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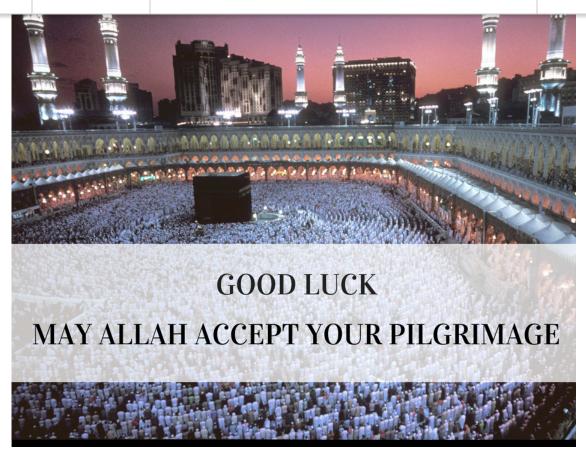






#### Hajj Pilgrims are on their way

Pilgrims have begun their journey across the globe to the Holy land of Makkah, to perform Hajj. WNYMuslims wishes them all the very best of luck, may they have a beautiful, complete spiritual experience.



## **Upcoming Events:**

#### **Eid Carnival:**

WNYMuslims invites you to come and celebrate Eid-ul-Adha Festival. We hold this event every year to give those that are less fortunate a carnival and to bring the community together, Muslim and non-Muslim.

With over 500 attendees, we have never seen a larger sea of smiles and laughter.

You can enjoy the following activities for FREE;

Games (for all)

**Bounce Houses** 

Halal Hot dogs (for all) (Drinks will be available for a small charge)

Ice-Cream (free for children)

We are looking for Volunteers. This is a great opportunity to earn community service hours, to have fun, play games, be part of a team of energetic and enthusiastic individuals.

If interested, kindly contact us on the following email addresss:

khawlaq@wnymuslims.org





Sunday, August 26



Martin Luther King, Jr. Park Buffalo, NY 14211

## 12 PM: Free Admission

Free Bounce Houses, Halal Hot Dogs, Ice Cream for Kids, and more!







#### What is Eid?

Muslims celebrate Eid twice a year, Eid-ul-Fitr and Eid-ul-Adha.

To Read more about Eid, Click here

#### **Dhul Hijjah**

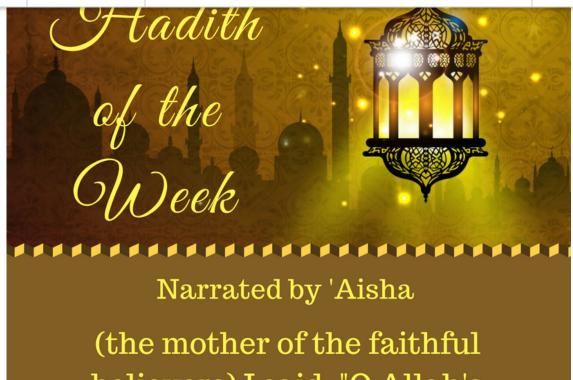
Every year millions of Muslims make their way towards Makkah, to perform Hajj. The pilgrimage is made up of actions that were perfomed by the Prophet Muhammad (S.A.W) and these actions symbolize the trials of Prophet Abraham. This Pilgrimage occurs in the last month of the Hijri calendar known as 'Dhul Hijjah'

Islam is comprised of five basic pillars, and Hajj is the fifth and final pillar of Islam, but it is only a requirement for those who can, are able to afford it and are physically strong enough to complete the pilgrimage.

Muslims perform Hajj with the aim to cleanse their souls and revive their relationship with Allah. It is meant to strengthen the bond among Muslims, as pilgrims come from all across the globe to perfom Hajj.

To read more on Hajj please click here.

#### **Hadith of the Week:**



(the mother of the faithful believers) I said, "O Allah's Apostle! We consider Jihad as the best deed." The Prophet said, "The best Jihad (for women) is Hajj Mabrur." (Source: Sahih Bukhari; Volume 2, Book 26, Number 595)

**Community Announcements:** 

# COMMUNITY POLICE AWARENESS EVENT

\*Buffalo Police Explorers along with Forseti Protection Group, invite members of the community to meet and chat with Officers.

Come learn more about law enforcement, safety and community awareness.

August 25, 2018 10 a.m.—12 p.m.

ISNF Masjid An-Noor 745 Heim Road, Getzville, NY 14068



Jami's Summer Programs:







**Heim Bike Club:** 

#### Open ages 12 and up\*

Starting early April (weather dependent)



## **HEIM BIKE CLUB**

For registration email bikewny@gmail.com

Saturday rides at 10:00am Thursday rides at 6:30pm

Meet at N. Forest Pathways, N. Forest and Maple Roads. Parking available. Routes will vary.

All riders must wear a helmet. Must have a dependable bike. All children must be accompanied by a parent or guardian

#### Rahama:



## **RAHAMA NEWS**



Volume 1 — July 7, 2018

#### MARK YOUR CALENDERS

<u>September 22, 2018</u> — RAHAMA Fundraising Banquet @ the Marriott Hotel ı una wanua

#### **RAHAMA Housing**

In November 2017, RAHAMA purchased a building that will serve as the site for its transitional housing shelter for women and children affected by domestic violence. The purchase price for the building was \$125K. Our first payment of \$60K was paid at closing; our second installment of \$32K was paid in May 2018 and our final payment will be paid in November 2018. After renovations, the 6,300 sq ft. building will be able to house up to 16 women and children. Permits have been submitted to Buffalo City Hall for approval prior to the start of renovations and we hope to be able to house clients by the beginning of 2019.

