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News and Events

The World Federation News

The Madinah al-Ilm and Bab al-Ilm Youth Summer Courses Report 2012

The Madinah al-Ilm and Bab al-Ilm Youth Summer Courses are a regular feature on The World Federation calendar; youths from around the globe gather together in the Islamic Republic of Iran for three weeks of education, appreciation of culture, spirituality, and recreation. The aim of the Course is to serve as a post-Madrasah education initiative; integrating academic Islamic scholarship with an experience of the cultural relevance of Islam in the modern age. It is packaged along with a sense of enhanced self-knowledge and understanding leading to higher levels of spirituality; as an end result it inspires the participants to a greater service to humanity and their communities back home.

Madinah and Bab Course 2012: the experiences of a mentor

As part of its excellent Madinah and Bab Short Courses for youths that run every summer, The World Federation recruits and trains a number of mentors that accompany the participants in their once-in-a-lifetime journeys on the Course. The mentors support the development of participants, and join the organising team to ensure the Course remains at its high standards.

WF Qum Office Commemorates 12 Nights of Muharram at Dar al Zahra (sa)

Similar to previous years, with the grace of Allah this year also, resident students and visitors commemorated and participated in the Azadari programme organised by The World Federation Qum Office in collaboration with Dar al-Zahra (sa).

The World Federation of KSIMC organises an Eye Camp held on the 9th and 10th of November 2012 in Al-Hadi Complex, Bhakkar and saw 370 Patients and performed 78 cataract surgeries

The Eye camp was held in Bhakkar which is the principal city of Bhakkar District, Punjab, Pakistan. It lies on the left bank of the Indus River. It has a population of almost 300,000. The medical camp to place in the Al-Hadi complex.

Free University Guidance in East Africa – Uniserv

Things are now getting much harder for students these days. While going to university for your parent's generation might have been an exception to the rule, more and more people are expected to apply for entry-level jobs with at least a bachelor's degree. In the 21st Century, there is a worldwide recognition of the value of education in the competitive world. It trains a student to cope with the challenges of the professional world, especially with the global shift to more international areas and methods of business.

WF Qum Office holds Azadari programme in Gujarati on 10th day after Ashura

The World Federation's Qum Office gathered at Dar al-Zahra (sa) to commemorate the 'dasmu' majlis. The speaker was Shaykh Kumail Rajani, Manager of The World Federation's Qum Office, who delivered an eloquent speech in Gujarati.

Chehlum Reciters 1434

Various speakers are scheduled to speak to commemorate chehlum at Islamic Centers across the world. The reciters invited to speak across the regions are as follows.

Europe

Mourning Procession Ashura 1434 – Peterborough, UK

With the grace of Allah (SWT), Hundreds of Muslims from various Shia communities turned out to march on the streets of Peterborough on the 10th of Muharram (Ashura Day 25.11.2012) to show solidarity to Imam Hussain (AS), the grandson of the Holy Prophet Mohammed (S) and to remember the day that saw Imam and his family killed on the plains of Kerbala, Iraq, a day that means everything to the lovers of justice, peace and humanity.

UN Childrens Peace Prayer Day at the Peterborough Cathedral – Peterborough, UK

Peterborough Inter Faith Council held their annual children's day service in Peterborough Cathedral on Friday 23rd November when approximately 350 people of all Faiths joined in a peace prayer led by 6 local schools who performed readings/hymns/prayers from each of the main Faith Groups. Children from Peterborough Husaini Islamic Centre presented a wonderful recital on "ALLAH Knows

Africa

Highlights of The Africa Federation visit to Mombasa Kenya

At the invitation of the KSI Jamaat of Mombasa, the Chairman of the Federation of the Khoja Shia Ithna-Asheri Jamaats of Africa, Alhaj Anwarali Dharamsi, accompanied by the Vice Chairman, Shabir Najafi, the Hon. Secretary, Aunali Khalfan, the Hon. Treasurer, Mohamed Hemani, AFED Kenyan Trustee, Sultan Molu, AFED Nominated Councillors

from Kenya, Amir Merali, Gulamabbas Khaku and Nishathusein Karim attended the historical Ground Breaking Ceremony of the Jaffery Complex Project in Mombasa.

AFED Chairman meets BMMK and AFED Councillors in Mombasa

The Chairman of the Federation of the Khoja Shia Ithna-Asheri Jamaats of Africa, Alhaj Anwarali Dharamsi accompanied by the Vice Chairman, Shabir Najafi, the Hon. Secretary, Aunali Khalfan and the Hon. Treasurer, Mohamed Hemani met with the Bilal Muslim Mission of Kenya Chairman, Alhaj Abbas Nasser and the Managing Committee and Trustees of BMMK on Saturday, 29th September in Mombasa during the visit to Mombasa from 28th to 29th September 2012.

The Sabrina Virji Alibhai Higher Education Loan Scheme

The Sabrina Virji Alibhai Higher Education Loan Scheme is designed for female students aiming to pursue a Postgraduate Degree. This Loan Scheme is in the memory of Sabrina-Virji Alibhai of Toronto, Canada who passed away in a tragic accident in July 2011, and was buried on her 16th Birthday.

EBS Newsflash: Our community students in Manipal & Malaysia commemorate Mahe Muharran 1434 A.H.

Community students studying in Manipal commemorated the 12 days of Mahe Muharram at the newly opened Masumeen Islamic Centre. Mulla Mohammed Rawji from Dar es Salaam once again visited Manipal to deliver lectures to our students during the 12 days of Aza-e-Seyyid'ush Shuhadah.

Hawzatul Bilal at Temeke in Dar es salaam Graduation Ceremony

Hawzatul Bilal marked its second graduation this year, 8 out of 13 students who graduated, and were admitted to Hawzatul Qaim, Tanga, to pursue further religious studies.

ABSN Newsbox November 2012

The AhlulBayt(as) Sisters Network is a self-help awareness and support group to empower women in the social, cultural and educational field and at the same time providing spiritual nourishment.

North America

Helpers of Husayn Campaign Results

This year, **370 pints of blood** have been collected in North America. As each pint of blood can save the lives of up to 3 people, this means that our community has collectively saved over 1,100 lives.

Annual Interfaith Gathering – Allentown, USA

On 1 December 2012, a diverse faith community came together for an annual gathering commemorating Muharram at the Al Ahad Islamic Center in Allentown, PA. The Al Ahad Islamic Center hosted this interfaith gathering centered on the universal themes of “**submission and sacrifice**” and aimed at promulgating an awareness of the sacrifice by Imam Husayn (as) beyond the walls of the Islamic Center and helping to clarify misunderstandings that are caused by media hostility towards Islam.

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