

Palmyra

*Quarterly Publication of the Hartley College Past Pupils Association of
New South Wales Incorporated, Australia*

Winter Edition-2007

Dear Hartleyite,

I am delighted to present the winter edition of *Palmyra*. You will receive the next edition of *Palmyra* from the new Editor who would be elected at the forthcoming AGM to be held on the 14th July. Personally it has been an enjoyable and rewarding experience to serve the Executive Committee of HCPPA of NSW during the last 3 years.

As with last year, we will be publishing our annual magazine “**Miscellany**”. Our school has been publishing its own high quality Miscellany for more than 50 years. We hope that the publication of Miscellany will continue to propagate the tradition of creative writing by Hartleyites in Australia.

As the Editor of the Miscellany magazine I am trying to source articles relevant to Hartley College and Hartleyites from eminent personalities around the world. One of the notable features this time is to include articles written by the offsprings of Hartleyites. On behalf of the Committee I assure you a high quality Miscellany comprising of diverse literary works.

I take this opportunity to thank you all for the continued support in publishing this newsletter and looking forward to receiving your valuable feedback.

FIAT Lux: Let There Be Light

Yours sincerely

Selva



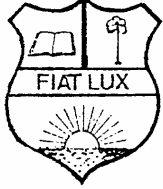
Hartley AGM/Dinner 2007



- Date** : 14 July 2007 Saturday
Time : 06.45 pm (for 07:00 pm start)
Venue : **Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church Hall**
Grantham Road, Seven Hills, NSW 2147

Car parking available within the premises.

- Tickets:** Family of Four : \$40.00
Single : \$15.00



HARTLEY COLLEGE PAST PUPILS ASSOCIATION OF NEW SOUTH WALES INCORPORATED, AUSTRALIA

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Dear Hartleyites,

NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING – 2006/07

You are cordially invited to attend the Annual General Meeting (AGM) of the Hartley College Past Pupils Association of NSW Incorporated for the Year 2006/07.

The AGM will be held along side with the Annual Dinner Program.

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AGM AGENDA

1. Welcome address by the President
2. Confirmation of Minutes of the 2006 Annual General Meeting.
3. Matters arising from minutes.
4. Presentation and adoption of the audited Financial Report at 30 June 2007
5. Election of committee for the year 2007/2008 – President, Vice President, Secretary, Joint Secretary, Social Secretary, Treasurer, Editor and three Committee Members
6. Election of an Auditor
7. Discussion and resolution – Change of constitution related to election of a Public officer and minor corrections.
8. Any other business

G. Thirukumaran, Secretary
11 June 2007.

Invitation to members to take active part in the committee

We invite members of all ages to join the executive committee to take the HCPPA of NSW Incorporated into the future. We would like to see proactive participation from everyone.

Please nominate your friends with talents to take part in the affairs of executive committee for the year 2007/08. Remember serving the Alma Mater is a very satisfying personal experience and it helps personal development.



HARTLEY COLLEGE PAST PUPILS ASSOCIATION OF NEW SOUTH WALES INC
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31 May 2007

Anpana Vanakkangal,

TREASURER'S THIRD INTERIM REPORT FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDING 30 JUNE 2007

The Association incurred expenses of \$1,200 during January to May 2007. These represented a payment of \$300 for maintenance of personal computers at Hartley College and a remittance of \$900 to the School via the Trust.

The remittance included:

- A \$200 contribution by Mr. P.S. Paramatheva for Commerce prize (Advanced Level) and Library books
- Dr Velmurugu and Mrs Velmurugu (Mr Mathivanar) prize money of \$200- prizes of Rs 2,000 each were awarded to the best sprinters in Under 13, 15, 17 and 19 on Prize Giving Day held on the 25 May 2007
- HCPPA NSW Contribution of \$500 for College fence

In May 2007, we conducted a fundraising campaign for Mr Nilojan Rajakulendran's medical needs. He is seriously ailing from renal kidney failure and seeking urgent financial assistance for a kidney transplant. We are overwhelmed by the kind-heartedness displayed by the membership. On behalf of the Committee we thank you most sincerely for your charitable contribution. A list of contribution to 10 June 2007 is attached. We plan to remit this fund to Nilojan's parents via the Trust by 16 June 2007.

The accumulated fund at 31 May 2007 was circa \$16,200.

