

FJMCNA REPORT

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I am pleased to report that the FJMC ALUMNI ASSOCIATION has been following the aims and objectives as set forth by the Association.

As in previous years, an effort has been made this year to strengthen FJMC Alumni by recruiting new members and increasing our endowment funds, which in turn, enable us to fulfill our commitment to provide scholarship funds for needy students at Fatima Jinnah Medical College, support Hepatitis C clinics, as well as various other endeavors.

Our activities this year:

- Throughout the year, teleconferences took place with the objective of achieving goals, objectives and planning for the future.
- Letters were sent out by postal service and e-mailed through our Yahoo group for donations and requesting membership.
- Our Alumni were represented by Dr. Farhat Osman at APPNA Spring Meeting 2012.
- Recently, an on-line survey was conducted to get the opinion regarding barriers surrounding membership to join the Alumni Association, attend Alumni meetings, and the best use of donated money. Surprisingly, having a physician spouse was the biggest reason not to attend Alumni meetings.
- Our website, which is currently in under progress, will soon have the added feature of PAY- PAL.
- Obtaining (501) c3 status for FJMC Alumni association is currently in progress.
- An e-Library was established at FJMC in 2009 by FJMC Alumni with the help of SWRDC to fulfill our goal of extending education and knowledge to 600 undergraduate students, 25 post graduates and 50 faculty members. This year, FJMC Alumni will be helping the e-library again with funds to secure a Wi-Fi Internet supply with dedicated lines, as currently library is non-functional due to a lack of Internet access.
- Recently FJMC alumni adopted an accommodation for girls in Detroit, Michigan as part of a Young Physician project and are currently busy furnishing this apartment.
- This year, the Supreme Court has given a decision in favor of upgrading Fatima Jinnah Medical College to a University status. We are excited and honored to be alumni of this great institution and are looking forward to strengthen our bond further with our Alma Mater.
- On a sad note, our beloved Dr. Rose Madan passed away this year. For FJMC graduates her role is indescribable, as our alumni members may have come across her as a tough examiner, but surely remember her as world-renowned physiologist. "Surely we belong to God and to Him shall we return."