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Upcoming Events

October 4th: Lajna and Ansar Meetings
@11:00 AM

October 23rd—October 25th: Lajna Majlis-e-Shura

October 18th: Tahajjud Prayer sponsored by Ansarullah

Tahir Academy every Saturday 9:30—1:30 PM

Gym every Saturday after Zuhr Prayers—Lajna gym every other Saturday

Dars every Wednesday after Isha Prayers

Watch for monthly Tahajjud schedule

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EID MUBARAK!

A joyous Eid Mubarak to all of our readers! May Allah accept all of our prayers and sacrifices. May the auspicious occasion of Eid bless you all with peace and joy. Ameen!



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Eid Mubarak to All!

By the grace of God, this year's Eid-ul-Adha celebration took place on September 24th, 2015. Eid prayer was observed at Baituz Zafar and was led by Imam Daud Hanif sahib, which was followed by the Eid sermon. The topic of the sermon was based on the sacrifice made by Hazrat Ibrahim (as) in his obedience to Allah's instruction. The submission made by Hazrat Ismael (a.s) was also mentioned in the sermon. Members were reminded of the responsibilities relating to the training and upbringing of our offspring. The total number of attendees was about 1250 (700 males and 550 females) including children. The program concluded with silent prayer led by Imam Daud Hanif sahib. Snacks and soda was also served after the prayers. About 45 males and 10 females took advantage of the free Flu shots that were being administered by staff members from Walgreen pharmacy on the day of Eid.

By: Fasasi Sanusi

Tabligh Report

During the month of September, we've been focusing our attention on reaching out to various universities and colleges. The Tabligh department is requesting the assistance of all college/university students to contact their respective religious-studies/ theology department(s) within their institute and request if they may arrange an Interfaith Dialogue at said venue.

Key Events:

Blood Drive - In honor of the victims of 9/11, the jamaat organized a blood drive on September 13 2015 at Baituz-Zafar. The event was publicized via banners along with our jamaat's Atfal/ Khuddam & Ansar handing out flyers, holding posters and reaching out to individuals one-on-one; a thousand postcards were mailed to local neighborhoods to help promote this good cause. Blessings of the jamaat's efforts yielded a great response from the community as the jamaat welcomed 44 registrants of all different race & religions (including some of New York State's elected officials). We collected 31 pints of blood within the 6 hour window allotted to us and received high praises from the New York Blood Center for our efforts and above-average collection rate.

Free Flu Vaccination – On Eid-ul-Adha 2015 the Tabligh department arranged for free flu vaccinations for any/every-body who wished to receive it.

By: Abdul Ghafoor



Visitors to New York

We had many guests visit this past month, among the most prominent were, Missionary Mukthar Cheema sahib of Jamia Canada. He led Juma prayers at Baituz zafar and also was ptesent at our Eid celebrations. Mubligh from Rabwah, and Mohammad Masood Muneeb also led one juma at Baituz zafar. Mubligh Asif Cheema sahib, Sadr Amoomi of Rabwah, also visited us.

Sadr Sahib Ansarullah USA called to speak to majlis New York members during the general meeting and reminded everyone the importance of attending the annual Ansarullah Ijtema. He spoke as the theme of the Ijtema is **our Children**, so to set an example to attend the Ijtema for sake of our children and not to stay at home that day. Later he spoke to majlis aamla members and acquired about the preparation that have been made for the Ijtema attendee.

General Meeting:

This month regular majlis monthly meeting was held on Sunday September 6 at Bait-uz-Zafar. The theme of this month meeting: **"Our Moral Obligations towards elderly family members?"** The meeting, started with the recitation of Holy Quran by Rashid Ahmad sahib from Chapter 17 Verse 2 and Chapter 29 Verse 9. Ansar Pledge by Zaeem sahib. Khalifa ul Massih religious guidelines were presented by Iqbal Ahmad sahib. Zaeem sahib along with Ahmad Mubarak sahib and Sidique Raheem sahib discussed the questions relating to tarbiyyat and holding the interactive discussion with all the members present and discussed their opinion of the topic of discussion. The health topic regarding Influenza (Flue) was discussed by Naeem Mansoor sahib. The memorizations of the Holy Quran verses were taught by Rashid Ahmad sahib which is part of syllabus to memorize.

