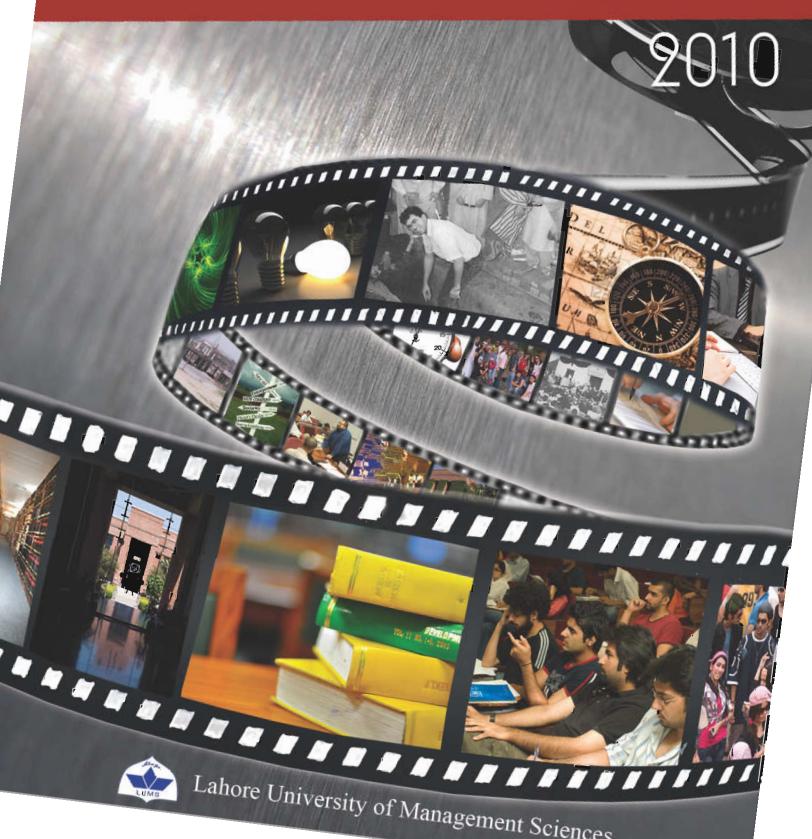
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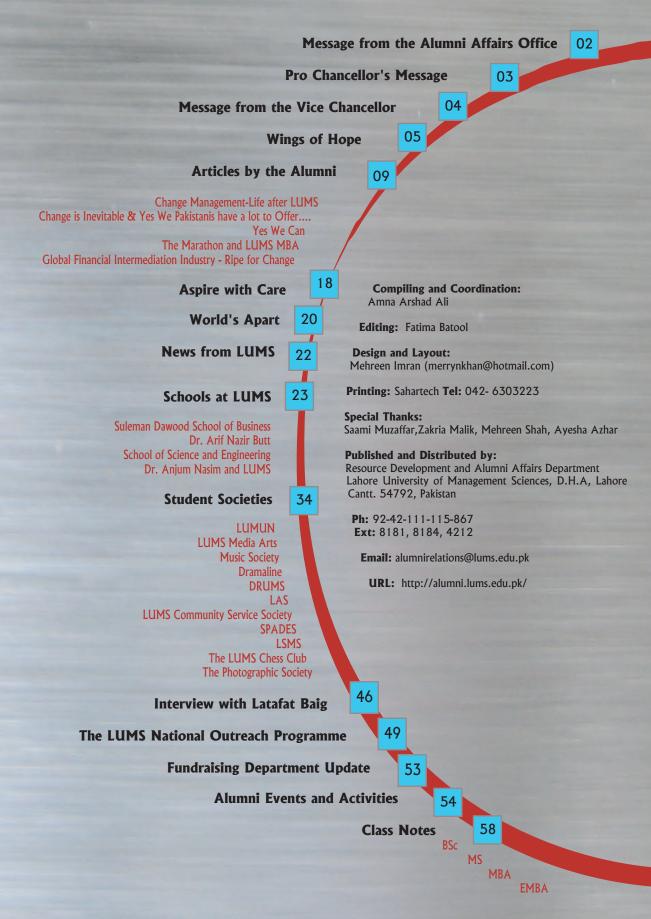


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## Message from the Alumni Affairs Office

Dear Alumni,

This year brought many opportunities, successes, challenges and celebrations for LUMS. The 25th anniversary of LUMS inception has brought pride to the LUMS Family. A business school established in 1986 has now evolved into a fully operational national university having international recognition. The vision of founding fathers, hard work of faculty, support of management staff and commitment of students made LUMS a centre of educational excellence in the country.

LUMS alumni have been the most important catalyst in this entire evolution process. They have progressed in their careers and have contributed towards the corporate and social sectors.

In past few months, several alumni events were arranged in Singapore, Bay Area, Seattle, London, Dubai, Karachi and Islamabad. All these events were well attended by the alumni; Dubai reunion was the biggest international reunion with participation of 120 alumni.

The Alumni have always contributed to LUMS and only last year the university received gifts of over PKR 30 million. LUMS acknowledges this support and appreciates the kind gesture of alumni. They also actively participated in the recent LUMS Flood Relief Drive. As part of giving back to LUMS, I encourage all of you to increase awareness about the university, especially the need-blind admissions policy of LUMS and the National Outreach Programme (NOP). NOP is an initiative of LUMS to provide equal educational opportunities to the underprivileged members of our society.

In line with the 25th anniversary celebrations of LUMS, this issue of Alumni Annual Magazine is focused on the principal theme of Change being Inevitable. We would like to thank all those who have contributed in the editorial section and also those who took out time to compile their class notes. Interviews of Dr Anjum Nasim (first Provost of LUMS) and Dr Arif N Butt (MBA 89 and Dean of Suleman Dawood School of Business (SDSB)) are also included in this magazine. We hope to hear other success stories from your end, so keep us posted.

We are also organizing a Grand Alumni Reunion on November 27, 2010 at LUMS for all our alumni to celebrate the 25th anniversary together and look forward to your participation.

Regards, Sheikh Ali Hussain (EMBA 2007) Director, Resource Development & Alumni Affairs





#### Pro-Chancellor's Message

LUMS has been an important contributor in the education sector for the last 25 years producing quality alumni.

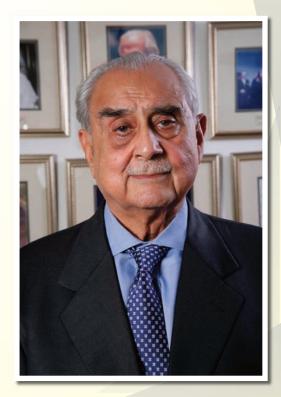
We, at LUMS, are trying to build a generation that works on economic reforms direly required for the stability of Pakistan. With its diversity of student population and its programmes, LUMS generates a high level of activity both inside and outside the campus. Active participation in the flood relief efforts by our student body is a clear example of that.

LUMS aims to provide a platform for those who are committed to make a difference. We believe our responsibility as an institute only just begins once a student graduates from LUMS. We are proud of our alumni and would like to stay in touch with all of you out there.

Let us all come together and make LUMS a beacon of hope in these challenging times. LUMS relies on your success and your commitment towards it.

Wishing you the best in all your endeavours,

Syed Babar Ali



## Message from the Vice Chancellor



Dear Alumni,

With its modest beginning in Gulberg in 1985 and a compelling vision of building an outstanding business school, LUMS dream has unfolded in front of our eyes. In a short span of 25 years, LUMS has achieved a distinction that few other universities in Pakistan can claim. Academic excellence, meritocracy, and transparency are now synonymous with LUMS name. Equally importantly, it is no coincidence that LUMS has nurtured a culture of openness, tolerance, and social responsibility which continues to shape the values of its graduates. As LUMS has evolved from a business school into an integrated university which now includes the Suleman Dawood School of Business, School of Humanities, Social Sciences and Law, and the School of Science and Engineering, so has its vision and aspiration. Building on its strength of excellence in education, we now envision LUMS as a world class research university whose service, research, and graduates are a fountain of leadership for Pakistan and the world. Every dream comes with its challenges and LUMS will have a share of it in the coming decades. We must remain steadfast and aim high. Let's have no doubt in our ability to achieve the dream of the next 25 years.

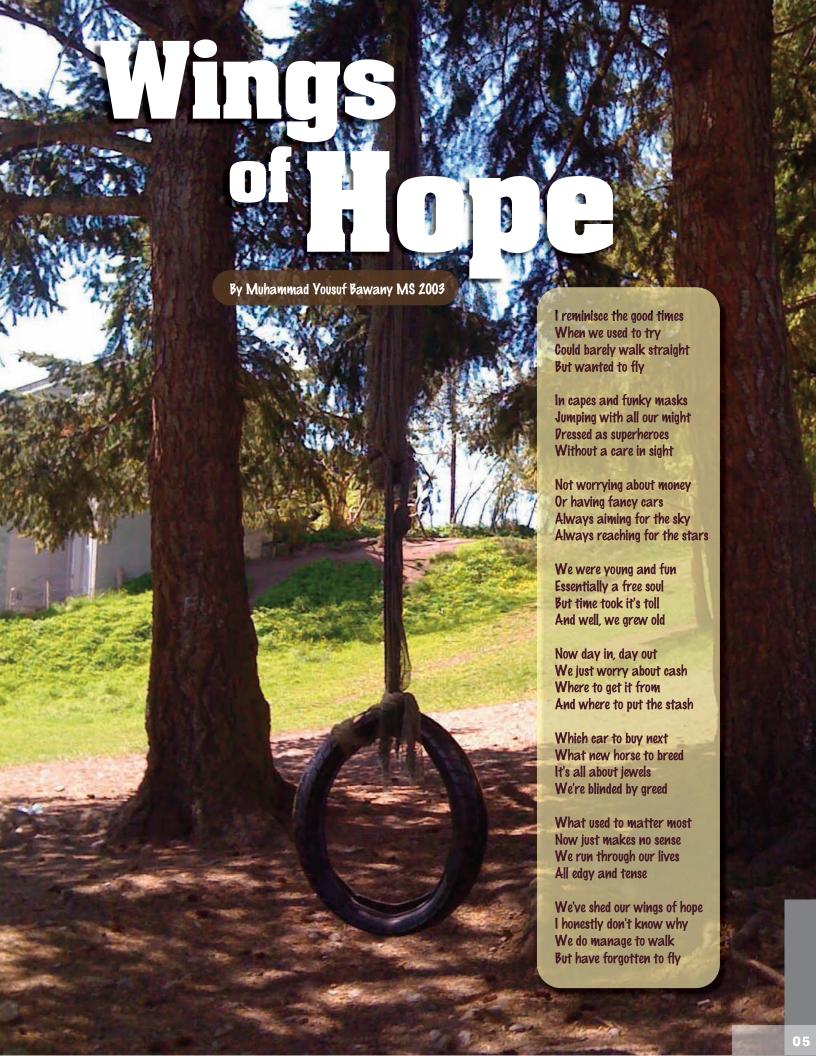
As alumni you represent and define what LUMS stands for and has achieved. Your success and leadership will pave the way for its success in future too. Since your student days, LUMS has continued to evolve as any dynamic institution should. The physical infrastructure has grown to sustain the needs of the enhanced student body; greater emphasis is now being placed on campus life experience including sports, recreation and wellness; and increasingly we are defining academic goals and assessing outcomes. LUMS is also laying a strong foundation for research: a vision of discovery, knowledge creation and innovation.

Recently, we signed a Memorandum of Understanding with the Organization of Pakistani Entrepreneurs (OPEN) of USA to establish a Centre for Innovation and Entrepreneurship at LUMS. Though in its formative stages, the Centre aims to promote an entrepreneurial eco-system for the economic development of Pakistan. Similarly, we are cultivating fewer but more meaningful linkages with universities of international repute for collaborative research and student exchanges. Rice University is amongst the recent examples with which we are building a much deeper and broader relationship than with any institution before. The dividends of the efforts of the last few years are beginning to payoff. Recently, we received a \$15.5 million USAID grant through the Social Enterprise Development Centre (SEDC) of the Suleman Dawood School of Business to help assess and strengthen civil society organizations and government of Pakistan.

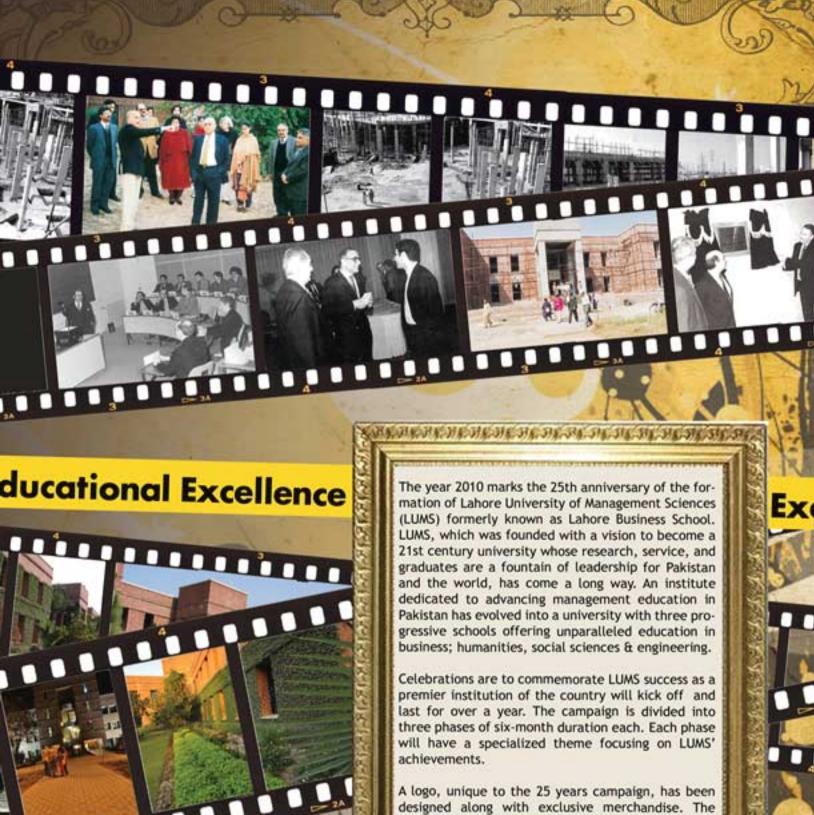
These are just a few of the exciting happenings at LUMS that you as alumni should be proud of. The Alumni Office is more active than ever before to keep you engaged and informed of the campus news. Your role and support as alumni is crucial to the vision and aspirations of LUMS. I encourage each one of you to remain engaged with your alma mater and help as much as you can in realizing the dream of the next 25 years.

Warm regards,

Ahmad Durrani Vice Chancellor







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will be changed with every phase. A newspaper supplement has also been released, commemorating the 25 years of academic excellence of LUMS.

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## Change Management

Life after LUMS



Kenan Ahmed Siddiqi BSc 2004

Ever since I graduated from LUMS, life has been a series of changes. Whether be it on a personal or professional front, my experiences have breathed life into the adage "the only constant in life is change".

While at LUMS, we were schooled that the real world is far different from the world at LUMS. However, I guess no amount of 'education' can gear one up to be thrown into the deep end of the pool and then swim through it gracefully. Interestingly, in my experience, the real learning takes place outside the classroom when you start splashing water and the grace goes out the window. While the classroom prepares you with theories and concepts of the real world, application of those concepts in real life shows that expected results are far from what the text book, class notes, case study or the professor said. Whilst a situation can be empirically analyzed and dissected by a case study, one has to bear in mind that human beings are very diverse and it is this diversity that draws the beauty of our creation.

When one embarks on their professional career, there are many aspirations as the journey begins. However, time and circumstances shape those aspirations. Whilst it is always a good idea to have a short-term, medium-term and long-term plan, one has to be very flexible about it. I started off my career with a degree in computer sciences. This was shortly after the IT bubble had burst, but I thought that since my core strength was IT, I will be an IT guru in the years to come. I was also spurred by my hostel buddies that my core strength was IT networking since I had a proven track record in it. However, years later, one would be surprised to find out that my career has shifted gears and now I am working in human resources. The pure and simple reason is that during the progression of my career I never restricted myself to one area and explored all possibilities that came my way.

This also brings me to another very important point for those enrolled in LUMS as well as our alumni. In view of the changing business dynamics, it is very important to be able to adapt and adopt quickly. One should never weigh their qualification in the balance. Always remember that while you might think you are very good at something, you might still be better at something else. Keep trying new things and keep your horizons open.

In words of a wise man,

'The argument is not about change any more; change is a given. Success now depends on the speed of change'.



## Change is Inevitable

& Yes We Pakistanis have a lot to Offer....

By Sheikh Taimur Nawaz MBA 2003

Robert Gallagher said, 'change is inevitable - except from a vending machine'. It is inevitable that structures and processes and relationships will change in our day-to-day lives. It is inevitable that we will face new challenges, and it is inevitable that things may seem a little different in the years ahead. Yes, life is definitely going to become a little 'shaken up and stirred'.

But as we look back on a journey - a journey that started out with hesitant, tentative steps - in retrospect we see just how far we have progressed. I would like to share a memory; memory that serves to illustrate that while some things will change and rightly so, the core fundamentals in our lives will remain the same.

This brief illustration is about a sports event in a school wherein parents are invited too. A youngster is sitting next to the sports field trying to put on his sock. The sports teacher walks past. The boy stands up, hopping around on one leg, his sock in his hand and he greets, "Sir!". He sits down again, intent on putting on his sock. The teacher walks on a little way and observes the boy. The youngster, it seems, has chosen a bad spot. At least six other parents happen to walk past him separately, but in relatively quick succession and every time, without fail, he clambers on to his one foot and greets, "Sir or Ma'am!". I am not sure if he eventually got his sock on, but I can testify to the exceptional manners that were witnessed; manners that are so firmly ingrained that they are almost intuitive.

This phenomenon of 'change' is visibly coming up in the form of extreme 'competitiveness'. The world is becoming very competitive in every sense. Let's take golfing and tennis; aspiring players graduating from academies with stringent intake criterion and undergoing untiring trainings.

There is astounding research going on in the fields of engineering and medicine. The advancements in the area of telecommunications are beyond ones comprehension. The desktop machines have become outdated with laptops becoming common at affordable prices. In academia, we get to hear of close to perfect scores in exams such as GMAT and GRE with intake of top schools becoming extremely stringent. In the field of defense, there is sophisticated weaponry with unmanned air craft's offering high precision and accuracy, and GPS technologies literally offering street views of any part of the world at a few clicks. The list goes on... These are all few examples of how the world is evolving and becoming very scientific.

Given this backdrop, that change is inevitable and is the most constant thing in this world, let's see what we have to offer as a Pakistani, being on our toes to meet the demands of the ever changing paradigms of this world.

We are living in difficult times and unfortunately our beloved country is faced with many threats. We all have to face the current turmoil with brave hearts. It is my firm belief that Pakistanis are one of the most talented nations in the world. 'If we did the things we are capable of, we would astound ourselves.'

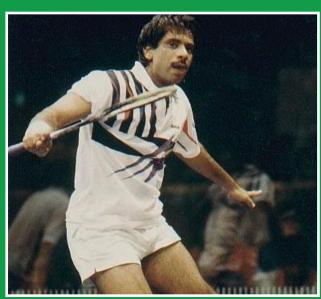
-Thomas Edison

'All our dreams can come true - if we have the courage to pursue them.'

-Walt Disney

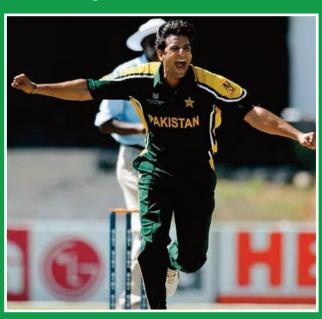
Although the list of great Pakistanis is never ending, I would like to take this opportunity and share few names who made all of us proud.

Jahangir Khan, the greatest player of all times, made history in the game of squash. He won the World Open six times and the coveted British Open, ten times. He also had the honour of being unbeaten for 5 years, a record breaking winning streak in the history of squash. I am not sure how many of you know that Jahangir underwent multiple surgeries as a child and was advised strictly by doctors to avoid any physical



exertion as he was extremely weak.

Wasim Akram, the great cricketer, made it to the hall of fame



as he holds the record for the most number of wickets in one day cricket (502) which is no mean feat.

Cadet Ghulam M. Malik (retired as Lt. Gen G.M Malik) is the first Asian to win the prestigious Queens Medal at Royal Military Academy at Sandhurst in UK.

The gifted Junior Under Officer Ugbah Hadeed Malik (now Capt.) won the coveted sword of honor at the Royal Military Academy Sandhurst in UK at the age of 22. He was declared as the best overall international cadet.



18-year old Ali Moeen Nawazish from Rawalpindi made a world record by securing 22 A's in A-level examinations at the University of Cambridge. He is also acknowledged by the Guinness Book of Records for this outstanding achievement



Dr. Atique Samdani was awarded Physician of the Year Award in USA

The world's youngest Microsoft Certified Professional is a Pakistani.



There is one common trait amongst all of these high-achievers; they all had an extra-ordinary 'will' to do well in their respective areas and were extremely focused in their pursuits. They were also able to adapt to the best of their abilities to 'change' in pursuit of their goals. The above are few examples of Pakistanis who have outshined other nations which suggests the talent that we all can leverage provided we have the 'will' and right 'intentions'. And then there are other phenomenal achievements of recent times in the field of telecommunications and biometrics databases:

• There were 300,000 mobile users in Pakistan in the year

2000 and within a span of few years the number stands at around 98 million mobile users.

- Pakistan is the most connected country in South Asia, with the highest teledensity in terms of mobile access per hundred people which stands at 62%.
- Pakistan has the world's largest biometric database (NADRA); this system (not the data) is now being provided to allied countries.

"The future belongs to those who believe in the beauty of their dreams."

-Eleanor Roosevelt

The following extract from a speech by J.K. Rowling, the author of Harry Potter who spoke to Harvard graduates on June 5, 2008 offers a very unique perspective:

'If you choose to use your status and influence to raise your voice on behalf of those who have no voice; if you choose to identify not only with the powerful, but with the powerless; if you retain the ability to imagine yourself into the lives of those who do not have your advantages, then it will not only be your proud families who celebrate your existence, but thousands and millions of people whose reality you have helped change. We do not need magic to change the world; we carry all the power we need inside ourselves already: we have the power to imagine better'

And our great founder of the nation Muhammad Ali Jinnah rightly points out:

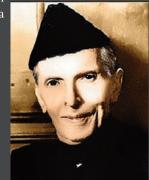
'With faith, discipline and selfless devotion to duty, there is nothing worthwhile that you cannot achieve.'

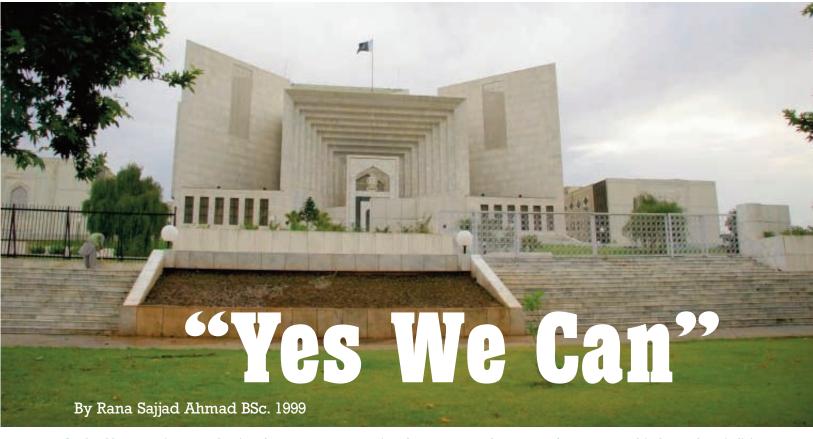
The greatest example of a man who really brought an extra ordinary change for the generations to come can be attributed to our beloved Quaid, Muhammad Ali Jinnah, as somebody very rightly points out:

'The change in the world is always brought by one man, whom we call "the leader". Who has the vision and the force not only to make people dream, but to reach and live that dream. He is intelligent enough to foresee tomorrow. He is selfless and courageous to the extent of being ready to scarifies everything and express truth even if it defames him. People fellow him wherever he takes them. He is the one who accelerates history and for whom

nature proclaims itself. "What a

God bless Pakistan.





In the 11 years since graduating from LUMS, most of the changes that I have seen in Pakistan appear to be for the worse. It would be hard to see these changes as part of some sort of progress to a better Pakistan. However, there is one change which, in my opinion, has singularly put Pakistan on the road to progress. It is the fundamental shift in the balance of power between Pakistan's judiciary, executive and the legislature as a result of the successful lawyers' movement.

As a lawyer, I might be considered biased in my assessment but I believe that the lawyers' movement was not just about lawyers, as a large number of this movement's supporters were not lawyers. The movement was also not about Justice Iftikhar Chaudhry or General Musharraf. The real value of this movement lay in what it stood for and the change it aimed to bring about. It was the change in people's mindset about the importance of the rule of law and an independent judiciary. It was the change in people's beliefs that if they persevered long and hard enough, they could bring about change. To borrow a popular slogan from Obama's election campaign, after the reinstatement, Pakistanis could proudly say "Yes we can!"

From a strictly academic standpoint, this

movement aimed to restore and resuscitate the system of checks and balances in relation to the three branches of government: executive, legislature and judiciary. Historically, the check had only been by the executive and the legislature on the powers of the judiciary while the constitution was flouted with impunity, especially by the executive and often in complicity with members of the judiciary. This is exactly why the Chief Justice's (CJ) defiance of Musharraf was considered historic and

a step towards the much-needed revitalization of the virtually powerless judiciary. Not surprisingly, Musharraf

and his close aides found it hard to grapple with this

unexpected and un-

precedented reaction of the CJ. However, as much as Musharraf and his government hated this change, it was this very change that sparked off a powerful movement for the rule of law. More importantly, by catapulting the CJ to the level of a national hero, the movement highlighted the importance

of a strong and independent judiciary, not just at the individual level but at the institutional level, for ensuring that Pakistan is ruled by law and not by the whims of power-hungry individuals.

The lofty objectives of this movement and the unrelenting struggle of its supporters were admired in and outside Pakistan. This is also why a lot of people had very high and in some cases, unrealistic expectations of the CJ at the time of his reinstatement.

It has been over two years since the reinstatement and the question still being asked is whether this change has brought about any real and substantive progress. If progress means less abuse of power by government officials, less corruption and fair and prompt dispensation of justice, there might not be a lot to show for it. Undeniably, we still have a long way to go. Nevertheless, one thing everyone can agree upon is that this change has given Pakistanis reason to believe in, and stand up for things that are right. This, in and of itself, is significant progress.

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## The Marathon and the LUMS MBA...

About 4 years ago, I laced-on a pair of running shoes one Sunday morning and participated in a small 7km race organized by my local gym. I had never run that far in my entire life and was nervous to star, but I finished nevertheless. That day marked the beginning of my interest in long distance running (yes, at the time I thought 7km was a long distance to run!).

On Sunday, Sep 20, 2009 I found myself lining up with 40,000 other runners at the start line of Berlin Marathon – one of the world's top 5 marathons, to run the legendary 26.2 miles (42.2 kilometres).

It is said often about runners that when they are not running, they think only about running and when they are running, they think about everything else.

So, as I ran through the city that day, covering mile after mile, the challenging and brutal distance, I found my mind drifting away from the streets of Berlin and wandering the brick walled corridors of LUMS. I do not know how it all happened or why my mind started to draw this analogy, perhaps to distract me from the task at hand, but somehow I found myself comparing the similarities between running a marathon and going through a LUMS MBA.

You start the journey on a high note and with an adrenaline rush (you feel special just having made it to the start line), then somewhere down the road (around the 15th kilometre or the 2nd quarter), the adrenaline starts to wear off. Reality starts to set in and you realize exactly how taxing this journey is going to be, both emotionally and physically. Slowly, you find yourself in the 'what was I thinking?; what am I doing here?' land.

There are moments when giving up seems to be a very reasonable and inviting option, but somehow you find the energy to keep going; one step (one day) at a time. Others around you, who were total strangers at the start line, become comrades in the journey and the struggle. You develop bonds, you meet yourself at what you thought were the limits of your potential and you watch those limits dissolve and disappear.

And then before you know it, you are at the half way mark (2.1 kilometres are gone, the 2nd year has started). A renewed energy surges through your system with the thought of being half way there. What seemed like a chore and a burden in the earlier stages becomes more of a habit and a routine, albeit a painful one. And once again, before you know it, you are in the final stretch; the last 10 kilometres (the last quarter). The finish line you thought was never going to come seems within reach. You know you have not come this far to give up now and somehow you find the strength to go the last mile and you cross that line with a smile on your face and a sprint in your spent legs; maybe even holding the hand of a fellow runner (class mate); once a stranger, now a comrade.

The aches and pains are soon over; what lasts much longer are the memories of an incredible experience that make you discover new things about yourself and changes a little something inside you forever. The challenge and brutality of the journey is part of its lure, and you can only appreciate the experience in its totality once you are on the other side of the finish line.



By Aneela Kamal MBA 1995 MBA Class of 1995 Berlin Marathon Finisher 2009

# Global Financial Intermediation Industry Ripe For Change

#### By Mirza Hashim Baig MBA 1994

Customers (individuals, corporates as well as sovereign) need financial intermediaries (FIs) to facilitate the management of their financial affairs in a cost efficient and professional manner. To provide such service, the financial intermediation industry has evolved; from wealthy individuals playing the role of mini informal banks in local circles, to global FIs managing assets in the trillions worldwide for millions of customers with a wide range of products and services.

The failure of FIs is a wealth destruction process; it threatens the economic stability of individuals, corporates and nations. The effects of the US sub prime crisis which started as a local US issue quickly spread, leading to the financial meltdown and global deceleration sparing no one. Governments have had to support FIs to avert anarchy.

The systematic crash of the global financial industry illustrates its interdependence and fragility, where millions have suffered and paid the price for the errors and excesses of a few. In today's financial world, the decisions of a few individuals (like in war) have caused tremendous damage and pain to a vast majority who had no role in such decisions, did not benefit from the same but find themselves suffering the consequences. They just happen to be at the wrong place at the wrong time (collateral damage), like passengers (customers) of vehicles (financial intermediaries) crashing into the greatest pileup of all times where the drivers (owners and managers of financial intermediaries) were racing (competing on profits) in dense fog (using dodgy products) ignoring speed limits (ignoring risk management) while the cops (regulators) took a nap (relaxed).



The failure of the FIs, in my opinion, is attributable to two main causes: greed and unruliness at the FI level, and incompetence and tardy attitude at the regulatory level. While the FIs created structures, instruments and strategies which they themselves at times did not fully understand (cutting edge innovation as they called it) the regulators felt shy of asking too many questions fearing exposing their ignorance. Why spoil the party when everyone's having such a great time and everything seems OK.

Global FI industry is ripe for change, an alternative FI framework that is stronger, more robust and dependable needs to be built. Greed will continue to drive us, speed will continue to thrill us, fear will continue to hold us, and love will continue to be a distant third at best (I know a few will disagree with me regarding the latter). It is unclear when we will be able to respond differently to greed, speed, fear and love. Until the scientists figure that one out, we need to clear the fog off the roads, built safer vehicles, ensure that drivers stick to the speed limit and the cops don't take catnaps. If you arrived at your destination way ahead of others, then you were either speeding or used an alternative transportation mechanism.

The alternative is simple. All transactions with the semblance of gambling must be forbidden (did I hear you say boring?), each transaction must be backed with a real asset trade (did I hear you say boring again?). This means no derivatives, no shorts, no implied rating or similar fancy stuff (now you are asking yourself why did you go to business school, this guy must be nuts). Investment philosophy must be real value creation by delivering either a service or asset; it cannot and must not be a phantom product based on ifs, buts and maybes. The simple rule is, if the product needs fine print, it's too fine to pass. FIs must disclose, upfront and fully, the assumptions and what needs to happen for the investors to lose money. The emphasis must be on sustainable wealth creation and preservation and not speculative short term gains.

#### **Financing**

The availability of financing (debt capital) is essential for any economic system to work efficiently. Rightly used financing is a blessing; wrongly used, it's a curse. Financing can amplify returns; the reverse is also true if project return falls below the cost of financing. Financing increases risk and thus, any prospect of return amplification is not for free; there is no free lunch. If one's having a free lunch, then surely someone else is paying for two. Financing, like medicine, must be used within prescribed limits to avoid the negative side effects which can be fatal.

The rules are simple; financing will only be available at the physical asset level, i.e. car, home, plant, machinery, infrastructure, merchandise etc. and to a level appropriate for each particular asset. High risk vestures will only be equity funded (sounds like the future Basel, doesn't it?). Financing will not be available for investing in investment products, margin trading, etc. If you don't have the money (equity), don't do it; gambling with borrowed money is insane.

Stability of the global financial system (risk in the system) depends on its level of gearing at any given time. The alternative FI framework must be equity dominated; this will keep the system stable and prevent tipping.

#### **Risk Identification and Management**

Risk identification and management is core to the change, I propose. The principal role of the future FI's must be risk identification and management. No FI employee or owner should be allowed to take on a decision making position without the requisite understanding and experience of risk.

Trust me, risk is not easy. It's an art and a science and at the best of times, difficult to identify. If risk is not identified,

it can't be quantified, priced or managed. The ability to appreciate risk is based both on skill and experience and that's why those who have not experienced a complete business cycle, sometimes simply don't get it. The stats, quant models and Monte Carlo simulations are all good tools and, like any tool, have their limitations. Risk is, however, more than numbers; a bit like crystal balling and fortunetelling, it's judgmental, touchy, feely and intuitive.

The high risk, high return mantra is not always true, high risk at times could be total loss, but no one would tell you that.

#### Alignment of Interests, Customers, FI Employees and Owners

The philosophy for change is that risks and rewards must be shared in a fair and equitable manner. Incentives for all stake holders must be so designed to avoid shortsighted and risky behaviour while protecting the rights of each party.

The compensation package of FI employees must be a balance of salary, reasonable year end bonus to reward short term performance and enterprise equity participation (the more senior the position, the longer the holding period requirements). Bonuses should always be a fraction of the possible equity participation payoffs. FI employees who are directly involved at the product level must have their skin in the product to ensure that the product receives the attention it deserves from the best available talent.

To ensure that the FI acting as the Fund Manager protects the interests of the investors as it would protect its own, the FI must maintain a minimum 20% investment in the investments it structures. The principle 'we only offer to our investors what we consider to be good for ourselves' must always apply. Reasonable structuring, acquisition and fund management fee should be charged to cover direct costs/overheads. The return on the FI's own capital in the investment and the performance fees (on exit) must however be the driving incentive for the FI.

#### a) Current Asset Accounts

Customers need to have the facility to deposit their wealth (currencies, bullion, commodities, stocks, etc. which are instantaneously interchangeable) for safe keeping and to have the ability to do transaction in an efficient and secure manner.

Customers should pay a fee for maintaining a Current Asset Account for safe keeping and transaction facilitation. Customer's assets in Current Asset Account should be ring fenced and insured against FI default, theft or damage at the customer's cost (fee). These assets should be real (not notional) and thus, if the customer desires to take delivery of his/her assets, he/she could do so incurring the associ-

ated handling and transportation costs.

FIs already have accounts with currency, bullion, stock and commodity markets across the globe to be able to do this efficiently. Normal liquidity requirements of currencies could be met by depositing sufficient funds, bullion, stocks, and commodities with the regulating Central Bank.

#### b) Investment Accounts

Customers need to invest their extra wealth to achieve growth by participating in productive and gainful economic activities.

For this purpose, the FIs should source and structure investment opportunities into different classes of investment products from which investors could choose based upon their individual risk and maturity preferences.

#### c) Financing Facilities

Customers need financing facilities to expand their business, buy cars, homes etc. All financing facilities should be funded through the investment account products described in (b) above. This will ensure that capital flows will be demand driven; funding development activities that produce the highest risk adjusted returns. Investors will have to be convinced of the risk return payoff for an investment product to participate in it, thus making capital available. Trade Finance Facilities, LC's and LG will be funded in the same manner.

These changes require a paradigm shift in our thinking, a system that is equity dominated and thus, more stable. Though we humans are the smartest creatures on the face of this earth, we are greedy, gullible, forget quickly and refuse to learn from others. It's no surprise that most bad decisions are made in good times!

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## Aspire with Care

In the fall of 2009, Usman Khalid (CEO of Aspire and LUMS MBA 2002) with the help of his students from Bahria University initiated a project called 'Aspire with Care'. The project saw astounding success, while highlighting the critical civic issue of caring for the underprivileged.

Aspire is primarily a learning and development setup with offshoots of consultancy and talent management. It's vision is to nurture potential of every aspiring Pakistani and its current focus is on youth mobilization through social projects. Katryna Shah, a young girl of Ukrainian origin and also a student of Usman, was serving as the youngest director on a nine member board of directors for a not-for-profit organization called Saint Joseph's Hospice. She requested Usman to help her with the hospice; a place meant to care for the decrepit, disabled and abandoned.

The Saint Joseph's Hospice was established by Francis O'Leary in 1964 with funding from MISEREOR, a German charitable institution. Today, the hospice houses 60 beds for resident patients and provides an outpatient clinic which treats approximately 80-90 patients per day. It accepts patients of all faiths and beliefs, and provides residential patients with medical, physical, occupations, vocational,

orthopedic (prosthesis), and hospice/respite care.



Usman accepted the offer considering it was in line with Aspire's objectives. The project involved over 150 students from the bachelor's programme.



The students were active on a number of fronts and raised funds, interacted with the patients, created a new logo for the hospice; each of which brewed success.

Categories including soft and hard targets were made and assigned to students. Some categories required students to donate food

and medical supplies while others involved more human aspects; to provide equal opportunity to students from non-affluent backgrounds. Some categories involved human interaction targets.

According to the hospice finance committee's latest annual breakdown, the annual cost for caring for a hospice patient amounted to PKR 167,219/-. Collectively, the students were able to donate items and services worth PKR 604,355/-, a sum more than twice of what had been targeted initially. What is most noteworthy about this effort is that (compared to some instances), this surpasses donation amounts raised

through a single drive in the past by credible international clubs, embassies and allied donor agencies.

In addition, the students were given the task of creating a new logo as the emblem was being officially revised for the 1st time since its inception in 1964. The students succeeded after submitting several samples to the board of directors and today the new identity of the Saint Joseph's Hospice is the result of the tireless effort and creativity of the students from Bahria University.

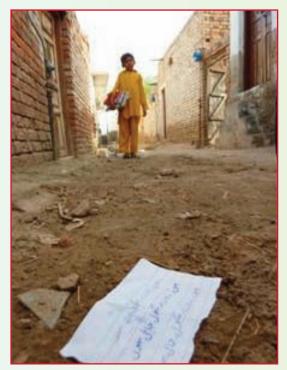
With the help of all engaged stakeholders, the story of 'Aspire with Care' reached many and brought change at many levels. Parents and friends called to laud the efforts of the students and Aspire's initiative, and many came to witness the work of the students on these trips which became a historical endeavor. Apart from the financial support provided



through this initiative, 'Aspire with Care' helped raise awareness amongst students and parents whilst creating an example at the university level for others to follow.



## Worlds Apart



A small minority of Pakistanis, belonging to the privileged class, enjoys good food, good lifestyle, and high quality education. Unfortunately, the luxurious and comfortable lives of this elite class have made them oblivious to the dark and grave realities of our country. The truth is that more than 84% of our fellow countrymen live on less than \$ 2 a day. Children from poor families are forced to drink contaminated water. Their livelihood depends upon manually planting and plowing their small agriculture land, most of which has been washed away by recent floods. Mothers can only wish for good education for their children; that one day their children would go to a good school (or any school for that matter), and be able to get good education, good job and a good life.

One of the predominant tools that development experts have put their faith in around the world is Microfinance. Pakistan too has replicated successful micro-lending models; however, even after a decade of growth, poverty alleviation is still not in sight.



Driven away by the poor lending practices and harsh recovery procedures of Microfinance Institutions in Pakistan, Jasim Sheikh (BSc 2005 and MSc 2006) and Syed Safeeullah

Shah (BSc 2005) have set out to make a difference. Their efforts, hard work and determination to change the status quo have culminated in the formation of **Suraj Foundation**: a specialized Microfinance Institution providing sustainable financial services to the poor.



The difference between Suraj Foundation and any of its predecessors is simple: instead of replicating what is being done elsewhere in the world, market-driven solutions have been derived based upon the needs of the poor. The mission is to provide pareto-optimal solutions that maximize the benefits of all stakeholders including the

borrowers, lenders and the community. The result is an indigenous micro-lending model that provides solutions to all the problems faced by micro-entre-

preneurs: financing, energy, work environment and business development services. Suraj Foundation will provide these services in Production Centers that will house skilled youth, women and micro-entrepreneurs and may potentially become the growth engines of Pakistan. With these Production Centers, **Suraj Foundation** is introducing the "Next Generation of Microfinance" which has the potential to make deep impact and change the lives of the poor.



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## News from LUMS

#### Office of Graduate Studies and Sponsored Research (GSSR)

Office of Graduate Studies and Sponsored Research (GSSR) has been established. The GSSR will serve three pressing needs of the university.

- Strengthen our graduate programmes by developing uniform policies on minimum admission standards, graduate student support, and graduation requirements
- Bring funding opportunities to the attention of faculty members, institute a process of routing and tracking research proposals and awards, and ensure the delivery of the promised outcomes
- Serve as a clearing house for any patentable intellectual property and develop an IP for the university

Dr. Shafay Shamail, former HoD of the CS department, will serve as the first Vice Provost of GSSA.

#### SUPARCO renews MoU with LUMS

SUPARCO and LUMS signed a MoU to collaborate for their common objective of advancement of multi-disciplinary research activities. The initiative aims to give a boost to the socio-economic sectors of Pakistan and strengthen the bond between the two organizations. The MoU was initially signed on June 5, 2007 for three years and has been renewed on July 29, 2010 for another three years.

#### OPEN and LUMS sign MoU

LUMS and the Organization of Pakistani Entrepreneurs (OPEN) signed a MoU for cooperation to establish the "OPEN Centre @ LUMS for Innovation and Entrepreneurship" on July 29, 2010 for a period of five years. The centre aims to create an entrepreneurship network that sustains entrepreneurs and promotes the creation of new ventures to foster economic growth in Pakistan.

#### Brazilian Lawmaker at LUMS

Justice Antonio Herman Benjamin,



Judge of the Supreme Court of Brazil, visited LUMS and had a meeting with Dr Pervaiz Hassan and Prof Ali Qazilbash, Head of the Law Department. He was given a presentation about LUMS followed by a campus tour.

#### MoU with Warid

World Telecom (Pvt.) Ltd. will sponsor the sports society of LUMS



(SLUMS) for the year 2010-11. The signing of this agreement took place on June 28, 2010 at LUMS, Lahore. Mr. Shahzad Rauf, Chief Strategy & Operations Officer, Warid Telecom and Dr. Ijaz Nabi, Dean of LUMS signed the MoU.

#### Sichuan University visits LUMS

LUMS was visited by a 26-member delegation from Sichuan University. The delegation comprising of faculty and students from Sichuan University visited LUMS on May 18, 2010 and interacted with stu-



dents, faculty and administration of the University. The visitors were an ebullient group and sang songs and performed traditional Chinese dance along with a display of Kung Fu.

The delegation was interested in the operations of LUMS and held long discussions with LUMS students. After an interactive lunch, Sichuan University members were given a detailed campus tour.



#### SULEMAN DAWOOD SCHOOL OF BUSINESS

## SDSB

#### SDSB Corporate Communications

#### MBA Placement Office

#### McKinsey&Company, recruits from LUMS!!

McKinsey&Company, one of world's most respected consulting firms visited LUMS for its Recruitment Drive 2010. This was the third time that McKinsey&Company came to LUMS for their recruitment activities. LUMS is the only institute targeted by McKinsey in Pakistan. After a lengthy selection process including on campus workshop, test and interviews, McKinsey&Company extended offers to one MBA and two BSc graduates to join their team in Middle East. McKinsey&Company, acknowledging the quality of our graduates will now target LUMS for their recruitment drive every year, opening new avenues of international placement for all LUMS graduates.

Special thanks to our alumni Bilal Ahsan Malik (MBA 2005), Sherin Ijaz (BSc 2006) and Hassan Muzaffar (BSc 1999) for their support in making this possible.

#### SDSB Faculty Collaborations with SDSB Research Centers

In the past quarter, SDSB Faculty engaged in noteworthy research by collaborating with the SDSB research centers and international scholars.

#### Case Research Centre

#### Asian Journal of Management Cases (AJMC)

In line with the aim of encouraging case writing, research and teaching, CRC publishes a biannual journal, Asian Journal of Management Cases (AJMC). In the last year, Volumes 6 Numbers 1 & 2 and Volume 7 Number 1 of AJMC were printed with 19% increase in subscription rate. AJMC is becoming increasingly popular in India which explains why 90% of submissions were received from Indian universities and institutes. Besides India, submissions were also received from France, Indonesia, New Zealand, UAE, Saudi Arabia, Malaysia, Africa, and Japan. This is a great achievement for CRC as AJMC continually attempts and desires to expand its scope beyond South Asia.

#### Book Publication & Launch - Achieving Competitive Advantage in Pakistan's Knitwear Garments Industry written by Arif I Rana and Jamshed H Khan

This book was LUMS Press's first complete publication authored by two highly prominent SDSB Faculty members. CRC organized the book publication process and also arranged a book launch ceremony in collaboration with UNDP. The book has received very favorable response.

#### Social Enterprise Development Centre

#### Health Enterprise Leadership-Development Programme (HELP)

One of the most prominent achievements of SEDC in the last year was successful conduction of a two year programme, Health Enterprise Leadership-Development Programme (HELP), funded by: The David & Lucile Packard Foundation, USA. Under this project, 12 cases were to be written for renowned organizations of health sector like Shirkat Gah, Fatima Memorial Hospital, Rozan, World Population Foundation (WPF), National Rural Support Programme (NRSP), etc. Ten of these cases are complete and currently being used as teaching material in training sessions at SEDC. The reaming cases are in the final draft stage.

The faculty involvement in various SEDC activities has contributed to the success of its Open Enrolment and Customized Training Programmes. In addition to the trainings, four faculty consultancies were also provided for different health sector organizations through SEDC.

#### Strategic Sector Research Center (SSRC)

SDSB recently set up a new research centre, the Strategic Sector Research Center (SSRC). SSRC is an important initiative in institutionalizing research and knowledge generation at SDSB. The vision of SSRC is "to become a national, research-based think tank in sectors important to the national economy". This center is expected to generate scholarship in strategic sectors including development (education management, health management, and entrepreneurship) and economic sectors (energy and water management, agribusiness, textiles, food & pharmaceuticals). SSRC is also expected to boost research and its dissemination by engaging industry specialists and top SDSB faculty.

The SDSB faculty focusing on research has already submitted 11 research proposals in a short period of 2 months under the Faculty Initiative Fund (FIF) through SSRC.

#### SDSB Alumni Relations Office

#### SDSB Luminites Association Launch Ceremony

The LUMS SDSB Luminites hosted their Mega Launch event on July 3rd, 2010, a dinner and musical evening at the LUMS campus to formally inaugurate the association. The event was attended by various SDSB alumni, members of the LUMS Management Committee, faculty and prominent figures from showbiz and corporate fraternity. The official SDSB Luminites' website was also launched at this event.

The LUMS SDSB Luminities would like to thank its major sponsor Telenor for sponsoring the event and co sponsors UBL, Lotte Pakistan, Engro Foods, Nestle Waters, Insta Prints and HUM TV for making this event a huge success.

#### SDSB Luminites Association Mega Launch





#### Second Election - SDSB Alumni Association

With an alumni body of over 2000, the need for an SDSB alumni association was realized. The association was formed as `SDSB Luminites Association' in 2009. All the graduates of LUMS -SDSB are the members of this association. This association's aim is to build a bridge between the university and its alumni spread across the globe and to provide a platform where the alumni can network amongst themselves.

The Association's affairs are run by an Executive Board elected by the SDSB alumni community. In the last year, the Board worked to streamline the basic fundamentals and to put the association on the right footing. The term of the first Board expired on July 31, 2010. The elections to select a new board were organized by the SDSB Alumni Relations Office. The elections were held in two rounds. A committee consisting of Senior Alumni and Administrative staff from LUMS closely monitored the election process. In the first round of the elections held on July 18-19, 2010, the alumni through electoral voting selected Class Representatives who formed the Board of Directors. The elections were held in seven classes only and had an approximate 41% participation. The rest of the nominees won unopposed, following are the elected board members for the year 2010-2011.

Rukaiya Iqbal (BSc. 2006), Waqas Ali Satti (BSc. 2007), Khawaja Adeel Aslam (MBA 1988), Shahid Ali Haider (MBA 1990), Saadia Raza Bukhari (MBA 1991), Zunee T. Siddiqi/Zunee Muhtashim (MBA 1992), Muhammad Haseeb Aslam (MBA 1993), Nabigha Naseer Masood (MBA 1994), Shehryar A. Buksh (MBA 1995), Faaria Rehman (MBA 1996), Aamer Manzoor (MBA 1997), Ahmed Jahangir Elahi (MBA 1998), Kanwer Anwer Saeed (MBA 1999), Moeez Karim (MBA 2000), Mariam Zubair Khan (MBA 2001), Faisal Shafi (MBA 2002), Zulfiqar Hameed (MBA 2003), Waqar Ahmad Khan (MBA 2004), Yasir Sajjad Qureshi (MBA 2005), Junaid Lodhi (MBA 2006), Adnan Mahmood Awan (MBA 2008), Fazal Ashfaq (MBA 2009), Kehkashan Raza (Executive MBA 04), Muhammad Asad Noor (Executive MBA 05), Mahrukh Ali Malik (Executive MBA 06), Zaheer Ahmed Ghangro (Executive MBA 07), Abid Ziauddin (Executive MBA 08), Syed Ahtesham Mazhar Gilani (Executive MBA 09)

The second round of elections to select the Executive Committee was held on July 28-29, 2010. In this round, the elected Board of Directors selected the Executive Committee. The new elected bodies assumed office on August 01, 2010. Following are the elected members of Executive Committee:

Designation	Class	Name of Candidate
President Vice President Secretary Treasurer Board Member Board Member Board Member Board Member	MBA 1989 MBA 1990 MBA 2007 MBA 2009 MBA 2001 MBA 1994 MBA 1993 MBA 1995	Shahzad Saleem Shahid Ali Haider Muhammad Luqman Awan Fazal Ashfaq Mariam Zubair Khan Nabigha Naseer Masood Muhammad Haseeb Aslam Shehryar A Buksh
Board Member Board Member	Executive MBA 2006 MBA 1998	Mahrukh Ali Malik Ahmed Jahangir Elahi

## Dr. Arif Nazir Butt

By Mehreen Shah

Dr. Arif Nazir Butt's journey with LUMS began in 1987 as a student and now, two decades later, he is the Dean of the Suleman Dawood School of Business (SDSB).

In his interview, Dr. Butt nostalgically reflects on his student life memories, sheds light on his educational initiatives and shares his vision to steer the Suleman Dawood School of Business (SDSB).



Your association with LUMS has been through different roles: an Alumnus, faculty member, Associate Dean and now the Dean of SDSB. Please tell us about your journey with LUMS.

The journey started in 1987 when I met Dr. Ahsan who was in Administration then. He convinced me into joining LUMS. I had an interview with the Management Committee and joined the Summer

Orientation at the Lahore Business School (now known as SDSB).

After graduating, Dr. Wasim Azhar suggested that I join LUMS as a Research Associate. I then went on to do my PhD but kept coming to LUMS to teach during this time.

#### What were your experiences as a student at LUMS?

I spent two wonderful years here, made some life-long friends and met my wife, Humeira Hayat who was a year junior to me. Engineers and Accountants are generally known to be introverts and the Business School uses the case method to teach people to express themselves, debate and listen. It was a learning experience at every step.

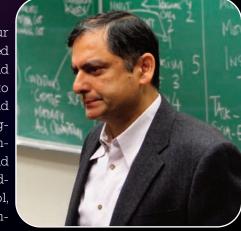
I recall my student life at LUMS putting in long hours doing case studies, WACs, spending a lot of time with colleagues

and applauding the commitment of faculty. Dr. Jamshed H. Khan and Dr. Wasim Azhar were very good mentors.

