

STUDENT AMBASSADOR'S REPORT

The Student Ambassador Scheme 90-91 is co-organized by the Past Students' Associations of both Wah Yan College, Kowloon and Wah Yan College, Hong Kong. The duty of the Ambassadors is to bring the latest news and development of the two Wah Yans to the old boys overseas and promote friendship and communications between the past students all over the world as well as the fellows in the school. It is indeed fortunate for me to be chosen as the first Ambassador of my school and pay a visit to the elder brothers in Edmonton and Vancouver with Mr. Chan Tung, the Ambassador of our sister school.

—29th March, 1991

We departed to Vancouver at 17:30. Thanks must be given to Fr. Deignan, Mr. Frank Miu, Mr. Philip Ching, Mr. Luke Wong and other past students for coming to the airport and wishing us the very best in our trip, though they were busily engaged in other matters.

We arrived at the Vancouver International Airport at 12:45 after the eleven-hour flight. We were accommodated at Mr. William Yeung's place. His sincere hospitality and devoted care indeed made us feel at home. We then attended the welcoming dinner and met some of our own friends afterwards.

—30th March, 1991

The first spot of our visit was the prestigious University of British Columbia (U.B.C.). Thanks to Simon and Sara for acting as escort guides and giving us detailed introduction of its facilities. Another past student, Mr. Ken Suen, kindly invited us to the Miss Chinatown Pageant. The sumptuous meal and professional production of



the show refreshed us thoroughly.

—31st March, 1991

It was a free day. Oscar Wong, who was my former classmate and is now studying in a high school in Vancouver, kindly spent the whole day with us doing sightseeing and shopping in the downtown. We attended the board meeting of the past students in the evening.

—1st April, 1991

It was the All Fools' Day. We gave our hearty thanks to Mr. Yeung and the family and took the Air Canada flight to our next destination, Edmonton, a city that covers an area of 539 sq. km and has a population of over 570,000 in the north of Vancouver.

Chan and I stayed with the family of Mr. Ron Lau. We first paid a flying visit to the University of Alberta and had dinner with the Wah Yan old boys in the evening. They were very much interested in the development of the school and we tried our best to tell them what we knew.

—2nd April, 1991

We visited the University of Alberta in the morning. Thanks to Dr. Francis Yeh for showing us around the campus and giving us brief ideas of life and traditions in the university. Another past student, Mr. Raymond Lo, then led us to the West Edmonton Mall, which is described as the "eighth wonder of the world" and "the world's largest fun, fashion and entertainment centre". We could not but spend hours there.

—3rd April, 1991

It was quite a nice day. Mr. and Mrs. Lau got everything ready in the morning and we started our two-day journey to the world famous Canadian Rockies. Another past student, Mr. Leo Chu, also came along with us. On the way, we could admire the snow-capped mountains and glacier and the scenery was indeed fascinating. We arrived at Banff in the evening and spent a night there in a chalet.

—4th April, 1991

Everywhere was deep in snow. Mr. Lau knew the place very well and we went with him to the Sulphur Mountain, Lake Louise, Jasper.....

We then hurried to Calgary. Mr. Tony Wong was a very enthusiastic old boy and had emigrated to Calgary for just a few months. He was thinking of setting up a new chapter in Calgary. Mr. Wong invited us to dinner and would like to get some advice from Mr. Lau and Mr. Chu.

—5th April, 1991

Chan and I were free by day. We could not resist the temptation of going to West Edmonton Mall to do a last-minute shopping and try the Canadian MacDonald's!

We attended a farewell banquet at night. Besides exchanging souvenirs, we gave our vote of thanks to the past students and shared with them our feelings and comments on our journey. Some of them reminded us to send their warm regards to the fathers and teachers in school. The atmosphere was indeed touching and we did not get home until midnight.

—6th April, 1991

It was time to say goodbye. After we had had an exotic breakfast and given a thousand thanks to the Lau's family, we took our luggage and went with the Lau's to the airport.

Snow fell unexpectedly for the whole morning and our flight to Vancouver was delayed for two hours. Thanks to Uncle John and Ron for



their help, we were able to take another domestic flight and catch the Cathay plane home.

I would like to express my deepest gratitude to every past student in Edmonton, Vancouver and Hong Kong who had helped to make our trip a success. They never hesitated to help us whenever we got into troubles and they did everything to make us feel at home. We feel that we were not at all regarded as ordinary visitors, but indeed members in the family. We could really feel the Wah Yan Spirit and could never forget their kind and sincere reception. Thank you very much!!

Time flies and I have already spent six winters in school. Besides academic knowledge, Wah Yan provides us with lots of opportunities and freedom to develop our potential and talents in different fields. It seems to me, in recent years, that some fellows may not realise and cherish their privileges and sometimes may behave disappointingly. Wah Yan does not get its reputation overnight. Being a member of it, we should do our best to make it even brighter and better.

Lastly, I would like to give my most cordial thanks to every father, teacher and schoolmate for their invaluable advice in the past several years. You have made every of my day in the school wonderful and remarkable. I can never forget my mirthful days in the school and their words and instructions will always be on my mind, no matter where I will be.

