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Memon Welfare Society Monthly Newsletter

November 2014



"GOD HELPS THOSE WHO HELP THEMSELVES"
Pakistan Wheel Chair Cricket Team Honored by Pakistan
Memon Youth. Karachi. on 3rd day of Eid Al Adha.

Dear Brothers and Sisters, Assalamo Alaikum WRWB

Another issue of MASA Newsletter is in front of you, hope you will like it. Upon commencement of New Islamic Hijrah Calendar year of 1436 one week ago, we would like to convey Best Wishes to the community. May the New Islamic Year be a prosperous one filled with Khair, Barakah, Rahmaah, Happiness, Health, Wealth, Success and Peace for all. Aameen.

Currently, we are passing through the month of Moharram and the Moharram is the first month of the Islamic calendar. It is one of the four sacred months of the year. Since the Islamic calendar is a lunar calendar, Moharram moves from year to year when compared with the Gregorian calendar. The month of Moharram especially "Ashoura" 10th day of Moharram has significance in Islamic History.

Allaah's Messenger called this month the month of Allaah and as we know that when this type of idaa'fah is mentioned and it is related to the name of Allaah, then it means that object has greatness, honor and deserves our respect and veneration as is prescribed in the shariah. Like baytullah, rosulullaah....So, we understand the great importance of this month, "The best fasting after the month of Ramadaan is the month of Allaah, the Muharram" however fasting in this month shouldn't be done as a whole as we know from the sunnah that the Prophet (saw) never fasted a full whole month except the month of Ramadaan. So, what the hadith in saheeh Muslims means is to fast a lot of days in Muharram - but not the whole month and Allaah knows best..

However, keeping in view the worth of first 10 days of Moharram, MASA has decided to hold mega event of 3rd Award Ceremony after Ashoura i.e. On Friday, 7th Nov. 2014. Detail is given in the following pages.

At last, we express gratitude to the entire community, particularly to its regular readers for their kind support, cooperation and guidance through their feedbacks from time to time. We sincerely apologize if there is any unintentional error or omission in this issue.

Sincerely

Newsletter Committee

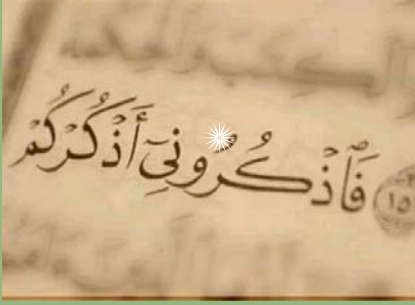
Wishing our community Happy
and prosperous New Islamic
(Hijrah) year of 1436



GS-MWS/MASA was invited as one of
The Guests of Honour at the Reception.

The Welfare Services of Memon Welfare Society (MADSRA)

میمن ویلفیئر سوسائٹی کی فلاحی خدمات



Respect People

Who Find Time For You
In Their Busy Schedule.

But

Love People

Who Never Look
At Their Schedule

When You Need Them.

- ✓ Helping poor students for education fee
- ✓ Helping Community members for health care for those who cannot afford
- ✓ Provide help & assistance to poor families in emergencies
- ✓ Helping in Coffin & Burial Services
- ✓ Helping & guiding unemployed in seeking employment
- ✓ Voluntarily Matrimonial services
- ✓ Beside above we are supporting some Madrassa Tefizul Quran by sponsoring non community children whose parents are unable to afford even nominal monthly fee.
- ✓ We also hold other social & welfare activities for our community such as Seminar, Families get to gather together, Career guidance sessions, evening with scholar, and also help financially and materially the victims of natural disaster such as flood in Pakistan and Earth quake etc.
- ✓ During last one year we have sent five shipments of used clothes for poor people in Pakistan & India.
- ✓ We also collect unused medicines for free medical camps organized by Pakistan welfare Society in Consulate General of Pakistan Jeddah.
- ✓ No doubt, Memon Welfare Society is playing a significant role by providing an opportunity to the community families to meet, greet and eat together from time to time, which is a piece of good fortune. It is worth mentioning that we have formed various committees to undertake their respective responsibilities and assignments.

In brief MWS is purely social and welfare forum to serve the community and humanity and entire community may support it.

- تعلیم اور مدرسے کی فیس کے لئے غریب طالب علموں کی مدد - ان لوگوں کو جو طبی علاج کے اخراجات کا متحمل نہیں ہو سکتے کی مدد
- کمیونٹی کے رکن کے انتقال کے بعد تدفین میں مدد
- روزگار کی تلاش میں بے روزگار کی رہنمائی و مدد
- بچوں کے لئے رشتے کی تلاش میں مدد
- اس کے علاوہ اپنی کمیونٹی کے لئے اکثر دیگر سماجی اور فلاحی سرگرمیوں کا اہتمام
- مختلف موضوعات پر سیمینار کا انتظام
- خاندانی اجتماعات
- مستقبل کے کیریئر کے لئے طالب علموں کو مشورہ
- مشہور عالم شخصیات کے ساتھ شام
- ہم پرانے لباس جمع کرتے ہیں
- ہم مفت طبی کیمپ کے لئے غیر استعمال شدہ ادویات جمع کرتے ہیں
- کوئی شک نہیں، میمن ویلفیئر سوسائٹی - مختلف خاندانوں کو ملاقات کرنے سلام و دعا کرنے - ایک ساتھ کھانا کھانے کے مواقع فراہم کر کے کمیونٹی میں اہم کردار ادا کر رہی۔ اس کے علاوہ ہم نے اپنی اپنی ذمہ داریوں اور فرائض کو انجام دینے کے لئے مختلف کمیٹیاں تشکیل دی ہیں۔
- مختصراً میمن ویلفیئر سوسائٹی خالصتاً سماجی اور برادری کی فلاح و بہبود اور انسانیت کی خدمت کرنے کے لئے ایک فورم ہے۔ جسکی پوری کمیونٹی کو حمایت کرنی چاہئے



Annual Award Ceremonies

Various Committees to facilitate social & welfare activities:

Funds Raising & Disbursement Committee:

Shoib Sikander
Yunus Habib
Mansoor Shivani
Irfan Kolsawala
Mohamed Badi

Event Management Committee:

Office Bearers and
Abdul Kader Africawala
Abdul Qader Teli
Asif Lala
Nasir Ibrahim
Ahmed Kamal

Education Committee

Rashid Kasmani
Shoeb Sikander
Irfan Kolsawala
Nasir Ibrahim
Abdul Kader Africawala
Abdul Qader Teli

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Shakir Aziz
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Iqbal Advani - Sponsor

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Rashid Kasmani
Nasir Ibrahim
Salim Burmawala
Irfan Kolsawala

Dispute Settlement Committee:

Yunus Habib
Irfan Kolsawala
Yunus Abdul Sattar
Kaleem Naviwala
Mansoor Shivani

Ladies Committee:

Spouses of Members of
Core Committee and
Advisory Committee
President & GS shall supervise all
committees.

First Award/Prize Distribution to Meritorious Students held in 2012



Second Award/Prize Distribution to Meritorious Students held in 2013



Third Award/Prize Distribution to Meritorious Students for 2014

Waiting for your participation

On Friday 7th November 2014 at 8.00 p.m. at the same Auditorium as last year located in Al Shallal Park Jeddah



Hope Award Winning Students and their Parents will be pleased to know that



A Well known Scholar & Dignitary H.E. Dr. M.Umer Chapra and other Respectable Seniors of our Community Mr.M.Amin Al Maimani, Mr.Haji Ahmed Abdul Karim, Trustee WMO and Mr. Mohammed Chapra have kindly consented to be the guests of honor at the Award Ceremony.

Award Ceremony 2014

Dear Brothers, Assalamo Alaikum WRWB

We are pleased to inform our community that 3rd Annual Award/Prize Distribution Function for meritorious students of the community with families get together will be held on Friday 7th November 2014 at 8.00 pm to 10.00 pm (immediate after Isha Prayer) in the well decorated

THEATER (AUDITORIUM) of AL SHALLAL PARK, JEDDAH.

