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Salam Shalom Conversations Iftar Dinner



Unity Is Strength

Tuesday, May 22nd, 2019 can be marked as a memorable day when WNYMuslims brought its' long-awaited dream to reality along with the help of the Jewish community of WNY to bring both communities together by hosting the first interfaith event of Salam Shalom Conversations (SSC). SSC was most recently inspired by the tragic events in New Zealand and the tragedy in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, when Muslims and Jews at prayer were targeted and murdered. There has been a longstanding wish of both Dr. Yonina Foster, Ph.D., Alliance for Jewish Renewal Seminary trained, Jewish Educator & Singer, and Prof. Faizan Haq, Founder, WNYMuslims, to develop new friendships and understanding by using cultural values as a bridge to bring the two communities closer. Prof.

She emphasized on getting together as cousins, under the roof of Salam Shalom Conversations and celebrate life affirming events. Prof. Faizan Haq, emphasized on developing new bonds and spread the awareness about the cultural values between the two communities, and pondered upon on strengthening interfaith relationship through social exchange and wants to use Salam Shalom Conversations as a networking channel. Several guests supported the cause and signed up as volunteers. He offered an open forum to share ideas, so that we can further expand the brainchild of Prof. Haq and Dr. Foster.

We highly appreciate the presence of Rabbi Alexander Lazarus-Klein, who kept his word and showed up, despite having prior obligations that speaks for

and wants to use Salam Shalom
Conversations as a platform to share
meaningful dialogue. For Dr. Yonina
this began in her Maryland court when
a friendship developed with a Turkish
Muslim family. SSC will offer peaceful,
balanced means, to bring unity and
understanding between the two faith
communities based on their traditions
and values.

Last Tuesday, people from different walks of life attended the SSC Iftar/Dinner to celebrate diversity, one of the core values of WNYMuslims. We are deeply touched by such an overwhelming response as the members of both communities expressed interest of some sort in assisting us in this consecrated work, by staying away from politics and sharing Torah, Quran, Psalms, prayer during our holy month of Ramadan. Dr. Yonina Foster, introduced herself as a strong believer of Muslim-Jewish unity. She referred to Genesis 25:8-9, when Ishmael and Isaac came together to bury their father.

Shalom, which enthralled the whole audience.

Dr. Yonina also entertained us with her mesmerizing voice through some Jewish/Hebrew melodies. While an 11-year old, Yusuf Siddiqui, recited a Nasheed, vocal melody about an Islamic belief, practice, etiquette, lesson etc. along with a comprehensive Dua, a supplication/prayer, in English followed by Iftar-- meal eaten by Muslims while ending their daylong fast -- and prayers.

We hope that the individuals, communities and organizations, who want to foster peace and understanding between our communities will join our caravan. We are Looking for partners to help create opportunities for friendship. Women and men are invited to assist and participate.

We highly appreciate the unprecedented response we got from our community, and we expect the same in future also as we are planning to form *Sslam Shapom Committee* very soon.



Please join us for a fun filled evening with your family and friends to bid farewell to Ramadan and to celebrate the night of the moon on:

Date:

Monday June 03, 2019

Venue:

711 Niagara Falls Blvd, Buffalo, NY 14226

Time:

9:30 PM

Please click here to by your tickets

We will have vendors for Halal food, Clothes, Jewelry, Henna Tattoos and many more.

For table reservations please call at 716-923-4386,

email at wnym@wnymuslims.org

Vendors please click here to pay for your table reservation @

Table: \$25 Food: \$35 Restaurants: \$50



Masjid An-Noor

745 Heim Road, Getzville NY 14068

<u>(716) 568-1013</u>

imamannoor@isnf.org

http://isnf.org/

PROGRAMS

<u>Fundraising for Masjid An-Noor Expansion</u>

Date: Saturday May 25th, 2019
Venue: Masjid An-Noor
Time: After Salat ul Isha

Ramadan Quran Hifz contest

Date: June 1st, 2019 (Saturday)
Venue: Masjid An-Noor

Time: 7 PM

For registration & further details please click here

Sohail Durrani (716) 650-1597

Ramadan Camp for Kids

(Boys & girls age 4 - 7 & Girls 8 - 11):

Featuring stories from the Quran, Duas and Reflections.

Art & Crafts. Islamic poems etc.