Manamuvarntha Nanrikal

Vadivelu Sugumar

CONTRIBUTION TO MR NILOJAN'S MEDICAL FUND TO 10 JUNE 2007

No	Name	Amount	No	Name	Amount
1	Aravindan M	\$100	16	Selvarajah K	\$100
2	Arunothayam V	\$50	17	Sharma KP (Non H)	\$50
3	Elango P	\$100	18	Sivagnanasundaram S	\$50
4	Ganendran K (Non H)	\$100	19	Skandakumar S	\$100
5	Ganesamoorthy B	\$100	20	Somasundaram C	\$40
6	Jeyapalan S (Non H)	\$50	21	Srianandarajah S	\$100
7	Jeyaseelan S	\$200	22	Srikumar A	\$100
8	Kaneshalingam K	\$100	23	Subenthiran S	\$100
9	Krishnathasan W	\$250	24	Sugumar V	\$100
10	Kuganesan B	\$100	25	Thavalingam G	\$50
11	Manimaran R	\$200	26	Thavaseelan S Dr	\$500
12	Navakumar B	\$50	27	Thayalan S (Saudi)	\$500
13	Paskarajothy K	\$100	28	Thirukumaran G	\$150
14	Peter Carr (Non H)	\$50	29	Yoganathan J	\$100
15	Rupasingham R	\$100		TOTAL	\$3,690



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Vanakkam,

We are moving slowly towards the end the current term of the Executive Committee. The Committee has decided to have our annual mega event - AGM/Dinner on the 14th July 2007 at the Grantham Church Hall, Seven Hills. I would kindly urge every one of you to participate to make this AGM/Dinner event a great success.

As in the past we will continue to have a variety of entertainment programs to make the evening a relaxing and enjoyable one along side our AGM. It is the day for the kids of Hartleyites to showcase their talents to the Hartley family and other invited guests. We will serve mouth watering traditional dishes as part of the dinner. The agenda for the evening amongst other things would include the release of our annual magazine Miscellany and the keynote address by our Chief Guest Dr K Ratnagobal.

The tickets for the dinner are economically priced at \$40 for a family (Ammma, Appa and two kids) and \$15 for singles. On behalf of the committee I kindly ask you to participate and show our togetherness.

I would like to see new members of all ages to come forward to take part in the Executive Committee to take the HCPPA of NSW Incorporated in to the future. I kindly urge the current committee members shoulder the day- to-day responsibility of carrying out succession planning by identifying and introducing new blood into the Committee. We would like to see proactive participation from every Hartleyite living in Australia in the affairs of HCPPA.

It is heartening to see the positive response received from the Hartleyites to help Nilojan, an Advanced Level student of our beloved school who urgently needs kidney transplant surgery. It has been brought to our notice that the total expenditure for this is approximately AU\$8500 and we plan to contribute around AU\$3500. We believe all other overseas branches are also planning to contribute towards this urgent medical appeal and we all earnestly hope for the success of Nilojan's kidney transplant surgery and his speedy recovery.

Yours sincerely,

K Paskey

Sir C V Raman was born at Trichinopoly in Tamil Nadu on November 7th, 1888. His father was a lecturer in mathematics and physics so that from the first he was immersed in an academic atmosphere. He entered Presidency College, Madras, in 1902, and in 1904 passed his B.A. examination, winning the first place and the gold medal in physics; in 1907 he gained his M.A. degree, obtaining the highest distinctions. His earliest researches in optics and acoustics - the two fields of investigation to which he has dedicated his entire career - were carried out while he was a student. Though Raman joined the Indian Finance Department in 1907 he found opportunities for carrying on experimental research in the laboratory of the Indian Association for the Cultivation of Science at Calcutta. During Raman's times there were not many opportunities for scientists in India. Therefore, Raman joined the Indian Finance Department in 1907. After his office hours, he carried out his experimental research in the laboratory of the Indian Association for the Cultivation of Science at Calcutta. He carried out research in acoustics and optics. In 1917, Raman was offered the position of Sir Taraknath Palit Professorship of Physics at Calcutta University. He stayed there for the next fifteen years. During his tenure there, he received worldwide recognition for his work in optics and scattering of light. He was elected to the Royal Society of London in 1924 and the British made him a knight of the British Empire in 1929. In 1930, Sir C.V. Raman was awarded with Nobel Prize in Physics for his work on scattering of light. The discovery was later christened as "Raman Effect".

