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## A Celebration of Unity, Health, and Heritage

**BUFFALO, NY – Sunday, August 17, 2025** – Despite cloudy skies and a sudden downpour just an hour before the event, Island Park in Williamsville once again came alive with vibrant colors, energy, and a strong sense of community for the WNY Health Fair & Pakistan Independence Day - 2025 celebration.

Thanks to the dedication and enthusiasm of the WNYMuslims team, the rain could not dampen the spirit of the day. The program began on time, with Farina Mirza, Executive Director of WNYMuslims, officially opening the event. A

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Following the recitation, Prof. Faizan Haq, Founding President of WNYMuslims, addressed the audience, describing the event as a celebration of immigrants' contributions to the United States. He then welcomed Dr. Riffat Sadiq, CEO of WNYMedical and WNYCHC, co-sponsors of the event, highlighting the collaborative partnerships that made the day possible.

One of the pivotal moments of the program was the recognition of esteemed community leaders and our dedicated volunteers whose service and leadership continue to strengthen Western New York. Their acknowledgment underscored the commitment to fostering inclusivity and progress within the community.

Beyond speeches and recognitions, the event embraced cultural richness and diversity. Attendees explored a lively marketplace featuring indigenous cuisine, ethnic attire, traditional jewelry, henna artistry, and wellness-focused vendors. The health fair component promoted awareness and resources for healthier living, while the cultural stalls added vibrancy and connection.

The program reached its crescendo with a captivating musical performance by Pakistani singer Mujeeb Mustafa, whose soulful melodies transcended borders and united hearts, exemplifying the universal power of music.

Reflecting on the day's success, WNYMuslims expresses deep gratitude to the Village of Williamsville, Erie County, and the State of New York for their unwavering support, which made the fifth consecutive event at Island Park possible.

The WNY Health Fair & Pakistan Independence Day 2025 was more than just an event—it was a testament to the resilience, unity, and diversity of the community. It served as a reminder that when people come together with shared purpose, they create lasting bonds and meaningful change.

As the echoes of celebration fade, the legacy of this event will continue to inspire, reminding all who attended that together, communities can thrive, overcome challenges, and celebrate their shared heritage with pride.

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The second month of the lunar Islamic calendar

## Safar: Dispelling Myths and Embracing Reflection

The Islamic month of Safar, the second in the Hijri calendar, often goes unnoticed between the sacred months of Muharram and Rabi' al-Awwal. Though it lacks distinct rituals, it holds significance and is often misunderstood.

Historically, pre-Islamic Arabs viewed Safar as a month of bad luck, a belief that lingered over time. However, Islam clearly rejects such superstitions. The Prophet Muhammad (SAW) said: *"There is no 'Safar' (i.e., no superstitious belief in the month of Safar)."* (Bukhari & Muslim)

This hadith reminds us that no month brings harm or benefit on its own, only Allah (SSAW)T) controls all affairs.

Notably, several key events occurred in *Safar*:

- The Prophet (SAW) became seriously ill in this month before his passing.
- The Battle of Khaybar, a major moment in Islamic history, was fought during Safar in the 7th year of Hijrah.

These moments highlight that *Safar* is not a time of misfortune but of significance and action.

*Safar* invites us to:

- Reject harmful cultural superstitions.
- Reaffirm our trust in Allah.
- Engage in good deeds like charity, fasting, and nurturing family ties.

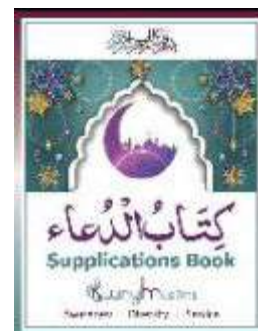
Let us approach each Islamic month with purpose and understanding. WNYMuslims encourages our community to deepen their knowledge of the Hijri calendar and reflect on its timeless guidance.

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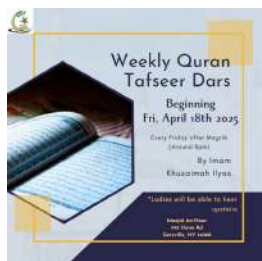
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### Jumu'ah Salat

First Salat @ 1:35 PM

Second Salat @ 2:35 PM

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## Jami Masjid



716-300-5040



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**Jumu'ah Salat**

1st- 12:50 PM & 2nd- 1:50 PM

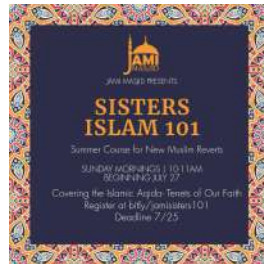
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### A Jami Youth Retreat

Friday August 29<sup>th</sup> – Sunday August 31<sup>st</sup>



### Sisters Islam 101

Beginning July 27, 2025



### Fitness & Self-Defense Class for Sisters

Every Sunday



### Kids Summer Camp

Monday-Friday



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### Summer Ghazali Book Club

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Every Monday



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**Duaa-e-Kumayl Program**

Every Thursday

**Majlis-e-Azaa Program**

August 23, 2025



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