Date: May 11, 18, 25, & June 1st, 2019 (Every Saturday in Ramadan)

Venue: Masjid An-Noor, 745 Heim Road, Getzville, NY 14068

Time: 6 PM - 7:30 PM

Please contact (716) 986-2848 to register

Boys Ramadan Circle (Ages 7 and older):

Memorize Quran and learn basic figh with the Imam

Date: Every Tuesday & Thursday in Ramadan

Venue: Masjid An-Noor, 745 Heim Road, Getzville, NY 14068

Time: 6 PM - 7 PM

Please contact:

Musa Saeed at omusao@gmail.com

to register (\$10 for the entire month)

Quran Recitation and Dua e Magfirah for Marhomeen

Date: Saturday June1st, 2019

Venue: Masjid An-Noor,

745 Heim Road, Getzville, NY 14068

Eid ul Fitr 2019(1440 AH)

The Figh Council of North America (FCNA) has announced:

EID - UL - FITR 1440 AH:

Tuesday, June 4, 2019

FITRA

(\$7/person)

We encourage community to give their fitra as soon as possible so that we can distribute it to the needy in timely fashion.

PROJECTS

Weekend (Saturday & Sunday) Iftar

Hadya (the cost of Iftar):

Masjid An-Noor: is \$3,500 (approx. 400 attendees)

If you want to sponsor Iftar dinner please contact:

Project Ramadan - Iftar Food Baskets

Help feed Muslim families this Ramadan by sponsoring family

"Iftar Basket".

Make checks payable to:

"Project Noor"

and mail to: **161 Brentwood Road, Amherst, NY 14226**If you would like to volunteer for basket making please <u>e-mail</u> us. **Please click to Download the Ramadan 2019 Timetable**

Food & Clothes Drive for Refugees in Somalia - by Helping Hand for Relief & Development:

Collection Dates: May 20th (Monday) to May 25th (Saturday), 2019
Collection location: Masjid An-Noor,
745 Heim Road, Getzville, NY 14068
A truck/shipping container will be stationed to collect donations.

Volunteers are needed.

For more information see HHRD representatives or Call:

Br. Shonnan @ (315) 882-7577 or **Br. Arif @ (630) 935-8617**

Expansion Project:

Alhumdulilah, we have embarked on a Masjid expansion project consist of the following:

Prayer Area for Sisters	Parking Spaces	Expansion of the Main Prayer Area
Proper second-floor prayer area for Sisters (2100 sq. ft., about 2/3 rd area of the current masjid).	parking spaces are being	The main prayer-area is being increased from current 3000 sq. ft. (12 rows) to 5028 sq. ft (20 rows).

The site-plan was approved by the **Amherst Planning Department** in June 2018. We applied for the building permit in January 2019. The **Building permit is now available** to us once we sign contract with a builder. The lowest bid we have is **\$1.2** million for the building and **\$305,000** for the site work.

Insha Allah, we will start the construction after Ramadan 2019.

So far we have collected **\$640,000**. Please contribute generously to complete this project by mailing your donation checks payable to 'Islamic Society of Niagara Frontier' at the above address either monthly, quarterly or annually, please make sure to write "**For Masjid Expansion**" on the left bottom corner of your checks. **OR** you can setup an automatic payment plan from your checking account.

Support ISNF at No Extra Cost

Please go to <u>Amazon.com</u> and pick Islamic Society of Niagara Frontier as your charity organization.

The AmazonSmile Foundation will donate 0.5% of the purchase price from your eligible AmazonSmile purchases.

For more details please click here

ISNF Operation Fund

The Islamic Society needs \$750 daily to operate Masjid An-Noor & Masjid At-Taqwa. This goal can be achieved easily, if each member donates a minimum of \$2/day towards operation fund. We encourage the members to sign up for automatic deduction (ACH) in order to run the operation of the Islamic Society efficiently. At present we have 83 members who have signed up for ACH. Our goal is to increase the number of ACH-donors to at least 100 by the Ramadan of 2019.

Please download the automatic deduction form the embedded link and mail to ISNF.

You can also donate online by clicking on the embedded <u>link</u>: or use **MOHID Kiosk** in the masjid (outside the library).