Aadal Kaneero- the Past Pupils Association of Vada Hindu Girls College

The Past Pupils Association (PPA) of Vada Hindu Girls College, Point Pedro staged a dance concert in Sydney in March 2007 in aid of beloved School. The dance concert was performed by the students of Natyakshetra under the choreography by their guru Srimathy Anursha Tharmarajah. The program was held to a houseful audience at the Blacktown Civic Centre with the presence of the Hon. Minister for Western Sydney, Fair Trading and assisting Minister of Commerce, Ms Dianne Beamer.

The PPA of Vada Hindu Girls College formally inaugurated in October 2006 with the primary objective of providing moral and financial support to our School. The PPA has been trying to establish strong relationships with other Vada Hindu Girls' College PPAs around the world to provide the much needed financial support to the school. It was fortunate to receive guidance from Mrs. Rajesh Manicavasagar (the past President of the Colombo branch PPA Branch) on how best we could assist the School. Mrs. Manicavasagar paid a visit to Sydney during the Easter holiday and met the officials of our PPA. The PPA has also been actively involved in building relationships with Sydney based other PPAs of our brother and sister schools in Point Pedro with particular reference to Hartley College and Methodist Girls High School.

The committee of the PPA under the stewardship of Mrs. Kanchana Krishnathan, patronage of former teacher Mrs. Ramakrishnan and the strong enthusiasm and commitment of the members of the Committee embarked on this cultural program, probably the first of its kind by a PPA in Sydney at this scale, immediately after the inauguration of our PPA.

The Aadal Kaneero program presented a variety of episodes ranging over dance expositions from South and North Indian and North-East Sri Lankan origins. The students of Natyakshetra presented themselves in colourful costumes and performed with the skills and dedication of talented artists entrancing the audience in a blissful evening.

The Navarasa Ramayana episode by the senior students took the spectators to the Ramayana era with all its rich traditions.

The musicians along with vocalists were in perfect unison with the dancers mesmerized the audience with their talented performance.

The Honourable Minister in her speech praised the members of the PPA for their dedication to their parent school. The Premier in his message of greetings for this program expressed his appreciation that the PPA is upholding the universal values of charity, faith and education. The President of the PPA in her message called upon everyone to protect the rights of kids and make the world a wonderful place for them to live.

The event was the culmination of a collaborative effort by everyone in the PPA particularly the Committee members, the dedicated work by Natyakshetra and the more than expected support of the well-wishers and the Tamil Community in Sydney.

As we celebrate the memorable event, it was another display of values and dedication that have always been part of the glorious history of our Vada Hindu Girls' College.

Ms Lokesh Rupasingam

Main High Lights of Aadal Kaneero

**Proposed Amendments to the Constitution of the Hartley College Past Pupils
Association of New South Wales Incorporated**

Clause 2 (g):

2. Aims & Objectives

g) To associate with other **Organisations** of past pupils of Colleges of Sri Lanka, with similar objectives, based in Sydney.

to be amended as,

2. Aims & Objectives

g) To associate with other **Associations** of past pupils of Colleges of Sri Lanka, with similar objectives, based in Sydney.

Clause 3 (c) to be added as follows:

3 c) Financial Year

The financial year of the Association shall be 1st July to the 30th June of the following year.

Clauses 4(b) and 4(e)

4. Committee of Management

b) The Committee of Management shall consist of a President, Vice President, Honourable Secretary, Treasurer, Social Secretary and two (2) Committee members, all of whom shall be members of the Association.

e) No member of the management committee shall be appointed to any salaried office of the **Organisation** or any office of the **Organisation** paid by fees, and no remuneration or other benefit in money or money's worth shall be given by the **Organisation** to any member of the management committee; except payment of out-of-pocket expenses, interest at a rate not exceeding interest at the rate for the time being charged by the bankers in Sydney for money lent to the **Organisation** and reasonable and proper rent for premises let to the **Organisation**.

to be amended as,

4. Committee of Management

b) The Committee of Management shall consist of a President, Vice President, Honorary Secretary, Treasurer, Social Secretary, *Joint Secretary*, Editor and **three (3) Committee members**, all of whom shall be members of the Association.

e) No member of the management committee shall be appointed to any salaried office of the **Association** or any office of the **Association** paid by fees, and no remuneration or other benefit in money or money's worth shall be given by the **Association** to any member of the management committee; except payment of out-of-pocket expenses, interest at a rate not exceeding interest at the rate for the time being charged by the bankers in Sydney for money lent to the **Association** and reasonable and proper rent for premises let to the **Association**.