Our community is aware of the venue AL SHALLAL PARK very well since we have organized family gathering 3-4 times in the past. We always think of providing our community with a healthy environment to enjoy rest and recreation activities during holidays. **No doubt this is the only largest and best theme park of Jeddah, Saudi Arabia** where all amusement for children and elders are available.

We are delighted to inform you that as usual, we have received discounted package deals from Al Shallal Theme Park. All families of our community are invited to benefit from the deal by attending our Award Ceremony and visiting Al Shallal Park with several families of our community as per following program:

Name of the event: MASA Award Ceremony with families get together.

Day, Date and Time: Friday, 7th November from 8.00 p.m. to 10.00 pm Our families may come to the park at 5 pm or 6 pm, **but do not forget to attend Award Ceremony for outstanding students and our community families gathering at 8.00 pm at the following venue.**

Venue of Families Gathering and Award Ceremony: Families gathering will be in the THEATER (Auditorium) where Award Ceremony to Meritorious students will commence at 8.15 p.m. (immediate after Isha Prayer). **Various gifts will also be distributed to attendees Ladies/Gents and children at the Award Ceremony, therefore, all families are requested to attend award ceremony at 8.00 pm positively regardless of their arrival at the Park at 5pm or 6 pm.** After Award event families may proceed to enjoy visiting entire Park and it's rides until 1.00 a.m. since next day is holiday of school and most of the offices. **Theater (Auditorium) inside Park is located on the left after entrance. Banners of MASA Memon Group will be placed at the entrance for their guidance.**

Food from outside is forbidden in the Park.

The deal we have received from Shallal Park is as follows:

1. **Entry + Dinner @SR. 30 per person over 4 years (after 25% discount)**
2. **Entry + Dinner + 90% Rides @ 65 per person over 4 years (after 40% discount)**
3. **Free entry and rides for children below 4 years**
4. **Rides not included in (No.2 above) is also negotiated:**
- ✓ **Video Game card @ 10 instead of SR.25/ (after 60% discount)**
- ✓ **Ice Skating SR.5/- instead of SR.20/- (after 75% discount)**
- ✓ **Bowling SR.10/- instead of SR.20 (after 50% discount)**
5. **Only entry @ SR.20/- per person instead of SR.25/- (after 20% discount)**

تقریب تقسیم انعامات 2014

پیارے بھائیو - السلام علیکم ورحمۃ اللہ وبرکاتہ

ہم آپ سب کو بخوشی آگاہ کرتے ہیں کہ برادری کے قابل طلباء کے لئے تیسری سالانہ تقسیم انعامات کی تقریب برادری کی فیملیوں کی موجودگی میں بروز جمعہ 7 نومبر 2014 کو 8 بجے سے 10 بجے نماز عشاء کے فوری بعد الشلال پارک جده کے تھیٹر (آڈیٹوریم) میں منعقد کی جائے گی

ہماری کمیونٹی کو الشلال پارک کے بارے میں بہت اچھی طرح علم ہے کیونکہ ہم برادری کی فیملیوں کی تقریب ماضی میں اسی پارک میں متعدد بار منعقد کر چکے ہیں ہماری ہمیشہ کوشش ہوتی ہے کہ ہماری کمیونٹی اپنے بچوں کے ساتھ تعطیلات کے دوران ایک صحت مند ماحول میں آرام اور تفریحی سرگرمیوں سے لطف اندوز ہوں۔ کوئی شک نہیں یہ جده سعودی عرب کا خوبصورت اور سب سے بڑا تھیم پارک ہے۔ ہم ہماری کمیونٹی کو الشلال پارک سے حاصل کردہ رعایتی پیکیج سے فائدہ حاصل کرتے ہوئے درج ذیل پروگرام میں شرکت کی پر خلوص دعوت دیتے ہیں۔

اس تقریب کا نام: میمن طلباء میں ایوارڈ کی تقسیم

تاریخ اور وقت فیملیوں کا اجتماع: بروز جمعہ، 7 نومبر 2014 پارک میں 5 بجے یا 6 بجے آجائیں لیکن ہماری فیملیاں تقسیم ایوارڈ کی تقریب میں 8 بجے شب نماز عشاء کے فوری بعد (تھیٹر) آڈیٹوریم میں حاضر ہونا نہ بھولیں۔ کیونکہ تقریب ایوارڈ کے دوران تمام حاضر خواتین و حضرات و اطفال میں بھی گفت و تحائف تقسیم کئے جائیں گے، لہذا برائے مہربانی تمام فیملیاں 8 بجے شب تقریب میں ضرور حاضر ہوں۔ ایوارڈ کی تقریب کے بعد پارک کی سیر و تفریح سے ہماری فیملیاں رات ایک بجے تک لطف اندوز ہو سکتی ہیں۔ کیونکہ اگلے دن اسکول اور اکثر دفاتر کی چھٹی ہوگی۔ جمعہ 7 اکتوبر 2014 کمیونٹی فیملیاں الشلال پارک میں ہماری مہمان ہوں گی اندر داخل ہونیکے بعد بائیں طرف واقع پارک کے تھیٹر (آڈیٹوریم) میں 8 بجے شب پہنچیں گی۔ ماسا میمن گروپ کا بینر (Banner) انکی ہدایت کے لئے دروازے پر رکھا جائے گا۔ کھانے کی اشیاء پارک کے باہر سے لانا ممنوع ہے۔

رعایتی پیکیج درج ذیل ہیں:

1. داخلہ + ڈنر 30 ریال فی شخص (4 سال سے زائد) بعد رعایت 25%
2. داخلہ + ڈنر + 90 فیصد رائڈز صرف 65 ریال فی شخص (4 سال سے زائد عمر) بعد رعایت 40%
3. مفت داخلہ و رائڈز برائے اطفال 4 سال سے کم عمر۔
4. جورائڈز (مندرجہ بالا نمبر 2) میں شامل نہیں ان پر بھی رعایت حاصل کی گئی ہے
- ✓ ویڈیو گیم کارڈ 10 ریال بجائے 25 ریال (بعد رعایت 60%)
- ✓ آئس سکیٹنگ 5 ریال بجائے 20 ریال (بعد رعایت 75%)
- ✓ بولنگ 10 ریال بجائے 20 ریال (بعد رعایت 50%)
5. صرف داخلہ 20 کی بجائے 25 ریال فی شخص (بعد رعایت 20%)

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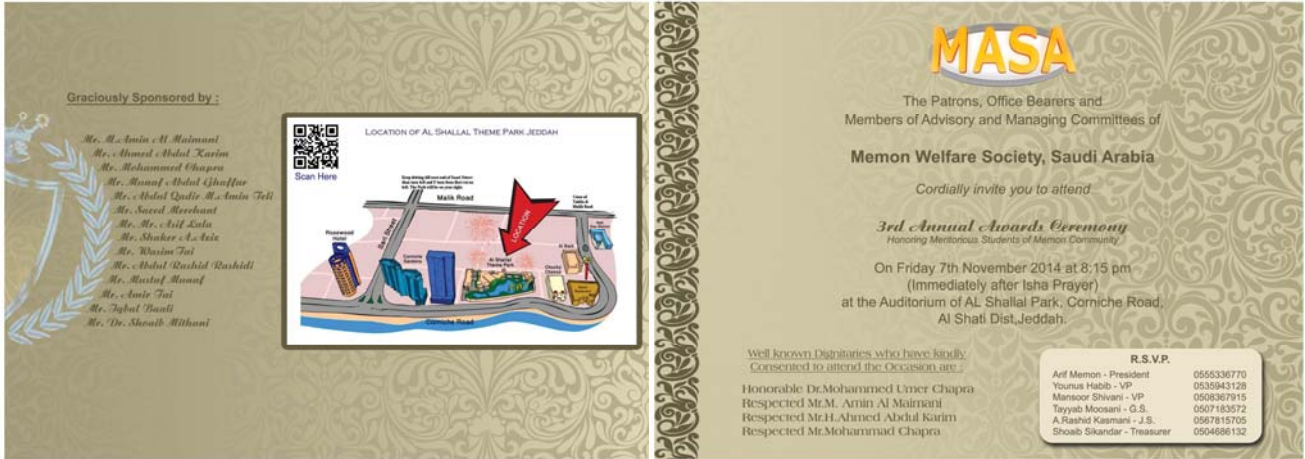
All Community members are requested to attend the event. Invitation Cards can be obtained from the designated spots as already notified by email

