORSHIP SCHEME

The OBA-CHS Mentorship Scheme was first set up in 1998 by the Old Boys' Association under the guidance of then President Mr Chan Soo Sen. Students who are awarded the CHS-OBA Founders Scholarship are assigned mentors under this scheme. This scheme aims to provide these secondary pupils the opportunities to be mentored by old boys who are leaders in their own fields. It is hoped that pupils will broaden their learning beyond their classroom and school curriculum, through interactions with their mentors.

Since the inception, 35 students have benefitted from the programs. Old boys from diverse backgrounds have contributed as mentors. They include Mr Lim Swee Say, Mr Chan Soo Sen, Prof Chong Chi Tat, Mr Lionel Cheng, Prof Chong Tow Chong, Michael Heng, Lim Hung Siang, Dr Lionel Lim, Prof Lim Seh Chun, Mr Stephen Lim, Mr Lim Tuan Liang, Assist Prof Quah Sy Ren, Prof Su Guanng, Mr Tony Tan Choon Kheng and Mr Wong Yu Han.

Mentors are role models for the pupils under their care, and someone whom the pupils can relate to and seek guidance and counsel on various matters. Mentors provide guidance, exposure and an additional avenue for advice, and thus further develop the potential of these top students. Mentors communicate with the pupils via e-mails, phone calls or meet their students, individually or through group activities, to talk about aspirations and goals, studies and career, relationships and stress, ethics and values, and any suitable topics. In addition to individual communications and activities, group activities for dialogues, and visits to NUS R&D Labs, Ministry of Health, and work-shadow day have also been organised. The latest group event was a tea session conducted at the Bishan campus on July 13 for mentors, students, parents and school staff to gather together. Presentations by both students, old boys, Q&A and dialogue sessions were carried out for all to exchange ideas and discuss issues of the day.



Photo taken at a Mentor-Students Tea held at Bishan campus on July 13.



Real foods are offered in addition to brain food at the tea session!



Visit to NUS earlier this year.

OBA Membership Audit

In May-2002, a Membership Audit task-team comprising 5 persons was formed with endorsement by the Executive Committee (ExCo) of the Old Boys Association (OBA).

The five are all serving on the ExCo, and they are Chew Heow-Chor, Goh Yong-Hang, Tan Pai Kok, Young Kuan -Sing (team-driver) and Wong Joon-Tai.

This task-team has only one mission: To update and refresh the accuracy of OBA's membership- records. This is achieved by telephoning every member who has submitted a membership form.

For those that can be reached, the task-team will ascertain the members' latest postal-mailing address; work-place information; telephone-contact numbers, and e-mails address if they are already using e-mail. The end -result is that out of the thousand records on file, only about 520 people can be traced.

For those who have shifted homes, and / or changed their employment, such that they can no longer be reached based on the information in the membership form, the audit task-team can only set them aside and list them under a " Lost Contact" folder.

The names of those cannot-be-found old boys, grouped by the years that they left Catholic High, will be posted on the OBA's web site (<http://www.chsoba.org.sg>) and circulated at event-gatherings among the old boys. Hopefully, their common friends will be able to recognise their names and help point to where the OBA can locate those "missing" individuals.

Having done the verification part, the next task, and the more important one, is for the OBA to expand its reach to as many Catholic High graduates as possible.

Going forward, the OBA has created a Membership Acquisition team to handle the following:

1 Obtain feedback from current members and old boys at large on what they perceive as negative obstacles or dis-incentives that will discourage people from becoming members of the OBA. Basically, find out what can be done to accelerate the growth of OBA's membership.

Concurrently, learn from the alumni bodies of other schools and institutions, both locally and abroad, what are their proven best practices that ensure healthy growth of and participation by alumni membership. Hopefully, with the benefit of others' experience, the OBA can adopt workable ideas that can ensure membership-acquisition on a continuous basis.

2 Articulate and broadcast the tangible and intangible benefits that will accrue to each old boy when

he becomes a member of the OBA.

This team will recommend the new, value-adding advantages, both qualitative and quantitative, that the OBA can offer in order to make being affiliated with the OBA an appealing thing to present and future members.

3 Execute specific action-steps that will bring about objectives outlined in # 1 and # 2.

The goal we have set for ourselves is doubling the headcount-base to 2,000 or more people by the end of 2004 with no less than 50% of the membership base comprising old boys who left Catholic High in the last 15-20 years, ie: during the '80s and '90s.

At the ExCo meeting held in August-2002, members adopted a scheme whereby past years' CHS graduates are grouped into blocks of 5-years, with at least one ExCo member serving as the contact-person linking the old boys in his assigned block to the OBA.

The ExCos also focus its "target Group" on those who left school between 1976 and 1990. They would by now have achieved certain standing in the community and success in their respective chosen fields of profession or business. They will thus be in a better position to contribute time, energy and support to the OBA, and through OBA, the school itself, when additional resources are needed.

