

Hartleyite-Canada/USA



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Unique Achievement by Hartley in GCE(A/L) 2007

HCPPA Canada/USA Schedule of the year 2008

- Benefit show— March 22nd & March 23rd.
- Annual Hartley-Jaffna Hindu cricket match, sports and summer picnic—July 1st, 2008. 11:00 a.m.—Sunny Brook Park
- **Hartleyite Nite & AGM—Nov. 8, 2008, 6:00 p.m.—Celebration Banquet Hall**

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***Hartleyites:
Let us exercise
our right to
vote in the
federal election***

The year 2007 saw the closing of schools, fear of abduction of children, parents living in fear of being taken away, questioned and sometimes tortured. On top of this the children had to undergo humiliation at the hands of the SLA. This is the scenario in which the GCE (A/L) results should be viewed. On top of this two students V. Rajeevan and S. Nirmalan became first in Maths stream and Bio stream respectively at the district level.

ANOTHER ACHIEVEMENT BY HARTLEYITE

These are days when not only the Sri Lankans but other countries around the

The 19th Hartleyite Nite took place at Celebrations Banquet hall on December 1, 2007 and was attended by over 150 members. Mr. V. Shanumuganayagam M.Sc(Eng.) an old boy of Hartley College who was a popular engineering lecturer at Paradeniya university and at Nanyang Technological University at Sin-

world are paying attention to the air wing of the Liberation Tigers of Tamil Elam (LTTE). Very few people know the man behind this success story. This is the work of another great Hartleyite Mr. Vythiyalingam Sornalingam alias Colonel Shankar who passed away in 2001. It was a bad year for Hartley for it saw the passing away of three great Hartleyites, Mr. K. Pooranampillai, a famous Principal of Hartley, Prof. E.J. Eliezer, a great Mathematician and Mr. V. Sornalingam a great Patriot.

Colonel Shankar was an aeronautical engineer with Air Canada. He held



an Engineering degree in Aeronautics from Hindustan Engineering college in Tamil Nadu. He was the one who saw the vision of an air wing for the freedom fighting force of Tamils and started developing it.

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Hartleyite Nite 2007

gapore and Mt. A. Thigambaralingam, a former teacher of Hartley College were the Guest of Honours. Mr. Neethan Shan, one of the Trustee for the York Region District School Board and an inspirational figure among Canadian Tamils was the key note speaker of the event.

The Gala Nite was preceded by AGM chaired by president V. Vijenthira. Committee members list appears on page 4 of this Newsletter. A constitutional amendment requiring that all amendments to the constitution must be presented to the Exco and at least two weeks notice to be given to the members was passed unanimously.

Hartley Nite 2008

2008 Hartley Nite of Canada /USA is set to take place on Saturday November 8, 2008 at Celebrations Banquet hall located at 174 Bartley drive, North York. Professor S. Thevanayagam of University at Buffalo and Dr. Indralingam, a renowned mathematics lecturer at University of Moratuwa are going to be the guest of honours for this event.

Driving directions to 174 Bartley Drive:

Eastward on Eglinton E. - Drive one km past DVP, turn right on Bermondsey, Bartley is first signal lighted left turn.

Westward on Eglinton E. - Turn left on O'Conner, cross Victoria Park, Bartley is in 10 yards at right

NEWS OF HCPPA CANADA/ USA

Editorial Board:

With the resignation of Mr. At-puthanathan as editor, it was decided that Mr. V. Jayaraman and Mr. M. Balachandran will be responsible for the publication of the news letter.

Consortium of Tamil Associations:

The committee discussed about acceding to the request for joining the Consortium. It was pointed out by the President that Canadian Tamil Congress too was interested forming this body of Associations.

It was finally decided to join the Consortium.

Transfer of Global Trust funds to Canada:

A proposal to transfer Canadian funds with Global Trust to Canada from Sri Lanka due to the depreciating Rupee came for discussion.

It was decided to sound the other branches, consult the Global Trust constitution before this proposal is taken up to the general body meeting .