The deadline for the WAC Assignments was Sunday morning and I remember having Halwa Puri outside on the benches at the campus (which was situated near Liberty market then). We used to take occasional walks to the Liberty Park too.

One of the very fond memories as a student at LUMS was the code of ethics and the element of trust. There was no invigilation in our tests, quizzes and exams. The school was teaching us to take responsibility and we requested them to trust us with our ethics. We could sit together and have tea while giving an exam. I even remember going home once during an exam for something urgent that had come up. Our faculty trusted us completely and we never let them down.

Every term, our Director, Mr. Javed Hamid would come and talk to the students and listen to their suggestions, complaints and criticism regarding the school, faculty and management.



#### Q3. You have always been very proud of the quality of the LUMS student. What do you think makes them different or special?

LUMS teaches you competency, intellect and drives you to show your potential. During the two years at SDSB, there are continuous discussions on values, moral and work values. We inculcate integrity, transparency and tolerance while stressing on hard work, excellence and diversity. There is zero tolerance on issues such as cheating.

#### Q4. As we are celebrating the 25 Years of LUMS, where do you see LUMS in the next 25 years?

LUMS vision for the next 25 years is to build the national economy and participate in international management. With the constantly changing environment, we face many challenges and social responsibility has become very important. Being green and contributing to the community and stakeholders is vital.

We want LUMS to be accredited by international organizations, get recognition and build its brand name in the international community.

## Q5. Your appointment as the Dean of SDSB is a huge as complishment and a milestone for the school. What is your vision of the Business School and where would you like to take it?

Keeping in view the challenges we face, SDSB teaches you three things: result orientation, innovation and social responsibility. We are now offering courses such as Leadership, Entrepreneurship, Social Responsibility and Globalization.

SDSB stands strong on our four important pillars: a vibrant faculty, solid infrastructure, a strong Alumni network and a visionary Management Committee and Vice Chancellor. We have the best of the best students and they are the jewels.

We want the School to be recognized nationally as well as at an international level. We want the best practices to be applied, brand recognition and continuous updating in terms of our programmes and faculty.

Scholarships need to be emphasized in terms of case studies, research and policy. We are adding faculty members who include industry specialists and well as PhDs.

#### Q6. You also run one of Lahore's most popular Book stores. How did you come up with the idea?

I took an Entrepreneurship course which was taught by Mr. Wasif M Khan. I did my research project on a leather unit which I ended up running successfully for 10 years. I also opened Variety Books in 1990 and it has been a very rewarding business for me. The idea was related to acade mia and I felt that it would contribute to learning, especially in children.

#### Q7. Please share with us the other educational and developmental initiatives that you are involved in.

I started the "Progressive Education Network" (PEN) in which we adopted 25 government schools which were in an impoverished state and upgraded them with a good quality of education and faculty.

I am also on the Board of Governors for 'Namal University' in Mianwali. The university has just passed out its second batch and we are working on expanding the university further.

#### Q8. What role can our Alumni play in the success and development of LUMS and what message would you like to give to the Alumni?

I would like the Alumni to remember three things:

- 1. The value system is very important and they need to uphold it in the community and spread those values. These include both moral and work values.
- 2. There needs to be a strong bond amongst the Alumni. They should help each other in terms of career, placements, internships and in every other way possible.
- 3. The Alumnis connection to LUMS is vital for the school to remain proactive and sustainable. They should support the School with raising resources, talking to students and interacting with faculty. They are our ears and eyes.



#### School of Science and Engineering

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#### **Bio Staff Achievements:**

"Ms. Ayesha Shabbir, TA for freshmen biology lab, has been selected as a PhD research scholar at SISSA Neurobiology Sector, Italy. She will join SISSA in November 2010 and she will pursue studies on electrophysiological recordings from in vitro preparations of the rat brain or spinal cord after injury."

Mr. Muhammad Sheraz (TA/RA Life Sciences) has been awarded a scholarship at Claflin University, Orangeburg South Carolina, USA. He will pursue his MS in Biotechnology with an emphasis on "CONTROL OF RAPID GENETIC VARIABILITY AND REPLICATION INHIBITION OF HIV-1 PROVIRUS BY MICRO-RNA".





#### **Physics Staff Achievements:**

Umer Hassan, Lab instructor for Physics lab was awarded the US National Science Foundation (NSF) Fellowship to attend the summer institute on Biosensing and Bioactuation at University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, USA, from 12 to 23rd of July, 2010. The inspiration behind the summer institute is to develop new research frontiers that will profoundly impact both engineering and biological sciences in the areas of sensing and actuation. It's a multidisciplinary institute which brings together people from engineering, biology, chemistry, material science and other fields.

Umer Hassan was also honored with *Our Common Future Fellowship* by Volkswagen Foundation to prepare for the conference "*Our Common Future*" which is to be held in Essen and Hannover in Germany in November 2010. Umer Hassan was invited to attend the mid-term meetings of the conference, a joint venture of the Volkswagen Foundation, Deutsche Messe and Stiftung Mercator at Essen, Germany, in May 2010.

#### Poster Session for Summer Undergraduate Program '10

A poster session was held in the central courtyard on Wednesday 14th July 2010. This marked the culmination of a month long 'Summer Math Experience 10' organized by the LUMS Students Mathematical Society (LSMS).

The program started with a week of lectures by different SSE faculty members, who talked about the math involved in their proposed projects along with an outline of the project. The students then broke up into groups and worked on their selected projects for the next three weeks, consulting with their mentor on a regular basis. The outcome of their work was presented in the posters.

A panel of distinguished judges was invited to evaluate the posters. They included Dr Shahid Siddiqui (HOD Mathematics PU), Dr Nisar Ahmad (Dr Rafi Mohammad Chaudhri Chair of Physics at GCU) and Dr. Khalil Qureshi (Professor of Practice SSE LUMS). The judges appreciated the effort put in by the students. The results of the competition were very close, with a few points separating most of the posters. Dr. Khalil Qureshi and Dr. Nisar Ahmad gave away the prizes to the recipients at a reception which followed the poster session.

Details can be viewed at http://math.lums.edu.pk/moodle/mod/resource/view.php?id=2522









#### Workshop about "Problems of Teaching and Learning in Computer Science and Electrical Engineering"

A workshop about "Problems of Teaching and Learning in Computer Science and Electrical Engineering was held from July 12 to July 16, 2010. It was the result of a collaborative effort between LUMS and CIIT. The organizers from LUMS included Ashraf Iqbal, Atif Alvi, Rashid Tahir and Azeem Aqeel. The workshop had two sessions; a morning and an evening session. In the morning session, faculty from CIIT presented their talks and the evening session comprised of faculty members and students from LUMS, VU and FAST. The following speakers presented talks on issues related to teaching & learning in the evening sessions

- Naveed Malik (VU)
- Fakhar Lodhi (FAST)
- Arshad Hussain (FAST)
- Yasser Hashmi (LUMS)
- Sohaib Khan (LUMS)

- Aisha Mahmood (LUMS)
- Ambreen Hashmi (LUMS)
- Farah Fayyaz (FAST)
- Rashid Tahir & Azeem Aqil (LUMS)

This presentation was a follow up of last year's workshop held in Abottabad about "Discovery Based Learning" with special focus on Graph Algorithms. For more information, please visit the following link http://www.ciitlahore.edu.pk/PL%5CNews/100707 FDP.aspx

#### 5th International Symposium on Quantum Optics

COMSATS Institute of Information Technology, Islamabad organized 5th International Symposium on Quantum Optics, 3-4 August, 2010. Speakers from various countries joined the occasion. Dr. Sabieh Anwar, from SSE-Physics, delivered a talk titled "Photons for Undergraduates (Ideas for Experiments)".

#### Best Project Award received by Dr. Shahid Masud, HoD, Electrical Engineering

Dr. Shahid Masud received the best project award (other supervisors Dr. Shafay Shamail, Dr. Mian Awais) at National Software Competition (NASCON) for Arabic Speech Recognition system.

#### EE Projects Day held on June 8, 2010

The students of Electrical Engineering displayed their projects in the SSE Complex on June 8, 2010.

#### Grants Received by Electrical Engineering Faculty

Dr. Nadeem Khan and Dr. Jahangir Ikram received a Grant of Rs. 14 Million from ICT R&D fund for 'Power Aware Video Coding.' Dr. Shahid Masud received the 3rd year chair funding from Mentor Graphics, USA for \$36,000. Dr. Jahangir Ikram received 3.2 million from Punjab Govt, Environment Agency and Dr. Abubakr Muhammad received Rs. 0.9 million from Zypher Textiles, Lahore.

#### **New Faculty Hired**

#### Biology:

- Dr. Sohail Qureshi Professor, Biology
- Dr. Nasir Rajpoot
   Visiting Faculty, Biology
- Dr. Mudassar Iqbal Adjunct Faculty, Biology

#### **Chemistry:**

- Dr. Habib Ur Rehman Assistant Professor, Chemistry
- Dr. Basit Yameen
   Assistant Professor, Chemistry

#### Physics:

- Dr. Mumtaz Sheikh Assistant Professor, Physics
- Dr. Shabana Nisar
   Visiting Professor, Physics

#### **Electrical Engineering:**

- Dr. Ijaz Haider Naqvi Assistant Professor, EE
- Nauman Ahmad Zaffar Visiting Faculty, EE

#### **Computer Science:**

 Mr. Umair Javed Adjunct Faculty, CS

#### Mathematics:

- Dr. Ali Nabi Duman Assistant Professor, Mathematics
- Dr. Mudassar Imran
   Assistant Professor, Mathematics
- Imran Naeem
   Assistant Professor, Mathematics
- Dr. Hassan Azad
   Visiting Professor, Mathematics



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School of Humanities, Social Sciences and Law

## Dr. Anjum Nasim and LUMS

By Mehreen Shah

Dr. Anjum Nasim's association with LUMS goes back a long way. He has acted as the Dean of the School of Humanities and Social Sciences (SHSS), held the position of Provost and has played a vital role in the establishment of LUMS as a prominent reputable educational institution.

Join us as we talk to Dr. Anjum Nasim about his journey with LUMS as he bids his final farewell.

#### Please tell us about your journey with LUMS.

I joined LUMS in the summer of 1986 before the first batch of students arrived. It was a very hectic and exciting period. We were developing a new program, learning a new pedagogy – the case-study method of teaching, writing cases, while at the same time developing and supporting the administrative infrastructure of a fleagling institution.

A few years later, as the new LUMS campus began to take shape, we started planning for the B.Sc. (Honours) programme. Dr. Zahoor Hassan and I worked on the blueprint of the undergraduate programme, which was formally launched in 1994. In 1995-96, I spent some part of my sabbatical leave at the State Bank of Pakistan. In the late 1990's, my colleagues in the economics department and I began thinking about a Master's programme in economics; formal approval from the Managing Committee was sought in 2001 and in the following year the first batch of students was admitted to the programme.

I have served in various administrative capacities, as Associate Dean (Research), as Head of the Economics Department, as Dean of SHSS and also as Provost.

What do you think of the 'LUMS Student' and how has

#### the student body changed over the years?

LUMS is able to attract the best students in the country. Without the quality of students that we admit, we could not have produced the quality of graduates that we do. In my view, LUMS provides a great learning environment, and those who want to benefit from it can do so enormously. But there are enough students at LUMS who achieve well below their potential. Bringing students to the level of their potential is one of the challenges for the university. When the student body was small, the faculty-student interaction was greater and it was easier to catch students before they fell through the cracks. With larger student body, especially at the undergraduate level, this has become difficult.

#### What edge does LUMS gives to its students so as to make them better equipped for the professional life?

The quality of faculty at LUMS is one of its major strengths. When you combine good quality faculty with good quality students, you have the essential ingredients of quality education. Faculty members have the knowledge and skill to challenge students in the classrooms and in the exams, and students are intelligent and hardworking to take on the challenge. If this is repeated in every course,



over a sustained period of time, the students should be well equipped for a professional and academic career after they graduate from LUMS.

LUMS has created an environment of learning even outside the class-room by engaging students in lectures, seminars, conferences, sports, theatre, and many other forms of co-curricular activities. This learning outside the classroom is as important as learning in the classroom. This



was very consciously encouraged and supported by the faculty and administration; but the major credit goes to our students who have played a lead role in making LUMS a hub of cultural activity in Lahore.

We have to be vigilant that we maintain our standards so that our students continue to feel that the time and money spent at LUMS is worthwhile.

As we celebrate the 25 years of LUMS, how would you want the institution to progress, what do you think are the upcoming challenges for LUMS?

However hard we try, LUMS will be affected by the overall social and economic environment in Pakistan. If this environment deteriorates, LUMS will suffer. The culture of extremism and other ills that are beginning to take root in our society will eventually affect LUMS. We can try to maintain LUMS as an island but a lot of our energies will have to be expended in doing just that, rather than take the university to another level. The external environment will also determine the quality of academics that will be attracted to Pakistan and to LUMS. I find these external challenges more daunting than internal challenges.

I also think that LUMS could benefit tremendously from strong universities in Pakistan with which we can both compete and collaborate. For the good of education in Pakistan, I would like other academic institutions to challenge the pre-eminent position that LUMS enjoys in almost all areas in which it has ventured.

#### What message would you like to give to our Alumni?

While we boast of world-class education at LUMS, the vast majority of our population cannot even read and write. The absence of education and the opportunity to live decent lives may have driven a lot of young people to the extremes that we observe today. This is the price we are paying for the past neglect. I am not sure if it is already too late but the young generation should not fail where we failed. There are many social causes for which our youth can give their time and money. I would want them to feel passionately about these causes for the sake of their own future and of their future generations.

Also, as I retire in few weeks, I would like to take this opportunity to say goodbye to all my students who enriched my life, and taught me more than I could ever teach them.

"To have shared in building this great institution has been a very rewarding and fulfilling experience."

Anjum Nasim

## LUMUN

The LUMS Model United Nations Society (LUMUN) is an entirely student-run society which introduced the concept of MUN simulation in Pakistan. Being the pioneer, it is the largest and most reputed student gathering of its kind in Pakistan. For the year 2009-2010, the LUMUN calendar included the fol-

a) The bi-annual Intra-LUMS conferences for LUMS students in Spring and Fall semester
b) The Annual All-Pakistan Model UN Conference (LUMUN 2009) for schools and colleges across Pakistan

c) The Annual Eurasia MUN Conference held at Passau, Germany, in collaboration with the University of Passau

The sixth Annual LUMS Model UN Confer-

ence 2009 held from Dec 30, 2009 - Jan 3, 2010 was attended by approximately 1000 students from over 90 colleges and universities across Pakistan and abroad. It simulated 16 committees of the United Nations including General Assembly and ECOSOC Committees, Specialized Agencies as well as a simulation of the Indus Water Commission. LUMUN 2009 featured a host of new initiatives, including video conferences, crisis simulation and a wider array of guest speakers. Two video conferences were held; one with Global Zero, a Washington DC-based policy institute that aims for total elimination of nuclear weapons by 2030, and another with the Al-Qaida/Taliban Sanctions Committee of the UN Security Council at the UN Headquarters in New York. Guest speakers who addressed the delegates included prominent intelligentsia including human rights activist Ms.

Ex- Under Secretary for UN Mr. Iqbal Riza, environmentalist and CEO Lahore Compost Mr. Sohail Rana, author Ahmad Rashid and several members of the LUMS faculty including Mr. Rafay Alam and Amb. Shahryar M. Khan among others.

The session 2009-2010 also saw the large-scale launch of the LUMUN Social Responsibility Programme. Over the last year, LUMUN SRP has worked alongside two NGOs namely CARE and SAVE and set up an internship programme in collaboration with these NGOs. Students from LUMS as well as schools and universities across Lahore signed up for this internship pro-

gramme which focused on enhancing the English language skills and public speaking capacities of these children. For the Annual LUMUN Conference, SRP introduced unique initiatives such as the E1 Grand Prix Bicycling Championship, art activity, theatrical per-



formance, E2 Community Challenge Forum, and an NGO Fair.

LUMUN further strengthened its credentials as one of the leading student societies in the world by co-hosting a MUN conference on international soil i.e. in Germany. Striking a collaboration with the University of Passau, Germany LUMUN managed to successfully organize and execute Eurasia MUN Conference 2010 with the help of its German counterparts in Passau. With a total of 5 committees, 5 days and 130 delegates, the Eurasia MUN Conference fostered close, one-to-one interaction between delegates and the organizers, giving a truly unique flavor to this conference. The rich Bavarian culture of Southern Germany was experienced first-hand by delegates as well as LUMUN host team members,

especially through
evening social
events, including the
Bavarian Cultural
Night, a Cabaret
Night, a guided tour
of the city, the Executioner's Dinner and
the River Boat
Party.

Hina Jilani,



Keeping the legacy of the last four years alive, LUMUN once again triumphed at the Harvard World MUN 2010 held in Taipei, Taiwan and was awarded the coveted Outstanding Delegation Award. In addition, LUMUN performed exceptionally well at the Model United Nations Turkey 2010, and was awarded the Outstanding Delegation Award at this esteemed conference as well.

# LUMS Media Arts LMA

The LUMS Media Arts Society (LMA) was founded for the purpose of promoting the culture of art through various forms of media amongst the Luminities. Since inception, LMA has ventured into various streams of media including film making, photography, documentary etc. LMA being one of the largest student-based societies in LUMS encompasses a massive general body which is involved in various projects with the society. LMA produces a number of films throughout the year, which can be classified as short, medium and even feature length productions.

The society arranges workshops for Luminites where renowned people from various segments of media come to guide the students on how to express themselves creatively. Apart from workshops, LMA also holds various intra-LUMS events throughout the year which include Movie Trivia, Film Realm and Karaoke. LMA is solely responsible for holding the largest amateur film festival in Pakistan, FiLUMS – an event which has gained huge momentum within the past couple of years with entries from all around the country and even abroad. This year FiLUMS held premiers of two new feature length Pakistani films, Kashf and Made in Pakistan, which was attended by celebrities from film and television realm.

LMA also holds the prestige of conducting one of the largest student-based events in LUMS, the LUMS Olympiad. With over a thousand participants from all over the country, LUMS Olympiad provides the youth of Pakistan with a platform to refine their skills in various genres. The event covers competitions ranging from sports to singing, from debates to film making.

Throughout the years, LMA has made its mark both nationally and internationally. Delegations from the society go abroad each year for international film festivals. This year, the team representing LUMS and Pakistan went to the Roma Film Festival in Italy. With each passing day, LMA is striving to enlarge its sphere of creativity in order to help Luminites excel in the field of media.



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Olympiad '10 - Ammar Belal



FiLUMS '10 Made in Pakistan Premiere



Film-making workshop Marius Holden

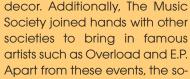


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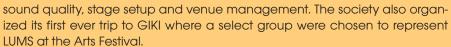
Despite many challenges, this year The Music Society continued to cultivate the musical talent within LUMS and enthral the LUMS community with amazing concerts. The society kicked off events with an Open House for the new batch of freshmen to showcase their talent. This was followed by one of its most famed events, Thriller Night, which boasted a heavy turnout with wacky costumes and wonderful performances.

The year progressed with a very special event that was held for the first time. The event called Darbar featured classical eastern music and ethnic



ciety took a lot of time and effort to improve and make fully functional its stateof-the-art recording studio. It also purchased new equipment for the Jam Room, where the musicians of LUMS gather to play.

Moving on, the society had a small 'up close and personal' gig in the NIB auditorium featuring our own talented young musicians. This was followed by one of the grandest events of the year, the Strings Concert. This event had no holds barred with full concentration on



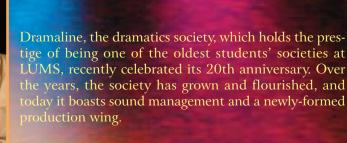
The year ended with a bang as the society held a grand Djuice Carnival which not only featured two most popular bands in Pakistan, E.P. and Noorie, but also included attractions like paint ball, rock climbing and trolley racing.







# Dramaline



one of the most active societies of LUMS, Dramaline has three main events during a year – DramaFest, the Annual Play and SkiTamasha. DramaFest provides a unique platform to performers from all over the country, both young and seasoned, to showcase their talents. Performances spread over three days allow the audience to appreciate a mixture of different genres of theatre, while actors gain the experience and exposure which only an event of this magnitude can provide them. The annual play is an eagerly anticipated event that is the culmination of untiring rehearsals. SkiTamasha gives the students of LUMS an oppor-

tunity to display their acting ability. From original scripts to entertaining performances, this three-day event has been a huge success since its inception seven years ago. Dramaline, through its various events, provides the youth across Pakistan a forum to create awareness and express their views through the medium of theatre.

The scale and success of the events organized by Dramaline is an appropriate indi-

cator of the society's development over the years. The success must be attributed to the dedicated council and members of the society. The society hopes to set the bar even higher in the coming years.



# **DRUMS**

The Debates and Recitation Society at LUMS (DRUMS) has always strived to enrich and enhance quality debates in Pakistan, empowering the youth by lending a voice to their diverse ideas. Its debaters have won countless accolades in the national and international debating circuit, garnering recognition and establishing itself as one of the most prolific debating societies in the region. Over the years it has organized a multitude of events in order to promote and encourage the art of public speaking. Continuing this tradition, DRUMS also built upon it by diversifying the scope of the society, offering a palette of opportunities to everyone, ranging from debates to declamation and mind quest to recitation this year.

The academic year 2009-2010, was a promising one for the Debates and Recitation Society at LUMS. Outshining other teams in the national debating circuit, it not only bagged the winner's trophy at numerous prestigious debating tournaments, including the Annual Shahjiwana International Debating Championship and the All Pakistan GC Debating Competition but it's speakers also won best speakers awards, a coveted laurel, at almost all major debating events this season. DRUMS excelled in the local debating circuit and also did exceptionally well at the Worlds Universities **Debating Championship 2010.** With over 400 teams participating from across the globe at this contest, DRUMS' speakers showed that they were at par, in skill and talent, with the top debaters of the world. Ranked as the best debating college from Asia, two of the LUMS teams reached the quarters, with one team advancing into the semi-final stage of the biggest debating tournament. Another feather in its cap was the spectacular achievement of two of its speakers, who made it to the top 10 ESL speakers list.



Outstanding Achievement-LUMS Debaters ranked amongst the top 10 ESL speakers at the WUDC 2010



**LUMS IV 2009** 



**LUMS Olympiad 2010** 

The society not only fared well at the debating front, DRUMS also managed to organize a number of engaging and productive events this year. It hosted the largest and a highly successful LUMS Olympiad 2010 in collaboration with LMA. This flagship event, endorsing and celebrating various forms of art and expression, provided a platform to the incredibly talented youth of Pakistan that showcased their talent through a myriad of competitive and vibrant events. **Showing its unwavering commitment** to and boasting the British parliamentary debating format, DRUMS invited 60 teams from all over the country to the largest debating competition, the LUMS Inter Varsity Debates 2010. This three-day event was marked by exhilarating, exciting and riveting debates on pertinent national and international issues, judged by the most renowned adjudicators.

The society inaugurated the Political Debate this year, inviting Shah Zain Bughti and Dr. Rasul Baksh Rais to

analyze the Balochistan crisis in an interactive session with students. DRUMS aims to encourage similar de-



A riveting all LUMS finale at the 7th Annual Shahjiwana Debating Championship 2010

bates on pressing issues and predicaments faced by the people today, not only to create awareness but to look for solutions in an academic discussion and discourse. It also organized the 2nd Annual Bilingual Declamation Championship, resuscitating the art of oratory and public speaking and also ventured into uncharted waters by hosting the first ever recitation event in LUMS. With an overwhelming response from participants and judges alike, this initiative was appreciated by all. Furthermore, the Intra LUMS debates brought together LUMS speakers from all four batches, in an enthralling and feisty competition of wit and logic. The year culminated with an engrossing and interesting Intra LUMS Mind Quest, as instructors and students took the stage for an entertaining yet informative quiz competition that tested the erudite mind.



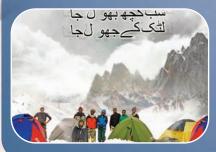
We at LUMS believe in the merits of extracurricular activities for the development of a balanced individual. For these activities there are various student-based societies catering to the diversified needs and interests of the entire student body. One of the most dominant and active societies at LUMS is the LUMS Adventure Society (LAS).

There are few things in life that can bring you to the brink of physical collapse while kindling in your euphoria beyond the domain of sense perception. The LUMS Adventure Society is one of those things. Our adventurous journey started in October 1998

and since then, members of LAS are known for their enthusiasm and courageous efforts to promote tourism and adventure in Pakistan. The spirited participation of the student body, alumni and faculty has given a great boost to LAS, bringing its name as one of the most respected and largest organisations with regards to adventure not only in LUMS but across Pakistan. The LAS experience trains participants to handle physical and mental challenges in extreme conditions. The society is known both nationally and internationally for its services towards the promotion of adventure and tourism in Pakistan. A versatile range of expeditions include survival trips, recreational and luxurious trips to different destinations across Pakistan.



LAS is one of the largest societies in LUMS and unique in that it not only manages the expeditions but teaches its participants the survival techniques. LAS organizes a variety of events which include rock climbing, skiing, ice climbing, paragliding, trekking, cave explorations and much more. Besides these events, LAS is prominent for its mountaineering expeditions. In this stream, some of the remarkable accomplishments of LAS include: first Pakistani ascent of Skam La pass (5630 meters), the first urban Pakistani female ascent of Minglik Sar peak (6100 meters), Sonia peak attempt (6340 meters) and Saling peak attempt (5100 meters) among others. These milestones place LAS in an unmatched spot when compared to the other LUMS societies.









# LUMS Community Services Society

LUMS Community Services Society (LCSS) is one of the oldest and the only community services society at LUMS. It is the result of a merger between the LUMS Volunteer Society (LVS) and LUMS Community Services. The basic purpose of this society is to provide moral and financial support to the ignored section of our society. The society aims to reach out to those underprivileged people who need a helping hand, and strives to put a smile on their faces. In today's turbulent times faced by our country, most of us want to lend a helping hand to the needy but don't find a proper platform. LCSS is providing such people with the opportunity to fulfill their desire of helping others by doing something for a noble cause. Mentioned below are some of the main achievements and projects of LCSS:

- In 2005, when earthquake struck the northern areas of Pakistan, LCSS collected significant funds from within the university and sent it to our volunteers in Balakot.
- In 2009, huge funds were raised for the IDPs.
- Our efforts were recently applauded by the U.S. Secretary of State, Hillary Clinton during her visit to Lahore. She acknowledged the garbage cleaning campaign called "Zimmedar Shehri" in which volunteers from LUMS also participated actively.
- LCCS was also recently featured in a documentary by Express TV channel on the International Volunteer Day, highlighting the role of youth in promoting community service in the society.



#### **Projects:**

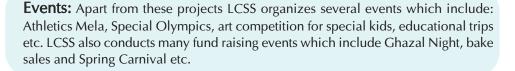
Blood Drive: LCSS organizes two blood drives every year to collect blood for donation to Red Crescent.

Microcredit facility: LCSS offers microcredit facility to cater to the lower paid staff within the university.

PULSS: The society assists in educating children of lower paid staff at LUMS. SOS Rainbow Project: LCSS conducts several activities for earthquake affected children at SOS village to groom them and help them in their academics.

Children Hospital: The society organizes regular visits to oncology ward at Childrens Hospital to spend time and organize playgroup activities with children who are at the advanced stage of the disease.

Old People Home: Organizes visits to a nearby Old People Home twice a month.



**Our Vision:** LCSS intends to expand its activities and create a network with all other universities of Lahore and later with universities from across Pakistan to create a platform for volunteer community work.

**Turning Compassion into Action** 



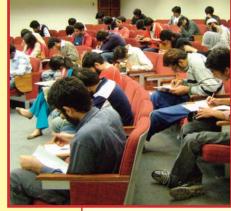




# LUMS Students Mathematics Society LSMS

LUMS Students Mathematics Society (LSMS) emerged as a society to promote knowledge and interest of the students in the subject of mathematics. Last year, the society organized the All LUMS Undergraduate MATH MANIA where students from freshmen to seniors participated. Students solved simple yet interesting mathematical problems and first three winners were awarded cash prizes of PKR 3000, 2000 and 1000 respectively. Students participated enthusiastically and were busy solving their tests during the one-hour MATH MANIA session.

A number of students also participated in the famous Sudoku competition organized by the society. A session was conducted by the Society President Hassan Murad to teach students about the game and the tricks to solve it easily. The session was well-appreciated by the participants. Students took part in pairs and first three teams were awarded cash prizes worth PKR 3000, 2000 and 1000 respectively. During the year, LSMS also organized Math Enigma in LUMS Olympiad 2010, and LUMS PsiFi 2010.





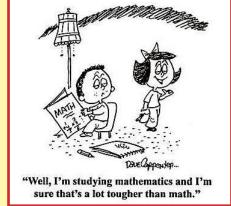
To foster linkages, the society organized a Hi-Tea at Executive Dining Hall at LUMS, where all undergraduate mathematics majors, few graduate mathematics

majors and faculty from the Department of Mathematics were invited so that students could interact with faculty and meet graduates to know about career prospects. Students also shared their

views on new initiatives that could promote better learning and interests of the students in the subject. The tea was honored by the presence of the Society Patron Dr. Faqir Bhatti and the Head of the Department of Mathematics Dr. Sultan Sial.

LSMS also launched Math Club in academic year 2010 which convened fortnightly and students were given lectures by renowned faculty members on topics related to mathematics. Students solved problems and faculty members shared their research while at the end students were treated with snacks. This concept was adopted from some of the famous universities worldwide to improve learning of the students.

The society's website (http://www.lsms.lums.edu.pk) was established last year featuring an online Sudoku game which is actively played by many students. The website also features 'Problem of the Month' that is solved by students and highest scorer is awarded cash prize of PKR 500.



LSMS plans to issue a quarterly magazine containing facts about mathematics and bringing to light the history of mathematics. It will also include mental math tricks, career opportunities, some interesting developments in the subject and latest research among other things. LSMS also plans to conduct the All Lahore Math Mania Competition in the year 2011 and more events under the banner of LUMS Students Mathematics Society.



# THE LUMS CHESS CLUB

The LUMS Chess Club is one of the oldest societies at Lahore University of Management Sciences. Founded in 1996, the club has a tradition of promoting educational and self-developmental mind activities for students at all levels.

Last year, the LUMS Chess Club organized several activities to keep up its tradition. These are listed below:

#### **Chess Meets:**

The Chess Club organized chess meets every Friday from 4 - 6pm at the Pepsi Dining Centre. Students played casual chess to sharpen their skills, and practice for the upcoming tournaments.



One of the main highlights of the year was the Student-Faculty Chess Tournament. The faculty team was represented by Dr. Nabil Mustafa (CS Dept), Dr. Mumtaz Sheikh (Physics Dept.) and Dr. Anwar Khurshid (SDSB). The students won the tournament after tough competition.

#### **Intra-Lums Chess Tournament:**

In November 2009, the club organized the Intra-LUMS Chess Tournament. The number of participants doubled as compared to last year in this highly competitive event. The final was an upset wherein a freshman from batch of 2013 beat the defending champion! The winners were given The Hot Spot vouchers and the semi-finalists were selected for the LUMS Chess Team.



#### **Inter-University Chess Tournament:**

Later that year, the Chess Club invited universities from all over Lahore to participate in the Inter-University Chess Tournament. The teams participating were LUMS, LSE, BNU, FAST, PU, Comsats, UET, UoL and CFE. LUMS was represented by two teams. After the allotted five rounds, three teams tied with 8 points out of 10 each. These were LUMS Team A, LUMS Team B and UET. Tie breaks were subsequently employed. On the third tie break UET won and were declared winners. LUMS captured the second and the third trophies which were added to the chess club trophy cabinet.



## The

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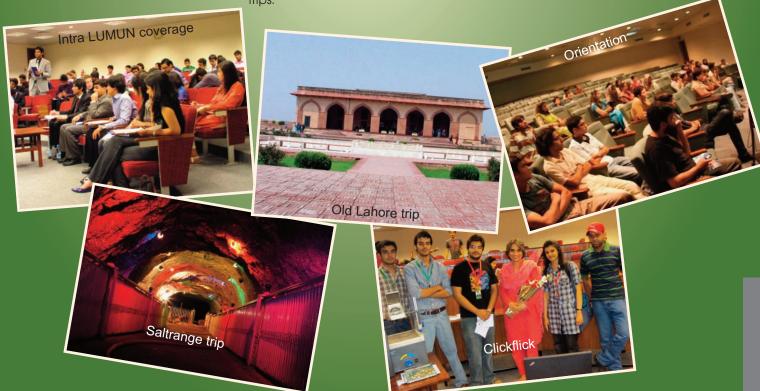


Last year, the Photographic Society was active in a number of events. It started off with a fun-filled orientation session, moved on to a workshop and railed a number of trips that covered places both within and outside Lahore. The society organized a mega event by the name of 'Click Flick' that was part of the LUMS Olympiad 2010. Apart from this, the society's members were active in events organized by other societies, providing photographic coverage.

In the workshop, members were introduced to the basics of photography, camera usage and post processing. This was enough to get the members gear up for the tasks of the year.

The Photographic Society also arranged several trips for its members including trips to the old city of Lahore, Badshahi Mosque, Wazir Khan Mosque and the Wahga Border. The objective was to familiarize the non-Lahori students with the city and to allow them to take some extraordinary shots. It also arranged for trips to Khewra Saltmines/Kallar Kahar and Rohtas Fort

The new council took over in May and the proposed plans for the coming year include workshops, competitions and trips.



A name familiar to all alumni, every student, staff and faculty member...

# Aperson you can count on... Mr. Latafat Baig

In this interview, Mr. Latafat talks about his association with LUMS, his experiences, contribution and his vision for the next 25 years.

Please tell us about yourself and your journey with LUMS.

It all began in January 1992 when I joined LUMS at the old campus and was directly attached with the Dean and the Associate Deans of the MBA Programme. This was the 'power wing' and most of the decision-making was done here.

At that time, LUMS comprised of a small group of people and everyone knew each other. The faculty, staff and students were all closely linked.

Having been associated with LUMS for the past years, how do you think the institution has evolved over the past?

LUMS has come a long way and has achieved many milestones. It has been made possible through the hard work from staff, a committed Management Committee, competent faculty and Alumni. I remember the staff members coming to the office at 8:30 in the morning with no leaving time. There was positive spirit and inter-departmental coordination was very good.

The old faculty members like Dr. Jawaid Ghani, Mohammed Ali Khan and Anwar Khurshid played an important part in the way LUMS has evolved. I would like to give credit to my supervisor, (Late) Mr. Muhammad Akram Qureshi who served LUMS from 1987-2002 and always told me that we were here to help and guide the students in every way possible.

You are extremely popular among the students for your amazing memory. Even now, if an Alumnus walks into your office, there's a high probability that you would remember his/her name. How do you manage to do that?

You can say that a good memory is bad habit of mine. I was always asked by the Management Committee to receive guests as I would know everyone and would remember their names. I have always tried my best to help students in their higher education and their careers.

My office has been very successful in meeting our objectives and till date, not a single error in any certificate/degree/transcript has been reported. A lot of credit goes to my colleague, Mr. Asif Ali; we all work as a team.

Till 2006, since the class size was relatively small, degrees were personally handed over to the graduating class by calling out their names. If I would call out a student's name and see that he was not coming towards the stage, I would put his degree aside and move on to the next student.

#### What is your opinion about the LUMS student? What makes a LUMS Alumnus unique?

LUMS students are morally and ethically strong. I feel that the selection criteria are totally merit-based and a rigorous programme which involves the case study method makes sure that the students are competent. There is no admission on references and there is no quota system. Even though I have been here for so long, I still refuse to keep an eye on any student because of a relative's request. I am not a policeman at LUMS; I can guide and counsel students during their stay at LUMS.

#### What makes you proud of being a part of LUMS?

LUMS makes me proud because I'm a part of an institution that is imparting education and building a future for Pakistan. Anywhere I go, I feel proud of being associated with LUMS.

Recently, an alumnus from Karachi got in touch with me and wanted a reference letter to apply for his MS Programme at Carnegie Mellon. He was a hostelite here and for the initial few terms, his performance was not that good. I went through his file and realized that he had moved to Lahore for his education leaving behind his family and friends. He was lonely and homesick for the first couple of weeks and thus his grades were affected. Once he settled into the new place, his performance improved, he gained confidence and worked to his full capabilities. I explained that in the reference letter and by the Grace of Allah Almighty, he got admitted into the MS Programme with 80% funding. It makes me feel proud.

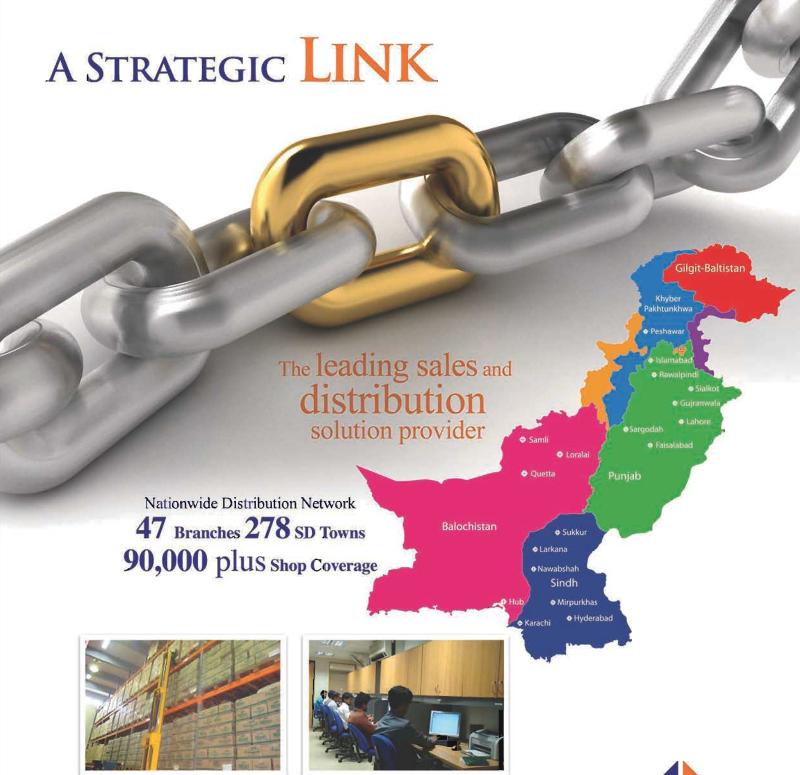
#### As we are celebrating the 25 Years of LUMS, where do you see LUMS in the next 25 years?

As you know the founding members of LUMS are now in their 60s and 70s. Now it's the students and the alumni who should take the responsibility to keep the vision of LUMS together. I feel that the Alumni have a very important role to play and their contribution in terms of resources, time, knowledge-sharing and feedback is critical. The Alumni should also help students in job placements in this time of recession and give them confidence.

#### What message would you like to give to our Alumni?

I feel that LUMS already has a strong bond with the Alumni and they do support and contribute towards their alma mater. Being one of the pioneers of the National Outreach Programme, I feel that the Alumni should contribute towards the noble cause of NOP. Also, they should come forward and give seminars and talks to our students and offer them mentoring.









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#### National Outreach Programme

By Shehzad Zia and Omair Ahmed Rao

LUMS aims to provide equal academic opportunities to people from all social walks across Pakistan. In order to fully harness the potential of human resources of the country, LUMS strives to provide a broader access to its programmes. National Outreach Programme (NOP) was launched in 2001, with the objective of providing equal educational opportunities to bright and talented students from smaller cities, villages and inner city areas of large urban centres who are unable to meet the programme's regular fee requirement. Deserving students with exceptional Matriculation and F.A./F.Sc. results (80% & above) apply through the National Outreach Programme for a four-year Undergraduate Programme.



#### Preliminary Evaluation Test (PET):

The intensive marketing and promotion efforts for the National Outreach Programme yielded a very favorable response. In 2009-10, 7000 applications were received from across Pakistan which is reflective of the highly competitive and competent youth we have. Of these, approximately 5000 candidates were called in for Preliminary Evaluation Test (PET) after initial screening of the NOP applications. The tests were held in 12 cities of Pakistan where teams were sent to the test centres for the smooth execution of NOP PET.

#### Coaching Session:

After the preliminary evaluation test, 350 out of 5000 applicants were shortlisted for the coaching sessions. Students were shortlisted on the basis of their performance in the evaluation test and matriculation marks. This year witnessed cutthroat competition and only the very brilliant managed to place their name on the merit list. The coaching sessions were scheduled from July 10-August 1, 2010 during which students were prepared for the LUMS admission tests namely LCAT (LUMS Common Admission Test) and SSE (School of Science & Engineering) subject test. Students appearing for LCAT were coached in mathematics and verbal classes while those appearing for SSE subject test were trained in Additional Mathematics, Physics, Chemistry and Biology. Students went through rigorous training and their performance was gauged through weekly tests and quizzes. The participants performed to their full potential to gain benefit from this initiative.

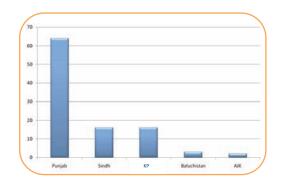
#### Remedial Sessions:

Candidates who went through the stringent NOP admission process in 2009 were inducted into the LUMS undergraduate programme this year. These students were called 10 days prior to their routine classes at LUMS for remedial/grooming sessions. NOP department arranged the remedial classes for these newly inducted NOP scholars wherein they were taught English and computing courses. The purpose of these sessions was to refine their communication and computational skills to boost their confidence.



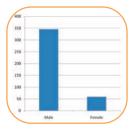
#### Some Significant Statistics:

NOP department takes pride in announcing that to date a total of 407 students have been inducted through NOP out of which 80 candidates were selected this year. Of the total NOP scholars, 45 students have graduated so far, most of whom are either placed in top multinational companies or are studying abroad on scholarship. The area-wise presentation of the inducted NOP scholars is:



#### NOP Inducted Scholars 2010:

When we talk about male-female ratio, a demonstrable diversity has been experienced. Out of the 407 students inducted so far, 59 are females:



#### NOP Reaching out to Baluchistan:

This year NOP department will arrange separate coaching sessions for NOP candidates applying from Balochistan. The sessions will be held in Quetta and students who satisfy the merit requirements of National Outreach Programme, 80% marks in their matriculation and strong financial need, will be coached in October 2010. The coaching pattern and courses covered will be the same as discussed earlier.

One of our esteemed donors, UCH Power Pvt. Ltd., has stepped up to fund these candidates applying from Balochistan province and making NOP a real success!







### The LUMS National Outreach Programme

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Friend		Any amount	Any amount	
Total Amount (number of students x amount) The payment is being made through* LUMS Website Bank Draft Cheque Wire Transfer		Transaction #	_Bank Bank	

\* Please note:

A complete form should be sent to LUMS for reference. The payment can be made in half yearly installments.

#### Donate Online via Visa / MasterCard

Please follow the steps

- a) Visit LUMS web-site: www.lums.edu.pk
- b) Select 'Pay Online' link
- c) In step 1/4, choose "Donors (NOP Donations, NOP Zakat Fund, Donations for Scholarship Fund, Other Donations)"
- d) In step 2a/4, make the relevant choice (LUMS Graduates or Other Generous Donors)
- e) In of step 2b/4, fill out all the mandatory details (Name, Organization, etc.) and the amount for your contribution (in Pak Rupees)
- f) In the 3/4, confirm your details
- g) In step 4/4, please enter your credit card details.
- h) Once this is done you shall receive a system generated e-mail giving you details of your transaction

#### Cheques/Bank Drafts are to be made in favour of:

#### "Lahore University of Management Sciences" and sent to the address given below.

#### Ms. Zainab Amir

Assistant Manager, Fundraising National Outreach Programme Office Lahore University of Management Sciences Sector U, Phase 2, DHA, Lahore Cantt. Pakistan

UAN#: 92-42-111 115 867 Ext #: 8236, 4212, 4214, 8181 Fax #: 92-42-3572 2591 Email: giving@lums.edu.pk

#### Instructions for Wire Transfer:

#### Direct transfer can be made to the LUMS US\$ account:

#### Corresponding Bank

Pay to: ABN AMRO Bank, New York

Account number: 661001031641
Routing number: 026009580
Swift Code: ABNAUS33

Beneficiary Bank: The Royal Bank of Scotland Limited

Swift Code: ABNAPKKA

Final Beneficiary

Account Number: 520216-415

Account Title: Lahore University of Management Sciences Address: 4/5, Cavalry Ground Branch Lahore Cantt.

Bank Telephone Number: 92-42-3665 5590

Information pertaining to Friends of LUMS-USA is given below, which can be used to transfer the funds by the interested donors while availing tax benefit."Friends of LUMS-USA Association", is a tax-exempt entity registered in the United States under Section 501(c)(3) of the IRS Code, where donations can be deposited on behalf of LUMS.

#### Bank details are as under:

Title of Account: Friends of LUMS – USA Association

A/C # 200133114 Routing # 321171184

Bank Name & Address: Citibank West, 451 - Montgomery Street, San Francisco 94104.

#### Details pertaining to IRS Exemption of "Friends of LUMS –USA Association" are given below;

a) Employer Identification # 03-0412310

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#### Details of Contact person of Association are as follows:

Contact Person:

Address:

Friends of LUMS-USA Association

Vertical Systems, Inc

1392 N. Borregas Ave., Sunnyvale, CA 94089

# Fundraising Department Update

By Zainab Amir



MoU Signing with Lucky Cement

Recently several generous donors have stepped forward with their support of LUMS and its various initiatives. Even though the economy has not yet fully recovered from the world wide recession and the country is fae ing the major challenge of dealing with flood devastations, we have been successful in locking the following donations.

#### **Donations**

- SSGCL undertook a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Lahore University of Management Sciences (LUMS) in May 2010 to provide scholarships to two National Outreach Programme (NOP) scholars from Balochistan and Sindh in the next four years.
- Mr. Hafiz Aftab Ahmed, CEO Aftab Associates, has extended his support to LUMS NOP by setting up a fund to support an NOP scholar for one year of the undergraduate programme.
- Tetra Pak Pakistan, upon Syed Babar Ali's request, has set up an endowment fund of PKR
   44 million to support a deserving NOP scholar (in perpetuity) enrolled in the School of Science & Engneering.
- Mr. Jalees Siddiqui, CEO IGI Insurance, extended his support to LUMS National Outreach
  Programme by setting up a scholarship fund to support a deserving student for complete four years
  of his/her undergraduate programme.
- CEO Lucky Cement, Mr. Muhammad Ali Tabba, has generously pledged to donate PKR 10 million to set up a scholarship fund at LUMS to support deserving students inducted through the LUMS National Outreach Programme.

#### THE LUMS CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

With the completion of 25 years of LUMS, the Fundraising Department plans to launch a capital campaign for fundraising which is directly linked to the LUMS vision, "A 21st century university, whose research, service and graduates are a fountain of leadership for Pakistan and the world". The campaign aims to achieve the ambitious targets/goals that LUMS has put forward with regards to its campus, faculty and students. However, being a not-for-profit, private organization, LUMS requires financial support in order to achieve these goals.

The campaign aims to raise Rs. 3 billion over a period of seven years. Broadly speaking, the targets for this campaign will be:

- a) to establish a general endowment for university's development,
- b) sustaining the LUMS scholarship programmes in order to ensure that quality education is provided to all deserving students, and
- c) providing support for research efforts and initiatives in the university.

# Alumni Events and Activities

By Mehreen Shah and Ayesha Azhar

#### LUMS Alumni Reunion in Seattle

LUMS Alumni Reunion was held in Seattle, USA on Saturday, July 31, 2010 which was graced with the presence of Syed Babar Ali. The reunion was hosted by two of our Alumni, Mansoor Jafry and Nazia Zaman. The Pacific Northwest region now has Alumni from eleven BSc batches (99-2010), mostly working at Microsoft and Amazon, and has been meeting with Syed Babar Ali almost annually for the last several years regarding their role in LUMS and the future of the National Outreach Programme .

Among those who attended were Hassan Javaid, Sara Tahir, Umair Bashir, Ali Alvi, Fatima Kardar, Amjad Hussain, Sumair Pervaiz, Farah Ali, Tashfeen Suleman, Hamad Khawaja, Sana Khawaja, Farhan Ali Saleem, Omair Gillani, Amel Khurram Zahid and Urooj Omair.



#### LUMS Karachi Chapter 2nd Year Meeting

The 2nd year of the LUMS Karachi Alumni Chapter started with its first meeting held at the office of InterTrade Distributors on August 19, 2010. The meeting was attended by Sheikh Ali Hussain, Director, LUMS Resource Development and Alumni Affairs and LUMS Alumni based in Karachi. The meeting agenda included background and achievements of the Karachi Chapter in last year and a half, expectations of LUMS from the Chapter, composition of new council, discussions on activities and events for the next year, and other ongoing topics such as the LUMS Flood Relief Drive and viewing of the NOP Documentary.

The office bearers elected for the year 2010-2011 are: Alhani Khawaja as the President, Ahsan Khaliq as the Vice President and Abdullah Akhtar as the General Secretary.



#### LUMS Alumni participation in the 2010 Graduate Night

As a part of LUMS 25 Years Celebrations, the first two Alumni batches (MBA 1988, MBA 1989) were invited to the Graduate Night Dinner on September 24, 2010. The idea was for the newest alumni batch to meet the earliest alumni who contributed largely to the success and repute of their Alma Mater, making it the LUMS of today.

The senior alumni got a chance to talk to the graduating classes and shared their student life at LUMS, fond memories, experiences and how the institution has made a difference to their life.

#### LUMS Alumni Affairs works on Corporate Relations

The Alumni Affairs department has geared towards building corporate relations with prominent organizations, retailers and eateries. Several renowned brands have joined in to offer exclusive discounts to Alumni. LUMS Alumni now get discounts at Subway, Gloria Jean's Coffees, Arabian Delights, Shifu Oriental Cuisine, Beech Tree, Pepper Land, Siemens, Zeitgeist Menswear and Wilsons & Co.

For more information and updates on the discounts and benefits offered, log on to http://alumni.lums.edu.pk/.

#### LUMS Alumni UAE Chapter formed

The Alumni UAE Chapter has been formed with the purpose of connecting the LUMS alumni in the region and also bringing the wider corporate sector of the UAE in direct contact with the alumni as well as the management/administration in order to promote the LUMS brand in its entirety. The Executive Committee structure includes Bashir Uddin Khawaja as the President, Shahzad Bashir as the Vice President and Sania Waqar as the General Secretary. The Chapter has a number of activities planned for the upcoming year including a networking event, a social event along with a musical evening and other placement and fund raising events.

The UAE Chapter held its first event on September 21, 2010 which was attended by Syed Babar Ali, Dr. Ahmad Jan Durrani and Sheikh Ali Hussain at Hotel Crowne Plaza. The evening comprised of networking and idea exchange amongst alumni and LUMS attendees, Chapter overview, screening of the NOP documentary and dinner.

#### **Recent Alumni Gifts**

#### **MSc Economics 2010 Fund**

LUMS Alumni, MSc Economics, batch of 2010 have pledged to set up a fund at LUMS to facilitate interest-free partial loans to deserving MSc Economics students. These dedicated alumni have already raised PKR 150,000 for this purpose.

#### MS CS 2005 NOP Fund

The MS CS class of 2005 stepped forward with their support of the LUMS National Outreach Programme. They have initially pledged to support one NOP scholar for one year. The class has already collected PKR 174,234 and is well on its way to collect the target amount.

#### BSc 2002 takes up another beneficiary

The enthusiastic alumni of BSc class of 2002 have been very active since the day their class fund was established in 2007. Regular follow-ups by the class coordinators have led to continuous inflow of funds/donations for this class gift. Recently, the class has added another beneficiary to their fund and is taking keen interest in the progress of the new as well as the previous BSc 2002 scholar.

Every year more LUMS alumni come forward individually as well as in groups to support their Alma Mater. This is true for initiatives like the LUMS Flood Relief Drive as well as ambitious projects like NOP. LUMS is very proud of this philanthropic spirit in the Alumni.



Two prominent brands 'Beech Tree' and 'Pepper Land' offer a 10% Discount to LUM's Alumni. Both brands are available at HKB's Liberty and Y-Block DHA Branch, Lahore.





Shifu Oriental Cuisine (take away and home delivery) offers 10% discount to LUMS Alumni. Details of this are available on alumni news and events section.