Clause 4 (f) and (g) to be added as follows:

4. Committee of Management

f) The Committee of Management shall appoint a Public Officer for a period of one (1) year. He shall be the contact point for HCPPA of NSW Incorporated with Fair Trading Commission and shall function as the Public Relations Officer dealing with all external stakeholders including seeking Government grants if possible as a registered non-profit association.

g) The Committee of Management shall take up the position of the Public Officer until In the event of death or resignation of the Public Officer, the Honorary Secretary of the current period ends.

Clause 7 (b) and (e)

7. Meetings

b) The Annual General Meeting shall be held **in the second weekend of February of each year or as early as possible thereafter.**

e) The Agenda for the AGM shall include:

(i) Presentation of minutes of the previous AGM.

(ii) Presentation of the Annual Report of the Committee of Management and the annual audited statement of accounts for the **ending January of the year.**

to be amended as,

7. Meetings

b) The Annual General Meeting shall be held *within three (3) months after the expiry of each financial year.*

e) The Agenda for the AGM shall include:

- (i) Minutes of the previous Annual General Meeting
- (ii) Annual Report by the President detailing key activities of the 'Committee of Management' during the year and
- (iii) Audited Financial Report for the financial year

Rajakulenthiran Nilojan- A Hartleyite in Need of Assistance

HCPPA Canada/USA: Hartleyites in Canada and the United States, Nilojan, a Hartleyite is suffering from kidney failure (both) and has a hole in the heart situation too. HCPPA Canada/USA is seeking your support to help this poor child. If you like to pledge an amount, please send an email to vij@rogers.com and send your check drawn in favor of HCPPA to our Secretary's address:

C. Manoharan
48 Bethany Leigh Drive
Scarborough, ON
M1V 2N7. Canada

HCPPA UK: A Hartleyite needs your help. Please contribute whatever you can. HCPPA (UK) will co-ordinate with global trust and organise whatever help can be done by HCPPA (UK). Hartleyites in UK please contact the secretary Raveendralingam or our treasurer Jeyakumar or our president Captain Jai Indran for further details. We, Hartleyites, should join together to help another Hartleyite in a desperate situation like this. Please give your urgent attention to this matter.

HCPPA NSW: HCPPA (NSW) is collecting funds to help Nilojan's Kidney Transplant expenses. You may deposit your contributions in the following account and send an e-mail to confirm this.

Account Name : HCPPA (NSW)
Bank: St George Bank
Branch Number: 112-879
A/C Number: 109066062

If you have further questions or would like to send your contributions by any other means, please send an e-mail to gunat@optusnet.com.au and we will arrange to collect it.

உதவி கோருகின்றார்

பருத்தித்துறை ஹாட்லிக் கல்லூரி உயர்வகுப்பு மாணவனான செல்வன் இராஜகுலேந்திரன் நிலோஜன் இரு சிறுநீரகங்களும் செயலிழந்த நிலையில் கொழும்பு தேசிய வைத்தியசாலை அவசர சிகிச்சைப் பிரிவில் அனுமதிக்கப்பட்டுள்ளார்.



எதிர்வரும் ஆகஸ்ட் மாதம் நடைபெறவுள்ள க.பொ.த. (உயர்தரப்) பரீட்சைக்குத் தோற்ற வேண்டிய இவர் திடீரென சிறுநீரக பாதிப்புக்குட்பட்டு யாழ்ப்பாண போதனா வைத்தியசாலையில் அனுமதிக்கப்பட்டு பின்னர் கொழும்பு தேசிய வைத்தியசாலைக்கு மாற்றப்பட்டுள்ளார்.

இவரது சிறுநீரக மாற்றுச் சிகிச்சைக்கு பெருமளவான நிதி தேவைப்படுகிறது. அவரது பெற்றோர்கள் முழுமையான நிதியை ஈடுசெய்ய முடியாத நிலையில் கஷ்டங்களை அனுபவித்து வருகின்றனர்.

எனவே, பரோபகாரிகளிடமிருந்து அவரது தாயார் திருமதி தேவிகா இராஜகுலேந்திரன் நிதி உதவி கோரியுள்ளார். உதவி செய்ய விரும்புபவர்கள் இலங்கை வங்கி, பருத்தித்துறை சேமிப்புக் கணக்கு இலக்கம் 22607 க்கு அனுப்பி வைத்து தனது மகனின் உயிரைக் காக்குமாறு உருக்கமான வேண்டுகோள் விடுக்கின்றார்.