



ONA NEWS BULLETIN

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Though this is the second issue of our paper we have not yet decided what it should be called. Some of you might ask with Shakespeare, 'What's in a name, a rose with any name shall smell as sweet'. Yet a name is a symbol of a paper's aims and objectives. Moreover, life is for a generation but a good name is for ever. Therefore we would like to get the majority opinion on this vital issue. A few names have been suggested; 'The Eagle', 'THE ONAITE', 'NABHAITE', 'ONASONIC', 'THE ECHO', 'THE SATTELITE', 'REVERIE', 'ONA'S VOICE', 'THE ONA LINK' to list a few. If you have any new name to suggest or if you prefer any one of the names listed here, do write to us.

You might find this 'news letter' a bit prosaic—what with all these lists of ONs who visited the school, got appointed or promoted to various jobs, got married, or left for their heavenly abodes. Yet I am sure you will find in it some thing that might let loose a flood of fond memories and might make you curious to know what happened to the little boy or girl you knew at school. An address in the newsletter might spur you to visit an ON living in your town without your being aware of the fact. The ONA and the News letter can become a channel to keep us all in tune with each other.

To make our magazine more interesting please send us 'stories' about your days in school or any other incident after leaving school that you might want to share with ONs. If you have any interesting ideas we welcome you to write about them in the ONA News Bulletin.

It requires nearly Rs. 2000/- to bring out one issue of the News letter and to post it to the ONs. If we can finance it well enough, we can publish it more frequently. But as things stand the office bearers of the ONA are driving themselves crazy trying to collect enough money to bring out this issue. We know that the ONs are not apathetic and shall rise to the occasion as they did to raise a fund for Mr. Kate. So if you are in a position to buy space in the News letter whether it be by way of an advertisement or donation of space, kindly do so and help in keeping this life-line of ONA alive.

—EDITOR

Aims and Objectives of ONA (From the constitution of ONA)

The main purpose of this association is to know each other in life and to keep all Old Nabhaites in constant touch with each other, to help each other and the school, so that all those associated with P.P.S shall remain closely knit and involved with each other like a family.

The Aims and Objectives of the O. N. A. can be summarised as following:—

1. To keep the Old Nabhaites closely knit and in constant touch with each other by bringing out a directory, holding meetings, cultural programmes, conducting dinners and get togethers etc
2. To keep the family spirit of the school community going strong even after passing out.
3. To help the Old Nabhaites who are in distress. (Those in distress will be decided by the board of executive)
4. O. N. A. News Letters.
5. Badges, neck ties—mementos etc.
7. To help the development of school and to develop the cause of education.
7. To help the needy students in the school. The needy students will be identified by the House Masters and the Head Master, (Subject to the decision of executive committee).
8. Cultural activities.
9. To encourage talent among the youth.
10. Directory of old boy/girls.

RATES OF ADVERTISEMENT

Back Page (Full)	Rs. 500/-
„ „ (Half)	Rs. 300/-
Inside Page (Full)	Rs. 400/-
„ „ (Half)	Rs. 250/-

Towards Stronger ONA.

The response to the first issue of the news bulletin has been very inspiring but the return of biodata cards was not beyond expectations, which, we would have liked it to be. We are well aware of Newton's law of inertia 'a body at rest likes to stay at rest —...' but we are determined to shake you all casual old nabhaitees out of the stupor you are in, and impart that initial bit of momentum. All those who have not availed of the stamped biodata cards that we sent out with the last news bulletin may do so now at their own expense.

It is not necessary to have stayed in school throughout to be an ON. We only want to know the years you were in school and the classes you attended. You may not have done ISC, Matric or I.C.S.E. while in PPS. That is why we have inserted the columns for years of joining and leaving and the examination passed or in other words the last class attended in school.

To make the organisation strong/rooted we would like to form ONA units in different areas. We are looking for volunteers who can take charge of ONA units in different districts of Punjab, Simla, Jammu, Delhi, Rohtak, Poona, Bombay, IMA, NDA, Merchant Navy, Indian Navy, Air Force etc. We will supply the addresses of the ONs in the respective areas to the volunteers. All they have to do is organise a get together of all ONs in their area under one roof (or the sky if its on the terrace) over a Cup of Tea or a Patiala peg as the liking goes, then report to us about who came and what happened. They will also keep track of any ON leaving the area or any new one arriving on the scene. This should be intimated to us.