Navarubakanth's Letter

Navarubakanth is the Engineering student from Hartley that our Association started helping. He has passed out holding an upper second and he has promised to pay back the money in 1 or 2 years

Mr. R. Ravindralingam passes away

Mr. Rajalingam Raveendralingam, the Secretary of HCPPA (UK) passed away due to sudden illness, at the age of 54 on April 9 2008 in London, England.

He is one of the founder member and long serving secretary of HCPPA (UK) as well as former President and former Secretary of Board of Trustees and one of the founder of Global Trust of Hartley College in Colombo.

The Association laid a wreath at his funeral.

Mr. Raveendralingam is survived by his wife Sivasakthy and children Nirojan and Anuja.

Our condolences to his grieving family and friends.

Mr. Ananda Muttiah passes away:

Mr. Muttiah a long standing Life member of our Association and one time committee member and one who took an active interest in the Association passed away at the age of 72 on March 16, 2008 at Brampton, Ontario, Canada.

The Association laid a wreath at his funeral.

He hails from Katkoyalam, Point Pedro, and survived by his wife and 4 children Our Condolences to his family.

Hartley Hindu Sports-Meet & Picnic

For the first time in the history of our schools OBA, Hartley College and Jaffna Hindu College OBA of north America were able to jointly conduct a sports meet and picnic at Sunny Brooks Park.

We had a leather ball cricket match, tennis ball cricket match, volley ball game, kids soccer games and net ball match. The kids soccer games were to incorporate the children of Hartleyites and Jaffna Hindu old boys and the netball game was to incorporate the spouses of the old boys and their children.

Even though these kids did not study at either of these schools, they feel that they are part of these schools because of the many annual OBA get together that take place in Toronto. It is very important for us to foster on them that they should participate in the development of these schools. Without education no nation can prosper and it is our utmost duty to make sure that the expatriate Tamils and their children continue to offer their maximum support to the growth of the schools back home.

We thank Jaffna Hindu OBA of Canada for their initiation and contribution to this event.

HCPPA Canada/USA—Editorial

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The 2006 and 2007 annual general meetings brought in a new generation of very younger Hartleyites into the committee. The theme was passing the torch. We wanted to see the younger Hartleyites taking the responsibility of building a very strong OBA branch in North America with the support and guidance of older generation of Hartleyites.

It is very encouraging to see these younger Hartleyites not only actively participating but are also coming up with innovative ideas. I must congratulate Mr. Vijenthira who headed this group of youngsters and worked as a team. It is very unfortunate that Mr. Vijenthira is now forced to take a leave of absence due to health reasons.

We do sincerely hope that we will be able to see more and more younger members participate in building a stronger HCPPA Canada/USA.

Our OBA members are commended for supporting our dedication to sponsor Sencholai kids at least one day a year and working with the Global trust to provide shelves for each classroom of Hartley at the express request of the Principal.

On behalf of our committee, I sincerely thank Mr. M. Atputhanathan for initial drafting of this newsletter.

News From Sister Associations

Late Vice Chancellor Prof. A. Thurairajah

Prof. M. Nadarajasundaram, Dean of the Faculty of Management at the University of Jaffna and an old boy of Hartley, when giving the Prof. A. Thurairajah (another distinguished old boy) oration at Udupiddy American mission College, referred to the academic contribution of Prof. Thurairajah including his research work and his six years as Vice Chancellor of the University of Jaffna. In his time he upgraded the Faculty of Engineering and the Faculty of Agriculture. (Colombo Hartlyite).

Matale Science College honours Late Mr. Ratnasabapathy

The late Mr. Ratnasabapathy laid the foundation for the development of Science and its academic excellence that it now enjoys. The PPA of Matale Science college through

HCPPA Colombo has been offering scholarship of Rs 1000.00 a month for the duration of 4 years to a student entering Engineering Faculty from Hartley. Every year they select one student. (Colombo Hartleyite)

Venugopal Memorial Learning centre

This is the computer centre established by HCPPA-NSW (Australia) with software suitable for grades 6, 7, 8 & 9. Mr. Venugopal was the past Principal killed by accident few years back. (Palmyra ,Dec. 2007)

HCPPA UK

Mr. Harri Harichandran has been appointed as secretary after the demise of former secretary Mr. R. Raveendralingam.