Masjid Taqwa

🧣 <u>40 Parker Avenue, Buffalo NY 14214</u>

<u>(716) 568-1013</u>

imamattaqwa@isnf.org

http://isnf.org/

PROJECT

Weekend (Saturday & Sunday) Iftar

Hadya (The cost of Iftar):

Masjid At-Taqwa is \$1,000 (approx. 120 attendees)

If you want to sponsor Iftar dinner please contact:

Br. Raheemuddin @ (716) 688-8855.

You may write checks to ISNF (Please write Iftar in the Memo).

Please click on **Download** the Ramadan 2019 Timetable

Saturdays from 5 PM - 6 PM & Sundays from 12 PM - 1 PM



Jami Masjid

1955 Genesee Street Buffalo, NY 14211 (716) 279-0953



PROGRAMS

Asalamualaykum wa Rahmatullah! Following are the Jami Masjid announcements for this week:

Important Ramadan Schedule Additions!

Character of the Men

Starting in these middle ten days and continuing throughout Ramadan there will be a short lesson on the **Character of the Men** around the Messenger salAllahu alayhi wa salam - Ikhlaq of the Sahabahs radiaAllahu Anhum given by **Maulana Ahmad**. The talk will start 20 minutes before *Isha Salah* every day, which is now roughly around 10pm. We hope you will join us and benefit from the lives and beauty of the righteous. This will be in addition to the schedule currently in place of lessons and *adhkar* after *Asr* and *Fajr* and *Isha* mentioned below.

Light up the Night

Advance notice: A special schedule will also be in place during the last ten days to "Light up the Night". Please join us as we sprint to the finish line together inshaAllah.

Sunnah, Duas & Hadith Recitaion

Just before Fajr, we will recite the *sunnah duas* of protection, a litany of prayers recorded in *hadith* that provide physical and spiritual protection throughout the day, followed by a *sunnah* reflection.

beloved salAllanu alayni wa salam.

Detailed Book Reading with Commentary

We will also have one more, longer and detailed book reading in the daytime after Asr prayer with commentary - The grand *Shifa of Qadi Iyad*, a book delving deep into the life and ways of the Messenger of Allah sallAllahu alayhi wa salam.

Short Book Reading Followed by Live-Stream Talk

Following *Isha* and *Taraweeh* prayers, we will have another short book reading and then the live-stream talk by Shaykh Ibrahim.

Dhikr

Lastly, after the talk, we will end the night in D*hikr.* Allah is with those who remember Him!

Live-Streaming

We will live-stream all the main programs through the **MixIr App (username** *JamiPrograms)* for those who cannot attend.

We hope the community can join these special spiritual lessons that will inshaAllah aid us in connecting to Allah and His Rasul sallahuAllayhi wa salam in this blessed month.

<u>Please note</u>: Our monthly program calendar is on hold due to the Ramadan schedule. Majority of our regular classes and programs have ended and will begin after Ramadan, or, in the Fall. For any confusion about current info on classes you may be enrolled in, please contact the teachers directly.

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Welcoming Bees!

We would like to humbly welcome our bee family back to the Jami Community. We are honored to have been able to provide them with a temporary abode on our property. They will be settling in the back area for the next several months and we hope, you remain hospitable toward them. If you don't bother them, they won't bother you, Insha'Allah! These blessed families will pollinate and balance the ecosystem near Jami, help our fruit trees and vegetable garden blossom, and revive the fitra in our community. Bees are rare and beautiful creations have been given revelation in the Quran by Allah Ta'la and thus we pray that we are blessed by their presence. May Allah Ta'la make our new family a source of *khair* and harvest for all of us.

This Ramadan we are planning a rich schedule of worship at Jami Masjid, inshaAllah!

RAMADAN SPECIFIC

Calling for Zakah

We request an urgent zakat appeal. The goal we hope to accomplish in the blessed

1000 and lind other basic necessitates.

Contributions can be made through Paypal on the *Masjid* website, the Kiosk, or drop-off in the Zakah box. Checks can also be made out to the Muslim Society of Buffalo.

Please Click here to give towards the zakah appeal

We are taking contributions to help cover the cost of the following:

Items for People to Break Their Fast

We are taking contributions to help cover the cost of items for people to break their fasts such as dates, water, juice etc.

Please <u>Give</u> towards the items through the embedded link and specify the Paypal link "for Ramadan."

Meal Trian

Lastly, Jami Masjid will be providing *Iftar* and *Sahoo*r for the community during the last 12 days of Ramadan.