تمام لوگوں سے پروگرام میں شرکت کی درخواست ہے
دعوت نامے مقررہ مقامات سے حاصل کئے جاسکتے ہیں۔
جسکی اطلاع بذریعہ ای-میل پہلے ہی دی جاچکی ہے۔

Those who are interested to attend the event will be pleased to know that:

- Each family present in the event will receive one gift pack from M/s Gandour Chocolates & Confectionaries Company
- Each Woman present in the event will receive a gift of Scarf and Kitchen Towel.
- Each Man present in the event will receive a gift of a bottle of perfume
- Children will also receive some gifts
- And more gifts are expected
- We are requesting more companies and individuals to distribute or sponsor more gifts for all guests of the event.
- If any individual or company intends to sponsor or distribute gifts among guests at the event will be welcomed and they may contact our Treasurer Mr. Shoaib Sikander on 0504656132 for necessary arrangement.

Placed below is an Invitation Card that can be obtained from any designated spot or individual along with Entry Card and/or any of the discounted packages of Al Shallal Park.



The invitation card features a decorative background with a floral pattern. On the left, it lists sponsors under the heading "Graciously Sponsored by:". In the center, there is a map titled "LOCATION OF AL SHALLAL THEME PARK, JEDDAH" with a QR code and a red arrow pointing to the location. On the right, the MASA logo is prominently displayed, followed by the text "The Patrons, Office Bearers and Members of Advisory and Managing Committees of Memon Welfare Society, Saudi Arabia". Below this, it says "Cordially invite you to attend 3rd Annual Awards Ceremony Honoring Meritorious Students of Memon Community". The event details are: "On Friday 7th November 2014 at 8:15 pm (Immediately after Isha Prayer) at the Auditorium of AL Shallal Park, Corniche Road, Al Shati Dist., Jeddah." At the bottom right, there is a table for R.S.V.P. contacts.

Graciously Sponsored by :

Mr. Al-Amin Al Maimani
Mr. Ahmed Abdul Karim
Mr. Mohammed Chapra
Mr. Mansaf Abdul Qhaffer
Mr. Abdul Qadir Al-Amin Teli
Mr. Saad Meehan
Mr. Alif Asla
Mr. Shaker La'le
Mr. Wasim Tari
Mr. Abdul Rashid Rashidi
Mr. Amir Tari
Mr. Tqbal Baali
Mr. Dr. Shoaib Bihani

LOCATION OF AL SHALLAL THEME PARK, JEDDAH

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MASA

The Patrons, Office Bearers and
Members of Advisory and Managing Committees of
Memon Welfare Society, Saudi Arabia

Cordially invite you to attend

3rd Annual Awards Ceremony
Honoring Meritorious Students of Memon Community

On Friday 7th November 2014 at 8:15 pm
(Immediately after Isha Prayer)
at the Auditorium of AL Shallal Park, Corniche Road,
Al Shati Dist., Jeddah.

Well known Dignitaries who have kindly
Consented to attend the Occasion are :

Honorable Dr.Mohammed Umer Chapra
Respected Mr.M. Amin Al Maimani
Respected Mr.H.Ahmed Abdul Karim
Respected Mr.Mohammad Chapra

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Dr. Muhammad Umer Chapra



Winner of the 1990 King Faisal Award for Islamic Studies
Topic: Financial Dealings in Islamic Shari'a

Biography

Nationality: Saudi Arabia

Dr. Muhammed Chapra was born in Pakistan in 1933 and received his bachelor and master's degrees at Karachi University and Ph.D. at Minnesota University. He worked at the Institute of Development Economics and the Islamic Research Institute in Pakistan, then as a research assistant at Minnesota, and associate professor of economics at Wisconsin and Kentucky Universities, before becoming Consultant to the Saudi Arabian Monetary Organization for 34 years during which he was granted Saudi citizenship.

An accomplished scholar of Islamic economics, Chapra made seminal contributions to Islamic economics and finance over the past several decades. He published around 15 books and monographs and more than 90 articles and book reviews. One of his groundbreaking contributions is his book *Towards a Just Monetary System* (1985). Reviewing that book in the *Bulletin of the British Society for Middle Eastern Studies*, Professor R. Wilson of the University of Durham described it as "the most lucid presentation yet of the monetary theory of Islam." Chapra had since written other books, including: *Islam and the Economic Challenge*, which was described by the prominent American economist, K. Boulding, as "a brilliant analysis of the virtues and the defects of capitalism, socialism and the welfare state, and an important contribution to the understanding of Islam by both Muslims and non-Muslims." In 2002, he published *The Future of Economics: An Islamic Perspective* followed in 2005 by *Objectives of Islamic Economic Order: An Introduction in Economics and Islamic Financing* both of which have also been well received. In 2008, he published a book on *Islamic Civilization, the reasons for its deterioration and the need for reform*. Chapra's books were translated into many languages and are taught in universities worldwide. He delivered numerous invited lectures and participated in hundreds of conferences worldwide.

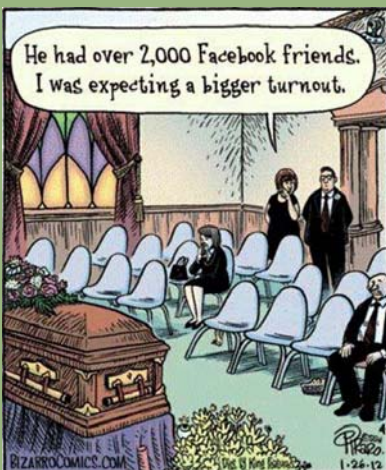
Dr. Chapra is currently Research Advisor at the Islamic Research and Training Institute of the Islamic Development Bank in Jeddah. He is a member of the Royal Economic Society (London), American Economic Association, Saudi Economic Association and the Islamic Economic Association. He is also a member of the editorial boards of a number of prestigious international journals of economics. In addition to the King Faisal International Prize for Islamic Studies, he received several other awards and honors.



Start with Bismillah.
End with Alhamdulillah.
Appreciate with Subhan'Allah.
Hope with Insha'Allah.
And life will be blessed by Allah.

The best gift you
could ever give
someone is your
TIME
because you're
giving them
something that
you'll never get back.

Face Book Relationship is not worth. He used to claim 2,000 friends but his funeral attended by two only and they were not face book friends !!!!!



Health corner:

EBOLA Virus !!!

There is currently an Ebola outbreak putting all of us at risk. Please go through the following information:

What is EBOLA?

It's a virus that attacks a person blood system:

Ebola is what scientists call a hemorrhagic fever - it operates by making its victims bleed from almost anywhere on their body. Usually victims bleed to death.

Ebola is highly contagious; Being transmitted via contact with body fluids such as blood, sweat, saliva, or other body discharges.

Ebola is however NOT AN AIRBORNE VIRUS!

EXTREMELY deadly: About 90% of people that catch Ebola will die from it.

It's one of the deadliest diseases in the world, killing in just a few weeks.

Untreatable(no cure): Ebola has no known treatment or cure.

Victims are usually treated for symptoms with the faint hope that they recover.

How Do I Know Someone has Ebola?

