



25th Year Celebrations by Hartley College Old Boys in Toronto

The "Cruise, dinner and dance" organized as part of the 25th year celebrations of the Hartley College Past Pupils association of Canada and USA took place on the 30th of June 2013. Attended by 475 members, friends, families and well wishers the event was a grand success.

The cruise was offered by "Mariposa Cruises", one of Canada's largest hospitality cruise operators. They are well known in the field with a fleet of wonderfully well maintained and unique styled vessels in the industry. HCPPA was able to secure boat called the "Northern Spirit". This particular vessel is delightfully bright and contemporary. This 140-foot ship boasts three spacious decks and is a

popular choice for entertaining a large group of fun loving people.

On a pleasant day all the guests gathered at the Toronto harbor front at 6.30. Registration and boarding started at 6.45. The dinner started at 7.30 as the vessel started to move into Lake Ontario. From the moment onwards all guests knew that this was going to be a fun filled evening. Around 8.30 the Basement Sound Crew started entertaining the crowd with some wonderful fusion music. A hip-hop song presented with traditional Nadhaswaram and drums is something different indeed. The guests were also entertained by Vijay TV fame Vijitha Mylvaganam Sureshkumar and

Raghavan. Some of the guests also entertained their peers with their singing and dancing skills as well.

While all this was going on in the first and second decks some of the crowd was having a jolly good time on the open deck. If sunset was such a pleasure to watch from the top deck, watching the city from the waters was also a different experience. At 9.30 our vice patrons Mr. M. Atputhanathan, Mr. V. Eeswaranathan and our president Mr. R. Rajezwaran cut a cake to mark the 25th anniversary celebrations. Basement Sound Crew, Vijitha and Raghavan kept the guest entertained all this while and the guest themselves were having a fantastic

time dancing to the beats.

The Vessel stopped in the middle for a while as we were treated to some fantastic firework on the shores. The fire work lasted about 20 minutes and was enchanting. After the firework we started moving towards the harbor front and the Basement Sound Crew gave a fantastic finishing touch with some great mixture of evergreen and new beats. We hit the shores at 11.00 p.m. It was a worthy evening spent for a worthy cause.

Some of the photos taken at the event can be seen here.

