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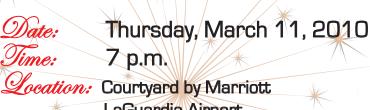
# Dine for Humanity

Charity dinner benefiting the

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## Lajna News

The monthly Lajna meeting began with Quranic recitation by Rehana Ahmed and translation by Faiza Bajwa. Hadith #32 regarding good conduct was read from Forty Gems of Beauty by Rahat Ahmad and Waseema Basharat and Naeema Mahmood read out and discussed excerpts from Malfoozat regarding this topic. Qanta Farhana then sang a poem.

This lajna meeting fell on Valentine's Day so President Farkhanda Ahmed read aloud a letter from the national Lajna tarbiyat secretary who listed the good and bad aspects of Valentine's Day and reminded us that we should not get caught up in this consumer holiday. As Ahmadi Muslims we should practice Love for All, Hatred for None everyday instead of just expressing shallow or superficial feelings on Valentine's Day.

The tarbiyyat program, conducted by Salamat Majeed, focused on marriage and family life. Lajnat were split into three groups to discuss verses of the Holy Quran which offer guidance on attaining an ideal family life. The groups discussed what these verses meant and how we can apply them to our relationships and daily lives. Naeema Mahmood then covered the life of Hazrat Abu Bakr (ra), Hazrat Omar (ra), and Hazrat Usman (ra), continuing her coverage of the taleem program from last month about the early history of Islam.

Fouzia Syed then discussed National Women's Heart month, and gave the lajna tips on healthy eating and exercise in order to have a strong heart.

Reminders: Local lajna ijtema is in May - Please pay your lajna dues as soon as possible. Also, the lajna test is due on March 31st. The books needed to complete it can be found on www.lajnausa.net.



# Disappearing Jobs

Here's a list of the top 10 industries expected to lose the most jobs by 2018 -- and what to do if you're working in one of them:

- 1. Department stores: Projected to lose 10.2 percent of the 1.56 million jobs they had in 2008.
- 2. Semiconductor manufacturing: Projected to lose 33.7 percent of the 432,000 jobs it had in 2008.
  - 3. Motor vehicle parts manufacturing: Projected to lose 18.6 percent of its 544,000 jobs.
    - 4. Postal service: Projected to lose 13 percent of the 748,000 jobs it had in 2008.
      - 5. Printing and related jobs: Projected to lose 16 percent of its 594,000 jobs.
  - 6. Cut-and-sew apparel manufacturing: Projected to lose 57 percent of its 155,000 jobs.
    - 7. Newspaper publishers: Projected to lose 24.8 percent of its 326,000 jobs.
    - 8. Mining support jobs: Projected to lose 23.2 percent of its 328,000 jobs.
      - 9. Gas stations: Projected to lose 8.9 percent of its 843,000 jobs.
      - 10. Wired telecom: Projected to lose 11 percent of its 666,000 jobs.



### Tahir School new syllabus

Tahir school students were given a new syllabus. The subject Urdu has been re-introduced to them, thanks to our new tutor, Mohammad Afzal Sahib.



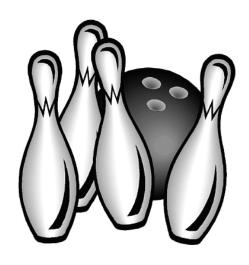
### Finance

We have just four months left to make our past dues of our Chanda aam or Wasiyat and Jalsa Salana funds. These are obligatory Chandas and every earning member has to contribute. Kindly make every effort to pay on time and catch up any past dues so that we do not have to struggle at the eleventh hour. Also a letter went out to all members who had contributed towards the National Mosque fund within the last six months appreciating and praying for their spirit of sacrifice. We hope that these members and those who could not come forward for the last installment will go all the way out to ensure that we meet our targets. May Allah bless you.



### **Bowling Trip**

We had recently gone to a trip to the bowling ally with the Bait-uz-Zafar mosque. It was a trip for not just kids but adults as well. It gave everyone a chance to hang out and have fun while at the same time getting more involved in to the mosque. Many people attended this trip like Lajna, Nasirat, Khuddam and Atfal. There were also chaperones to assist on the trip. I had a lot of fun as well as the rest of the children that were there. I think that this was a great opportunity to let people know that the mosque isn't boring and that you should get involved in it which was the whole point of the trip.



### Tarbiyyat Tip

"Do nikah (get married) with the intent to acquire taqwa (righteousness) and have a Muslim progeny that is reflective of Allah's majesty. And, this depends on sound tarbiyyat of children which depends on the religious education of the wives. Therefore, every man must not only study the Holy Qur'an with translation and learn religion himself but also teach his wife." Hadhrat Musleh Mau'ood (ra), Jan 29, 1915

Wassalam, *Nasir M Malik* National Tarbiyyat Secretary

# Seerat-un-Nabi Meeting

Sunday, March 7, 2010, 1:30 – 3:30 PM

#### **Bait-ur Zafar Mosque**

188-15 McLaughlin Ave, Holliswood, New York 11423

RSVP: info.newyork@ahmadiyya.us, 917-363-3673 or 718-479-3345

**Moderator:** Ghulam Rabbi

Br. Mueenuddin Ahmad **Recitation of the Holy Quran** 

**Welcome Address** Vice President, NY Chapter of AMC

The Holy Prophet Muhammad (saw)

