



# St Patrick's College Jaffna OBA

Melbourne, Australia

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## Dear Fellow Patricians

*It is with great pleasure that I write my first message as the President of the Association. The 2011 AGM was held on the 19<sup>th</sup> of March 2011, which was preceded by the Annual Mass to celebrate St. Patrick's Day and was followed by the traditional string-hopper meal. The meeting was well-attended and many making wonderful and constructive suggestions for the continued success of the Association and its activities.*

*Our next event is "Patrician Nite 2011" scheduled for Saturday, October 29, to be held at St Scholastica's Church Hall, Burwood. This year, we have obtained the services of a very well regarded catering company - "Gedera Home Style Cooking" - who catered for the 2007 function and was very well received by our members. Entertainment is to be provided by Ravi Muthu - who is coming from New Zealand specially for this event. He has been involved in many successful shows in Sydney and New Zealand. DJ Vijay will provide the music. If you have not been contacted by one of our Committee members for this event, please call me on 9551 6918 (A.H) and I will be glad to arrange the tickets.*

*Last year, we despatched to the College Library, 18 boxes of books for the children of the Primary School. We have been trying to collect books - which are appropriate for a school library - from our members and friends and send them to the College.*

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*Looking forward to see you all*

*At the 'Patrician Nite'*

*Melbourne OBA Committee*

## SPC Jaffna OBA—Melbourne

Established : ..... 1992  
Current Membership:..... 28  
No. of Patricians in Vic : ..... 100 Approx  
Annual Membership Fee: .... \$20.00

### Our Objectives:

- Socialise and share the Patrician spirit with benevolence
- Support our Alma Mater in meaningful ways

### Website:

[www.spcaustralia.com](http://www.spcaustralia.com)

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## Committee — 2011/12

**President:** Philip Ravindraraj  
**Secretary:** James Joseph  
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**Committee Members:** Jeevaranjan Fernando  
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 Chris Gunanayagam  
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Other members have suggested that we also send study equipment - such as stationery, calculators etc. We had a discussion with the Rector and he welcomes donations of more books for the Library. Every year, all classes have a library week when many activities connected with library, reading etc are scheduled. Each week, they also have library classes and any additions to the stock are much appreciated. Books of all kinds, fiction, and non-fiction - books such as those bought for our children most probably are now gathering dust and eventually get thrown out. This is a great opportunity to support the educational activities of the College and if members can contribute - books and other equipment, please contact one of the Committee members. We have also purchased a set of cricket equipment through Angelo and the plan is to send the books and the equipment - hopefully before the end of the year.

In July 2011, OBA Norway hosted a Global Reunion. It was attended by over 125 members and their families including our College Rector, Rev. Fr. Jero Selvanayagam. From the feedback received, it was a great success. Two Patricians from Australia attended. Melbourne OBA sent a message of appreciation which was included in the souvenir.

The annual subscription of \$20 subsidises the 3 main events organised by the Association as well as pays for the administrative costs involved in the newsletter, website, P.O Box etc. and we hope members will pay their subscription so that the Association can continue to grow to provide a forum for the alumni to meet and enjoy as well as provide assistance to our dear College.

I shall see you all at the Patrician Nite 2011.

For and on behalf of the SPC OBA Melbourne

*P Ravindraraj*

President

## Notice Board

### Patrician Nite 2011

Saturday, October 29 2011

At

St Scholastica's Church Hall

348 Burwood Hwy, Burwood

Early start at 6.30 pm (to accommodate the musical entertainment)

\*Entertainment - Ravi Muthu from New Zealand

\*Smorgasboard

\*DJ Music for those wishing to dance

\*Raffles

\*Wine and Soft drinks for each table

\*BYO - Liquor

Tickets \$35.00

Ph: 95516918

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### Do you have Books & Stationery that can be sent to the College?

Books appropriate for a school library, stationery, calculators, pens - anything which can be given to students. Please contact James Joseph on 9702 4884 .

## **Annual subscription**

Have you renewed your membership?

If not, please contact our Treasurer William Nimalraj on 9436 4124 and help us help our Alma Mater.

You can also pay your subscription by direct crediting our OBA account number: 063000 11520575 with CBA.