



MONTHLY NEWS LETTER OF MEMON JAMMAT JEDDAH
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*Dear Brothers and Sisters
Assalamo Alaikum WRWB*

We are pleased to release our 28th Issue of Monthly Newsletter for October 2011. Hope it will be interesting and informative to you all.

It is a matter of pleasure that the present body of Memon Jamat is completing it's two years tenure successfully in the month of November 2011. During coming two months, Memon Jamat would like to look forward to welcome our community members of any nationality who wish to participate in social work and can spare time for Memon Jamat in order to share responsibility for improving social and welfare activities for the betterment of the community. A complete procedure and program of formation of new body for another term of two years will be announced next month insha Allah. We hope, interested community members will come forward to join memon jamat with enthusiasm.

We appreciate community brothers who have taken time to write to us their valuable views and suggestions that are very useful and noted for future guidance. We sincerely apologize in advance if there is any unintentional omission or error in this Newsletter.

May God Bless All.

*Best regards
Newsletter Committee*



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Memons

The Memons origins from the villages of Kutch, Gujarat and Kathiawad regions in India. After the partition of the subcontinent in 1947, a large number of Memons migrated to Pakistan while many preferred to remain in India itself or move to other countries. In Pakistan most of the memons live in the port city of Karachi.

Historically Memons are a mercantile community (and are generally referred to as a business community in Pakistan and India). Most of them are merchants and traders, industrialists, professionals and generally hold white collar jobs.

Memons around the world

The Memons are now spread all over the world. A large part still in Pakistan and India while others are in U.K., U.S.A., Canada & other countries of Asia, Europe, Africa & the Middle East. There are two million memons world wide.

Role of the Jamaats

Memons generally tie to their respective locally societies called "Jamat", literally means congregation, which are generally established for the betterment and social welfare of its members which may include free matrimonial services, healthcare and education, provide various facilities for the community need and also financial support or the poor and needy members and sometime non-members.

Whenever and wherever the Memons have settled they first built a mosque and madrassa, and if in considerable numbers, also established a Jamat. Many mosques built by Memons have become outstanding architectural landmarks of their particular cities. Such mosques include Zakaria Masjid of Calcutta, Minara Masjid of Bombay. New Memon Masjid of Karachi and Bitul Muqarram Masjid of Dacca. Memons have also built large mosques in the countries spread from Japan to South Africa. The Jama Masjid of Durban built by the Memons, is the largest mosque in the Southern Hemisphere.



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ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1. PRESENT BOARD OF MEMON JAMAT WILL BE COMPLETING IT'S TERM OF TWO YEAR BY END OF NOVEMBER 2011. OUR COMMUNITY MEMBERS (OF ANY NATIONALITY) WHO WISH TO PARTICIPATE IN SOCIAL WORK AND CAN SPARE LITTLE TIME FOR MEMON JAMAT ARE REQUESTED TO COME FORWARD AND JOIN MEMON JAMAT TO SHARE RESPONSIBILITIES OF MEMON JAMAT IN ORDER TO KEEP ON IMPROVING IT'S SOCIAL AND WELFARE ACTIVITIES.
2. POOR FAMILIES WHO CANNOT AFFORD SCHOOL FEE OF THEIR CHILDREN OR THEIR CHILDREN HAVE DISCONTINUED THEIR EDUCATION DUE TO INABILITY TO PAY THE SCHOOL FEE ARE REQUESTED TO CONTACT MEMON JAMAT TO OBTAIN ASSISTANCE FROM ZAKAT FUNDS AFTER NECESSARY FORMALITIES.
3. WE ARE ACCEPTING DONATIONS, CONTRIBUTION, OR COMMITMENT TO PAY IN FUTURE OR FOR SPECIFIC PROJECT. BROTHERS MAY DONATE THEIR FUNDS TO MEMON JAMAT SPECIFYING THE USAGE OF THEIR FUND IN ANY OF THE FOLLOWING:
 - (I) TO USE IN WELFARE PROJECTS OF MEMON JAMAT
 - (II) TO USE IN EVENTS OF MEMON JAMAT
 - (III) TO USE IT IN ZAKAT AND/OR CHARITABLE PURPOSES
4. Memon Jamat has already launched a face book. Our community brothers and sister can access the website on www.facebook.com/masamemon and send us their comments, views, feedback, suggestion and ideas through the face book enabling us to improve Memon Jamat and it's social & welfare activities.