Please sign up for <u>IFTAR</u> and <u>SAHOOR</u> Mealtrain through the embedded links. Please read all the instructions on the pages before signing up. For any questions on the Mealtrain please contact us through email.

May this Ramadan it be full of acceptance, light, blessings, and spiritual growth for you and your loved ones.

Help Jami Masjid Build
Nu'ayman's
Corner

Our goal is to give our children an innovative and fun space for what they do best - play! Currently, Jami's playroom is stocked with old and damaged toys that are crying for an upgrade. The perfect time to renovate is now - as Ramadan is approaching and parents yearn to spend their time in the masjid. With the help of a specialized Knowledge Building Consultant and supporters like you, we aim to transform Nu'ayman's Corner to a place full of laughter, smiles and creativity. Our Beloved Prophet salAllahu alayhi wasalam had a place in his heart for everyone. And Jami aims to follow in that Sunnah by having a place for everyone in the Masjid.

Yes, I would like to donate!



Click here to give towards Nu'ayman's Corner - every little bit helps!



Masjid Al-Huda

• 154 Wilkesbarre Ave Lackawanna NY 14218 • (716) 825-9490

http://www.alhudamasjid.org/

PROGRAMS

Daily Readings

From Riyad Alsalaheen or Short Talk After *Fajr* **SCHEDULE**

Sunday:

Tahfeez Quran for Youth (Before Dhuhr Prayer)

Monday:

Lesson on Quran Recitation & Hifz (After Maghrib)

Tuesday:

Seerah Lesson (After Maghrib)

Wednesday:

Lessons from Sahih Muslim (After Maghrib)

Thursday:

Lesson on Quran Recitation & Hifz (After Maghrib)

Friday:

General Lesson (After Maghrib)

Saturday:

Figh Lesson on Family and Manners (After Maghrib)



Masjid Nu'man

1373 Fillmore Ave.Buffalo NY 14211

(716) 892 1332



https://www.masjidnuman.org

PROGRAMS

Putting the Neighborhood Back In the Hood

PTNBH started in 1996 as a community walk and has now expanded to a weekend of events geared towards celebrating the neighbors and community around Masjid Nu'Man. The concept was brought forth by W. Deen Mohammed after realizing many of our neighborhoods had lost the concept of a "good neighbor" and were now just known as the "hood".

Celebrating Muslims and non-Muslims alike, **PTNBH** has been recognized and awarded by the mayor and city of Buffalo for improving community relationships. Now over two decades strong, PTNBH has become a staple in the Fillmore district and continues to grow every year.

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PROGRAMS

Shahadat of Imam Ali (a.s) & A'maal Lylatul Qadr

Dates: From Saturday, May 25th to Sunday, May 27th

Time: 7:00 PM

Mulana Ali Raza Alvi Sahab

will give speeches followed by sponsored *Iftar*. We still need people to sponsor *Iftars*.

Daily Quran & Dua Recitation followed by Iftar

Qura'n and Dua recitation to be held daily, half hour before Salaat-ul-Maghribain followed by potluck Iftaar.

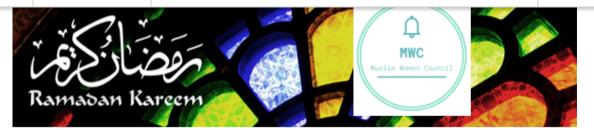
Friday Jamaat Prayers

Friday Jamaat Prayers will continue to be held at 1:30 PM.

Weekend Iftar in Ramadan

Potluck *Iftaar*/Dinner, every Friday, Saturday and Sunday during the Blessed Month of Ramadan.

Please click on **Download** the Ramadan 2019 Timetable



Muslim Women Council



E-BOARD INTERVIEWS!

Join our E - Board!

MWC is asking you to join the E-Board of 2019-2020. If you want to help plan out events for MSA sisters at UB then apply for a position, interviews will be held soon. We are looking for dedicated women who have the potential to make a difference.

Positions available:

Vice-President Secretary Treasurer Islamic Education Chair **Public Relations** Click here to apply



Buffalo Police Department



Buffalo Police Exam on June 29,2019 Registration deadline May 22, 2019 Exam Prep Workshops coming In April!