Subway T-Block DHA Lahore offers 15% discount for the LUMS community including the LUMS Alumni. You can avail the discount by showing your alumni cards.



A leading menswear brand, Zeitgeist offers a 20% discount on all products to LUMS Alumni.



Get a special discount of 15% on all transactions at Gloria Jean's Coffees, Z Block, D.H.A.



SIEMENS offers a 15% discount exclusively for all LUMS Alumni on its entire product range

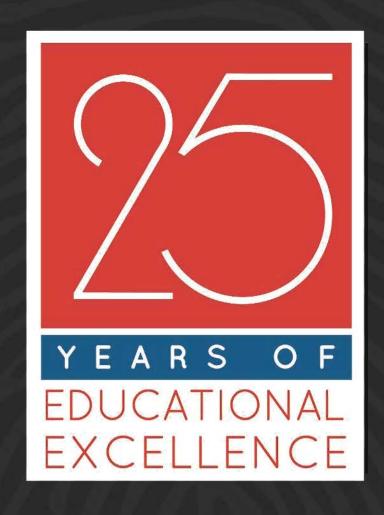


Arabian Delights' offers a 10% Discount to LUMS Alumni on all its outlets. The discount is all applicable on home delivery within DHA, Lahore.



WILSONS & Co offers an exclusive discount to all Alumni on the world's prestigious brands like Mont Blanc, Patek Philippe and Rolex

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# Classnotes Bsc

#### **BSc 1998**

Coordinator Mahvish Razvi Vincere

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I'll start off this year by saying thanks to Sophia and Doogie for their support. As it happened, I got a bit lazy about contacting BSc98-ers individually and then it felt like a lab night from back then... the deadline was looming ahead and I had barely begun. Disaster strikes with full force, whenever it does and it did... My PC crashed and I lost all contact emails. As if that wasn't enough the ISP service was acting up and accessing facebook became impossible. But years of meeting nerve wrecking deadlines at LUMS is an art that'll never go wasted. Not to be deterred

While the sky is no limit and no borders are binding, BSc 98 seems to be doing very well indeed, in different parts of the world.

BSc 98 in the year 2010

Talking of the sky lets start with the skies of North America. Sky diving through the skies of Canada, we have Ali Hashmi and his dare devil wife Javeria. We all knew Ali to be the kind, but his wife too? :). Way to go!

and help from Sophia and Doogie who posted

notes for me over facebook, here's presenting

Shahzad Khan continues to live in Ottawa, but has moved to the Kanata suburbs. He has three children, Hakan (6), Melike (3) and Hashim (1.5).

Shahzad says he spent most of 2009 in developing a startup around social media monitoring (www.whyztech.com) which was ultimately not as successful as he would have liked. He is currently working as a Solution Architect for Apption Ltd. He still harbours dreams of attempting another startup in the future though, and has learned many valuable lessons that hopefully come in useful.

Shahzad is spending a lot of time nowadays with his family and friends, and in activities like reading, hiking, biking and camping. His primary intention for the remainder of 2010 is to make up for the many intense months that he had put his life on hold when he had thrown himself into the entrepreneurial mold. Never mind Doogie, with your CS wiz-

ardry and Ninja powers and not to forget pedal power put together, success of the kind you want will follow.

Southwards in USA is where one can find the greatest number of BSc 98ers. Of those who shared their update, Imran Ismail says he works for a media and advertising agency as a Marketing Effectiveness Consultant in New York. Imran says he likes to keep updates short n sweet but Imran do tell us about your family too. Sophia Saad says she is home busy with kids, Rida (8), Sulaiman (7), Qaiser (2) while Saad Khawaja is working for the same company as last year, Intuit, Dallas as an Application Architect. Samir Sheikh says this is his 10th year in San Francisco: He enjoys every moment of life with his wife Rafia and two sons. He works for Cisco, and leads a couple of companies including an investment club that he founded recently. Most of his ideas still remain Pakistan-centric and he actively seeks opportunities in the homeland. Truly patriotic but when are you waving your Magic Wand O Great Samri and setting these Pakistan Centric ideas spinning into action in the Land of the Pure?

Shahid and Amber Masud say they have developed strong roots in the DC Metro Area where they have been living since they tied the knot 8 years ago. They have 2 boys, Izaan, almost 5, and Ayaan, almost 2. Shahid works as a Federal Consultant managing large-scale technical projects at the Housing & Urban Development Agency in DC. Amber manages a web analytics/in-house strategy team at AOL and a hectic social life outside. Life is crazy busy always in the Masud household but there is always time and room for Luminites especially those who are interested in dinosaurs, reptiles, monsters, trucks and trains!

And then we have a very VERY HAPPY Adil Sherwani! "I am now a baby's daddy! Our daughter Zara M. Sherwani was born on June 1 at around 5 pm weighing in at 7 lb 10 oz, and we've been getting to know her ever since (and doing little else). Mom (Umaima) and baby are doing great. Every day brings with it new skills, moves, clothes and incantations... kinda like playing an RPG that takes 18 years to complete. My pinky has been deemed the most important part of my body. And she's got a great belting voice... I see definite rock stardom in her future. In other news, I left the healthcare group at Microsoft to join Project Natal in Xbox, which has been an absolute blast so far. But of course it pales in comparison to the baby news." Congrats from all of us Adil!

Next is Imran Moin. Imran is living in Sacramento, CA with his wife Nicole and daughter Noor. He is currently working for a small consulting company in Sacramento that specializes in State and Local Government Consulting. Besides work, Imran is indulging the shopping habits of a 2-year old who is obsessed with Toy Story.

Moving on, Omer Rana has been running his own consulting business for the last 3.5 yrs successfully. He lives in the Bay Area with his wife and 2 kids Haider (6) and Shahmeen (3). He's working with Cisco as a consultant currently and hopes to grow his consulting business this year by hiring a few additional resources. Prior to Cisco, Omer was consulting for McAfee, working as the Chief Architect of their Web and Portal team. In his free time, Omer likes to hang out with friends and enjoys barbecues, sightseeing, movies. So if any of you are visiting Bay Area (Northern California), do get in touch with him. Finally he says "Feel free to add as much mirch masala as you want". Ideally I'd like to add the entire Bar B Que but sadly, the rest of BSc 98 in USA are in non-communicative mode

Next Stop — UK! We have Khawaja Umar Farooq, who always advocated non-smoking back then and then shocked us all by taking on smoking himself, has finally quit smoking. He says he exercises a lot now and that life's going swimmingly. He's finally managed to find a job in the same city as wife, Beenish, so a lot less stress of commuting. He's based in Bury St Edmunds. By the looks of it your wife is obviously good influence on you Umar!! He has a son Daniyal (7).

Continuing with health and fitness, moms and dads of BSc 98, please put your worries aside. News is that pure pasteurized milk is now going to be available in Karachi courtesy our very own dairy farmers Abdullah and Khurshid. Oh yes! Abdullah Akhtar and Khurshid Akhtar have diversified their business into dairy farming now, with Australian cows and will be selling pure pasteurized milk in Karachi. Another update on Abdullah is that he and wife Saira had a lovely princess who they named Musfirah in November 2009. She joins her brother Saad who is now 6. Congrats Abdullah!

Back in Lahore, Arif Jalil Piracha says he is running 3 ventures at the moment: a designer label called Nayna, a corporate event management company called Evenement, and a test prep organization he recently started by the name of Smartprep. He is currently living in Lahore and has 2 children and is very happy!! Great to hear that Arif!

Waqar, his wife Amena & their daughter Zayna are happily settled in Lahore. Waqar's busy as ever with the family business. He says he enjoys playing volleyball weekly, but is currently out of action, having dislocated him thumb during play. Ouch! That must hurt! May your thumb get well soon!

Syed Ali resides in Lahore as well, working as a partner in a software house. Enjoying life with wife and two kids and the adventures they bring!

You know the great thing about this years update is that I heard from 2 people who had sort of disappeared. Of them, Luluah Hashim has resurfaced "Hope

all is well", she says! Of course, and great to hear from you Lulu! "I have been living in Zurich, Switzerland since 2003. I have a 2.5 year old son and have gone back to work after a 2.5 year break, working for a biotechnology company in business planning. Hope this helps!" It certainly does. Please keep writing.

Yousaf Ahmad is the other one out of hibernation says he is "STILL with Citibank". Many of us didn't know that Yousaf but you've done us proud though.

He is currently Country Banking Head for Citibank and is based in Karachi.

Writing in from Dubai is Fahd Shah who says, "I am very busy in Dubai, working as an Economist for Dubai Chamber of Commerce and Industry. My portfolio involves looking for trade and investment opportunities for UAE based investors and business people. Doing quite well, anyone who comes to Dubai, please look me up, it would be great to meet u." Surely Fahd but please find out where the rest of Dubai based Bsc98 have disappeared and wring their necks for us! Fahad Igbal, Jawad Chawala, Haroon??! Hello!

As for me (Mahvish Razvi) I'm hanging in limbo somewhere between UK where Asad lives and Pakistan where I live with Fatimah (6) and Daniyal (4m). Still dabble in development and testing software working with Qualiy Clix Inc. and Vincere. Also, leading a community project that's funded by Vincere. The project aims at changing lives of children by training teachers into improving the classroom environment and their teaching skills. Between work, Fatimah's karate lessons and home, there's little time for

anything else.

The rest of BSc. 98 are hiding under rocks, hibernating or whatever else. I'll name them lest age catches up and crashes our memories. It's just struck me that we are officially becoming "Buzarg Alumi" ... So as seen on their Facebook pages: Fawad Rafi is in Philedelphia, Armughan Javaid looks less like the Captain of Star Irek and more like a regular dad. Sumaira and hubby look obviously too busy to contact. Arshia, hubby Wasif and Daughter Zara appear to have moved to Karachi. Umar Saif is jet setting collecting more and more awards and honors from around the Globe! He really does us proud! Naureen Madhani is another globe trotter,

probably in Canada, though based in Tanzania,

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Africa with daughter Rida, the aspiring little ballerina, Numan Sheikh, our resident Luminite is in Lahore with wife Rizwana and at least one cute daughter. Haleema has disappeared someplace in Lahore as well. Ali Anwar looks like a proud new father as well. Congrats to you too!

Khurram Shakeel and Khurram Qureshi, Fahd Aqeel, Qamar, Noor Zehra, Naveed Zafar, Naveed Ahmed, Nabeel, Nazish and Salman, Isfandyar, Mehnaz, Tehseen, Faryal, Sadaf, Ali Majid, Ali Murtaza, Hassan Catman Mian, Sadia Hussain, Sadia Mariam Sheikh, Ali Pervaiz, Aliya, Bilal, Erum and Omer Ghaznavi, Faisal, Hafeez, Jehanzaib, Saad Karim, Ishaq, Mubaria, Maudeedha, Adeel, Noman Yaqoob, Rizwan, Roohi, Suleman, Vomic, Zaheer, Tahir, Usman Rauf are unreachable probably on Facebook but I never had time to look up individual pages. Sorry Folks, you'll have to email me your updates next year. We'd love to hear from

you all. And finally Sabeen Rasheed I hear is coordinating notes for MBA and too busy to send us an update so if you want to know about her turn to MBA notes.

Till next year! :)

BSc 1999

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Abdul Mannan Abbasi is working in London.

Adeel Janeed Meer is working in NYC with a software consulting firm North-Point Solutions. He and his wife Farah live in Jersey City. Adeel Jamil Siddiqui and Nadia Hussain are living in Redmond, WA with their two daughters Moomal (4) and Batul (2). Adil Paracha is still in the UK working with Kimberly Clark Corp. After two successful promotions in the last year he

is now the Regional Marketing Manager Africa, Middle East and Eastern Europe. He spends most of his time on the road travelling to exotic places like Istanbul, Moscow, Johannesburg, Saudi Arabia and Jerusalem.

Adnan Bhutta and Naira Latif Chaudhry are both still

working at Microsoft. Ahmed Hamidani is working in Singapore. Alefia Lotia is living in Irving, TX with her family. She and Huzaifa recently added another baby girl to the mix. It's pool, pool, and more pool for Zainab, Zahra and Husaina (5.5, 2.5 and 0.5 respectively). Aliya Salahuddin is working in London.

Amanullah Jiffrey Kariapper is living in Lahore. Married, no kids planned. He is re-learning to cook. Amber Riaz is doing her PhD from Oxford. Ambreen Gilani is still based in New York working with UNDP. She and Adnan recently had a baby girl, Amaanah. Ameel Zia Khan is working for Melbourne Water in Australia. He continues to be an active blogger and you can read his professional blog at insanityworks.org/acme and his personal blog at insanityworks.org/randomtangent. He is @ameel on Iwitter.

Amir Ali Jafri is working for Microsoft in Seattle. Aqib Elahi Mehboob's entrepreneurial venture went kaboom with global markets, and via a brief stint as an Asset Manager, he has returned to hard core research with an outfit named Elixir Business Research. He is an active football and squash player who is dismayed at the state of his beloved Liverpool Football Club but is happily engaged in developing the budding footballing talent of his son Adil (8). He is thinking of entering the blogosphere with his wild predictions on major global macro trends but is in need of collaborators.

Ashab Naeem Iqbal is working for Standard Chartered Bank in Dubai. Ashab is happily married and has a baby girl. Asif Amjad is working for Savola Group in Jeddah. Asim Butt was an artist in Karachi. He left this world on January 15, 2010. Asim Memon and Mariyam Mansur live in Los Angeles with their two daughters. Assed Jehangir and Tania Taria are living in The Hague. Babar Ghias is in NYC with Rabia and his daughter.

Faisal Wahab continues to run his pharma and toiletries business in Karachi. Faisal Wasey made a move from corporate banking to risk management last year. He's working at Faysal Bank and is busy in merger activity and making the lives of corporate bankers miserable. He is happily married to his wife Tahira and they have a daughter Zoya who is about to turn three.

Farheen Lotia is in Karachi with her husband and daughter. Farooq Mustafa Alavi is in Karachi. Fatima Ashraf is busy raising her kids, Ahmed and Sophia in Calgary, Canada. Fatima Muzaffar is living in London. Feroze Gulzar is busy playing polo while running his family business on the side. He is married to Hina Khar and they have two daughters named Anaya and Dina. Fuad Ghazanfar is working with Nestlé in Lahore as a Group Brand Manager for their Dairy Business

Hassan Ali is in San Francisco, Hassan Javed is in Red-

is working for an investment firm in Bahrain. Imran Ahmed is working as the Sales Operations Manager for the BlackBerry partner in Dubai and trying to finish his MBA. Not wanting to be the last one in his class, he has decided to get married this November. Junaid Bin Jahangir is in Edmonton, Canada. Khawaja Bashir Uddin is working as Senior Sales Manager for the BlackBerry partner in Dubai for Middle East & Africa.

Khurram Khaliq Khan is in Lahore with his wife, Fatima. Kiran Nanjiani is in Karachi.

Maha Ahmed is working towards her PhD in Holland. Mahira Daha and Fareed Zaffar are in Lahore. Fareed has completed his PhD and is teaching at LUMS. Mahvash Ghous (formerly Akram) is in Dubai. Makhmoorul-Hassan got married this year to Oraina Rafi and is still working for Shell in London. Marium Hassan (formerly Naeem) is in London.

Mariyam Memon and her hubby, Asim Memon have both left Microsoft and moved to Los Angeles after Mr. Memon finished his MBA from Insead. Marukh Aftab is living it up in Dubai and has no plans on leaving. She and Hasan Muzaffar had their second child in 2009. Azlan is now 9 months and Zaria celebrated her second birthday in March. Mehreen Tanvir Butt is in the US. Mehwish Zaman is full-time mom in London. Moazzam Ali Khan is working for L'Oreal in London, Monazza Aslam is at Oxford, Muhammad Amaan Akram is working in London. Muhammad Hasan Muzaffar is still at McKinsey in Dubai. Muhammad Omer labal is happily married and has a daughter, Zaynab. He is still working for Microsoft in Seattle and occasionally blogs at Seattle-PI. He is starting an MA programme in the NELC Department at University of Washington this fall.

Muhammad Oosman is in Silicon Valley. Mustafa Zulfiqar Rakla is working for McKinsey. Nabeeha Arif is in Karachi. Nasir Masud Khan is at eBay. Nauman Akbar is working for Export Flow in Lahore. Neda Mulji and Sameer Anees are in Dubai. Nirmal Babar is in Bethesda, Maryland happily settled with her husband, son Mikail and daughter Alizeh. Novira Sabir is in London. Omer Mehmood Asad is in San Francisco. Razal Minhas is in the US. Rida Zaidi is in London. Runaas Deheem is based in Dubai and is happily married. He's still at P&G and is looking after their Pantene & Herbal Essences business in the Arabian Peninsula.

Saara Salim is in London. Sabeen Pirzada is in Houston. Saif Nomani is in Wyoming. Salman Ahmed is in London. Salman Khalid is in Seattle. Salman Mahbub is based in DC. Salman Mahmood is in Iexas. Saman Sheikh is working for PBS in Chicago. Samir Zahid loves Sydney with Saira and their daughter Zara. A lot has changed: he relocated to Australia, got married, and had a child. But some things remain the

same: people still can't pronounce his name correctly "It's Saaaamir, not Sameer". He is still working for BAT and is thinking "what recession?" while he looks forward to the Aussie summer when he'll take li'l Zara to the

Sarah Fatima Zaka is in Lahore. Sarah Naeem Qureshi is in DC. Sheikh Mohammad Ali is in Lahore, Shahzad Hasan is in New York City. Shazia Farooq Rahim is in Karachi. Shayan Mehdi Zaidi is back in school again, this time for his MBA at the Kellogg School of Management. He still resides in Chicago and, since he missed the air miles at his previous job, he decided to intern for United Airlines over the summer in corporate strategy. However, he is being very tight-lipped about the United-Continental merger. <mark>Syed Mustafa Bilal</mark> is in Seattle. <mark>Syed Salman Zaidi</mark> is at Deutsche Bank in Singapore. Syeda Shehrbano Kazim is working at the Pakistan Microfinance Network and writing for The Daily Mail in Islam-

abad.

beach.

Tayyab Rafiq Balagamwala is in Karachi.

Umair Jalil is in Dubai. Usman Waheed is in Bahrain.

Yasir Ali has two lovely daughters that keep him busy day and night. He is also working on his MBA that is tracking to completion in 2011. He continues to work at Cisco as a Senior Programme Manager and is contemplating his next move. Zeeshan Mansoor is in Karachi.

Classmates not included in these notes:
Aisha Hassan, Anita Manzoor Chaudhry,
Hasanat Ahmed Haider, Laila Bushra, Mohammad Rizwan, Mohammad Zakria Khan, Muhammad
Rashid, Muhammad Umer Farooq, Nadia Rehman,
Rana Sajjad Ahmad, Sehr Sheikh, Shama Saeed,
Syed Hasan Hasnat, Waqas Ahmed, Haseeb Hadi
and Wasif Tanvir.

This is the fifth year we have compiled our class notes online. If you weren't aware that this compilation was happening, you're probably not in touch with the rest of the class on Myfamily.com or on Facebook. Please do get in touch because we really would like to know what you're up to, even if all you give us is a one-sentence update on your life.

# Classnotes BSc

#### **BSc 2001**

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The big theme coming out of the class notes is that people have gotten settled into their lives. They have their jobs, their spouses, kids, houses, etc. Basically, everything that brings stability to your daily life. We are switching jobs and starting companies, in line with the trend in our generation, but otherwise getting fairly settled.

It is expected, as Ali Awan noted, it's been almost a decade since we graduated from LUMS. He is a LUMS couple now, married to Mehreen Chandan. They both live in London, Ali is working at ING in investment banking, Mehreen just started a new job as Project Manager Social Research at Royal College of Nursing.

Beenish Pervaiz is in Pakistan, recently left Nestlé to join Coke as Group Brand Manager, and true to the company's tradition, she keeps globe trotting half the time. "Loving every bit of the fast paced corporate lifestyle at Coca Cola!!!" Note the triple exclamation points.

Adnan Zafar Khawaja is working as Sr.
Product Manager with Malaysian Telecom
Group. He spearheaded projects resulting
in an award of government funding for Wa-

teen (worth \$10 Mn), organized participation at an exhibition in Abu Dhabi, met up with colleagues including Omar, Shehzad, Yawar and Murtaza in Dubai; moved

to Karachi to join a Malaysian based telecom company; and launched voice softswitch as a service (akin to SaaS) for long distance carriers. Woah! On top of that, he became a chachu to an adorable nephew. In the coming year, he will be launching and arketing new telecom products, particularly

marketing new telecom products, participating in (more) international exhibitions and taking a vacation.

Umair Bashir is still at Amazon in Seattle where he did a career change by moving from software development to retail business. He is now Sr. Vendor and

Product Manager at Amazon from being a Software Development Manager earlier. He and his wife are expecting their first kiddo in the coming year. Congratulations!

Kashif Sheikh is married. He is self-employed in Karachi, where he has been living since graduating in 2001. He also went to IBA to do an MBA. One thing he said: "MOST IMPORTANT: This is addressed to Saad Tawwab: Dude we practically live next door to each other but I have to write in our class notes to just let you know that you should come over sometime!:)" Bad, bad, Saad! We'll get to your notes in a bit.

Bilal Malik worked and worked some more in the last year. This year he is looking for some better opportunities for work. He is currently working for Punjab II Governing Body, Punjab Information Technology Board as a Programme Manager. "The Organization seeks to achieve good governance through its variety of e-Government initiatives in Punjab Government Departments."

Guess who wrote two papers awaiting publication? Syed Qasim Ifzal! He also continued with MS-SPM Program at FAST, along with the routine job work at Choueifat and providing ISO/CMM Consultancy to two software companies. In the coming year, he plans to finish MS programme, take CISA exam, carry on with the job, and apply for PhD. Most importantly, "Two kids, one wife; ... so far".

Another year, another blow to the BSc 2001 singles. Munib Khalid Siddiqi is getting married in July. He managed to do that while continuing to work at Accenture.

Omer Suleman is still living in London with first wife and one son. Still trading options for a living, but now at Citigroup, having recently left Deutsche Bank. Main benefit: "It saves me an hour of commute every day!"

**Shamyl Imam Malik** also joined Citigroup with Omer Suleman. He is the proud father of 2; one boy, one girl with **Nadia Masud**; another BSc 2001 couple.

Huma Khalid wrote: "It's unbelievable that it's been ten years post undergrad. It seems like another lifetime altogether. These days am working on perfecting my role as the stressed out, not too polite yet politically correct, corporate banker. Success level to be determined at appraisal time. And, of course, in the background I am planning my great escape from the corporate world... maybe a best selling book... if I can only get to some Taliban representatives who'd be willing to give an interview."

That should be easy, just pretend to be an American. You'll be picked up in no time!

Ahmed Khan is still making socks, getting involved in business politics.

"Oh yeah going to launch a couple of startups this year Inshallah, one in finance and one in technology." Woohoo! "First year of marriage has been super great, been travelling a lot, USA, Europe, Dubai and up to Skardu and Shigar. Still in Lahore, still loving life."

All is well with Ali Naqvi, who just got done with moving houses.

Amna Latif had this summary for us: "I have two sturdy boys, ages almost 8 and 6 now. I went to University of Pennsylvania Law School for three years and got a J.D. from there. I'm a licensed attorney in Iexas and worked at Vinson & Elkins in Dallas, TX from 2008-2010, as a corporate & securities lawyer. I moved to California because of my husband's job. Just finished with the California bar exam and hope to start at Fenwick & West LLP in their mergers & acquisitions/emerging companies practice group this fall, InshaAllah. I also love doing asylum law work on a pro-bono basis. I'm really looking forward to getting involved with the Muslim community in the San Francisco Bay Area soon." Very cool!

Ali Abbas Syed says: "There's been some stability in my life given I've managed to stay in one place for almost 2.5 years now. And Geneva is pretty good." And the chocolates? I hear they have pretty good chocolates in Geneva:)

P&G rewarded Saad Tawwab Khan Rao and his wife Saroop's (MBA 2006) loyalty by promoting them last year. Saad is now Brand Manager for Paper Category and Saroop has moved onto being Logistics Manager for Pakistan. In his free time Saad tries to help improve Saroop's bowling score and is happy to report an improvement from JUST 6 to 68:) Maybe Saad should invite Kashif and his wife to these bowling lessons too.

Abdul Rehman is working as Microsoft SharePoint Consultant at Toshiba America Medical Systems in Irvine, California. He mostly worked and traveled last year, and plans to do more of the same this year. Oh yes, he wants to go on a cruise!

Ali Aziz moved to London in Oct 2008, working in Enterprise Sales for eBay. He has a 1 year old daughter, Zaynah Yasmin Ali.

Things have not changed much in a year for Asim Saghir. He is living happily with his kids and wife in Lahore, working as an entrepreneur dealing in paper and board products. On the class notes, he had some reflections: "I think its now time for all of us to discuss our experiences of life to give some meaning to these notes. Its now time to think about the bigger objective of the life hereafter and what are we all doing to achieve that goal. I hope that will give lasting happiness and joy to all. Wasalam, Asim"

Some more thoughts from Khurram Waqas Malik: "It's again the time of the year where we communicate. I don't think many people are in touch with most others (me included), just sending a casual message at the turn of the year or so. I hope this casual communication can somehow be transformed into something much more participatory, like during our academic tenure. As for me during the last, there hasn't been much change on the academic front: I'm STILL trying to complete my 3rd masters in IQM (hopefully, by next year; I'm still thinking about fur-

thering my education, though). On the professional font, I've been affiliated with the Centre for Public Policy and Governance for some time now, and have been looking at policy issues in various sectors besides being involved in research activities of the Centre. I've been involved in deliberation over the national Innovation, Industrial and

Agriculture policies, which we hope they are formalized by the end of the year. Moreover,

I've participated in several policy dialogues, notably on socio-economic issues of public management, economic competitiveness, urban development, education, migration and gender mainstreaming. Finally, in the wake of 'continuing professional development,' I intend to complete a century of workshops/trainings attended by next year."

Mehr Shah is back in Pakistan after completing her MBA at Syracuse University, New York. She continues to work with microfinance.

Nauman Azhar and Ayesha Waheed still live in San Jose, CA with their daughter and son, born last year. Nauman works for Intelenex, an Oracle partner. Ayesha is a full time mom and loves it since she gets to spend so much time with their adorable kids.

Maleeha Ali is working at Lend Lease LLC, married, in London, no kids, no pets. She is still hoping to have a BSc 2001 reunion.

Hussain Shehryar Humayun and his wife just had their second child (Adil) in June. He is still in London working as Vice President - Systems Audit of The Bank of Tokyo-Mitsubishi UFJ Ltd. No big plans for the next year other than a job move which should be happening pretty soon. "One thing I would mention is that we should all try to donate as much as we can (individually through various charities) for the recent floods in Pakistan which have been the worst in recent history."

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Umair Tariq is back in Dubai, still with Standard Chartered, and looking after Africa, so keeps heading down for lots of safaris. He hasn't tied the knot yet, so still a "swingin' bachelor, no kids that I know of."

Kamran Ahsan did well at work, got promoted at Capital One Bank, and the said farewell to Virginia (after being there for six years) to move to New York so that his wife, Saima, could continue her medical training (residency). They now live in Forest Hills in Queens NY. For the coming year, Kamran is planning to spend time with his beautiful daughter (Eshaal), born this April, switch jobs, get back into cycling, and survive through Saima's intern year.

Sumair Pervaiz wote: "A lot has happened in the last couple of years (since I posted to class notes). I moved back to Seattle from Chicago as apparently the greater Seattle hosts almost 1/4th of the pupils from

the great batch of 2000/2001 and I just can't live without them, LOL. Actually, it was due to my job change as my aspirations and plans to become a millionaire failed in Chicago when I started to work for this startup, which got sold for some \$27M; but I couldn't get a dime out of the whole deal due some minor legislation issues. So I thought lets just take the revenge out on the US economy by joining an Investment Bank (Parametric Portfolio Associates) in late 2008. The market came crashing down right after... yaaAAayy, I succeeded, haha, but I still get to keep my job, not as a development

team-lead but just as a Senior Developer. Because, of course, you can't be a team lead for a team which got laid-off entirely. Nevertheless, I am loving the work that I am doing these days and learning a lot. Now moving on to the next subject, I recently celebrated my 5th wedding anniversary last month and will be celebrating the 2nd birthday of my son Zidaan (Zizou) in a week's time. Oh, please don't think that I named him after Zine-

dine Zidane (the famous/infamous French soccer player). It does not even rhyme. So anyway, this was an extremely abbreviated version of a very interesting two years. Hope to keep in touch with you guys!"

Khizer Usmani is with Mashreq Bank Treasury. Work is alright, as good as the financial sector can be in these times. Still single. Still traveling.

Sultan Akif has single-handedly killed off the entire bird population of Canada. He hunted his first black bear along with a series of other game animals. On top of that, he backpacked in Turkey, Dominican Republic, Ireland, UK and US. "Travel, family and hunting are the core focus in life these days (not necessarily in that order:)". In the coming year, he is planning to go to Africa (Kenya, Tanzania, Egypt and Zanzibar), and expecting his second child! Congratulations! On the non-fun professional side, he is working at Microsoft... "Really enjoying my role as Financial Services Architect for Canada."

Ali Jaffery recently changed jobs and is now working at a fund of hedge funds in New York. Guess what else? He finished co-authoring a book called "Hedge Fund Alpha: A Framework for Generating and Understanding Investment Performance"! Holy Moly! In the coming year, he is going back to school to SIPA at Columbia (part time) to study international economics and work on co-authoring another book with a professor at Rutgers. Dude, nice!

On Abid Mohsin's end, he survived another year at McKinsey. Climbed Kilimanjaro, explored Europe a bit, and is planning to do a few more trips in the coming year. It causes his parents great angst that their son is single in San Francisco. We'll see if things change in the coming year;)

**BSc 2002** 

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B.Sc. 2002 is alive and well! Eight years past graduation, people are doing great and moving on in life! Some are starting news jobs, some are going back to school and others just got done with school! Some are getting married, some are looking to get married, some are enjoying the birth of their children and the rest are happy to go with the flow. Life is good Alhumdulillah! Read on to see exactly who has taken what path:

We start off with Amna Mahmood who is currently in Lahore and is very excited about going to LUMS again for her Masters in Computer Science. Amna Mirza has just moved to Quetta with her army husband Bilal and two sons and is enjoying being a mom. Amna Nisar is living in Lahore with husband Nabeel and two daughters Zainab and Mariam. Ahsan Chishty and family were blessed with a bouncing baby boy, Ziyyad Chishty earlier this year. Ahsan has become very proficient with diapers and cereals. However, he avoids night duty. In the day, he makes it by as the Head of Capital Markets for BMA Capital. For the past two years, Arsalan liaz Anwar has been running his own Information Systems Consultingcompany in London as well as an offshore software development facility in Lahore. He feels that starting up a business during a recession has been one of the best experiences of his life! Ayesha Aslam is living in Lahore with her husband, Faisal and 5 year old son, Eisa.

She is currently working at Sofizar as a Content Writer, while also doing other freelance writing projects. Ayesha Umer has been working in Corporate Banking - Faysal Bank for well over 2 years and is presently enjoying the additional perks of her recent promotion. She has been contemplating a Masters degree for some time but still needs that certain something to lure her away from the 'world of earning'.

Bilal Lodhi lives in Dallas working with Bain and Co. as Sr. Customer Insight Specialist. Bilal and his wife are being kept fit by their year old daughter who now runs around the house and grabbing everything in reach. Bilal ur Rahman is living in London and working as a SAP consultant for IBM UK.

Faisal Chishty has just moved to Calgary and is working as a Senior Manager in the Oil & Gas sector with KPMG. He's going to use this year to come to grips with the freezing cold weather of Alberta. Faraz Khan lives in Philadelphia working for Exelon Nuclear Energy Company in the Finance/Controller's group. Faraz and Shafaq have 2 kids, Zain 2.5 years and Mikael 15 months who keep them super busy. Faraz Sheikh is a visiting scholar at Upenn's Middle East Center. He is also visiting lecturer in Theology at St. Joseph's University in Philadelphia. He is writing his dissertation on the sources and strategies of self-formation in early Muslim society. He loves playing with his little one.

Hassan Rahim is working for JP Morgan in London. He got married this year and says life's good. Jahanzeb Sherwani is having the time of his life working on iTeleport, a software startup he founded after completing his PhD last year. He's also discovered a jam buddy in his wife, Nosheen the bassist:) Kanwal Safdar is in sunny California with her husband and 6 month old daughter. She is still working at Google. Khurram Saleem Malik is working in the US for Xavor Consulting. He is doing well and is enjoying life with wife Amna and son Ibrahim. Khwaja Huzaifa is working at Ernst & Young Lead Advisory Services as a Manager in Karachi. He is enjoying life with his lyr 8mth old son Khuzaima and 7mth old daughter Eshaal. Kulsum Abbasi lives in Islamabad and works as an RA for a Social Research firm. She also continues to impact the minds and shape the futures of young adults and teaches economics part-time.

Mahira Ilyas (me!) has just completed her MBA from LUMS. She's had a fantastic two years off, from the real world, during the one of kind MBA programme. She made great friends, was forced to study a lot and jumped off a cliff (40 feet high) into water...twice!! She is currently looking for job opportunities and has to decide whether to stay in Lahore or move to KSA.

Mehr Bajwa is based in Lahore and continues to work in the development sector. She is currently working at the USAID Pakistan FIRMS Project as a Monitoring & Evaluation Specialist. Mobeen Yaqub lives in London with her husband and six year old daughter. She works in finance for a Swiss bank. Momina Piracha just graduated with a Masters in Software Engineering from California State University, Fullerton. She is working part time at SmithMicro as an intern, planning business endeavors with her husband and

bringing up two future stars - her kids! Muhammad Waqas Asif Wyne completed his MBA from UK. He is happily married to the love of his life whom he married at the end of 2009 and is also working as Relationship Manager Corporate Banking.

Nadia Akram is currently living in Karachi with husband and 5 yr old daughter Maha.

She is a socialite mom and has been teaching O-levels English Literature which reminds her of the LUMS days of Kaneez Aslam, Ansa Zafar and others.

Noman Jaffery has been working as a Business Intelligence Practice Lead for a consulting company in Melbourne, Australia.

Nosheen Ali is a postdoctoral fellow at Stanford University, writing a book on state-building and citizenship struggles in Gilgit-

Baltistan. She is also an aspiring bass guitarist, and occasionally performs at concerts with Jahanzeb:) Qasim Saeed has been blessed with a cute little daughter 8 months ago and is busy with her ever since. He's still working in Lahore but planning to move to Canada by the end of this year for, according to him, 'God knows what reason'. After the crash of Lehman Brothers, Raza Kizilbash & his colleagues on the

Raza Kizilbash & his colleagues on the Electronic Trading desk were hired by Mizuho Securities as part of the Japanese investment bank's Asia build-out. Raza will be bidding farewell to Tokyo this September as he relocates to Hong Kong. Outside of work, Raza has been traveling and is busy planning his wedding for early 2011.

Sadaf Altaf Chaudhry is working and living in London with husband Kashif and daughter Sara. Saira Gul lives in Karachi with her husband Aly and 2.5 yr old son Ibrahym. After a long break from work, she started her own business last year designing clothes

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under the label of 'Flair' for friends and family. She is doing well and hopes to expand her business soon. Salman Akram lives in England still working as a Systems Analyst for Hewlett Packard. Salman and Faiza were recently blessed with a baby boy Ahyan Malik who is currently 4 months old. Recently they have been putting in double glazed windows to their flat to help keep the "new" noise levels down inside the premises. They wouldn't like to disrupt neighborhood peace especially during the Holy month of Ramadan. Samia Afzal has said goodbye to the corporate world and is a full time homemaker (read \*MOM\*). She has two sons (1.8 yrs old and 3.6yrs old) and is settled in Lahore. Samreen Khan lives in Qatar and is currently working as a Freelance Writer reporting economics news for Newzglobe, contributing articles to online magazine Suite 101 and maintaining her own blog which

deals with various issues ranging from economics, environment to social issues. Saud Bangash lives in Islamabad working for UNDP. He is happily married and is blessed with a two and a half year old daughter. Besides participating in development programming for improving the lives of the people of Pakistan, Saud pursues outdoor excursions and is exploring his talent in music. Shaikh Qaseem recently moved to San Francisco Bay Area, working for a startup. Syed

Mohammad Irteza is working as a lecturer in Air University, Islamabad. He enjoyed a wonderful journey to Yemen last year, and is praying for the best for the Muslim Ummah.

Tamkeen Jafri is happily married to husband Rizwan and is currently teaching at a university in Wah Cantt. Umar Khan got married and moved to Switzerland last year and is still working at Procter & Gam-

ble. After spending 7 years working as a Management Consultant and in the private equity sector, Umair Qazi is now at Manchester Business School pursuing his MBA. He has another 6 months left, after which he'll be back in the job market. Usman Khalid is working as Marketing Manager for Syngenta, in Lahore. Usman Khawaja is

working in Lahore as National Sales Manager for Silk Bank.

Waqas Bajwa is working in the Federal Board of Revenue Govt. of Pakistan in Lahore since Jan 2005, after qualifying the CSS exam in 2004, firstly as As-

sistant Commissioner and now as Deputy Commissioner Inland Revenue. Presently, he is on study leave for two years to pursue MBA programme at LUMS. Yes, it is back to LUMS after eight long years. He is happily married to Sana Waqas and has a beautiful 2 year old daughter Manahil. And last but definitely not the least Waqas Moosa is working as Marketing Director at Goody, a packaged food products company based in Saudi Arabia. Waqas got married in 2008, and lives with his wife in Jeddah, KSA.

These were brief sneak peeks into the lives of our class mates. We hope the rest of the batch is doing well and are happy wherever they maybe. Wish everyone the best of luck! Till next year then, take care!

BSc 2003

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Omar "Sasha" Farooq is in Toronto, Canada working at Rogers Communications. Currently focusing on his MBA from Schulich School of Business and backpacking across the great outdoors of Canada.

Next in line is news from USA:

Danial Ranjha has graduated from Carnegie Mellon this year. Mehreen Zaidi is a happy mom of a 2  $\frac{1}{2}$ year old boy and an 11 mths old baby girl. She left the world of academics 4 yrs ago after completing her MA in Political Science. Her new passions are her kids and cooking! She is currently in Notre Dame, IN where her husband has another year of MBA left. Murtaza "Gullu" Halai recently got married and is living and working in Seattle. Sadia Ali is Bay Area California, raising two kids and freelancing from home. Sana Shahid Haq is living in Redmond, WA, doing her MBA from Seattle University. She is happily married to Saad Ansari (BSc 2000) and just recently ran her first half-marathon. Sarah Taria is living and working in Santa Clara with NVIDIA. Usman Ahmad recently got engaged! Zoaib Nafar is in Illinois working for IBM and is enjoying life with his wife.

Next up is news from Europe:

Aamna Alamgir & Jawahar Ahmed Sajjad are well settled in Bonn, Germany for over a year now and are working in different roles within Deutsche Telekom AG. Ali Zia Khan has moved to Switzerland at Nestlé Headquarters along with Mehr Shaukat and baby Ayesha this summer. Ali Farid is working as an Equity Analyst covering technology stocks at Berenberg Bank in London and his wife, Mubashira

is still a Fund Manager at Aberdeen Asset Management, investing in global emerging markets. They had a baby daughter, Mashal in June this year and are now busy managing long work hours and sleepless nights! Ali Gardezi is still working in the UK and enjoying running marathons! Asma Aleem is taking a break from work. She is currently living in London and just became a mum. Hasan Ateeque is working hard in London at Barclays Capital. Haris Aziz is working as a postdoctoral fellow at TU-Munich and collaborating with Microsoft Research. He is pleased at picking up a bit of German. Imran Aslam is now living in Bucharest, working with Vodafone Romania since his MBA from INSEAD last year. Kashmali Khan is globe-trotting! Mahrukh Saeed is working with Ernst and Young in London. Murtaza Rehman is settled in London with his lovely wife, Ayesha, and 6 months old boy, Emad after completing his post-graduate studies from Oxford. He is developing a taste for consulting through successful rebranding strategy of Marks and Spencer in China and now working on the sale of Gatwick Airport. Omer Nazir has joined Deutsche Bank London in their Global Markets Division after completing his MBA from INSEAD. Whoever said double-dip recession is a remote possibility!!! Rabea Malik is in the UK working towards her PhD. Shahzad "SIM" Ismail Mian is working on various hi-tech startups in London. Uzma Ali is still based in London and enjoying spending time with her lovely two kids.

#### News from the Middle East:

Fatima Yazdani is happily married and living in Dubai nowadays. Haaris Haque has recently moved to Dubai with HSBC, and still likes to reminisce the long gone days of LUMS and Karachi....life will never be the same! Imran Tahir is married and living in Dubai, needless to say, partying hard! Khurram Ghufran is living it up in Kuwait with wife, recently earning the CFA title, and awaiting the entry of a third member to the Ghufran clan! Kiran Khan & Owais Qazi are living it up in Dubai where, for them,

Weeks are blurs and Weekends are breathers. Enough said! :) Alhamdulillah! Mohsin Siddiqui got married recently, and doing not too bad in Dubai. Contrary to general opinion, he is a much more domesticated person these days.

Muhammad Noman Siddiqui is living up the bache-

lorhood and the investment banker life in Bahrain and still believes i-banking is the best profession in the world! Rai "Inzi" Usman Mujahid is working at Barclays Bank and also got married last year. Salman Ikram ul Haq is the star E&Y Consultant for the Middle East office. While recession has slowed down his work, it's not too slow to earn him a promotion every year! Great going!! Tehmina Hasan is working in Treasury Sales at Standard Chartered Bank, Dubai. She continues to party up, travel and play host in Dubai!

#### Coming to Pakistan, first up is Karachi:

Aamir Ghulamani is working at Express News keeping 'har khabar pe nazar'. He got married in February. Ali Habib is working at IRD in Karachi as Manager of IT Development. He gets to do cool things with cell phones in public health. His job is turning him into a bit of a globetrotter.

Assam "Vex" Khalid recently got married to Nariman Qureshi and is living and working in Karachi. Bilal Farooq just got married. Currently, Telenor Pakistan is benefiting from his statistical wizardry. Bilal "Bando" Sarfaraz is moving up the corporate ladder pretty fast, and also got married in February...says that counter strike will still be his first love! Cyril Almeida is working with Dawn News. Saad Mohammad got nikkahofied recently, and is going to join the "happily married" club soon.

#### Moving on to news from Lahore:

Ayesha Farooq is back in Lahore after briefly living in UK during her husband's MBA. Her two daughters are keeping her busy. Azeem Niazi is working in Lahore for a U.S based consulting firm currently contracted to implement USAID's FIRMS Project. He has been married for five years and has a 2 ½ year old daughter. Beenish Waseem is living in Lahore with her husband and two sons. Fatima Ansari is back in Lahore and taking a break from work as she just gave birth to a beautiful baby girl. Hina Shaikh just got married a few months back and is now enjoying the married bliss. Ibrar Javed has recently completed his MBA from LUMS and is now pondering his next move. Khadija Hassan Aftab is writing, researching, teaching, publishing, and raising two precocious boys. Khawaja Fahd (KMF) is

clicking away at LUMS but he is also Assistant Professor at PU. Mannan Amin is making mobile and casual games at Tintash, and teaching at FCC. Omair Safdar is still rising through the ranks in the MCB Head Office. He is also about to join the "happily married" bandwagon. Saad "Jaggu" Khan is also happily married now. He's currently working at PepsiCo. Good to see he still hasn't lost his sense of humor! Sabeen Malik has moved into her new home and is now the mother of two beautiful baby girls. Tariq Hussain is back in Pakistan since cakewalking through his Masters at MIT. He is now working at LUMS. Zeeshan Zaheer Khan & Masooma are in Pakistan where Zeeshan is running his own private business. Mr. and Mrs. Zeeshan are now +2 with the birth of their twin babies!

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Zawar Qayyum is still teaching at PU as Assistant Professor and also works part time for Xelleration LLC as their Offshore Operations Manager.

News from Islamabad is:

Fahd Gilani is enjoying the bachelor life, and running his business. He likes to play basketball on weekends, and from what I hear, he still has the 'Gilani flare' that we know him for! Madeeha (Bamby) Bajwa is being wooed by multiple suitors, but is still too busy being a narc to take any of them seriously. A thrilling drama based on her fabulous life to air soon... Rizwan Bajwa just became a father to a beautiful baby girl, who thankfully looks like her mother.

And other parts of the world:

Ali "Mochi" Irshad got married (happily) last year and is still working and partying in Singapore. Lyla Zakaria was previously living in London with her husband but they have recently moved to Singapore. Omair Hameed is working as a Senior Consultant with Schlumberger in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. He and his wife are enjoying traveling around the Far East and are looking forward to the arrival of a third member to the family. Naeemuddin Ahmed recently finished his MBA from NUS Business School and has joined HBL, Singapore as Relationship Manager, Wholesale Banking.

**BSc 2004** 

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After a year's hiatus we finally have class notes for the batch of 2004! If your update isn't there, kindly update your email address with the LUMS Alumni, as we got in touch with people based on the contact details provided to us by LUMS. Also for those of you who may not know, BSc 2004 has initiated an Endowment Fund for the LUMS National Outreach Programme, for contributions and details please get in touch with Sabrina Saeed Khan (who is urging you to donate, donate, donate!). Until next year, cheers!

Kenan and Humaira recently celebrated their fifth wedding anniversary. They have a beautiful baby daughter Manaha who turns 1 in September this year. Manaha is learning to speak English, Seraiki, French and Urdu. Kenan is working with HBL as HR RM (Central) & HR Strategist and is based in Lahore. Humaira hopes to start teaching again soon, she had resumed work at LUMS till Manaha came along. The couple still shares their passion for music and cats, and jams frequently with Manaha as an active audience. They recently performed at Bilal Afzal's wedding.

Ali Zaidi is still working at Procter & Gamble. He has moved to its Middle East operations and is based in Saudi Arabia. Sabrina Saeed Khan, who is married to Ali Zaidi, had to leave her consultancy with European Commission in Pakistan and is now exploring different career opportunities in Saudi Arabia. They would be more than happy to host anyone visiting Jeddah. Zaheer is at Bukhatir Group in Sharjah, working in the corporate finance and strategy. When not at work, he volunteers with Acumen Fund's Dubai Chapter and has launched a Youth Club for expatriate Pakistanis in the UAE. Mariya Absar got her Masters degree in Environmental Management from Yale School of Forestry and Environmental Studies in February 2009 and has since been working as a Water Policy Researcher in Islamabad, studying the impact of Climate Change on the glaciers and water resources of Pakistan. On weekends she volunteers at the Margalla Hills National Park creating awareness about the conservation of indigenous plant and animal species and national park etiquette to the community. Bilal Bhatti was blessed with a beautiful baby girl last year, who has ensured that baba's every minute at home is eventful. On the professional side, Bilal is enjoying marketing consumer electronics in Kuwait, and keeps wondering why people need to change their cell phones every third month!!

Adil "Dirty" Waqar and his wife Tooba were blessed with a baby girl in January, 2010 (they've named her Minnah), and are enjoying the wonders of parenthood. Adil continues to work at Copernicus Marketing Consulting & Research in Boston, MA. Muhammad Raza Saeed is Working as CEO of Confiz, a leading software consulting company providing services to major mobile operators in Pakistan & Middle East, fortune 1000 companies globally etc. Shams Ul Haq completed his MBA from INSEAD and got married recently. He is currently settled in Lahore. He is working for the Punjab Government. Syed Arsalan Ali is working at Mobilink. On a personal front, he got married last year.

Taimoor Akhtar a.k.a Kupi is still pursuing his PhD at Cornell with all hopes of coming out alive from the 5-year ordeal. He is keeping sane by singing in a local group at the university.

Nooruddin Abbas Ali is settled in Karachi and is working for GBM. He has one son and is happily married. Rabia and Usman are enjoying parenthood with their son and newly born daughter. Komul Khan had been working for Xavor since graduating, but she's recently resigned to pursue an MBA at Berkeley. Asad is working towards his PhD in Computer Science and Engineering at Penn State. Not much is going on in his life, and he is still in denial that it has been 6 years since his graduation. Seems like yesterday...

Babar Taimoor after completing a joint MA in International Relations and International Communication from Boston University in September 2009, has been working at the International Center for Religion and Diplomacy in Washington DC since Feb 2010. Fahd Akram Ali aka Toby was last seen in Dubai partying and known to be working for P&G. Noamaan Nadeem has been working for Microsoft and living it up in Seattle. Fayyaz Solangi, after clearing his CSS, is pursuing his career in the public sector. Osman Sarood is settled in Illinois, US and is happily married. Mahira Kalim is engaged. She is currently working for SAP and is settled in the US. Mahira Chisty-Zakiuddin and Youshey Zakiuddin are settled in Karachi and enjoying married life. Mahira is working at IoBM. Ali Asad is settled in Karachi. He got married earlier this year and is working for Engro in Finance. Amir Arab after spending three unforgettable years in France is finally returning to the 'Land of the Pure' for good. He earned his MBA specialising in 'Change Management' and now is looking forward to restart his professional

Let's just say after graduating Reza Abbasy got to pursue further studies at a really great university abroad, is working at a great company in the US and wouldn't change a thing about his current situation. Like they say "living well is the best ..."

Mubashira Bukhari is happily married to Ali Farid Khawaja and is settled in London. She recently became a proud mother of a beautiful baby girl, Mashal. Aliya Sattar is married and settled in Kuwait. She was working for KPMG but after the recent addition of her daugher Rania into the family, she's much happier in adopting the role of a full time mom. Aiaza Izhar is married and settled in Dubai with her two daughters. Shaza Bari is happily married and settled in US. She's enjoying raising her lovely daughter Meerub. Tasmia Javaid is married and settled in US with her two kids. Farval Saijad is married and settled in Faisalabad with her son Rafay. Kanwal Ahuja got married and moved to New Jersey. She is blissfully enjoying the eternal joy of lazing, travelling and being a housewife.

Sarah Halai had been living in Canada since she got married right after LUMS. However, her love for

Karachi has called her back to settle in "the city of lights" with her husband and two year old son, Daniyal. Expect to see her roaming the streets of Karachi August onwards. Leena Khan was last spotted in San Francisco on her work commute to the Googleplex. Sunny California has been treating her well and is quite a contrast from her grad school days in (brrr, cold) Ithaca. When not working, she can be spotted at live music scenes in the city. Also, rumor has it she recently got engaged!

Ahsan Naseem is working as a Director in Uraan Software House in Lahore and travels frequently between Germany and Pakistan for his work. He is married and is settled in Lahore. Ali Nagi Shaheen is leading Uraan Software House as its CEO and travels frequently between Germany and Pakistan. He is also the CEO of Coeus Solutions GmbH, a leading software house in Germany. He is married and has one daughter. Tashfeen Suleman is working in Microsoft and is settled in the US. Ali Kiyani is working as Marketing Manager for Qarshi. He did his MBA from Lahore School of Economics. Afroz Syed is running her very own SEO Business by the name of www.SEO-Reloaded.com; her main expertise is Internet Marketing and Search Engine Optimization, helping her clients drive traffic and users to their online businesses. She is also running several successful personal websites and blogs.

Nida Zahoor is working as Marketing Manager for Bahria Town and is settled in Lahore. Junaid Saleem after graduating last year from LUMS MBA programme, joined KESC where he is working with COO distribution as part of turnaround team. Married and father of two sons, he is enjoying life at Karachi.

Ayesha Ahmad got married in December 2008 and is currently living and working in Islamabad. Currently, she is working at the World Bank as Operations Analyst (working here since Feb 2009). Previously, she was working at ADB for almost 2 years. Mehreen Pasha got her degree in MBA Banking from University of London's External Programme and at present is a housewife taking care of her preschooler.:)

Amna Masoom is still working at Bank Aflalah for the past 5 years and life got better professionally when she joined the HR division as Recruitment Manager

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two years ago. It keeps getting better every day which is why she's been patient enough to stick to the same job. She got married early this year with a dream wedding and is ecstatically happy in the married mode. However, she gets a little sad sometimes to not have the unique surname anymore. Omar Mubin is in the final stages of his PhD in the Netherlands and hopes to finish soon. He is also now enjoying parenthood after recently becoming a proud father of a baby boy. Hamad Jilani Khawaaja has been working as a Software Development Engineer in Test at Microsoft for the past 2+ years. During this time he helped with shipping Windows 7 and is currently working on the next release.