•Fever •Headache •Diarrhea •Vomiting •Weakness •Joint & Muscle pains •Stomach Pain •Lack of Appetite

Protect Yourself: •Wash Your Hands with Soap, Do this a lot. You can also use a good hand sanitizer. Avoid unnecessary physical contact with people.

■Restrict yourself to food you prepared yourself.

■Disinfect Your Surroundings

The virus cannot survive disinfectants, heat, direct sunlight, detergents and soaps.

Clean up!: •Fumigate If you have Pests. •Rodents can be carriers of Ebola. •Fumigate your environment & dispose off the carcasses properly! •Dead bodies CAN still transmit Ebola.

•Don't touch them without protective gear or better yet avoid them altogether.

Protect Yourself: •Use protective gear if you must care or go near someone you suspect has Ebola.

Report: •Report any suspicious symptoms in yourself or anyone else IMMEDIATELY.

Do not delay! Educate Everyone: •Tell your neighbors, colleagues and domestic staff (anyone really). Basically you're safer when everyone is educated.

Little Smile

Enter title

No English dictionary has been able to explain the difference btwn the two words "COMPLETE" and "FINISHED". Some people say there is no difference btwn "COMPLETE" and "FINISHED", but there is. When you marry the right woman, you are COMPLETE and when you marry the wrong woman you are FINISHED! When your wife catches you with another woman you are COMPLETELY FINISHED and when your wife likes shopping so much you are FINISHED COMPLETELY!!! □

Police: Tumhe kal subah 5 baje phaasi di jayegi.
Sardar: Ha Ha Ha Ha!
Police: Kyo hass rahe ho?
Sardar: Mai to uthta hi subah 9 baje hu!

Ek sardar ki chhatri me hole tha, kisine pucha, umbrella me hole kyu?
Sardar bola: Oye baarish ruk jayegi to pata kaise chalega?

Math teacher: Jab main tumhare jitna tha mere maths main 100 marks aate the
Student: aate honge bhi, Tere ko koi achcha teach padhaata hoga!

Doctor: How is your headache.
Patient: She's out of town!



Newsletter for November 2014

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November 2009 exactly Five

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DEAR BROTHERES
ASSALAMO ALAIKUM

THIS IS THE 5TH ISSUE OF THE NEWS LETTER IN FRONT OF YOU. OUR 4TH ISSUE CAME TO YOU WHILE THE MONTH OF EID AL FITAR (SHAWAL) WAS GOING ON AND SIMILARLY THE FIFTH ISSUE IS GOING TO BRING YOU HAJ & EID AL ADHA IN THIS MONTH SO ON BEHLF OF MASA WE EXPRESS **HAJ MUBARAK** TO ALL WHO ARE INTENDING TO GO FOR HAJ AND OUR HEARTIEST **EID MUBARAK** TO THOSE WHO WILL NOT PERFORM HAJ THIS YEAR.

WE CONVEY OUR THANKS TO ALL BROTHERS WHO HAVE EMAILED TO US THEIR GREETINGS AND APPRECIATION ON OUR EFFORTS TO BRING OUT ISSUES OF NEWSLETTER EVERY MONTH REGULARLY. WE ALSO LIKE TO THANK ALL WHO SENT US THEIR VIEWS & SUGGESTIONS FOR NEWLETTER. WE AGAIN REQUEST OUR BROTHERS, IF ANY ONE WANTS US TO INSERT ANY ARTICLE/ STORIES/ WRITEUP/ NEWS ETC PLEASE SEND IT TO OUR EMAIL ADDRESS MASA@MEMONASSOCIATION.COM WITHOUT HESITATION. (PLEASE FORGIVE US FOR ANY kind OF ERROR IN THIS NEWLETTER.).

MASA EVENTS:

1) EID MILLAN (FAMILIES GET TO GETHER)

AN EID MILLAN PARTY WAS ARRANGED BY MASA FOR MEMON FAMILIES ON 16TH OCTOBER 2009 AT AL-AMWAJ AMUSEMENT PARK, CORNISH STREET, JEDDAH. EID MILLAN PARTY WAS ATTENED BY MORE THAN 100 FAMILIES OF OUR COMMUNITY. IT WAS VERY SUCCESSFUL EVENT WHEREIN ALL PARTICIPANTS EITHER LADIES OR GENTS, YOUNG OR OLD ALL ENJOYED A LOT. JUST ON TRIAL BASIS, THIS TIME INVITATION CARDS WERE SOLD AT VERY NOMINAL PRICE OF SR.50 PER FAMILY WHICH ENTITLED A FAMILY FOR (I) FREE ENTRY INTO THE PARK (II) FREE RIDES FOR CHILDREN (III) FREE FRESHMENTS & DRINKS.



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OUR CHIEF PATRON MR.ASHRAF TUMBI, PATRON MR. YAQOOB MOOSANI AND MEMBERS OF ADVISORY COMMITTEE M/S H.AHMED ABDUL KARIM, MOHAMMED AMIN AL MAIMANI AND THE FAMILIES OF MAJORITY OF MANAGING COMMITTEE MEMBERS ALSO ATTENDED THE PARTY. A PROMINENT FIGURE MR. YAHYA POLLANI FROM PAKISTAN ATTENDED THE EVENT AS A SPECIAL GUEST. AN INTRODUCTORY PROGRAM OF ONE HOUR TOOK PLACE IN A HALL LOCATED INSIDE THE PARK. DR. IQBAL MUSANI CONDUCTED THE INTRODUCTORY PROGRAM WHILE PRESIDENT WELCOMED THE AUDIENCE AND INFORMED THEM OF AIMS AND OBJECTIVE ACHIEVED SO FAR. PRESIDENT ALSO ANNOUNCED ELECTION OF MASA TO TAKE PLACE IN 3RD WEEK OF DEC. 2009. SECRETARY GENERAL ALSO INFORMED THE ATTENDEES OF THE PERFORMANCE AND VARIOUS ACTIVITES OF MASA. OUR SPECIAL GUEST MR. YAHYA POLLANI ALSO ADDRESSED THE AUDIENCE. VICE PRESIDENT EXPRESSED THANKS TO ALL RESPECTABLE BROTHERS AND THEIR FAMILIES FOR ATTENDING THE EID MILLAN.

2) FREE MEDICAL CAMP

A FREE MEDICAL CAMP WAS ALSO ARRANGED ALONG WITH EID MILLAN PARTY. A TEAM OF DOCTOR, NURSES, DISPENSERS, AMBULNACE WERE PROVIDED BY RAYAN POLY CLINIC SHARFIYA WHO UNDERTOOK VARIOUS MEDICAL TESTS ON THE SPOT SUCH AS BLOOD PRESSURE, SUGAR, BLOOD GROUP ETC OF MOST OF THE PARTICIPANTS OF EID MILAN PARTY AND PROVIDED FREE SERVICES OF MEDICAL CONSULTATION AND REFERRED TO THEIR CLINIC WHO NEEDED FURTHER MEDICAL EXAMINATION AND/OR TREATMENT. MASA EXPRESSED ITS GRATITUDE AND APPRECIATION TO OUR ACTIVE MEMBER MR. SHABIR PATEL WHO ARRANGED THE MEDICAL TEAM OF RAYAN POLYCLINIC FOR FREE MEDICAL CAMP.

3) PRIZE DISTRIBUTION TO MERITOROUS STUDENTS

DUE TO TIME CONSTRAINT, THIS PROGRAM COULD NOT BE MATERIALIZED ALONG WITH EID MILLAN PARTY. THIS PROGRAM WILL BE HELD SEPARATELY DEDICATED ONLY FOR DISTRIBUTION OF PRIZES, AWARDS AND APPRECIATION CERTIFICATE AMONG MERITORIOUS STUDENTS OF OUR COMMUNITY.