We are dependent on you to supply us addresses of other ONs that you are in contact with or you know of. We can then send them a copy of the ONA News letter. If you are interested to know the address of a PPS friend then write to us may be we have it.

In all correspondence, please write your school house number with your name. If you are sending an address of an ON send his house number also. If you can mention school names (every nabhaite has one) nothing like it.

Dr. Jashan Jot
Org. Secy.

For Whom the Bell Told

With profound sorrow we inform that the following ONs have expired since leaving school.

Amritpal Singh (R-25)
Parmod K. Kataria (R-153)
Chander Mohan Mittal (P-219)
Harpreet S. Mansahia (R-298)
Jeewan Kate (S-34)
Capt. Harpreet Singh (S-224)
Vijay Singh (J-96)
Kanwaljit Singh (J-113)
Vir Singh Hundal (J-247)
Narinder Singh (J-259)
Alamjit Singh (J-299)
Krishana Parimlani (J-305)
Anita Dhillon (B-225)
Nardeep Kumar Gupta (B-375)
Jasdev Singh (R-183)
J. S. Mann (Ravi)
Balwinder Singh Sandhu (Beas)
Digvijay S. Bedi (Beas)
Flt. Lt. Harjinder Singh (B-148)
Ms G. B. Malkani (incharge Junior School)
Mr. A. R. Gupta (Headmaster)

Good Samaritans

a) The Ona helped the school organise for Wednesday forum, an engrossing lecture by Dr. Ajmer Singh, Phd. of Economics faculty at Pbi. University, on 'Economics & Economists' and a recital of classical music by Padam Shri Sardar Sohan

Singh Grewal of Agra gharana on 9.2.83 and 23 2.83 respectively.

b) Following boys have donated money to the ONA.

Mr J S. Sekhon	S-19	Rs. 60/-
Major B.S. Mander	R-34	Rs 80/-
Dr Pritam Singh	J-242	Rs. 30/-
Maj. Jodhbir Singh	R-7	Rs. 80/-
Mr. Harpreet Nagra	B-200	Rs. 101/-
Sh Surinder Pal Singh	S-80	Rs. 50/-
Capt Somvir Singh	R-187	Rs. 50/-
Mr. Sanjay Modi	S-234	Rs. 31/-
Mrs Jyoti Mahajan	R-62	Rs. 50/-
Capt. R S. Chhaila	R-157	Rs 50/-
Lalinder Singh	B-52	Rs 80/-

Goodbye Mr. Chips

The following masters have left PPS. They are still respected by the ONs and they are eligible to become members of ONA. We would like to hear from them.

Mr. M. R. Oberoi	Mr Kailash Dar
Mr. R. Sibhal	Mr I. B. Kakar
Mr. K. S. Nijjar	Mr. K. C. Tandon
Mr. R. S. Mehta	Mr. V. N. Bhawe
Mr. M. N. Tankha	Mr. O P. Bhatnagar
Mr. Sushil Chandra	Mr. B S. Bhatnagar
Mr Satya Pal	Mr. R. K. Sharma
Mr. A. Z. Khan	Mr. K K. Katyal
Mr. Uday Neogi	Mrs Anita Williams
Mr S. G. Ghan	Mr Michel Brandon
Mr. Harjeet Kumar Bahri	Mr. Pushap Raj
Mr. Y. P. Bhardwaj	Mr. Lowwel Edwards

Happenings

Appointed

1. Capt Surinderpal Singh Waraich (S-80) Security Officer at PNB, Sector 17, Chandigarh
2. Sanjay Modi (S-234) Junior Executive Bakeman's Home Products at Patiala
- 3 Harpreet Nagra (B-200) Executive Corporate Office, Bakeman's home products at Patiala.
- 4 Dr Rajan Paul Soni (S-69) as surgical specialist Civil Hospital, Nabha