Bilal Khan got married in April this year and is settled in Dubai with his wife. He's working in Risk Management Division at the National Bank of Abu Dhabi. Behzad Khan is currently working at Shell Pakistan as

Communications Implementer. Prior to this he was a member of the GSAP Deploy team responsible for implementing SAP in Shell Pakistan as part of the Global Downstream-One project, which is the largest single business transformation programme currently underway anywhere in the world.

Nadia Saeed completed an MSc in Business Analytics and Consulting from Warwick Business School last year and is now working as a Project Manager in England. Raza Saeed has started a PhD in Socio-Legal Studies from University of Warwick while working for a UK Further Education Sector organization. Fazeela & Farhan Saleem tied the knot last year in Karachi and are now settled in London. Fazeela still works for P&G UK leading Market Strategy & Planning for the Duracell Brand and Farhan is a Professional Online Poker Player making more money than a regular corporate job with half the working days!!

Ali Sufyan after his MBA from LUMS went onto another Masters from Columbia. He worked in NY for a while and then moved to London where he has been since 2007. Adeel Ahmad is currently at Standard Chartered Bank London, working as a Senior Credit Risk Quant. He recently got married back in March and is very active with long-time friends, playing cricket. Asif labal is working as a Global Brand Manager at Unilever UK and is enjoying

Brand Manager at Unilever UK and is enjoymarried life in London.

Azfar is so over Singapore and is moving to the notso-greener pastures of the desert land Dubai. He will be heading the regional business development for NOL APL in MENA. Ali Bukhari is currently working as Vice President, Remote Banking Group, at MCB Bank in Karachi. He feels that women adversely contribute to ones work life and during times of recession, being married is not a wise option at all. [He is single and looking!]

Abid Abbas is working as an AVP at the Bank of America Merrill Lynch in New York within the rates and currencies desk. He got married to Maham last year. Silal Shafgat is working as the Head of Social Research at Nielsen Pakistan. He and Tanya are looking forward to Sikandar's school this spring, who turns two and half now. Khurram Ali Nagvi is married and is currently working with Barclays UAE as a Product Manager. He is based in Dubai. Hassaan Munir is currently working with Citibank Poland as a Cards Product Head. He was with Citibank UAE up until March 2010, after which he moved to Warsaw. Yasmeen Rabbani is married and lives in Singapore, where she works with Citigroup (Global Commodities) as an Energy Salesperson for Corporates. Bilal Afzal worked for Telenor for 5 years and recently got married. He is proceeding to George Washington University to pursue his MBA. Uzair & Barkha reside in Dubai and their famous hospitality sees them hosting more people every year than the new Atlantis at the Palm. Uzair has been working with his family firm since 2008 and has set up a new company in the UAE recently, while Barkha is working with Price Waterhouse Coopers as a Government and Non-Profit Sector Strategy Consultant. Durrani is still with RBS, Investment Banking Asia/Australia in Hong Kong. Married and no children yet, too busy making money, he is in love with HK and is hopefully coming to visit PK in December. Arsi T is in Sydney doing his Masters in Finance. Most of Durrani's phone bills are because of long calls to him... some things never change!

Muffi and Arsi keep raiding East Asian islands off and on to visit Durrani and by the way, Durrani has extended a wholehearted invitation to all BMD and IIF boys...as well as others. Baoo is also in Hong Kong. He 's working for Standard Chartered within GIS. He is married and has a beautiful baby daughter Sofi, who is 5 months old and speaks fluent Chinese!!!

Naveed Ejaz is enjoying the London life and hoping to finish with studies soon. Rafia Dar is married and based in Finland. She is busy raising a child, learning the language and traveling in Europe. Rehab Butt is married and has an adorable one year old boy. She has relocated from Dubai to Dammam, Saudi Arabia and spends her time hope scotching in the region. Uzair Moosa is in the party city of Riyadh a.k.a Paris of the Middle East working for a low cost airline -NAS as part of the turnaround team. The airline is expected to hit its first month of profit in July!

Rabiha Gareeb is married and settled in New York. She has just completed her graduate degree from Colombia. Samreen Ghani after completing her MBA from Booth Business School, Chicagois living her dream as an Investment Banker at Morgan

Stanley London. Adnan Adil aka Chu Chu is settled in Dubai and working for a private equity firm. He recently got married to the charming Zarah Iftikar. Adnan Milwalla aka Milli is a Management Consultant at Deloitte London. Ahmed Ali (Karachi) is in Corporate Sales at HSBC and is happily married.

Nadir Zia is still working at Cisco Karachi. He recently danced with Matt the global dancer, of the fame 'Where the hell is Matt?', who was visiting Karachi. So keep an eye out for him in the next video! Sadaf Fawad Khan is happily raising a 2.5 year old monster:). Professionally she just moved to Tetrapak after 4 years of being at Levi's Saira Qureshi after spending a year water-less, electricity-less and car-less in Ghana overhauling software for MFIs and then another year writing Java in Toronto, is now moving to NYC and heading back to academia at Columbia University. Despite vowing to never go back to school, she will now pursue a Masters in Public Administration and Development Practice and hope she doesn't drown in debt.

Omar Khalid was with Toyota for the last two years, as a Product Manager for Corolla, and has recently moved to the US with his lovely wife Madhiha. His music pursuits continue, and his band hit a milestone with their performance at Coke Studio. Post LUMS, Rajia Abbas completed her BSc in Finance through LSEÕs external program. She is currently based in Riyadh and taking a few years off from work to raise her two kids. Unfortunately, not what LUMS trains you for!

Haroon Rashid Khan Hoti was at Shell and now is headed to Warwick for his MBA. Saqib Raza got done with his PhD and joined Cisco Systems. He lives in Santa Clara, CA Mohammad Ali Bandial aka Monty successfully completed his CSS. Jamshaid Musaddiq completed his MBA from Jospeh L. Rotman School of Managment, University of Toronto in 2009. He spent most part of last year in combating the great recession, doing crazy networking and exploring highlands of Canada. He is now working in corporate finance division of one of the largest Telecom companies in North America. Ahmed Ali is working at Wateen Telecom as Product Manager for Internet. Hasnain Haider successfully completed his CSS.

Ali Raza (Khamba) and Zahra Lakdawala tied the knot last year. Zahra has completed her PhD and is working in Germany while Khamba is doing his PhD from Oxford and travels frequently between UK and Germany. Shumaila Hemani, after graduating from LUMS in 2006, joined the graduate programme in Islamic Studies and Humanities at the Institute of Ismaili Studies, London followed by a M.A in Ethnomusicology at University of Alberta under Dr. Regula Buckhardt Qureshi and examining how folk music was used by

the Pakistani state to project its identity abroad. She is currently initiating her doctoral studies in Ethnomusicology at Harvard University.

### **BSc 2005**

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Last year has been quite an eventful one for BSC 2005 as lots of wedding bells were heard, babies were born, graduations were celebrated and promotions were witnessed.

#### Lahore:

Ali Zaman's agenda is to paraglide all the way to the Himalayas (in Nepal) before the year ends. He also plans to continue to work in the field of business development and marketing, and make it to the Forbes 50 Fab Companies in Asia list (someday). Amber Rahman Mir got married in February '10 and has moved to Dubai with her entrepreneur husband Khurram Mir from MBA 2007. She is currently busy exploring her talent in cooking, assisting her husband set up his business in UAE and attuning to the left hand drive. Simultaneously, as any unemployed person, her job hunt is on and she hopes to be settled back in her career soon. Arooj Saba is currently a full-time wife; running a home is definitely as rewarding, if not more, as working for her last employer, Kashf Foundation, and she is enjoying it to the hilt. Asim Magbool completed his Masters in IT Management from CMU in 2009 and later joined IBM Pakistan as Solution Architect. He also got married last year in December and is currently enjoying life with wife and family in Lahore. Ayesha Usman (previously Ayesha Ali) finished is currently working at Nestlé after her MBA from LUMS and is enjoying it a lot. She also had a baby boy last month which makes her part of the mommy club too. Fatima Ali

has currently taken time off from LUMS MBA and will

be resuming from Jan 2011 for her last semester.

Rabia Hussain is still working for CitiBank.

Sana Nazir is in the process of completing her Masters in Computer Science from LUMS. She is tying the knot with Taria Mehmood soon and, hence, will be creating the fourth couple on whom the waters at Batura worked their love-magic, albeit a little late. Saad F. Akhtar is still about the Media and is married to Hadia Majid. Syed Ali Hasanain defended his PhD in January, moved back to Pakistan in February, got married in March, worked as a visiting faculty at the Lahore School in summer, and is joining LUMS as an Assistant Professor in the Economics Department in August. Sana Khalid is busy raising her baby, Abdullah who was born last year. Saba Pervez finished her MBA from LUMS last year and is now trying her hand at some research and teaching. Wardah Ghazanfar has proved to be a devoted Mobilink-er and is back to working for the company after completing her MBA. She's getting hitched in October and plans to be as devoted to her future husband as she is to Mobilink. Zainab Amir is also getting ready to join the bandwagon of the "happily married" in October this year. Other than that, she is usually spotted coaxing people to invest heavily in LUMS. Zainab

Karachi:

bliss.

Ahsan Nazar a.k.a Batti is back in town but is still "Amreekan at heart". These days he is found driving his wife Ayesha Sultan around the city, who in turn drives him crazy, when not doing the same to the good folks at HBL. Amina Ansari is working for KESC Strategy Department and can surely be contacted for power failures in your locality. Arsalan Arif a.k.a Bubloo recently got promoted to AVP at Samba Bank. Ayaz Karim and Danish Khaliq recently tied the knot. Fahad Majid Hasan has returned from NY

Hamid recently fied the knot and is enjoying

some globe-trotting and lots of wedded

with a Masters degree from Columbia. He seems to be playing Mr. Know-It-All at Engro and is always found pulling strings to receive "Employee of the Month Award". Faryal Khan, when not missing her MBAing-in-the-USA husband, is either giving a tough time to her two year old son, Rayyan, or bringing down the IT Department at SSGC with her antics. She is seen at all

Karachi Luminites' weddings and sometimes even goes to Islamabad to fulfill her cravings for wedding food. Haris Bilal Latif a.k.a. Prof joined British Petroleum after completing his Chartered Accountancy from UK. He recently got married and is looking forward to a blissful wedded life. Humza Asif a.k.a. Tingu is happily married and is still sticking to

HP. Irfan Ahmed is still too loyal to Teradata and claims that no one does better Data Warehousing than him. He is hoping to settle down ASAP. Maliha Qadri graduated from Cornell with a degree in MHR (Fulbright Scholar), and is working for Unilever HR. Nadia faroogui is designing clothes by running her own business and making others look fab! Navin Ali graduated from the University of Chicago with a degree in Public Policy (Fulbright Scholar). She recently got married and is looking for a job in Dubai. According to Nabeel Akhtar, "you can find me on Google" but you might not find it online that he recently tied the knot. Quratulain Memon has her hands full with two highly energetic kids. Hats off to her for playing the mommy role so well! Saman Amin is still with Maersk Line Pakistan, moving up the ranks. Sanam Kubra Siddiqui a.k.a. The Great Kobra/Chano has returned from her mischievous Masters Degree in Sydney and has joined the ranks of 'foreign return'. Cobra's quest to save the world and eradicate poverty continues, however it should be noted that her terrorism is not restricted to Karachi as she slowly spreads her reign of terror to Dharki by being a member of the exclusive Enrgo Foundation workforce. Syed Hasan a.k.a. Jammy is busy organizing Barclays football matches against his M3 boys. Syed Fawad Ahmed, to bring diversity in his Unilever-centric life, recently got engaged. Wajeeha Malik, to our utter amazement is found in the Defence Library these days cramming for her actuarial exams. It must be quite a task for her as she was never even located in close proximity to the LUMS Library. Yasir Baghpati a.k.a. Bugz is currently working as the Global Sales Force Automation Solution Manager at Procter & Gamble Pakistan.

#### Islamabad:

Ahmed Igbal a.k.a. IQ has been living large at IBM and he's still as mysterious as ever. 2009-2010 has been the year of 'travel and excitement' for Sabeen Ihsan as she returned to Pakistan after travelling to exotic European countries and successfully completing her MBA. She is now happily married and can be found behind the blue glass walls of Telenor, pursuing her Telecom career while simultaneously fulfilling her personal ambition of 'spreading smiles' by working with an NGO to help the less fortunate members of society. Sundus Ahad is back from Sweden after completion of her Masters degree and is still as bubbly as ever. Zainab Kapadia has returned from Columbia, NY with a Masters in anthropology. Subsequently she has been working in the development sector with a capacity building organization called Empowerment through Creative Integration (ECI) Pvt. Ltd as a Programme Manager.

#### USA:

Ammar Baray finished his MBA from Carnegie Mellon University (CMU) and is working in Philadelphia. Annie Saeed, who exchanged vows with Ahsan Raheem (BSc 2004) last year is enjoying an extended honey moon in Virginia and often shuttles between

Pakistan and USA. Babar Ismail is working with Microsoft in Seattle. He also joined the 'married' bandwagon last November, his wife Shazreh is from NCA. Fahad Dogar is nearing his PhD completion from CMU and is preparing to get married. Faiza Hammad is in Chicago right now, happily married. She has just graduated from Kellogg and is figuring out where she's headed next. Fatima Wajahat has led a trouble-free year in the world of academia. She expects to graduate with a PhD in Urban & Regional Planning from Florida State University in 2011 but, given the vagaries of the job market, does not expect to be employed any time soon. Hadia Majid shuttles between Pakistan and the US while seeking to complete her PhD before Saad withers away. She is one step closer to taking over the world. Ihsan Ayyub Qazi completed his PhD in Computer Sciences and is off to Melbourne to start his post doctorate studies. Kamran Sadia a.k.a. Baba is enjoying life near the southern beaches and doing his PhD in Mathematics from the University of Central Florida. Mehar Zaidi recently had a baby and resides in New Jersey. Muneeza Alam a.k.a. lota is a 4th year Graduate Student in the Department of Economics, Yale University. Nazim Ashraf is juggling a PhD at the University of Central Florida and a side business of exotic Pakistani food including Nihari. So far no incidents of food poisoning have been reported. Noshin Malik a.k.a. Nosh recently got married and moved to the USA. Qudsiah Khan is working at Microsoft as a Software Development Engineer in Seattle, collecting cameras and planning to have her first photography exhibition in 2011. Rizwan Ahmed Chaudhry a.k.a. Theeta is working towards his PhD from Johns Hopkins University while his wife Sanam Humayun is busy mastering the art of German and Pakistani cuisine at the very demanding "Rizwan Chaudhry Institute of Culinary Sciences". Sana Naveed Khawaja a.k.a. Nidi is still working for Microsoft and tolerating the Seattle weather! Sana Khosa has spent a thrilling last year making good use of her proximity to Orlando's theme parks and beaches. She has also graduated from a Masters in Public Administration to a PhD, with a specialization in Emergency Management. Sara Tahir Butt a.k.a. Maan is still working 80 hours a week at Deloitte Consulting and is mostly seen on the road. Shahrukh Zaman (now Shahrukh Areu) graduated from University of Maryland and is working for NASA as a Software Engineer. Sonia Salam is busy completing her jazzy Marketing MBA in Arizona and making culinary delights for hubby dear while restraining from indulging in them herself. Salman Cheema is enjoying marital bliss and completing his PhD from the University of Central Florida. Sarosh Anwar is working at Microsoft as Software Developer and raising a beautiful son. Sidra Rehman is working for ADB in the US along with completing her Masters from Columbia. Taria Mahmood a.k.a. Toig is taking a break from his PhD at Purdue to intern at Amazon over the summer. Usman Mansoor a.k.a. Mana graduated from Texas A&M and working for ExxonMobil IT. Zain Masood's PhD in Computer Vision is nearing its completion, which is

no minor feat considering he had to accompany his wife, Sana Khosa, on most of her theme park excursions, and all other free time was spent playing cricket.

#### Rest of the World:

Abdullah Farooki a.k.a. Boxy is working his way towards a Masters degree at CMU, Australia. He has been avidly following the Pakistani cricket team's tour down under while telling his profes-

sors that the dingo ate his homework.

Afreen Parvez a.k.a. Afro is demonstrating that you CAN have it all by being a professional at King Saud University, a student of professional development, a wife, and a mother of a lovely 2 ½ year old Mariam. Ali labal a.k.a Bala is living the Canadian dream. When he's not haggling with the border control at Niagara, he's mak-

ing it big with Eli Lilly. Ayesha Raheem recently had a son, named Saad. May Allah give her the strength to manage the new born along with her naughty toddler, Amina, while she is planning her academic pursuits. Fatima Kamran, after her stint with HSBC, is now doing her MBA from INSEAD Paris, which has given her the opportunity to explore Europe. Faraz Kamlani a.k.a. Uncle is

happily married and working at De-

loitte. Fawad Alam is off the shelf and underground in UK. Ibrahim sounds like a popular



ness Analyst with Barclays Plc in London after a year's maternity leave. Shakir a.k.a. Box is off the radar after completing his MBA from Boston University. Talha Farrukh a.k.a. Mulls is back with HSBC Amanah in Dubai. Umar Mobin a.k.a Tony, one of the few boys left in the UK, and is looking to follow in Prof's footsteps in more ways than one.

A special thanks to Wardah, Sara Tahir, Sundus Ahad and Ahsan Nazar for helping out with the class notes.

#### **BSc 2006**

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Abeeda Khan is currently settled in Sydney and has her hands full with her baby boy Ahad and her Master's degree.

Adeel Shafqat is still `da man´. Pretty married and all, he spends some time in the corridors of LUMS and LSE, teaching and researching, and stuff. Still has the coolest gadgets. All is well.

Ahmad Abdul-Karim is working as Program Manager, Education at Interactive Research and Development in Karachi where he is involved with education, health and capacity building programs. When he is not working, Ahmad spends his time teaching photography, surfing and trekking. And now, he is off to Sukkhur for some flood relief. Do chip in people. We need a bigger response.

Ahmed Bilal Farman is working at PricewaterhouseCoopers as a Manager. Other than that, he spends 90% of his time playing poker with Umayr Loan and the Don (formerly known as Baby).

Ahmed Rajani finds most of his time spent in random chik chik with boys and watching sports. In his free time he is seen working in the Investment Banking Division at Samba Bank Limited, which he joined recently after a stint at IGI Securities as Research Analyst trying to uncover the Power and Cement Sector. Unlike LUMS, his belief in the quarter system still stands strong; he hopped over to the next job in three quarters. Poker, Eating, Cricket, Arsenal, Iennis and "Chai at Cafe Clifton" remain a top priority in his life!

Ahmed Raza completed his MBA from LUMS in 2009 and has been working in PTCL ever since.

Ahsan Saeed Kirmani and Rabea Inamul Haque are blissfully engaged and preparing for their dream wedding this January. Ahsan continues to work as a PE consultant in Karachi while Rabea has returned from

New York and is helping Gallup edit two books before her wedding.

Ali Azar Abbas has had a busy year, and it will remain that way until December 2010. He got married in December 2009 to someone he met for the first time after getting married. From January 2010, he was posted to HSBC's Singapore office as Vice President for Credit Risk looking after a portfolio of USD 4 billion - and there were some unnervingly bad assets to care of. As if living with profound changes in personal and professional life wasn't enough, there was an exam to take care of as well. Somehow, things seem to have worked out well for him this year - happily married, work is under control, and the CFA program is complete. No wonder he's heading to Mecca with his wife in November Inshallah to perform Hajj.

Ali Wasim just completed his MBA from LUMS. He is currently on the lookout for a job. Any suggestions? He is chilling out with his family in Isloo these days and getting bored because of staying idle. He is also shuttling between his home in Lahore and Isloo before he gets employed. He has also become a member of a family charity trust and is helping out with education for the poor.

Amer Mahmud Khawaja has once again had to leave the wonderful bubble that is LUMS as he recently finished his MBA. After these two memorable years, he wonders if he has to write two sets of class notes now. Currently swimming through this world of joblessness, Amer has caught up on his movie watching while giving interviews left, right and center.

Ammad Aziz has recently resigned from HSBC Corporate after realizing that he is responsible for 60% of HSBC's non-performing loans given to his friends and relatives across the country. He has now enrolled in the MBA programme at LUMS where he is busy creating an alliance with fellow bankers. It is rumored that he might acquire HSBC to seek his revenge for not settling his provident fund on time.

Ammara Mahmood is happily married and residing in the UK with her husband. She will NOT let go of her pursuit of a PhD and will be going back to the academic world from September.

Angbeen A. Mirza is done with her LLM and is back in Karachi. She's working with an organization called the Legal Aid Office, where she provides legal services to juvenile offenders who can't afford a lawyer. She's also joined Hamdard Law School as part of their visiting faculty and will start teaching this September IA. Alhamdolillah, life is good!:)

Ansar Anis Bhensania is happily married and has been job-hopping ever since he graduated from LUMS. Rumor has it that he is at NAFA funds, but he might leave that to work for a certain Karachi based 'hedge fund'.

Asad Sarfraz is currently working at Citi, looking after Corporate Compliance. He is done with his MBA from IBA as a part-time student and currently planning to do his LLB from the University of London as an external student. When not working, he indulges in self-discovery trying to find answers to life, be that on the mountains or helping out the flood victims.

Ayesha Ahsan Malik is currently vacationing in Toronto and New York. She is still in Karachi, working with P&G and hosting LUMS get-togethers on a much-too-infrequent basis;) She's also very interested in working in the power sector in the future, so if anyone has any ideas, please be sure to shoot them by!

Ayesha Ijaz and Rahim Butt are settled in the UK and are now proud parents of a beautiful baby boy!

Ayesha Khalid got married in August 2010 and will be moving to Atlanta. We wish her all the best in life!

Ayesha Saeed has spent the past year trying her hand at teaching Peace and Conflict Studies in Islamabad and consulting on peace-building initiatives in Kashmir.

Ayisha Zia completed her MBA from LUMS in 2009 and Hassan Naseer is working with Total Parco; they are happily married and are now proud parents to their baby boy, Moosa.

Aymen Saeed is enjoying the married life with adoring husband, Abid Zaim. Based in Manhattan, she has spent the last year working through the recession, improving her culinary abilities and enjoying the wonderful mix of friends, culture and absolute mirth that God has gracefully afforded her!

Bilal and Bushra Tariq got married in July 2009 and moved to Canada soon after that. Bilal graduated from Richard Ivey with an MBA degree while Bushra got her MBA from University of Toronto. Currently both of them are looking for jobs. Rumor has it that Bushra has become an expert at making cheese omelette while Bilal is teaching young Canadian kids the difference between baseball and cricket.

**Bilal Tanweer** has joined LUMS to teach Creative Writing. He's still writing and translating stories.

Danish Lakhani is currently teaching at LUMS while at the same time working freelance as a consultant. After his recent trip to Bangladesh, Pakistan's Ambassador was summoned by the Bangladeshi Foreign Minister to demand that Danish be returned to Bangladesh after his ground breaking research on the correlation between poverty and personal hygiene.

Emad Nadim is still devastated about the truly sad demise of Michael Jackson. He's nurturing the Cadbury Dairy Milk brand in the UK and building some serious miles on the Eurostar. Someone give him an opportunity to change the world, and fast - the inner glow is fading.

Fahad Shaikh is taking it one day at a time; working for an asset management company based out of Cape Town. Still reeling from the post-FIFA effects...wondering where life will take him next! - Did I mention being totally in love with his car?

Fahim Shelot aka Puppa is still in Bahrain and still with EY, although he feels it is time to move on now. He has one level of the CFA to complete...which he feels he should be able to pass in 2011 InshaAllah. Pressure to get married is now slowly dawning since most of his friends are married, although he will

miss the independence when it does happen. Given Pakistan's current dismal state, he does not envisage a return anytime soon and is quite happy in the MidEast.

Faizaan Ahmad & Mahvish
Ahmed continue to be happily
married:D Faizaan is leading Talent Management and Capability Building for Unilever
that is keeping him very busy. He is
also teaching Psychology at SZABIST. Mahvish has joined IBA as
faculty member in the Economics department. Vish'z, her
clothes and bags line is doing
well in Karachi MashaAllah with
an established client base.
Mahvish and Faizaan want to get
as many vacations as possible
under their belts before they start

Farhan Ali Saleem is "BINGing" Microsoft together on his weak shoulders and has been successful so far.

planning a family InshaAllah!:)

Fawad Farrukh continues to work hard contributing towards Procter & Gamble's success. He has the most complicated job title in the world: CMK IBO MENAP (Consumer & Market Knowledge Integrated Business Optimization Manager for Middle East North Africa and Pakistan). He is happily married to Alia (who

transferred out of LUMS after sophomore year); they celebrated their first anniversary very recently.

Fouad Shahnawaz has successfully led Blackberry's battle with the Saudi telecom regulators by forwarding 5 million jokes in one month. He has also compiled Riyadh's first fast food directory in his attempt to prevent the global food industry from succumbing to the evil forces of recession.

Freeha Fatima is slaving away for her PhD at Cornell in the small, far away gaon of Ithaca. Hamad Aslam got married in April 2010 and is heading the Research Department at BMA Capital (Yeah exactly! He's been working at the same place eversince!). He cleared

his CFA last year and now awaits the good old days to come back to Karachi Stock Exchange.

Hammad Ahmed is the busiest printing press tycoon in Pakistan and doesn't have time for anybody/thing.

Hamna Ahmad is currently MIA, but her Facebook status indicates that she is the mother of two very adorable boys. Maybe that partly explains her absence from the rest of the world!

Hamza Mohmand does not want to leave USA after completing his Masters from Cornell University.

Hasan Haider Paliwala after slaving away for 3 years, decided to say goodbye to the corporate world to pursue his MBA from IBA where he also found true love. And yeah, he recently got engaged!

Hassam Hussain just pressed the reset button and is looking forward to going back to the 'student' life at UC Berkeley for his MBA. Since this is 'real life', he is still waiting for his visa to arrive. He wishes all the best to his batch mates and friends and hopes they all have a successful & fulfilling year ahead of them.

Hassan Abbas (aka Doctor) and Samia Sohaib Siddiqui truly followed the 'work hard, party harder' philosophy last year after their wedding and are logging air miles travelling all over North

America. Samia is into her fourth year developing software at SMART Technologies and Hassan finished his MS in Computer Science from the New York Institute of Technology and is working at Xelleration in Orange County, California.

Hassan Firzok graduated with a Masters Degree from USC and is enjoying life in sunny Southern California working as a Systems Engineer at Broadcom. He has a nice circle of friends here

but misses his buddies from LUMS and travels to Pakistan every year to catch up with them and recall old times.

Hira Zahid (now Hira Osman) is settled in Toronto, happily married and fulltime mother to two beautiful daughters

Izhar Siddiqui has become the de facto Deputy Head of Investment Banking at KASB (without even spending 8 years in jail) and in the process, earned the right to slaughter the analysts who were previously only abused in public. He has also successfully managed to get one of his clients' name appear in Forbes' list of billionaires.

Jaffer Haider came back to Lahore earlier this year

after enjoying the sights and sounds of the US East Coast. There was also that grueling Master of Software Engineering Program at Carnegie Mellon University. When not working out of his home office on www.postermywall.com, a joint venture with a partner in the US, he can be found shopping with his wife for necessities for their new residence, reading, or just hanging out with friends and family.

Kazi Muhammad Siddiqui aka Kazi has recently returned from US after completing his MBA from Boston University and has resumed working for his II company (read: playing Tetris). Over the years, his toilet humor has failed to part ways with him despite getting hitched in 2008.

Maira Azhar is working in Dubai as a Sustainability Consultant with an environmental and energy company. Her life changed when she finally managed to get a license (52 classes, 3 tests, 2 theory exams!) and now she drives at 160km/h to Abu Dhabi for work and back! This year she's fallen in love with her DSLR and can't help taking pictures of every sand dune she comes across. She was lucky to see sharks swimming off the coast of Oman and since then she's been training as a scuba diver. She's been travelling a fair bit around the Middle East and Asia but wishes she had more annual leave and tons of money....

Majid Khan Niazi is astonished at the fact that four years have passed since he graduated. He is been in Lahore all this time working not very tirelessly on establishing his young company, which has been a very rewarding experience. He's also been looking to go back to school for the past two years but for some reason, most probably laziness, that is yet to happen. He is very content with this blessed life and is gearing up to achieve his ultimate goal in life... own an M6.

Maryam Hadi is MIA. According to unconfirmed re-

ports, after getting married, she moved to Riyadh where she managed to survive the torrential rains that hit the city a few months back. She was working for an Asset Management Company in Riyadh while at the same time

attempting to clear CFA Level III.

Mehran Gul, wronged by life, the universe, and everything, is doing his time, envious of every single one of you. And your perfect lives. And your weddings. And your kids. And the colour blue.

Mehreen Akram (now Mehreen Ali) is currently in Dubai but is pining away to go back to England! She is happily married and is a full-time mother to daughter, Iman. Mina Farid Malik (now Malik-Hussain) has added a fancy hyphen to her name and a husband and toddler to her life. Mina has been

teaching creative writing at LGS and crusading for women's rights at the Simorgh Women's Resource. She is writing for literary journals, doing some freelance journalism and hopefully will be beginning work on a book for children soon. She recently wrapped up an acting stint onstage, playing Belinda Blair in 'Noises Off', and is Academic Director for the Stellar School System. If all this wasn't enough, she's also a full-time mother to Khairunissa Razia, who thankfully likes books.

Moizuddin Sabri (aka Sabri) is still in Milan. He's travelling around all the time, and works a little bit in his spare time. He has an open-door policy to all and sundry. He's managed to avoid the marriage-bug so far, but everyone else is going down like nine pins. For now he's thinking about relatively smaller changes, like moving somewhere else

Moizza Binat Sarwar is reading for a Ph.D. in Social Policy at St. Hilda's College, University of Oxford. She has begun fieldwork doing rounds of government offices in Cape Iown (South Africa) and Karachi trudging from one official to the other with dogeared files much in the manner of the naujawans of PTV dramas hunting for sarkari naukris. When she is able to distract herself from rowing, punting and swimming in the rivers of Oxford, she works part-time with the research and communication teams at the Oxford Poverty and Human Development Initiative (OPHI). As ever, she clings to outmoded cell phones (one per year) a testament to her inability to save them from falling down mountains, getting crushed under cycles and being forgotten in refrigerators.

Muhammad Tayyab has failed to lead UK's economy out of recession and for that he is extremely sorry. Mustafa Ismail is still at Citibank Dubai and eagerly looks forward to the weekends when Zahra flies to Karachi.

Muzammil Shahid Bhatti (aka Bhatti) has been working as an Analyst for UBL Investment Banking Group where he tries to convince investors that the ground reality in Pakistan is not as bad as it seems. In other news, he has successfully managed to keep the weekly 'LUMS Boys Chaye Sessions' alive for the past 2 years. However this might not last long as the 'Boys' have started falling like ninepins (read: Getting Married).

Nabeel Khan (aka Batuts) is a "reformed" individual who's turned meaner and leaner this year however he is yet to enter his credentials on the Hot or Not website. His newest passions range from health and wellness, cycling, meditation and finding himself for which he is traveling the length and breadth of the country. He is anything but the social butterfly however he still finds time for his friends as and when needed. After having completed 4 years in the microfinance sector, he intends to pursue a post grad degree

in Tourism from NYU next year, finances permitting.

Nadia Hassan is still teaching at LUMS and to this date hates that student who called her 'Auntie'!

Nida Rasheed is an entrepreneur doing some pretty neat copywriter outsourcing. You know that stuff you see on corporate websites around the world, it's got Nida Rasheed all over it. She's (believe it or not!) also developed a deep interest in posh haircuts, classy handbags, and

leather boots.

Omair Gillani is still trying to get used to Seattle weather but loves working for Microsoft. With the missus moving to Seattle, married life's keeping him pretty busy. Oh and he is totally freelying out about the fact his friend.

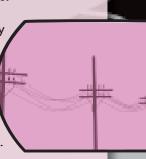
freaking out about the fact his friend's 2 year old calls him uncle, go figure...

Omer Bhutta, having tried his hand at helping some VERY optimistic folks look for a cancer cure, is up for something new. The inner glow is fine, but the pockets are empty, and the hairline, after one look at the face, has decided to run for the hills. There is no cake. The cake is a lie.

Osman Allawala has been slaving away at Jaffer Brothers for the past 3 years. He has perfected the art of LBDN (Look Busy Do Nothing) as he still continues to download and watch IV shows at work. And the funny thing is, they pay him to do that. Also, he's getting married on December 27, 2010. Let us all wish him good luck:)

Osman Ehtisham Anwar has not much to report other than the fact that he has ended up working for Lloyds Banking Group after a merger with HBOS (takeover really) and would like do the Inca trail sometime next year - shout if you are keen!

Rabeea Haq is so not a job-hopper (yawn!) and is stillll actively working in the microfinance sector, hoping to improve lives of fellow Pakistanis. She is eagerly awaiting the end of this year which will bring in fellow 06-ers from all over the globe (fingers crossed!) to celebrate her tying the knot with Salman Ahson:), InshaAllah!



Raja Zohaib Yasin (aka Bhindi) has defected from Ufone and joined Telenor after completing his Masters from Aston. He is still the captain of Bhindi's Tigers despite several coups, threats and even one attempted kidnapping.

Rukaiya Iqbal is happily married and has a cute one year old boy, Hasan. In other news she successfully managed to pass her Level III examination this summer and is now searching for ways to getting her charter from the CFA Institute.

Saad Ali Khan is midway through an extremely pleasurable experience at LUMS. Oh, and he's doing his MBA there too!

Saad Waqas is currently based in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia where he has started his fifth year working with KPMG Advisory practice. Besides being involved in market research, feasibility studies and business plans, he has enrolled in "Joru ka ghulam 101" and "Jee begum 211" to be better prepared for his married life post-Feb 2011 (InshaAllah)

Sahar Shah is happily married and settled in Lahore and is mother to a beautiful baby boy. Saif Asif Khan is still trying to convince naive 19year olds in London that he is indeed related

to Saif Ali Khan. He has decided to intern every year at the State Bank of Pakistan until they get tired of him. In his free time, he wonders why he is pursuing his PhD in Economics at LSE.

Sajal Sohail Rana is happily teaching Mathematics to the children of Lahore. Sakina Hussain has a gorgeous little one and is still smiling the

Sakina-Hussain-smile! (You know it!)

Salma Khalid has embarked on a journey of self-discovery to plug a deep inner void that even the World Bank can't seem to fill. She is being assisted by dedicated researchers from Harvard.

Salma Zaman is "all smiles" as usual:)
She is done with her MBA at LUMS and has graduated with "honors";) Wedding invites have been sent out from her and the whole batch is invited - November it is! Salman Suhail is currently the happiest man alive, as he recently got engaged to Adrienne Atkinson and plans to get married soon. Still living in Egypt, his primary goals include toppling Google and Facebook, becoming a culinary master, and taking over

the world. He is not too happy at being denied a role in 'The Social Network' as he thinks he can do a much better job of playing the character of Mark Zuckerberg (despite his brown complexion).

Saman Qureshi has been working as a Communication, Iraining and Event Specialist with USAID in Karachi ever since she completed her Master's in Public Relations and Corporate Communication from New York University in June 2009. Her well-known travel bug is still very active and her most recent accomplishment is becoming a certified scuba diver.

Sameen Ahmed is currently working at the Corporate Banking Division at JS Bank; she has spent the last four years trying to get herself to apply to grad schools in Canada but has repeatedly managed to miss deadlines. Although something tells her, she might be able to make it this year...

Sana Riaz is switching from teaching university students at BNU to teaching children in Lahore while also working as a full-time mother to an energetic two year old, Hamd. She has discovered a love for yoga, which she has now been practicing regularly for over two years.

Sara Inayat is living the dream in Dubai. Definitely still doing better than Mehran Gul. Sara Shahid has been working at Elixir Securities for the past two years. Occasionally she plans on going for graduate school. According to confirmed reports, she is still planning.

Shaheer Khan is back in Pakistan after completing a Master's in Technology, Innovation, and Education from Harvard. He has started teaching Chemistry to 'O' Level students at Headstart (Islamabad), and is designing professional development workshops for school teachers, which will hopefully begin in October. He is also trying to negotiate a deal with some folks who might collaborate with him in conducting research on literacy development in Pakistan. In his spare time, he is working on some new ideas for online learning, which he might just implement and launch very soon!

Sheharyar Asghar aka Shery & Sana Hai the cute couple is enjoying life to the max. Shery is still working in Standard Chartered and planning not to make a record of being the only Luminite who didn't make a switch. Sana is working in Nestlé and though Tanzeel might like the world to believe so she does not use Olpers at home: p Shoaib Siddiqui got busy with his MBA after a brief stint in the shipping business with Maersk, and joined Engro's Rice Business before moving on to entrepreneurship. He is currently enjoying the thrill of it and looks forward to resuming his travelling.

Sikandar Raza Khan (aka Siki) is a proud member of the group 'All my friends are getting married and i'm just eating laddoos'. He continues to lead all sports teams at Telenor with the exception of Bhindi's Tigers. Recently, he has been shafted by the US Embassy and has vowed to seek his revenge by hurling a shoe at Anne Patterson. Somira Soomro has had an eventful year expanding the GIS division at e-Solutions (Saudi Arabia) for the first half of the year and then touring California while interning in ESRI's Business Development Division since the past 3 months. The remaining part of the year is planned to be even more eventful as she will be travelling between Pakistan & Saudi Arabia and will be attending her sister & her cousin's weddings.

Sumayya Zubair is busy with work/home routine in Melbourne. She is still working as a Business Analyst for a Public Trustee and is enjoying every bit of it (also realizing how much LUMS has taught her)! She has now completed 2 years of working in the same place (which is a new record). House-wifing, experimenting with different recipes, random shopping and pilates fits in whenever she finds time. She is also aiming to start at MBA in the near future. Syed Muhammad Hussain aka Hussain or SMH was last seen somewhere in Washington D.C. Many people claim that he has links to the CIA and is a double agent. Whatever story unfolds we shall miss him for the guy he is!

Syed Sarmad Arif aka Sarmoo has recently turned down an offer to play for England's football team as he wants to focus on his career at UBL and mentally prepare himself for his wedding.

Taha Akhtar and Aiza Nasir got married in January and are currently busy striking a balance between corporate subservience and rebellious freedom. They are foodies and shopaholics of the highest order and are in constant search of new culinary experiences. Working at Shell and GSK during the day, at night



they sometimes don the cowl of Terrorist and Counter-Terrorist to pit against each other in Counterstrike. Aiza is also helping out her sister for the launch of an upcoming clothing line.

Tahira Haider is busy living a happily married life. She is now a mother of two adorable boys who keep her busy all day long. For some odd reason she thinks her elder one is more "interesting" than teh younger one

Tanzeel Ur Rehman aka Theeta aka Mr T has been keeping himself busy with paragliding, volley and whatever else he sets his fancy too. Sometimes he takes time out to torture his poor hardworking business partner and occasionally bothers to help:). Realizing that he has to do something worthwhile with his life, he has finally decided to start MBA from LUMS. His first two weeks are over and he is already regretting since his volley is suffering.

Tehreem Husain is currently working at the Monetary Policy Department in the State Bank of Pakistan. Through her almost two years experience at the central bank she has learnt that history repeats itself over and over again, but we almost never learn. There's a rumor that she might be considered for the position of the next State Bank Governor since the Government can't seem to find one.

Umair Ibrahim is secretly pursuing his dream and hence secretly enjoying the good life in his secret degree in Architecture in the secret location of Istanbul, Turkey.

Umair Lugman is still (yes still!!!) crying over missing student life. He has decided to not part ways with Ahmed Raza, like ever, and hence he is also employed at PTCL.

Umar Nadeem aka Gainda has successfully managed to hire his entire batch of Beaconhouse Islamabad at Telenor where he is working in Corporate Affairs. He still believes that Warid Telecom will one day get acquired by Telenor and

the Chinese boys will go down the same

route as Instaphone.

Umer Akhlag Malik spent another busy year at Mahbub-ul Haq Human Development Centre, writing reports and policy briefs on issues of trade, food security and human development. He also enjoyed his lectures on International Trade at Igra University as a visiting faculty. He too joined the marriage band wagon by getting engaged in

April 2010 and looking forward to tying the knot in November (Inshallah).

Usman Ejaz began his MBA at Rotman School of Management, University of Toronto last year and is enjoying life in Toronto while also improving his culinary skills everyday! :) He could no longer run away from the inevitable and is now happily engaged to Savera and looking to tie the knot sometime next year InshaAllah! Just finished spending the entire summer vacations working 100 hours a week (yayy!!), plying his trade as an investment banker at Merrill Lynch in Toronto and is now looking to enjoy the last few weeks before getting back to the grind of b-school.

Vikash Ahuja completed MS in Public Policy from UChicago and cleared his CFA Level III this year. While his ultimate goal lies in studies, he might look to work somewhere before he gets another chance to dive into academics.

Zahra Shaikhali - Mustafa finally managed to find yet another way to keep Mustafa under constant surveillance and has gotten a job at Citibank Dubai. She's found in Karachi over the weekends - but only when she's bored of spending in Dubai!

Zeeshan Idrees spent the last few years negotiating deals in the telecom industry in Netherlands, Qatar and UAE for Cisco after a strategy consulting stint at DHL in Germany. Now he has started his trans-Atlantic MBA with Mannheim Business School (Germany) and Queens School of Business (Canada). In his spare time, Zeeshan wrestles with the German language, entertains foreign friends with his Pakistani culinary skills, and travels around with a random itinerary.

Zeeshan Quraishi is often seen commuting between Karachi and Dubai and is solely responsible for keeping Emirates Airlines afloat during this time of Financial crunch. In his spare time he works as a senior consultant at PricewaterhouseCoopers, Dubai. He will be getting married early next year.

**Zeeshan Saeed** is done with LUMS and doesn't want to see it anymore. Done with his MBA and heading to live his dream in DooBye.

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Aamir Bin Asif Baig has devoted his life to playing soccer and applying to MBA programmes in more than 10 countries.

Abdul Sattar never thought having lunch at Karachi's posh eateries would be one of the perks of managing Unilever's banking relations as Treasury Manager. The role is multifaceted, dynamic, challenging & very interest-

ing. Agha Murtaza worked at Citigroup for 3 years as a Corporate Relationship Manager and is now heading to Canada to complete his MBA from the Rotman School of Management (University of Toronto). Ahmad Humayoon has been working in the Corporate Banking group at RBS. He will now be part of Faysal Bank due to their acquisition of RBS. He got married in March 2009 and is living happily

with his family in Lahore. Aisha Chottani is based in Cape Town. Between soaking up the sun, hosting guests for the World Cup, and absorbing the culture, she travels the East and West Coast of Africa negotiating with port authorities on behalf of the A.P. Moller Maersk Group. Ali Shafiq is one of the high flyers of the LUMS MBA class. His secret to success has been

making unintelligible noises to distract the rest of the class. Ammar Anees Malik has completed a dual Master's programme in Public Policy and Public Affairs from the National University of Singapore and Sciences Po Paris. He recently became father to a baby girl named Nuha. He is now moving to Washington DC with his wife Hira and daughter Nuha, where he will start his PhD in Public Policy from George Mason University. Bilal Javed has quit banking for good and is finding Islamabad and Telenor grand. Despite switching industries he is stuck with the SME/Corporate segment. A world class MBA is still in the pipeline.

Having taught for a year at LUMS, Farid Ahmed is about to start with KPMG in October. Fahad Jamil is engaged to Ayesha Majeed (BSc 2008) and they are both working for PricewaterhouseCoopers (PwC) in London. Hafsa Mustafa is finishing her Masters coursework at the University of Chicago. She is working on her thesis and plans to eventually settle in Chicago and work within monitoring and evaluation of global health. Hamza Khan is braving a cold San Francisco summer while interning at BlackRock, and will soon be returning to Berkeley to complete his MBA. Haroon Khalid is working for his family business, and is also writing for some newspapers on the history and culture of Pakistan. He will soon begin making a documentary on the minorities in Lahore with the Citizens Archive of Pakistan. Hassaan Khan Sherwani is settled in Karachi with his wife and son Ayaan (a new addition to his family). He is currently managing the biscuits portfolio at Kraft Foods, with the additional responsibility of working on local acquisitions in Pakistan. He misses the carefree days of LUMS and relives them during his regularly visits to YLES and LES seminars. After working for two years as a Risk Analyst, Hassan Javaid aka 'Jacky' realized that he still hadn't had enough of LUMS! He is currently enrolled in the MBA Class of 2011; fighting the crazy workload, WACs and absurd CPs; and loving every minute of it! His dream of going on a Safari to Kenya and the Kalahari desert is still on hold. Imaad ud Din is an Investment Banking Associate with NIB Bank Limited, working on M&A transactions, debt restructurings, project finance and debt syndications. He is involved in banking, oil & gas, cement, petrochemicals and power sectors of the country. Kaleemullah Khan has been working for GlaxoSmithKline Pakistan for the past year and a half and is currently trying to make the Ministry Of Health approve his proposition to increase prices of medicine in Pakistan. Apart from that he is having the time of his life with his fiancée, Nida. Kamran Ahmed Khan has been working with The Pakistan Credit Rating Agency as a Financial Analyst since 2007. He has been rating all types of companies in Pakistan, and is now anxiously waiting to start his MBA at Warwick Business School, UK in August 2011. He intends to meet the LUMS alumni in UK and continue his partying lifestyle! Kashif Rajani works for Pak-Brunei Investment Company. He can now point out Brunei on a world map and knows the national anthem of Brunei by heart. On Sundays, he continues to search for niche breakfast places in Karachi.

Khurram Soomro is busy searching for a purpose in life. His hobbies include playing the guitar and doing an MSc in Computer Engineering from LUMS. Mahbano Yasmeen was with Gallup till late last year, and is now a Senior Research Executive with the Retail Measurement Services group at Nielsen. She is still figuring out Masters options and opportunity costs, since her job is great! She is also thinking of a vacation towards the end of the year but nothing specific is in the pipeline as yet. After graduating from the UC Berkeley School of Journalism in 2009, Manal M. Ahmad got married and spent a year at Cornell, cooking, babysitting, taking pictures, and freelancing for the local press. She is currently working in New York City as an Associate Producer for Isotope Films, and hopes to make her own films someday soon. Maryam Zahid isis happily married and trying her best to understand her 2 year old son Asji who acts more like a 22 year old chap. He is a big "rolla", and mama and Asji both plan to join school in September! After completing her Masters in Finance and Economics from London School of Economics, Mayra Anjum joined MCB Bank as a Senior Business Analyst with the Strategy Group, where she developed financial plans for the Affluent and Islamic Banking Group. She is currently working as a Trader with the Capital Markets Group. Her ambition is to become an expert trader and fully understand the Pakistani financial market. Mehreen Zahra-Malik is a year or so away from getting her PhD in Political Science and is also a Contributing Editor with The Friday Times. She plans to move back to Pakistan from the US in December 2010 to give 'real life' another shot. Mehvish Muneera Ismail recently finished her Masters of Law at the University of Cambridge, and is now working as an Associate at Haidermota & Co. in Karachi, Mir Hamza Mahmood moved to Purdue University for PhD Electrical Engineering after completing MS from University of Pittsburgh in December 2008. Though graduation is nowhere in sight, he is still hopeful. Moazam Alvi is at P&G, currently on a 2-3 year stopover in Dubai on his way to Geneva. His life has been revolving around studying hair compositions of Hijab-clad Saudi women. Mudassir Sheikh has been dune-bashing in the UAE for the last couple of years. He has been steadily working his way up the corporate ladder in the banking industry, and is currently an FX and fixed Income trader. Muhammad Asim Aftab has been working as a Teaching Fellow in the Economics Department at LUMS for a year and a half, and is now leaving for Arizona State University for his PhD in Economics. Nabeeha Qazi has been working for almost two years now as a Business Analyst for the Chairman's Office at MCB Bank. She's been stealthily acquiring valuable skills to follow in the footsteps of her big boss i.e. Pakistan's first billionaire. She's planning to surpass him by 2025. Nazia Ali is an investment banker at UBL in Karachi. You can spot her on I. I. Chundrigar on Friday afternoon. She treats herself to frequent vacations, the last one being in South Africa. Noor-i-Hirra Wagas is covered in chalk, dust and cement as she overlooks the construction of her restaurant - "White" - on MM Alam Road. Unable to meet the launch deadline she set for herself, she is reminded

of LUMS days when she would be pulling off nighters to submit papers. She has her fingers crossed and is hoping that the restaurant runs smoothly for years to come once it starts. Omar Majeed's whereabouts remain unknown, apart from his frequent visits to Hardee's and an occasional visit to an MBA class at LUMS. Rabeeya Shujaat, now Rabeeya Emaad is happily married and has a lovely young daughter called Mishal. Rabia Saleem is exploring the boroughs of London, happily working away as a Senior Associate at Deloitte. She occasionally sports a 'junglee' hairstyle

and bags an OCA award every summer. After working in Meezan Bank treasury as a forex dealer, Raza Zaidi is now running his father's publications export business with his elder brother, and simultaneously completing his Evening MBA from IBA. He got married in March 2010. Rehan Lalani a.k.a Mamu moved to the

modern village known as Islamabad and is working in

marketing at Telenor, spending millions every quarter to create advertising clutter. Saad Zaeem is working for Tintash. He joined when the company had 9 people (including the cooking lady) and 4 titles out on the iTunes store. A year after he took charge of business development, Tintash is working with leading international game companies, has 35 em-

ployees and has released over 18 titles on iPhone, iPad, Android and Facebook. In addition to developing further business, Saad is now

also focusing on producing fun games.

Continuing her love for economics, Sahar Etezaz finished her Masters in Economics from LUMS. She is working for IFC and is trying to shed new light on socio-economic issues in Pakistan. Sahar Mahmood is still working for ExxonMobil (3 years now!) and is currently somewhere between the Czech Republic (her old position), Belgium (her new assignment) and Tunisia (her parents). She has also just completed her certification as a Lean Six Sigma Black Belt! Saima Ali became a University of Sydney graduate in Interactive and Digital Media last year, and is currently completing her Master's in Information Technology from Macquarie University. She is also working as a Flash and ActionScript 3.0 instructor and a freelance graphic and web

designer, and is pursuing her interests in crafts, jewelry design, photography and hip-hop dance. She lives in Sydney with her husband Ali Inayat. Sameen Sultan has been working with Beaconhouse School System and is planning to continue working there because she loves her job. However, she misses LUMS terribly and wishes that she could go back to her university

years. After spending a couple of fun filled years in New York City, **Samreen Sajjad** has recently returned to Pakistan with a Master's degree in Economics from NYU. Sana Farid Malik joined the dark side soon after grad school and has been teaching Pakistan Studies and her own course Anthropology of Rights at LUMS ever since. In addition to dodging independent studies and never ending piles of blue booklets, she tutors musicology students on a weekly basis. A PhD might be on the horizon, but only after she has scoped the remaining unvisited continents for adventure. Sana Shahid completed her post-grad from SOAS and is now the social butterfly in Islamabad. She recently started working as a consultant for the Planning Division of Pakistan. Sana Zia is currently completing her Master's in Public Policy and Management from Carnegie Mellon University. She is having a blast but is also looking forward to going back to Pakistan in December and getting married in February 2011.

