



## *DBS 135<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Dinner "Saturday Night Fever"*

This year, more than any in the past, marks a crucial watershed period for our School, as we celebrate 135 years of achievements and prepare ourselves for the challenges and excitement of the future. We are extremely pleased the new primary division at DBS was successfully commissioned this September – a key milestone for DBS.

DBS has a continuous improvement program to upgrade the School's facilities and learning environment for our boys. There is a plan to build a new sports centre and state-of-the-art boarding school facilities for the Secondary Division.

A very successful 135<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Dinner fund raising event was held on 27<sup>th</sup> November 2004. It was indeed an occasion to renew friendships amongst DBS boys, parents, teachers and friends. Many thanks to all those who worked so hard to make it such a success!

*Extract from joint invitation letter*

### **The DSOBA Mentor Programme**

Relationships and interpersonal communications is important in a person's development, the Mentor Programme aims to establish a supportive relationship between Mentors (DSOBA members) and Mentees (DBS graduates). This two-way relationship would facilitate the holistic enhancement of DBS boys.

The Programme is part of a broader informal education. It provides DBS graduates a source information about work and the realities of life outside of general guidance concerning their studies, social life and campus.

The relationship between Mentor and Mentees is an informal, experience sharing one. DSOBA has many members holding important positions in various fields. There is a great wealth of experience to be shared amongst our membership.

The Mentor Programme provides a channel for Mentees to share and benefit from the experience of their Mentors. The Programme is also a learning opportunity for the mentors. Interested? Please contact Amy at 2713-5268.

Stanley Fong (78)  
Lau Pau (76)





### 2004 Inter-House Swimming Finals Old Boys Invitational 4 x 50 Swimming Relay

This year marks DSOBA's fourth campaign to field old boys relay teams at the annual Inter-House Swimming Finals at Kowloon Park. A record number of six teams competed for the trophy.

Tony Choi and Company had won the previous 4 x 50 meters freestyle relay for three consecutive years by a wide margin each time and were once again the marked-men in this year's race. With help from Kenny Yip, DBS's current Sportsmaster, we were joined by two teams of recent graduates, Michael Phelps-lookalikes coaxed into swimming medley relay as a handicap to challenge our more senior brothers. Competitive juices flowed as teams gauged each another and strategize their own line-ups. While some were predicting faster swim times, a few others were clearly concerned about the distance looking longer than its length.

Within more or less of two minutes, the first team of 'young guns' had easily stroked to first in 1'53.36". Second place was a photo-finish with Jerry, Casam, Albert and Desmond edging out Russell, Jonathon, Philip and Tony by a palm's length at 2'08.75" versus 2'08.95". Fourth place went to the second youngster team while 5th and 6th went to Team Philip Chan, Jason, Alex and Victor and Team Angus, Wilfred, John and Davies all putting in a strong effort as well.

Little needs to be said about why these old boys come out for this annual event. If not to witness how much faster our boys are swimming today, it is a wonderful chance to see old friends and teachers, to chuckle about each other's aging physique or simply to catch up with one another.

Victor Tan (80)

### Caring Teacher's Fund

Dear Members and Old Boys, thanks to your initiatives and support, a Caring Fund for Former DBS Teachers has been set up. The purpose of the fund is to extend our appreciation and concern for former DBS teachers who are in ill health.

Details of the purpose, guidelines, continuation and disposal of this Fund are posted on our DSOBA website. We look forward to your support in this meaningful endeavour and welcome any comments and suggestions.

Stanley Fong (78)



### DSOBA Tennis Singles Tournament

DSOBA celebrates a new 2004 tennis singles champion, Joseph Wan (Class 86), when he defeated reigning champion, Victor Tan (Class 80), with a final score of 6-0, 6-3 on January 25, 2005 at the American Club.

Joseph cruised through the first set with confident shot making and big serves without letting Victor settle into a tempo. The second set began with Victor holding serve and taking a break to go up an early 2-0 only to see Joseph reasserted his force to even up the score at 3-3. Good hitting and long deuces in those early games of the second set marked the highlights of the evening match. Eventually, Victor failed to hold serve in the seventh game and as quickly Joseph cranked up to hold and broke again to claim the championship.

With the school's venue under renovation, the early round matches were held on January 9 at the Cornwall Street public courts with booking help from Mahmood. This year also featured new entrants including Noriman Mak (Class 77), Jonathon Leung (Class 74) and Joseph Wan (Class 86) adding a new level of excitement to our annual gathering.

Equal thanks go to our constant avid supporters including Selwyn Chan (Class 77), Leung Sze Wai (Class 69), Leung Man Tak (Class 65), Michael Tsang (Class 84), Paul Li (Class 82), Sammy Tam (Class 82), Patrick Chan (Class 80), Jonathon Wong (Class 85), and Mahmood Rumjahn (Class 74).

As organizer of this tournament, I would like to call on all interested to participate at the 2005 event. Let's serve up some clean fun and enjoy healthy competition amongst old friends!

Victor Tan (80)





## School Fete

Another successful School Fete was held in Nov 2004! Many thanks to Henry Leung (74) who organized the DSOBA booth and also to all those who assisted.



## DBS Primary Division

The DBSPS recently held its official school opening ceremony. Special guests included the Honorable Tung Chee Wah who gave a congratulatory speech. Welcome to the new member of the DBS family!