5. Nikhil Sharma (J-) as Chairman Himachal Khadi Village Industries Commission.

Selected

The Following old students joined NDA in 1982
 Sanjay Nand (J-368) Bhudeo Kumar (B-484)
 Dheeraj Chandra (S-375) Aditya Mohan (R-374)
 Paramdeep Bajwa (J-361) Om Parkash Rana (S-416)
 Sanjiv Rathore (B-437) Gurbirinder Shaheed (B-445)
 Karanbir Brar (B 442)

Elected

- 1 Dr. Shivinder S. Sidhu (B-219) President Junior Doctors Association, PGI, Chandigarh.
2. Jaskiran Kaur (B-314) as girls representative to the student's union in Punjabi University,

Commissioned

The following ONs have been commissioned into different wings of defence services :-

Mr. R. S. Nath	(R-287)
Mr. Beant Singh Sandhu	(R-263)
Mr Jagdeep Virk	(S)
Mr. Birendra Sinha	(S-373)
Mr. Harjit Singh Aulokh	(S-297)
Mr. Sandeep Sharma	(S)
Mr. Deepak Saini	(J)
Mr Premjit Singh Nijjar	(B)
Mr. Kulwant Singh Nijjar	(S)
Mr Ranvijay Singh	(S)
Vikram Rathor	(B)
Iqbal Singh Chahal	(J-315)
Tejinder Pal Singh Arora	(R-290)

(We do not have house numbers of all the officers)

Life Members

The following ONs have sent Rs. 500/- as life membership.

- 1) Capt. Tejinder Singh (S-70)
- 2) Vinay Bharat Mittal (S-228)

Best Wishes go out to

- 1) Dr. Sarbjit Singh (B-187) who got married to Sharonjit on 19-12-82
- 2) Dr. Mrs Gurpreet Kalyan (B-314) who got engaged to Capt Rajan Grewal AMC

Congratulations!

- 1) A research paper on "Angiographic study in Peripheral vessels in Diabetes Mellitus" written

by Dr. Jashanjot Singh (S-52) Org. Secy., ONA has been accepted for Presentation at the 4th Asian-Oceanian Congress of Radiology to be held in Bangkok in Nov. 1983.

- 2) To brothers, Arvinder Bains (B-296) who has done M.Tech. from I I T., Delhi.
- 3) And Dr. Arjinder Bains (B-428) who has cleared MBBS from Patiala,

Visitors

Following boys visited the school.

1. Lt. Cdr, Inderjit Arora (J-40) and Commented :-
It was a pleasure to see the ONA for once functioning; and I have no doubt with calibered old chip like JJ and Pradeep things will move.
Tons of love and best wishes
Anything I can do, ...I will.....
2. Capt. P.D. Singh (J-108)
3. Mr Pushap Raj former PA to Mr. J.K. Kate now in USA,
4. Major Sureshwar Tiwari (Ex-J-34) on 12-1-83.
5. Sqn. Ldr A S. Sidhu (Ex-S-) on 12-1-83
6. Dr. Harpreet S. Sidhu (R-2) his comments :-
'Great to have been to the only home away from home, that one has known. Hope to be able to do this more often, cheerio.'
7. Apinder Pal Singh (S-422) 1-3-83.
8. Capt. R.S Chhaila (R-157)
9. Dr. Bhalinder Singh Chahal (J-) on a visit to India, presently he is doing child psychiatry in Detroit, USA.

Communications

Excerpts from some of the letters we have received in response to the first news letter.

Strong ONA

I was very glad to receive the ONA News Bulletin. I must congratulate you for the beautiful work you have done in bringing together Old Nabhaltes.

As regards ONA, I think you can have branch offices at Calcutta, Delhi, Madras and Bombay. You can feed them with all the details of your meetings held at Head Office, Nabha. They will have get togethers at the local offices. Each office will in turn feed you as to what they are doing.

I will be glad to offer my place for the above purpose in Calcutta.

Yours Nabhaite
Bhola Nath (J-231)
55, M C. Ghosh Lane,
HOWRAH—711 101

'The Agony

Thank you very much for the news letter which was addressed to my son and my son would have been very proud of it.