REGISTER FOR FREE POLICE OFFICER EXAM PREP CLASSES

Please visit:

BUFFALO.EDU/ECO OR CALL 716.645.1927

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS:









Boys Ramadan Circle Memorize Quran and learn basic fiqh with the Imam For ages 7 and up

Every Tuesday and Thursday in Ramadan

6.00 - 7.00 pm

ISNF Masjid Noor

\$10 to register for the entire month Contact: Musa Saeed: omusao@gmail.com for registration



ISNF presents

Annual Quran Competition

Saturday June 1st 2019 27th Day of Ramadan 7:00pm

Age Categories and Surahs* (Separate for boys and girls)

9 and under:

Any surah from 1st half of 30th Juz 10 and above:

Surah Al-Waqi'ah or Surah Al-Mulk

Prizes for top 2 in each category

Registration and further details on isng.org/quran-hifz-competition

*Must be memorized newly this Ramadan





Clothes Drive

for Refugees in Somalia

Collecting the following items:

Rice, Flour, Sugar, Lentil, Pinto Bean, Cooking Oil, Tea, Spaghetti and Pasta.

(you purchase we will pick up).
Please call for assistance.
Money can be donated to purchase
the food or to cover the shipping cost.



| ISNF Masjid An-Noor

Amherst 745 Heim Rd, Getzville NY 14068

A 40 ft Shipping Container will be Dropped off on Thursday May 23rd until Sunday May 26th

for Packing and Loading at ISNF Masjid An-Noor, 745 Heim Rd, Getzsville NY 14068 ONLY

Jami Masjid Buffalo

1955 Genesee St, Buffalo, NY 14211

* VOLUNTEERS ARE HIGHLY NEEDED FOR PACKING AND LOADING.



Food can be purchased from Sam's Club and Restaurant Depot or your local grocery stores.

Collection Dates:

From Monday May 20th, to Saturday May 25th ONLY

- * NO DONATION WILL BE ACCEPTED BEFORE OR AFTER THESE DATES.
- * PALLETS CAN BE DONATED

Collection Time:

Monday-Thursday 7:00 PM to 11:00 PM, Friday and Saturday 12 noon to 11:00 PM.

There will be a U Haul Truck stationed during collection days.

Contacts: Br. Hasham@585.369.4425, or Br. Shonnan@315.882.7577, OR Br. Arif@630.935.8617



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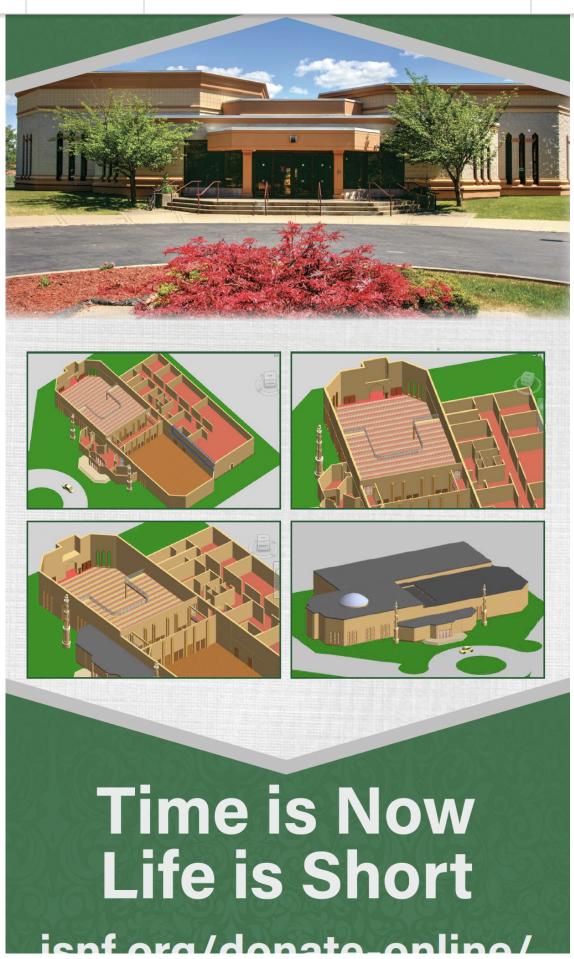


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Masjid Expansion

ic vital for our community



Islamic Society of Niagara Frontier

MASJID EXPANSION PROJECT

Two-Year Pledge (May 2019- May 2021)
I pledge to donate for:

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(choose one or more by crossing the box next to them))
A prayer-space on the 1st new row of the Masjid	\$5,000/year (\$417/month)
A prayer-space on the 2 nd -5 th new rows of the Masjid	\$2500/year (\$208/month)
A prayer-space on the 6 th -8 th new rows of the Masjid	\$1200/year (\$100/month)
Other elements of Masjid Expansion (bricks,	\$ (/month)
roof etc.)	(Write your own amount)
Name:	
Address:	
Phone:	
Email:	
Signature:	Date:

Your donation to ISNF is tax deductible.