The following configuration was adopted:

1975 and earlier batches = Wong Ann-Kin (9673-0217)

1976-1980 = Dr Steven Choo (6823-3550 office direct) & Dr Yeo Seem Huat (9451-8868)

1981-1985 = Gan Boon-San (9739-0780) & Chew Heow-Chor (9765-3119)

1986-1990 = Tony Tan (Tao Nan School 6442-8307) & Yang Ching-Chao (9735-1978)

1991-1995 = Tan Pai-Kok (9736-5238)

1996 & onwards = Goh Yong-Hang (9657-8757; he is teaching sports & chemistry in Catholic High)

Overall acquisition-drivers = Young Kuan-Sing (9628-6533) & Professor Chong Chi-Tat

Technology person providing updating-support for OBA's web site = Wong Joon Tai (9784-6431)

The twelve persons mentioned above effectively formed the Membership Acquisition team.

To support the stepping up of linkage with old boys of different years, the OBA will make extensive use of e-mail; its web site, and other forms of IT for communicating news and information in a timely fashion. We see this not as an option, but a must-do thing.

由校友会筹划

《我们的感情故乡》

公中沧桑史

明年初出版

为了让新一代同学对母校创校精神能有更完整的概念及体会，公教中学校友会将会在
今年筹备一册《我们的感情故乡》，并于明年2003年初出版，并将此书赠与母校。

《我们的感情故乡》是一本图文并茂，并附有一光盘的文图音像书。此书除了文字意
象外，还能提供一个更确切的视觉立体空间。文字的感性记忆，与光盘上人物及新旧景物
交叠留存，将是一个全方位感情历史记录。

公教中学人才辈出，除了在政界，学术界，医学界，教育界及商界，其实文艺界也有
许多知名作家和写作人，这次，我们尽量邀请能够联络上的老师及同学来帮忙执笔。直至
本刊截稿时，已收到的来稿，有李创丰老师，陈捷觉老师，杜崇智，宋子谦，曾宪星，庄
永康，梁文福，姚忠在，朱健堃，黄虚怀，韩山元，蔡于仁，程文恺，王运开，朱添寿等
人。在这些师长及同学们的文章或忆述里，我们可以重温念书时的感情体验，也同时看到
每个不同时代的学习思维，能把这些文章汇集成书，确实是一次难得的因缘。

公教前任校长张世典修士，现任校长黄慧珠女士，校友会现任会长庄志达学长，也都
送来了他们的文章，为此书增添不少坚实内容。

在《我们的感情故乡》每一章回之后，我们都打算附上当时的大事记。当然，这工作
在搜集资料及整理工作上并不容易，但为了母校，我们愿意尽其所能。我们也会把一些曾
在《双轨》及学校特刊上刊登过的好文章重新整理，也收录作为纪念。

校友会希望能以这本书为母校献出一份真诚的心意，更希望能通过此书，重新唤起同
学们的感情回忆，让我们更紧密联络，把那份同窗情谊，系在一起。

摘自联合早报2002年7月10日星期三

百粒寿桃庆百岁 公教师生情紧系

62年前在公教中学教英文的曾春华老师，昨天与30多位公教各届校友及前校长张世典修士，热闹又温馨地一齐庆祝他的百岁华诞。

这个庆生会，是由公教首任校友会会长，80岁的杜崇智所筹备的。杜现在是淡马锡初级学院的顾问。公教校友会的现任正会长庄志达教授，副会长曾士生，也暂时放下他们平日一位是大学副校长一位是政务部长的身份，前来为老师庆生。



百岁老师曾春华(中)与前公教校长张世典修士(其左)，校友杜崇智(其右一)，曾士生(其右二)及30余名各届校友在庆生会上同欢乐。

曾春华老先生面对这么多前来为他庆祝生日的老少学生，心里万分感激，声音响亮的说：“让我们再约十年！十年后我们再来庆祝！”

73岁的公教前校长张世典修士还当场为他高歌一曲《May the good lord bless and keep you》(愿主佑你顾你)，跟着全场同学不分老幼齐唱公教校歌。在安静的住宅区里，歌声一时响澈。

除了生日蛋糕，校友会还特地设计了一个巨型寿桃，寿桃打开后，里头还藏有一百粒小寿桃。

昨晚道贺同学中，年纪最小是19岁刚毕业不久的同学王智祥，他跟曾老同天生日，显得特别高兴，而他们俩人之间总共相隔了81年。虽百岁高龄，曾老精神仍硬朗，声音洪亮，对自己养生之道，只神秘地透露两个字：“白果。”也就是银杏。

曾春华老先生是1903年7月9日在新加坡出世。少年时就读圣若瑟中学，1919年毕业，随后回中国汕头学做生意，后来辗转到婆罗洲的山打根学习会计并教学。二战和平后，公教中学创办人劳爱华神父邀他来当老师，1940年他回到新加坡，在公教当起英文与会计老师。

曾士生说，能够出现如此温馨的场面，除了公教传统校训“亲爱忠诚”长期的潜移默化，同学们心里把母校当作是个感情故乡也是原因之一。

庄志达教授则说，其实公教校友会一直都很注重“联系”，对与延续公教精神，保持师长及同学间的联络视为该会的责任。

今年底，校友会更打算出版一本公中沧桑史《我们的故乡》来献给母校，作为感激母校栽培之恩。

Friday, 16-August-02, The Straits Times, article, page H-6

Catholic High makes comeback

FOUR years ago, Catholic High School made the news when old boy and then Parliamentary Secretary Chan Soo Sen rapped his alma Mater for slipping in the annual school rankings.