Annual Dinner and AGM is scheduled for 15th November 2008 at Crowne Plaza, London Dockland.

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Hartley has once again the Academic Excellence at the G.C.E (A/L) 2007 Exam.
The scholastic achievements are:

- (1) First Place in Maths Stream and Bio-Stream at District Level.
V.Rajeevan Maths stream, S.Nimalan Bio Stream
- (2) Third Place in Maths at All-Island Level
- (3) First Place in Maths at All - Island Level in the Tamil medium
- (4) Maths Stream 3A - 02
- (5) Bio-Stream 3A - 02
- (6) Arts Stream 3A - 03



V.Rajeevan



S.Nimalan

Other Achievements:

Maths Stream	
1.V.Rajeevan	3A
2.S.Sarangan	3A
3.R.Prasanthan	2AB
4.K.Thivkaran	2AB
5.K.Nitharasan	A2B
6.S.Prasath	A2B

Bio Stream	
1.S.Nimalan	3A
2.S.Achchan	3A
3.K.Alan Jerosan	2AB
4.S.Niroshan	2AB
5.P.Balachandran	A2B
6.B.Sansayan	A2B
7.S.Vijayalayan	A2B

Commerce Stream	
1.I.Nirupan	2AB
2.V.Sutharsan	2AB
3.V.Kajanthan	A2B
4.S.Kokulan	A2B

Arts Stream	
1.R.Niroopan	3A
2.S.Sanganathan	3A
3.R.Kousigan	3A
4.S.Thinesh	2AC
5.T.Ramanan	A2B
6.K.Uthayaroopan	A2B
7.S.Nishanthan	A2B
8.R.Nihash	A2B

Hartley College website-10th anniversary

Hartley College website was formed by a team led by Mr. S. Sivaanathan from Ottawa and launched on November 07, 1998 during the "Tenth Hartleyite Nite" of the HCPPA Canada & USA from Toronto, Canada. By this year, 10 years after its inception, the website has been running without any interruptions, sharing many stories and supporting the College in many ways. There are about 1650 Hartleyites registered their information in our website online database from 38 countries.

www.hartleycollege.org usually gets thousands of hits every month for information on Hartley College. Thousands of emails are sent out using its First-Contact email utility. Many HCPPA events and news are announced via the website. Obituaries of Hartleyites and their immediate family members are posted and emailed to interested parties.

To celebrate this achievement, our Web-team is planning to create a new section called "Tenth Anniversary" within the Hartley College website. Also, they are invited to make a special presentation and release an exclusive souvenir during the HCPPA Canada/USA dinner on November 08, 2008.

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விளையாட்டு விழா 2008

ஆண்டு தோறும் கனடா தினத்தன்று நடைபெற்றுவந்த ஹாட்லிக்கல்லூரி, யாழ்.இந்துக்கல்லூரி துடுப்பாட்டப் போட்டி வழமை போல இம்முறையும் நடைபெற்றது. ஆனால் இம்முறை துடுப்பாட்டம் மட்டுமற்றி உதைபந்தாட்டம், வலைப்பந்தாட்டம் உட்பட, இரு கல்லூரிகளும் இணைந்து ஒன்று கூடலையும் மிகவும் சிறப்பாக நடத்தினார்கள். காலை 11:30 மணியளவில் கனடிய, தமிழீழ தேசியக் கொடிகளுடன் ஹாட்லி, யாழ்.இந்து ஆகியவற்றின் கொடிகளும் ஏற்றப்பட்டு விளையாட்டுவிழா ஆரம்பமாகியது.

