

ICCV NEWS



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Introduction

As-Salaam-Alikuum.

Wow!!! It is hard to believe that April is already here. Mashallah, ICCV has been very active over first few months of 2008. So far this year, we have made some notable accomplishments:

> Starting off in January, the ICCV Board held a Town Hall Meeting to provide an update to the community regarding key masjid activities, new masjid construction and to solicit feedback from the community.

> Also in January, we made a comprehensive effort to improve communications with the greater ICCV community. As such, we updated our website and launched the first publication of our quarterly newsletter.

> In February, the beloved staff and students of MIU held the 2nd MIU Open House. Our children got a chance to showcase their learning's and talent in various events and competition.

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> Finally, throughout the course of this year, our hardworking Imam Ahmed has held monthly workshops on a wide range of topics. These lectures have been extremely well received and well attended.

We hope that you, the members of our community, have found these events of value. Going forward, we pray that Allah continue to give us the strength and ability to help us bring you more such events. Jazakallah Kheir,

The Concept of Taqwaa

The concept of taqwaa is always linked to ibaadah in the Qu'raan. 'Ibadah can be defined as: to do what Allah (SWT) has commanded and to avoid what He has prohibited. 'Ibaadah has also been defined as a concept that includes all actions that Allah (SWT) loves and approves of, whether they are actions of the heart, the tongue or the limbs.

So taqwaa is linked with doing what is correct and avoiding that which is wrong. Taqwaa is the fruit of doing the actions of 'Ibaadah. In other words, if

one does what Allah (SWT) has commanded him to do, and abstains from that which he has been forbidden, he will achieve taqwaa. Allah (SWT) mentions in his Book (that means): "O you who believe! Fasting is prescribed for you as it was prescribed for those before you, that you may become muttaqoon (Those who have taqwaa or piety)." [Al-Baqarah 2:183].

By Shaykh Saleem al Hillalee

MIU School Key Dates

Classes are now in session for the MIU Islamic School. Classes meet on Wednesdays, Fridays and Sundays. Listed below are key dates for this semester.

May 16: Teacher's Appreciation Event
May 2 and 4: School Exams
June 8: Last Day of School and Graduation

Spring Cleaning Time

On Saturday April 26th (8am–2pm) and Sunday April 27th (9am–3pm), the ICCV will be holding a Community Yard Sale.

If you have a few useful and saleable items in good condition in your garage or closets, please bring these items to the Masjid between April 19th through April 25th. Items to donate include kitchen supplies, toys, clothing, tools and furniture. All proceeds will go to the masjid.

Seerah Conference

The 3rd Annual Seerah Conference "Hijrah, The Revolutionary Journey of the Prophet (pbuh)" will be held this Saturday (April 19th) from 5 to 9pm at the King Fahad Mosque in Culver City CA.

Please bring your families and attend this educational and inspiring event. Further details can be found at <http://islamicscholarscouncil.org/>



Monthly ICCV Workshops/Lectures

Every 2nd Friday of the month from 7:30pm to 9pm, Imam Ahmed is hosting Islamic workshops/lectures. These lectures are open to both men and women. The scheduled topics for Q2–2008 are as follows:

April 18th:
How To Answer Questions on Islam and Muslims

May 9th:
Promoting a Healthy Islamic Marriage: The Rights of Husband and Wife

June 13th: <To Be Determined>

ICCV Donation Form

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Once your donation is received we will contact you and send you a receipt.

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PRAYER TIMES (Q2-2008)