Don't miss out!! Join us to have an unforgettable Ramadan!

Sign up NOW. Seats are limited

\$20|child for all 4 classes

Featuring.

Stories from the Quran
Duas and reflections
Art & Crafts
Islamic poems and songs
Lots of fun-filled activities

Ages 4-7 years

Boys & Girls (No kids under 4 allowed)

Ages 8-11

Girls ONLY

(Special program)

Program every Saturday in Ramadan from 6pm to 7:30pm at Masjid Noor ISNF 745 Heim Road Getzville NY 14068

Registration required | Contact 716 9862848 | We Accept Cash only





Project Ramadan- Iftaar Food Baskets sponsored PROUDLY by Project Noor of Buffalo

How you can help?

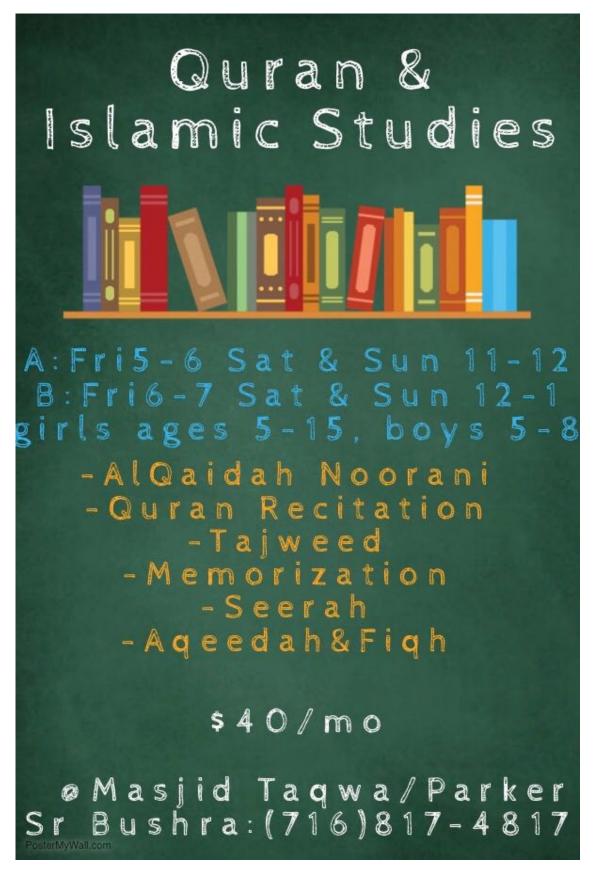
Help feed Muslim families this Ramadan by sponsoring family "Iftaar Basket." We will prepare and deliver a basket full of essential ingredients to prepare meals for a fasting family of 4-5 members for one month.

How to Donate:

Tax Deduction. 100% Donated
Make Checks Payable to
"Project Noor" in the memo
"Project Ramadan Buffalo"
Mail to 161 Brantwood Rd
Amherst, NY 14226

Would you like to volunteer for basket making?
Email us at syedloc@yahoo.com or call (716) 445.7028

