St. Francis' Canossian College Past Students' Association

September 2019 Newsletter



LAST CHANCE TO REGISTER

TOGETHER WE CELEBRATE OUR SCHOOL'S BIG BIRTHDAY AT THE BIGGEST EVER ANNIVERSARY DINNER

TOGETHER WE TRAVEL THROUGH EVERY MILESTONE OF OUR SCHOOL IN THE MYSTERIOUS LASER TIME TUNNEL

TOGETHER WE WILL HAVE A MEMORABLE & JOYOUS NIGHT WITH

Delightful performances by talented Franciscans
Beautiful limited edition souvenirs to bring back home
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ONCE IN A LIFETIME EVENT! DON'T MISS IT!







St. Francis' Canossian College St. Francis' Canossian School 150th Anniversary Gala Dinner



9 November 2019 (Sat)

6:00 p.m. Reception 7:00 p.m. Dinner

The Grand Hall Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre Harbour Road, Hong Kong

Dress Code: Smart Casual

Dinner Ticket \$1,500 per head \$1,200 per head (Age 25 or below) \$16,500 per table of 12

RSVP:

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Please make cheques payable to:

- St. Francis' Canossian School Past Students' Association (or via bank transfer to HSBC Acc No. 658-120761-001) or
- (2) St. Francis' Canossian College Past Students' Association (or via bank transfer to Bank of China Acc No. 012-595-0-005035-0)

Co-organised by:

SFCC Past Students' Association

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Registration cum Sponsorship Form

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 \square I wish to remain anonymous on the list of sponsors.

Registration of the Dinner		
No. of Table(s):	(\$16,500 per table of 12)	
No. of Individual Participant(s):	(\$1,500 per head)	
	(\$1,200 per head for age 25 or below)	
Please provide the name(s) and con	tact details of participant(s) as set out	t in the attached Names

Contact Details of Participants. For those who have already registered for the dinner before, this registration form need not be completed.

Payment of Sponsorship for the Dinner and Registration of the Dinner

Payment of Sponsorship for the Dinner	HKŞ	-
Payment of Registration of the Dinner	HK\$	<u>-</u>
Enclosed please find a paid-in slip or chequ	e no	_ in the total sum of HK\$

Terms & Conditions

- 1. Payment method:
- By Cheque: Crossed cheque payable to:

"St. Francis' Canossian College Past Students' Association"

By Wire Transfer: In the name of "St. Francis' Canossian College Past Students' Association" and

direct to Bank of China account no. 012-595-0-005035-0; or

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- Please send the completed form and cheque / paid-in slip to St. Francis' Canossian College Past Students'
 Association, c/o St. Francis' Canossian College, 9-13 Kennedy Road, Hong Kong. Completed form and
 paid-in slip can also be sent by email to <u>150dinner@mail.sfcc.edu.hk</u>.
- 3. All payments made are **non-refundable**. The 150th Anniversary Gala Dinner Committee (the "**150th** Anniversary Gala Dinner Committee"), comprising representatives of St. Francis' Canossian College ("**SFCC**"), St. Francis' Canossian School ("**SFCS**"), St. Francis' Canossian College Past Students' Association ("**SFCCPSA**") and St. Francis' Canossian School Past Students' Association ("**SFCSPSA**"), reserves the right to decide on the usage of any excess sponsorship amount and final allocation of tables and seats.
- 4. For Silver, Gold and Platinum Sponsors, please provide the logo of sponsoring company and/or the design of advertisement by sending email to 150dinner@mail.sfcc.edu.hk in both AI and JPG format on or before 9 September 2019 (Monday). The display location and size of the logo and/or the design of the advertisement are subject to the decision of the 150th Anniversary Gala Dinner Committee.
- 5. For those who are interested to attend the dinner, please note that the deadline for registration of the dinner will be 18 October 2019 (Friday).
- 6. We will confirm your registration by email or by telephone.
- 7. The 150th Anniversary Gala Dinner Committee reserves the final decision in all disputes and the right to amend/change the Terms & Conditions without prior notice.
- 8. For any enquiries, please contact June Sieh at 9283 2325, Annie Wu at 9171 9739 or email at 150dinner@mail.sfcc.edu.hk.

