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NEWS BULLETIN

MAKE DUA'E MAKFIRAT

- Brother Raheed Yusuf's Aunt passed away in Pakistan, Innaa Lillahi Wa Innaa Ilaihi Rajioon. Please make dua that Allah Almighty grants her Jannah, Aameen.

DARS-E-QURAN EVERY FRIDAY AFTER SALATUL MAGHRIB BY MAULAN SHARFUDDIN DB

- Please note that the Friday Dars-e-Quran will now be after Salatul Maghrib. Please join along with your friends.

May Monthly Program at Islamic Center of Harrison

Imam Jawad Ahmed delivered a very vital bayan regarding muslim parent-children relationship in western society during the May monthly program. At the core of family values are the relationships such as the ones between a husband and a wife and the relationships between parents and their children. In society today we see that both parties are lacking in fulfilling their duties and obligations. Children have not respect and patience of their parents while parents are negligent towards the Islamic upbringing of their children. Parenthood has a very high status in Islam. Allah (SWT) has told us to please and gratify our parents in every way possible; this pleasing and gratification of our parents will in turn please and gratify Allah (SWT). In a similar way, the best money spent after in the way of Allah (SWT) and his beloved Rasool (SAW) is the money one spends on his/her parents. Today we often see children questioning their parents, even saying "oof" to parents is forbidden in Islam. The word "oof" is an Arabic word which has been ordained by Allah (SWT) as the most menial expression not to be used towards parents. Therefore, the expression of "oof" is prohibited to use towards parents. "In other words Quran is a couple of steps ahead and prohibits us to not even think about cursing parents. Even Sahabah (RAW) asked this to Prophet (SAW) and in response Prophet (SAW) replied that make sure you do not curse others parent, if you do then in retaliation or revenge they will curse your parents and it is as if you have cursed your own parents. According to another famous hadith, a person is deprived who finds one or both parents in old age and does not utilize this opportunity to attain forgiveness from Allah (SWT) for his/her sins. If we think about it this is a great blessing from Allah (SWT) which has been provided conveniently in most people's lives where they find their parents in old age, it is a golden opportunity to attain Jannah! Parents are "Rehmah" or a shade over us as they are always making dua for us despite our attitude towards them. Today it is very common in our youth that they desire for freedom and liberation where they want to move away from their parents by picking a college far from home or a job in other state, etc. They fail to realize that their parents are a source of constant rehmah, and could be their salvation in the hereafter. Quran tells us to be close to our parents so that we can seek our forgiveness through them and at the same time be a constant support of our parents as they were to us in our childhood. The rebellion and lack of respect that we see in today's youth can be partly attributed to parents' negligence in the first place. If we do not train our kids according to Islamic teachings then we will be losers when they go astray when they grow up, and most importantly we will lose on the opportunity of raising a pious child who would pray for our forgiveness after we pass away. Hazrat said it is not easy to raise children in an American Society but parents' have to start early and try to train their children according to Islamic teachings from an early age. Try to send your children to an Islamic institution from an early age, however, if you cannot afford to then at least keep them attached to a Masjid or an Islamic institution through a weekend school or other training programs. This way they will at least be able to distinguish between right and wrong. May Allah give us the strength and means to protect our children in this society and raise them according to Islamic teachings (ameen). We have to be an example to our kids, we cannot teach them to pray salah and not pray ourselves, we cannot teach them to talk respectfully while slandering our elders in front of them, etc. In a similar way, it is a man's responsibility to protect the women of the family including his wife and daughter by way of teaching, convincing and enforcing them to observe proper hijab when they go out. Ultimately, it is a man's responsibility that the members of his family behave accordingly to Islam. May Allah (SWT) protect us from shaytan and give us taufeeq to become practicing muslims (Ameen).

JUNE MONTHLY PROGRAM

Insha Allah Hazrat Maulana Mufti Noman Vazir D.B. will be giving a bayan on Saturday June 20, 2009 after Salatul Maghrib. Every community member is humbly requested to attend the program along with their friends. Dinner will be served in a One-Dish style. Please contact Br. Shahid Farooq @ 201-726-4146 if you would like to contribute towards the food arrangement.

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