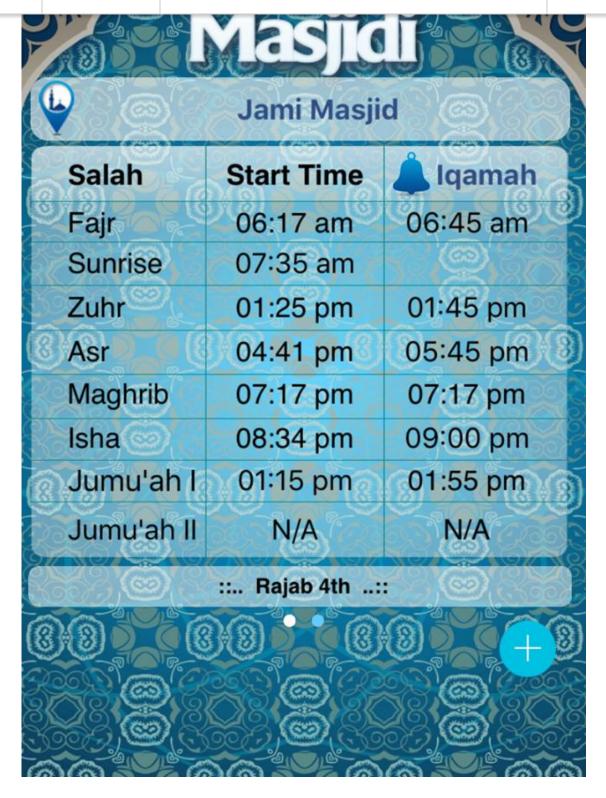


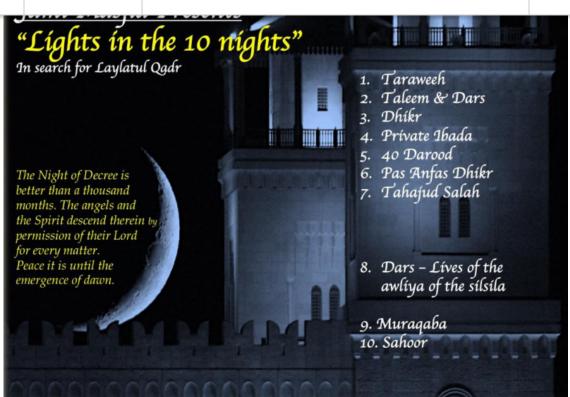




<u>Jami Masjid</u>

New Prayer Times & Masjidi App





TO BUILD THEIR HIVES IN THE MOUNTAINS, IN THE TREES AND IN ANYTHING WHICH MEN MAY BUILD,

AND FEED ON EVERY KIND

FROM ITS BELLY COMES FORTH A SYRUP OF DIFFERENT COLORS, WHICH CONTAINS A HEALING FOR MANKIND. CERTAINLY IN THIS THERE IS A SIGN FOR THOSE WHO THINK.
-SURAH16, 68 & 69



— Prophet Muhammad —

The Messenger of Allah said: BY THE ONE IN WHOSE HAND IS THE SOUL

OF MUHAMMAD, THE BELIEVER IS LIKE

A BEE WHICH EATS THAT WHICH

IS PURE AND WHOLESOME AND LAYS THAT WHICH

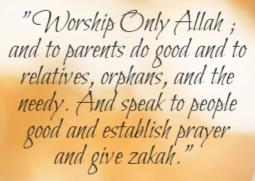
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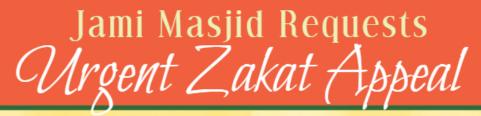
OR RUIN IT"

— Ahmad —





SURAH BAQARAH I VERSE 83



THE GOAL WE HOPE TO ACCOMPLISH

In the blessed month of Ramadan, we would like to raise \$30,000 for eligible Zakah recipients within the Buffalo Community. Zakah will help families pay rent, acquire food and fund other basic necessities

HOW YOU CAN HELP

Contributions can be made through PayPal on the Masjid website, the Kiosks, or drop-off in the Zakah box. Checks can also be made out to the Muslim Society of Buffalo



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cash, check or paypal to jamiprograms@gmail.com

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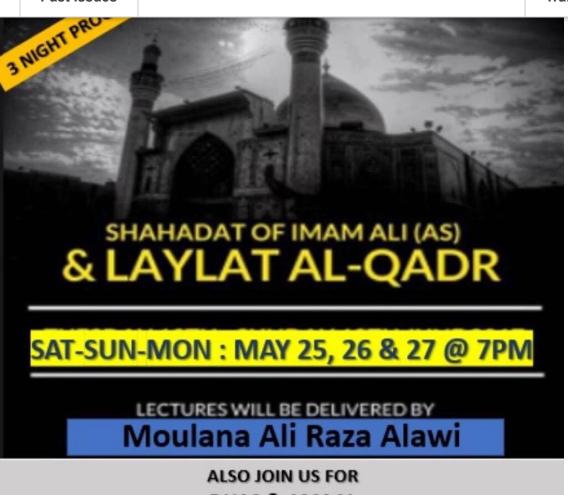




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time in the Masjid

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