

150th Anniversary Dinner - May 2010



Mrs. Phyllis Bliss (class of 1929, probably the oldest living alumna!) with a parent of the school.

Working hand in hand with the School Council and the Parent-Teacher Association (PTA), our old girls participated enthusiastically in the preparation of the event by helping out with the programme rundown, media relations, venue decoration, prizes solicitation, silent auction, event photography, video production, and souvenirs production. Members of the DOGA Art Club worked tirelessly on the design and production of the 150th Anniversary Cake, featuring 150 intricate, handmade clay dolls of DGS girls.

During the evening of the dinner, DOGA members assisted with reception, silent auction, raffle tickets sale and raffle prizes redemption. The event proved to be a testament to the strong teamwork and "can do" spirit among old girls. Old girls showed their keen support by taking up 63 tables out of the 230 tables of guests, with alumnae spanning across 80 graduation years - from Class of 1929 to Class of 2009.

Old girls who attended the dinner had wonderful compliments about the celebration event. Ms. Eva Cheng ('78) commended on the strong "DGS spirit" among old girls. Professor Jane Lai ('56) said she was impressed with the extensive media coverage on the school's 150th Anniversary over the past two months. Ms. Sarah Liao ('68) thought the performances and production were extremely professional and well-organised. Ms. Sherry Tsai ('00) said, "All old girls are so excited about this big-scale celebration and everyone was so ready to help out."



Jaye Zau ('87), Charmaine Cheuk ('87), Georgina Lee ('83) and Mrs. Eva Lee ('51).



Mrs. Vivienne Slack ('40)



Mrs. Patricia Fenton ('40)



Mrs. Patsy Siu Sun ('50)



Guest of honour Karen Mok ('87) on stage with DGS choir girls.



Class of 1992



Ms. Eva Cheng ('78), Ms. Nancy Koo ('78) and Ms. Petrina Sun ('78)

Teachers' Snapshot Interview

Recently the Editorial Sub-Committee had the pleasure of speaking to Mrs. Anita Yau and Ms. Teresa Kan to gain a snapshot of their lives after leaving DGS and how they are spending their time now.



The Editorial Sub-committee and Ms. Kan



Mrs. Yau

Q: What did you teach at DGS?

Mrs. Yau: I taught at both Junior School and Senior School. At Junior School, I taught Nature Studies, Mathematics and Art. At Senior School, I taught Mathematics and for a short period, also Art and even a little bit of Biology.

Ms. Kan: I taught Integrated Science. In the last 2 years, I taught a bit of Junior Mathematics.

Q: How long did you teach at DGS ?

Mrs. Yau: I started teaching at DGS in 1951 and stopped only when I immigrated to Toronto, Canada, in 1987, so in total, 36 years.

Ms. Kan: I taught for 27 years at DGS and then recently I taught again at DGS for 2 years. I really cannot remember the exact years when I was in DGS. However, I do remember I was there again from September 2007 to August 2009.

Q: What do you miss most about your teaching days?

Mrs. Yau: The thing I miss most about DGS is of course the students. I always remember DGS girls as very polite, nice and well-behaved.

Ms. Kan: I miss the DGS girls most. Believe it or not, I learned a lot from them.

Q: Do you keep in touch with DGS girls and /or students?

Mrs. Yau: Yes, I still keep in touch with a number of the teachers as well as students. I met up with Mrs. Yip from time to time while I was in Toronto, and I still keep in touch with teachers like Mrs. Eva Lee and Mrs. Chiu. I often attend alumni gatherings too, like the annual class functions of the Class of 1964.

Ms. Kan: Yes, I do keep in touch with DGS teachers and students, though not very often. I am grateful that they still remember me.

Q: What are some things that you did while teaching at DGS and still doing now?