After spending 3 years as an Investment Banker at Citibank, Sarmad Ahmed Shaikh is now off to replenish his energy while completing a Masters from Cornell. Seema Akhtar went to complete her post-grad studies from SOAS, and is now living the high life in London. Sohaib Athar has just returned to sunny Pakistan after finishing his Master's degree in Public Policy (yet another Luminite studying the same thing!) from the Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University. He is currently completing his 2-year fulbright prison term J and seeking employment in the

policymaking sector. Please send job postings his way. Sohaib Mehtab is devising strategies to beat Dettol and Safeguard as he strives to make Lifebuoy the premier soap in Pakistan. His plans include having a boxing match between "Chulbulli" and "Commander Safeguard". Syeda Ramish Hashmi is halfway through her Master's programme at the University of Southern California. She is currently interning at a software company in Austin, Texas and is relieved that she is not compiling

Afzal is currently working as a Research Fellow, focusing on social development in the backward regions of Pakistan. She is also teaching undergraduate Economics at the Lahore School of Economics. Waseem Ahmad Malik a.k.a WAM has moved to Islamabad back from the over-polluted city/financial hub, and is now working for Standard Chartered Bank (another job switch!), where he is trying to the cost of business and increase revenues.

control the cost of business and increase revenues. Yasir Khan is done attempting to save Punjab through his policy advice. He is now moving to AKF, hoping that they will listen to him when it comes to evaluating their education projects. Unlike every third econ major from BSc 2007, he is not going for his

PhD J Zohaib Shaikh tied the knot with his childhood best friend in April this year. He is currently working as a Business Analyst at Engro Fertilizers Limited and intends to take a study break in order to pursue an MBA. Zubair Umar spent the latter part of the past year juggling his time between being a husband and a banker (not a very good one), while teaching Management Accounting to some extremely unenthusiastic students and doing a bi-weekly radio show. He is also looking to find time to prepare for CFA level 2 and save enough (time and money) for a trip to the US

BSc 2009

#### Coordinator

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Hey Everyone,

It gives me great honor to compile our class notes, its been interesting trying to chase down people for the first every notes our class would ever write. Its disappointing to see only a one quarter response but hopefully, in later years we'll get a better response to hear about the unique and fantastic journeys are batch mates are taking.

Abdul Haseeb has been a SAP Certified BI consultant for KESC since January 2010. Abdul Mugeet Mir has been working with International Petrochemicals Group of Companies since the last two years and is now a Team Leader for the solvents trading department. He'll be moving to Cairo (Egypt) in July 2010 and will be exploring feasibility for opening a new divisional office in Cairo for IPC and heading the same. Abdul Rehman is really exhausted after a maddening first year of PhD in Economics at University of Wisconsin-Madison. Currently he is enjoying a wellearned summer break wishing it could extend for eternity, but he is also looking forward to the second year. He is still wondering what to specialize in. <mark>Adeel Hasan</mark> is back in Pakistan after a 1 year term with AIESEC in Mauritius handling their HR department. He will begin working in a Management Consultancy in Karachi.

After his graduation, Ahmed Omer started working for Confiz Solutions as a Software Engineer in Lahore. At present, he leads all iPhone and iPad projects in the company and enjoys the responsibility. After a remarkable success of getting his work published at the 'International Conference on Applied Energy' in Singapore earlier this year, he is now planning to pursue higher studies abroad. Ahmad Tariq is working with Bridge Asia Financial Services in Lahore as a Research Analyst and plans to do master's from abroad

soon. Ahmed Alvi is currently working as an Audit Associate at KPMG's London office in the Energy & Natural Resources Department. He plans to hurry back to Pakistan after completing his ACA training as he prefers Lahore much more to London and misses LUMS and Pakistan a lot. Ahsan Nabi Dar has been working in lahore @ CONFIZ SOLUTIONS for over a year now and have enjoyed my stay in Lahore, and will be leaving for graduate studies to pursue MSc in Advance Computer Science from University of Manchester.

One of the many alumni hired by the Express Tribune, Ali Syed who pursued a degree in economics, is still thinking that he should be doing something else with his life. Perhaps apply for a CEO post or even better, become the king of the world. Ali Usmani is at Standard Chartered in business development (sales) selling cards, life insurance and payroll to corporate clients. As a result, he's lost sanity and his hair has turned white. He spends his days counting cheques and pitching credit cards, but on the plus side, he's looking forward to a very exotic vacation soon, (have saved up some money for a possible (second) eurotrip after Austria: P Aman Usmani is working in mediacom as an assistant manager handling gillette, always n pampers, and trying to act corporate yet not get consumed too soon. Amir Siddiqui worked with UTNeurope (in calling card industry of Europe) for 6 months and resigned to work full-time in his company Zavia (zavia.pk). Zavia is going to be an authority in Pakistan on the areas it covers (Cafe/Restuarants/Cinema review; Tourism; Cultural Critique; Education etc). Help and contribution of '09 in this regard is welcomed.

Asim Jahangir spend the year reading books, watching movies and running our group start-up THE LU-MINITES ACADEMY. He was also employed at UBL and will be going to Harvard Kennedy School to study international development this August. Ateeb Gul worked as the Assistant Features Editor at the Pakistani English-language weekly paper The Friday Times. He also worked as the Head Teaching Assistant of the Islamic Studies course at LUMS. These days he is in Islamabad learning classical Arabic. Attiya Nazir is teaching at Aitchison, Junior School after a short experience at Beaconhouse. Aun Ansari is working for Pakistan Tobacco Company in Islamabad, waiting to head out for Grad school next year, and in the meanwhile is contemplating pursuing acting

Bilal Arshad has been at Mobilink for the last one year journeying from Micro-segmentation to Business Intelligence. The best part however is that he has friends like Saad, Rizwan and Rafeh working along with him. Reflecting back at those times at LUMS, the first few things that come to his mind are the boys, bunking classes sleeping and of course playing Rung even half an hour before the final... Ab tou bus wo corporate world mein dhoob raha dhoob raha... Bilal Umar has finally settled down (sort of) in Corporate Banking at Meezan Bank after having a six month stint with media. He enjoys his work, but the 12-hour work days are a bit

of a killer. Nonetheless, he's satisfied with life in general and finds time to hang out with friends, play football on weekends and even write for a newspaper! Bilawal Sheikh worked for a year at a management position at WindRose Consultancy, an alternative energy consultancy in Karachi. Now he's working as a Client Services Executive at an advertising agency in Karachi called Manhattan International Limited (MIL), conducting research for various potential and ongoing projects, and dealing with clients.

After spending five of the most fulfilling years of his life at LUMS, Essam Fahim has finally decided to move on. Insh'Allah he will be heading to Indiana University, Bloomington for an MA in Near Eastern Languages and Cultures in Fall 2010 to prepare for a PhD in Religious Studies. He hopes to come back to LUMS to

teach someday. He misses dorm life and all the boys and still maintains that a Social Sciences degree is not just for girl. Fahad Rahman has

been teaching Sociology to A-Levels students at Headstart, Islamabad and simultaneously working for Gallup Pakistan where he's writing/researching for some book projects. He is looking forward to heading off to Columbia University this Fall

for his Master's in Clinical
Psychology under the
Fulbright Master's
Scholarship Program. He plans to
study hard and
party harder in
Manhattan and
fulfill his lifelong goals to sky-

dive and bunjee jump amongst other adventures. After his Masters he plans to come back to Pakistan and engage in rese

come back to Pakistan and engage in research work concerning mental health in Pakistan, and preferably return to LUMS for some academic experience before he eventually heads off somewhere in the globe for a doctorate in Clinical Psychology. Faiq Tahir is living in New Jersey with Waqas Naeim and working in Merrill Lynch as an Associate in Global Investments, and is looking forward to his CFA, Waqas Naeim is working in ID bank and both are enjoying their 20's.

After a brief stint with Euromonitor International after graduation, Faizan Zahid got admitted as a Merit Scholar at IBA Karachi to pursue his MBA. He will be completing his MBA next year after which he plans to pursue his far-fetched dream of setting up the first private hedge fund in Pakistan. Wish him





Good Luck! Fizzah Sajjad is currently working as a Development Associate at Ansaar Management Company (AMC), a social enterprise developing low-income housing in Pakistan. She plans on continuing her work with AMC for at least another year, and learning more about working with communities in the meanwhile. Fizzah does not plan on getting married any time soon, does not have long-term plans, and is thinking of being spontaneous in life. She hopes to find opportunities to travel. Ghulam Alijust Graduated. People say he's a lawyer now.

Hadi Khan joined in with a few of his batch mates to establish 'The Luminites Academy' which is an educational institute for 0 and A level students, for university entrance test preparation, and for career development (www.lumsacademy.com). Hadi is an instructor of Economics and Mathematics at ILA, and also manages one of its branches. He is also working full-time at Interac-

tive Research and Development (IRD) on the programmatic management of the Multi Drug Resistant Tuberculosis in collaboration with Indus Hospital in Karachi under the guidelines and support of World Health Organisation. Hadi will (inshaAllah) join the University of Pennsylvania fall this year to do his graduate degree in Governmental Administration with a specialization in Economic Development and Growth. It is his deepest and sincerest ambition to return to Pakistan after 2 years

and serve his country in its economic and so-

cial development. Hassan Mazhar Goreja finished his master's in economics from LUMS in May 2010. He is currently working in his father's business while awaiting scholarship decisions from Oxford and Cambridge. And he is not engaged or married etc

After working one year in Lahore as a software engineer in Techlogix, Hassam Raja is shifting to his hometown Karachi where he will be

working in the same company but a different office. Hopefully inshahallah, will be doing his Masters by 2011 from Canada or Australia. Hassaan Aslam is working at the SECP as an inspector for the NBFC department, which is more interesting than it sounds. He's still thankful for an off Saturday and believes that it's the best thing that could happen. He's also think-

ing along the lines of a Masters degree, among many other life-altering decisions. More than anything, he wants to play a good cricket match. Hira Siddiqui is working as a sub-editor at the Karachi desk of The Express Tribune. She is contemplating applying for a masters but still needs the motivation to start looking for a university. Hussain Mustafa is currently working in Allied Bank Ltd in Credit Risk Re-

view department. Hussain Zahid Aslam is now a Relationship Manager in Bank Alfalah. Apart from that he is pursuing is hobby of music and exploring avenues to start his own business. He might go for an MBA next year.

Shortly after graduating from LUMS, Ibad Hyder was recruited for the Management Trainee Program at Bank Al Falah and has been working at the bank since then, gaining important experience working in various departments. Currently, he is working as a Risk Analyst at the bank's Risk Management Division in Karachi. Alongside, he has also been appearing for my actuarial study examinations and thoroughly enjoying his work-cum-study life and has some exciting future plans that he doesn't want to disclose at this point in time J. Irfan Ahmed is currently doing his Masters in Applied Computer Science at Concordia University in Montreal. Jawad Rehman is currently doing his dissertation at university of Nottingham. He will inshallah return to Pakistan in September and then most probably be unemployed. Kanwal Sarfraz is at Clare college, Cambridge, doing an MPhil in Economics, and is working on her dissertation. After this she plans on coming back to Pakistan and maybe teach at LUMS or something- you know, to make the lives of freshmen more miserable. Maleeha Rizwan is currently pursuing a Master's degree from the Charles H. Dyson School of Applied Economics and Management at Cornell University (Ithaca, New York) expected to graduate in May 2011. She's been working as a Research Assistant on a project based on a Cooperative Agreement between the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA)/Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS) and Cornell University. During this past one year, she has also been involved in some very exciting travels, both within and outside the US. And she's quite happy being single and enjoying life in general!

Marya Masood has been working with Allied Bank Ltd since July 2009. Maryam Haq plans to pursue a Masters degree in Anthropology. She wants to work in the development sector when she returns. She was previously working, in the education sector, with a German aid agency (GTZ) and the Punjab government. She is also indulging her love for cooking by taking classes from a professional chef. Mehr Toor is currently interning with the United Nations in New York City. She is also pursuing a Masters in Applied Economics and Management at Cornell University. Upon graduating from Cornell in June 2011, Mehr plans to return to Pakistan and pursue a career in development management preferably. Mogiz Siddiqui has been working at the Collective for Social Science Research in Karachi for the last one year. He spends most of this time working on obscure developing projects which will never be executed, cursing traffic jams and his friends at KESC for load shedding and visiting random cafes in Karachi. He is still trying to figure out which one of these activities he enjoys the most.

After a year of Research at LUMS, Mobeen Ajmal will now be joining the MBA class of 2012. Momina Sagib

has been working with different development agencies after organizing the much stressful LUMS Annual Social Science Conference. She is looking forward to go for a masters in South Asia Studies to University of Washington this fall. Hello Seattle! ... Muhammad Abubakar is working as a Software Engineer at Confiz Solutions Lahore. He is going to apply for Masters for Fall 2011, and also going to take CSS exam next year. He hasn't yet thought about marriage, so it's not going to happen in next 2 to 3 years at least. Mohammad Adil Usman (Jordan) is helping the people of Karachi by working at an SAP implementation in KESC, specifically in the implementation of financial module of the information system. The project is supposed to go live in October 2010 and will automate the end to end processes of the company. Muhammad Ali is working as a Management Trainee at NIB bank, currently rotated to Lahore Affluent Branch working on the liabilities side and looks forward to going back to Karachi for Emerging Business Group's Credit Factory. Furthermore he plans to stay in the industry for a couple of years before applying for Masters. Muhammad Bilal is at present working as a research executive at MEMRB Pvt. Ltd. Islamabad. For the future he's planning to do masters in economics.

Muhammad Rafeh is striving to pull up the VAS Revenues at Mobilink, the interesting part being he promotes the Islamic services alongside Mobilink Jukebox, that's like a true marketer! He is slowly settling into the corporate life. With the realization of how fat he is, he has started exercising (First time in his life), and forgotten all that "chiknahat" waala khana. In his spare time, he devises get-rich-quick schemes, if he isn't swimming or having sheesha while looking back at the good times with the Batch of 2009. After having a taste of brokerage houses, Muhammad Qasim Raza is currently working as a financial Analyst at the Pakistan Credit Rating Agency (PACRA). He has been involved in the business of Credit Rating for almost a year now and has vast experience in rating Multi-national companies, financial institutions and various corporations. Anyone who wants to know about him can now Google him out. Mohammad Usman's doing well! He's happy to announce that the Batch of 09' has its First Lady. Usman has recently been engaged to Sana Javaid. Their friends are very excited and happy. Usman will possibly be moving to Brussels, Belgium, for one year this September. The batch is welcome to visit him. Currently he is working for a USAID Project. Muhaimin Mahmood is currently working as graduate associate at standard chartered Pakistan. Mysbah Balagamwala is currently finishing her MSc in Economics at University of Warwick and moving back home to Karachi

Nabeel Anwer Sheikh got married around 2 days after his last exam at LUMS, started working as an assistant in his father's company, then got taken up as a general manager, and now is directing things and dealing with never ending issues, and had a daughter on the 29th of July. So basically he's now a Mian Sahab, an

Abba Sahab, and yes Life has been Super Fast for him in less than a year. Now let's see what's up ahead! Nada Tahir is currently teaching English at King Faisal University in Saudi Arabia and plans to leave for her Masters to Warwick University this fall. There she plans to pursue a degree in Globalization and Development with aspirations to work with development agencies or media networks thereafter. She has successfully been warding off parental pressure to get married and hence has no news on the personal front.

Nehan Naim had been working at a policy think tank in Karachi, and is happy to get over with the phase of replying to questions like "what exactly do you do at work". She is leaving for Boston for masters this fall. Nida Naeem got married in October last year and is now Nida Danial, has moved to Islamabad and is currently working in World Vision International.

Obeid Rehman spent the last year work-

ing at the Punjab Board of Investment & Trade, he is now going on the Fulbright scholarship for a Masters in Public Policy at Johns Hopkins University. Obeid also got engaged

last year.

Omair Zeeshan is slaving away for the Express Tribune with a million other luminites for minimum wage and is worried about how his employers tiptoe around corporate stories because it might exacerbate their lack of advertisements. Rabia Malik has been teaching O'Level English Language at Lahore Grammar School for the one past year. She is now heading to University of Rochester, which is in the state of New York, for a 5 year Master's plus PhD programme, on a full scholarship. She will study Political Science there, specialising in International Relations. She hopes to eventually return to Pakistan! :) Rana Kashif is in Karachi trying to make things happen...He misses Lahori food, at times. Rao Umer Faroog is working at Crescent Bahuman Limited (Assistant Brands Manager for Levis Europe), and is now going to Stockholm University for Masters. Rehma Khairi is working at Pakistan Petroleum Limited (PPL) in the Business Development department and liking it :D If given a chance, she would love to set off on an LAS trip with '09 friends! Rida Nasir, got married to Salman Ahmed in April 2010. She is working for the past year as a Business Development Services Associate for USAID FIRMS Project. She wishes everyone in her batch the best of luck for their future endeavours and prays that they stay safe. Rizwan Magsood is working in the textile industry for over a year now and is enjoying working with brands such as Levi's, Next, Diesl and others. Life is pretty much the same and nothing has changed considerably. Says he has got plans for

MBA but will do so in a year. No plans to marry yet [Koi achi larki nahi milee abhi tak].

Surprisingly, Saad Khalid Kazi has survived one year without breaking any bones, and co-founded 'duck.', a design house, with a couple of NCA grads after his graduation. He is also awaiting the result of the CSS exams he took earlier this year. Time spent with the

INI gang at LUMS will always be among the most precious one's for him. After finishing her AIESEC Development Trainee ship in the Africa Mental Health Foundation, Kenya, Saba Azeem is now working in the development sector in Pakistan. Based in Islamabad, she is a Project Coordinator in an NGO called Civil Society Human and Institutional Development Program (CHIP) and is heading the 'Inclusive Community Development through Mainstreaming Persons with disabilities' project in District Jhelum. Sadia Ahmed is married and living in Sydney, Australia. She is

working at Dell as an Account and Relationship manager. She is also participating in a start-up project called YPLA, Young Pakistani Leaders of Australia. Sana Javaid is working at The Asia Foundation as a Program Officer for the Governance Program. She is happily engaged to Mohammad Usman and thinks that this is the best thing that has ever happened to her!

Sana Illahe is working in the Urban Unit, Planning and Development department of Punjab

Government. She got her acceptances at a few universities and is having a hard time deciding which one to not opt for. Hopefully, you guys will know in the next year's edition where she ended up going:) Sarah Malik Recently got engaged. Was working for USAID on a short-term contract and now again on a job hunt: P. Shahbano Aziz says that its been a lovely year away from you all (the

spent the past ten months doing punting shunting, living a rather Harry Potteresque life and climbing the dreaming spires of Oxford. Armed now with an MSc degree (which had more to do with prayers than with hard work, since she was busy "liv-

hard work, since she was busy "living down" the reputation of a nerd), she is jobless but extremely excited about returning home to the land of roadside Samosas, Jalebis and Halwa

Puri. Strictly speaking of achievements, there have been none (still single, no children). To sign off, one of her favourite Oxford quotes: "Oxford was an anticlimax. I realized anew that lazy, ill-educated in languagues (mathematics?), I would never be a historian (economist?) ... I attended not lectures but cinemas,

explored a few gardens, and attended a few parties... (Saw musicals and had a grandiosely memorable time)"-Paths from a White Horse: A Writer's Memoir (1985) (author's parentheses)

Shahmir Anjum is working at SCB as an MT, and trying to get used to Karachi and the Banking industry. Whether he should still looms in his mind. Shahshams Zaheer is working at Telenor Islamabad after a stint in Karachi. He is not making a five year mega plan. Current priorities include breakfast and petting the cat. Other than that, he says a big HEY to all the oldies:) Get in touch! Let's do something big! Shayan faroog, like many others in his batch, is chasing after the corporate dream with PricewaterhouseCoopers Muscat, Oman, where he went on an AIESEC traineeship. He is making a living by giving people assurance that his clients are not lying. Now how bizarre is that? While he's not toiling hard during the stormy busy season, he is relaxing at some really beautiful beaches in Oman, or going to some really nice trekking spots here. All readers are urged to contact him if you are in the middle-east and want to see Oman. Sohaib Ibrahin Khan is pursuing his masters in Islamic Studies/Humanities from Duke University, where his mind has thoroughly been de-constructed. He also works as a research assistant at the North Caroling Consortium for South Asian Studies (NCCSAS). Sohaib hopes to continue his studies--if admitted into a suitable program and sufficiently funded--at the advanced graduate level, broadly focusing on the adaptations of Islamic law and ethics to modernity/post-modernity. Since Sohaib doesn't desire going corporate for ethical reasons, the contingency plan is to work as a national security consultant for whichever US based research think tank willing to pay him well. It's a little too early for Sohaib to get married.

Syed Sair Ali is working for Pak-Qatar Family Takaful in their Marketing Department in Karachi. Taha Ataullah is currently working as a Management Trainee at Standard Chartered Bank Pakistan. He plans to work for a while and then go for his MBA in a couple of year's time. He got engaged to Yumna soon after graduating last year. Taha Anis is an entrepreneur! He has set up two medical labs in Islamabad and Faisalabad, and is beginning to get used to the drive between them. Talal Nawaz has been working in MTBC for the last one year looking forward for an application to LUMS MBA programme next year. Tanzeel Paracha has worked hard to launch Adex with fellow batch matches Saad Shehzad and Usama Ahmed. He spends his time focusing on his swimming and reminiscing good old Quetta life now in Rawalpindi. Tassawar Ali is currently working in Islamabad at MTBC as Assistant Manager Marketing. He will be inshallah getting married by the end of Jan 2011.

Although Umer Gilani is an '09 and feels strongly about his association to this batch, being a law and policy major, he just graduated with the 010's. He is



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currently working as an informal assistant to a judge. On the side, he is reviving his ties to home, family and friends in the great green city of Islamabad. Umair 'UJ' Javed is back in Pakistan after completing a Masters degree in South Asian politics from SOAS. He spends his time working at a social sector consultancy, blogging on Pakistani politics, and day-dreaming about a classless society. Umair Kazi spends his days pretending to be a marketing strategist and moonlights as an advertising superhero/consultant, saving innocent audiences from irrelevant ads while dispensing thoughts through



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has been teaching A-level Sociology at the Beaconhouse School System Karachi for the past year and has had a really good time so far. The hours are great with more fime on your hands. If any potential teachers get to read this then please go ahead and join the academia. It's a whole lotta fun!

Usman Iqtidar is working at the Islamabad office of Express hoping to launch the newspaper soon. Usman Mirza is currently working in the Organizational Development (OD)









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no doubt a very interesting field was an entirely unfamiliar territory for him. Majoring in economics and with an aspiration of working in the development sector, he doesn't know how he ended up in the corporate private sector. Nevertheless he's enjoying his work and this is all that matters now. For the future, he plans to go for Masters abroad after 1–1.5 year of professional experience. Wajiha Ather Naqvi is to join New York University starting fall 2010 as an MA student in Near Eastern Studies, under the first round of academic awards known as the "Falak Sufi Scholarship." Zahaib Akhtar is working in the CS department as Research Assistant trying to publish a research paper and also thinking about filling up applications for MS leading to PhD someplace in the US. In his spare time he develops websites and does other random CS related stuff.

Finally about Yahya - he thinks that the only productive thing he's done in a year is to compile these notes. J After a year of working for AIESEC in Karachi, Yahya is in Islamabad and should start looking for work soon, and will ask his batch mates to help!

This last year, one of batch mates — Haniya Sheikh passed away, our condolences go out to her family and her friends. Finally about the 2009 Batch Scholarship - For donations, you can simply go to the LUMS Website and pay online through your credit card or else you can contact your respective cities representatives. Contributions in any amount are welcome. Please contact Moaiz Siddiqui at 0321-2284751 for details.

MSc 2003

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These class notes are presented in loving memory of Faraz Durrani, a fellow Luminite who tragically passed away last year. You were a kind soul and will surely be missed. May Allah grant you a place in Jannah and may He forgive all your sins (Aameen).

Muhammad Asif Siddiqui has completed five years of his Married-Dubai-Emirates life and still enjoying almost every moment of it. He confesses to be obsessed with his new camera. Ayaz-ul-Hassan Khan, after a lot of struggle, is finally heading off to KFUPM, Saudi Arabia for his PhD. He is an Assistant Professor at FAST, Karachi.

Faisal Jamil still haunts the hallways at LMKR Pakistan and is a proud dad of a doll named Dania. Wajahat Mateen has his hands full with Fawzan and Zunairah (his two adorable children) and his job at Nokia Siemens Networks. He travels to Afghanistan from time-to-time — pray for him!

Muhammad Raza Khan walked down the aisle with Naveen in 2008 and is now part of Standard Chartered as a Sr. Market Risk Analyst. He spends his days managing the Group Market Risk at SCB. His evenings are spent trying to lose weight and his nights partying with family and friends. He also intends to sit for the FRM exam next year. Zahra A. Shah is enjoying an Assistant Professorship at the Department of CS & II at Forman Christian College, Lahore. Her most recent interests include photography. Haroon Abdul Waheed got married last year and is working with the CS Department at Comsats, Lahore. Syed Tabish Rizvi got married (tamed) last year and is currently working as an IT Manager at Bank AL Habib Limited. He's a certified PMP now!

Kashif Ali Siddiqui, a father of two drop-deadgorgeous boys, spends his existence with his family and folio3 (with no time for friends). Imran Yusuf, daddy to the two-year old Zoha, has been with the Central Depository Company for the past four years as a Senior Systems Analyst and has been teaching part-time at MAJU and KU. Muhammad Yousuf Bawany, married (yet another one bites the dust), now runs his own import business in Karachi after ending a three-and-a-half year stint at Emirates Airlines, UAE. He wrote and directed a super-hit play in Dubai, which was showcased at the Emirates Film and Theatre Festival, 2009. A Ph.D. might be in the cards, not immediately though, because he hasn't been able to find a supervisor crazy enough to support his ideas on Neuroinformatics. In the meantime, he is busy nurturing his creative side by practicing origami, cooking and avidly writing his blog/poetry.

### MSc 2005

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Sigh - It's been one heck of an eventful year for a lot of O5ers. Quite a few have lost their independence, became parents, switched jobs, contributed to the brain-drain, and donated generously for the first ever class gift by an MS class at LUMS.

Owing to lack of time (and enthusiasm \*ahem\*), we compiled these one-liners in just three days from people's profiles at various social networking websites and other sources - so don't expect these to be as descriptive or detailed as the yesteryear's.

Abdul Rehman is now engaged and working as a Team Lead and Solution Architect at Optimal Solutions, Islamabad. Adeel Munir Butt has been with Habib Bank AG Zurich, Dubai for the past three years. Adnan Ahmed and Shaheryar Iqbal recently made the move to Singapore's OCBC Bank. Adnan Waheed is working as a Senior Engineer at 4M Wireless.

Aemen Lodhi is a PhD scholar at Georgia Iech. Affan Rauf, Irfan Ahmed, Khuram Javed, and Saqib Rashid can be found at RedMath, Lahore. Ahmad Muqeem Sheri was doing PhD from a country that's just a little towards the south from North Korea, when we last heard. Akeel-ur-Rehman Faridee is spam-tweeting from Lahore these days...

Ali Raza is fast approaching towards being called a doctor at Utah State. Amir Raza is now working as Manager IT Controls Assurance at MCB. Ammara Nadeem Malik is happily married to Laeeq Aslam (MSO3). Anoosha Habib is still an Assistant Professor at Islamia University of Bahawalpur.

Asher Imtiaz is juggling multiple roles at LUMS, FCC and Versonic. Asif Rafiq Rajwana is engineering software at TRG. Asif Raza Baig left Systems Ltd. and is now a Senior Software Engineer at Techlogix. Asim Ali Shah is in UK and is happily engaged; to his iPhone 4 as well;).

Atiq Mohammad Qazi can be found blogging regularly at Green & White. Ayesha Afzal is back in her hometown Multan where she is currently teaching at NFC's Institute of Engineering and Technology. Bilal Ahmad Bajwa is teaching at FCC, regularly sharing Lata's old songs on FB.

Bushra Anjum is entering her third year of PhD studies in the US. Still working on her "I visited most of the US States" mission, she covered Los Angeles, Las Vegas and Grand Canyon last year in winter break and cheered Independence Day Parade in Philadelphia @ 4th of July this year. As a background task, she has been visiting her long standing Facebook friends residing in the US (made mostly by the courtesy of Zynga game Farmville). It's a delight to meet 'pure' American families and the conversations are amazing! Studies are progressing smoothly and she was working on making a table of the latest simulation study results a minute ago when the 'dhamki amaiz' email to jot down class notes at this very moment was received!

Fahad Akhtar has sold all of his lands and farm houses at FarmVille to start his own software venture Good-

logics, where he's also working as a PM. Fahd Khan is a PS Consultant at Teradata and recently committed to Sana Andaleeb. A ping query to Faraz Azhar returned a 100% packet loss. Farhan Iqbal continues to work as an Assistant Professor at UMT.

Fasih ud din Khan was last seen at Techlogix. Fawaz Saleem Bokhari is a Fulbright scholar at UT-Arlington. Furqan Ahmad Minhas has been Teradating in UK for a while now. Furqan Aziz has recently joined imisciences [a sigh of relief for the students at FAST:)]

Ghulam Murtaza is gliding towards his PhD at LUMS, both figuratively and literally. Hafiz Ali Ghous Fakhri's career growth has been directly proportional to his receding hairline, and is now an Information Systems Specialist at Mobilink.

Huma Naushad is happily married to Mohsin Sohail and is living in Woodstock NB Canada. She is working as a Web Developer and Programmer for Dixie Sales Company and is excited about her trip to NorthCarolina U.S. for a project this year. She has seen most of Canada and is now planning a Trip to Greece this fall. She is obsessed with cooking and is

working on her Herb Garden which is doing quite well. She is enjoying summer and Kayaking has become her favorite Sport. Hussain Latif is campaigning for a change; starting

with his job.

Imran Khan, Khalid Rehman, Sajed Hafeez Malik, Usman Naseem and Zelleh Hussnain Syed are all at Teradata GCC (but not necessarily in Pakistan). Jareer Ahsan Hushaam is a Senior Software Engineer at Vahzay. Laiq Ahmad Nasir Butt is at Wichorus.

Madiha Rehman is now finally working after a long break in Telenor Islamabad. She doesn't wait for her pocket money anymore rather she waits for the 25th of every month, her salary: P. Never expect her to miss on any exhibition, new outlets in the town and new dinning places. Her daughter Mahrosh is now a BIG girl MashaAllah

and she will turn 3 on December 7 and her mom is planning to send her in Pre School in near future. She is training her daughter these days to make her feeder on her own so that she won't get disturbed over night.







# Classnotes MSC

Malik Tahir Hassan is dedicatedly pursuing his PhD at LUMS. Mirza Muhammad Yousaf is another one in the long list of those who left Teradata in the past one year, and is now working at Mobilink. Moeen Uddin Bandey is finally back in Isloo, switched his job and recently got engaged. Mohammad Ali Kirmani is looking for the next would-be Google as New Venture Screener at Founders Fund. Mohsin Naeem Khan started his own company, Robust Solutions, whose website was down at the time of writing this [guess this falls in the 0.01% of downtime that hosting sites don't mention;)]

Mubasher Nawaz Awan is working as a Network Consulting Engineer at Cisco, Dubai. Muhammad Abdul Rehman Akbar Khan (or simply `Mani Baba') is usually found counting days to use the Zurich-Islamabad segment voucher of his return ticket. Muhammad Ahsun Ali can be found in London doing some private projects.

Muhammad Ali Shafqat is dividing his time between his six-month old daughter and Xbox 360. Muhammad Asim Javed is hard at work to take Scrybe finally out of beta. Muhammad Asim Rafique is happily married and still in Congo with Warid Telecom. Muhammad Aurangzeb has finally said good bye to Techlogix leaving behind tears (:P) and is now working as a Senior Software Engineer at Spin Technology Group, Jeddah. Muhammad Fahim Ullah's venture, Horizon Technologies, is doing exceptionally well and frequently advertises job openings on Rozee.

Muhammad Ismail is Manager ERP at PTCL and spends his free time with his three years old son Rayyan.

Muhammad Kamran Nishat is back in LUMS after a research stint in Germany. Muhammad Kashif Azhar is still dealing the cards at GenlTeam. Muhammad Omer Raffat is happily married and is somewhere in the precincts of NYC working for Macrosoft (that's with an `a').

Muhammad Shoaib Hasan is plugging revenue leakages at KPMG Arabia. Muhammad Umair Khan has been with Sibisoft in Karachi for the past two years. Muhammad Umar Farooq has moved on from Teradata and is now doing pretty well at Ufone. Muhammad Umar Farooq has moved on from Teradata and is now doing pretty well at Ufone. Muhammad Umar Farooq has moved on from Teradata and is now doing pretty well at Ufone.

mad Zahid Ali is with Blue Train Technology as Project Lead, USA. Muhammed Sheraz Sharif is tending to his farm at FarmVille while working as a Software Engineer at ITS.

Munazzah Abdul Ghaffar is enjoying her life with her husband Muhammad Hassan Khan in San Francisco Bay Area, California. She went back to Pakistan once for her brother's wedding last year and wishes she could visit again as she misses her family and friends. She visited a couple of places in US and wishes to visit many more. She took some pottery classes as a fun activity and was amazed to learn that one can make just anything out of clay. On the weekends she is usually busy with friends for picnics, berry picking, bowling, watching movies, BBQs or playing board games.

Natasha Qaisar Well well, life is not the same as it was for her. From a sporty, fun loving, careless girl she has turned into a proper 'gharailoo' mother. Her baby Aadam will be 1 on July 28 and she is planning a big birthday party for him. If she gets time from her baby, the job, cooking and house work she still loves to chat on the internet with her old buddies back in Pakistan. If she doesn't call any of her friends that doesn't necessarily mean she doesn't miss them it's just she doesn't like spending money on phone cards. So friends if you miss her give her a call! She has taken a U-turn in her career and is moving into teaching and is looking forward to her PGCE which starts in September. But she doesn't know how she is going to manage studies with the baby. But for now she is enjoying with her parents who are visitingher in London. Rest all is same old even the email address!

Naveed Ahmed is globe-trotting with a DSLR around his neck and has so far conquered Afghanistan, Côte d'Ivoire, Mali, Burkina Faso and is now gearing up for Tajikistan. Qasim Ali is the first and only O5er at Microsoft so far. Rehman Chughtai is off to Arizona State for further studies. S. Meiraj Hasan is in Islamabad working for Consistel. Sadaf Ahmed is happily married to her prince charming Fawad is still in a state of perfection Alhamdulillah. On the professional front, she is serving Pakistan Telecommunication Authority as Assistant Director Services for almost a year now. Saadia Mumtaz is STILL attending the weddings, visiting her left over friends, trying new ventures, scaring the kids, eating, sleeping, shopping and making many plans: D;)

Sadia Saleem is at University of Manchester studying and researching towards a PhD. Saif ur Rehman has left Pepsi-Cola and is now Manager ERP at PTCL. Sana Shafi is living happily with her husband Abdul Jubbar in Reading, UK. She is enjoying snowy winters and sunny summers both of which were at their extremes this year.

She has already visited Pakistan once and thinks visiting Pakistan is not same as living in Pakistan. She recently visited Sadia Saleem in Manchester, and thinks it was a wonderful and different experience. She is still thinking, whether to get an IPhone4 or not as she is not an IPhone fan. She is having her first experience to live with her parents-in-law. She is very excited for her mother to visit her in September for obvious reasons. She is enjoying strawberry and cherry picking in British farms, summer Bar B Q´s, pebbly and sandy beaches of UK.

Sidra Masood is a SQA Engineer at Ikonami and happily engaged. Syed Ali Ahsan Jameel finally graduated from LUMS last year and is now flooding his Friends' Feed with updates from some obscure FB app called FrontierVille. Syed Mohsin Raza is Manager Information Security at MCB. Syed Muhammad Noman Bukhari is working at Teradata, Karachi. Talal Ahmed recently changed his relationship status to `engaged´ and expects to change it to 'married' in November this year. <mark>Usman</mark> Raza Chohan is doing his doctoral research in the land of pizzas and pasta (that's Italy for the culinary challenged) these days. **Waqar Ali Mirza** got married last year, and now dons a suit every morning to bless the corporate world of banking at ABL. Wasif Hussain has finally lost the title of the most eligible bachelor, sparking mass mournings/protests by damsels vying for their own eligibility \*ahem\*. Zahid Ali Chaudry is now a Senior Software Éngineer at TkXel. Zeeshan Malik got married in February this year, and has continued his trend of hopping jobs. He is now working at Formulatrix along with Sami Uz Zaman.

### **MBA 1989**

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Greetings!

The class of 89 will always be special for all the right reasons and the biggest of them all being that we attended it! But on a more serious note, it is good to hear that most of us are out there trying to make a difference in our own ways.

We met up last year at LUMS for the celebrations of twenty years since our graduation. How time flies!

It is my privilege to let you know that by donating PKR 7 million on the 20th year of our graduation we are now the largest donor class of LUMS! Our total donation now stands at PKR 14 million. You will be happy to learn that an auditorium in the new Suleman Dawood School of Business building has been named after the Class of 89 recognizing our various contributions. The credit for

raising the money from the class and coordinating with LUMS goes to Shahzad. Thank you and well done Shahzad!

Another proud privilege and honour for the Class of 89 is the various intellectual contributions some of us have been making to our alma mater. You will be happy to know that:

•Faisal Farid has now been serving on the LUMS Board of Trustees and the Management Committee for the last couple of years;

• Arif is now the full-fledged Dean of the Suleman Dawood School of Business. Heartiest felicitations, Arif; a richly deserved appointment; and

Shahzad is the current President of the Alumni Association.

We are concerned at what is happening in our country and I am told that one of our class-mates, Shoaib Nayyar, was shot at in a terrorist attack during Friday prayers last December. By the Grace of Allah, Shoaib has survived and is now better

Now let's share the news sent in by our classmates:

Ali Rahim has made Dubai his second home and is currently heading the Retail Marketing and Product Management functions as Senior Vice President for Dubai Islamic Bank. He performed Hajj in 2008 and he says it has helped him appreciate his career even more. He is happily married with three kids.

Aamer Hadi Khan is currently the Corporate Head of Business Development at DE-SCON and says he has his hands full with all the traveling he has to do.

Dr. Qaiser Rasheed has succeeded in establishing and organizing the Seed Association of Pakistan on a national level and has obtained registration and license from DGTO. He says that this would be a major step in revolutionizing the agriculture industry of Pakistan. He also represented the Class of 89 on the first Board of Directors of SDSB Alumni Association. His children are his pride and joy with his son representing Pakistan in the Tri-Nation Rugby Tournament held in Indonesia, and his daughter achieving third position worldwide in Sociology in A-Level Examinations.

**Sheheryar** is over the moon after becoming a grandparent and likes to spend every free minute of his time

with his grandson loving the fact that he can spoil him as much as he wants to and yet not be responsible for it. He would like to introduce something like this in the corporate world someday!

Amer Aman moved back to Lahore earlier this year and was recently promoted as Head of Sales and Distribution Pakistan for Warid Telecom.

Your news is needed for the next class notes!

### **MBA 1990**

Coordinator

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The Class of 90 completes its 20th anniversary since graduation this year. Many of us have achieved great success in our careers, and now our children are receiving accolades in their academics. At this moment, however, I am reminded of the four friends who have already passed away. Zahir Raza went first in a tragic car crash many, many years back. Naheed Sarwar was next.

We lost her in disturbing and unknown circumstances. Last year, we lost Kamran Khan in a similar manner. Kami was found dead in his apartment in Bahrain after about 2 days. He was living alone. We also lost Dr. Naim Sipra. We were the first class he taught at LUMS. He was very close to our class, and was also the warden at the boys hostel. We pray to Allah for his blessings, may the

departed rest in eternal peace - Ameen.

Munazzah Malik is still in New York.
Munzy is working within Technology
Support at Goldman Sachs. No, she
did not cause the global financial
crisis. Munzy has two daughters.
Amra Omar is in the San Francisco
Bay Area and is contemplating a
move back to Dubai to join Omar.
She is busy parenting (2 kids), volunteering and fundraising for PTAs, local

education foundations, and international not for profits. Sameera Khan has been in Canada for the past several years parenting and struggling with the Canadian Immigration rules. She is in process of relocating to Singapore where her husband has recently been moved to by his employer, RBS. I hear Sameera will start working for Sensei again once she settles

into Singapore.

Ayesha Sagib is married to Sagib and has three kids. Her son Tourab is 18, and daughters' Minal and Noor are 15 and 6. Ayesha was in Brunei for the past 8 years where she worked with various charities and social clubs. She is now going to Toronto for a few years with the kids. No, it is not because Sameera has moved to SE Asia. Zehra Mahoon is still in Canada. Don't have much news on her except that she is a single parent and a working mom. Saulat Salahuddin continues to run Pronto successfully. I last met Saulat a year ago when she came to ask RBS for a loan enhancement. Now you tell me, would you give Saulat a loan enhancement? Just kidding, I think we gave her the loan. Humaira Hyatt has been out of touch for a while now. I am guessing that she is in Lahore, given that Arif is now the Dean of LUMS. She must be busy being the first Lady at LUMS.

Fareeza Rasool is well settled in Australia. Keep hearing about her from Shahid Saleem who is in touch. Also got a couple of comments on FB from her. By the way she looks nothing like the really skinny girl we all remember from LUMS. Australia has really done her well. I (Adnan Q Khan) have recently moved to Singapore with RBS. My girls (Iman, Aafreen & Noor) are now turning 16, 14 and 12 and my son Fatch is turning 7. As some of you would appreciate, being a parent to one or more teenagers should earn you the Victoria Cross or something. I have now been at ABN/RBS for 10 years. Shahid A Haider remains in Lahore running his school (NCBA&E). He recently completed his tenure as Tehsil Nazim for Nankana. He has 3 kids (2 boys and 1 girl). Shahid has recently been made the Vice President of the Alumni Board at LUMS.

Shahid Saleem is still in Jakarta, mostly relaxing and sometimes working. He must have the highest salary in the world when you compare it to the amount of work he actually needs to do as the CEO of Bina Guna Kemia. Shahid has two sons (Omar and Taimur), who are both working on their sport skills. Taimur will be taking up F-1, whereas, Omar is still undecided. Shahid can be found every winter practicing his recreational skills in Lahore. Asad Alamgir is still in Manila with the Asian Development Bank. Recently saw pictures of his son's High School graduation. His son is now off to college in Canada. How time flies...

Salman Wassay is the Marketing Director at Zong in Islamabad. Wassay has 3 kids, and along with his wife has launched the hugely popular BBQ Ionight restaurant franchise in Islamabad. I believe a café is also on the way. His passion for dogs continues. Saad ur Rehman is with Banki Fransi in Riyadh. I think he has been there for at least 15 years or so now. Not to be outdone, Tahir Y Malik has also opened a successful Chinese restaurant in Islamabad. It is actually the re-launch of an existing one, China Town, which serves the best Hot Pot this side of the Himalayas.

M Abid Sabri is in Lahore. Last I met him he was teaching as well as running a consultancy. Sarmad Maqbool is still with the pharma sector, but I am not sure with which company now. I do know that he has recently moved to Karachi. The best way to catch up with him is at the Karachi airport. He is always flying somewhere or the other with doctors or sales guys in tow. Got in touch with Naveed Yazdani aka Dr. after many years thru Facebook. Dr. is teaching something, somewhere, to someone and looking very distinguished these days, French beard and all.

Agha Saeed Khan is at MCB, based in Lahore as the SEVP Operations. His kids are also quite grown up. I believe the eldest has recently gotten some academic award. Must be on Mahrukh! Who knows what Moazzam Hussain really does.....all I know is that he has been travelling a lot recently and has been putting up pics on Facebook. Ahmed Lateef is in Lahore running his own business as well as doing a lot of Tabligh work. A golf range at Race Course Park. Does this country not have safety rules?

Ahmed Yar Hiraj is still in politics. He finished his second tenure as Dist. Nazim Khanewal earlier this year. He is working with PML-Q as Senior Vice President and eagerly waiting for the next elections. Ahmed has three sons who are all at Aitchison. No news on Usman Babar. The last time I saw him he was at the DHA office sporting a true Islamic look, and busy with getting drawings approved. I would think he is still running his house construction business. Karim Beg is still in Dubai and still with ABN AMRO/RBS, now for over 12 years. With the sale of the UAE retail business, Karim will be moving on and is considering a career change. Karim is happily married (third time lucky).

I believe that Faisal Mahmood is still running REX in Lahore. He will soon be as old as the famous tree in front of his office. The last few times I met Mahmood Piracha were under difficult circumstances. Both times he was in Lahore for his parents illnesses. He is still based in Canada. Suhail Buth has seemingly left Pepsi Multan after being there for many years and has migrated abroad...I think Canada. Taqueer Mazhar has been in Kazakhstan for several years, initially with ABN AMRO, and then with a local bank. I believe that he will soon be moving back to Pakistan.

The last time I met Ahmed Raza he was the CEO at Arif Habib Securities. I think he is still there.

I have not heard any news on Shahzeb Syed for the past 2 decades and have not heard any news on Ahmed Bilal also for many, many years. I have not been in touch with Waheed Rashid since I last met him when he was with Nishat Group and no news on Khalid Zafar

Aamir Jawaid is with HSBC in Bahrain. No news on Adnan Masud but I believe he is still in Lahore with a lot of kids. I have not heard from Samiah Ali since we left LUMS. All I know is that she went to Germany and

never came back..

### **MBA 1991**

Coordinator

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Hello everyone! May this edition of the alumni magazine find you all safe and happy. This has been a tough year for our country and wherever we may be, the foremost thing on everyone's mind is Pakistan. There are so many

fronts on which we need to rebuild and strengthen our country, and I am very happy to see

that our local and expatriate graduates all have a shared resolve of giving back to Pakistan and more specifically LUMS.

The Class of '91 has had a tremendous year in connection with giving back to LUMS. Through the efforts of Shujaat Mirza, Inam-ur-Rahim, and Sheikh

M. Iqbal, we were able to pledge and honor funding for one MBA student per year. Insha Allah, with continued and re-energized efforts, we are hoping to grow this fund in the coming years and feel rather humbled by the opportunity Allah has given us to collectively contribute to education in Pakistan. A big thanks to our three Cheetahs, Shuji, Inam, and Iqbal for making this happen.

I am also overwhelmed by the efforts of our Ikanway members to help the flood victims. Akbar Zaman Khan, Mustafa Zafar, Jahanzeb Naseer, and several others have made personal and corporate efforts to collect and deliver relief funds and goods to the affectees. At an individual level, I believe every one of us has connected with other relief workers and undertaken private efforts to contribute to helping and rehabilitating the flood victims. What is more

overwhelming is that ours is clearly just a small group of people in a much larger group of people from LUMS, whom I've seen with collection boxes at DHA roads, raising funds. LUMS has set an excellent example of community service in recent years and it is heartwarming to see the alumni body take active part in furthering the efforts of our alma mater.

The group of people we interchangeably call Ikanway and Cheetahs, have also done well on a personal front. As per tradition, a lot of us are working overseas, while a significant number are moving and shaking the local economy.

Nile, Sara, Saadia Asif, Taimur Pasha and Mustafa Zafar are known to be settled in Dubai. Aamir Syedain recently moved to Riyadh from Bahrain. Abid Nasim, Shazi Naiyer, Humaira Kamal, Ali Abbas and Amina Ahsan Haque are in the US. Shehryar Ali Shah has moved to Singapore after a brief sojourn in Pakistan. Alliya Azhar and Saadia Bukhari are back in Lahore to join most of Ikanway, with the exception of Akbar and Sadiq who are in Islamabad. That made me pause and think, where are you Omar Masrur? The other Omar is in Karachi, and I believe, so is Sheena. Arshad Wadud is in Peshawar, Hafeez I think is in Singapore, and coordinates are fuzzy on Maqsood, Nasir and Azhar.

A few more details on Ikanway from those who sent them in: Abid is running a tech-company called Generalsoft headquartered in San Ramon, California. He has recently set up an offshore development and training center in Karachi, with plans to open more branches in Pakistan next year. Parvez is now in his 6th country with Bristol-Myers Squibb; he is enjoying suburban life in Princeton New Jersey, where is handling Global Market Access for Emerging Markets and Asia-Pacific. This is the first time our Doc has lived away from a big city, and is trying to get used to deer crossing roads at night!

Shehryar is with DBS Bank in Singapore now.

Mustafa Zafar says he's got his family stabilized at three kids, with the eldest Fatima Masha Allah starting college next year and seriously thinking of LUMS (good choice, MZ!!).

Mustafa is working in the real estate industry in Dubai. Tania Shah is busy running Chic, teaching A-Lev-

els, and raising her three beautiful daughters, of whom the younger two are twins. Saiga is running Shahkam and raising her son Raamis. Humaira Kamal is working with UNITAR, based in Phoenix with her two lovely daughters. I have personally witnessed Humaira to actually be rendered speechless by them and am very glad that I'm not the only one to whom "how the mighty have fallen" applies. Our children are definitely giving us all a run for

our money.

I (Saadia Bukhari) am back in Lahore, after 12 years in the US. For now, this is home and I'm busy raising my son Emil and finding creative self-actualization in photography. Sadia is an Executive VP at PTCL and has three kids; his wife Maryam teaches at LGS and Sadia

has graciously and of course in his well-known humorous vein, offered anyone with non-working phone or a kid who wants to go to LGS to contact him. Imran Ghani has launched his own nation-wide brand of ready to wear clothes by the name of Breakout.

Yousuf Ali is moving to Hague with Shell. I have yet to extract the details from him, but have managed to get an invite and am planning to organize a group visit to see him. Anyone interested should let me know by December! Nadeem is with MCB and looking very distinguished with dashes of grey in his hair. In the interest of meeting an already-missed deadline, I'm shooting off these class notes in a hurry. I am sorry if anyone was left out and I hope that next year we will have a better prepared and more detailed version! Till then, best of luck to all of us, wherever we are, in all our personal, professional, and national efforts. Pakistan Zindabad!

### MBA 1992

Coordinator

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Zunee and Muhtashim are settled in Karachi. Zunee continues to work for IFC for the last 10 years and Muhtashim is working in MCB Bank in Wholesale Banking. They are a peripheral part of Aumni Chapter in Karachi and keenly following the progress of LUMS and wish the school all the best. Zunee has joined the Alumni body and hopes to push the Class of '92 in giving sizeable donations for NOP/Endowment. They have three girls: Sophia, Shanze and Hannah. Who knows one or more of them may end up in LUMS.

Faiza and Aamer Zaidi are in Dubai. Aamer is heading Corporate Banking in Noor Islamic bank while Faiza is busy managing Aamir and their 3 kids: Ali, Abeer and little Eman. Yawar Naeem (aka Admiral) is having an unabated `Thrilla' in Manilla working with Land O' Lakes. He is studying for a Post Graduate Executive Programme in Strategy Innovation at the Said Business School, Oxford University. He has three kids. Aliya is settled with hubby Ehmar and son Iaimur in Canada working for a public sector entity and is rarely seen in these parts of the world. Asad Batla and Asma are getting younger by the day. Asad looks after Consumer Banking for Noor Bank and Asma manages Wrap and Roll Handi joints in UAE. They have two lovely girls.

Ahmad Taufique and Tayyaba are in Dubai where Ahmad is heading marketing for Fonterra (a Kiwi dairy company) for the Middle East, Africa and Central Asian states while Tayyaba has become a busy Market Research Consultant, doing projects for the likes

of Synovate, MEMRB etc. They have two kids. Asad Zahoor has started his own enterprise for tunnel farming, heading an NGO in Agriculture (Quest International) and a services business (CNC consulting looking at competitiveness and capacity building for private sector and donors). He is based in Lahore. He is married with four boys (from 3-14yrs old)!!

Syed Ather Ahmad has joined Samba Bank as Head of Fls in Riyadh. Anju and their 3 daughters have recently moved to enjoy life in a Saudi compound. Azfar Nomani has completed 18 years in MCB Bank and is looking after the Compliance Function based out of Karachi. He and Ayesha are raising two lovely kids. Azmat Babur is busy farming his lands and is also working as a Financial Consultant. He and Suzaane are based in Karachi. Farah Khan is in Dammam Saudi Arabia and from what I hear is a regular visitor to the watering holes in Bahrain. She is a devoted mom and follows her son's baseball very seriously. Faryal **Dhebar** is reportedly in London and according to Shaz has become very religious. Nothing else is known about her. Fatimah Afzal is with DFID and lives with her parents and daughter in Rawalpindi. Gulbano Bokhari is with Silk Bank and has two kids. She has a lawyer husband, so watch out!

Haroon Zamir has moved from Dubai to Karachi to join HBL in the Risk Management area. He alongwith Hasan Raazee remain the only eligible bachelors in our class. Hassan Raazee is based out of San Diego managing his online furniture business. Seems to be high on life and last heard was busy espousing the cause of Urdu Language on Facebook.

Hina Aklaque is the CEO of Pak Oman Asset Management Company. She is married and settled in Karachi. She has 4 kids (11 years to 4 months)...and the second person to have 4 kids in our class. Irfan Abdullah (Aka Dabba) has moved from textiles to development sector and teaching, and after working in a UNDP project (Gender Promotion) is now working for a USAID project on Job Creation. He also works as a trainer in the project, conducts training workshops and teaches EMBA students at different universities in Karachi. We wish him all the luck.