Nazim sahib also spoke to the Majlis members by phone and urged members to make sure to register and attend the Ijtema which is schedule to held at Bait-ur-Rahman on **September 18, 19 and 20**. Members were also reminded to pay their majlis chanda and also pay the Tahrik-Jadid and Waqf-a-Jadid chanda.

National Ijtema Ansarullah USA was held on September 18, 19 & 20 at Bait ur Rahman Silver Spring MD. By grace of Allmighty record number of 43 majlis members were able to travel to attend the Ijtema. This year Huzur(ABA) also addressed live at the final session of Ijtema and reminded Ansar to establish the congregational prayers and to really make themselves helpers of Allah.

At Ijtema majlis New York members helped in cooking food and also worked in MTA for the live transmission. Two majlis members won prizes at the National Ansarullah Ijtema:

Iqbal Ahmad First in Horse Shoe

Ahmad Mubarak Second in 100 meter race.

Tahajud Prayers was held on Sunday September 27 to commemorate the 75 years of the establishment of Majlis Ansarullah and 25 members participated. We will hold another Tahajud prayer in October (Insha Allah).

Medical services

If you need to contact an Ahmadi doctor for prescription or second opinion about medical treatment please call 716-800-1889.



Lajna Report

This month's Lajna meeting started with recitation of the Holy Quran by Hafiza Lubna Shazadi. English translation was read by Anoosha Hamid. It was followed by Hadith which was read by Rahat Saba. The pledge was read by Sadr Sahiba followed by nazm read by Farhana Ahmad.

The Talim program was conducted by Tehmina Rafique and Sadaf Latif. They spoke about why the Promised Messiah (a.s) established Jamaat Ahmadiyya. Basically the purpose of the advent of the Promised Messiah was to revive Islam. Some other reasons given were: to establish unity, to reform mankind's spiritual development, and to unite Muslims under one leadership.

Then, they took a further look into the organization of the Jamaat. The different auxiliaries and schemes such as Sadr Anjuman, Waqf-e-jadid, Tehrik-e-jadid, etc. were discussed in detail. The background of the conditions of Bai'at was also discussed and handouts were given. A question and answer session was conducted on the Conditions of Bai'at. In the end everyone was urged to self-reflect.

This session was followed by the Tarbiyyat program which was conducted by Farah Ahmad. She read the fourth condition of Bai'at and further elaborated on what kind of impulse causes people to harm one another and focused on anger and backbiting. She read Friday Sermons on Anger. Afterwards everyone was split into groups. Each group was asked to focus on the effect of backbiting on Self, Family and Jamaat respectively. The bigger picture being that backbiting and uncontrolled anger takes us away from Allah.

Secretary Tehrik-e-Jadid Farkhanda Ahmad then discussed the meaning of financial sacrifice and cited examples.

Announcements were then made by Sadr Sahiba. She advised sisters to pay obligatory Chandas first before all other Chandas. She also informed the Lajna that in October, the Lajna Majlis-e-Shura will be taking place in Bait-Uz-Zafar and members were requested to sign up for different duties such as Ziafat, Cleaning and Hospitality.

After the announcements, the health program followed. Shazia Bhatti spoke on the topic of stress. The meeting ended with Zuhur prayers.

National Lajna Ijtema

The National Lajna and Nasirat Ijtema was held in Maryland from September 11 -13. The Queens Lajna rented a bus for the ijtema and more than 50 members represented the Queens branch of Lajna Ima'illah USA. Nasirat and Lajna members took part in different academic activities along with duties such as Ziafat, Security and Cleaning. The Queens branch won two prizes: one in Nasirat and one in Lajna. Huda Mahmood won second place in recitation of the Holy Quran in age group 10 to 12 and Asifa Mahmood won third place in the impromptu Urdu speech.

Lajna Sadr Visit to Capital Hill

A day before the National Lajna Ijtema, the jamaat arranged a trip for the local Lajna Sadrs to visit Capitol Hill. Every local sadr had a scheduled meeting with a congressman or congresswoman. The Lajna Sadr of Queens jamaat had a meeting with NY congresswoman, Grace Ming. According to Sadr Sahiba, it was a great experience. In the meeting the jamaat was introduced and its humanitarian efforts were discussed. Also discussed was how the younger generation can be saved from radicalization. The meeting ended with a friendly exchange of business cards and a picture with congresswoman Grace Ming.



