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In the name of Allah, the Most Kind, the Most Merciful

News and Events

The World Federation News

A Survey on the Alternatives to our Current Higher Education Systems

Education under The World Federation of KSIMC is currently working on a strategic paper on the alternatives to current higher education centres across the world. The paper's aim will be to find new locations (Countries and Universities) where our community members could attend in the future with high quality education and with lower tuition fees.

Attack on Shia Congregation - Lucknow, India

Violence broke out near an Imambarah in Wazirganj Lucknow, India after a religious congregation at a Shia mosque was attacked. Over 45 rounds of fire were used in this attack, injuring over a dozen people and claiming the life of a young Shia man, Shanu. Since the attack, the police have made 3 arrests in connection with this tragic incident.

Scholarship Opportunities Available

Education does not only benefit those who have the opportunity to study, but also those who are benefited by their knowledge. One of the key aims of The World Federation Education Board is to make knowledge widely available to their community members.

BMMK – Continuous Professional Development (CPD) Seminar for the Imams of the Centres

For the third consecutive year, the Mission in collaboration with The World Federation of KSIMC and Federation of KSI Jamaats of Africa had organized a ten day workshop for muballigheen and muballighat in an effort to create a platform of learning and sharing of knowledge and experiences.

MCE Update – December 2013 Issue 6

This is the 6th issue of the MCE mailshot. MCE would like to actively engage with people who are either involved with or interested in madrasah education.

Madinah and Bab short summer courses 2013 – Applications now open for students and mentors

Following months of preparation and coordination, The World Federation, in partnership with The Africa Federation (AFED), The Council of European Jamaats (CoEJ), and the North American Shia Ithna-Asheri Muslim Communities Organisation (NASIMCO) is pleased to announce the launch of the renowned Madinah al-Ilm and Bab al-Ilm Youth Summer Courses in Iran. The short courses in Iran are life changing and have been described by many as one that they will never forget.

Europe

Procession on the Anniversary of Imam Husayn's (as) martyrdom at the Zainabiya Islamic Centre, Milton Keynes, UK

Members of the Zainabiya Islamic Centre of Milton Keynes held a peaceful procession on Thursday 3rd January 2013 to commemorate the event of Arbaeen and spread the message of Imam Husayn (as) to neighbours and the wider

community. Representatives from the Thames Valley Police and local press also joined the procession. The event was uploaded onto You Tube to propagate the message of Imam Husayn (as) to a wider audience.

North America

Annual NASIMCO Conference 2013

The next Annual NASIMCO Conference will be held in Los Angeles on May 4th, 2013 and will be hosted by the Shia Ithnasheri Islamic Jamaat of Los Angeles. The 2013 theme will be: Strengthening Families, Building Community.

New Publication: The Core of the Qur'an

The merits of reciting Surah Yasin are manifold, the greatest being the spiritual awakening it brings about in the mind of a person who recites it regularly while understanding its verses. The Core (The Soul) of the Qur'an by Ma'alim Muhammedhusein Kermali provides a simple yet fascinating commentary that enlightens readers and enables them to merit from the surah.

Community News: The Glass Swan – Toronto

A 12-year old girl from ISIJ of Toronto has written a book entitled *The Glass Swan*. Zainab Rashid, like many others before her, had a fight with her mum about attending a party. However, unlike many others, she channelled her emotions into creativity and produced a novel.

Community News - ISIAJ-KW, Ontario

During the month of Muharram, the Islamic Shia Ithna-Asheri Jamaat of Kitchener-Waterloo arranged a number of programs in addition to the evening lectures. One such program was a children's majlis for girls. The girls organized the program and recited marshiyas, nohas and du'a. They even had their own lecture, recited by an 8 year old Madressah student.

SIJNY Ladies Seminar – New York, USA

On December 29th and 30th 2012, Al-Husseini Madressa Center in New York (SIJNY) hosted a ladies' seminar. The theme of the seminar was "Embarking On Our Spiritual Journey." And was conducted by Sister Masuma Jaffer of London.

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