Apr-2008

Apr	Rabi1 Rabi2	Day	Fajr (Dawn)	Shorook (Sunrise)	Zuhr (Noon)	Asr (Afternoon)	Maghrib (Sunset)	Isha (Night)
1	24-Mar	Tue	5:17	6:43	1:00	4:33	7:17	8:43
2	25-Mar	Wed	5:16	6:41	12:59	4:33	7:18	8:44
3	26-Mar	Thu	5:14	6:40	12:59	4:34	7:19	8:44
4	27-Mar	Fri	5:13	6:38	12:59	4:34	7:20	8:45
5	28-Mar	Sat	5:11	6:37	12:58	4:34	7:20	8:46
6	29-Mar	Sun	5:10	6:36	12:58	4:34	7:21	8:47
7	30-Mar	Mon	5:08	6:35	12:58	4:34	7:22	8:48
8	1-Apr	Tue	5:07	6:33	12:58	4:34	7:23	8:49
9	2-Apr	Wed	5:05	6:32	12:57	4:34	7:23	8:50
10	3-Apr	Thu	5:04	6:31	12:57	4:34	7:24	8:51
11	4-Apr	Fri	5:02	6:29	12:57	4:35	7:25	8:52
12	5-Apr	Sat	5:01	6:28	12:57	4:35	7:26	8:53
13	6-Apr	Sun	4:59	6:27	12:56	4:35	7:26	8:54
14	7-Apr	Mon	4:58	6:25	12:56	4:35	7:27	8:55
15	8-Apr	Tue	4:56	6:24	12:56	4:35	7:28	8:56
16	9-Apr	Wed	4:55	6:23	12:56	4:35	7:29	8:57
17	10-Apr	Thu	4:53	6:22	12:55	4:35	7:29	8:58
18	11-Apr	Fri	4:52	6:21	12:55	4:35	7:30	8:59
19	12-Apr	Sat	4:50	6:19	12:55	4:35	7:31	9:00
20	13-Apr	Sun	4:49	6:18	12:55	4:35	7:32	9:01
21	14-Apr	Mon	4:47	6:17	12:54	4:35	7:33	9:02
22	15-Apr	Tue	4:46	6:16	12:54	4:35	7:33	9:04
23	16-Apr	Wed	4:44	6:15	12:54	4:35	7:34	9:05
24	17-Apr	Thu	4:43	6:14	12:54	4:36	7:35	9:06
25	18-Apr	Fri	4:42	6:12	12:54	4:36	7:36	9:07
26	19-Apr	Sat	4:40	6:11	12:54	4:36	7:36	9:08
27	20-Apr	Sun	4:39	6:10	12:53	4:36	7:37	9:09
28	21-Apr	Mon	4:37	6:09	12:53	4:36	7:38	9:10
29	22-Apr	Tue	4:36	6:08	12:53	4:36	7:39	9:11
30	23-Apr	Wed	4:35	6:07	12:53	4:36	7:40	9:12

May-2008

May	Rabi2 Jumd1	Day	Fajr (Dawn)	Shoroo (Sunrise)	Zuhr (Noon)	Asr (n)	Maghri (Sunset)	Isha (Night)
1	24-Apr	Thu	4:33	6:06	12:53	4:36	7:40	9:13
2	25-Apr	Fri	4:32	6:05	12:53	4:36	7:41	9:14
3	26-Apr	Sat	4:31	6:04	12:53	4:36	7:42	9:16
4	27-Apr	Sun	4:29	6:03	12:53	4:36	7:43	9:17
5	28-Apr	Mon	4:28	6:02	12:53	4:36	7:44	9:18
6	29-Apr	Tue	4:27	6:01	12:52	4:36	7:44	9:19
7	1-May	Wed	4:26	6:00	12:52	4:36	7:45	9:20
8	2-May	Thu	4:24	5:59	12:52	4:36	7:46	9:21
9	3-May	Fri	4:23	5:59	12:52	4:37	7:47	9:22
10	4-May	Sat	4:22	5:58	12:52	4:37	7:47	9:23
11	5-May	Sun	4:21	5:57	12:52	4:37	7:48	9:24
12	6-May	Mon	4:20	5:56	12:52	4:37	7:49	9:26
13	7-May	Tue	4:19	5:55	12:52	4:37	7:50	9:27
14	8-May	Wed	4:18	5:55	12:52	4:37	7:50	9:28
15	9-May	Thu	4:16	5:54	12:52	4:37	7:51	9:29
16	10-May	Fri	4:15	5:53	12:52	4:37	7:52	9:30
17	11-May	Sat	4:14	5:52	12:52	4:37	7:53	9:31
18	12-May	Sun	4:13	5:52	12:52	4:37	7:53	9:32
19	13-May	Mon	4:12	5:51	12:52	4:38	7:54	9:33
20	14-May	Tue	4:12	5:50	12:52	4:38	7:55	9:34
21	15-May	Wed	4:11	5:50	12:53	4:38	7:56	9:35
22	16-May	Thu	4:10	5:49	12:53	4:38	7:56	9:36
23	17-May	Fri	4:09	5:49	12:53	4:38	7:57	9:37
24	18-May	Sat	4:08	5:48	12:53	4:38	7:58	9:38
25	19-May	Sun	4:07	5:48	12:53	4:38	7:58	9:39
26	20-May	Mon	4:07	5:47	12:53	4:38	7:59	9:40
27	21-May	Tue	4:06	5:47	12:53	4:39	8:00	9:41
28	22-May	Wed	4:05	5:47	12:53	4:39	8:00	9:42
29	23-May	Thu	4:04	5:46	12:53	4:39	8:01	9:43
30	24-May	Fri	4:04	5:46	12:54	4:39	8:02	9:44