Jawad and Maryam and their cute twins are also in Karachi. Jawad is busy heading Invisor Securities and playing all kinds of games. Khola is in HBL Lahore in the Corporate Banking department. She remains elusive to all of us as always. Mahreen Raashid has been with LUMS for the last 14 years and currently the Director for the Rausing Executive Development Centre. She is happily married has 2 children. Maleeha Mimi Bangash has moved from Competition Commission of Pakistan and is now the Head of Strategy for UBL AMC. She and her adorable son Sinaan have re-located to Karachi. Mansoor Khalil is going steady with RBS Bank in Karachi. He can be seen on his regular monthly commute to Lahore to meet up with Sidra and kids, Jamil and Nabiha. They have recently added a daughter to their family.

Mohammad Ali Khan is with MCB as General Manager, Commercial Banking for Jhelum Circle. He is married with one wife (still) and only two children. He has come up with a book of self essays of satire and humour entitled, Bored of Virtue, which is available at major book shops in Islamabad. Munawar aka Monty is based in Dubai where he continues to work in the Credit Policy Area with Dubai Islamic Bank. He, Sadia and their son seem to be living a blissful life in Dubai.

Nabeela Naeem is busy teaching aspiring finance graduates and raising her two kids. She is based in Karachi.

Nadeem Kazmi remains loyal to Siemens and has done about 23 years with them. He is based on Karachi and we hope will be heading Siemens Pakistan in near future. He and Simi are happily married with Zoya and Zulfiqar. Nadeem Illahi left MCB

after 17 years to venture into Canadian tundra where he has joined ID Meloche Monnex in Toronto. We wish good luck to the country and hope that the wildlife will adjust to this recent addition from Pakistan. Nadeem and Lubna have two kids, Ayaan and Saaria. Nasir labal remains the quintessential capitalist. Easy to understand given his financial success. He is in London and the last I remember was a proud father of three.

Naureen Khalid is part of the Medipak family business for the past 17 years and is also managing the Porsche franchise for Lahore since the last 5 years. She and Abuzar have an adorable son. Omer Rashid is in Rochester, Ml. After completing his Ph.D. in international business, he is teaching at Oakland University. USA. Rehan Khan (aka Soofi) is Lahore based and works for a textile firm. He is happily married and just moved into his new house.

Sadia Saadat has joined the Government of Punjab as DG Marketing (PBIT) in an Advisory role and is based out of Lahore. She sends out fancy brochures to attract money for Punjab while money keeps flying away. Salman Mir is travelling the world while working with a pesticide firm in USA. Shahid

Mahmood has moved from WorldCall to Analytics in partnership with Teradata. He and Mona have two kids and are happily settled in Lahore, as is evident from his regular facebook updates.

Shazad Iqbal (aka Shaz Cool) runs his own business and is married with two kids. His cow farm

successfully attracted Acumen funding in 2009. We wish him best of luck in his new adventure. Umar Zafar works for Netsol as Business Development Manager with two kids. Since losing the alumni elections to Zunee, has gone underground. Umer Masood has proceeded to do Ph.D. in urban planning at MIT. He is married with one daughter. Yawar Mazhar is enjoying life in Amsterdam working for European banking power house of RBS. He and Naheed had one son till last reports came in.

### **MBA 1993**

Coordinator

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We are nearing the end of another decade, taking us another year further than 1993 when we graduated.

Starting with Karachi, Farah and Shahid are doing well and happy with their 3 kids. Farah is teaching at Karachi Grammar School while Shahid is busy with Tameer Bank.

has Memosh back again making his wife Maryam most

Imran Paracha and family is doing well and visiting the United States these days. Their daughter Nashia has finished her O'levels while Muhaiman is in Grade 8. Naveed Chawla is doing well with a blooming business, and looks nice sporting a beard. He has two daughters ages 14 and 12, and a son who is 5 years old. Dubai now

happy. He is still with Henkel managing the detergents business for the Arabian Peninsula. I hear that they are expecting an addition to their family of two boys, Seinan and Sultan. Soofi and Amber, and Zulfi and Marryam are still with Barclays in Dubai. Naveed Asghar is in Jeddah and still with Unilever after all these years. That indeed, is very commendable.

Ahsan Latif lives in England with his wife Sarah and three lovely kids. Haider and Susie have been blessed with a baby boy named Aiden. From the pictures posted, we can see that they are thoroughly enjoying the baby. They have been in Singapore for 3 years, where Haider works for I Rowe Price, a US-based mutual funds company as Regional Resources Analyst.

Amna and Ali Naqvi are still in Hong Kong with their 3 children. Amna's art venture is going very well with exhibitions taking place around the world.

Osama is currently researching and writing the final parts of his doctoral dissertation in Pakistan. He also spends time at LUMS every week to help out with departmental progress and is also involved with various justice sector reforms. His wife Maryam finished her LL.M at Yale last year, is currently researching in Pakistan as a Yale Fellow and just got appointed as an Assistant Professor at the Department of Law & Policy at LUMS. His son Hatim will start grade six, while daughter Nawaal will start grade one. Haseeb in heading the water division of Nestlé in Lahore and out of his love for tennis has started coaching at Gymkhana Club.Ami is doing her own work here in Karachi, and has recently been blessed with a baby boy. All the best to you, Asim and Zayna!

Salman Saleem is heading his ancestral business as Director, United Dairy Farms (Pvt) Ltd. He is presently-based at Karachi looking after the sales & marketing in the South, and has 4 children Faheem, Fauzan, Hoorain & Arham. Ali Bajauri is in Toronto and has recently been blessed with a baby boy called Keyvaan. Wishing him and Saima the very best. Faisal Ahmed is also in Toronto with his wife and two kids. I (Sarah Beg) am working for FranklinCovey as Certified Trainer, while Salman is with Standard Chartered in Kuala Lampur.

I wrote to many others in the class by searching for them on Facebook, but sadly, they did not reply. So I'll end with this brief update on what class of 1993 is doing.

#### MBA 1994

Coordinator

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The class of 1994 seems to be going from strength to strength personally & professionally. It has been a stable year for most of us with no earth shattering news or changes having taken place. Most of us have worked diligently in the same organizations as last year & have grown to senior levels with the same. We all seem to be fully involved in building our careers & families. The destination of choice seems to be the Middle East where a lot of our class fellows are currently residing. Life seems to be stable & steady for most. Actually middle age has really set in as Hashim says he's too lazy now to switch or change anything!

Abdul Rahim Butt is now in Doha, Qatar, working with Standard Chartered Bank as Head of Strategy & Planning, Wholesale Banking. He is happily settled in

Doha with wife and two sons aged 7 and 12 years. Ali Nadir Syed is settled in Dubai working as the CEO of Fairfax Middle East; an investment bank with headquarters in London. Currently, they are a commuting family as Gul Nigar Bukhari & their 9 year old daughter Amaan are in Lahore, where Gul is anchoring for Express 24/7 news channel. Eiraj Saleh Daud continues to grow with Engro Foods Ltd. as it s General Manager Sales. He is based in Lahore with wife Ayela & three kids; Talha (13), daughter (10) and son Danial (7). Haider Rafig is one of the most successful entrepreneurs from our class. He runs the Capital Group of Companies. Haider has five companies under his group from manufacturing steel to biscuits & supply chain/logistics for FMCGs. The last year has seen rapid growth in his supply chain business as he is now offering fully integrated supply chain solutions to FMCG businesses. He is settled in his home town Islamabad with wife Urooj & kids Hamza (13), Aiman (11) & Hasan (6).

Hammad Hassan is still in Bahrain at ABC Islamic Bank where he is First Vice President, Head of Marketing (Corporate & Institutional Banking). He is enjoying life in Bahrain/Manama with wife & three kids; Wardah (12), Rania (11) and Afraz (7). Haris Ahmed is still based in his beloved city of Lahore with wife & twin sons Wali Ahmed & Razi Ahmed both aged 6yrs, 7 months, 5 days & four hours as Haris diligently informed us! He works with Barclays Bank as their Regional Head Central & Country Head Mid Corp. The last time he was seen shaking his mane & a leg was at Mumtaz Kazmi's birthday bash in Karachi this year. Haroon Khalid has something up his sleeve! He is working on something other than banking he said but will reveal it at an appropriate time. Good luck Haroon with your secret mission. Hope to find out about it soon. Haroon is currently Head of Risk Management, at Bank Alfalah in Karachi with wife Sophia and two boys Rafae (8) & Emaad (4).

Mirza Hashim Baig claims that age has finally caught up with him. Our Lord Abrasive is now too lazy to change anything so asked us to refer to last years class notes as he claims not to have changed anything in his life except being a year older. So according to our last notes Hashim manages risk for Burooj Properties in Abu Dhabi and lives in Abu Dhabi along with his wife Aysha and three girls Fatima (14), Maryam (7) and Zainab (5). Nauman Chughtai and Sobia are both happily settled in Lahore where Nauman heads the Risk Management Group at MCB Bank and Sobia heads Corporate Marketing for HBL. They both have two kids Saad (14) years & Ayela (10). Sajid Saeed continues to be the CEO of Gulf Oil Saudi Arabia. He has been living in Jeddah with wife Sumbleying and kids Safa (12) and Selina (4) for the last ten years. According to our last reports he is busy building a house in Jeddah & loves life there! Are we talking about the same Sajid!!

Mumtaz Kazmi moved to Dubai with Credit Suisse as Director Investment Banking last year. He & wife Saima are enjoying life close to home after living in New York for almost a decade. He recently came of age (hit the 40 figure) which wife Saima celebrated with style in Karachi. He has two kids who are his clones (sorry Saima): Mekaael (6) & Zahra (3). Romana Malik is still in Dubai with husband Kashif and kids. She is no longer working, so she could give more attention to her kids Zain (6) and Zoya (18 months old). Saira Hameed is settled in Karachi and has been working with UBL for the last five years. She heads their Investor Relations function. Saira has two kids; Fareeha (14) & Mustafa (9),

with the third one on the way very soon InshaAllah.

Saira Shafi moved to Karachi a few years ago with husband Aali. She is currently managing her furniture & interior designing business Envoque in Karachi. She recently decided to turn her passion for art into a business venture in Lahore called Vogue Art Gallery. Saira has three daughters. Her twins; Sana & Sara are now almost 12 & Alisha 3 years old. Saira recently built a new house in Karachi in record time which was furnished & done up in not more than a week! Way to go Saira. Nabigha Nasser has been in Karachi for almost forever. After 11 years of working with Unilever I decided to take a few years off to look after my children. The third child rocked the boat completely & it became almost impossible to do any full, half or flexi timing assignment anymore. Believe me I tried all three iterations! My last

full time assignment was Brand & Business

Team Leader Skincare & my last flexi/half

day assignment was Head of Market Re-

search for Unilever Pakistan. I have three daughters Zoya (8), Zara (6) and Zaina

Uzma Hussain is in the process of moving to Dubai after living in London for 15 years. She is ecstatic on being so close to home & family finally. The move to Dubai was made as husband Shahid decided to move to Fairfax Middle East an upcoming investment bank in Dubai. She has her hands full with three energetic boys Adnan (12), Suleman (8) & Bilal (5). Her healthy binges are still very much on with tubs of frozen yogurt & strawberry milk shakes now thrown in with daily Cindy Crawford workouts! Lubna Saeed is settled comfortably in a town called Appleton in Wisconsin, U.S.A. She lives in a lovely lakeside home with husband Khalid (a gastroentologist) & two kids Zuhair (8) & Karim (6). She loves life in the small town & is a frequent traveler to Canada where her parents are now settled. The last Lubna visited Pakistan was almost two years ago.

Salman Qutb is in Lahore with MCB. He has recently taken up a new position with the bank as Head of

Consumer Risk Division. He has three adorable daughters aged 9, 7 and 3 years, who are the only ones he loves more than a game of Golf. Shamoon Chaudhry is still with Boubyan Bank in Kuwait as the Executive Manager, Direct Investments. Shamoon and wife Rahla are happily settled in Kuwait along with their three boys; Shaheer (8), Rafay (4) & Siddiq (2). Syed Ali Athar Jameel aka Master is currently in Lahore working for Nestlé Pakistan Ltd. as Group Manager Distribution Operations. We are sure Master has

Distribution Operations. We are sure Master has brought all derivative models, statistical tools & quant analysis into distribution operations! Nestlé is still wondering what they did without him all these years! Master we expect no less from you! He is happily married to wife Iehseen and has a son Nasir (7) and daughter Zujaja (5 ½). Kashif Shah left investment banking & the financial sector after 15 years & is elated about it to say the least. He began a new career last year with Byco Group as the Sponsors

Advisor & Director. He lives with wife Uzma in Karachi and has three daughters Saniya (9), Alizeh (8) and Zara (3). Shazia Kamal who had been missing in action for quite a while got traced in Karachi. She is currently between jobs. Her last one was with Kashf Micro Finance as their Regional Manager. She lives in Karachi with husband & two daughters farishteh (11) and Malhaar (1½). Having a baby after 10 years has brought about its own challenges but Shazia is juggling both

fronts, her career & kids, wonderfully. Keep it up Shazia! Tahir Aziz is with Askari Bank as the SEVP & Group Head Corporate & Investment Banking. He lives with wife Ayesha and two sons Taimur (10) & Nadir (9) in Karachi.

Dr. Usman Bhatty is with Nestlé Pakistan as their Country Business Manager Nutrition. He is settled in Lahore with wife Amna and two boys Abuzar (10) & Ali (8). Besides Docs career, his vocal cords are also going

from strength to strength as displayed recently at Munno's party. Usman Khalid is also at Nestlé Pakistan in Lahore. Currently he is the Controller for Milk Collection & Agricultural Services. He is married to Saima, and has a daughter Ayesha (8) and son Hamza (12). Yousaf Hussain loves being back in Lahore after 13 years. Both he & Tanzeela are enjoying being close to their families after

a long gap. Yousaf works for Faisal Bank as their Regional Head North. After Emman who is 6 years old, Yousaf & Tanzeela were recently blessed with their second daughter Amal who is now six months old.

Amir Shah is now well settled in Ottawa, Canada with wife Julie. He works for Bell Canada as Associate Director — Business Planning. Amir & Julie have two

daughters aged 14 & 12. It has been a long time since Amir visited Pakistan & friends from LUMS and hopes to see everyone soon.

The following have not written back with their latest information hence I will post the last news we had from them or heard about them:

Faaiz Hassan works with HSBC Bank Middle East Ltd as Director, based in Dubai along with wife Amina Munir. Amina is busy settling down in Dubai with two kids Omer (10) & Aadil (5). The last we know of Ubaid Saleem is that he is in Chantilly Virginia working for JP Morgan Chase. He is married to Hina and has twins Zayaan & Zaynab aged 5 years. Amir Naseer & Ayesha are both in New York. Amir is the COO for First Manufacturing Corporation; a company of Leatherfields Pakistan. Amir & Ayesha have three boys Ibrahim (10), Hamza (8) & have recently been blessed with another son. Kamran Khan is settled in Karachi & is currently working with National Foods as General Manager Sales. He & wife Kehkashan have two kids; Marium (9) & Orhan (8). Ali Mahoon works in Jeddah as the Regional Risk Manager for Samba, where he lives with wife Fatima and their kids Aahmad (7), Dina  $(5\frac{1}{2})$  and Danya  $(4\frac{1}{2})$ .

The last we heard from Azeem Ullah Khan was that he has his own immigration & settlement consultancy called "AukSun Consultants" and he operates out of three offices in Canada, UK and Karachi. No one has seen much of him over the last year. Wife Sadiya and daughter Anoush are based in Canada as well. Usman Hassan heads Credit Risk Management at MCB Bank and is based at its Head Office in Lahore. Till last year he was involved in building his house. Usman has four kids; two girls and two sons. Maimuna Arshad is a homemaker living with her husband in the USA and says that I await that time when cooking, cleaning, grocery shopping and kid's homework are not my daily worries!!! Kids: Ahazz (9) and Mina (4). Jayikar Vaidya settled in Lalitpur, Nepal. We have not heard anything from him this year.

Fuad Zuffer lives & works in Kansas, USA where he has stayed put for the last 14 years. He works for Alcatel-Lucent. Kids: Insia (14) and Faran (7) Haaris Zafar till our last reports was working as Director with RBS in London with wife Fatima and son Mikaeel who is now Syrs old. Amer Kamal has been in Dubai for almost 9 years now. He manages Shells's chemical sales in Middle-East & Pakistan. He seems to be happily settled with wife Gul and three kids Dua (11), Jazib (9) & Rafay (3). Atif Baig heads the regional Credit Risk Portfolio Management for Deutshce Bank in Singapore where he lives with his wife & and three daughters. Awais Hassan continues to do wonders at Habib Bank AG Zurich, Dubai and now heads its corporate zone. He & wife Qurat ul Ain have two kids; Mahnoor (12) and Hasnain (9). Those few who continue to stay away from the limelight year after year with no news or updates are Zahra, Saman, Jayakar, Amir Chisti & Behram.

### **MBA 1995**

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The duo is back after 15 years! This time with a new profile — we are now "I&S Incorporated" and our first assignment is this — trying to find out what everyone has been up to for the last few years. Here goes...and apologies in advance if we have overlooked anyone, or have gotten anything wrong.

Our deepest condolences to Ayesha who very tragically lost her husband, Raza, earlier this year. She is the epitome of strength and courage and we know that you will all join us in praying for both Ayesha and her son Ibrahim — may Allah give them the strength to bear this irrepairable loss. Ameen.

Asher is in Bangladesh as Chief Commercial Officer Banglalink - a telecom company. Asher, we can only imagine just how popular you must be over there — tall and fair in the land of the not so tall and not so fair! Atiya and Hammad are still in Dubai. Hammad is at Standard Chartered Bank and Atiya is teaching MBA and BBA students. They have two beautiful children a daughter aged 10 and a son who is 8.

After living in Sweden, Italy and Canada Imran Nasser is now based in Dubai since three years. After being single for a couple of years he recently tied the knot with his lovely Moroccan wife Sakina and is hoping to get a hang of French and Arabic! After selling Tetra Pak packaging solutions, Kraft cheese and Tobelerone, he is now selling BlackBerry smartphones to Africans and spends half of his life traveling to Africa (Nigeria, Kenya, Tanzania, Zambia, Uganda, Malawi, and Botswana). Imran visits Lahore once a month to meet his lovely boys Shayan and Walee. Change is the only thing constant in his life. Well said friend – surely many will agree with you!

After having been Missing In Action (MIA) for nearly 15 years, Junaid has resurfaced! He is based in Lahore and running a multifaceted, multibillion rupee business empire. He has a beautiful wife and three children - one son and two daughters. He also has a house with a swimming pool — Junaid when are you inviting us over?!! Venue for a class reunion? Sarah Fatima moved to Karachi last year and is happily settled there. All we know is that Sajjad Cheema was in America two years ago.

MIA but we know that Muhammad Farrukh Ansari is somewhere in Lahore or its outskirts! Mustafa Beg is still in Dubai, helping the Sheikhs with their money! MG not only tied the knot, but became the proud father of a beautiful baby girl.

Not sure where **Usman Qureshi** is, but he is certainly the father of two gorgeous little girls and recently entered the 35+ age bracket! Congratulations my friend, you are coming of age.**Zahid** and **Bushra** are based in Nairobi soon to be relocating to Dar es

Salam Tanzania. Zahid is working as the Regional Consumer Banking Director for Barclays and Bushra is the proverbial housewife — busy taking care of the family [three boys, Zahid aged 40 something, Murad (13+) and Raza who is almost 11] plus doing volunteer work in Africa. Uzma Rashid is busy working! — out! Aerobics! She has three children and like Bushra has become an-

other proverbial housewife! We always knew you were a fitness freak Uzma. Some of us need your help.

While Usman is climbing the heights of the corporate ladder in banking, Emma is gaining heights in the area of family management! Mashallah she is the mother of three beautiful children (two daughters and a son) with another addition soon to come! Our congratulation Usman and Emma. Usman Ahmed is with Barclays Bank and is really going places! He now has responsibility for managing several regions — not countries! We are really proud of you Usman. Sajid Riaz is still in Karachi. He recently tied the knot and like MG became a proud father.

Asim Rehman is also in Karachi and till last updates, continues to pursue his passion of flying PIA airplanes. Taimur Shaique is now the proud father of three; Amin (7), Wasay (5) and Laila Bano (7 mths). After 10+ years at HBL, he has recently moved to NIB Bank in Karachi. He misses the class of 1995 a lot. His wife Saima is busy in managing the Karachi branches of the LGS network. By the way, Taimur also has one of the best collections of paintings we have ever seen. Zulaikha and Khurram are both well settled in Canada. Zulaikha is working for a Canadian bank and Khurram after pursuing another MBA is also working with a firm in Canada. They have three gorgeous children — a son and two daughters. After having recently met Seemeen Mirza we can person-

gorgeous children — a son and two daughters. After having recently met **Seemeen Mirza** we can personally vouch for the fact that if there is anyone whose beauty and poise is timeless — it's Seemeen! The busy mom of two, is as radiant and as charming as ever! Seemeen continues to be based in San Francisco,



California and is working with Johnson & Johnson. She was honored to have the opportunity to moderate a panel discussion with Dr. Durrani (former Vice Chancellor of LUMS) at the "Organization of Pakistani Entrepreneurs" (OPEN) meeting in SFO recently.

Aneela Ansari is going strong with Nestlé and is based in Switzerland. She and her husband Babar are fond of globetrotting and manage to visit all sorts of exotic places, including South America where Aneela blended in perfectly with the Brazillian beauties! She is another fitness freak and has recently taken part in the 20km run. Well done Aneela!

After a brief stint in Karachi, **Tafweez ul Vakil** is now based in Lahore as Director Marketing and Sales for Lakson Tobacco / Philip Morris International. **Nadeem Safdar** is in his hometown of Rawalpindi. He and his wife Asma have three children; a daughter and two sons. Nadeem is currently working for Alcatel-Lucent.

Ibrahim Shamsi is still based in Karachi, but manages to visit Lahore frequently. In addition to introducing the Lahoris to the famous Student Biryani of Karachi, Ibbi is also busy keeping all alumni connected in Karachi. Kudos to him! By the way he also owns a yacht...another possible venue for a 15th year reunion??? What say Ibbi??

Uzma Aslam is based in the US close to Atlanta, GA. She has two girls and a boy aged 11, 8 and 5. I think Faisal Ali is the last one to bite the dust as they say! Finally, he got hitched! And to a beautiful

girl! Congratulations Faisal — how come we weren't invited? Furqan just missed the status of the last one to fall — he got married before Faisal! Furqan is based in Lahore and is going places with Pepsi. Shemyla is still down under in Sydney. She now has four girls aged 10, 6, 5 years and 11months. Wow Shemyla you must have your hands full! Raising children is no easy task and MashaAllah daughters are such a blessing. Hint!

Amina and her husband Saad are happily settled in Bahrain. They have three children, a daughter and two sons. Ali Nauman has now moved to Dubai from Bahrain. He is working as a Director with Emirates NBD Capital and is proud father of three sons. No news on Abaid Chaudry but we do bump into his wife now and then! Abaid is still working in La-

hore for a company unknown, but is the proud father of two children. Sheyrhar aka Shezi is all set to become the new "Super Store Tycoon of Pakistan". HKB is rocking under his leadership! He has not only been able to attract a number of top brands to retail within HKB but is known to give young and upcoming entrepreneurs a platform to launch themselves! Well done Shezi. Shezi and his wife Sara were

recently blessed with a new additionto their family — a baby girl called Inaya. Amir is now in Canada. He and his wife Humaira have two lovely daughters.

And as for the two of us:

**Situat** is in Karachi and the mother of three — two girls and a boy. After a brief hiatus from work, she is now teaching A- level students at Karachi Grammar School.

After having moved to Karachi and then to Lahore (in less than 12 months!), somehow, I (Tanzeela) am still working with the British Council as their Head of HR. Yousaf and I were recently blessed with another addition to our family — a beautiful daughter for us and sister for Emaan, who we have named Amal.

Asim Hameed is in Dubai. He and his wife Saman were recently blessed with a baby boy.

After trying very hard to do so, we were unfortunately not able to seek any updates on the following who remain "Missing In Action" (MIA): Mobeen, Farhan, Jahangir, Rizwan — we think is in Lahore, perhaps "housed" in "Casa Bella?"; Adnan — either the "tayara" has landed or it is lost somewhere!; Imran Hamid — no update, only that he is based in America; Imran Alam Dar — another MIA but we believe somewhere in Saudi; Ali Aslam, Usman Mir and Naeem Javed.

### MBA 1996

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The stars of MBA 1996 continue to shine bright and are scattered far and beyond, climbing the corporate ladders all over the world and yes getting a few grey's as well... it's been 14 years and we have all come a long way. It's always a pleasure to have those class re-unions when a few of us can get together and it seems that only 14 min utes have gone by since we last met. Facebook has done wonders to re-connect many.

Ali Almakky and Zarina have recently shifted to London from USA after spending a decade there. They have a beautiful house in St John's Wood. Ali is now co-COO of Global Institutional Sales for Fixed Income,

Currencies and Commodities and Equity Derivatives and that is the reason he is never to be seen at home while Zarina toils all day with the household chores and the two kids Adam (8) and Alina (7). Nauman Amjad along with his wife Nadia and beautiful son Zain (3) is fully entrenched in London also living in St John's Wood much to Ali's delight. Nauman continues to work with Citigroup and Nadia with HSBC. Ammar Ali Qureshi continues to trot the globe looking for carbon credits as Business Development Manager with Carbon Resource Management in London he has tried his luck with Pakistan but to no avail. He continues to be single in hot pursuit of a wife. Any suggestions??? Farheen has also been in London for quite a while now living a good life with husband Shahzad and two daughters. Naima with her husband Amin and 3 kids (two girls and a boy) is in Hampstead Garden in London. These days she is in Pakistan, busy in her village trying to provide relief to her people after the devastation of the floods. Umar Kitchlew (Kitch) has been recently blessed with a third child - a beautiful baby girl who takes after the dad yes the pink cheeks and all. He is in Manchester these days with his wife Hina and 3 children (2 boys and 1 girl). He continues to pursue his career in banking. Faiza Farid is also in London with her Citi Banker husband and two year old son who keeps her on her toes all day - chup sha mara! Omar Faroog with his wife Fatima, a son and a daughter is also in London busy in the financial world of HSBC on the Leveraged Finance side.

Saleem Ahmed is busy in NYC and loves his very very single status in the Big Apple ;). He remains active in the Investment Management sector. Nauman Muzaffar moved from Toronto and is currently based in New York - working with JP Morgan. He is enjoying the Big Apple with his wife Mona and their three kids. Sohail Khan is still with the CitiGroup in Structured Credit. He has finally changed his DP on Facebook after what two years?! Wife Zahrah and two boys Raaid and Ahmer keep him busy when he is not engulfed by the financial world. Qumbar Hassan aka Qumber Number is braving the finance market with Bank of America, his eldest son made it to college this year. Abid Zaidi is an ardent fan of Coke Studio. When not listening to music he is busy along-with his wife working at Microsoft and is settled in Seattle. They have three kids including twins. Saadia Munir **Hammad** is located in Winter Springs in Florida and is busy raising her three offsprings. Khurram Bhutta is an Associate Professor at Ohio University living in Athens Ohio with his three kids. Ajmal Saeed aka Baba-e-MBA is based in Sacramento, California working with a Utility Company. He has three children. Fawad Razzague lives in Seattle with his wife Zara and 8 year old son Momin. He works for Russel Investment Group as a Research Analyst. Aamir Khan is rumored to be settled in Houston working for the Energy and Infrastructure Advisory Group with RBS. Abid Baloch lives in DC with his wife Amber and son. Omar Sheikh also settled in DC is working with Fannie Mae in the Risk Management area. He has a four year old son. Omar Shehryar is in the USA pursuing his teaching ambition with

his wife Wilma and daughter Asha. Tehmina Shah is Manager at MIS Projects, Business Analysis and Quality Assurance Company, CIBC, Toronto. Kashif Sarfaraz lives in Toronto, Canada. He has been with J&J close to seven years now, working on the sales & marketing side with the medical device division - therefore, he won't be able to help with any requests for baby powder or shampoo, or Rogaine and Splenda - what many of the gentleman and FBG probably badly need to help their sharply receding hairlines and out of control waistlines:). He is happily married (some may argue with the oxymoronic nature of the phrase - certainly not applicable in our case) with four

not applicable in our case) with too lovely kids Haaris (11 yrs), Fatima (7 yrs), and Maryam and Zara (2.5 yrold twins).

Tehmasip Khan with wife Amna and 4 year old son Mustafa is settled in Sydney. Johnny is in Brisbane where he lives with his wife and two sons.

Nasir Mian is in Uganda working for

CitiBank as Treasurer. He has been in Kampal for the last four years with his wife Raana, a beautiful

daughter Khadija and son Ibrahim. Ayesha
Ansari and Shazad Altaf along with
their daughters Aiman and Amani are
in Accra Ghana. Shehzad works for
Friesland Foods West Africa and
Ayesha is a Marketing Consultant
working from home. Ahsan Masud
married with two kids (Mustafa and
Abdullah) is settled in Singapore. He
works for Bayer Consumer Care. Nishantha has been in Colombo Sri Lanka

ever since he left LUMS after graduation. He is Director Mar-

keting of the largest stationery business in the country. He is married with three beautiful daughters. Atif Hasan has been with BAI for the last 14 years and still going solid — he has recently moved to Colombo as Finance Director at Ceylon Iobacco Company. Atif takes with him his new bride Aman. Congrats Atif! Ning Rong along-with her husband is in Shanghai and is busy in Business and HR consulting. Ali Kazi and Fatima moved to Riyadh last year. Ali is working there with Banque Saudi Fransi. Fatima and the two boys are well, and they are looking forward to welcoming another baby in the near future. Usman

coming another baby in the near future. Usman Sikandar is still in Saudi Arabia with Calyon Saudi Fransi (since May 2006) working as cohead of its investment banking business in Saudia. Just one wife. He has one son who he turned one year last month. Omar Samee with his wife Afshan and two lovely daughters Anushe and Mahe live in Dubai. Omar is working with HSBC in their global banking group. Shoar Hasan is

also in Dubai working for BNP. He has two kids -a boy and a girl. Shahab Faraz Mirza is also part of the Dubai-based clan where he is Sales Director at Reckitt Benckiser ME. Shahab is happily married with four children. His Facebook DP shows him with white hair in his beard — yes we surely have come a long way. Abdul Rahim Butt aka Dada has been loyal to Standard Chartered and is currently Head of

Strategy in Qatar. He is stationed in Doha with his wife and two beautiful boys. Imran Chaudhry is working with ABN in Dubai and is blessed with 4 kids. Faraz Inam Yahya (in his own words) still in Dubai, still in Corporate Banking, still managing a Corporate Business Unit of the Bank, ADCB. Still married to Mariam and still father of three. So he is still the same guy he was five years back. No development on any front. Usman Saeed Khan has also been in Dubai for a

long as anyone can remember, he continues to work for HSBC in Corporate Banking. Sajjad Laghari works with a company called Fonterra and is in Dubai for the last couple of years with his wife and daughter. Faisal Bashir Gill aka FBG is married to Zulekha with two boys Shahmir (12) and Shahzain (8), and a daughter Eshaal (3). He has been working with Blackberry for three years as Director Sales & Marketing - ME, based out of Dubai. Tauseef Farooqi is still with the Power and Water Industry. He is working with Marubeni of Japan as Commercial Director. Even after 10 years living with Arabs,

never got attuned to their culture and society, proof being still with the same old wife, Erum. Enjoying every moment with God's best gifts, Laaibah (5.5) and Alveena (1.2). "Having spent 10 years outside, now I really feel like coming back home to make my little contribution!" he is ready to start exploring the possibilities! — ANYONE? Faraz Khan aka SDG (never did figure out what it really stood for) has moved from London to Middle East with his wife Samina and two children Maair and Manal. Sherbaz Saleem Jan is working as General Manager Pepsi Bottler West Iran and is blessed with two children a boy and a girl.

Saima Irtiza after being associated with Princeton Review for over a decade joined Acumen Fund early last year and is loving it.

Nadir Jafarey is working as Head of Cash Management and Trade at Dubai Islamic Bank in Karachi. He is married with 3 children. Majid Munir has been with Credit Suisse for the last few years with their Equity Research Business. He and his wife Sara have a baby boy. Fouad Farrukh is Head

of Islamic Banking Faysal Bank Limited in Karachi. He is the proud father of two daughters Rahma (13) and Hannah (4) and is looking forward to celebrating his 15th

wedding anniversary.

Shirin Salamat lives in Karachi with her son and hubby after 6 years of being a 'home maker' she can actually proudly state that she is engaged in something productive and challenging. She has had a change

in career though, along with a shift in her field and scope of interests, from banking delving deep into education. In specific, teaching children with Learning Disabilities. She has successfully completed an intensive one year diploma course in the latter and is currently working towards a Masters in Education with a specialization in Learning Disabil-

ities. Habib Haider continues with Shell Oil in Karachi looking after their Marketing and Sales. He has two boys Rayan and Aliyan. Aqueela Mumtaz is back from Almaty and is in Karachi as CFO Tameer Bank. Currently she is busy with her drive to collect funds for the flood victims under the banner UM Healthcare Trust. Pls go to www.umtrust.org for more information. Ayesha Pervaiz after the raging success of Mausummery Lawn for over a decade has ventured into the business of Pret wear under the brand Origins. The Flagship Store is located at MM Alam Road. Mansoor Nawaz after a brief stay in Islamabad as Regional Sales Manager Coke has moved back to Lahore and engaged himself in the education sector as Director I.I.U.I School in Lahore. Ayesha and Mansoor have two beautiful boys Ibrahim and Ahmed. Huma Javed continues to brave the lawn market with Ayesha P managing Mausummery Lawn. Inam ur Rehman continues to teach at LUMS and run his consulting and training company. He has a son Danish and daughter Hajra. Sohail Mughal is also in Lahore and busy consulting in the development sector. Khurram Khan is working with the Government of Punjab and has a 4 year old daughter.

Shahzad Chaudhry, after his continuous efforts to be associated to the medical sector, is now in Lahore as Director Projects & Admin at Fatima Memorial Hospital. He has nothing to do with saving lives. I wonder if he still has that grey tee of his? Saira Mian is running a school system in Lahore and has two children. Kiran (Qurat-ul-Ain Farrukh) continues to follow her teaching ambitions by teaching A-level Business Studies at LCAS. She has recently moved to her own place in Defence. When she is not teaching other people's children she is busy with her three boys (hubby + two sons). Saima Rana following in Kiran's footsteps teaches marketing at BNU and PSFD and looks after her three boys. Dr Farah, after spending some time working in Toronto with Maple Leaf Foods is back in Lahore managing Route2Health Pvt. Ltd. Her daughters are both studying in Toronto while Faris (her husband) and she keep busy with work and life in Lahore. Amir Saleem, another of the leading entrepreneurs of our class is owner of Chimera Pvt Ltd is in Lahore with his wife Zara and kids.

Aamir Amjad is with HBL looking after Commercial Banking Lahore. Sulaiman Kiyani is also in Lahore working with Nishat Textiles as their GM Marketing. He has a son Taimur and daughter Aleena. Kazim Nazir is also in Lahore and works in the textile sector. Saad Zahur Khan another one of our gray haired friends lives in Lahore with his wife Zainab and boys. Mian Hassan Javed works with his father in their foam business and is married to Fatima with a lovely daughter Hamna. Faaria Rehman is still with UBL as the Regional Corporate Head for the Lahore Region and continues to trot the globe pursuing her

travelling ambitions — but not alone anymore! Yes, she tied the knot earlier this year. Congrats Faaria! Babar Hamid is in Lahore, doing his own business Sign Source Limited, the first limited company in the advertising industry in Pakistan. Apart from that he has a manpower marketing company and sends labour to different parts of the world. He has just started a new venture of social media marketing by the name of Media Worx. "Bachay du hee achay"; Malaika is now 11 years and Meekael is 7. Awais Bin Nasim is at TETRA PAK. He is Director Technical. Natasha has now been with MCB for 4 years and looks after the Corporate Banking Unit for the Islamabad Region as Corporate Head. She has a son Daryus (10) and a daughter Duaa (8). Sadia Anwar continues to climb the corporate ladder at Mobilink Islamabad where she is Director Marketing. She has a beautiful son Raamiz who is 7. Usman Javed joined Telenor as Director Marketing last year and is in Islamabad with his wife Maryam ("still one wife") and two lovely boys.

### MBA 1997

Coordinator

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Aamer Manzoor is working as the Head of Commercial for the Broadband & Carrier Division (BCD) division of Mobilink. On the family front is living in Lahore along with his wife Beenish and 5 year old daughter Maaha. Abdus Sami was last seen somewhere in Karachi walking between a PSO and a Shell petrol pump. Adeel Umar Farooqui is working with Procter & Gamble in Belgium, Europe. Ahsan Afzaal Ahmad is doing the same at Engro Foods and having a blast. After a few successful psychotherapy sessions (for the therapist) he has now completely lost his marbles and is not rowing with both oars in the water. Ali Hameed is in USA and is working on a top secret project as we haven't heard from him since he went to the US. Ali Taria has finally realized his dream of making it big in the intoxicating world of international high finance. He is living in Middle East and working for Bank Muscat. The last update from Amir Masood was that he was working for some leather export company. All is well with Amir Iqbal Khan, Chaudhry Tahir Masaud, Muhammad Ali, Mohammad Omar Farugue and Agib Salam. Amna Waheed Khalid and Zia Akhter Abbas are still together and living in Karachi. Zia is working with NIB Bank. Last we heard, Aresh Manek Mehta was working for 3M in Karachi. Asif Umar Sheikh is working for his family construction business and is seen shuttlingbetween Lahore and Islamabad. He is residing in Lahore

with his family and is very active in sports.

Atif Ishfaq Ellahie & Hina Baig are based in New Jersey, USA and are happily married. Azhar Saeed is based near the mountains and has made huge profits working for the non-profit sector. Amir Shafi is still working at one of his family concerns i.e. textile weaving company Texcel as Executive Director. He is settled in Lahore and has two lovely daughters Emaan and Eshah. Dilawar Khan Bajauri is living a plush life in the US and working with the

IFC. Between the two, Duraid Qureshi & Momina Arif have cornered all angles of the media industry and have become the leaders of entertainment media in Pakistan. They have 5 beautiful children. Fahed Amjad Khan is working at MCB Bank as Unit Head in Corporate Banking for the last three years. He got married while at IIIMS so it's been 13 years

while at LUMS so it's been 13 years now. He is proud father of 3 kids (2 daughters and a son). Faisal Akhtar Rana is still loyal to Nestlé and heading their CCSD department. He is living in Lahore along with his two sons and wife. Farooq Ahmad Saeed is working for his family business. Fatima Asad-Said is back in Lahore working at Abacus

the firm. A proud mother of two beautiful sons Mohammad Ghazi Said and Mohammad Hassan Said, life is wonderful and hectic

especially the days when she finds a happy balance between home and work.

Consulting as HCS Director and also managing the Internal HR and Cor-

Hafiz Muhammad Zubair Naseem is at an undisclosed location in the US. Hameeda Jamshed & Kashif Rasheed are happily married and living in United Kingdom. Kashif is working as Global Business Manager at Shell International. Hassan Ahmad is working with Engro and has 2 daughters. In his spare time he plays hopscotch with them and spends 4 hours a day dropping/picking his 2 daughters up from school. Last we heard from Hassan Jawed Ahmed was that he was working for Chevron in their LPG group in Karachi. Hassan Yousaf Shah finally got married! Patience pays off and Shahji strikes Gold. Hassan Zia is working as Vice President at Credit Suisse in the greater New York area. After 12 years with Shell, Imran

Alim Mufti left and joined Petromin in Jeddah, Saudi Arabia. He is there with his wife Fouzia and one year old son Abdullah. Life's busy in his new job but the good thing is that he is in Mecca almost every Friday.

Imran P Siddigi left the Executive Board last year to

join SAP (German software company) in their Global Value Management function. He is currently responsible for Value Management for Financial Services (focused on top 5 East Coast banks, insurers plus all Private Equity firms in the US). He is still based in Washington DC area. On the family front, Aslaan is now 9 and lliyaan is 5 and he is eagerly awaiting his wife to finish her Residency. Ishrat Khan is living in London raising her kids. Kashif Rahim Sheikh is

based in Dubai for the last three years working for a Telecom Solution & Equipment manufacturer. He has two children, Zainab (8) and Mustafa (5). Khurram Javed Maqbool is working for Nestlé in Lahore and is responsible for all the good marketing work that you see from them. Khurram Zia is working for Nestlé in Lahore and is responsible for their dairy/milk business. Malik Faisal Qayyum has completed five years

with Telenor Pakistan and is currently based in Islamabad, looking after the countrywide sales of Telenor Pakistan as Director Sales & Distribution. Faisal has two kids; Abdullah (7) and Zainab (5). Muhammad Hamayet Hossain is working as Deputy Managing Director of a big sweaters manufacturing company in Bangladesh for last 7 years. He is a father of two daughters and one son.

Muhammad Omer Gajjial is working for Pepsi in New York as Director Corporate Strategy & Development and has been with Pepsi for

last 10 years. He has 3 kids; two girls and a boy. After destroying the current generation with his escapades, Muhammad Salim is working on the next one at Makro and that too in HR. Muhummed Tariq Saadat is CEO of Acamar Textile, which was started by him 2 years back. In a short span of 2 years his company has done millions of dollars worth

of textile exports to major brands in 6 European
countries. He has also opened 3 offices

abroad in Italy, Turkey, and Spain. On personal front he is married and has a 4 year old son. He travels a lot to Europe and is spotted at all exclusive events. Nadeem-uz-Zaman has finally decided to move out of Pakistan and is working for Coke in Turkey. He is married to Ambreen and has 2 kids, a boy and a girl. Najeeb Ahmed Hashmi is in the San Jose Area

working for some technology company. He has two kids; Farzan (6) and Taha (3).

Najeeba Khan has washed away her academic sins by getting a degree in law. She is settled in Dubai. Nasir Mohayud-din is running a small operation refining,

transporting, distributing branding, Afghanistan's best known export. Omar Khalid is married to Juwayria with two kids; Minahil (8) and Saad (5). He is residing in Karachi and working for a Singapore-based company Meinhardt as Project Director. Rana Taria Habeeb is working at Nestlé Pakistan Head Office in Lahore as Sales Automation Manager. He is married with two kids aged 5 and  $2\frac{1}{2}$  yrs. Shafi Group recently started a new setup in the dairy/milk industry and Rashid Haleem is leading this new unit. He is living in Lahore with his family. Romana Malik is settled in Dubai and working as Director Planning & Budgets at Dubai Petroleum. Roohina Jamshed quit Chevron around two years back when she had twin daughters, Anya & Zara. She has just finished building her house in Lahore with her architect husband Imran and plans to start some venture of her own in the near future.

Saad Parvez Aslam continues to work in the financial services sector in New York. He recently joined Macquarie Securities Group, a mid-sized Australian investment bank, and is heading the Traded Markets Credit Risk function for North America. On the personal fronthis daughter started 3rd grade in September and he is expecting a son end of October. After completing her PhD, Saira Latif has started teaching in a university. Sajeel Butt is working as National Project Manager at UNDP in Pakistan. Sajida Ali & Yahya labal still live in Dubai and have a lovely son, Mustafa. Yahya continues to work for ABN AMRO while Sajida is brewing some interesting entrepreneurial ventures. If you guys are in/around Dubai do look them up.

Salman Beg continues to be with Aga Khan Cultural Services Pakistan with projects in Hunza, Baltistan and in the Walled City of Lahore. He has a grandson Salaar who is the light of his eyes. Saqib Ahmed Buksh is still managing his family empire and selling you boxer shorts that send you back by a week's salary. Shaheera Ikram is based in US & Switzerland, and cloned her husband successfully through their son Bilal. Do look them up if you happen to be in either of the two countries. Shahid Rasheed is settled in Calgary, Canada along with his wife and 3 boys. He is working as a Logistics Specialist in the Supply Chain group for Talisman Energy Canada. Syed Ali Sarosh was last seen working for a financial institute in Canada. Shehryar Kasuri is often seen shuttling between Lahore and the Far East giving legal advise to Beaconhouse School System worldwide. He is residing in Lahore with his 3 lovely daughters and wife. Sikander Malik is based in Islamabad and is working for US AID. Sohail Nawaz Awan is working for a financial institute in Saudi Arabia. Syed Mohammad Ali Abbas is working towards his third PhD after realizing that the first two did not help him even a little bit in teaching on virtual university. Has joined IFC in Washington and is living there with his family. Syed Najam Ahmed Shah resides in Lahore and continues working for the Master Group. Syed Uzman Akhtar Jaffery was last seen working for Geo TV. After the

launch of AAG channel we haven't heard from him. Syeda Naheed Jalil is working and living in Canada.

Of all the people, Taria Jamil Shakir is managing risk for a local bank in Karachi! He is married again. Usman Hayat is working as Director Islamic Finance & ESG Investing for CFA Institute in the UK. He is training the world on virtues and vices of Islamic Finance and Ethical Financing. He is really a test invigilator who is sent to places like Pakistan where no one else would go. No news from Ahmad Imran ul-Haque, Mir Farooq Mazhar, Sohaib Ahmed, Masoom Zehra and Shahzad Ahmad.

### MBA 1998

Coordinator

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I must say it has been an interesting year. I got to talk to so many of my classmates this year because of the Class Rep election. The funny thing is that if you asked me to recall what all of these people are doing now days (and where), I would be at a loss on many counts. It was really surprising to see the sheer number of our class who are based outside Pakistan. Thanks to Rizwan Sb, lums98@googlegroups.com has brought many of us a common platform to reconnect and just plain talk to each other again. Ok, so I am writing the class notes for this year, any mistake in info is regretted, but hey, I was never known for my CP being totally based on actual facts! Here goes... Abbas Bokhari is living it large in the land of 14 course meals (Italy) and the model of closed knit family business (Mafia). He is STILL with Maersk (Damco Italia) as CFO Mediterranean Europe, Abdus Samad Goraya is now the CEO of Presson-Descon, an engineering company. He is based in Lahore and has two sons. He still as formal with me as he always was. Ahmed Jahangir was forced to stop watching cartoons (WASIF SPEAK) and landed a position as Director MCB Asset Management Company. He runs the Home Textile Division of Nishat Mills as well. He has four kids (Mashallah); 2 boys, 2 girls. He still lives in Model Town, Lahore. After all these years, can you believe that we still could not find Ahmed Nawaz! Ahmad Salman is still the charmer he always was, in a dry, serious kid of way...Ha ha ha don't mind me, I am just writing. He is CEO of his company Sigmatec Solution in Lahore and is married to another classmate of ours Sobia Haggi. I don't have words to describe Ahsan Sheikh. He is still the riot he always was, life of the crowd. He is working at Media Logic partnered with Salman Danish doing things only known to him. Truth be told, he is always doing more things than one, so I am sure he has something else going

on too. Still in Lahore and I am pretty sure he did not go beyond 2 sons or did he? Akbar Ayyub, the tobacco man, is with British Tobacco Company but I hear he is moving to Japan, where the real smokers live outside of France. After he got married, Akbar Moghal is finally settled. Still at Atlas Bank, doing God knows what with eBanking of that place. He is based in Karachi. Al-Hani Khawaja is based in Karachi running his own family business. Amira Saleem, the emotional one, is still set in Dubai. She started this clothes and accessories biz last year in Pakistan. I need to find out what happened there.

back to Pakistan, her husband Haroon was travelling like a mad man and she had a son and a killer back ache. Aon Mehdi is teaching at UET, God help those kids! He has found this social work side of him that has taken him over. I wish him the best in everything! Aon has a set of twins and just had a baby daughter born this year. Asif Habib is in Dubai (another one in UAE) working at Habib Bank AG

Last I know, she wanted to come

Zurich. Asim Hafeez is based out of Jeddah, Saudi Arabia and has two sons and a daughter. He is still at the National Commercial Bank doing something with their CARDS as a VP. (That just sounded wrong; I do apologize).

After a long time at chicken land

(KFC) Asim Hussain has moved to Kansai Paints this year (He markets painted chicken wings now!). He is still the cool cat with that meaningful smile (He always knows). Atif Qayyum is still in Dubai doing his thing, partying with his son as per his FB profile pic. I am sure his entertainment streak is just in the infancy stage. The world will see a lot more in the future! Ayesha Bagir aka Chandi is spreading the ray of hope with her candles and craft shops called Kaarvan. Go get some now! Ayesha Karamat lives in the land of the viet-com or Charlie as the Americans called them with love; yes I mean Vietnam. Samie, her husband, is bent upon working in the strangest places on earth. Vietnam! Seriously! She has three adorable children, as if Samie and Ayesha could have any other kind. Or is it four? I don't know really...She is lecturing or was lecturing; well according to Samie she is still lecturing ...HIM. Ayesha Niazi lives in Model Town Lahore. She has the hardest job in the world; fulltime MOM! Azim Abbas Rizvee runs his real estate business in Canada called MinMaxx Reality Inc, Life set hey bhai. He has

three kids. Faisal Niaz is running his family packaging

business...No that came out wrong also. His family business which is packaging called "Anipack". He lives

in Model Town, Lahore and is married to

Beenish. They have two kids. Faisal Salim has been living in Lahore for a while now running his own business by the name of Pak Machinery International as CEO. He lives in DHA Lahore and has two sons. Faraz Khalid is still in UAE with Standard Chartered Bank. He is another one of our international class characters. Farid Ahmed is based in Islamabad working as Director Business Analysis and Planning at Mobilink. (What that actually means, I have no clue). Fawad Haider did actually get married, finally (although some still show doubt). To set the record straight he is married to Naina. Fawad is still with Wateen Telecom and is based in Lahore. Gunasegaran; we miss you man! Well, we still have no idea what happened with him after so many years.

To my best knowledge, Hajira Buttar is in North America, Vancouver, Canada I think. Last info... she has a cute princess daughter named Hadia. Hashaam

Ashraf is still living life the way we should all be; "adventurous"! He is based in UK and having fun! Hasnain Ali - the man with the special smile. The most relaxed posture of a human being I have ever seen. He is still in Lahore, has three kids and is busy with various things related to the business of life. All the success to you my man! He is Project Director with www.volume-ce.com, i.e. Volume Creative Elements. Imran Gilani, I believe no relation to our beloved PM, is based in Multan where his main pass time is teaching and preaching. Irfan Ahmed

Khan is Head of Investment Banking at Faysal Bank. He is based in Karachi and is married to Fatima. They have a son named Ayaan. Ismail Arif aka Issy, the dude of the class loved by all, especially the ladies...oops! married guy!!! He is running his own business of Textile Spinning and has become a mean futures trader on the side. He is married to Hina and has a son and a daughter.

Not sure where Irum Aftab is. My best guess is US. She has been working with Naya Jeevan, a non-

profit social enterprise working to help the urban poor, as COO. Jalal Khalid, our volleyball striker, is still with Citibank in Dubai. He is married and has a son. He is still his sporty self as always. Kamil Jamshaid is in UAE, working for Emirates Bank, I think. He has two kids. Kazim Mujtaba is the one man who knows everything about telecom or does

he? He is currently Director of Strategy at Telenor Pakistan and is based out of Islamabad. Kazim is married to Maham and has two kids. We all know him and love him and he hates us all (sort of...!). Khalid Khawaja is based in Karachi running his family trading business. Khawar Khan is based in Lahore and is President at Descon in their integrated systems side. Mansoor Siddiqui is still with the State Bank of

Pakistan and is based in Karachi. To the best of my knowledge he has a daughter. Manzer Nauman has continued in his business in the medical transcription world. So far he has helped transcribe every diagnosis and treatment known to man and is slated for the Guinness Book of World Records. I have no idea what I am rambling about! He is based in Lahore and has two sons (Mashallah) as far as I know. Mubbasher Omar is based in Karachi, still with Shell Oil. He is leading the streamlining efforts in the retail side. He has two lovely daughters; Eemaan (8), Alizey (6) and recently had a baby boy. Well done my man! Mudassar Gondal is in Multan, happily married and has three kids. He works for Magbool Textile as GM Marketing. The group has a large spinning business. Muhammad Rizwan is running his own textile trading and sourcing business called BusinessOne for a few years now. He is still based in Lahore and his Alpha ness has only improved (was there any doubt?). From what I remember, he has three daughters and a son. Mujeeb Ahmed decided to break his set ways and created an email address this year. He is still running his dairy and ice cream distribution business. He says once he completes his house, he will concentrate on starting his own brand for dairy products. Good Luck! Muzaffar Ahmed; where are you man? Drop me a note! Basically I have no idea where he is except somewhere in North America.