வலைப்பந்தாட்டம்

வலைப்பந்தாட்டத்தின் பெரியவர்களுக்கான பிரிவில் எமது சகோதர பாடசாலைகளான மெதடிஸ்த பெண்கள் கல்லூரி, வடஇந்து மகளிர் கல்லூரி ஆகியவையும் யாழ்.இந்து மகளிர் கல்லூரியும் விளையாடினார்கள். இளவயதினருக்கான பிரிவில் ஹாட்லிக்கல்லூரி அணியும், யாழ்.இந்து மகளிர் கல்லூரி அணியும் விளையாடின. வரலாற்றில் முதன்முறையாக ஹாட்லி பழைய மாணவர்களின் புதல்விகளைக்கொண்டு அமைக்கப்பட்ட அணியிற்கு பழைய மாணவர் வேலுப்பிள்ளை மோகனின் துணைவியார் சுகந்தி மோகன் பயிற்சியாளராகக் கடமையாற்றினார். போட்டிகளில் ஹாட்லி அணியினர் வெற்றிபெறாவிட்டாலும் மிகவும் சிறப்பாக ஆடியமை பாராட்டுக்குரியது.

உதைபந்தாட்டம்

ஹாட்லி பழையமாணவர்களின் பிள்ளைகள், பேரப்பிள்ளைகளை கொண்டு முறையே 10, 14 வயதுகளுக்குட்பட்ட இரு அணிகள் உருவாக்கப்பட்டன. பழையமாணவரான நடராஜா சிவபாலன் (Soccer 1st team Captain 1979) நெறிப்படுத்தினார்.

14 வயதுக்குட்பட்ட அணிக்கு பழையமாணவர் ரமேஸ் சுந்தரலிங்கம் (Soccer 1st team Captain 1976) அவர்களின் புதல்வன் சுஜன் ரமேஸ் சுந்தரலிங்கமும் 10 வயதுக்குட்பட்டோர் அணிக்கு சிவபாலனின் புதல்வன் நடராஜாவும் பயிற்சியாளர்களாகக் கடமையாற்றினர். போட்டிகளில் இரு அணிகளும் சிறப்பாக ஆடி 10 வயதுக்குட்பட்டோரில் ஹாட்லி அணி 2-1 என்ற வித்தியாசத்திலும் 14 வயதுக்குட்பட்டோரில் யாழ்.இந்து 3-0 என்ற வித்தியாசத்திலும் வெற்றிபெற்றன.

துடுப்பாட்டம்

மாமனிதர் பேராசிரியர் துரைராசா அவர்களின் நினைவாக இப்போட்டி நடைபெற்றது.

40 பந்துப்பரிமாற்றங்களை (overs) கொண்ட போட்டியில் முதலில் யாழ்.இந்து துடுப்பாடி 40 over களில் 8 விக் கட்டுகள் இழப்பிற்கு 156 ஓட்டங்களைப் பெற்றது பதிலுக்கு ஆடிய ஹாட்லி கல்லூரி சகல விக் கட்டுகளையும் இழந்து 61 ஓட்டங்களைப் பெற்றது 15 வருடங்களுக்கு மேலாக நடந்து வரும் இப்போட்டியில் யாழ். இந்துக் கல்லூரி 95 ஓட்டங்களால் வெற்றிபெற்றது. போட்டியில் பின்வருவோர் பரிசுகளை பெற்றனர்.

சிறந்த துடுப்பாளர்:	வினோ	- யாழ் இந்துக் கல்லூரி
சிறந்த பந்துவீச்சாளர்:	சகாதேவன்	- ஹாட்லிக்கல்லூரி
சிறந்த பந்து தடுப்பாளர்:	மனோகரன்	- ஹாட்லிக்கல்லூரி
சிறந்த பந்துறை வீரர்:	லோகன்	- யாழ் இந்துக் கல்லூரி
ஆட்ட நாயகன்:	மோகன்	- யாழ் இந்துக் கல்லூரி

இனிதே நடைபெற்ற விழாவிற்கு ஹாட்லி சார்பில் கனடாவில் ஹாட்லி பழைய மாணவர் சங்கத்தை உருவாக்க காரணமான மூவரில் ஒருவரும் ஹாட்லிக்கல்லூரியின் சிறந்ததொரு விளையாட்டு வீரருமான கனகசபை முருகானந்தன் சிறப்பு விருந்தினராகக் கலந்து கொண்டார்.