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ANNOUNCEMENTS

- 1.** AN [ELECTION FOR OFFICE BEARERS](#) OF MASA WILL TAKE PLACE ON FRIDAY 18 DECEMBER 2009, THE DETAILS WILL BE CIRCULATED TO THE COMMUNITY BY ELECTION COMMITTEE SOON. **IN THIS CONNECTION AN ELECTION COMMITTEE HAS BEEN FORMED IN THE MANAGING COMMITTEE AND ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 31 OCTOBER 2009 WHO WILL CONTACT OUR COMMUNITY MEMBERS IN SOUK KHASKHIA AND SOUK ALAWI FOR BRINGING THE REPRESENTATIVE OF THESE AREAS (WHERE OUR MEMON BUSINESSMEN ARE BASED IN LARGE NUMBER). UPON RECOMMENDATION OF ELECTION COMMITTEE THE REPRESENTATIVES OF THESE AREAS WILL BE INVITED IN THE NEXT MEETING. THE ELECTION COMMITTEE WILL SUBMIT ITS COMPLETE PROPOSAL ABOUT ELECTION. THE ELECTION COMMITTEE UNANIMOUSLY NOMINATED BY THE MC & AC WILL CONSIST OF THE FOLLOWING:**

 - MR. SHABBIR PATEL – CHAIRMAN OF THE COMMITTEE**
 - MR. KALEEM AHMED - MEMBER**
 - MUSLIM AMANULLAH - MEMBER**
 - ABDUL SAMAD GAZIANI - MEMBER**
- 2.** IN FACT [FAMILY GATHERINGS](#) HAVE BEEN VERY USEFUL & BENEFICIAL IN BRINGING FAMILIES OF OUR COMMUNITY VERY CLOSE TO EACH OTHER PARTICULARLY THOSE WHO ARE SEARCHING MATCH FOR THEIR CHILDREN. THEREFORE, ANOTHER FAMILY GATHERING ON THE OCCASION OF EID AL ADHA / HAJ HOLIDAYS IS SUGGESTED BY OUR BROTHERS, WE SHALL INFORM YOU DATE & PLACE ONCE IT IS APPROVED IN OUR MANAGING COMMITTEE.
- 3.** ON THE OCCASION OF EID AL ADHA, PROGRAM OF [IJTEMAI QURBANI](#) (COLLECTIVE SACRIFICE OF ANIMALS) IS ALSO UNDER CONSIDERATION. THIS STEP WILL ENABLE US TO DO QURBANI OF ALL OUR COMMUNITY BROTHERS AT ONE PLACE AND UTILIZE THE MEAT OF SACRIFICED ANIMAL. A DETAILS ABOUT THIS PROGRAM WILL ALSO BE SENT TO THE COMMUNITY ONCE FINALIZED.



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4. A **PRIZE & CERTIFICATE DISTRIBUTION TO MERITORIOUS STUDENTS** WILL TAKE PLACE IN NEAR FUTURE. YOU ARE REQUESTED TO SEND COPY OF RESULT OF YOUR CHILDREN WHO HAVE PASSED THEIR EXAMINATION OF 9TH CLASS AND ABOVE WITH OUTSTANDING MARKS DURING YEAR 2009. YOU MAY DELIVER COPY OF RESULT TO ANY OF OFFICE BEARERS.
5. **WELL KNOWN DIGNITARIES OF MEMON COMMUNITY FROM PAKISTAN & INDIA** ARE EXPECTED TO COME TO SAUDI ARABIA FOR HAJ DURING NEXT MONTH WE MAY INVITE & RECEIVE THOSE VIPS FROM INDIA & PAKISTAN IN OUR NEXT GATHERING DURING HAJ HOLIDAYS. WE HAVE COME TO KNOW THAT THE PRESIDENT OF ALL PAKISTAN MEMON FEDERATION WILL BE ARRIVING SOON TO PERFORM HAJ.
6. AS WE HAVE ANNOUNCED SCHEME OF **COMPUTER DISTRIBUTION** AT A VERY NOMINAL AND AFFORDABLE TERM OF REPAYMENT BETWEEN 50 TO 100 SR PER MONTH, YOU ARE INVITED TO SUBMIT APPLICATION IF YOU THINK YOU DESERVE, OTHERWISE ENCOURAGE YOUR FELLOW, FRIENDS, RELATIVES WHO ARE REALLY IN NEED OF COMPUTER TO SUBMIT THEIR APPLICATION TO US FOR OUR REVIEW AND APPROVAL. SO PLEASE SEND US YOUR APPLICATION BY EMAIL OR MANUALLY HAND OVER TO ANY OF OUR OFFICE BEARER STATING THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION ONLY:

FULL NAME OF THE APPLICANT: _____

COMPUTER REQUIRED FOR: SELF / WIFE / SON / DAUGHTER

CONTACT NO. OFFICE _____

HOME _____

MOBILE _____

HOW MUCH MONTHLY INSTALLMENT YOU CAN AFFORD SR.50 OR SR. 75 SR. 100

SIGNATURE

FULL NAME

DATE OF RECEIPT OF COMPUTER:

NOTE: PLEASE NOTE THAT ALL TRANSACTIONS SUCH AS NAMES OF THE APPLICANTS, PROCESSING OF APPLICATION, DELIVERY OF COMPUTER, RECEIVING OF INSTALLMENT ETC. WILL REMAIN STRICTLY CONFIDENTIAL WITH MASA.



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YOUR PARTICIPTION

DEAR BROTHERS, WE NEED YOUR PARTICIPATION AND CONTRIBUTION IN THE FOLLOWING:

- ✓ REGISTER YOUR SELF TO BECOME MEMBER OF MASA EITHER BY SUBMITTING MEMBERSHIP FORM TO ANY OFFICE BEARERS OR BY VISITING OUR WEBSITE AND REGISTERING YOUR SELF IN THE MEMBERS DIRECTORY ELECTRONICALLY AVAILABLE ON OUR WEBSITE WWW.MEMONASSOCIATION.COM .
- ✓ APPROACH & REQUEST YOUR MEMON RELATIVES, FRIENDS, FELLOWS LIVING IN SAUDI ARABIA TO BECOME MASA MEMBER SIMPLY BY VISITING OUR WEB OR BY SUBMITTING HIS PARTICULAR TO ANY OF OUR OFFICE BEARERS.

NOTE: THE LIST OF REGISTERED MEMBERS WILL FACILITATE MASA IN SENDING CIRCULARS TO THE COMMUNITY BROTHERS, DISTRIBUTING INVITATIONS ON VARIOUS OCCASIONS, HOLDING ELECTIONS IN THE FUTURE ETC.

NEWS AND VIEWS

- MEMBER OF OUR ADVISORY COMMITTEE **MR. MOHAMMED CHAPRA** HAS GOT A HEART ATTACH FEW DAYS AGO AND THANKS GOD HE IS NOW RECOVERING. ALL READERS OF THIS NEWS ARE REQUESTED TO PRAY FOR HIS RAPID AND PERMANENT RECOVERY. MAY HE LIVE LONG WITH HEALTH AND PROSPERITY.
- A RECEPTION WITH DINNER WAS HOSTED BY BUSINESSMEN OF OUR COMMUNITY M/S YOUNUS HABIB GOLI AND IQBAL ADVANI IN THE HONOR OF PROMINENT FIGURE OF MEMON COMMUNITY IN PAKISTA MR. YAHAY POLLANI . ALL OFFICE BEARERS, MEMBERS OF MANAGING COMMITTEE, ADVISORY COMMITTEE WERE ALSO INVITED AT THE RECEPTION. ALMOST 35-40 INVITEES ATTENDED THE RECEPTION. (PICTURES OF RECEPTION INSERTED IN THE FOLLOWING PAGES)

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ONE IN FOUR IS MUSLIM, STUDY SAYS

A REPORT FROM AN AMERICAN THINK-TANK HAS ESTIMATED 1.57 BILLION MUSLIMS POPULATE THE WORLD - WITH 60% IN ASIA.