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Names and Contact Details of Participants

Name	Year*	Email	Phone Number
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Please provide details on a separate sheet if space is insufficient.

Disclaimer

The personal data collected will be used by St. Francis' Canossian College, St. Francis' Canossian School, St. Francis' Canossian College Past Students' Association, St. Francis' Canossian School Past Students' Association and the authorized personnel for processing captioned purposes only. All personal data you provided will not be disclosed to any third parties without your prior consent.

^{*} Year of Form 5 / Form 6 graduation under HKCEE / HKDSE system.

[#] For booking made on a per table basis, please provide the name and contact details of the contact person herein.





嘉諾撒聖方濟各書院 150周年校慶音樂劇

2019年。

四個愛冒險的學生為了查證天使樂的真偽。 不小心陷入了時空漩渦。回到1953年。 期間她們發生了什麼事?能否查證事件真相? 最後又能否重返2019年的校園? 一切都是未知數。 元 大 大 す andian Angels

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編輯 鄭國偉 何敏儀 | 作曲及音樂總監 Frankie Ho | 作詞 張滿源 導演 何敏儀 | 編舞 易峯 | 歌唱指導 林伶慧 本校學生演出

5-6/10/2019

嘉諾撒聖方濟各書院禮堂

票價 \$180 (不設創位)

專語演出 IN CANTONESE 本節目長約90分鐘 ▮ 不設中場休息 只聚六歳以上人士憑票入場

票務查詢 2587 2700(星期一至五 早上9時至下午4時) 詳情請瀏覽學校網頁 www.sfcc.edu.hk/150/musical





150th Anniversary Celebrations

Anniversary Basketball Championship

The 150th Anniversary Basketball Championship was held on 2 March 2019 (Preliminary Round) and 23 March 2019 (Final Round) at the basketball court of our school.

The Preliminary Round was not only a competition for determining the eight teams that would qualify for the race for championship, it was also an occasion of great reunion as some alumni flew back from overseas for the games. Participants and spectators had a great time. Sister Marie Remedios, our beloved former Principal, joined the occasion and sang the School song together with participants after the games.

Rain in the early morning of 23 March had not affected the Final Round. Competition started as soon as rain stopped. All teams did their best and 'Pop In' won in the end. The audience had a great morning enjoying the games and cheering up for their friends. The Principal, Mr. Kenneth Law, presented prizes to the winning teams.



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Musical Performance

As part of the 150th celebrations, the School Choir and the music team gave music performances to the sick and their carers at the Ruttonjee Hospital and Tang Shiu Kin Hospital in March and April. Here are some of the photos.



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St. Francis' Canossian College Alumni Manager Election 2019 - 2021



The candidate registration and nomination of the 2019-2021 SFCC Alumni Manager Election ended on 9 March 2019. Only one alumnus, Ms. Woo Mei Hou, Nancy registered as a candidate of the election. She was a Form 7 graduate in 1976.

According to Chapter V of the amended PSA Constitution about Alumni Manager Election, "if only one valid registration for election is received on or before the expiration of the registration period, that candidate will automatically be elected as the Alumni Manager."

As Ms. Woo was the only candidate who registered for the Election, she was nominated by the PSA to be the Alumni Manager of the Incorporated

Management Committee of SFCC. At the PSA General Meeting held at 1.30pm on 23 March 2019 in St. Francis' Canossian College, Miss Woo Mei Hou, Nancy introduced herself to alumni.



Annual Graduation Ceremony 2019

The graduation ceremony for Form six graduates was held in the afternoon of 6 July. Our alumnus, The Hon Mrs. Laura May Lung Cha, GBM, GBS, JP, Chairman of Hong Kong Exchanges and Clearing Limited and Member of Executive Council of HKSAR, was the guest of honour. Her enlightening speech is reproduced below.

After the presentation of certificates and prizes, the audience enjoyed Chinese Dance and Chinese Instrumental Ensemble as well as performance by the School Choir before singing the School Song together to mark the end of the programme.







Speech by Mrs. Laura M Cha GBM, GBS, JP

Good Afternoon, Sister Agnes, Principal Mr. Law, Sisters, School Managers, Teachers, Parents, Graduates, Students, Ladies and Gentlemen.

