

## Message from President

Dear Member,

The AGM held on 20 June marks a new beginning in SBC's history. The Steering Committee (SC), with some newer, younger members on board, has been given the mandate to take the SBC forward. With the increased membership, and revenue which will be generated from advertisements in our 2nd edition, the SC is well placed to advance the interests of the SBC.

It is inevitable with there being so much focus on the Middle East back home in Singapore, the SBC will be increasingly viewed as a reliable and reliant source to be tapped on. Accordingly, the SBC will adopt a higher profile. In this regard, developmental work has started on our website which we will have up and running very shortly.

SBC Calendar Year 2006-2007 promises to be an exciting year with the array of activities lined up, and we welcome all members to be active participants in this.

Regards,

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## NEW STEERING COMMITTEE

The AGM/end of year function was held on 20 June 2006 at the Renaissance Hotel. We had a good turnout. The new SBC Members Directory 2006 was distributed and we had our usual Raffle Draw. Singapore Airlines, iDrive, Creative Labs, Renaissance Hotel, Bhagwandas Trading and the SBC sponsored some of the prizes. We would like to thank our sponsors once again for their contribution and we congratulate all prize winners.

A new steering committee has been elected as a result of the AGM. The new steering committee has met since then and decided that steering committee members will look after an activity as part of their steering committee responsibilities. Here are the new steering committee members and the activities that they are looking after respectively:

Noor Imambeck: Honorary Chairman  
Harwindar Singh: President  
Manoj Sabhnani: Vice-president  
Tony Lim: Treasurer and delegations  
Ho How Wai: Website, newsletter and directory  
Alvin Bee: Social, charity and functions  
Ashley Ho: Social, charity and functions  
Peter Sng: Functions  
Keith Koh: Membership privileges  
Zainul Aljunied: Functions  
Wong Peng Yeong: Membership recruitment and delegations

Mr N.M. Ramchandani and Ms Satvinder Kaur have decided to step down from the steering committee due to heavy work commitment. Our secretary, Ms Hema Soni is also leaving us for further studies. We would like to thank them for their contribution to the SBC and the steering committee and wish them all the best in their endeavours.

## OVERSEAS SINGAPOREAN PORTAL

The Overseas Singaporean Unit in the Prime Minister's Office is proud to bring you a dedicated portal which we hope will cater to your unique needs as a Singaporean residing abroad.

This Portal contains community tools which will help Overseas Singaporeans to stay in touch with each other and back home. It has also put together information on the latest developments in Singapore and a whole lot more.

The Portal has already been officially launched. There are people active in the forums and some committees have also listed their society events on the calendar. We would like to invite those who have not done so, to upload your events onto the calendar, and to make full use of this website. You can do this simply by registering as a user yourself at [www.overseassingaporean.sg](http://www.overseassingaporean.sg)

## NEW MEMBERS

Rahul Maharishi - ABN AMRO  
Arun - Tristar Electronics  
Isahak Mohd Ali - Somerset Residence  
Jadaf

## NEW SC MEMBER

We welcome Mr Ashley Ho as a new member on the SC and we look forward to his contributions to the SBC.

## BACK TO BUSINESS

The Jordanian Business Council is organizing this year's "Back to Business" event. Back to Business is an annual event for members of all the Business Councils based in Dubai to meet and network. The SBC will be setting up a country pavilion. If you are interested to attend, please contact Ms Hema Soni/Mr Sohail Razzak at 3937758, latest by 17 September 2006.

**Venue:** Baniyas Ballroom, Grand Hyatt Dubai

**Date:** 19th September 2006

**Time:** 19:00 - 22:00

**Dress code:** Business Attire

**Cost:** Members Dhs 110 / Non-members Dhs 160