Achievement in National Level Sports meet

Vadivesvaran Hariharan won first place in discuss throwing event at the national level sports meet in 2008 throwing 41.6 meters. In 2007, he won first place at the zonal level and the district level and second place at the national level in year 2007 in the under 17 age group. His school record for under 17 age group is 47.29 meters.

Destruction of Sri Lankan economy and your assets in Sri Lanka

The war is raging in Sri Lanka. Unlike the east, The Tigers are putting up stiff resistance after initial withdrawal from the western front of Wannai and Mannar. Lately they have stepped up offensive operations against the Sri Lankan forces. The Sri Lankan government for whatever the reason is conducting Eelam War 4 at great expenditure. Sri Lankan government is going for help to countries such as China, Russia, Pakistan and Iran that are anathema to the Western World, India and Japan. In this backdrop, not only the Western World but also organizations aligned to the Western World such as the human rights groups are sending scathing reports about Sri Lankan government's human rights violations. There have been threats from US and EU to cancel all trade privileges offered to Sri Lanka because of its terrible records of Human Right Violations perpetrated against Tamils in Sri Lanka and to members of NGOs. Inflation is at 28% and escalating at 2% a month. The EU is threatening to cancel the GSP + facilities offered to Sri Lanka on the basis of the ceasefire agreement signed between SL government and LTTE. If they cancel this privilege there will be a 3 Billion US \$ loss of foreign export coupled with 100,000 direct jobs in the garment industry and another 100,000 spin off jobs in Sri Lanka. This will have a catastrophic impact on the SL economy. If this situation continues, the economists warn that Sri Lanka will become another Zimbabwe where the inflation is at about 200,000%.

What will happen to your assets and investments in Sri Lanka if such a scenario becomes true? The inflation does not have to be 200,000% but say it escalates at 2% a month. If your return from investment is less 28%, your investment is going to lose value regardless of where you have invested your money in. No country can sustain a war without losing its value no matter how big they are. Even the US is losing its value with the war in Afghanistan and Iraq. If a wealthy and powerful country like US can not sustain the impact of war, then a poor nation like SL can not overcome war and sustain its economy. Sri Lanka is doomed to destruction economically and otherwise with Eelam War – 4 regardless of the outcome of the war.

Following is an example of the escalating cost in SL is:

HCPPA Canada embarked on this project in 2005 to build furniture for classrooms in the latter part of 2005. In two years the cost has escalated by 47%. Following is an e-mail we received from HCPPA Colombo.

"...We have now received the revised quotation from the furniture supplier to make tables and chairs @ Rs. 5,750.00. I believe the earlier figure was around Rs. 3,900.00. Given the cost escalation we have no other option. ..."

In this back ground should we continue to keep our investment and currency deposits in Sri Lanka? Should we continue to hope the situation in Sri Lanka will improve so that our investment will gain value? Should we cut our losses and take our money and investments away from Sri Lanka? The answer is taking your investment away from Sri Lanka.

V. Jayaraman

Humanitarian Crisis In Vanni.

Sri Lankan government had ordered all the NGO's to leave the combat zone in Vanni. There are about 200,000 IDP's in Vanni. With the departure of all the NGO's in Vanni, it is extremely doubtful that the Sri Lankan government will do anything to fulfill the needs of these people.

In our last news letter, we emphasized the importance of expatriate Tamil's contribution to the welfare of Eelam Tamils and the welfare of the expatriate Tamils. The time has come for all the expatriate Tamils to get together and help our brothers, sisters and children back home. There are lots of activities taking place to help the internally displaced people back home.

We, Hartleyites are pioneers in thinking and helping our people back home. During the 90's we contributed so much and established a meal program for our children in Mullaitheevu with the collaboration of HUDEC. We were the first to sponsor Sencholai program. We should continue that trend and do our mighty best to rescue our internally displaced relatives. They are at a vulnerable state now and the only people that can rescue them from their misery is the expatriate Tamils. So please be very generous and rally together and contribute as much as you can.



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