The Living Quran

Dr. Kareem Sharif

**Holy Prophet Muhammad (saw)** 

The Preacher of a Green Planet

Ibrahim Abdul-Matin

Author, Green Deen: How American Muslims Go Green

**Holy Prophet Muhammad (saw)** 

His Moral Excellences

Imam Benjamim Bilal

CEO, Signs of Life

Br. Taimur Hamid **Qaseedah** 

Arabic poem in praise of the Holy Prophet (saw)

**Holy Prophet Muhammad (saw)** 

**Lessons from the Farewell Address** 

Al Hajj Shaykh TA Bashir

Asst. Sec General, Council of African Imams;

Founder, House of Peace (HOP)

**Holy Prophet Muhammad (saw)** 

The Perfect Preacher

Imam Daud A. Hanif

Incharge NY Metro & American Block Countries

President, NY Chapter of AMC **Future Programs** 

**Concluding Remarks** Moderator Ghulam Rabbi

Refreshments will be served at the conclusion of the program.

Program Sponsored by Ahmadiyya Muslim Community of New York.

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# PR Conference 2010

The fourth PR conference was held on the 27th & 28th Feb , 2010 at Bait –Uz-Zafar, NY. The guest started arriving a day before the conference on Friday where after Friday prayers the WMFI directors meeting were held. This meeting was marked with the presence of respected Ameer USA , Ahsanullah zafar Sahib , respected Ameer Canada Malik Lal Khan sahib , Naib Ameer and Missionary in charge Naseem Mehdi sahib, Abid Khan sahib In-charge international press & media desk, who conveyed the expectations of Hazarat Khalifatul Masih V (atba) with regards of PR activity in the Us. Iftikhar Ayaz sahib from Uk (IHQ Representative), Saleem Akhtar sahib, Principle Jamia Canada, Farhan Khoker sahib president WMFI and Asif Khan Sahib from Canada, Z.M Bajwa Naib Ameer and national PR secretary highlighted issues hurdles and road map for 2010 , Mubalageen Zafarullah Hanjra Sahib, Inaam-ul-Haq Kausar Sahib Zafar sarwar sahib and yahya Luqman sahib, were present among the 43 deligates who could make it in heavy snow and number of flight cancellations. Seven Lajna delegates also attended.

The focus of the meeting revolved around two point's agenda, the stranded Ahmadi refuges and the restoration of constitution in Pakistan.

The incharge for accommodation was Abdul Ghafoor and we appreciate jama'at members for providing accommodation for guests. M.A choudhary took care of transportation supported by Khuddam, Ansar and others. Ziafat team was lead by Mansoor Ahmad particularly Tahir Mehmood, Naeem Shareef, Saleemullah and Nasir Bajwa. Audio video Muhammad Sehar, Ahmad Choudhary and Suleman Patel. Khidmat-e-Khalq under naib Quaid Muhammad Zaman with team of khuddaam and Atfaal helping cleaning boulders of snow in very heavy weather. Lajna coordinator, Saira Bajwa setup arrangements in coordination with Asad Bajwa. Zeeshan Hameed regional Quaid was there, Muhammad Afzal Sahib was office in charge and Fasasi Sanusi supervised overall.



### MuslimSunrise.com

Assalaamu Alaikum.

We've just completed listing out the Table of Contents for every single past issue, dating back to 1921. It's a great place to keyword search ("Jesus", "Qadian", "America", etc.) or just browse the subject matters to see if something catches your interest. Highlights:

- Original articles from many early American converts like Omar Cleveland, JL Mott, etc. (many "Why 1 Became Moslem")
- Excellent commentary on the politics of nationalism, rise of nations, fall of ideologies
- Biographies of numerous great Muslims
- Lots of excellent material on pork, alcohol usage, other social ills
- Numerous articles by Sir Zafrulla Khan (ra) on world affairs
- Reports from early missionaries in America and abroad

Wassalaam,

FD Shams

**Editor** 

### **Education Grants and Scholarship**

Those who are interested to apply for educational scholarship and/or grants, please submit their application before May 1st, 2010. The forms are available on the website, www.ahmadiyya.us. If you need further help, please contact Ahmad Mubarak Sahib.

### New York Jamaat Members Get Recognized

Members of our jama'at were recognized at the National PR meeting held at Bait-uz-Zafar. The awards were presented by Naib Amir Missionary Incharge Naseem Mehdi Sahib, Lall Khan Sahib, Amir Canada, and Dr. Iftikhar Ayaz, PR Secretary UK, for the excellent work done in the field of PR in regards to making appointments with congressmen. The awards went to Dr. Karim Sharif Sahib and Ismail Nayyar Sahib.

### **Deaths**

- ~ The ninety year old mother of Br. Ishaq Rosiji passed away in Nigeria.
- ~ Munawar Ahmad Sahib, brother of Mahmood Ahmad Sahib of MA Cabinets passed away. His Janaza prayers were offered at Bait-uz-zafar mosque before burial in Pakistan.

Inna Lillahi Wa Inna Illaihi Rajioon. May Allah elevate their status in paradise and grant patience to the family members to bear this great loss.