I write with a very heavy heart to tell you that my son Lt. Harpreet Takhar (S-224) who was commissioned in Sept. 81 met with Bus accident and passed away on 11th July, 82. He was a proud Nabhaite and I was proud of his personality, and his education which he had acquired during his stay in Nabha under Mr. Kate's guidance.

So I am enclosing a cheque for Rs. 200/- for Mr. Kate. Please send it across to him with all my best wishes.

With regards,

Surjit Pawittar Singh (Parent)

(Mrs. Kate could not bring herself to accept the cheque.)

— — — — — And The Ecstasy !

My heart went full with profound happiness and feelings as I went through the bulletin. I really congratulate all the old Nabhaitees who have done a wonderful job of bringing out the ONA News Bulletin which is no joke but needs really a stupenry amount of energy economy, time and what not.

Dr. Sarbjit Singh
B-187 Eye deptt.
Rajindera Hospital,
Patiala

Welcome Relief

In the present days of turmoil for existence we all are fully occupied and have almost forgotten our school days. I am very much pleased to get this issue as I will be able to show this to my friends and relatives who I am sure will appreciate the high esteem of the school in which I was a student some time.

Vinay Bharat Mittal
Ex-S-228
Vinay Sales Agencies
Shaheed Park,
Balasore, Orissa

Profiles

(From our records we have randomly selected four old students from each house and we are publishing below their whereabouts and brief biodata)

"Maj. Suresh Tewari (J-34)" Did higher Secy. from school in 1964, got commissioned to Army via NDA & IMA. He is married to Devika and has two daughters. Regarding achievements Suresh says he has none but we know he has just finished staff college. Presently his add. is 8 Dogras C/o 99 APO, may become 56 APO by the time of publishing.

"Capt. Gurmeet Kanwal (J-68)" Joined NDA, after matriculation in 1968. Commissioned in Artillery in 1972. from I.M.A., finished long gunnery course in 1977 followed by instructorship at school of Arty at Deolali. He is married to Neelu and they have one son.

He is a free lance journalist too. His articles have appeared in the Weekly, leading newspapers and service journals. His Add. is 80 Fd. Regiment C/o 56 APO.

"Dr. Pritam Singh (J-242)" Did I.S.C. in 1973. Finished MBBS in 1980. Not yet married, he is specialising in Ophthalmology from Medical College, Amritsar. His Address is 21 Cantonment, Amritsar-143001.

"Miss Deepa Bhave (J-283)" Was in school from 1971 to 1974 (VII Class) When her dad a much respected teacher Mr V N. Bhave left PPS for better opportunities She is presently doing B.Sc. (Final Year) in statistics at Sir Parsuram Bal College, Pune She is staying at 8 Bageshree Society, Rambaug Colony, 212 Sadashiv, PUNE-411030.

"Maj. Rajvinder S. Cheema (R-8," Passed higher secondary from) school in 1964. Got commissioned Army via N.D.A. & I.M.A He climbed 'Mt.

Chouskhamba' (23420 ft) in 1967 with an army expedition and won the Vir Chakra in 1971 war. He is married to Ruby, has two daughters and a son He can be contacted at 66 Armd. Regt, C/o 56 A.P.O.

"Dr. Satish Jain (R-107)" Did his I.S.C. from school in 1970. MBBS from Rohtak in 1977 and M.D. in Medicine from same place in May 1981. Presently, he is superspecialising by doing his D.M. in Neurology from All India Institute of Med. Sciences, New Delhi. He is married to Dr. Menaka Jain They both had a daughter on 9.7.1980. He can be contacted in deptt. of Neurology at A.I.I.M.S. and his permanent address is 6/11 Railway colony, Lodhi colony, New Delhi-110003.

"Dr. Karamvir S. Mann (R-135) Did I.S.C. in 1967 MBBS from AFMC in 1976 and finished Residency in Anaesthesia at the University of Alabama USA in 1980. still a practicing bachelor. He has now plunged into private practice after a brief spell of teaching at the University of Alabama. His address is 280 Robert Jennison H 272-IB BIRMINGHAM, AL 35209, U.S.A.

