



HABIB PUBLIC SCHOOL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

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ALUMNI REUNION 2024

ALERT!

Sunday, 7th of January 2024, 3pm

It's HIGH TEA, and NOT Dinner this time!

At the height of Karachi's mild and luxurious, much celebrated winter social season!

Alongside, saving on energy and the cost of lighting up the School at night!

Also, nothing quite like greeting old friends in broad daylight!

See you all, Insha'Allah

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2023 ANNUAL REUNION REVIEW



HPSAA President, Mr. Saeed Allawala & Secretary General Mr. Sohail Qureshi Cut the cake with HPS Managing Trustee, Mr. Qumail Habib & his teacher Mr. Anas in celebration of the HPSAA Birthday

Held on the 28th of January, 2023 at the HPS Campus, the proceedings began at 7.30pm and continued until well past 11pm. Arranged in the Gymnasium with Dinner outdoors, the month of January was deliberately chosen so that our overseas alumni who visit home in the winter could join in.

For their chief guests the HPSAA invited retired teachers who had put in more than 30 years of dedicated service. These included Mr. Mazahir Hussain (1973-2018, 45 years), Ms. Khursheed Gul (1966-2010, 44 years), Mr. Iftikhar Husain (1970-2011, 41 years), Ms. Yasmin Tanveeri (1976-2017, 41 years), Mr. Shabih Abbas (1971-2010, 39 years), Dr. Ali Ahmed (1981-2016, 35 years), Ms. Parveen Jafri (1974-2008, 34 years), Ms. Sheema Mehdi (1985-2018, 33 years), and Mr. Hasan Syedain (1981-2013, 32 years).



From left to Right: Mr. Haroon Qassim, Mr. Saeed Allawala, Mr. Qumail Habib, Mr. Iftikhar Hussain, Mr. Muhammad Anas, Ms. Yasmeen Tanveeri, Ms. Parveen Jafri, Mr. Zafar Kaleem, Mr. Fazil Bharucha, Mr. Zeeshan Merchant



Esteem Habibians enjoying the Mazahiya Mushaira

Mr. Minhas Tejani, the school principal and 1982 alumni, welcomed the gathering. Mr. Saeed Allawala (Batch of 1970) as the president HPSAA also spoke on the occasion along with Mr. Sohail Qureshi (Batch of 1979) the Secretary General HPSAA who gave the vote of thanks.



Esteemed Habibians reliving their good old carefree days!



Habib Public School's Band Performance

DAAL CHAWAL LUNCH GREAT SUCCESS!

Sunday, 1st October '23 memorable day as over 250 Habibian alumni gather at their alma mater to savor their favorite school days Wednesday Lunch and catch up with each other.

***Chow time!
Childhood memories
revived eating Daal
Chawal from traditional
cafeteria tray***



***Signing up chow, at
300 rupees per head***

***Lining up for chow,
no pushing and
shoving!***



HABIBIANS RALLY AROUND FELLOW HABIBIANS!
Raana & Saeed Allawala Celebrate Sindh Caretaker Ministers
MUHAMMAD YOUNUS DAGHA & DR. SAAD KHALID NIAZ

Report filed by Adil Ahmad (Correspondent)

It was an evening to remember as most evenings are when old school friends meet. This meet up was special, however. Amidst the bonhomie, there was a sense of urgency that permeated the air. The leading lights of society were all there, acutely sensitized to the fact that all was not well, in fact, very far from it.

Tense undercurrents

The economy was up the creek and the wars of succession were upon us with the elections ostensibly just around the corner. Who would rule the roost, and for how long? Were the caretakers of today in actual fact the undertakers of the democratic process that had brought society to such grief? How much of the gargantuan mess could be cleared in just three very short months? The Host alluded to these top-of-mind concerns in his welcome speech, making light of these heavy matters with his trademark humor.



Saeed Allawala emcees proceedings with flair and humor

Pushing the pipeline

The enchanting ambience crafted by the elegant Hostess, and a Dinner spread most divine, did much to mellow the tense undercurrents. Muhammad Younus Dagha, the most seasoned and senior minister in the cabinet, sounded a note of caution with advice to temper expectations. He prioritized pushing forward with the ongoing projects in the pipeline that appear to be stuck including the K-4 water projects, sewage treatment plants and the effluent treatment plants in the industrial areas, mass transit projects, marine pollution and air quality.



Muhammad Younus Dagher makes a case for pushing projects already in the pipeline

Red flagging child protection

Dr. Saad Khalid Niaz, who has taken on the health minister's portfolio that includes social welfare and public health engineering, had child protection squarely in his crosshairs, with the horrific happenings in Ranipur assailing him to the point where he has thrown caution to the wind and taken on the feudal might of the local lords who perpetuate such barbarism on ten-year old girls.



Dr. Saad Khalid Niaz, prioritizing child protection

Reclaiming the youth

Hafiz Naeem ur Rehman was there too, lamenting the engineered loss of his party's mayoral mandate, and vowing to work wonders in the 9 towns and 87 union councils that had officially reposed their trust in him. "There are 7 million youth between 14 and 25 years of age in Karachi. 400,000 enroll for matric of which 200,000 get to intermediate, and only 40,000 to 45,000 enroll in the degree program. What happens to the rest? We cannot abandon them to the drug and other mafias. We must reclaim them and educate them," he said.

Much food for thought amidst a sumptuous feast for the palate.

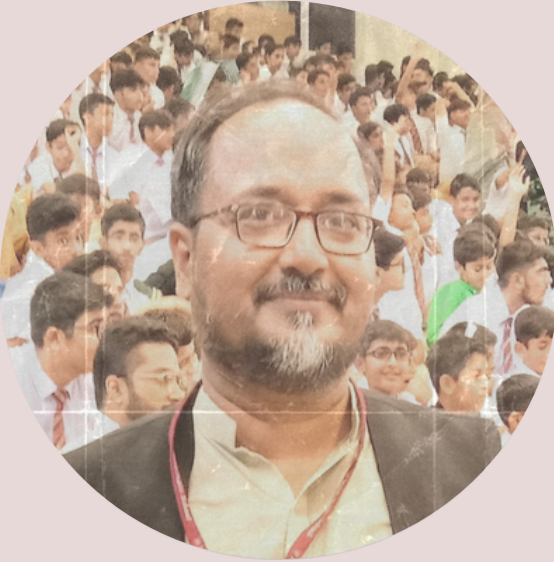


Hafiz Naeem ur Rehman receives a glorious bouquet



The two ministers lighten the atmosphere

IN LOVING MEMORY OF
SIR RIZWAN ABBAS



SEPTEMBER 20, 2023

إِنَّا لِلّٰهِ وَإِنَّا إِلَيْهِ رَاجِعُونَ

Rizwan Abbas, our much loved and respected Islamiyat teacher, has left for his Heavenly abode, leaving us in grief but with very fond memories. May Allah rest his soul in peace, and grant his family the strength to bear the loss of his passing, ameen.

On behalf of all alumni
& HPSAA Executive Committee



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Schoolmates!

Assalam'Alaikum. Here we are again, one month from our last HABIBIAN, as promised. The closing of the ranks continues unabated as we resolve to overcome and prevail over the many challenges that face us today. As we celebrate the meeting of old friends over dinner to acknowledge two of our number who have joined the government as ministers, we eagerly look forward to meeting them in even greater number at the Annual Reunion on Sunday, the 7th of January, 2024, Insha'Allah. Stay strong and steadfast, and may Allah empower us in this time of crisis, ameen.

Best wishes

Saeed Allawala



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