Jun-2008

Jun	Jumd1 Jumd2	Day	Fajr (Dawn)	Shoroo (Sunrise)	Zuhr (Noon)	Asr (n)	Maghri (Sunset)	Isha (Night)
1	26-May	Sun	4:03	5:45	12:54	4:39	8:03	9:45
2	27-May	Mon	4:02	5:45	12:54	4:40	8:03	9:46
3	28-May	Tue	4:02	5:45	12:54	4:40	8:04	9:47
4	29-May	Wed	4:01	5:44	12:54	4:40	8:04	9:48
5	30-May	Thu	4:01	5:44	12:55	4:40	8:05	9:49
6	1-Jun	Fri	4:01	5:44	12:55	4:40	8:06	9:49
7	2-Jun	Sat	4:00	5:44	12:55	4:40	8:06	9:50
8	3-Jun	Sun	4:00	5:44	12:55	4:41	8:07	9:51
9	4-Jun	Mon	4:00	5:44	12:55	4:41	8:07	9:51
10	5-Jun	Tue	3:59	5:44	12:56	4:41	8:07	9:52
11	6-Jun	Wed	3:59	5:44	12:56	4:41	8:08	9:52
12	7-Jun	Thu	3:59	5:44	12:56	4:42	8:08	9:53
13	8-Jun	Fri	3:59	5:44	12:56	4:42	8:09	9:53
14	9-Jun	Sat	3:59	5:44	12:56	4:42	8:09	9:54
15	10-Jun	Sun	3:59	5:44	12:57	4:42	8:09	9:54
16	11-Jun	Mon	3:59	5:44	12:57	4:42	8:10	9:55
17	12-Jun	Tue	3:59	5:44	12:57	4:43	8:10	9:55
18	13-Jun	Wed	3:59	5:44	12:57	4:43	8:10	9:55
19	14-Jun	Thu	3:59	5:44	12:57	4:43	8:10	9:56
20	15-Jun	Fri	4:00	5:45	12:58	4:43	8:11	9:56
21	16-Jun	Sat	4:00	5:45	12:58	4:43	8:11	9:56
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29	24-Jun	Sun	4:03	5:47	1:00	4:45	8:12	9:56
30	25-Jun	Mon	4:03	5:48	1:00	4:45	8:12	9:56

Our "Unsung Hero"

There are many members of our community who dedicate countless hours behind the scenes to support the operations of our masjid and school. As a means to show our appreciation to these 'Unsung' Heroes, the ICCV Newsletter would like to thank and acknowledge such individual(s) in each of our quarterly publication.

For this issue, we recognize **Brother Abdul Quddus**.

He not only is one of the first people to always volunteer his help with all our events/activities but also spends many hours behind the scenes to make sure ICCV construction project is going through smoothly with respect to various permit processes.

Thank you Brother Quddus!!

Be a "Hero"...Volunteer

Please give back to our community. Become a volunteer. If you would like further details, please email newsletter@iccv.org.