Asheesh Saksena (R-446) Finished I.C.S.E. & ISC in 1982 from school. A bright boy through out he was selected for admission to NDA, AFMC, DMET, Motilal Nehru Engg. College, Thapar Engg. College Delhi College of Engg. & BITS. Finally he has made up his mind to Join Birla Institute of Tech. & Sc., Pilani where he is doing Mech. Engg. of Course, no question of marriage for him yet. His address is 273, Krishna Bhawan, BITS, pilani (Raj.) 333031.

Jaideep Sekhon (S-19) Left school in 1967 April after doing higher Secondary. Graduated from GOM, Chandigarh, did law from Punjab University and finally MBA from Punjab Univ. He is presently Manager (P&A) Goindwal Industrial & Investment Corporation of Punjab Ltd. Married to Ramnik, they have a son 1½ yrs old He is presently staying at 344/93 Chandigarh.

Capt. Tejinder Singh (S-70) did his ISC from school in 1968 and then graduation from GCM, Chandigarh. He joined the army through short service. He is married to Kuljinder Kaur and they have one child. His mailing address : HQ 150 Inf Bde C/o 56 APO.

Vinod Sabharwal (S-123) passed the I.S.C. Exam, in 1968 and went on to do B. Sc. and MBA. Presently he is employed with Raunaq International as Manager (Marketing) looking after export. He has travelled widely to Middle East, Africa, U.S.A. & Canada in connection with business. He is married to Neeta and they have one child. His official address : C/o Raunaq International Ltd, 15th Floor Chiranjiv Towers, Nehru Place, New Delhi-110019.

'Satwant Puri (S-286)' Left school after passing I.S.C. in 1974. He did B Com. and LLB. from Patiala and then C FSc. (RDC) & S.C.T.I. from Taiwan. He is also a fellow of F.F.S (U.K.) and member A.M.I.-A. (USA). He is presently practicing as a Document Expert in Patiala and very much in demand in North India. He is still unmarried. His address is Puri Road, Patiala.

'Jagtar Singh Bhatia (B-47)' Left school in 1964 after clearing Higher secondary and senior Cambridge exams. He did Marine Engg. from DMET, Calcutta. He joined Shipping Corporation of India in 1969 and left in 1975 as Chief Engineer. He is now Engineer Surveyor with Lloyds Registrar of shipping looking after classification of all merchant ships classed with the company. He is married to Geeta and they have one daughter. He is presently posted at Bombay. His address : 402 Asit Apartment, Kane Road, Mount Marg, Bandra, Bombay-400050 and Phone 230442, 496 and 612.

Dr. Harbhajan Singh (B-76) did I.S.C. from school in 1969 and then B.D.S. from Amritsar in 1976. From 77 to 82 he served with the army as dental surgeon (Captain). Now he has gone into private practice in Amritsar district still a bachelor

his address is V. Fateh pur. P.O. Mehmood pur, Dist. Amritsar.

Dr. Shivinder S. Sidhu (B-219) stayed in school from 1968 to 1970 and then left. He has MBBS from Amritsar and is presently specialising (doing M.S.) in Orthopaedics from P. G. I., Chandigarh. Still a hardy bachelor, he has just been elected president of Junior Doctor's Ass in P.G.I. His address : 532 Kairon Block P G I, Chandigarh.

Jaskiran kaur (B-314) Did I.C.S.E. in Dec. 1976 and then passed B. Sc. from GCW, Chandigarh. Presently she is doing M. Sc. II. She stood first in M. Sc. part I in the Pbi: University: She is also the elected girls representative of the University: Her address is D/o M.S. Shahid, Near Yasmina farm, outside Patiala gate, Nabha:

(With so many old nabhaites having become parents, it wont be surprising if we may have to run a matrimonial column after a decade and half)

FAUX PAS !

In the biodata cards sent out with last issue we put in a column 'Wife's Name'. A lady member has objected, we apologise and request ONAs to read it as 'spouse name'.

REGRET

In the list of donations to Mr. Kate in the last issue we printed 'Gift palace' instead of 'GIFT HOUSE.' The error is regretted.

SUBSCRIPTION

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Life Membership	Rs. 500/-

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