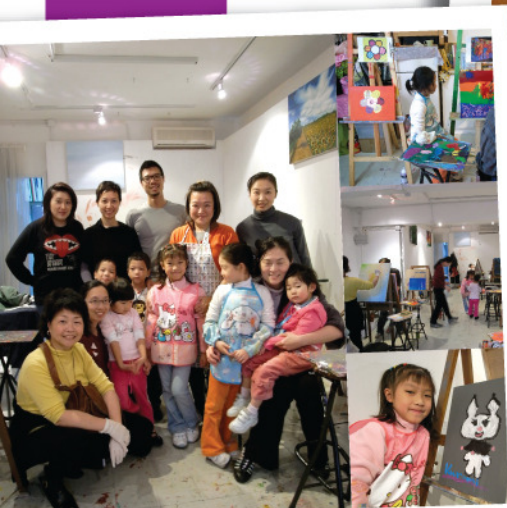
Mrs. Yau: I used to do gardening with the students while teaching at DGS (just in the area where the swimming pool has been). I have always loved gardening and still do. In fact, when I was in Toronto a few years ago I took a one-year course on House Plants and Gardening at Seneca College and came first out of a class of 35 students!

Ms. Kan: I picked up singing when I was at DGS and I still sing, though I used to sing classical songs and now I sing pop songs. In DGS, it was my duty to do counselling. Now I still counsel, not just kids but also grown-ups.

Q: How do you spend your time now – any hobbies or trips?

Mrs. Yau: We rarely take trips these days. Once a week we meet our granddaughter. Also once a week we play mahjong with other retired teachers.

Ms. Kan: I enjoy singing and dancing. I don't travel a lot. I spend most of my time as a student. I am currently doing a diploma course in Biblical Studies and I will do a A.A. course on Theology in coming September. Sitting in front of the computer also takes up quite a lot of my time.



Art Club's Art Mix Party in January 2010



150th Anniversary Celebration Cake

Past Activities

Art Mix Party – January, 2010

Art Club

We hosted an Art Mix Party at a cozy studio for our old girls, spouses and children. With our palette, paintbrushes and pizza on hand, we let our creativity run wild on canvas. Everyone had an enjoyable and relaxing afternoon.

Decoration for DGS 150th Anniversary Celebration Cake – April, 2010

Art Club

The Art Club helped to prepare and decorate the Celebration Cake for the DGS 150th Anniversary Dinner. The final product was an oval shaped cake in 2 layers surrounded by 150 DGS clay dolls who were either dressed in winter or summer uniform. A number of keen alumnae volunteers rolled up their sleeves for several fun afternoons to create various poses, draw different expressions, design numerous hairstyles and make tiny school bags, eye glasses and accessories for the 150 clay dolls. We were pleased to see guests admiring the cake at the dinner event and we are extremely proud that the cake will be kept by the school.

Hong Kong Adventure Corps Flag Day – May, 2010

Community Service Sub-Committee

This is our 8th consecutive year participating in the Hong Kong Adventure Corps Flag Day which took place on May 1st. It was a family event for alumnae and their young children to support our community through their services. If you would like to know more about the Community Services Sub-committee, please feel free to contact either Andrea Fung at andreavfung@gmail.com or Irma Kong at irmakong@hotmail.com.



DGS 150th Anniversary Celebration Cake making sessions



Hong Kong Adventure Corps Flag Day volunteers

Upcoming Events

July, 2010	Dr Symons' Scholarship Recipient Selection Review
July, 2010	DGS Career Talk (with Form 4 students)
October, 2010	DOGA Annual Dinner
November, 2010	DOGA Graduate Singers Concert
December, 2010	DGS Mini-Bazaar, Heep Hong Flag Day, DGS Thanksgiving Service

Details of events will be updated periodically. Please visit www.doga.org.hk to obtain the latest information.

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Joining DOGA: Any old girl of DGS or DGJS (whether resident or abroad) who has completed at least one academic year at DGS or DGJS is eligible to apply for membership of DOGA. Details of the application can be found at www.doga.org.hk.

Class Reunion Gathering: Alumnae who are interested in organising their class reunion gathering at the School, please contact DOGA office for further information.