





PETERITE HONOURS 2016

By: Upali Obeyesekere



The Old Boys' Union of St. Peter's College has been honouring members who have reached eminence in their chosen professions and in the field of sports thereby bringing honour to their Alma Mater.

The first time the Peterite OBU organised an Honours night was way back in 1984 during the presidency of Mr. Mano Chanmugam and 72 Old Peterites were honoured on that occasion. Since then four such Honours nights have been held in 1988, 1997, 2002 and 2006 at which 284 eminent Old Boys have been honoured.

And this latest held on 13th February was the 6th Honours Night with a distinguished Old Peterite, Prof. Rohan Jayasekera as the Chief Guest.

The chief guest himself a proud product of St. Peter's College, Prof. Rohan Jayasekera (MBBS; PhD (N'Cle. UK); C.Biol; FRSB (Lond); Hon. FCSSL) is the Emeritus Professor of Anatomy, Medical Geneticist, Faculty of Medicine, University of Colombo. He is a Fellow of the Galton Institute, London, a Chartered Biologist and Fellow of the Royal Society of Biology, London, an Honorary Fellow of the College of Surgeons of Sri Lanka, Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery from the University of Ceylon, a Commonwealth Research Scholar, has a PhD in Cytogenetics from the Department of Human Genetics, University of Newcastle upon Tyne. UK. and much more.

At the conclusion of the opening ceremony that included the lighting of the traditional oil lamp, speeches by the President of the OBU, Mr. Romeish de Mel, the Rector of St. Peter's College, Rev. Fr. Trevor Martin and the Chief Guest Prof. Rohan Jayasekera, Peterite Honours awarded to 73 eminent Old Boys at this glittering night were under 11 categories namely Medicine, Law, Higher Education, Armed Forces, Public Administration, Banking, Entrepreneurship, Trade & Commerce, Art, Horticulture, Sports. There were also 3 special awards presented to the Rector Emeritus and two others who had rendered long and loyal service (over 40 years) to St. Peter's.

Among these recipients were 3 who were honoured posthumously while there were a few who had come from Australia, Canada, England, USA and Oman.

The Honours award ceremony came to a close with the vote of thanks proposed by the Hony. General Secretary of the OBU, Mr. Algi Wijewickrema and this was followed by cocktails and fellowship for all present.

Following is the list of worthy recipients of Peterite Honours in 2016! We wish them well in all their future endeavours. These recipients are a select group of alumni who demonstrate a commitment to excellence!

#	Category	Name
1.	Medicine	Dr. Noel Perin
2.	Medicine	Dr. Chrisan J. Jayamaha
3.	Medicine	Surgeon Commodore Nielhaan Samaranayake (Posthumous)
4.	Law	Mr. W. J. Shavindra Fernando
5.	Higher Education	Mr. Aubrey Joachim
6.	Armed Services	Surgeon Rear Admiral Nicholas E L W Jayasekera
7.	Public Administration	Mr. Suren Perera
8.	Public Administration	Mr. P. V. T. Paranehewa
9.	Banking	Mr. Rukshan Dias (Posthumous)
10.	Entrepreneurship	Dr. Ajith Perera
11.	Entrepreneurship	Mr. Lalith Seneviratne
12.	Entrepreneurship	Mr. Brian Ratnayake
13.	Entrepreneurship	Mr. Roshan Dharmaratne
14.	Entrepreneurship	Mr. Roshan Hettiarachchi
15.	Entrepreneurship	Mr. Russel Frederick Weerappah
16.	Entrepreneurship	Mr. Don Andrew Liyanage
17.	Entrepreneurship	Mr. S. Rube Fernando
18.	Entrepreneurship	Mr. P. Namal Chrisantha Gomes
19.	Entrepreneurship	Mr. Sudath Perera
20.	Entrepreneurship	Mr. Dushantha Gunewardene
21.	Entrepreneurship	Mr. Marlon Fernando
22.	Entrepreneurship	Mr. Jerry Anderson
23.	Entrepreneurship	Mr. Ebert Silva (Posthumous)
24.	Trade & Commerce	Mr. Dirk Pereira
25.	Trade & Commerce	Mr. Upali Obeyesekere
26.	Trade & Commerce	Mr. Jude Fernando
27.	Trade & Commerce	Mr. Suraj Perera
28.	Trade & Commerce	Mr. Damitha Gomes
29.	Trade & Commerce	Mr. M. Rukmal A. M. Seneviratne
30.	Trade & Commerce	Mr. Nalin Jayasundera
31.	Trade & Commerce	Mr. Mahen R. A. Kariyawasan
32.	Trade & Commerce	Mr. Asela Lihinikaduwa
33.	Trade & Commerce	Mr. Harin Gunawardena
34.	Trade & Commerce	Mr. Quintus Perera
35.	Trade & Commerce	Mr. Amindra Wimalasena
36.	Trade & Commerce	Mr. Prasanna Wimalasena
37.	Trade & Commerce	Mr. Sanjeeva Abeygoonewardene
38.	Trade & Commerce	Mr. S. Sheron Fernando
39.	Trade & Commerce	Mr. Mahinda Saranapala
40.	Trade & Commerce	Mr. Nishantha Jayasooriya
41.	Trade & Commerce	Mr. Kevin Edwards
42.	Trade & Commerce	Mr. Sumedha Fernando
43.	Trade & Commerce	Mr. Anselm Perera
44.	Trade & Commerce	Mr. Misver Deane
45.	Trade & Commerce	Dr. Nirmal de Silva
46.	Trade & Commerce	Mr. Randy Roche