Naeem Butt is in Canada. Nauman Khawaja is juggling two businesses these days; his textile sourcing outfit Express Enterprises and a poultry farm. He is married to Sonia, has a son Taimoor and still lives in Lahore. Naureen Akbar and her husband have moved back to UK after a trial shift to Dubai, I think. She has been working endless days and continues to hate work. You go girl! Omer Cheema has been with Ericsson forever. He is currently based in Islamabad as their Director Strategy for Middle East. Omer Sb is moving to Dallas Texas to the Ericsson Head Office in a matter of days. Good Luck to him! He has two kids; son Zain and daughter Noor. Omer Tareen is in Saudi Arabia. He is Head of Fixed Income and Structured Products at SAMBA Capital and Investment Company Limited. Qazi Jibran is well set in Karachi with Habib Bank Limited. Ragna Osman is married to Nasir (lums 96). They live in Dar e Salam in Tanzania. He is working for Citibank and Raana does volunteer work when she is free from the most important things in her life; her kids.

Rabiya Ali is in Limerick, Ireland. She has two kids and works with a place called Doras Lumini. Not sure what they do. Raj Mahalingham resides in Malaysia. He is supposed to be in the education business; I think he owns a school there. Rizwan Fazal is in Rawalpindi. He is working with Mobilink as Director of Business Intelligence. He agrees with the Farid regularly. Rizwan Yousuf, the DOC, is located next to the statue of sphinx. Well sort of, this guy lives in the land of the Egyptians. He is still with Nestlé

masterminding the sale of nutritious goodies (I have not seen a single free morsel yet). He is cool as ever, Ayesha his wife still manages to stay with him (you go bhabi!). She keeps him SANE. Saad Mahmud joined up this year with Media Logic and started a business called Active Media. It is a brand activation outfit. He is in Lahore and has two kids; a son and a daughter. Saima Sandhu is still with Standard Chartered Bank, Abu Dhabi. Corporate banking has really agreed with both Saima and her hubby Montesir. They have a son and no additions to the family have been reported so far. Salman Amjad is with Mashreq Bank, Dubai on the investments side. He has been with the bank for a long time now. He has ONE wife (as he wanted me to write) and two sons.

Salman Danish, a regular charmer, is running his own business called Medialogic a full on media marketing company with Ahsan Sheikh. He is the guy who spies on what we watch on TV and tells companies how and what to sell to the unsuspecting consumer, 'the couch potato'. He lives in Lahore with his wife and two sons. Salman Ishtiag is another UAE boy. He has been there too long, since 2002 I think. Salman is with GASCO, Abu Dhabi as Head of Planning. He has two kids. Saman Jawed has moved to Dubai and got her driver's license in the first try, God help all the pedestrians of Dubai! I am not sure if she is working there yet. She has a son Salman aged 4. Saman Jilani is also in Dubai. She is working with Standard Chartered Bank as Director Global Corporate Origination & Client Coverage, Wholesale Banking. That is a mouth full. What it actually means is what she is still trying figure out. She is having fun while at it. Samar Hayat is still with P&G, but now in Switzerland. He is responsible for quite a few things; obviously details are not suitable for all audience. He was rocketing through Dubai last time I got hold of him. He still has not changed, en'uf said. The mild manner fellow, Sagib Salman, is still in Saint Louis, Missouri. He is with Bank of America on its Mortgage side. He lives there with his wife Fatimah and daughter Dania. Saguib Karamat is in Karachi with UBL as VP Risk. He is married to Sabeen. Quoting Shafaq Javed, "I am HR Manager at Engro Corporation which is the holding company. I have 2 naughty boys, live in K town, and am still as witty as ever;) Am singing gigs on and off and cycle with my kids whenever I get time (on my very own pink racing bike of course!) I think that's more insight than you needed so just cut and paste :)" end quote. IP I did what you asked!

Shahab Ashraf is still working with Strategic Systems International. He resides in Lahore with his wife Natasha and two kids. Shahzad Bashir is also in Dubai, working with Barclays Bank in Corporate Banking. He is married to Saira. Shazia Iftikhar and her family have recently moved to Johannesburg, South Africa. She seems to like the place. She recently had a son named Ahmed, takes her tally up to two. Everyone has an open invite to go see and live with these guys. I understand Saman Jilani already did that, which means Shaz will not throw some of us out. Sohail Hassan Mirza is married to Ayesha. They live in Jeddah, Saudi Arabia where Sohail is working with National Commercial

Bank. Tahir Masood is in Islamabad running his health care trainings facilities. He is the one training paramedic staff in the city now-a-days. Tahir has two daughters and a son.

Tariq Razi is Head of Unsecured Financing at Dubai Islamic Bank, Dubai. Sherry, his wife, is working with Noor Islamic Bank. They have three kids. Tariq Zaman is involved in his family business, commonly known as Bareezé, but we all know it is a multi faceted business.

He has also ventured into the dairy business and is as always very active in social work along with the rest of his clan. He is married to Uzma who is in Switzerland these days. Umar Javaid; Joy Foam thy name is 0J, but then why I wrote his name with a U? I don't know. He runs his own foam huriness 10V and lives in I

foam business JOY and lives in Lahore with wife and

two kids. Umer Shami is the media baron who is running his family newspaper called Daily Pakistan. He lives in Lahore and has two kids. Usman Hameed is Head of Project Finance and Investment Banking at Habib Bank Limited. From what I remember, he has two kids. Usman Rasul

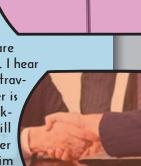
was running his food business called Mahi Foods last time I checked. He likes golf and has

a daughter. More recent and unconfirmed news says that he has moved to Norway. I am not too sure on that though. Uzma Butt is a true Nestlé girl. She is married to Tariq Zaman and they are the coolest couple I know. Recently she has been moved to Switzerland with in Nestlé. Both husband and wife are regularly travelling to see each other. I hear the company pays for some of that travelling. That is cool, but being together is better. Wagge Khan is with Shell Pake

better. Waqas Khan is with Shell Pakistan in Karachi. Waseem Akhtar still supports a full head of salt n pepper hair. He is going strong in his denim garments business called Cotton Web. He lives in Lahore and has three kids. Wasim Ahmed Sheikh is running a capital asset bro-

kerage business called Fairway. He lives in Lahore with his wife Nadia and two kids Maryum and Ali. Yousuf Yaqub is with Standard Chartered Bank in Abu Dhabi. He is Head of Sales and Consumer Banking. Zeshaan Shams is in Ontario Canada. He is still with Procter and Gamble (P&G) there.





#### **MBA 1999**

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Disclaimer:

Ladies & gentlemen,
I write this stuff AFIER switching off my brain...
so I can't take responsibility for what comes out.
In any case, the last time I tried my hand at this,
at least 30% of the class got seriously offended. If
I can achieve at least that rate this time, I've still
got what it takes. You're on, but no guarantees, and
my complaints office works out of Akholi in
Bangalore.

Love you all,

Sheraz Khan's tryst with tobacco continues.
No, he's not a smoker; he's the guy who encourages YOU to smoke, and has been richly rewarded by PIC/BAT for doing that for over 10 years now. He's been moved to a sister company that has a mouthful of a name "PT Bentoel Internasional Investama Tbk." where Sheraz is man-

aging change. All sorts of change. Who knew that he'd end up using ZIQ's courses more than Wasif's or Ehsan's? But his favourite area of functional expertise remains marketing strategy and is still a big part of his job. Personally, he is loving Indonesia and Jakarta. He has a guestroom that MBA 99'ers are always welcome to use. His kids are growing up and taking over all his electronic gadgets and toys, which means he should be growing up too. So he just has to buy more...:) Which means

he's NOT really growing up at all! His wife, our classmate Saima Khalid who, in the PG version of the story married "just by chance", is thoroughly enjoying every bit of Indonesia, its islands, its wonderful people, its weather (thanks for the travel advisory). She's also, ostensibly, enjoying playing mom to her two beautiful kids, 6 and 4, and planning their activities,

but moms of 10/11 yr olds think Saima needs to read cases B, C and D as well before handing in her case analysis. She is threatening to "have some intellectual stimulation" (isn't Sheraz stimulating enough (conversationalist! what were you thinking, Ialal?). Having made some hard choices, she is now trying to become a better cook — which to her means cooking

without measuring the onions and tomatoes! And yet Sheraz remains overweight.

The first contender for the title of multi-tasking queen is Naveen Khan, whose husband Nik has now taken her to Germany, where she manages to run a house, look after her 2 yr old son, take lessons in German, pursue her interest in pottery, take sitar lessons, entertain guests, and look smashing for Nik by 5:30 pm. This act is going to be difficult to beat!

Despite spending most of his office hours reading and replying to Asad and Khurram's e-mails, Ali Butt has managed to complete two years as the Finance Director at the unpronounceable Givaudan's Indonesian Operations. Although this still counts as only half a year in terms of experience, it is a notch better than last year, now that Murad has gone into hibernation. Ali has moved his family temporarily to Canada where wife Enza is starting her Master's in Education at the University of Toronto, and will soon surpass Ali in terms of years and overall quality of education, something that weighs heavily on his Pakistani male ego. Otherwise, he's very proud of her. Their life continues to revolve around Raiyan (7) and Raahim (2) who, being the brats that they are, don't seem to give a damn about how much their parents care about them.

What is it with intellectual stimulation? Zevnab Zaidi, another contender for the crown of multi-tasking queen, is doing a 9 to 6 job at Engro Food (she beat Dolly Parton by a whole hour there), managing two children aged 5 and 3 (why do kids of parents with MBAs suddenly need "management"?), golfing weekends and volunteering for ICF. Tucked neatly somewhere in her file o'fax is time spent with a guy called Anwar Shami, known otherwise as Zeynab's hubby, and our too-handsome-to-look-at classmate. Anwar is rapidly hopping the corporate ladder at Shell. He is reportedly "the best boss in the world, nay, the universe!" We spied one of his erstwhile team members waxing eloquent about Shami -- The Boss. Wow! Please share the magic formula -- we could all use it. Or tell us where we can send our résumé's.

Affan Hassan Khan Lodhi has found the secret of not being bogged down by monotony even after spending five years in the same industry. According to him, the work doesn't really bug you. It means you can have more time with family (and maybe your own business). Alizeh and Khan Mohammed (4 and 1.5 yrs) are pure fun and perfect company to spend your time with. His wife Sabahat (when she finds time from kids) is busy planning their "Dream Home" (finally a home in Islamabad). Life is MashaAllah overall - very good. Asad Mir, the jolly giant of MBA '99, is still in the land where men wear long dresses and kiss each other as greeting, and is still working for a telco. He has been known to have repeatedly expressed his jealousy for KJB's perfect head (no hair). On the family front, he is fast learning teenage lingo and lifestyle (as if such a thing is possible after 40)

to keep himself compatible (what does he think he is, a computer?) with the two bullies at home, who are 15 and 12 now. The scope of learning ranges from basic FB language to quick-scope kills on CoD6. And together they are collectively training his sweet 4 yr old princess, Saniya, to become a super tom boy. We can already foresee another Burki in making for class of 2026.

Life for Khurram J. Butt in Saudi Arabia is Groundhog Day (the desert version), and KJB is Bill Murray (bad hair, thick nose, bleary eyes), but without an Andie MacDowell in sight. If he was a sweatshirt, it would read "Midlife Crisis". Predictably, therefore, he has bought a bicycle (couldn't afford the Harley, darling), and wobbles around his so-called "Western" compound in Rivadh at all hours of day (or night); swims in fluorescent shorts; sucks in his abdomen when a girl passes by; and strums tunelessly on his cheap quitar till his kids threaten blue murder. Already brown belts in Tae Kwon-Do, there's every chance they might deliver! His employers at Banque Saudi Fransi remain by far too generous and have rewarded his thinly disguised incompetence with a promotion to Deputy Head of Project Finance & Syndications, and a wristwatch (richly undeserved) for five years of loyalty. KJB continues to be overtly jealous of any class-fellow with a British passport, and continues to dream. Mustapha Talal Mahmood has been bumped up by SCB to Operational Risk in Singapore, Dubai having had enough of him at Corporate Banking. As he's going to be responsible for OR for the whole bank, look for his name on Fox News when the next global financial meltdown strikes. His wife Sophia Talal, who in a past life was our classmate Sophia Kamal, is now full-time hands on Director of Research on Child Development and Human Relations aka mother and housewife. Conventional Wisdom has it that while there's no future in directing children, her notes on how she manages Talal may someday be read along with Darwin's "Origin of Species".

Murtaza Mankani remains loyally with British American Tobacco, all these years after graduating from LUMS! Murtaza moved to London, UK in November 2008 to continue working for the Africa Middle East team based there. In the bargain, he's also earned KJB's jealousy. This is the 7th country he's moved to in 10 years since graduating so packing and moving at short notices is fast becoming second nature. "I finally traded my long run as a bachelor last year after I met an amazing woman who is now my wife and we are approaching the anniversary of our first year together. All in all, life is great and I count my blessings every day!"

After returning to Pakistan from UK in 2005, with a snazzy Master's degree in "Digital Media: Iechnology & Cultural Form", Ziyad Khan has been associated with Information Technology sales. After completing rigorous sales quota driven stints of 2-years at Microsoft, a pit-stop of 7-months at Oracle and now 3+years at SAP, the cushy marketing career at Unilever seems like from another lifetime! On the family

front, he has a 6-year old son Zammad and 3-year old daughter Zara. The passion for sports is still alive and kicking, with regular volleyball and football during the weekdays and golf over the weekend. Despite running and completing the 42-km Lahore Marathon in 2007, he still feels inadequate to challenge Mehrukh in a 100-meter dash and doing cartwheels! (Don't worry Ziyad, we have it from very good authority that Burki hasn't run in years. Though after reading this, she'll step up to the challenge and at least take out those sneakers that have been gathering dust.)

mando. KJB thinks it may have something to do with "going commando", but then KJB always had a sick sense of the absurd. Well, Rehan has been with Telenor in Islamabad for 4 years now, and he's simply got to have had something to do with the success of that company. Saadullah Bashir is still where he was 11 (or more) years ago; still at a university, still free as a bird, still reading, writing and attending classes, though hopefully not sleeping through them. He's in the 3rd year of his Ph.D. in Economics, and has once again earned the eternal admiration of KJB. Arash Abbas Siddiqui is in sunny Riyadh, stuck in a sea of black abayas and white thobes, along with 2 kids, one wife and a growing paunch, trying to fight off

Some of us still don't know why

Rehan Saeed Akhtar is called Com-

ferred from Samba Financial - the bank, not the dance - to Samba Capital where he continues to be involved in Corporate Finance transactions. His colleagues at Samba raised serious doubts about how someone as old looking as Arash could be classmates with someone as young looking as KJB. For elaboration on this, see Mehrukh's note. Rabia Ejaz wants to smuggle a Pilipino maid into the US, when its actually a Mexican maid she should be trying for. After 2

local societal pressure to expand on all

three fronts. He has recently been trans-

kids and 2 years of managing her home (just two, Rabia?), she's raring to get back in her online marketing role with Dell.

Muhammad Mansoor Murad has finally leapt over the edge of the cliff. Just three kids, and he's already thinking of the afterlife. Having moved to his new job with Qtel in Qatar only in December 2009, he's already so wound up by the desert life that he's planning early retirement and is desperate to start preparing for the afterlife. This metamorphosis seems to have occurred after he stumbled upon "the Angle of Death" (the Evil One Himself, or the book, or knowing Murad's short attention span, the movie?). He's had enough

of the Web of Materialism (moh maya ka jaal) and feels he urgently needs to catch up on lost time. And in the meanwhile, the dollar pegged salary from Qtel continues to miraculously appear in his account every 30 odd days. Ahmad Zeeshan is still in the UK (KJB just had another heart attack), working as a contractor in the SAP area, and working with the same client (Coca Cola) for the last two years. Family is Alhamdolillah doing great with the little one starting

school soon. Umair Hameed says that after almost four years in Saudi Arabia, he is still here with the same company!!! We're not sure if that's a comment on his tenacity, the company's inability to get rid of him, or Saudi in general. He is (remember, "still") working as a Project Development Manager in the Strategy and Planning Department of Tasnee, the 2nd largest petrochemical company in Saudia. Life has a chilled out pace in this country so it does give him time to enjoy the finer side of things. Although, after

his Hajj a couple of years ago, there shouldn't be many of the "finer things" left for him to enjoy. An interesting out of office activity that has been taking up an increasing amount of time for this golden couple has been planning their next vacations. This couple is travelling so frequently they're on first name tea-and-samoosa terms with the immigration chaps at Riyadh International Airport. Overall, by the grace of Allah, life is good, with his

son's (4) antics the highlight of his days.

What is it with the year 40 that makes you want to try the impossible one last time before arthritis strikes? Basit Amin has turned forty this year and is planning to do a "Cliffhanger" by going on an Antarctic or Arctic expedition soon InshaAllah. Surely, there are better places to visit! Despite this impending lapse in judgement, he is doing very well at Ielenor Pakistan, Islamabad in a new role,

managing the supply chain, retail distribution and warehousing. His son Ova (10) and daughter Basara (3) are now both in school and work out with him in the Northern areas of Pakistan as time permits. Watch NatGeo Adventure for the next note on Basit (or what's left of him after Antarctica).

Mehrukh Burki has ulcers. Lots of them. By her own admission, all of them seem to have been caused by that "constipated bureaucrat", the one and only Khurram Butt. Starting from the fact that he got an HP all of those 11 yrs ago in Govt. Business Relations and she got a P+ despite her M.Sc. in Econ (her whispery voice was no match to KJB's baritone), to

his tax free dollar-pegged salary, to his watch (no, silly, it's not a Patek Philippe), to the fact that he some how seems to have temporarily reversed his aging (at least long enough to make her seethe) and, according to her, has lost 40 pounds and is a hipper version of himself. For the neural reader, all of this should be ample proof that she's definitely gone round the bend. But this note is not about KJB but Mehrukh, who has done wonders at HBL Corporate Banking in Lahore and, hold your breath, has her clients eating out of the palm of her hand. Now, if she would just get someone else to eat from there too, global warming would increase by a Celsius or two.

Kanwer Anwer Saeed, MBA'99's class rep., lives in Karachi with his lovely wife farah and three adorable daughters. The only person to have deciphered the mysteries of OB after ZIQ himself is now the General Manager of Human Relations at Engro. If anyone can serve a sentence on you and make you feel it's an honour, it's good ole Kanwer. We fear for the employees of Engro. The amazing thing is that after 11 years, he still has the ability to make Burki jump through hoops. "Larki yeh tum ne karna hai." And she actually complies. Will wonders never cease!!

We hear Shafaq Rehman lives in Karachi, but is missing in action. On the other hand, Wajeeha Nabi Malik is surely doing the Lord's work by improving the hygiene of the hoity toity of Karachi, where she continues with her business of handmade soaps and cosmetics, which she now plans to scale up, what with her youngest going to school now. Danayal Zia continues to remain loyal to SCB (and, in these trying times, SCB to him). Although, he has recently relocated from Karachi to Kuala Lumpur on a new assignment. We hear that he and the girls (wife Aiza, and two beautiful daughters) are thoroughly enjoying their life at KL. And any 99er who happens to pop in, will find himself/herself very welcome to the guest room. There Danayal, we've extended the invite on your behalf.

Hasan Razak abruptly left Pepsico Pakistan for greener pastures, read Toronto, without even a phone call. (Why is Mehrukh still reeling over it?) The Burki is definitely loosing her touch as her threats on FB have not made any dent. So Hasan remains elusive. Mehrukh is now threatening to use the ultimate weapon: a tete-a-tete with Saadia (Hasan's wife) to get the lowdown. After soap from Wajeeha, we have Aalia Lodhi thriving in her socks manufacturing business in Lahore. That is, until her green card materializes, and she flies back to greener pastures, and takes her very beautiful daughter with her. Asim Naseer's life is a page out of Hollywood script. He is working with Total Parco but, and hold your breath, is married to a very dynamic young woman, who is a scientist (a far cry from a miserable banker), and flies planes in her spare time. At least Asim will be able to get to the Tibetan plateau in December 2012. Great going, Asim!

Aamir Masood is reportedly living it up in Boston USA with his gorgeous Turkish wife, who he wooed during her business trip to Lahore some seven years ago. Yes, love happens!! (Take note, Mehrukh). He hasn't come out of hibernation since. He's still doing what he does best, i.e., sell software, still looks as young and effervescent as one of the guys in "Dil Chahta Hai", and still talks in hyperactive staccato. His daughter is going to a pricey prep school in Boston, and will be the Princess of the class of 2026. Haroon Khan Panezai, probably one of the classiest 99ers along with Salman Irshad, lives in Limerick, Ireland with his lovely wife, Rabiya Ali (MBA 98), and two beautiful kids. He continues to work in IT. Whenever he visits Islamabad he throws a huge open house GT, and is roundly loved for that. Daniyal Farid Malik is our very own tycoon, of whom we are very proud! When not globe-trotting, and when not having long siestas at his villa in Madrid (his second home), he is busy overseeing the exponential expansion of his company, Cotton Web (Pvt.) Ltd. The latter makes the best fitted jeans, which are supplied to the four corners of the world. And to Moazzam Ali Anwer -- we hear is with 3M --- who gets them custom-made, and for FREE! No fair, Daniyal!

Zeeshan Malik did us proud by actually putting his money where his mouth is. He volunteered at Charsadda for protracted stints to help in the relief work for the flood victims. Besides being a Good Samaritan, he continues to be involved in his businesses, which among other things include Hallmark franchises. So all of you who intend to send seasons greetings can get 75% off on your purchase of a hallmark card. Provided that Zeeshan doesn't do a 'Gajni" and lapse into "short term memory loss"!

After spending eight years in Denver Colorado working for Qwest Communications, Waqas Khan has finally decided to leave the mile high city and move to the east coast. His family (Saadia, Palvasha and Zermina) are currently en route to New York City to start at the consulting firm AT Kearney. Wagas is looking forward to the fast paced life of NYC. The part he's not too thrilled about is getting used to living in the restricted living spaces of the city:-) He will certainly miss the hiking, skiing and golf of Denver. Hopefully will be able to reconnect with the LUMS crowd in the New York area. After enjoying the sun and sands of Dubai for 5 years and blowing away his money on cars, golf and real estate, Nestlé has finally decided that enough is enough. Starting 1st November Abdullah Jawaid is rejoining Nestlé Pakistan in Lahore to head the same business that he helped launch 10 years ago. As they say... what goes around comes around. He and his wife are looking forward to reconnecting with family and friends back home. They are both very excited to go back to the real world and feel the warmth of its people and its weather...without electricity of course! :) After venturing with his own business, pioneering the 1st International Sports Channel - Ten Sports Marketing in Pakistan, Ali Fahd has recently relocated to Islamabad and is now days trying to decipher the intricacies of marketing Wimax Internet as Director Marketing, Wi-Tribe Pakistan. On the family front he is the father of a 7-year old daughter, Ansa, and a 4-year old budding golfer son, Musa. In his spare time, he is seen socializing with animals in his home zoo, as people somehow just don't have the right wavelength and obedience levels. Nafees Barry graduated as the son of a seth and in the last 10-years has become a seth himself! His self-sustaining business ventures of Telecom franchise, Cheese/Margarine/Yogurt distribution

has earned him the luxury of playing polo everyday! His time is now spend landscaping his Bedian Road farmhouse home, rearing cattle /birds/ horses and social work in his local thater pind. On the family front, he has 3-daughters, Leenah (6), Mahnoor (5) and Sophiya (8-months).

Honourable mention in UAE for Salman Irshad (Citibank), Zeeshan Saleem (Barclays) and Ameerzeb Amjad (HSBC) who only respond to the HBS Newsletter. Anyone wanting to get in touch with these gentlemen needs to write to the dean of Harvard. who will forward your correspondence to them. But don't wait for a response if you try to remind them you're from LUMS MBA 99. Nauman Malik and Sarah Aslam are in KL, where Nau-

man is working with ICI. Sarah Khan is working with Nestlé, Sidrah Jawaid is with Orix Leasing, Naseem Aftab is with PSO, Amer Khan is with Wateen and Hashim Nawaz is working for an insurance company in Florida.

### Mara 2000

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2010 is the tenth year since our graduation and we all hope to have a reunion soon, InshaAllah. For the tenth year milestone, we thought it would be appropriate to have most of this year's notes in everyone's own words. They ended up being longer but also much more fun to read!





Irfan Ahmad: After working for 4.5 Years for Mayfair, I am going to join (InshaAllah) IFFCO in their marketing dept. Feeling excited about the new job and new country. On the family front my daughter is 2.5 years. Still same wife.

Moeez Karim: I am still a bachelor and working with Packages. Currently, I am working as the Marketing Manager for Consumer Products. My passion for photography continues!

Yasser Effendi: I have just been transferred back to Lahore by Shell as Regional Manager Sales (North) for Lubricants in the Direct Channel. I had spent the last 6 years in Karachi with Shell so it's good to be back in Lahore after my stint here during the LUMS days. I have one son Amaan who will turn 3 in October and will start playschool in September.

Wasif Sheikh: I am working with HSBC as Senior Relationship Manager, Corporate Banking North, based in Islamabad. I've spent all 10 years after post-graduation in the financial services industry starting from Habib Bank on to Standard Chartered and now HSBC. My wife, Maryam, teaches Business Communication at EME College. We are both enjoying bringing up our 2 year old son, Abdullah.

Sonia Karim: I'm still with Nishat Chunian, now as the CFO for their new power company Nishat Chunian Power Ltd. I'm married to Nauman Khawaja (class of '98), and based in Lahore. Our son Taimoor is now almost 3. I'm working part time now and trying to balance work, home and school!

Sabrina Akram and Arif: Sabrina and Arif are enjoying life with their daughter Manahil. Arif is currently working as Director Financial Services at Telenor Pakistan, responsible for the successful launch of the mobile banking range of products under the banner of "easypaisa". They are currently settled in Islamabad.

Adeel Rafiq: He has been successfully working on his own business for the past three years and has recently got engaged. The wedding will take place later this year.

Faryal Raja: Faryal is in San Francisco, dealing with some health issues but enjoying life with her husband and daughter.

Junaid Parwaz: (information courtesy Zahidul Islam)
Junaid is in Karachi and slowly but steadily moving
towards Canada. In the past 3 years, he has been able
to move from Sheikhupura to Lahore and Lahore to

Karachi but his final destination is Canada.

Aliya Khan: I am living in London since 2008. I'm busy driving son Adam from school to sports clubs. I'm busy driving son Adam from school to sports clubs. I am also working with a group of contemporary British artists at the Heatherly School of Fine Arts. Have a great time hosting a live chat show at a British Asian IV channel based in London. Recently discovered Rollerblading in Hyde Park. I also finally got to enjoy a proper summer and trips to the countryside with hubby Rahman. Looking forward to summer holidays in Nice and seeing the Matisse Museum. Adam starts full day primary school in September which will leave me lots of time to paint, Yippee!

Waqas Ahmad Khan: Joined British American Tobacco last year looking after HR for Marketing covering Pakistan, Bangladesh & Sri-Lanka. Moved to Islamabad after spending 10 years in Karachi and am very happy about that. Still married, with a 4 years old son who is ready to set the world on fire!

Sabeen and Aameir Alihussain: We are settled in Chittagong, Bangladesh. Aameir is taking care of his family business named Bangladesh Steel Re-Rolling Mills (BSRM). I (Sabeen) am resisting as much as possible to join the business! We have two children.

Syed Omar: I am currently working for Pakistan Tobacco Company and believe that my working hours are the best in the class! The good WLB (work life balance) has allowed me to enjoy the real good things in life i.e. spending time with family, hiking on the Margallas, horse riding with my kids and skeet firing! Before all you readers start applying to PTC let me just tell you a famous proverb we have here: you don't get into PTC because of your competence, you get in only if you have your mother's prayers!

Zahidul Islam: I am going back to school after a decade. Leaving UAE and will start MFA (Master in Financial Accountability) at York University from Sep 2010.

Ali Tahir Khan: I have stuck to banking...currently with Standard Chartered in Treasury Sales. I came back to Islamabad in May this year, having spent 3 years in Lahore.

Khurram Shakeel: I'm working for Standard Chartered in corporate banking in Dubai. We had our son Mustafa last year, who is our main update!

Sarah Lodhi & Saad Karim: Saad & I have two children, Mahdiya is 3 and Shaheer is 1. So life is quite a rollercoaster ride at least for the last one year since my son's birth.

Omair Ahmed: I am in Dubai working for a New Zealand Dairy company Fonterra. I am the Marketing Manager for their Food Solutions Business. Have 2 daughters now, Reem is 5 and Ranya is 3...both are quite a handful.

Arif Jalil Piracha: Nayna is now MashaAllah among the leading designer labels in the country. I also have an event management company called Evenement, and recently started a test prep organization with another alumni partner, called Smartprep. Have 2 kiddies!

Najia and Wasif Mustafa: Wasif is Director VAS, IR, Products and Platforms and he is heading the rural segment as well. Najia is teaching English Literature. Their daughter is 5 now mashaAllah.

Leila Omer (Shamim): Can't believe it has been 10 vears already!! It seems that these years passed in a flash. Immediately after my graduation (2 or 3 days after the last day of MBA) I got married. After a brief stint at United Bank Limited I moved to ABN-AMRO Bank where I worked for almost 3 years. End-2004, I moved to Bangladesh (Dhaka) due to Omer's (my husband) posting. In 2006, my son, Teimoor was born. In 2009 we moved to Canada (Omer's job posting) and in 2010 we moved temporarily to Egypt (Cairo) due to Omer's work. I had to change jobs after my son was born. For the last 4.5 years I am his Chief Operating Officer, looking after various aspects of the business such as academics, extra-curricular, nutrition & security. This truly is the toughest job in the world! Besides that, due to my interest in languages I picked up some verbal Bengali, and am now trying my hand at Egyptian Arabic. But I still hope to come back to mainstream professional life after a couple of years. For me, life post MBA has been sort of a roller coaster ride, and I hope it continues.

Maryam Afnan Ahmad: Spent my last year in Beijing; different experiences, mostly voluntarily, since my two kids are older and I had more time. I was Membership Liaison for a Professional Women's Network: became the first ever Secretary for the Pakistani Women's Association; and began Pakistani Cooking Classes at an expat community center. Have also trained as an Instructor for two personal development courses and ran two courses in BJ of the same. I'd found my bearings in Beijing and then, given my usual post-MBA-life pattern, we've moved again! Fortunately, we've moved back to Lahore and family. The kids and I are happily looking forward to settling in and starting afresh!

Saadia Waqas Khan: Waqas and I are still in Denver. I have two girls and I recently started my MS in Marketing at University of Denver. I am also doing internship at a start up coffee roasting company. Life is busy with two kids and studies.

Sohail Iftikhar: Still living in Houston, still with Sensys as the Sales Director of the US Division, also serve on the board of the International Society of Automation

as their Membership Director. Nothing much has changed, except for road running the entire gulf coast every couple of months. Iry to write every now and then, and do have a pretty high traffic on my blog site. One of these days, will pull away and publish a book... always nice to have a dream!

Zubair Khan: After spending 8 years with the Tobacco world, I finally decided to move to the other side of

the health industry i.e. Food. I moved to Danone (remember the case on Danone Yogurt - with Waseem Azhar) as finance Director looking after the finance function of the Dairy Business in Iran. Its a bit challenging, looking at the sanctions situation, but is fulfilling in the sense that it is a dif-

ferent work environment and with a very
diverse team. My wife and sons are happy and learning

Persian with great interest.

Hamid Saeed: After being at BSF (Calyon, Saudi Arabia) for 2.5 yrs, I've moved to Standard Chartered Bank as Director Global Corporates, Origination and Client Coverage in Bahrain.

Kamran Mansoor: I am in still in Jeddah, Saudi Arabia working as Marketing Director for a Local Group of Companies. My wife (Faiza) and I had our 3rd child (son) this year and we named him Aayan. My other team members include daughter Zoya (7) and son Salaar (4). So things are pretty well by the Grace of Allah.

Arshina Nasim Khan: I've moved to Leeds, UK with my husband. I'm working in Barclays and have a daughter, MashaAllah.

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Faiza Kazmi: I'll share what I've been up to professionally since the last ten years. I spent the first five years after MBA, in HBL

in Commercial Relationship Management. Then I moved to Corpo-

rate Relationship Management at HSBC in 2005. I've been handling Risk Solutions/Treasury (Investment Banking) at Barclays Capital from 2007 to date and am settled in London.



Fareeseh Chaudhry: The last year has been all about mommy-hood for me. I am still living in Stockholm, Sweden and am still working for P&G as the Expat Compensation & Policy Manager for the EMEA region.

However, I took a break from work when my 2nd daughter (Emaane) was born in Sep 2009. I've been on maternity leave since then and will return to work next month!

### **MBA 2001**

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Once again the time has come for me to present the latest updates and news of my fellow batch mates from MBA 2001. Another year seems to have passed by and yet when I was writing the notes for 2009, it does not seem that long ago. Time flies by. We are surely living in a world of change, uncertainty, pressure and stress and of course a busy one. This should make us appreciate how important it is to keep up to date with our fellow friends. I hope that by writing these notes, I may have helped to achieve that objective.

I will go through the class list in the same sequence as last year.

Asad Aman was completing his PhD in Marketing at Lancaster University Management School, UK last year. We hope that he has successfully

done so which would allow him to proudly use the title Dr before his name. Who knows, he perhaps could be the next Professor at LUMS!

Asadullah Saleem is at Atlas Bank Head Office in Karachi as Head of Compliance. We of course keep in regular touch with each other. Aqeel Hayat is presently at Askari Bank Head Office in Rawalpindi and has recently

constructed a house for himself and family in Islamabad. Congratulations to him! Azam Haq is still with Gulf International Bank, Bahrain and has now been there for the last nine years. Faisal Wasey is with Samba Bank. I (Amer Farooq) am working for Askari Bank in Corporate Banking in Lahore and has been here since 2006. This has been his longest stint at any job since leaving LUMS.

Adnan Cyprian is in Riyadh and a regular film contributor to Facebook. Keep it up mate! Osman Maqbool is successfully running his own Subway franchise in Defence, Lahore. I met up with him about a few months ago and we caught up on the old times at LUMS. Ahmad Naeem Bajwa is the Managing Partner in a Consultancy called Supply Chain Business Solutions. Ahmed Umair is still running his own business of manufacturing agri-chemicals. We don't know if he is still teaching at Punjab University in the evenings.

From last reports, Salman Amjad was working in Nestlé, Lahore along with Fraz Pervaiz and Immad Ali Malik. Guys do send in your latest updates.

Aaminah Saeed is with Pepsi Co. Abdul Malik is working for Agha Khan Foundation. Ali Zayad is with Standard Chartered Bank in Lahore and we got to talk to each other a few months ago which was great. Amna Sajid is still with World Call Group and has been loyal to them since 2001. Not bad! Arshia Hassan is in Doha, Qatar.

Asghar Hayat Khan is working for BHP Billton. Faisal Saif is at BAT.

Faisal Wahab is still working for his own pharmaceuticals business in Karachi. We chatted on the phone a few weeks ago after a long time. Farhan Ahmed Khan is in Jeddah working for a multinational. We still don't know which one. Javed Iqbal was last heard working in Karachi with Engro Foods. Khalid Abdullah is in Vancouver, Canada. Khawaja Bilal Hussain was last heard in the UK. Khurram Sarfaraz is working for Pepsi Co Snacks in Islamabad. Mariam Zubair Khan is reported to have left Pepsi Co and now started her own business. Mohmmad Hassaan Idriss is in the UAE with Reckitt Benckiser, whilst wife Samia Shahnawaz is with Citibank. Samia is perhaps the most regular contributor to Facebook.

Mohammad Shafiq-ul-Islam is working for Bangla Telecom in Bangladesh. Mudassir Shafique is still working with Engro Chemical in Karachi since 2001. Mohammad Usman Bajwa has been working as Director Treasury, Mobilink for the last 6 years. Mohammad Usman Khalid is in the UK with Standard Chartered Bank. Mohammad Jaudat Amin is in Karachi and is at Bayer. Ayesha Akmal is with Shell in Karachi, whilst we have no reports of husband Omayer Arshad (Captain Sb). Saad Ali is running his own business in Lahore. Sabha Qureshi is now living in Beijing, after spending one year in Jordan and Islamabad. Shaharyar Ali is still with Army Welfare Trust in Rawalpindi. Shahzad Nazir returned from Saudi Arabia and is hunting for a suitable job. Best of luck to him!

From last reports, **Syed Ali Abbas** is with Nestlé in Dubai.

Ali Murtaza is with Citibank, London. Arif Raza, recently switched to Citibank and is still in Egpyt. Kashif Raza Bukhari is working in Standard Chartered Bank in Lahore in corporate banking. Tahir Ejaz is with Habib Bank, Islamabad and is well settled there.

Wagas Javed is still with Unilver in Dubai. Saira Khan was last heard having moved to BP. Ahmad Salman was also last heard working for Unilever. As for Nadeem Chawhan we have no update although he has a staggering 2800 friends on Facebook! Salman Altaf is at Telenor. Raza Moinuddin is at Mobilink in the Customer Retention Department. Naveed Khalid Chaudhry is still running his family business Medipak. Kashif Habib Mehdi is working with IBM, Lahore. Mustansir Saleem is now in Dubai working for a local firm.

Unfortunately we have not heard from our following batch mates for ages, Aamir Sagheer Chaudhry, Adnan Kareem, Mohammad Ghazanfar Ali Shah, Rabia Basri, Rabia Fida, Chaminda Hettiarachchi, Omair Mohsin, Yasser Qayyum, Zille Ilahi, Arshad Majeed Khokhar, Adil Qureshi and lastly Ayesha Aziz. Please do get in touch whenever possible.

That more or less sums up the 2010 status of MBA 2001. Dear mates, do keep sending in your updates otherwise it makes it very difficult to write the class notes. Until next year, farewell to you all!

### MBA 2002

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These class notes were authored by quite a few members of the batch so this is a group effort

Abbas Arslan is still with Coke but has relocated to the Middle East region. After a brief stint in Bahrain, he is now in Dubai. Adnan Rafiq is working for Banque Saudi Fransi as Vice President in its investment banking division. Adnan and Uzma have two kids, Danayal and Serene. Ali Ikram is heading the pricing and strategy division at Utone. Alina Farhan is happily settled in Jeddah and has two little ones Ibrahim (6) and Fatima (3). Last year she has successfully initiated an online magazine for Pakistanis living in the Middle East and his enjoying her new job description as Chief Editor. After taking up the medical professional again, Almas Iqbal is now an established anaesthetist at Shaukat Khanum Hospital in Lahore. Asif Amjad and his wife Sana recently moved to Jeddah. Asif has accepted a new position at Savola Group as Executive Director Mergers and Acquisitions. Asim Riffat is looking after Marketing for Nestlé Nu-

trition Middle East. Seemingly his kids (Shayan and Dua) and wife are enjoying Dubai more than he is. After spending one year in Sri Lanka, Amin Piracha is back in Pakistan. He is still selling cigarettes at PTC

Faisal Sabir is working at Warid Telecom as Senior Manager Performance Assessment & Reporting, Faisal Shafi is heading Shafi Texcel, a company producing textile fabrics for apparels, home textiles, and work wear. He is happily married with 2 daughters and has been based in Lahore since graduation.

Farhan labal was last heard to be at Deloitte in Australia. Faiza Kamran Baloch has moved to the United States from Australia. Fizza Rizvi is savoring the luxuries of being a housewife in Singapore while her husband trots the Pacific region for work. Fawad Khawaja recently left Standard Chartered for a more lucrative position as National Sales Manager, Kansai Paints. Fuad Saqib is working as a Group Brand Manager in the Dairy division at Nestlé in Lahore while his wife is a consultant with the Punjab Government.

They are expecting their first baby

later this year.

Haider Ali Isani is with Engro in Karachi. Harris Masood is Dubai working with Barclays Capital in the DCM division. Haaris and his wife are expecting their first baby soon. Hasan Shahid is running his business under the name of Western Traders, a firm that is involved in trading and indenting of textile items ranging from commodity to specialized products. He has three children Ibrahim (5), Bilal (4) and Mohammad Moosa (almost 2 years). Hasan Rauf is doing his

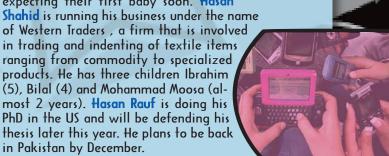
PhD in the US and will be defending his

in Pakistan by December.

Hina Najam is happily settled in Dubai and is reqularly seen traversing up and down the Sh Zayed road. She's working in the HR division of the Abu Dhabi chapter of New York University. Husn Bano Burki is based in Islamabad working on trade related USAID projects. She's been instrumental in formulating Afghan Transit trade agreements and frequently traverses the globe. She has 2 children. Illyas Peracha is managing his Arabian Delights chain in Lahore in addition to taking his school to new heights.

Khusro Nadir Gillani is still with the Engro group in Karachi. Mahwash Rahman is back in Pakistan and is harnessing her new passion for professional photography in addition to bringing up her two children. Makhmoor ul Hasan is with Shell in London working as Treasury Manager Downstream Europe.







In December 2009 he voluntarily gave up the exalted status of the "last bachelor standing" by tying the knot with Oraina (Bsc 2007). Maleeha Ali has left her sunny home in Australia for equally sunny California and is busy bringing up her two boys Hamza and Hamaad.

Moazzam Ali Khan is happy to be back in Pakistan. He and Saara Salim have 2 little ones - Ebrahim has now turned 3 and their daughter Noor is 1. He is working in Karachi at L'Oreal Pakistan Ltd. as Marketing Manager, Garnier. M. Attique has moved through three organizations without budging from his seat. From ABN Amro to the Royal Bank of Scotland and now to Faysal Bank thanks to the series of acquisitions his bank has gone through. Numan Qureshi is with Rabea Tea in Saudi Arabia. Nabeel Arif is a consultant with the United Nations in New York. Maria Hamdani is in Normandy (US) and is more than half way through with her PhD in Organizational Be-

Muhammad Umer was last known to have moved back to Pakistan after spending considerable time in Dubai. Nadia Zahir is doing justice to Wasif's lectures on enterpreneurship by setting up her own research firm by the name of Eureka. She has two daughters, Lyela and Sofi. Nahid Ahmad was last known to be managing his computers business in

Dhaka. Nazish Peracha is a Senior Consultant at Sidat Hyder Morshed Associates (Pvt) Ltd in Lahore. Runaas is with P&G in the Middle East. Over the course of the last one year he has frequently shuttled between Jeddah and Dubai.

Saara Hafeez is working as senior relationship manager at Abu Dhabi Commercial Bank. Her son is now 3 years old.

Sabeen Pirzada is enjoying being a mother to her very active one year old daughter Alizeh,

while working as a Senior Manager at an accounting Firm in Houston Texas.

Saim Kashmiri is more than halfway through a PhD in Marketing from UT Austin. He claims to be enjoying the thrill of working on research papers, presenting at international marketing conferences, teaching undergraduate marketing at UT, and Kayaking in Lake Austin when free. God

has blessed Saim and Maryam with two adorable kids, Ayrah (4) and Raahim (8 months).

Samira Mairaj switched jobs last year and is now HR Head Consumer Health at Novartis — As she puts it, "I love my job, the challenges it brings plus it offers a lot of flexibility and so I think I'm doing a pretty

good job of balancing my career and personal life even if that means my two and a half year old son coming along with me on my business trips abroad!"

Sanaullah is looking after the textile processing division at Siddiqsons as a Director. Family consists of 2 sons, Ali and Rayyan aged 6 and 4. Shermeen Lasharie is happily married and is finally availing a major backlog of vacations - globetrotting and and exploring her beloved country - and does not expect to take a break from her break any time soon.

Surya Binayee is settled in Washington and is working on USAID projects for South Asia. Taimur Nawaz has completed his sixth year at Telenor in Islamabad, heading the VAS (Value Added Services) area. God has blessed him and his wife Maryam with a son 'Daniyal' who is 10 months old and keeping them really busy. HE has completed his 6th year at Telenor.

Umer Waheed is with Safola in Dubai. Usman Khalid is the Chief Executive Officer and Lead Consultant of Aspire Nurturing Potential and is settled with his wife Sobia and daughter Ilhaam in Islamabad. He splits his time between engaging youth in social entrepreneurship projects, heading learning and development interventions for clients across the corporate and not for profit spectrum of Pakistan and spending quality time with his family. Usman Waheed has moved from Coke Middle East to Pepsi Pakistan as Franchise Manager proving that the cola boundaries are certainly not impermeable.

There is currently no update on Binod Prasad, Rahish Shrestha, Muzahid Akbar, Shuvaas Saka, Kamran Akhtar and Imran Shah.

### MBA 2003

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Yet another year has passed, a year in which our country was in the news time again for all the wrong reasons. I hope and pray that we will emerge from our existing situation much stronger and much better.

This year I have organized the updates based on location of our class fellows. Please accept my apoloaies if I have missed anyone.

#### ISLAMABAD:

Danyal continues his hard work at Citibank and his planning for the vacation he promised his wife last year. Jawad is still with the Pakistan Telecommunication Authority ensuring that all of us enjoy the best

in telecommunication services. Mahmood continues to climb the corporate ladder at Silk Bank while Jehanzeb is still sticking to his story of a dedicated husband and father. JD divides his time between Islamabad and Kabul. With the arrival of her third child, Bilal, Aabdara is back to being a stay at home mom and looking after her family. Taimur is still with Telenor and using his free time to write thought provoking articles for newspapers. Sharia M has moved from Nestlé to Telenor and is enjoying being back home in Islamabad. Hussain is still with Ufone and married. No further information is available on Hussain. Rezwana is back with FBR and now helping to manage the country's finances. Imran Sardar is still with PTCL in Islamabad and is as good as Subasan in his ability to disappear.

#### SARGODHA:

Shuja is working hard to balance his busy schedule at Shell and spending time with his daughter.

#### LAHORE:

Sharia B continues to travel the world with Monsanto while his wife looks after the twins in Lahore. Hur is now the Manager Central with corporate bank, HSBC in Lahore with frequent trips to Faisalabad. Hassan Nasir is working hard with Survier while Mustafa continues to burn the midnight oil at Nestlé. Adeel continues to divide his time between growing his family business and his daughter. Dr. Salman is working hard to sell Cerelac at Nestlé. His sightings remain as rare as ever. Famvic aka Ali Imran is working to setup his own enterprise in Lahore. Zulfigar Hameed is posted (still) as SSP Investigation Lahore fighting terrorists and other miscreants for the last two and a half years. He is presently living in GOR 2 with his family having shifted from his cantonment residence. He was secretary of the LUMS Alumni Association for the outgoing Board and now has been elected as Director in the incoming Board of LUMS SDSB Alumni Association. His father passed away in January this year. Nofel has joined Kansai paints as the Chief Operating Officer and is operating the company to success with frequent trips to Dubai. Farhan is still at Tertrapack and is now the Director Processing there.

Imran Khurram continues to grow his family's textile business in Lahore. Mutahir is also busy with the family business and is second only to Imran Sardar for his ability to disappear. Fahad is with DuPont Pakistan and has been there for quite some time. Ahmad Faroog continues to grow his construction business. For a small fee I can arrange a good rate from him for anyone interested in building their own home. Taria is busy with his telecom and textile businesses. Please feel free to contact him for free samples of your favorite clothes. Bilal Ahmad is working as Marketing Manager with Kayseria and is no longer a 'mistry'. Amir Faiz has moved from Makro to Hira Terry Towels and is working as the Head of Marketing. Hassan Zubair is with Levi's and I have still not been able to use the discount vouchers that I got from him. Atia got married in January, has left LUMS and is moving to Virginia, USA.

#### FAISALABAD:

Zain is managing his business empire out of Faisalabad where he also moonlights as a university teacher (no, that is not a typo).

#### KARACHI:

Imran Haider is still with Engro Foods and has moved to Karachi with his family. Mian Amer is expanding his business for industrial machinery by branching into renewable energy solutions. He continues to remain available day and night for a good chat. Zul-

figar Barry is also in expansion mode these days and is planning to branch out into fields other than expensive eye wear and watches. Zaheer sb is with Bank Al Habib and still not convinced about the benefits for not driving to Lahore from Karachi.

#### MULTAN:

Wagas continues to build his business in Multan and enjoy the good life.

#### DUBAI:

Ali Sultan continues to come with new and successful strategies for Standard Chartered Bank, UAE. He has finally given up on FIFA09 and has packed away his PS3. He now plans to concentrate on his golf and to this end spends at least 3 minutes staring at his clubs every day. He and his wife welcomed their second child. Aleeva in March. Sagib continues to manage the Retail Bank's Risk for Al Hilal Bank while Fariel and Hamza continue to manage him rather well. **Zulaadar** and his wife were blessed with a baby daughter, Zyna this year. He is also working for Al Hilal Bank. Nauman continues to grow at Barclays bank UAE he now heads the Credit Policy for Barclays UAE and is as

great a company as ever if you can get hold of him. Jaffar is directing Mashreg Bank's Investment Banking in Dubai and himself moving at his daughter Natalia's directions.

#### **ELSEWHERE:**

Ammar is in the US for yet another degree. Haseeb continues to climb the corporate ladder in the financial sector in US (still cannot remember his employer's name). Haroon-ur-Rasheed is still with BSRM Steel in Bangladesh and enjoying the life with his family. No contact with Subasan yet he is assumed to be somewhere in Nepal. Saima is enjoying corporate banking in Singapore and keeps vacationing in all the best places. Hena is still with Tetrapack and travelling all over the world for her company. Nadia is in London with her family where she continues to work

for HSBC. Her son is still not taking her seriously. Faiza is in Canada where she is a full time mom. Yasir has moved to Khubbar from Riyadh and is looking after the Commercial Bank Business for Saudi Fransi Bank there. Dr. Haroon is in Riyadh looking after the Islamic Banking Business for Saudi Hollandi Bank. Safi Malik is working for Al Hilal Bank in Abu Dhabi and taking golfing lessons from Ali Sultan.

Thank you Shuja, Aabdara and Zulfi for your help with these notes.

### **MBA 2004**

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Adnan Zahid successfully defended his Ph.D. thesis, related to some topic in Consumer Behaviour, in London and has returned to Pakistan to pursue career in academia. He is the second Ph.D. from MBA2004 after Shahid Qureshi, who completed his Ph.D. from Berlin Institute of Technology in the area of entrepreneurship. Shahid is

currently a Post-Doc Scholar in the same institute but would be returning to Pakistan in October to join IBA, Karachi as Associate Director for the Centre for Entrepreneurship.

Ahmed Saced Tahir is still with HBL Lahore as Senior Relationship Manager and does not seem to have any plans to move anywhere else. Huma Khalid is his colleague at the same place but her plans are unknown. Ali Zaidi is also in HBL, based in Karachi, working as Product Head,

Acquisition, Loyalty and Debit Cards. Gul Buhar Khan was last heard of looking after Mardan region HBL.

Aiza Shafig is in Lahore with DWP group.

Ali Akbar is working in Nestlé Lahore as Group Demand & Supply Planning Manager. Fahad Yousaf moved to Lahore this year and joined Nestlé as Brand Manager

Dairy. Shoaib Ata is also with Nestlé Lahore, working in the Sales functions. Rizwan Aziz Khan, according to last known reports, was also a part of Nestlé team in Islamabad. Across the Karakoram ranges and many valleys afar, Zhang Zejun is still working for Nestlé China in Harbin and has moved up to head the production.

Kashif Khalil is working with Virgin Atlantic as Revenue Manager-Cargo Middle East and Africa and the long list of his achievement contains hefty aviation business jargon and references to football world cup, USA, Europe, India and Far East. In London resides another colleague from MBA2004, Tahir Shamim, who also supports an impressive list of professional accreditations in HR area. Tahir is the HR Audit Manager for Europe in Unilever Global Corporate Office. Talking of UK, Beenish Temur Hassan has settled in Manchester and is working as Director Sales and Marketing for Global Textiles (UK) Limited.