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NEWS AND VIEWS

- 1) It gives us great pleasure to inform all community members that Miss Madiha Karim daughter of Mr. Bhah Karim small businessman of our memon community resident of Jeddah has achieved outstanding position in all subjects of A level as follows:
- Business Studies – 1st Position in the world
 - Information & Communication Technology (ICT) - 2nd Position in world and 1st in KSA
 - Accounts – 5th Position in World and 1st in KSA
 - Economics – A grade highest grade
- She has completed CA intermediate
She is student of ACCA
She completed her 'A' Level from Hala School Jeddah in 2008

On this happy occasion, we on behalf of Memon Jamat Saudi Arabia (MASA) express our heartiest congratulation to Miss Madiha d/o Mr & Mrs. Bhah Karim for securing top and express our best wishes for her success in every corner of her future life. In recognition of her outstanding academic career, she has been offered a teaching Job by Pak Int'l English School, Rehab Dist. Jeddah.

- 2) Dr. Nasir Fulara, President All India Memon Jamat, was here in Jeddah during last month and was honored a Reception Lunch by Memon Jamat. Last year in July, Mr. Ahmed Chinnoy President All Pakistan Memon Federation as here in Jeddah and he was also honored a Reception by masa.
- 3) Wedding ceremonies of sons of M/s Yaqoob Moosani (Patron Memon Jamat) and Abdulaziz Abdul Sattar well known members of our community took place last month in five star hotels Jeddah. Memon Jamat congratulate them and wishing their sons happy and prosperous life in the future.
- 4) Beloved mother of Mr. Aftab Memon our former president, passed away 2 weeks ago. May Allah rest her soul in eternal peace and give patience to all family members to bear such irreparable loss.



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Saudi Arabia National Day

Saudi Arabia celebrated National Day this year with a new 21st century approach based on global understanding and interfaith dialogue and a mission to spread economic prosperity and peaceful coexistence worldwide.

As the people of the heartland of Islam and its two holy cities, we have a responsibility to stand against evil. Terrorists should not represent country or religion, and the extremists should not deter to work hand in hand with all the peaceful nations of the world to put an end to conflicts and wars. There are many proud citizens who support Custodian of the Two Holy Mosques King Abdullah's initiatives to resolve issues of major concerns to humanity through peaceful negotiations and strong trade relations that contribute to global prosperity.

Saudi Arabia is witnessing a new era of social change and technological advancement. There is no room for the pessimists who undermine the hopes and aspirations of our talented young generation. There is no room for the sceptics who are unwilling to contribute to or support initiatives aimed at progress and development.

There is no room for hard-liners who refuse to modernize and wish to keep Saudi Arabia backward and isolated from the rest of the world. There is no room for extremists who jeopardize our security at home and tarnish our image and, in a larger sense, the image of Islam itself around the world.

We need to have more faith in progressive government initiatives and in the many talented and educated young Saudi men and women keen to help our nation modernize and develop. We must show more respect to social scientists advocating social change and a healthy lifestyle without compromising our Islamic values and traditions. We should salute the physicians involved in medical research to eradicate disease, the economists promoting international trade and industrial development, and we should encourage the funding of researchers who have joined the ranks of international experts to address global challenges from climate change and pollution to water scarcity and food security.

Today there is a sense of optimism and confidence in the leadership of Custodian of the Two Holy Mosques King Abdullah. Many of us have gained faith in the active role of government departments, such as the Saudi National Society for Human Rights, which has issued bold, transparent reports exposing corruption, social injustice and inhumanity.

Many of us are optimistic about the emergence of a civil society determined to serve the community and advance the nation's development. There are others proud of the active role of the youth who demonstrate both enthusiasm and responsibility during times of crises, such as the Jeddah flooding catastrophe.



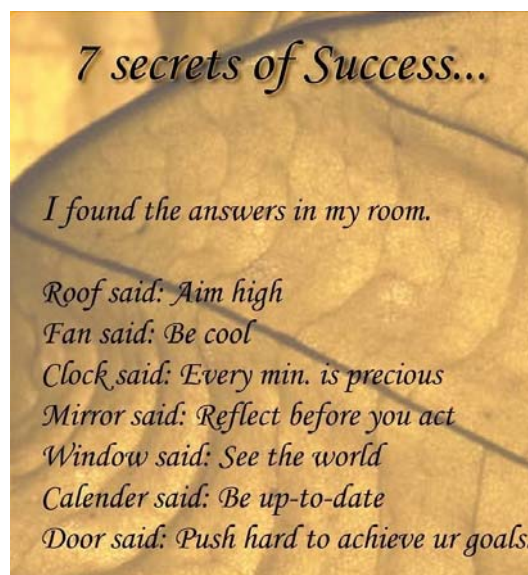
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Moreover, the professionalism that Saudi women have displayed in the work force and their contributions in the fields of science, business, banking, information technology and other fields once restricted to men have raised the hopes of the younger generation and boosted the morale of many women once abused and marginalized.