THE REPORT, BY THE PEW FORUM ON RELIGION AND PUBLIC LIFE, TOOK THREE YEARS TO COMPILE, WITH CENSUS DATA FROM 232 COUNTRIES AND TERRITORIES. IT SHOWED THAT 20% OF MUSLIMS LIVED IN THE MIDDLE EAST AND NORTH AFRICA. THE DATA ALSO SHOWED THAT THERE WERE MORE MUSLIMS IN GERMANY THAN IN LEBANON, AND MORE IN RUSSIA THAN IN JORDAN AND LIBYA TOGETHER.

SURPRISE: RESEARCHERS ANALYZED APPROXIMATELY 1,500 SOURCES INCLUDING CENSUS REPORTS, DEMOGRAPHIC STUDIES AND GENERAL POPULATION SURVEYS. SENIOR RESEARCHER BRIAN GRIM TOLD CNN THAT THE OVERALL FIGURE WAS A SURPRISE AND SAID: "OVERALL, THE NUMBER IS HIGHER THAN I EXPECTED." THE REPORT, PUBLISHED ON WEDNESDAY, ALSO FOUND THAT ETHIOPIA HAS NEARLY AS MANY MUSLIMS AS AFGHANISTAN. AMANEY JAMAL, AN ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF POLITICS AT PRINCETON UNIVERSITY, TOLD THE AP NEWS AGENCY: "THIS WHOLE IDEA THAT MUSLIMS ARE ARABS AND ARABS ARE MUSLIMS IS REALLY JUST OBLITERATED BY THIS REPORT."

INSTEAD THE REPORT FOUND THAT MORE THAN 300 MILLION MUSLIMS LIVE IN COUNTRIES WHERE ISLAM WAS NOT THE MAJORITY RELIGION. OF THE TOTAL MUSLIM POPULATION, 10-13% ARE SHIA MUSLIMS AND 87-90% ARE SUNNI MUSLIMS. MOST SHIAS LIVE IN IRAN, PAKISTAN, INDIA AND IRAQ. EUROPE IS HOME TO 38 MILLION MUSLIMS - AROUND 5% OF ITS POPULATION WITH EUROPEAN MUSLIMS MAKING UP SLIGHTLY MORE THAN 2% OF THE WORLD'S MUSLIM POPULATION. MORE THAN HALF OF THE 4.6 MILLION MUSLIMS IN THE AMERICAS LIVE IN THE US - HOWEVER THEY MAKE UP JUST 0.8% OF THE POPULATION THERE. THE PEW FORUM HAS SAID THE FINDINGS WILL LAY THE FOUNDATION FOR A FORTHCOMING STUDY THAT WILL LOOK AT HOW MUSLIM POPULATIONS WORLDWIDE HAVE GROWN AND WHAT THEY MAY LOOK LIKE IN THE FUTURE. IT ALSO PLANS TO COMPILE FIGURES FOR THE OTHER MAJOR WORLD RELIGIONS. **ACCORDING TO INTERNET-BASED GROUP, ADHERENTS, THERE ARE CURRENTLY 2.1 BILLION CHRISTIANS, 900 MILLION HINDUS AND 14 MILLION JEWS WORLDWIDE.**



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By: Dr. Iqbal Musani

BRIEF HISTORY OF MEMON COMMUNITY

THE MEMON COMMUNITY

THE MEMON COMMUNITY IS COMPRISED OF OVER A MILLION MEMBERS WORLDWIDE. IT IS KNOWN AS A FRATERNAL COMMUNITY WITH A HIGH DEGREE OF SOCIAL SOLIDARITY AND IS WELL KNOWN FOR ITS HUMANITARIAN ACTIVITIES AND ITS CONTRIBUTIONS TOWARDS PHILANTHROPIC CAUSES IN VARIOUS PARTS OF THE WORLD.

ORIGIN OF THE COMMUNITY

ACCORDING TO POPULAR LEGEND, THE ORIGIN OF THE COMMUNITY LIES IN THE LOHANA GROUP OF A PROMINENT HINDU BUSINESS COMMUNITY OF SINDH, WHICH WAS CONVERTED TO ISLAM DURING THE 15TH CENTURY. INITIALLY, THEY WERE KNOWN AS MO'MINS – BUT LATER, THE WORD GRADUALLY CHANGED TO MEMONS. SOMETIME AFTER THEIR CONVERSION TO ISLAM, THE RULER OF KUTCH INVITED THE MEMONS TO DEVELOP BUSINESS IN HIS NEWLY FOUND CAPITAL OF BHUJ. FROM BHUJ THEY SPREAD FIRST TO THE REST OF THE KUTCH PENINSULA AND THEN TO KATHIAWAR-WHICH REMAINED FOR THE IMMIGRANTS, THEIR PRIMARY ABODE OVER THE CENTURIES. THE ACTIVE PURSUIT OF BUSINESS TOOK THEM TO ALL PARTS OF THE INDIAN SUB-CONTINENT. THEY ALSO SPREAD TO OTHER ASIAN COUNTRIES AND LATER TO THE MIDDLE EAST AND AFRICA-PARTICULARLY EAST AND SOUTH AFRICA. THEIR ACHIEVEMENTS IN THE COMMERCIAL FIELD REACHED A HIGH POINT IN A NUMBER OF COUNTRIES BY THE END OF THE 19TH CENTURY. EARLY IN THIS CENTURY THEY STARTED TO ENCOURAGE EDUCATION, A FIELD IN WHICH THEY HAD LAGGED BEHIND. THE RESULT IS THAT TODAY MEMONS CAN BE FOUND NOT ONLY IN BUSINESS AND INDUSTRY, BUT ALSO IN PRACTICALLY EVERY SPHERE OF THE PROFESSIONAL FIELD. MEMBERS OF THE COMMUNITY ARE NOW WELL ESTABLISHED NOT ONLY IN ASIA AND AFRICA, BUT ALSO IN EUROPE, CANADA, USA, LATIN AMERICA AND AUSTRALIA. THE MEMONS WHO CONTINUED TO LIVE IN SINDH ARE KNOWN AS SINDHI MEMONS. THOSE WHO MIGRATED AND MADE KUTCH THEIR HOME CAME TO BE KNOWN AS KUTCHI MEMONS. THOSE WHO SETTLED IN KATHIAWAR AND MADE THAT THEIR HOME ARE CALLED HALAI MEMONS AND THOSE WHO SETTLED IN RAJASTHAN ARE KNOWN AS THARADE MEMONS.

MEMONS IN THE FIELD OF PHILANTHROPY

MEMONS HAVE BEEN HIGHLY ACTIVE IN THE FIELD OF PHILANTHROPY FOR MANY GENERATIONS. THEY HAVE BEEN RESPONSIBLE FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF SOME OF THE FINEST SOCIAL WELFARE INSTITUTIONS, SUCH AS HOSPITALS, MATERNITY HOMES, CHARITABLE DISPENSARIES, REST HOMES AND ORPHANAGES. IN ADDITION THEY HAVE CONSTRUCTED INNUMERABLE MOSQUES AND FINANCED MANY INSTITUTIONS OF RELIGIOUS LEARNING. IN THE FIELD OF EDUCATION THEY HAVE BUILT SCHOOLS AND COLLEGES, FINANCED HIGHER EDUCATION AND GRANTED LOCAL AND FOREIGN SCHOLARSHIPS TO MEMONS AND NON-MEMONS ALIKE. THE TOTAL CONTRIBUTION OF THE COMMUNITY TO VARIOUS CHARITABLE AND ALTRUISTIC PURSUITS IN DIFFERENT PARTS OF THE WORLD RUNS INTO BILLIONS OF DOLLARS. THE PHILANTHROPIC ACTIVITIES OF THE COMMUNITY CONTINUE TO GROW WITH AN INCREASING VOLUME OF FUNDS.

