



# NEWSLETTER

## The President's Thoughts

*About this MBSKL Alumni e-Newsletter*



Dear Fellow Alumni,

In these challenging and changing times, we often experience rapid life-changing events all around us. Sometimes these events are for the better, compelling us to alter or adapt the way we think or the way we live. But other events may leave us feeling unsettled, confused and/or ineffective. Whatever it is, more often than not, having friends around us helps.

Many of us left [MBSKL](#) a long time ago and yet we can still vividly remember the good friends we had during our school days. Indeed, when we reminisce about 'the good old days', we often want to contact or socialise with those friends again.

The Management Committee believes the MBSKL Alumni Association (MBSalumni) can build a bridge, based on lifelong friendships and fond memories of MBSKL, to connect you with your old school friends and also with our beloved school. Hopefully, this will enable all of us to live with a sense of constancy amid the changes around us.

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### MBSalumni Management Committee 2009-2011

#### President

Teo Chiang Quan (1967)

#### Vice-President

Peter Yap Hoy Hoong (1968)

#### Honorary Secretary

Stephen Ng Eng Joo (1981)

#### Honorary Assistant Secretary

Ho Chee Wah (1978)

#### Honorary Treasurer

Chan Ka Kiong (1978)

#### Committee Members

Low Kong Ming (1955)

Lai Wing Fatt (1967)

Ho Shu Nam (1972)

Jonson Chong Kok Wei (1988)

#### Ex-Officio Members

Wong Chee Kheon (MBSSKL Principal)

Susie Khor Siew Lee (MBPSKL Headmistress)

#### Advisor

Yong Chee Seng (1949)

The years in brackets indicate the batch to which the committee member belongs, i.e. the year he was or should have been in Form Five, and not the year he left MBSKL.

### EDITOR'S NOTE

We hope that this inaugural newsletter of the MBSKL Alumni Association (MBSalumni, previously known as MBSOBA), although long overdue, will herald the revival of the association.

The new Management Committee (see box on this page) is determined to do what it takes to deliver on the alumni association's vision: "The premier alumni association that makes a difference for its members, MBSKL and Malaysia."

And for that to happen, we need the input and

involvement of all alumni, both members and non-members of MBSalumni.

You can start by sending letters, articles and/or whatever material you deem appropriate to be shared with fellow MBSKL alumni to [editor@mbsalumni.net](mailto:editor@mbsalumni.net), or even volunteer to be the editor of this newsletter.

NB: Please note that this is an e-newsletter, i.e. it will be distributed via email, and you can click on the links (the underlined text in blue) to go to various websites and email to us.

Of course, there are many of you who are already in touch with and socialising with your respective groups of school friends. We hope to enhance these connections for you.



Further, the MBSalumni aims to keep you updated about your friends and also news of MBSKL. Accordingly, we plan to start by collecting 'class notes' of every class that finished Form Five in each year, which we will compile and publish regularly in our newsletter. Therefore, an alumnus should be chosen by you and your classmates to be the collector of interesting news to be submitted to us.

Furthermore, we would like to expand the class notes idea to include the informal groups that drive fellowship and camaraderie amongst MBSKL alumni such as the [MBSLoop](#). Thus, we would like to hear from the 'group leaders' too. We also look forward to include notes from MBSKL alumni groups in Australia, New Zealand, UK, USA, Canada, Sweden, Singapore, etc.

We plan to issue two newsletters a year, and we will review the interval if there is a need to do so. Also, these newsletters will be made available on the [MBSalumni](#) website for easy access by all alumni, even those overseas.

If you join and participate fully as a member of MBSalumni and make this association work for you, you will reap rewarding emotional benefits. Your enjoyment of MBSalumni activities is a matter of choice - you could make the lives of your MBSKL friends as well as your own life richer, happier and more fulfilling by reconnecting with them.

We certainly hope that your experience with MBSalumni will be both enjoyable and exciting... What we really want to do is incite some wonder, some joy and celebration of our alumni community!

Humbly yours,  
Teo Chiang Quan  
March 2010

## EVENTS CALENDAR

### April 2010

**9** Visit to Star Publications (Free)  
@ 3:00 pm

**24** Cooking class (lasagne and dessert) at KDU College - RM50 per person @ 10:00 am

### May 2010

**8** First Aid Workshop (CPR) by St. John's Ambulance & PMPAS (Free)  
@ 2:00 pm

### June 2010

**26** MBSalumni Annual General Meeting @ 2:30 pm & Annual Dinner (details TBA)

### July 2010

**23** Inter Methodist Alumni Golf Challenge (details TBA)

**24** MBSKL Fun Fair (co-organised by school and PTA)

## REGULAR EVENTS

Judo lessons for students and alumni - Saturdays and Sundays

Qigong classes for alumni and friends - Sundays

Please email [secretary@mbsalumni.net](mailto:secretary@mbsalumni.net) for more information.

## Remembering A Departed Friend

Liu Kwai Choong 'went home' on 20th January 2010. He was 72 years old.

As an MBSKL alumnus, Liu Kwai Choong may not be the most famous or richest, but he is definitely a contender for the title of one who had the most direct and personal impact on the students and alumni of MBSKL for the longest period of time.

His involvement and influence on MBSKL spans from his student days as an active scout to being an active member of the MBSOBA (as it then was). In between, he played the role of scoutmaster, teacher, mentor and, most importantly, a friend to MBS boy scouts as young as 13 years old as well as alumni of his own generation, right up till his final days.

Although he was most well-known in the MBSKL scouting movement (the school's scout den is named in his honour), his contribution to the school's alumni association and to the school itself is also considerable. On several occasions, he organised fundraising events for the school, including golf tournaments and dinners.

As a testament of his influence and popularity, at a recent [MBSLoop](#) (an MBSKL alumni Google group) Chinese New Year dinner, a minute of silence was observed to remember Kwai Choong - he was not even an email user and only contributed indirectly to the MBSLoop. Regardless, he was sorely missed at the dinner as he would usually lead in singing the school anthem, not to mention enhancing the fun at every alumni event.

Visit this [10th KL Air Scouts Group webpage](#) to read messages from MBS Alumni and Brother Scouts.