There is also a sense of satisfaction over the latest government initiatives that reflect a strong political will to resist the spread of the extremist ideology, such as the recent ban on aberrant fatwas. The Ministry of Justice is reforming our judiciary, sending judges and lawyers to train abroad to gain experience and allowing women lawyers to practice their profession in Saudi courts. Indeed, these initiatives have added a sense of confidence among citizens that our country is on the right path toward moderation and social change.

King Abdullah has successfully steered the country away from a path of darkness and ruin. With his enlightened vision and wisdom, he has stood against terror and fought the enemies of Islam who defile the faith and target the innocent and the most vulnerable. King Abdullah rejected the so-called “clash of civilizations” and spoke in the name of all moderate and peaceful Muslims around the globe. He projects the true image of Islam and offers his country’s contribution toward peace, justice and global security. Peaceful, moderate citizens of Saudi Arabia today support King Abdullah’s mission and continue to demonstrate their willingness to be the agents of peace and the engines for progress and development.

All these factors make this Saudi National Day a perfect time to take pride in our progress, our people and our leaders. We should all resolve to make our nation’s success a matter of personal responsibility. If we do, that future success is assured.





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“Love all, trust a few, do wrong to none”

By: Dr. K. Ashraf

It's a famous quote by **“William Shakespeare”** but does anyone really know what love is?????? No one can define what does it really mean when they say they are in love???? Because for every single person its meaning are different. Centuries have been passed but not a single person in this world can claim they know what love is.

To some Love is friendship set on fire for others Maybe love is like luck. You have to go all the way to find it. No matter how you define it or feel it, love is the eternal truth in the history of mankind.

Love, like a river, will cut a new path whenever it meets an obstacle. Love protects; preserves and hopes for the positive aspect of life. Always stand steadfast in love, not fall into it. It is like the dream of your matter of affection coming true. Love can occur between two or more individuals. Depending on context, love can be of different varieties. Romantic love is a deep, intense and unending. It shared on a very intimate and interpersonal and sexual relationship. The term Platonic love, familial love and religious love are also matter of great affection. It is more of desire, preference and feelings.

I daily read in news papers that premi jora married????? But What's the story behind it no one try to think everyone just gossip around about that. But is it really the love which makes them do something which hurt their family so much? But on the other hand why the family over look the preference of their son and daughter because in the end they are the one who will live together for their whole life.

And if now when they are married isn't it the responsibility of parents to welcome the decision made by their children instead of making it matter of family honour and killing them why don't we accept them because the reason they took that extreme steps is somewhere the responsibility of their parents too.

At times the very existence of love is questioned. Some say it is false and meaningless. It says that it never exist, because there has been many instances of hatred and brutality in relationships. The history of our world has witnessed many such events. There has been hatred between brothers, parents and children, sibling rivalry and spouses have failed each other. Friends have betrayed each other; the son has killed his parents for the throne, the count is endless. Even the modern generation is also facing with such dilemmas every day. But LOVE is not responsible for that. It is us, the people, who have forgotten the meaning of love and have undertaken such gruesome apathy. In my views just be together, share your joy and sorrow, understand each other, provide space to each other, but always be there for each other's need. And surely love will blossom to strengthen your relationship with your matter of affection because love all but trust few.....!



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Brief Report of the Event “Eid Millan / Families Get together”

An event of Memon Families was organized by Memon Jamat, Saudi Arabia, on Thursday 29rd Sep. 2011 at La'Sani Spinzer Restaurant, Jeddah which begun with recitation of Holy Quran.

This time again the event had a different format and it was with Islamic knowledge quiz among audience and large number of Prizes (in male section) were distributed among the audience for their right answers to the questions. The event was attended by almost 450 persons consisting of Ladies & Gentlemen. Undoubtedly it was another successful event of Memon Jamat Saud Arabia that has made a history. All Prizes were arranged by Memon Jamat out of it's own funds.

This time attendance of large number of Indian Memon Families was remarkable. Credit for this goes to Mr. Ahmed Kamal Makki who invited and kept on following these families to attend the event definitely. Memon Jamat expresses thanks and appreciation to Mr. Makki for his selfless contribution of his efforts to make the event a great success although he is not member of the board of Memon Jamat.

Needless to mention that Memon Jamat did it's best to maintain quality of the event in all respect particularly in the food which was enhanced & upgraded. The dinner consisted of almost dozen of dishes of delicious food that increased the value of the event and entire food and arrangement were praised by each and every participant. Our two of four respected patrons, office bearers and majority of members of advisory & managing committee of Memon Jamat were also present at the occasion.

Memon Jamat deserves congratulation for holding such a great occasion for Memon Families belong to various countries. We have received a magnificent feedback and appreciation by SMS, Phone Calls and Emails about the event. We have received suggestions for the program and prizes for children and ladies which will be kept in view in our next occasion of family get-to-gather. Memon Jamat is thankful to all the community members (male & female) for attending the event.