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This year the Association of Ahmadi Muslim Scientists of USA is proud to host the 3rd Annual Quran and Science Symposium at Bait-uz-Zafar on November 14, 2015. Ahmadi speakers will discuss engaging topics that bridge Islam and science that uses the guidance from the Holy Quran to advance the science and technology. All students are strongly encouraged to participate in the program. Please bring non-Ahmadi guests so they may benefit from the discussions. Please register at <http://www.muslimscientists.org>.

TUTORING SERVICES:

Students who are struggling in school or Tahir Academy may contact local Secretary Ta'lim (Education) Zulfikar Sikder at zulfikarsikder@gmail.com or (917) 324-5004 for assistance.

By: Zulfikar Sikder

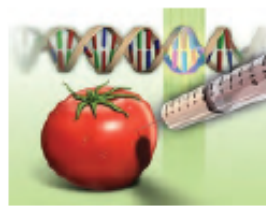


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The 3rd Annual QURAN & SCIENCE SYMPOSIUM



**A scientific conference to seek guidance from the Holy Quran.
Network with scientists & Quranic scholars.
Attend a special session on Hot Topics in science and religion.**



SAT, NOV 14th, 2015
10:00 AM - 5:00 PM

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Registration link & program:
www.muslimscientists.org

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Hosted by the USA Association of Ahmadi Muslim Scientists (AAMS) & the Ahmadi Women Scientist Association (AWSA)

The registration day was held and, subsequently, another day was provided for those who could not make it on opening day. Parents registered their children and were given a package. This year, we will assess each student in each subject and put them in classes according to their knowledge ability. Once they reach the next level of competence the student will be moved to next higher class.

Parents are requested to ensure their students attend classes regularly and do homework.

Finance

The Tehrik-e-Jadid year is coming to an end in the next 2 to 3 weeks. We want every Ahmadi – men, women, young, and old to participate. We want the children, who have been provided with money jars, to empty it and give their savings to the Tehrik-e-Jadid fund. It will be interesting to see who saves the most. So far, some children are close to one hundred dollars.

Chanda Statements

We will be sending all earning members Chanda statements for their last fiscal year contribution and current budget how much they have contributed so far. We hope this will serve as a review and for them to adjust accordingly. In case you have not yet provided budget, please do so and if you need to adjust your budget upwards or downwards as per your financial circumstances, this is the chance to do so.

Wassiyat

Many of the Musi's have returned their completed schedule C form, but there are others who still have to submit theirs. It is requested that it is obligatory upon all Musi's to return the completed schedule C form after every fiscal year, so kindly take prompt action if you are still holding your form.

Overnight Parking at Bait-uz-Zafar

Overnight parking in the Baituz Zafar parking lot is not allowed. Cars parked without permission are subject to be towed away at the owner's expense.

Borrowing from the Masjid

Some members borrow chairs for personal use and at times do not return them for days and at other times take items without permission. As a general rule we do not allow items from Baituz zafar for personal use off premises. Kindly cooperate with the Jamaat administration in this regard. Jazakllah.

Tow Truck Business

If you are interested in tow truck business, kindly contact Mahmood Bhutta sahib as soon as possible. Interviews and then subsequent training is to start soon.

Haji by Lajna Member

Sister Alia Khan participated in the Hajj this year. May Allah accept her supplications and the Hajj.

Jalsa Salana UK

Sister Ismat Mangla's article on Jalsa salana UK was covered by a New York based magazine.

Births

Mr. and Mrs. Syed Uddin Ahmed were blessed with their first child, a baby boy and the newly born is a Waqf-e-Nau child. The child is the grandson of Mr. Khodadad Aziz Ahmad.

Congratulations to both parents and may Allah make these children a source of happiness for the parents.
Ameen

Most Expensive American Cities

A recent survey shows that for an American family, the most expensive city to live in is Washington D.C and the next three counties are a part of New York Metro areas, Nassau county, Suffolk county and then New York city (Manhattan).