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EID AL ADHA & HAJ CORNER

1) EID AL ADHA:

WHAT IS EID AL-ADHA

AT THE END OF THE HAJJ (ANNUAL PILGRIMAGE TO MECCA), MUSLIMS THROUGHOUT THE WORLD CELEBRATE THE HOLIDAY OF EID AL-ADHA (FESTIVAL OF SACRIFICE). IN 2009, EID AL-ADHA WILL BEGIN ON APPROXIMATELY NOVEMBER 27 OR 28 SUBJECT TO APPEARANCE OF MOON, AND WILL LAST FOR THREE DAYS.

WHAT DOES EID AL-ADHA COMMEMORATE?

DURING THE HAJJ, MUSLIMS REMEMBER AND COMMEMORATE THE TRIALS AND TRIUMPHS OF THE PROPHET ABRAHAM. THE HOLY QUR'AN DESCRIBES ABRAHAM AS FOLLOWS:

"SURELY ABRAHAM WAS AN EXAMPLE, OBEDIENT TO ALLAH, BY NATURE UPRIGHT, AND HE WAS NOT OF THE POLYTHEISTS. HE WAS GRATEFUL FOR OUR BOUNTIES. WE CHOSE HIM AND GUIDED HIM UNTO A RIGHT PATH. WE GAVE HIM GOOD IN THIS WORLD, AND IN THE NEXT HE WILL MOST SURELY BE AMONG THE RIGHTEOUS." (QUR'AN 16:120-121)

ONE OF ABRAHAM'S MAIN TRIALS WAS TO FACE THE COMMAND OF ALLAH TO SLAUGHTER HIS ONLY SON. UPON HEARING THIS COMMAND, HE PREPARED TO SUBMIT TO ALLAH'S WILL. WHEN HE WAS ALL PREPARED TO DO IT, ALLAH REVEALED TO HIM THAT HIS "SACRIFICE" HAD ALREADY BEEN FULFILLED. HE HAD SHOWN THAT HIS LOVE FOR HIS LORD SUPERCEDED ALL OTHERS, THAT HE WOULD LAY DOWN HIS OWN LIFE OR THE LIVES OF THOSE DEAR TO HIM IN ORDER TO SUBMIT TO GOD.

WHY DO MUSLIMS SACRIFICE AN ANIMAL ON THIS DAY?

DURING THE CELEBRATION OF EID AL-ADHA, MUSLIMS COMMEMORATE AND REMEMBER ABRAHAM'S TRIALS, BY THEMSELVES SLAUGHTERING AN ANIMAL SUCH AS A SHEEP, CAMEL, OR GOAT. THIS ACTION IS VERY OFTEN MISUNDERSTOOD BY THOSE OUTSIDE THE FAITH.

ALLAH HAS GIVEN US POWER OVER ANIMALS AND ALLOWED US TO EAT MEAT, BUT ONLY IF WE PRONOUNCE HIS NAME AT THE SOLEMN ACT OF TAKING LIFE. MUSLIMS SLAUGHTER ANIMALS IN THE SAME WAY THROUGHOUT THE YEAR. BY SAYING THE NAME OF ALLAH AT THE TIME OF SLAUGHTER, WE ARE REMINDED THAT LIFE IS SACRED.

THE MEAT FROM THE SACRIFICE OF EID AL-ADHA IS MOSTLY GIVEN AWAY TO OTHERS. ONE-THIRD IS EATEN BY IMMEDIATE FAMILY AND RELATIVES, ONE-THIRD IS GIVEN AWAY TO FRIENDS, AND ONE-THIRD IS DONATED TO THE POOR. THE ACT SYMBOLIZES OUR WILLINGNESS TO GIVE UP THINGS THAT ARE OF BENEFIT TO US OR CLOSE TO OUR HEARTS, IN ORDER TO FOLLOW ALLAH'S COMMANDS. IT ALSO SYMBOLIZES OUR WILLINGNESS TO GIVE UP SOME OF OUR OWN BOUNTIES, IN ORDER TO STRENGTHEN TIES OF FRIENDSHIP AND HELP THOSE WHO ARE IN NEED. WE RECOGNIZE THAT ALL BLESSINGS COME FROM ALLAH, AND WE SHOULD OPEN OUR HEARTS AND SHARE WITH OTHERS.



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IT IS VERY IMPORTANT TO UNDERSTAND THAT THE SACRIFICE ITSELF, AS PRACTICED BY MUSLIMS, HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH ATONING FOR OUR SINS OR USING THE BLOOD TO WASH OURSELVES FROM SIN. THIS IS A MISUNDERSTANDING BY THOSE OF PREVIOUS GENERATIONS: "IT IS NOT THEIR MEAT NOR THEIR BLOOD THAT REACHES ALLAH; IT IS YOUR PIETY THAT REACHES HIM." (QUR'AN 22:37)

THE SYMBOLISM IS IN THE ATTITUDE - A WILLINGNESS TO MAKE SACRIFICES IN OUR LIVES IN ORDER TO STAY ON THE STRAIGHT PATH. EACH OF US MAKES SMALL SACRIFICES, GIVING UP THINGS THAT ARE FUN OR IMPORTANT TO US. A TRUE MUSLIM, ONE WHO SUBMITS HIS OR HERSELF COMPLETELY TO THE LORD, IS WILLING TO FOLLOW ALLAH'S COMMANDS COMPLETELY AND OBEDIENTLY. IT IS THIS STRENGTH OF HEART, PURITY IN FAITH, AND WILLING OBEDIENCE THAT OUR LORD DESIRES FROM US.

WHAT ELSE DO MUSLIMS DO TO CELEBRATE THE HOLIDAY?

ON THE FIRST MORNING OF EID AL-ADHA, MUSLIMS AROUND THE WORLD ATTEND MORNING PRAYERS AT THEIR LOCAL MOSQUES. PRAYERS ARE FOLLOWED BY VISITS WITH FAMILY AND FRIENDS, AND THE EXCHANGE OF GREETINGS AND GIFTS. AT SOME POINT, MEMBERS OF THE FAMILY WILL VISIT A LOCAL FARM OR OTHERWISE WILL MAKE ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE SLAUGHTER OF AN ANIMAL. THE MEAT IS DISTRIBUTED DURING THE DAYS OF THE HOLIDAY OR SHORTLY THEREAFTER.

2) HAJJ:

FIRST ONE MUST ASK - **WHAT DOES HAJJ MEAN?** IN ESSENCE, HAJJ MEANS EVOLUTION TOWARD ALLAH. IT IS A SYMBOLIC DEMONSTRATION OF THE PHILOSOPHY OF CREATION OF ADAM. TO FURTHER ILLUSTRATE THIS, IT MAY BE STATED THAT THE PERFORMANCE OF HAJJ IS A SIMULTANEOUS SHOW OF MANY THINGS; IT IS A "SHOW OF CREATION", A "SHOW OF HISTORY", A "SHOW OF UNITY", A "SHOW OF THE ISLAMIC IDEOLOGY" AND A SHOW OF THE UMMAH.

HAJJ - REACHING TOWARD ALLAH

HAJJ (THE PILGRIMAGE) OCCURS DURING THE HIGHLY RESPECTED MONTH OF ZUL-HIJJAH'. THE LAND OF MAKKAH (MECCA) IS TRANQUIL AND PEACEFUL. INSTEAD OF FEAR, HATRED, AND WAR, THE DESERT IS CHARACTERIZED BY SECURITY AND PEACE. AN ATMOSPHERE FOR WORSHIP WHERE PEOPLE ARE FREE TO FACE ALMIGHTY GOD IS PREVALENT. DO YOU NOT HEAR IBRAHIM'S COMMAND:

QURAN XXII: 27

AND CALL UPON THE PEOPLE FOR HAJJ. THEY WILL COME TO YOU ON THEIR BARE FEET OR RIDING ANY WEAK CAMEL AND THEY COME TO YOU FROM EVERY FAR DESERT.