We regret for those who were not able to obtain invitation cards in time and could not attend the event, however, we advise our community families who missed our subject event to please be in touch with memon jamat in order to attend our next family event. Thanks to all admirers of the event and well wishers of the Jamat. Thanks to our Event Management Committee and active board members who really did hard work to make the event great success.



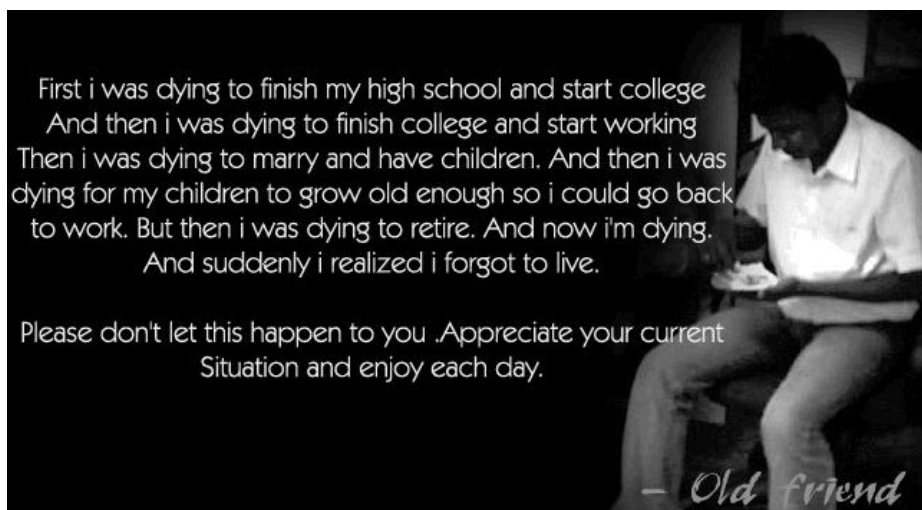
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Simple tips and Techniques to keep your body fit and healthy

How do you feel to be healthy? Nice! Must be wondering if there is that magic wand, I can become slim, fit and healthy. Nice to think but how to make this a reality? Takes time. Can't happen overnight.

You can follow certain simple and easy techniques which will help you be fit and healthy. Have you decided to go for it! then read on.

- Do not make a future plan for your exercise, if you have to do it, just do it now.
- Wake up a bit early, pull your pants up and start walking out. If not like an exercise, just walk out. Go where you like, spend sometime out in the morning. You can opt to buy milk, vegetables, newspaper or whatever... just go out. Slowly increase the speed of your walk.
- Follow the Golden Rule - Breakfast like a KING, Lunch like a Prince and Dinner like a PAUPER. Keep your dinner very light, avoid cheese, butter, curd or any other fat products.
- Breathe in and breathe out deeply whenever you remember. Do simple stretching exercises.
- Last of all... Don't worry.. Be happy. Stress can cause lifestyle diseases. Be away from stress. Life is short, enjoy every moment of it.





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Reception Lunch hosted by Memon Jamat Saudi Arabia in the honor of the President All India Memon Jamat Dr. Nasir Fulara on 4th September 2011 at Marhaba Restaurant, Jeddah which was attended by Patrons, Office bearers, and Members of Advisory & Managing Committees. Mr.Haji Anees Arfa, Patron Upleta Memon Jamat Karachi also attended the event.



Our Guests Dr. Nasir Fulara and Haji Anees Arfa with our Patrons Haji Ahmed Abdul Karim, Mohammed Chapra and President Dr. Iqbal Musani and other office bearers and members of board of memon jamat.



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Pictorial View of the Event

Eid Millan / Family Gathering with Islamic Knowledge Quiz Program
Held on 29th September 2011 at La'Sani (Ex.Spinzer) Restaurant, Jeddah KSA.



President Dr.Iqbal Musani and General Secretary Tayyab Moosani addressing the audience



Patrons M/s Yaqoob Moosani and Haji Ahmed Abdul Karim awarding prize to the winners



President Dr. Iqbal Musani and Vice President Mr. Younus Habib giving away prize to the winners



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Joint Secretary Mr. Nasir Ibrahim and Mr. Iqbal Advani giving away prizes to the winners



Mr Kaleem Ahmed and Mr. Shoaib Sikander giving away prizes to the winners



Mr. Habib Rahmatullah and Mr. Arif Usman Yunus giving away prizes to the winners



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Mr Waseem Tai and Mr. Arif Memon giving away prizes to the winners



Mr Hanif Abdulsattar and M/s Mansour Shivani & Tayyab Moosani giving away prizes to the winners



Guests Welcome Committee



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Audience of the event and Dinner Time