Speaking at the school's 1998 speech and prize-giving ceremony, he noted that it had been ranked in the 29th position the previous year, compared to 11th in 1992. He also said it was 'unimaginable, unacceptable and unforgivable' that the school had become 'second-rate'.

The public soul-searching spurred the Assistance Plan school to pull up its socks and, yesterday, students and staff had every reason to smile when this year's rankings were released.

While Raffles Institution (RI) retained its top spot in the Special/Express stream category, Catholic High along with Bukit Batok Secondary were among the most improved schools.

Catholic High moved up from 22nd spot last year to 14th.

Mr Chan, who studied at the school from 1963 to 1974, was happy at the news. The Minister of State for the Prime Minister's Office and Community Development and Sports said: 'Now, the Catholic High Community can hold its head high again.'

Even before he made his reality-check speech, the school community had already swung into action.

The old boys' association had set up a scholarship fund to attract top students, and started a mentorship scheme to pair these students with successful old boys, such as Environment Minister Lim Swee Say, Defence Science and Technology Agency chief Su Guaning and National University of Singapore deputy president Chong Chi Tat.

The school also tried to plug the 'brain drain' from its primary school. It dangled scholarships and held talks at the primary school to convince pupils to continue their education at the secondary school.

One sign that it is attracting better quality students: This year, for Secondary 1, the school has six special classes where top Primary School Leaving Examination (PSLE) students study English and the mother tongue at first-language level, and four Express stream classes. About four years ago, the reverse was true.

Take 14-years-old Camillus Kang, whose PSLE aggregate 270 gave him the pick of top secondary schools. He said: 'I know I could have gone to RI, but I wanted to stay here because this is where I spent my primary school years. The mentorship scheme made it all the more attractive.'

He said his mentor, National University of Singapore don Lim Seh Chun, had helped him with personal and study problems by giving him moral support and encouragement.

Principal Goh Hwee Choo, who took over in December 1997, credited her teachers for coming up with programmes to improve the students' subject scores and coping skills.

For some subjects, students are divided into groups according to their ability, so that teachers can tailor their teaching to suit them. The school has also conducted mock examinations and used them to spot students' weaknesses.

However, Mrs Goh knows the school's work is not done. She agrees with Mr Chan that the school should now aim for a spot in the top 10.

She said: 'The calibre of students and staff is there. We have come up from 29 to 14... We just have to keep at it.'

激发斗志争荣耀 公中兄弟展雄风

专访公教中学校长

“学校能有好表现，教师自然功不可没。公中的教师经常提出改善教学的建议，例如他们建议把每节课的时间延长，集会几个班级一起上课，人文科目采取讲堂制等，都是能够加强学生学习的做法”。

——黄慧珠校长

四年前，原本担任教育部高级学校督学的黄慧珠（54岁），被委派到公教中学出任校长时，一口气创下了三个记录：她不但是公中建校60多年以来第一任女校长，不会说华语，并且笃信佛教，而非天主教。

黄慧珠校长上任不久，便接获许多校友来电质疑，有的甚至针对她华文程度不行而冷嘲热讽一番。面对一小部分校友初期的负面反应，她表示能够理解。因此她当时一直以温和诚恳的态度应对，化解他们的疑虑。



公教中学在黄慧珠校长的带领下，近年来的成绩不断进步，今年更取得大突破，排名连升8级。

所谓“路遥知马力”，四年下来，公中在黄慧珠的领导下，不仅成绩日渐进步，同时在课程辅助活动和其他校际比赛方面，表现也越来越出色。

黄慧珠受访时表示，学校近年来积极推行一系列“德，智，体，群，美”全面教育计划，帮助学生发现自我价值，从而推动他们学习。

例如学校规定每名中一新生都必须在入学首10个星期，参加制服团体，接受“军训”。而这些活动全由中三生策划，校方的用意是要通过这些活动，一方面栽培学生的社交和团体精神，另一方面也让学生之间建立起“兄弟情”。

至于中二生，则必须参加一个星期的户外学习营。在这期间，老师规定学生通过实地考察的方式，提呈专题作业报告。中三生也会到外展学校，接受大自然的挑战。

在谈到公中今后该如何维持好成绩时，黄慧珠指出，学校不应过分注重排名，更重要的是如何发掘学生各方面的潜能。她对公中的发展充满信心，让为它在发展成为一所栽培精通双语国家领袖的名校同时，也能为学生提供各种技能的培训，应付新世纪的挑战。

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