I am very honoured to be invited to speak on the occasion of the 150th Graduation Ceremony of my alma mater the St Francis Canossian College. I finished Form 5 and sat for the School Certificate Exam in 1967, and left in 1968 after Form 6 for university in the US. I am very pleased indeed to come back some 50 years later for this milestone graduation ceremony!

- I would like to start by congratulating our graduates today.
- Today you reached the first major milestone of your lives. Today you celebrate the completion of a period where you have laid the foundation of knowledge and the value upon which you will continue to grow into responsible persons.
- The years of secondary school has been a period where your minds were exposed to the wide world of knowledge, where your eyes were open to the happenings around you, where socially you have formed some lifelong friendships, and physically you have grown from a child into an adolescent. Indeed, graduation from secondary school officially marks the end of adolescence and the beginning of young adulthood.
- No doubt you are filled with excitement today, but maybe also with a measure of anxiety and insecurity, of the unknown future and the adventures that await you.
 - I would like to tell you that a healthy dose of anxiety and insecurity is actually a necessary part of your growth, as it would spur you to do better, to improve, to reach your potential, and at the same time, to keep you humble. You should not be afraid of your anxiety and doubts, but should harness this energy and turn it into positive forces.
- As you embark on your life's journey, I would like to share with you a few guiding principles, which were mostly instilled in me during my formative years at St Francis. These principles have served me well in my life.

First, Be Responsible

In college and away from the watchful eyes of your parents, you may feel for the first time that you are the Master of your own Universe, free to do anything you like, without the constraints of adult supervision. But whatever you do, you have to take responsibility for your action. You should be aware of, and be responsible for, the choices that you will make, and the consequences that will follow.

- Being responsible means that you have the discipline to work and behave within certain boundaries and abide by some basic principles. Being responsible means you will give your best in fulfilling your duty in the different roles that you will play later in life. It is this sense of responsibility that will enable you later to be a responsible colleague in your workplace; a responsible partner to your spouse, a responsible parent to your children, and a responsible member of your community.
- Of all the virtues that I had learned at St Francis, the most valuable and which has come to be recognized as the characteristics of many Canossian girls, is the sense of duty and responsibility. I believe that a strong sense of duty and responsibility is perhaps the most important factor in helping you succeed in whatever you will do later in life.

Second: Be Courageous

In your life's journey you will encounter your share of adversity and challenges. Being courageous means that you are prepared to tackle them and not shy away from them. It is easy to be courageous and bold when the wind is at your back. But having real courage means that you would be prepared to tread through the thorny paths when confronted with seemingly insurmountable difficulties.

- Having courage means that you are not afraid to take a stand on your conviction, your values and principles. Having courage means that you do not blindly follow the crowd but seek to understand the real reasons behind the group action. Being courageous means having the ability to keep a clear head and think independently in the face of peer pressure.
- Having courage also means that you may need to move out of your comfort zone to embrace new opportunities. You need to have faith in yourself and not afraid to take some measured risk. You need to have courage in order to take advantage of the opportunities that may come your way, which are often accompanied by uncertainties and challenges.

Third, Be Honourabe and Uphold Your Integrity

Being honourable means holding high moral principles, being ethical, honest, fair and worthy of respect. Integrity is the practice of being truthful and showing a consistent and uncompromising adherence to strong moral and ethical principles and values. Integrity is a form of accountability; it is a moral responsibility as well as a virtue. Being honorable and having integrity means you would not compromise your principle in order to achieve your goals. It means you would always be honest, trustworthy follow your moral compass in every stage of your life. I believe these values have already been instilled in you by your education at St Francis. And as you grow and become an adult, these values will serve you well in every aspect of your life.

Fourth, Be All that You Can Be!