## Class of 64 Reunion

At it's 40th Re-union celebration of the Class of '64 at DBS on Nov. 6th, more than 80 classmates, their spouses and a few former teachers ( Mr. William Jacobson and Mr. S.K. Tai ) showed up to dedicate the new primary school classroom at DBS which was named in their honor. Room 322 or Primary 3M was the chosen classroom for the 105 '64ers and their families who have donated HK\$520,000.00 to DBS.

Steven Chow (64)

## George She Memorial Dedicated at DBS

Students and old boys visiting the DBS campus should remember to check out the entrance to the School Chapel. There you will find a new plaque dedicated to the memory of former headmaster Rev. Canon George She.

Rev. George She served as headmaster of the School from 1955-1961. What makes George She special to DBS? For a start, he was the first Hong Kong-born old boy to become headmaster, his tenure fitting between that of Mr. Goodban and Mr Lowcock.

As headmaster George She brought about many innovations.

Firstly, he opened wide the school gates to pupils from lower socio-economic backgrounds. Secondly he de-colonized DBS by affirming Chinese in the school's culture. In these two aspects, George She's leadership was ahead of his time and established a new pattern for decades to come.

Old boys of the 1953-65 era rallied to the call of Class 58 which called for donations to renovate the School Chapel and dedicate a memorial plaque to George She as a permanent memory of this beloved headmaster just as other former headmasters are remembered.

Paul Young (58)  
*Coordinator of the  
George She Project*

George She Yahoo! group  
<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/GeorgeShe/>

## President's Cup Golf Tournament 2004

After a break of 2 years, we resumed our annual President's cup golf tournament. The event was held at the south course at the Kau Sai Chau public golf course in Sai Kung. Our 6 tee-off times were filled by our Headmaster, Terence Chang and 23 members and guests. The tournament uses the stableford scoring system based on the reported handicaps of the participants. There were prizes for closest to pin (hole 2), longest drive (hole 14) and the grand champion.

Participants from the class of '81 were the big winners of the tournament, claiming all of the prizes. Louis Wong scored a whopping 45 points to beat the rest winning the grand champion trophy and the right to have his name engraved on the President's Cup displayed in the school hall. He also won a Wilson Putter for the closest to pin competition. The longest drive was 265 yards and won by Raymond Lui also from the class of '81.

Stanley Fong (78)

Player	Handicap	Gross Score	Stableford
Louis Wong (81)	25	87	45
Benjamin Fattedad (60)	30	96	39
Stanley Fong (78)	22	92	36
S. A. L. Rahman (71)	13	85	33
Alvin Li	30	113	32
Terence Chang (65)	30	104	31
Raymond Lui (81)	30	107	31
Vincent Chiu (81)	28	107	30
Peter Wong (71)	18	94	29
Jerry Chang (80)	18	94	29
Steven Mok (78)	20	96	29
Ramon Lo Jr. (64)	29	107	28
Fung Qi Wing (71)	28	107	27
Mohammad Rumjahn (74)	30	113	22
Kasim Fattedad (97)	30	116	20



## DBS Swimming

DBS swimmers won both the B & C grade championships and the A grade boys were runners up. This is the 12<sup>th</sup> consecutive year that DBS has won the inter-school overall championship! DGS won their 20th consecutive overall championship.

	A	B	C	Total
DBS	168	179	175	522
La Salle	114	124	144	382
St. Joseph's	177	65	104	346

## Chronicles of DBS

A belated thank you to Darwin Liu (84) for supplying the photographs of DBS for publication in "Chronicles of DBS (1869-2004) - 135 Years in the Frontier of HK Education".

## Reunion dinner

A reunion dinner will be held at DBS on 19 Mar 05. Special guest speaker will be Daniel Fung. Please contact the DSOBA office to enrol for this event..



## Lunch talk – Robert Chung

The DSOBA Lunch Talk was held on 7 October, 2004 with guest speaker Dr. Robert Chung Ting-yiu, Class of '75. Dr. Chung is currently the Director of Public Opinion Programme (POP) at The University of Hong Kong. Under his leadership, POP has become well known for its impartiality and professionalism in collecting, studying and interpreting public opinion in Hong Kong, and is a highly respected programme in the region.

Victor Tan (80)



## University Day

Jointly organized by DSOBA & DBS Careers Office, the University Day started off with talks on general but crucial topics, followed by small group discussions of specific countries, and meetings with representatives from selected universities.

The invited speakers included representatives from the US Consulate, the French Embassy and many of our old boys with a variety of educational background to come and share their first-hand knowledge and personal experiences. It was a rare opportunity to access useful information of such diverse expertise and experience all in one place.

Victor Tan (80)



## DSOBA portal

The new DSOBA members portal ([www.dsoba.com/portal](http://www.dsoba.com/portal)) is now ready for you! The DSOBA portal is interactive! It allows you to directly post your latest news, submit photos, search for other members, join in discussions and lots more. It will complement our DSOBA website ([www.dsoba.org](http://www.dsoba.org)) which provides official news content.

If you are a DSOBA member, you will automatically have your profile registered. Please contact the portal administrator ([admin@dsoba.com](mailto:admin@dsoba.com)) to get your account and password. All DBS old boys are welcome to join!

Your suggestions and requests are most welcome!

Daniel Ma (76)  
Editor

