

ANOTHER VISIT OF 75ERS TO THE GRASSY FIELD

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I cannot wait to be at the CCP Golden Jubilee celebrations at Petaro that is being organized in February 2007. Not only do such events bring back memories of our time spent at our alma mater, but one gets an opportunity to recall all the subsequent visits at different occasions like Parents' Day or the greatest event in the recent history of the college, namely the Convention held in December 2004.

It would not be an exaggeration to say that the 1975 batch is the best batch that came out of Petaro, although there can be close contenders. A unique bunch really these guys are. They are present at any and every place specially when there is an occasion related to CCP. Be it for fun or to alleviate the miseries of the earthquake, the 75 batch has contributed in all humanly achievable ways. When closely seen, one finds most of these graying and balding men as the most fascinating people on this globe who were and are so fortunate to have each other as friends. Wherever there is an event related to CCP, you will always find a majority from a single batch i.e. 75ers.

The 2004 Convention was the best occasion for all of us as it gave us a chance to be at our dormitories once again. That feeling is indescribable. All the presentations by eminent Petarians from around the globe and interactive discussions were simply brilliant. Our batch contingent was the largest. And 75ers were again the leaders with regards to arrangements and attendance.

Mahmood Baweja is our natural leader within our batch. He was the central figure who urged and made sure the majority of our batch mates would attend the event. We got a chance to meet some of our friends whom we hadn't met since we left Petaro in 1980. This great event will remain a very important milestone in the history of our mutual association. We all sat and chatted the whole night at Ayub House, and Shabieh Zaidi bhai made it memorable by singing the famous song, "*we had joy, we had fun; we had seasons in the sun*". We truly could feel that the song was probably written for us.

Let us all hope that this Golden Jubilee will be another success story in the history of Petaro. And as sons of Petaro, it is our duty to contribute in any way possible to make this institution even greater.

Three cheers for 75ers, hip hip hurray!