



*Wesley College Colombo
Old Boys Union Australia
Branch Inc.*

You are cordially invited to join the Committee in hosting Dr Nihal Douglas Amerasekera at a dinner being held in his honour when he visits Melbourne.

Date: Thursday 19th March 2009
Time: 7:30 p.m. onwards
Venue: Burgher Association House
358 Haughton Road, Clayton
Cost: \$20 per head B.Y.O. Drinks
Dress: Neat Casual



Nihal joined Wesley in 1950 in STD 2 and left when he gained entrance to Medical College in 1962. He joined the Hostel in 1952 and remained for 6 yrs. When he joined school D S Senanayake was the Prime Minister and CJ Oorloff our Principal. A brilliant student he won the class prize every year until he left school. His achievements were acknowledged when he won the Gogerly Scholarship for the best GCE results in 1958. He was also a member of the School Choir.

A cricket fanatic but was not good enough to play for the school. His only opportunity to play on the school matting came when he was in the 6th form in the Battle of the Sixes (Arts V Science) when MAP Fernando the current Principal got him out for a duck.

He left Sri Lanka to settle in the UK in 1974 where he qualified as a Radiologist. He was awarded the Fellowship of the Royal College of Physicians for his services to medicine and Medical Education. He retired 2 years ago. His hobbies are Computing and travel which keeps him fully occupied.

Nihal has been instrumental in adding a new dimension to the OBU Australia Branch web site by creating an International Wesley College website. A prolific writer who has penned many articles on his experiences at Wesley, the personalities and traditions of our beloved alma-mater in a style which is engaging and takes you back to those wonderful days of our youth. A significant part of this website is a history and a portfolio of articles by himself and old Wesleyites from the past and present titled "Reflections" which is a must read for any Wesleyite. At a time when archival hard copy is scarce, Nihal has left a lasting legacy of what Wesley College represents, its history, its traditions and the mystique of the band of double blue. All Wesleyites are indebted to his passion and commitment for the College, his wonderful work that he has done on the International website and his wish to restore Wesley to her former glory.

Nihal is keen on meeting all his schoolmates and Wesleyites of all eras to share an evening of fellowship and to reminisce about those wonderful experiences at Karlsruhe.

Please confirm your attendance by Sunday 15th March by contacting

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