Asad Inayat is working for Mobily, Etihad Etisalat as Executive Manager Broadband & VAS, and is based in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia. Azhar Ikram is also in Riyadh, working there for quite a few years now in banking sector. He is presently with Banque Saudi Fransi (Credit Agricole - Corporate & Investment Bank) as Executive Manager.

Ayesha Khurram Minhas is running her own firm, with her husband, by the name of Emmaculate in Karachi, providing IT solutions to big name corporate customers. In Lahore, Salman Hafeez and Abbas Shah are partners in their business of imported candies and are always looking for new ventures. Following the footsteps of other entrepreneurs of the class, Safdar Hussain is soon launching his own brand of kids' towels, by the name of Puppets, in Lahore. He is presently based in Faisalabad. Bilal Ahmad Khan is in Lahore, as always, and is working as Manager Marketing and Business Development with Sefam (Pvt) Limited.

Fahd Reaz is in Dubai, working as Senior Product Manager - Consumer Finance, Standard Chartered Bank. Along with him in SCB, Dubai is Muhammad Zulifkar Ali Khan (MZAK), who is working in the Retail Banking Products Division but has enjoyed four vacations during the year to South Africa (World Cup), Las Vegas (class reunion), Saudi Arabia (Umra, of course after Las Vegas) and Spain (family vacations). Joining them recently in SCB Dubai is Gulraiz Pervaiz, who left Warid in the early part of 2010. In other banks in Dubai are our two colleagues, Fatch Muhammad and Shoaib Awan. Fateh is the Head of Business Credit, National Bank of Fujairah and Shoaib is with Emirates NBD. Also in Dubai, Muneeb Wahad Khan has been working as Manager Strategic Marketing for Du, the telecommunication company. Despite being away from Pakistan, he is easily the most informed person about the activities and lives of other classmates. And Dubai's resident for years, Fahad Salam is now managing his family run school system, Pristine Private

Faraz Siddiqui recently joined Reckitt Benckiser as Information Services Manager and is based in Karachi. It is still not clear if Syed Yawer Rasool, who has been "powering" Marketing at Reckitt for six years, was any inspiration for Faraz to join the company. Yawer got promoted to Category Manager this year and is handling the biggest financial portfolio of brands in the Reckitt Benckiser, West Asia.

Nadia Williams is with SCB Pakistan and is based in Karachi as Head of Marketing Communications, Consumer Banking. Mariam Qaiser has left her full time job and is now a Consultant with the World Bank, operating from Islamabad. Adil Haneef is now based in Islamabad as Mobilink's Head of International Roaming. After getting married this year, it is still to be seen how much easily he can roam around, the way he used to do earlier! Atif Raza is also a part of Mobilink Islamabad team as Head of Pricing and Strategy. No wonder the kind of price war the telecommunication sector is witnessing, this Head of Pricing and Strategy considers keeping his job intact during the year as his big achievement. Khurram Warraich is Senior Manager Business Analysis & Planning, Mobilink, Islamabad. Hamza Aleemi, at last decided to leave Lahore, and joined Atif's team as Manager Pricing and Strategy. Usman Mahmood Butt is now the only classmate from MBA2004 left in Mobilink Lahore, where he is working as Manager Trade Marketing.

Imran Fazal left Pakistan Tobacco Company and joined Telenor. He is based in Islamabad as Trade Marketing Development Manager. Quite a few classmates from MBA2004 are working in Islamabad for Telenor. Muhammad Ali Khan is the Manager PMO & Investment Control; Saima Khan is the Manager Pricing; Shaheryar Idrees is the Manager Products and Service; and Usman Tariq Qazi (UTQ) is Manager Advanced Analytics. Whether it was the effect of work or some other reason that we are not privy to, he decided to hug a living, breathing, active tiger somewhere in Thailand some time ago. According to last reports he returned unscathed. Physically. Dr. Javaid has gone back to health sector as Manager Diagnostics, Al Razi Healthcare, Lahore and has also got married.

Murad Salman Mirza has returned from Australia but is operating from Lahore as Senior Vice President (Client Advocacy & Organizational Effectiveness) Epic Software Corporation. Nadia Haseeb is still with Shell and is based in Karachi as Channel Offer Manager. Yasir Malik is also with continuing to work for Shell Pakistan and took over the position of Terminal Manager of Kaemari terminal, the most strategic supply point in the Shell system. It has been heard that Taha Maghrabi is still working for Shell Pakistan.

Rizwan Chughtai left State Bank of Pakistan and is now working for MCB as SVP and Divisional Head, FIPs and Market Risk Management Division. He is living in Lahore, perhaps incognito. Salman Ghani Butt is living in the cool climes of Switzerland and working with P&G as Regional Brand Manager. Shakil Memon is working for Abu Dawood Distributers/P&G as Unit Head Karachi.

Sohail Mumtaz Bajwa is still with National Transmission & Despatch Company (formerly a part of WAPDA) and seems to have neither the intention of leaving the company nor to do anything for reducing the load shedding. Joining him in the latter aim is Waqar

Ahmad Khan, his one-time colleague in WAPDA, who has singularly failed to add a single watt to the energy sector since leaving LUMS and joining an IPP, Star Hydro Power Limited. He has recently been elected as the representative on the Business School's Alumni Association Board of Directors.

Zainab Nawaz is working in LUMS as Manager Corporate Communications, Suleman Dawood School of Business.

### **MBA 2005**

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Zaineb Waheed is putting Julie and Julia to shame with her food blog! Anyone looking to lose weight- stay away. Iamania Jaffri, is working in non-profit organization management and marketing, enjoying her little house in the Prairies & planning on writing the next great Canadian novel. Bilal Ahsan Malik a.k.a BAM BAM tied the knot this year. He is finding it even harder to live among Madrassa boys. Omar Moeen Malik is still working for Telenor as Business Manager of something called easypaisa and has realized that paisa is NOT easy at all. Inspired by the current financial crisis Amnah Ajmal is pursuing a de-

gree in Finance at the London

School of Economics and was re-

cently moved to Hungary to wreck

more havoc. Salman Ahmed a.k.a.
Sally has moved away to Singapore with
his wife Fatima. Other than that, he is totally missing
in action. Ali Anwerzada is still chota.

Muhammad Umer Farooq a.k.a Fooqi has
been deeply inspired by his stay in California. He now insists to be called Fooqi
Hendrix and hence the hairstyle. In any
case, he is back in Pakistan and everybody is confusing him of being a Makrani.

Zain Tayyebi is getting younger on a daily
basis. Hollywood has made a movie on it
but changed Zain's name to Benjamin Button

to keep his secret intact. Ali Zia Khan has been posted to the global strategy and innovation division at Nestlé headquarters in Vevey, Switzerland for a period of three years. Ali, Mehr and baby Ayesha can look forward to some good trekking excursions in the Swiss Alps. Adnan Tariq a.k.a munshi has finally found a munshan! He and Sana got married in Nov

2009 by the Grace of Allah. He also got promoted to Brand Manager so has a lot more authority at Nestlé. At home, of course, it's now a different story...

Atif Saced once a theta always a theta, still studying

and having pledged to go on studying forever, he is busy in his hi fi PhD somewhere in US. Salman Khalid has shifted jobs and has recently joined BNP ParibasPrivate Equity as an Assistant Vice President which proves that there is hope out there for all those touched by the global financial crisis. Financial crisis did touch lots of lives by the way by depriving people of a chance to meet Salman on his trips to various cities across the globe. Taimur Cheema got married! - enough shocking news for the day! But going on to more shocking news, it was not with Qazi! Ali Nawaz Khan a.k.a. ANK continues to work for Unilever based out of Dubai. Omer Nazir has officially become a Cityboy after completing his second MBA from INSEAD and joining Investment Banking in London. He works day and night at Deutsche Bank to help raise finances for his private weekend activities. We hope he saves some dough for his third MBA from Harvard. Hamza Mudassir left his beloved Mobilink for Telenor Pakistan, where Telenor instantly rewarded his disloyalty to his former masters by sending him to Thailand for some "work". After pictures of Hamza and Amna on Facebook parasailing on the sunny beaches of Phuket, Hamza is back to his beloved Mobilink.

Hassan Munir left China Mobile to join Telenor Pakistan yet again as Manager Sales and Distribution Planning. He can now be seen taking advantage of Telenor's casual wear culture by wearing the oldest pair of jeans that some say was discovered in Mohenjo-Daro. Hassan claims otherwise by insisting that he bought it from the Lunda bazaar. Kiran Qureshi is still using Nestlé to fund her various underground activities. Fun never

seems to end! . Farrukh Aziz is now in Telenor as Head of Market Research. If you want to get in touch, you can almost always find Farrukh at Behra during the weekends when he stops during his lengthy trips to Lahore and back. Maliha Shahid is missing in action, last it was heard that she finally switched jobs from MCB to another bank much to the dismay of her boss, who had gotten used to her go-getter atti-

Sarfaraz Munj were blessed with a beautiful daughter Zainah. Bilal Ahmad has finally left Worldcall Telecom Limited and is now in England. If you had crossed his ex-office during the day, you could have seen him staring out of the window the same way a lot of the CEOs did in the start of Harvard cases we did back at

LUMS. Truly living it up! Muhammad Abid is found changing destinations on his google chat status. Khizer Bilal Usmani a.k.a KBU has managed to keep his job so far in recession-hit Dubai. Abidoon Nadeem now runs Mindblaze Technologies and even after having three serious accidents, still continues to drive his bike - brave soul. His son does not let him leave for the office until he has driven him around the corner. His plans for 2011 include purchasing a Harley Davidson, or maybe the Honda GoldWing, he is not sure yet! Despite the bomb blasts he continues to stick with Lahore and is determined on expanding his business, because he really likes the Sprite 3G Ad. Owais Qazi is up to something in Dubai and it is definitely not Taimur Cheema.

Saiid Shahzad Sufi has started a small business venture known as Shifu Oriental Cuisine and is trying to kill two birds with one stone. Rao Murtaza Hashim has shifted to London with his family. He is now working as Global Product Manager for Retail at G4S. Aun Hussain has moved to Toronto with his wife and now manages the messaging portfolio (SMS & MMS) of Bell Mobility. Some have confused messaging with Massaging but hey Potato/Potaatooo.. Maham Yasmeen has shocked Servis with her consumer knowledge and perspective. Hope they recover from the shock soon! Salman Tahir is now self-employed at Intertrade Corporation, 'your reliable partner in purchase of industrial chemicals' - SI finds a lot of free time these days so he also teaches BBA program at FAST in the mornings. This year brought another good news for him, as Saleha, his newly born daughter, came to complete the family picture. Life is now more beautiful with Dua (wife), Ameen (son) and Saleha (daughter). Waleed Sadiq continues his life time employment aspirations with Telenor Pakistan, where he is working as Manager Channel Planning for the Persona side of the business. Abdul Moiz Penkar did not move anywhere this year (wain!) and continued to stay put in load shedding heavy Karachi. Looks like

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he is finally settling down from his crazy, party heavy, lifestyle. Omer Bin Tariq aka OBT has landed back in Telenor after having 8 months vacations in Tetra Pak and is now the Segment Manager - Talkshalk. Other than work he enjoys his life by playing golf on weekends with Kashif Cheema

and they both miss the other two partners Rao sb and Sufi!! Aamir Altaf left China Mobile to join Mobily in Saudi Arabia where he looks after Retention and Loyalty. The Saudi ladies are already swooning over his Punjab-Da-Munda looks and designer wear.

Javed Ahmed has been promoted to Senior Vice President and he is looking after Basel II implementation, market and operational risk in Meezan Bank. Having said that, no one really knows what he is REALLY doing at Meezan Bank which is proving to be great for Javed Sb (MashaAllah say). Talha Khalid is in Telenor's VAS Department where he spends the day trying to increase revenues. In the night, however, he

is spoiling the younger generation by teaching supply chain in Szabist Islambad. We are sure Dr. Arif Rana would be proud. Usman Muneer has now moved from shampoos to shower gels and soaps and Dubai. Danish Jabbar Khan tries his best to be a family man but can't kill his oh-so-wild spirit. Kashif Irfan looks across the London skyline and drinks coffee all day long from level 24 of Barclays Global Headquarters. In his not so free time, you can find him giving driving lessons to his wife Aasiha. Yasir Sajjad Qureshi has finally switched jobs (after 4 and half years). Coming out of the fear of changing things in his life, he is now planning to experiment with changing some of the other things in his life too. His wife, however, has nothing to worry about. Bilal Khalid is enjoying his seven months old son Emaad and is moving to Standard Chartered, Riyadh in few months. Usman Talat is working in Metro Cash and Carry Pakistan as the Head of its 'Services Companies and Offices' segment. His twin boys are now four and half years old and getting naughtier by the day. His wife is due to complete her M.Phil. from Lahore School of Economics next year around March. Life is busy and good! Asim Mehr continues to work at Telenor and be slave-driven by his boss and wife (who may or may not be two different people).

**MBA 2006** 

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Arsalan and Sanaa continue to work in Islamabad. Arsalan has completed a year at IBM since moving from Ieradata, and Sanaa is continuing at Mobilink. This was a busy year for them as they shifted house from G-11 to E-11. They have recently taken up tennis on the weekends.

M. Imran Sargaana is now working with Powerwave Technologies, Inc. as Regional Sales Manager for Gulf, PK & AF since moving from Ericsson about a year ago. He is still based out of Islamabad. Hasan Kabir has recently moved to Faysal Bank Limited after his three years stay at HBL. Hasan and his wife Huma have been blessed with a baby daughter Zoya. These days, he is found busy with his new job, babysitting and decorating his new house.

Raja Ishaq has moved from...well he hasn't really left Nestlé Pakistan yet but, day by day, has started to feel left out with almost everyone moving from or moving to somewhere. In contrast, Nosheen Akram hasn't stopped moving around. She is currently a Marketing Manager at DirecTV in Los Angeles. She has fallen in love with the great outdoors of Southern Cal-

ifornia and can be seen trekking about various hills and mountains on weekends. In her free time, she works on a plan for yet another business, and is actively seeking investors. Interested parties please contact her directly:)

Salman Ahmad is still working in Alcatel-Lucent and feels it's time for a change yet he doesn't do anything about it. So it seems he is going to stay there for a while. Hafiz Jawad Ahmad moved a step further in his marriage CPS by solemnizing his

mangni into a nikkah. The next step, rusksati, is planned before the end of the year. He's still working with HBG holdings in Dubai. P&G rewarded Saad and Saroop's loyalty by promoting them last year. Saad is now Brand Manager for Paper Category and Saroop has moved onto being Logistics Manager for Pakistan. In his free time, Saad tries

to help improve Saroop's bowling score and is happy to report an improvement from JUST 6

to 68:)

Hassaan Munir is still working with Citibank since graduation, however he has now moved to Warsaw, Poland as the Product Head for Credit Cards Business after completing stints in Cairo, Karachi and Dubai. He wishes to return in the near future and run for the next presidential elections and claim his rightful throne. Yasir

Nafees is still with Ericsson and these days he is on assignment in Ghana. Yasir has spent just over two years in Africa now and settling well here. Khalid Fareed is still happily working with P&G working as a Brand Manager for Ariel and living a happy married life.

Mansoor Aziz Ahmed has been out of the corporate world for two years now, working in the family business trying to sell steel. Recently, he and his wife Mehreen celebrated their first anniversary. Waqas Zafar has fallen for Shell and is continuing his career with it. After having pursued different roles in Marketing and Network (Business Development) he is now on a developmental assignment in sales, stationed in Karachi. He is also doing volunteer work with ICF on weekends in their 'Rahbar' programme, trying to contribute a little in transforming the future youth to make them agents of positive

change. In his spare time he tries to go through old LUMS pictures and aspires to get back into shape again: Muhammad Rehan has been working in Arab National Bank, Riyadh-Saudi Arabia for the last two years and is now quite settled there. Atif Iqbal is at Emirates NBD (UAE) and hasn't switched jobs in the last two years. He was promoted during the year to the role of Senior Manager in the Group Strategy

department; where he is having a ball making all the 'dubbas' and throwing in CPs in the management meetings that he attends. Additionally, his focus area has shifted from wholesale banking to consumer and wealth management.

Faisal Saleem is still with the pharmaceutical business. After spending two years at Bayer, Karachi, last year he moved back to Lahore to join BF Biosciences, Pakistan's First Bio-tech Pharmaceutical plant. He is trying to implement the learnings from an MNC in a national organization to develop better local pharmaceuticals. This will save foreign exchange by lowering imports of medicines and increasing exports of quality medicines to other countries. He has recently been blessed with one baby girl and enjoying a happy married life. Hammad Kabir has finally realised that he is not young enough to work as Segment Manager Youth (djuice) and hence would now be managing the

Talkshawk segment for Telenor. He still has I wife and 2 lovely daughters:)

Yasar Rashid has been elevated in Bank Alfalah as Group Head and is presently heading the bank's audit function. He recently experienced some excitement, when he got stuck in the flood but came out well in the end. But it was a horrible experience! Kind of like graduating from LUMS!

So many things happened during the past one year to Majnun Mammadov: he got engaged in October 2009; in January 2010 he changed jobs, moving from Deloitte to a local ice-cream manufacturing company as General Director. In March 2010 he got married and also became uncle for the second time:)

Beenish Abbasi moved to Dubai after getting married and is now in Standard Chartered Bank in the Credit Cards department. She

recently received the CEO's award for organizing volunteering events to help children with special needs.

Omeir Zahid is still working at Sapphire Textile as Business Development Manager for a joint venture company and planning a re-launch of 3.0. Junaid Ata is still with Engro as Regional Manager, enjoying his professional and family life. Recently he and his better half Dr. Nabiha have

been blessed with a cute baby girl, Reemal 'Jannat Ka Phool'. Faiza Mawjee is still based in New York and recently finished the first year of her second Masters. When she is not looking for work she is thinking of ways to save the world and balance school and domestic responsibilities.

Saqib Mustafa is working as a Product Manager for Cloud Services in CDW and living life in a beautiful small city Madison WI, USA. He is also enjoying a bit of a foray in furniture making and just completed his first table as a side project. Saqib is also a certified soccer referee and referees high school, club and state soccer games. Afzal Khan Shinwari is in full thaikedaar mode, and Saniya is still awesome!

### MBA 2007

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Contributions by Farooq Soomro, Fizza Ijaz, Saud Mukhtar and `Facebook'.

Abubakar Siddique aka Bobby has gotten married and consequently has curtailed his social life. Adeel Allawallah is joining Unilever, Dubai coming October as Assistant Manager Marketing after he got fed up with his Korean boss at Phillip Morris. Adnan Nisar is still at PTC and is fast rising up the 'familia' ladder as he reports to be upgraded from being married to fatherhood. He named his son Azaan. Ahsan Ahmad Maykan, the cool dude of MNC is still clinging to Telenor. He has shifted himself from segments to pricing department. Ali Abbas aka Pujji is playing 'Daddy Responsible' with his almost I year old lovely daughter, Zuha. The little one is often found attending MBA gatherings in daddy's arms. Ali is working with Habib Bank AG Zurich and settled happily in Sharjah with wife and daughter.

Harsh weather, unfriendly environment and unprofessional colleagues have not yet got the better of Ali Maaz who is bringing first day zeal and vigour, to work every day. Due to his ceaseless energy, he and his boss are getting higher and higher in the corporate hierarchy even if the pay stays the same. His son Rayyan, aptly nicknamed Sher Khan has become a darling MashaAllah. Ali Maaz was recognized yet again for making most useful class participation in a conference at Alghanim, a feat he humbly attributes to the listening patience of Kuwaiti gang. Aly Abdul Rehman is working at Publicis, a French multinational advertising and communications company. Aly's most frequent French sentences are "Est-ce qu'il y a quelqu'un ici qui parle anglais? Où sont les toilettes?"Aly Yousaf got married earlier this year. He has been promoted to the position of Group Management Accountant at Unilever and was rewarded a brand new Honda city and still learning driving on it. Amina ljaz is at Coke. She travels around the world

when she's working and when she's not working. Ammar Butt is still working in his family business. He persists on maintaining his singlehood status. He was last seen attending the finals at Wimbledon and watching Rafael Nadal in action. Anwar Kabir is still working at Lowe & Rauf as Business Director for the company's largest Account in Lahore; Nestlé Pakistan. This last year was special for him in a way that he finally got married in November 2009. His family shifted to their newly constructed house in State Life Society in early 2010 and he spent quite a bit of his time this year settling down at the new place. Kabir got elected as Founder Board Member of newly formed SDSB Luminites Alumni Association and worked as Director Outreach during the board's tenure. During this time, he got an opportunity to reach out to Business School Alumni across all batches and was successful in engaging guite a few of them in alma mater and alumni related activities. As Director Outreach, he supervised Association's Mega Launch Event which was attended by a large number of alumni. His active involvement with Rotary Club still continues.

Arshad Moazzam left Mobilink in November last year and joined Etisalat UAE. He is living in Dubai with his wife and daughter who will be 3 coming October. Asad Mahmood has finally gotten himself rid from the Abu Dhabi Group. He's now working as Business Manager for Mantag Systems.

God's mercy will no longer shower over Kuwait as it did earlier! Asad Shafig has decided to move on and will be pursuing his doctorate at Richard Ivey, School of Business, which is quite famous with the MBA lot for publishing short length cases. In three years of his stay, Asad transformed the businesses he worked with, "warna yahan kya rakha tha, kaheen thaa maweshi charanay pe jaghra". On the personal front, Asad was blessed with a baby boy named Ibrahim, much to the annoyance of his daughter Umaima, who now has to share the parents love with him. Ashhad Saeed is now never to be found alone since his 'coupled' status and his better half is now an equal part of the MBA'07 group in Dubai. They are more than often found hanging out with the rest of the gang over weekends. Ashhad is working with Etisalat in Abu Dhabi and enjoying not only his work but also the public service employment from every aspect. His employee loyalty continues that has led him to reject all calls that come from a non-etisalat number. Azamat Akbarov is at General Motors Powertrain Uzbekistan working as Senior Financial Analyst. His role revolves around financial control and budgeting.

Babur Rais is at BMA capital and is continues to stay single in the near distant future. Bilal Javed Bhatti is a proud father of a baby girl Hajra. This still did not make a responsible driver out of him and he still leads the most fouled driver race among Kuwaiti gang. He is working for Alghanim Electronics now and is seen squeezing suppliers by all means for fulfilling corporate appetite for profits. Rest of the day, he is found happily babysitting his daughter. Bilal Malik has suc-

cessfully completed his post graduation in Public Policy and Management from Monash University, Australia. His profile got the maximum hits from MBA 2007 people in 2009-10 due to inclusion of supermodels in Bilal's friend list.

Dilafruz is still very loyal to the furniture industry & not thinking of moving away very soon. Last year company finally realized her true potential & made her the Brand Manager for Cilek (furniture brand for kids). Since the, n the brand is enjoying triple digit

growth over last year and she hopes to keep this momentum going forward as well. On her personal front, MBA boy Kamran is going to reception this year, and his sister is in 4th grade. Both of them hate Kuwait's weather, but love the sea and no matter how hard Dilafruz tries to teach them Uzbek & Russian, they both speak only English. Fasahat Feroze is happy with his life and has recently visited USA, along with her lady-in-red. He is still at Ie-

her lady-in-red. He is still at lelenor. This year has been quite an eventful one for Fizza Ijaz. She has been with Unilever, Dubai for over an year now and is doing very well, enjoying herself thoroughly applying all the marketing `dabbas' learnt during the two years of MBA. In addition to her portfolio role on Home &

Personal Care for North Africa Middle East, she has taken up a brand project with the Dove team and will be landing her first launch end of this year which she is very excited about. More importantly, she got engaged earlier this year to our very own Mulli (no prizes for guessing), Hamza. The couple will tie the knot early next year Inshallah. We wish them both a very happy life together. Haleema Muniba quit her job to work as

full-time mother for her daughter 'Soha'.

After playing the "tarang" tune with "Saima jee" for the last two years at Engro foods, Hamza Ahmad now signs off his emails as the Business Development Manager for their global business unit. Following critical assessment of a business opportunity, he is now evaluating whether he likes Ioronto or Vancouver more as the base for his operations and seems pretty happy considering J-lo for his new campaign. Hamza also get engaged recently (you say soot the vi

also got engaged recently (you can spot the victim in one of the classnotes here).

Husnain Alam after escaping two companies without knowing the results of his sales effort has

finally received a fat pay check of commission from IBM.

Imran Hafeez is misleading, sorry leading students through his inspirational speeches. He is known as 'Hatim Tai' when goes out to dine with his students but vanguards his budget like a snake while eating out with friends. On request of some close friends he has dedicated his weekends to his friends. The lucky draw of which weekend happens once every year.

Jasim Ahmad Facebook profile reports that he is currently in an open relationship; his employer is Adamjee Insurance and CFA level 2 certified. Kanza Fida became a proud mother of a baby boy. She works for Warid in the Strategy department. Kashan Yaqoob is still at Engro and has moved from supply chain to marketing division. Kashif Munir is happily married and reports to have gained a few pounds consequently. He has joined AC Nielsen as Manager Consumer Research.

Khurram Mir is reported to have moved to UAE with his newly wedded wife sometime back and has been running his own business. He is often found in famous Pakistani restaurants in Dubai. Khurram Saleem Malik is enjoying the status quo with his wife and son Ibrahim.

Khwaja Faisal's bachelorhood shall be no more as he is cherishing his last few days as a nikkahofied bachelor. Rukhsati will be in November and hopefully all of you will be getting the invite in your inbox. He is working for Alghanim's FMCG division and brings first day zeal and vigor, to the work, albeit for different reasons (not all of which are professional). He is also found boarding wrong planes and cars often. Luqman Awan is working with 3M and was declared Best Sales Man of 3M Pakistan for the year 2009. On the personal front, his son Suleiman is growing fast (20 months already) and is

responsible for creating a lot of excitement in Luqman's life. He is thankful to his wife Sheema for allowing him to participate in Alumni Association activities. He reports that our class endowment fund has crossed the PKR 1.4 million. He has offered unconditional hospitality to his batch mates visiting Lahore.

Mehdi Raza is still at UCH power and believes power sector to be the only viable job sector in the future. He has gotten married. Cisco loyal Mehtab Lasharie has moved from Sales to Operations Management and is enjoying a much welcomed improvement in work-life balance.

Muhammad Anis Sajid is reported to be engaged. He resides in Lahore near LUMS campus. Shell continues to

be his employer choice. Muhammad Farhan Tayyab is at P&G playing "surf wars" with other competitors for Arial

Mian Murad is as colorful and lively as ever. He has always been a source of unanticipated entertainment. For some reason people were amused to find that Mian performed an Umrah on an official trip to Saudi. He is an avid reader and one has to make way through spiral of the books to reach his throne where he is found lying majority of the time.

Muhammad Ali Imam after hopping from Engro and ICI has now joined Mobilink and is heading the Organizational Development department. The part time job of Muhammad Ali Jawed aka AJ outside his professional role at Petrofac's, is to photograph his very



cute son who is now 9 months old. The baby has been titled "the friendliest baby in UAE" (MashaAllah). Despite their busy work, social and baby schedule, Ali and Fatima make it a point to join the MBA'O7 Dubai gatherings on most occasions. We have good

news from Muhammad Ayaz Karim's den - he tied the knot in July 2010. He is steadily working with Habib Bank AG Zurich since 2007 and enjoying his time in Dubai. He still never misses the first day first show of all Bollywood movies released and plays the ultimate host to all visitors. Since he has become a veteran in Dubai now - we also like to call him our 'navigator' since he is the one emergency number we call if we are lost on the roads of UAE. Muhammad Bin Shahbaz works at Nestlé Pakistan and has recently joined parenthood.

Muhammad Faisal Amin has joined the ever increasing group of new parents with his daughter named Rania. A lot of us know him as man of few words but his passionate political dialogue surprises most of the people around. He is working as Planning Manager at Alghanim Engineering Division and is highly rated by his superiors. His General Manager once said that he would be willing to recruit a dozen like him, even during the recession.

Muhammad Faroog Soomro has decided to move back to Karachi as he could not count the stars in dusty Kuwaiti Sky using his telescope. He is happily married and trying to find nirvana in selling Byco oil to consumers. He has joined the ever increasing group of Facebook inspired photographers who own a camera and that's why post them to Facebook. He hallucinates and writes as 'The Karachi Banjara' on blogosphere. Muhammad Shahid Bashir's entrepreneurial soul was recently rewarded 'Entrepreneur of the Year' award by the Prime Minister of Pakistan. Muhammad Usman Ahmed is a proud father of a baby boy named Zakariya. He is spending his days blissfully with his family in Toronto while hunting mad cows around. He has moved to Canada to purse his doctorate in Management Sciences. He has plenty of leisure time at

his hands which he uses to lure people to Canada for a doctorate or write cheeky emails on the class email group. He plans to opt for a teaching career after his PhD, much to the delight of corporate sector. Muhammad Usman Khan reports, "By the grace of Almighty we have been blessed with a baby girl." The baby girl is enjoying free supplies of Nestlé NesVita milk. Muhammad Umar Tanwir aka Haji Tanwir is at Mobily Saudia Arabia and longs for his lawless life in Pakistan.

Natalia Nicklaevna is working with Petrofac and leading a peaceful life in Sharjah. Nizam Ahmed successfully resold his valuable CPs for a six figure salary. He is working for Dhaka Stock Exchange. He hasn't managed to increase the population that much; with just one kid. Omar Ahmed the wiz kid of Pakistan Tobacco has bid farewell to controlling costs and is now spending money of USAID on a high profile project at Eli Walker.

Omair Yunus and Kamilia Iftikhar are happily married to each other. Since then they have been travelling to many destinations in a short while. It is difficult to find which one was their honeymoon. Omair is working for Electronics and was last found launching an electric cigarette in the 'Health and Wellness' category. Kamilia is working for home furnishing division now. Her business had a record selling month which may or may not be attributed to her joining the business.

Rabia Raza Tirmezey is going strong and steady in the Treasury Department of Mashreq Bank, working on structured commodities and rates. Recently, Rabia has marked another achievement up her sleeve by clearing CFA level 2. Other than her frequent trips back home, Rabia likes to spend her weekends watching movies, looking for new places to dine out and organizing batch get-togethers and not-at-all surprise birthdays. Rai Usman fied the knot in February this year and has been living with his family in Dubai. He is still working for Barclays Bank as 'Portfolio Manager' for their Credit Cards Division. Raza-ul-Haque is working as Senior Zone Manager at Chevron where he has been given additional portfolio of retail along with industrial sales. With Khwaja tying the knot this year, he is facing serious pressure from his mom to call quits to his bachelorhood.

Saima Ansari has been promoted as Brand Manager Surf at Unilever. Sajjad Ali Khan is working for Wateen Telecom. Salman Ahmed Khan was last seen at Umair Shabbir Butt's wedding. He hasn't changed a bit in size. He has successfully worked for 3 major bank employers during one employment; first with ABN AMRO, second with RBS and third with Faisal Bank.

Sarmad Balouch likes to stay in the saner part of the emirates i.e. Abu Dhabi where he devotedly works for First Gulf Bank. We give him credit for always making appearance of batch level get-togethers in Dubai. Saud Mukhtar after putting on weight from his current

job has co-opened a Khoka. He has successfully roped in Husnain, Mehdi, Umair Mukhtar after showing them greener pastures of food revolution.

Saqib Mubarak has moved from Alghanim to Babtain Group as Marketing Manager and is found polishing his Arabic skills which were found disastrous in Kuwaiti gang's eventful Turkey trip. Saqib has managed to get married this year despite all the torrential rain, floods, target killings and bomb blasts. The

first half of the year has been most happening for Saqib as he starts a new era, with a new job, new house and a new laptop. Shafiq Sobhan reports, "I am still alive and kicking, enjoying life in down under and currently visiting family and friends in Bangladesh." Shahrukh and Maryam have moved back to Dubai from Abu

Dhabi with Shahrukh working in corporate banking at

the National Bank of Oman and Maryam in product management at Thuraya Telecom Co. The two were recently found trotting the globe across france and different parts of Canada. Their home is one of the most popular spots for post dinner 'chai and gupshup' sessions over weekends.



Faysal Bank continues to be employer of Shahzad Ahmad's choice ("Majbori") in these years of recession. After office hours are spent with wife and son Ali, he has recently joined gym to limit my ever growing waist. He has passed level 3 of CFA exam; the first person in our batch to achieve this milestone. Shehreyar Mehmood has been with Oracle for the past 2 odd years. He has just moved to Melbourne for a new role. He is trying to cope up with the "AUSI" lifestyle and at the moment is pondering on which AFL team to pick. He is taking singing lessons to improve his vocal skills and has also taken up photography as a hobby.

Shelina Ramzan Ali Khoja has apparently settled in a marketing role at Engineering Division. Her commitment to work is unmatched as she has been seen working or rather holding up for his boss during Eid holidays and weekends. Her presentations are as colorful as ever and her driving as wild as it could get

orful as ever and her driving as wild as it could get. Her car pool buddies have become immune to shocks, jolts, surprises, tremors and sudden changes in speed.

**Siddique Ahmad** is the latest addition to the Kuwait gang. He now works for Wataniya Telecom. He joined the ranks of fatherhood with the birth of his son he named Zuhayr.

Sohaib Hashmi is working with Habib Bank AG Zurich. Since life in Dubai isn't always as exciting - he made an adventurous trip to Switzerland all on his own!

People looking for tourism info on the Swiss land please contact Sohaib! His message to the batch this year is "Life's good and must visit Switzerland once in a life time!"

Suresh Shrestra after working for the Department of Iransport Management is now placed in Water and Energy Commission secretariat in Kathmandu. Syed Aamir Asif still continues to work for Mashreq Bank and is having a nice time in Dubai. Syed Ali Haider is working in Corporate Banking, Barclays UAE since October 2008. He spends most of his time with family (wife and daughter 'Khadija' who turned three this Sept) and remains in contact with friends, mostly over phone.

Syed Ammar Yasin after shuttling between Lahore and Islamabad has finally accepted 'Isloo' to be his home place at least for now. He works for Telenor Pakistan and played an instrumental role in launch of EasyPaisa; Pakistan's first Branchless Banking.

Taimur Karim cleared his CSP exam and will be joining Pakistan's bureaucracy. His training will be starting coming January in Lahore. He also won an award in KESC for its turnaround. Umair Shabbir Butt finally left Wateen and joined Mobilink in the Marketing division. He is one of newly married people in our batch who spend his free time cross checking his electricity meter readings.

Wasif Sikander Butt got married. Yashrah Masood won the performance award this year at Servis at the annual business conference. She has now moved on to Mantaq Systems as Supply Chain Consultant to Servis and other vendors. Yashrah says "we had joy, we had fun, we had seasons in the sun but the hills that we climbed were just seasons out of time" and now

she so wants to go back to school and study Economics.

Yasir Suleman Memon got promoted as Manager in the Modern Trade division at Unilever. He was found vacationing in Thailand at the time this class note was

written. Zenubia Qureshi has recently moved to Dubai from Bahrain. She has just finished setting up her new home beautifully and plans to relax and enjoy some homely time now.

And lastly, your class note coordinator Ahmed Shiraz Butt reports, "I have slowly become accustomed to life here in Federal capital Islamabad. If Daewoo had offered travel reward points system, I would have won a trip to Korea by now; considering the number of miles I travelled last year. Telenor continues to be my choice of employment."

### **MBA 2009**

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A word of thanks to Mahvash Murad, Sumaira Ashfaq, Chaudhry and Baqa for their efforts in putting together (and spicing up) these class notes...

Arshad Bajwa started off in the family agri-business but in February joined Interwood as Development Manager. Mulla only has to say this for the past one year "Bitha Ke Yaar Ko Pehlu Mein Raat Bhar 'Ghalib'... Jo Loag Kuch Nahin Kerte Kamal Kerte Hain". Next time we'll ask him to tell us something we can understand...

Azhaar is GMI at IRG and is successfully evading attempts by his family to get him married off... I guess they don't know about his 'other marriage'.

Usman Saber aka Rider has been very loyal to Mobilink and has been rewarded with being Product Manager for BlackBerry and being part of Mobilink's new initiative on the rural population. Plus he got engaged! Now how will he handle all that?:P

Ayesha Nawaz has been working in Rural Support Programme Network, which is based in Islamabad. The peaceful serenity of the capital has its own charm but now she hoping to move back to her hometown i.e. Lahore. Sumaira A. Khan has been working in Mobilink as a Business Analyst, and claims confidently that life is (thankfully) pretty uneventful so far. Atique Siddiqui joined Telenor in October and has been there since. Passing time engrossed in his work, spending time with friends and strolling on the roads of

Islamabad looking for the ONE. Ed's note: We're cool with that Atia... as long as it's not a street in KP!

Syed Johar Gillani is working in Standard Chartered Bank UAE as Strategy & Financial Manager for retail product, is happily married and trying to get a driving license these days. Iram Agdas Hamdani worked as a BDM in LSE till April, then moved to Guildford and now is not doing anything...you can call it 'vacationing' if you may :)

Bagapuri is a Merchant of Death and has officially gone into retirement after a career best paparazzi FB snap ;) Baga is now aiming for the conservation of endangered blind dolphins through the eradication of its main enemy... mankind... In the past one year, Umar **Zaffar Lodhi** has been searching for the perfect job (etc) through a cloud of smoke... ;) **Yamin** is working as Deputy Manager Finance at KESC.... He continues capturing the moments, clicking pictures and now targeting 300 albums to be uploaded on Facebook by the end of this year ;)

Ali Tahawar Gillani is fine, doing job in Dawood Group and enjoying a happy married life. Wagas Ali aka **Theeta** says that there is no place like home.... is in DBX... and still single. Ed's Note: and is happy that he is getting highest salary in the batch but sad that Johan is also taking same ;-) Johnny has been working with KESC as DM for Distribution Strategy. He is part of a turnaround team which is working very closely with COO-Distribution. Personally, he has started to like Karachi where he has moved with his family. Ed's Note: We still haven't been able to get any stories from his semester in India except the one about the rickshaw ride to the hospital...

Jawad Munawar Khan joined Interwood as Marketing Manger and is hardly working...oops! I mean working hard! Sarmad dramatically got engaged in July and is working in PTC...selling cigarettes to surpass NT sales... actually PMI sales;). Close friends turned into rivals after joining two competing companies. Talka is another Merchant of Death and still single... Any takers? ;). Ed's Note: Think thrice before ditching any friend that means you OC.

Mohtashim is gliding through the current of time... He is currently working in KESC, working to climb his way up the corporate arena, and seeking an entrepreneurial opportunity as well. He also managed to sell Chun a car without an engine! Singapore police has also reported the sighting of a Chun... could it be him? Sarwan joined Telenor right after graduation and has stuck with it for the past one year. He was working as a Business Analyst for the first 8 months here; but then keeping up with the LUMS tradition of hopping around :), he made an internal move to Micro Segmentation (Stealth Marketing). It's been 5 months since the move and is enjoying it here so far. Ed's Note: He misses Korea ;)

Kamran has been vociferously (and he adds duly) denouncing Karachi/Karachiites since he moved here some 8 months ago as a result of joining BOC Pakistan as a Product Marketing Manager... On personal front, he has seen friends fall like dominoes left, right and center to the charms of nuptial companionship. Ed's Note: Sounds like typical oxford dictionary notes... or maybe the birds in Karachi are too slippery for Kami's desi Lahore vociferatewhateverthehellthatwas nuptial pickup lines. Good luck with dominoes! Like many of O'Niners, Ali Usman is also defying LUMS traditions by sticking to one job only. Let's see when the urge(!) becomes strong enough to make him move/choose a new company. Asim is currently busy in

planning and devising business strategies for Asian and African telecom markets, and striving hard to go for European or at least Middle Eastern market. Ed's Note: that's what he

Khawaja has been drilling holes in the ground in search for black gold while being at ENI. Ed's Note: We hear that wedding bells are ringing for Khaja. One thing is for sure...bhabi will have no trouble with handies and daigchies:) Professionally, Rattu doesn't know what happened in the last one year and why it happened, but it still continues... [The same concept applies personally as well....;)]

Shoaib a.k.a. Sc2v moved on from the rice business at ENGRO to entrepreneurship (Ed's Note: That's what he says...people of ENGRO say otherwise) and is currently in the process of setting it up, let's hope it's the beginning of a culture of entrepreneurship from Luminites. Ed's Note: ENGRO also diversifying into Dabba's selling business. Raheel is settled with family life and enjoying his job at Coca Cola. Kanju is another MOD who is extremely worried about his ever-expanding tummy... Ed's Note: Kanju has been spotted philandering across the country by our moles. Over the last one year, Ayesha Zia worked as

Research Associate at HighLink Capital, and is still teaching undergraduates at LSE, but the most important change in her life has been brought about by the apple of her eye, her son, Moosa. Ed's Note: Investors are still wondering where the money went... Najam is deprived of city life, has gone through the "over worked under paid syndrome", and it still continues. Also, no two-day weekend. He misses friends and ghar... Ed's Note: He is also going to Australia for training and is getting engaged very soon. Congratulations!

Sanober spent the first 2/3rd of the year hating her job at TRG and the next 1/3rd loving it.... the only constant was the nostalgia for the time spent at LUMS. For the past one year, Mahvash been trying to return the light to the City of Lights....:D

Javeria worked at Colgate Palmolive as Assistant Brand Manager for Tang for 9 months, but then got married and moved to Dubai to conquer new corporate worlds...NT is working in PMI, Islamabad since July 2009 and got special NIKE shoes;). He has been trying for the last one year to move to Lahore and fulfill his Brand Manager prophecy. Ali Ibrahim has been engaged with GTIZ, working on an education

reform programme in Punjab. On a more personal level, he has been busy producing theatre plays, organizing corporate events and travelling to different parts of the country. Budhani is working at Al-Shaheer one of the largest meat exporters from Pakistan. First Brand Launch from scratch 'Meat-One'.... Ed's Note: Congratulations! The batch is proud!

This past year has been pretty happening & exciting for Aamna. She had a 7 month stint with Talk-Shawk at Telenor, got married, moved to

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Switzerland and been traveling all over Europe. Babar is working at BP in Procurement and Supply Chain Management as a BP Challenger and got married to Rabia Fatima this February. Ed's Note: At least the Merchants of Death can breathe a sigh of relief after that recent oil spill. Rabia has finally started working in KESC after moving to Karachi. She also had short stints in MIBC, TWA and a longer stint in Warid Telecom before getting married. Bibu is working in Marketing Department, in Report and Analysis

Fahd F. Alam got married, secured Jahez (new car, bed, TV, wardrobe and washing machine) and moved to his in-laws. He joined ZONG and then switched to Ielenor. He launched the keep phone ON campaign for Zong as well as mummy daddy wala package:) Ed's Note: Fahd has not been seen since his marriage... if anybody finds him... please keep him;)

Omer `Adnan' Chaudhry is also at Interwood, turning around their production department. He is also actively putting in the effort to get different `groups' of Lahori O9ers together each weekend. For the last one year he has also been trying to think more and speak less.

Ed's Note: Forget it Chaudhry... He also recently secured his membership at the Royal Palm Golf & Country Club. Ali Khan has stepped out of the banking world and is set to take Nishat Chunian, where he is Manager Finance, to the next level! Jazib as usual has been all over the place. Being seen involved in counseling students at LGS, running an iphone appli-

cation development business and of course journalism! Bilal Ensari joined Lahore Transport Company and then later moved on to Telenor. He is sharing an apartment with Abid Bhai (not to mention here that he is from Toba Tek Singh......oops! :-1)

Syed Nauman Ali has been to Kuwait a couple of times and is currently working as an RA at LUMS. Imran Hussain Mughal is working as HR Strategist at PSO and just started his PhD in Strategic Management. Salman Zafar has nothing special to share in his personal life. Professionally he is still working in Makro Head Office as Category Manager Commercial. Umair Luqman hates being away from family BUT loves the smell of tobacco...:) Maira Hameed is enjoying 'Good Food, Good Life' at Nestlé. Usman Mirza is currently working as a Management Trainee in Nestlé Pakistan based in Lahore.

Abid Bhai is busy working at easypaisa... and spends his spare time writing poetry (Imamdin Jr.) and preparing for his upcoming wedding. Ed's Note: He also shared apartment far far away with Raheel for



some time and got infected by his habits. Asif Rafiq enjoyed his EU tour working for Guard Rice in the Marketing division. He missed his family and friends from Karachi initially but has become a fan of the hospitality of Luminites in Lahore. Ed's note: He also went to Paris but didn't go to Eiffel Tower because it was quite high and difficult for him to climb. He also drove an Audi at 120 on the Autorial and the second street and second s

Zahra Arshad is working as a MI in Nestlé and is now working on Nesvita and another product launch... On the personal front, she got engaged and is InshaAllah getting married in December this year. Mehr Manzoor joined MGH as Global Trainee and was based in Dhaka for 5 months (later on MGH realized their mistake!). Now she is working in MGH Lahore office.

Adeel Tufail is one of the four members of the LUMS team who took on IBA and 5 other top universities of the country and beat them all in a classic "Battle of Minds 2009" for the 1st time in LUMS history. Shumyl has entered into the second year of Japanese style Taekwondo training at Kansai Paint and is experimenting moves on UZ everyday! Ed's Note: Shumyl also got engaged recently in Islamabad and now trying his level best to transfer Kansai Head Office and production facility to Islamabad. We wish him best of luck!;)

Jehanzeb Zubair is working in Standard Chartered Bank. He was placed in Karachi and then in Lahore (for him a dream came true). Now-a-days he is in Standard Chartered Bank, Shanghai, China. He olso purchased a new Honda Civic but can you believe with Faisalabad number plate...! tsk tsk According to Rao Atif, "The only place where your dreams become impossible is in your own dreams". Ed's Note: I asked for class notes but I don't know why he sent this.

Khalid Hameed is happy with ICI, working in the paints business for almost a year now. Life is good around friends (?) and the hulabaloo is ON. Ed's note: He managed to make a name for himself in the FMCG world [read Reckitt fiasco;)] before jumping to ICI. He has also become an accomplished Salsa dancer. Umer Farooq is working in MGH for last one year and wishing all the girls HAPPY BIRTHDAY on Facebook. Ed's Note: We hear that Umer is planning to get into the cake business. Fazal Ashfaq has been trying to train his dogs to sit and stand for the last one year. He has now been elected as treasurer of the SDSB LUMS Alumni Association and running L Solutions - a private venture.

Waqas Ahmed Dhillon is working in PMI for last one year. He is recently engaged in Shorkot and got regular license of pick and drop;) Sajjad Haider is working in RSPN for the last one year, getting people to use biogas to cook their food and light their bulb(s). Gossip: A little mole told us that he recently got engaged to... bhabi of course! Adil & Sana are now happily married and love the Islamabad life. IG says that he feels that he has been very lucky to end up in a sales role with IBM and claims that every day is a different day and even more challenging. Ehsan Shehzad aka Shikari has been happily working with Lahore Iransport Company and wakes up every morning with the hope of making these bureaucrats get into the habit of working:p

Ali Raza aka Mars is sharing an apartment with Omer and hos survived it for five months straight! Asad Anees aka Doctor saab has taken over PMI and has been instrumental in the postings of the rest of PMI boys (Bhawalpur, Sahiwal, Gujranwala and Sargodha to name a few) Oh, and he got married as well! Saad Ikram aka Turtle has managed to somehow blow himself up a couple of sizes. He's with PMI as well and has moved up in life after getting posted from Sahiwal to Karashi.

And last but certainly not the least [unless it's the height being taken into consideration:)] ... Zeeshan aka Haider Sb has been steadily climbing the corporate ranks at KESC. He is also teaching at IBA and is involved in various philanthropic projects on the side. It is rumored that he is heading closer to the magnetic North in the coming months (read: Russia).

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In Zaheer's own words "I am not sure how but somehow I landed in O&M Solutions (OMS) a multinational doing business in power sector. I worked in WAPDA for 17 years without any promotion, but here in OMS, after 2 years and 3 promotions, I am the Managing Director for Pakistan business, a lot of credit for this success goes to what I learnt at LUMS. After moving to Lahore, my wife decided to leave her job and got early retirement from her teaching job at the Liaquat Medical University, Jamshoro. Both my sons are in O Levels, Ranwal in last year and

Abbas Shirazi continues to work Service Industries where he is considered untouchable in discussions, his habit of taking first mover advantage in CP still prevails. He was promoted as Chief Merchandising Officer after completing EMBA...ahem. Suleman Alvi has returned to his lovely home town, Karachi as Singapore was too clean for him. Though he managed to bag the silver medal but he is not interested in leaving the pharmaceutical sector, he has joined AstraZeneca Pakistan as Strategy & Business Development Manager.

Fahim Bhai is our second true mover after Zaheer. He finally divorced a German for a French!!!!!!!!!!! He has joined Schneider Electric after spending nineteen years at Siemens. Congrats Faheem !!!!!! for a remarkable move.......better late than never.



Now I meet Shariq every Friday at 6 am as our sons are batch-mates at Aitchison. We catch up for half an hour while our sons have their riding lessons. Shariq seems to be grounded. He is working at ICI and considers everyday as a new beginning.....lage raho munna bhai......your pension starts next year ;-) Ahsan continues to direct UDL and has three school going kids....(at least someone has progressed)....Ahsan is always available to meet me whenever I am in Karachi and spend time together.

I (Sheikh Ali Hussain) am still working at LUMS but the role and responsibility has changed. I am directing Resource Development and Alumni Affairs department. It is interesting to set up functions at LUMS. Both my children are school going and time seems to pass very auickly!

Haroon is working as Director International Coordination in Ministry of IT. Dr Saud is has been moving a lot;-).....lately he has been transferred to Karachi. 1B is back in Karachi after spending sometime in Lahore and trying to locate Paris. Samie is quite active on facebook and is based in Vietnam. I see his children grow through cyber lens.

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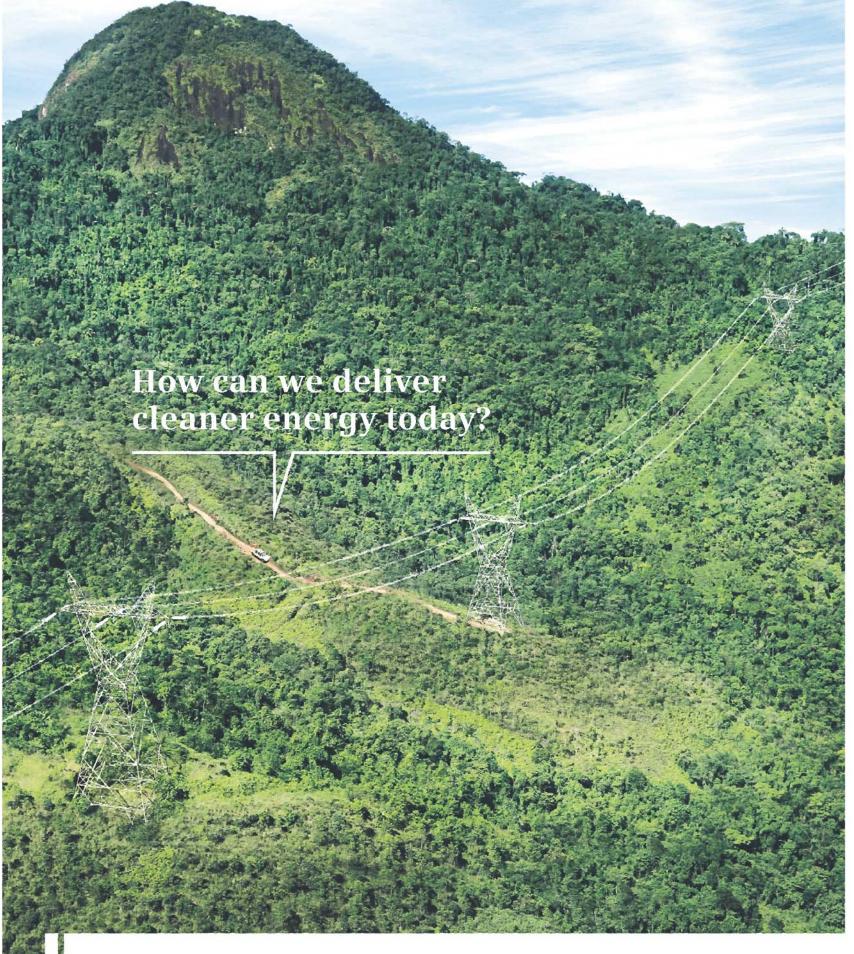


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