This was actually the phrase of an US Army recruitment advertisement many years ago. It was inspirational

to me when I first heard it, because it captured in simple words what I think every young person should aspire to: **Be All that You Can Be!**

- This phrase actually ties in with the first three of my guiding principles. If you are a responsible person with integrity, you would be committed to what you are tasked to do, and do the right thing. If you have faith in yourself and the courage to take on challenges to reach your potential, you can be the best that you can be.
- Let me share with you my career story. In the last 30+ years, I was fortunate to have had the opportunity to move from being a lawyer in private practice to being a regulator in the financial sector, and for the last 15 years I was privileged to have the opportunities to serve HK in various capacities.
- But my career path was far from traditional. I got married and have children almost immediately after finishing university. This was at a time when most of my classmates were either pursuing graduate degrees or working already. My husband was starting his career and we were living in the US. I stayed home for six years to take care of my two children, with limited resources and without any domestic help. Life was simple and tough, but we were young and full of hope. I realized then that it would be entirely up to me to make a better future for myself and my family.
- I started pursuing my graduate law degree when my children were six and three years old. An unusual step at the time, and some would say even now. There was a 10-year gap between my Bachelor degree and my Doctor of Law degree.
- I started working as a lawyer when I was 33 years old, at least 8 years older than most professionals starting their career. But I was tremendously grateful for the opportunity to move from being a housewife and a stay-home mom to a junior lawyer in a top-tier law firm in San Francisco. I cherished such opportunity, worked very hard, and always reminded myself that I wanted to "Be All that I Can Be".
- I stayed as a lawyer for 8 years before being offered an opportunity to leave the comfort of the work I had done well, and change path to a new field of being a regulator in a new environment. My original plan to try this for 3 years turned into 14 years. My years as a regulator honed my skill as a professional, reinforced my value and sense of integrity, enriched my experience, broadened my perspectives, and opened doors to other career possibilities. My life lesson is that always do your best at the task at hand, be responsible, be honorable, be courageous, and take some risk when opportunities arise.
 - SO, graduates of 2019, I wish you well, I wish you luck, and urge you to go out, spread your wings, see the World, and, Be All that You Can Be!

Thank You.

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In loving memory of Mother Rita Bini



Mother Rita Bini, a teacher of religious knowledge and mathematics from 1970 to 1973 in SFCC, passed away peacefully at Canossian Poiano Community, Verona, Italy at her age of 98. Her students will forever remember her edification and loving care which have enlightened and led them to live up their faith and serve in their families and the society. May God grant her eternal rest in His perpetual light. Amen.



PSA Membership

PSA endeavours to promote friendship between alumni and Franciscans' bonding with the school. All alumni are welcome to join as members of the PSA.

Membership fees should be paid by cheque payable to "St. Francis' Canossian College Past Students' Association" or by depositing to Bank of China account no. 012-595-0-005035-0. Please mail the cheque/paid-in slip together with the completed Form of Membership Application / Change of Information (as attached) to SFCC Past Students' Association, c/o St. Francis' Canossian College, 9-13 Kennedy Road, Wanchai, Hong Kong.



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Website: http://www.sfcc.edu.hk/psa/ Email: psa@mail.sfcc.edu.hk

Membership No.

(For official use only)

Form of Membership Application / Change of Information

Please fill in the following in BLOCK LETTERS and return the completed form to the above address or by email for our processing.

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	300 being payment of Life Membership fee.		
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D. Statement on 0	Collection of Personal Data		
(i) Your supply of personal data to St. Francis' Canossian College Past Students' Association ("SFCC PSA") is on a voluntary basis but we may not be able to process your application with incomplete information. (ii) The information provided by you to SFCC PSA will be used for administration and management; membership admission, registration, maintenance and administration; promoting and soliciting contributions for the affairs of the SFCC PSA, St. Francis' Canossian College and other related organization of SFCC PSA (collectively, "SFCC Family"); and furtherance of the objectives under the Constitution of SFCC PSA. (iii) By submitting this form, you are giving SFCC PSA your consent that the information provided by you herein may be made available to the SFCC Family as may be necessary for any of the above purposes. (iv) Apart from the purposes stated above, your personal information will not be transferred to any other parties, unless such parties are authorized by law and request the information. (v) You may at any time choose not to receive any promotion material from us or change your personal data by writing to St. Francis' Canossian College Past Students' Association, c/o St. Francis' Canossian College, 9-13 Kennedy Road, Wanchai, Hong Kong or by email to psa@mail.sfcc.edu.hk			
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