#### Ramadan LaunchGood Campaign Raises \$18K

We would like to express our gratitude for all of our supporters that donated and helped to make our fundraiser a success. Funds will be used for the final payment of 32K due in November 2018. The



community will then own the transitional housing shelter without having incurred debt. We could not have accomplished this without your help!

## Catholic Health Reapproves its 2018-2019 Community Benefit Grant for RAHAMA.

In September 2017 RAHAMA hired a part-time case manager through funding provided by Catholic Health's Community Benefit grant. This grant which was just reapproved in July 2018 has allowed us to provide support for the health needs for our clients. Many of the women that we work with have language barriers that make it a challenge for our clients to navigate health and social services. Our case manager works with our clients to link them to resources in the community. Safety planning, accessing food stamps and cash assistance, arranging for medical appointments and medical transportation, goal setting are all offered by our case management is by appointment only. Contact 777-3486.

في أيلول (سبتمبر) الماضي ، عينت منظمة رحمه مديرإداري بدوام جزئي. واجبات المدير إلاداري تشمل اعداد والحفاظ على سجلات المستفيدين بما في ذلك التاريخ الاجتماعي وغيرها من المعلومات المهمة , المساعدة في تحديد الضروريات والاحتياجات الأساسية و من ثم المساعدة في ايجاد الموارد الاجتماعية .التثقيف حول العنف المنزلي . مساعدة المستفيدات من تحديد الأهداف و العمل على وصول هذه الاهداف , الدعم المعنوي والنفسي المناسب للسيدات من خلال الاجتماع معن شخصياً وغيرها من الخدمات الضرورية وصول هذه الاهداف , الدعم المعنوي المناسب المناسب المناسب المناسب المدين المناسب المرورية عند الرجاء الاتصال بنا على الرقم التالي ٢١٤٨-٧٧٧ من الحاجة اذا لديكم اي استفسار الرجاء الاتصال بنا على الرقم التالي ٢١٤٨-٧٧٧



(vegetable and herb garden planted by ou Women's Support group)

#### Women's Bilingual Support Group — English & Arabic

RAHAMA's confidential support group has been operating for almost 2 years and has served women from over 9 different countries. We feature yoga and provide a safe environment where women can heal and support each other. Limited transportation provided. For more information contact: 777-3468.

"We are each links in a chain that makes the other stronger."



## RAHAMA's Fundraising Banquet September 22, 2018— Marriott Hotel Guest Speaker — Shaykh Yassir Fazaga

Shk. Yassir Fazaga is an inspiring, multi-lingual speaker soughtafter from USA through Canada to the Middle and Far East. He has a Bachelors Degree in Islamic Studies from the Institute of Islamic and Arabic Sciences in Virginia: and received a Masters RAHAMA

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Support Domestic Violence Survivors | RAHAMA Transitional
Housing Shelter

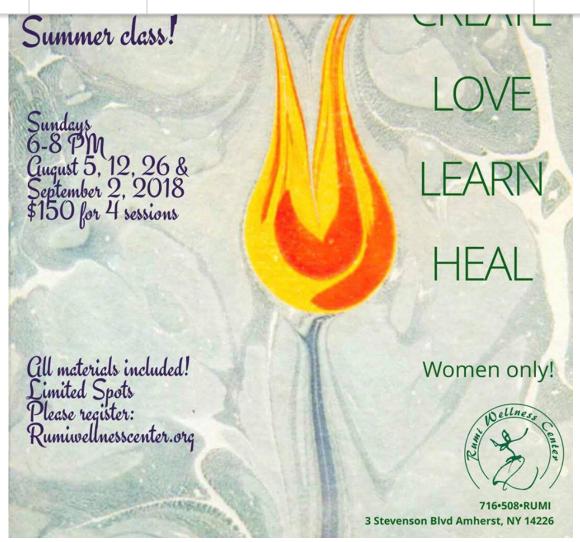
#### Click here to donate to Rahama Transitional Home

RAHAMA is proud to share the news that we have purchased a building that will house our transitional housing shelter. We would like to share our plans and update you on the work that we have been doing with the women and children that we serve that are victims of family violence.

We hope you will join us for this important meeting. Come see what we are doing and how you can get involved. We look forward to seeing you at this important event.

Best Wishes to you for the New Year! RAHAMA Board

#### **Rumi Wellness Center:**



## **Other Community Announcements:**

#### **WNY Peace Org:**

#### Justice & Opportunity, Open Buffalo

Date: August 16

Time: 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm

Come out to help work on justice & opportunity issues, including especially criminal justice issues. At the Rafi Greene CAO Masten Resource Center, 1423 Fillmore Ave, Buffalo. Socializing at 5:30, meeting starts at 6pm

#### **Buffalo Transit Riders United**

Date: August 18

Time: 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm

Accessible by Routes 5, 22, and 40

Together we have the power to make real change now!

#### **The Radical King Book Club Meeting**

Date: August 22

Time: 12:00 am

At WNY Peace Center/NRC Bldg, 1272 Delaware Ave (entrance & pkg round back of bldg)

Join The Radical King Book Club Meeting to discuss the book The Radical King by Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. (Author), Cornel West (Editor)

"The radical King was a democratic socialist who sided with poor and working people in the class struggle taking place in capitalist societies," said Cornel West.

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