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YOU, SEARCH FOR AND FOLLOW THE SPIRIT OF ALLAH! ACCEPT HIS INVITATION; LEAVE YOUR HOME IN ORDER TO "SEE" HIM. HE IS WAITING FOR YOU!

HUMAN EXISTENCE IS FRIVOLOUS UNLESS ONE'S AIM IS TO APPROACH THE SPIRIT OF ALLAH. SEPARATE YOURSELF FROM ALL THOSE NEEDS AND GREEDS WHICH DISTRACT YOU FROM ALLAH. THEREFORE, JOIN THE ETERNAL HUMAN MIGRATION TO HAJJ.

BEFORE DEPARTING TO PERFORM HAJJ, ALL OF YOUR DEBTS SHOULD BE PAID. YOUR HATES AND ANGERS TOWARD RELATIVES OR FRIENDS MUST DISAPPEAR. A WILL MUST BE DRAWN. ALL OF THESE GESTURES ARE AN EXERCISE IN THE PREPARATION FOR DEATH (WHICH WILL OVERTAKE EVERYONE SOME DAY). THESE ACTS GUARANTEE YOUR PERSONAL AND FINANCIAL CLEARANCE. THE LAST MOMENTS OF FAREWELL AND THE FUTURE OF MAN ARE SYMBOLIZED.

NOW YOU ARE FREE TO JOIN ETERNITY. ON THE DAY OF RESURRECTION, WHEN "YOU CAN DO NOTHING" IN ALLAH'S COURT, WHERE "YOUR EYES, EARS, AND HEART ARE THE BEST WITNESSES OF WHAT YOU HAVE DONE,"

QURAN XVII: 36

YOU AND EVERY ORGAN OF YOUR BODY ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR YOUR DEEDS. WHILE YOU ARE IN THIS "HOUSE OF CORRECTION" GET READY FOR THE "HOUSE OF JUSTICE". EXERCISE DEATH BEFORE YOU DIE-GO TO HAJJ!

HAJJ REPRESENTS YOUR RETURN TO ALLAH, THE ABSOLUTE, WHO HAS NO LIMITATIONS AND NONE IS LIKE HIM. TO RETURN TO HIM SIGNIFIES A DEFINITE MOVEMENT TOWARD PERFECTION, GOODNESS, BEAUTY, POWER KNOWLEDGE, VALUE, AND FACTS. ON YOUR WAY TOWARD THE ETERNAL, YOU WILL NEVER APPROACH ALLAH. HE IS TO GUIDE YOU IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION AND NOT TO BE YOUR DESTINATION! ,,,,,, TO ALLAH WE BELONG AND TO HIM IS OUR RETURN

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FAMOUS QUOTES

- ❖ LIVE AS IF YOU WERE TO DIE TOMORROW AND LEARN AS IF YOU WERE TO LIVE FOREVER.
- ❖ PEOPLE WILL FORGET WHAT YOU SAID. PEOPLE WILL FORGET WHAT YOU DID BUT PEOPLE WILL NEVER FORGET HOW YOU MADE THEM FEEL
- ❖ GREAT WORKS ARE PERFORMED, NOT BY STRENGTH, BUT BY DETERMINATION
- ❖ DON'T WALK IN FRONT OF ME, I MAY NOT FOLLOW. DON'T WALK BEHIND ME, I MAY NOT LEAD JUST WALK BESIDE ME AND BE MY FRIEND

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یہ نظم آج سے پچاس سال قبل کے ایک حکیم صاحب نے کہی تھی

وہاں تک چاہیے پچنا دوا سے
تو کھا گاجر ، چنے ، شلغم زیادہ
اگر ضعف جگر ہے کھا پیپتا
مرتبہ آملہ کھا یا انناس
تو پی لے سونف یا ادراک کا پانی
تو فوراً دودھ گرما گرم پی لے
تو کر نمکین پانی کے غرارے
تو انگلی سے مسوڑھوں پر نمک مل
تو مصری کی ڈلی ملتان کی چوس
تو پی لے دودھ میں تھوڑی سی ہلدی
تو سرسوں کا تیل پھائے سے نچوڑے
تو دکھنی مرچ گھی کے ساتھ کھالے
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جو طاقت میں کمی ہوتی ہو محسوس
شفا چاہیے اگر کھانسی سے جلدی
اگر کانوں میں کچھ تکلیف ہووے
اگر آنکھوں میں پڑ جاتے ہوں جالے
تپ دق سے اگر چاہیے رہائی
دمہ میں یہ غذا بے شک ہے اچھی
اگر تجھ کو لگے جاڑے میں سردی
جو بد ہضمی میں تو چاہے افاقہ



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EID MILLAN OF MASA ON FRIDAY 16TH OCT. 2009 AT AL AMWAJ PARK, CORNISH, JEDDAH

In pictures, Dr. Iqbal Musani conducting the introductory program of MASA while President, Gen. Secretary, Special Guest and VP, are addressing the audience of Eid Millan.



Dr. Iqbal Musani – Conducting Program



Mr. Aftab Memon – President



Mr. Tayyab Moosani – Gen.Secretary

Mr. Yahya Pollani – Special Guest

Mr. Mansour Shivani – Vice President





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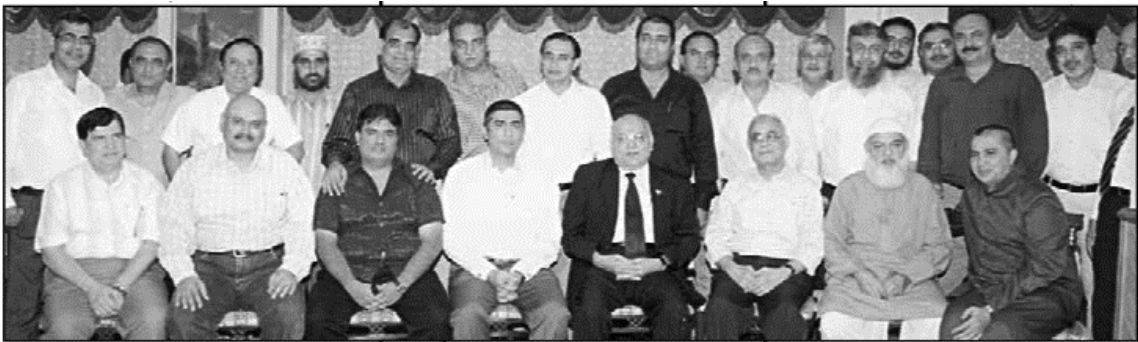
RECEPTION/DINNER HOSTED BY M/S YUNUS HABIB AND IQBAL ADVANI IN THE HONOR OF A PROMINENT FIGURE OF MEMON COMMUNITY MR. YAHYA POLLANI ON 19 OCT.2009. AT LA'SANI RESTAURANT GROUPS INCLUDE OFFICE BEARERS & MEMBERS OF MANAGING COMMITTEE OF MASA





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RECEPTION/DINNER IN THE HONOR OF MR. YAHYA POLLANI (GROUP PICS)



سعودی عرب میں مقیم پاکستانی میمن تاجر یونس حبیب، اقبال آدوانی کی جانب سے ایف پی سی سی آئی کی ایوی ایشن کمیٹی کے چیئرمین یحییٰ پولانی کے دورہ سعودی عرب کے موقع پر ان کے اعزاز میں عشاءِ دیدار کیا گیا اس موقع منصور شیوانی، طیب موسانی و دیگر کا گروپ (فر)

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Chief Patron Mr. Ashraf Tumbi



Patron Mr. Yaqoob Moosani



Mansoor Shivani – VP



Tayyab Moosani – Gen. Secretary



Aftab Memon - President



Nasir Ibrahim – Joint Secretary



Hanif Jangda - Treasurer