47.	Trade & Commerce	Mr. Aubrey Saverimuttu
48.	Trade & Commerce	Mr. L. S. Cedric Silva
49.	Trade & Commerce	Mr. Joachim Caspersz
50.	Trade & Commerce	Mr. Nishantha Senaveratne
51.	Art	Mr. Maxwell Crusz
52.	Horticulture	Mr. Mike Harridge
53.	Sports- Athletics	Mr. Ranil Jayawardena
54.	Basketball	Mr. Christie Mariyathan
55.	Basketball	Mr. Paul Newman
56.	Basketball	Mr. Panduka Ranasinghe
57.	Cricket	Mr. Ranmore Martinez
58.	Cricket	Mr. Angelo Perera
59.	Cricket	Mr. Andri Berenger
60.	Cricket	Mr. Srimantha Wijeyeratne
61.	Hockey	Mr. Shehan Fernando
62.	Rugby	Mr. Dimithra Gunasekera
63.	Rugby	Mr. A. Rajeew Perera
64.	Rugby	Mr. Suhiru Anthony
65.	Rugby	Mr. Sharo Fernando
66.	Rugby	Mr. Anuradha Herath
67.	Rugby	Mr. Sandun Herath
68.	Rugby	Mr. Lee Keegel
69.	Rugby	Mr. Ishan Noor
70.	Rugby	Mr. Dulaj Perera
71.	Rugby	Mr. Danushka Ranjan
72.	Rugby & Basketball	Mr. Shenal Dias
73.	Tennis	Mr. Thangarajah Dineshkanthan
74.	Special Awards	Rev. Fr. Travis Gabriel
75.	Special Awards	Mr. E. W. Basil Dabare
76.	Special Awards	Mr. Lal Perera



February 13, 2016 - Upali Obeyesekere receiving the Peterite Honours from Prof. Rohan Jayasekara



St. Peter's College Old Boys' Union

takes pleasure in certifying that

Mr. Upali Obeyesekere

*was conferred Peterite Honours
for bringing honour and pride to his Alma Mater
by his outstanding contribution to*

Trade & Commerce

*at the Honours Night 2016 held at the D.J. Nicholas Perera Hall
on this the 13th day of February in the year Two Thousand and Sixteen*



T. Martin
.....
Rev. Fr. Trevor Martin
Patron

Romeish de Mel
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Romeish de Mel
President















Brian Ratnayake (U.K.), Sujith Silva (Editor, Quadrangle) & Upali Obeyesekere (Canada)



Upali Obeyesekere with Rev. Fr. Travis Gabriel



With Aubrey Joachim (U.K.)