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ISGVF Connections – March 2016 Edition

السلام عليكم ورحمة الله وبركاته



All praise and thanks are due to Allah (SWT) for His Mercy and endless Blessing. We pray that ISGVF Connections always finds you and your family in the best of health and Imaan, (Ameen)



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ISGVF UPDATES

General Body Meeting

Sunday May 01, 2016 at 1:45 pm

After Zuhr salah

General Body meeting of the Society will be held on **Sunday May 01, 2016**, Insha'Allah. The meeting will start at 1:45 pm after the Zuhr Salah in Activity Hall. The agenda is ISGVF updates and other items as necessary.

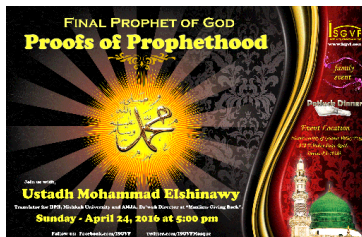
Under Repair/Construction

The Main Building front steps are under repairs. The repairs are in progress, when accessing the building, proceed with caution.

ISGVF Event



ISGVF will be hosting "Meet & Greet- your community". This event will be held on Friday, April 01 at Activity Hall from 7:30 P.M. All are welcome.



ISGVF will be hosting its next program entitled "Final Prophet of God, Proofs of Prophethood" by Ustadh Mohammad Elshinawy. This event will be held on Sunday, April 24 in Activity Hall from 5:00 P.M. All are welcome.

Weekly Activities

Monday:

Arabic/Qur'an learning session held by Tarik Salim every Monday in School Bldg. from 8:30 PM to 9:30 PM after Isha Prayer.

Wednesday:

Sisters meet in School Bldg. for Halaqa. Interest Sister may stop by on Wednesdays to meet sisters and get additional information or send an email to ISGVF_Coucil@yahoo.com.

Friday:

Friday Halaqa held after Isha prayer. Different topics of interest are covered by different speakers every week. Halaqa ends with potluck snacks and tea.

Saturday & Sunday :

8:30 AM to 2 PM weekend Islamic



Iqamah Timing

IQAMAH TIMES

APR 2016

| DATES | FAJR* (AM) | ZUHR (PM) | ASR (PM) | MAGHREB (PM) | ISHA (PM) |
|---------------|---------------|--------------|-------------|---------------------|--------------|
| 03/27 – 04/02 | 6:00* | 1:30 | 5:45 | 5 Min. After Sunset | 9:00 |
| 04/03 – 04/09 | 5:45* | 1:30 | 6:00 | 5 Min. After Sunset | 9:00 |
| 04/10 – 04/16 | 5:45* | 1:30 | 6:00 | 5 Min. After Sunset | 9:15 |
| 04/17 – 04/23 | 5:30* | 1:30 | 6:00 | 5 Min. After Sunset | 9:15 |
| 04/24 – 04/30 | 5:30* | 1:30 | 6:00 | 5 Min. After Sunset | 9:30 |

* Fajr Iqamah on Weekends – 30 Min. before Sunrise

1st Jumma Salah 12:30 - 1 PM
2nd Jumma Salah 1:30 - 2 PM

Deadline to purchase discounted Burial Package Extended

Reminder: This discount is available only until 04/30/2016. This cost will increase to \$3,500 from 05/01/2016.

The burial arrangements are at Valley Forge Memorial Gardens (VFMG) located in King of Prussia. Valley Forge Memorial Gardens is part of Dignity Memorial, one of North America's largest and most trusted funeral providers.

Additional details are provided on www.ISGVF.com. Interested families should complete the form provided on the website and follow the instructions listed. Mail the completed form with the check to ISGVF, P.O. Box 2261, Southeastern, PA 19399-2261 or use on-line forms to submit.

School

Visit our website at <http://www.isgvf.com/> for an updated list of all events and activities.

Food Distribution



Food distribution on every Wednesday @ 5:30 - 8:00 pm. InshaAllah.



"The Food Distribution Program" is an ISGVF program that provides food to low-income households. ISGVF will distribute food every Wednesday between 5:30 pm and 8:00 pm, Insha'Allah.

April 16th, ISGVF Food Distribution will happen at **Norristown Islamic Society** to directly reach the Norristown community. Kindly inform if you know of a family in need.

Weekend School Updates



ISGVF Weekend School Quran competition is coming up in **Sunday April 10th at 10:00 AM**, Insha'Allah. Surahs for each level have been communicated and the list is posted in the school building.

Watch out for regular updates on the Weekend School Calendar on the Society's Website for upcoming class

Adopt A-Highway



As we have completed the task of securing the Agreement from PennDOT the next steps are of implementation. ISGVF assigned Br. Zakir Syed as coordinator and volunteers can contact him. All Volunteers are required to attend training session. ISGVF volunteers will be responsible for litter pick-up according to the following schedule in 2016 (pick up could be either Saturday or Sunday). All litter pickup schedule starts one hour after sunrise to avoid heavy traffic on the road.

1. **April 23 or 24**
2. July 23 or 24
3. Oct. 22 or 23
4. Dec. 10 or 11

All the community members and especially weekend school students (Middle/High school sessions) will be encouraged to volunteer for this project along with their parents.

Community News

Obituary

Dr Syed Qaiser Rashid, passed away on March 04, 2016. May Allah (SWT) grant him Jannat-ul-Fridous and give his family patience and strength to *bear this great loss, Ameen!*

ISGVF Reflections Sincerity in Islam



Sincerity to Allah is to clean our hearts from all kind of Ills, follow His command without hesitation. If we say in sincerity, (There is no deity but Allah) we should feel the freedom from all kinds of submission to anyone or anything but Allah

Our vision should be clear that He is the almighty and we are His

schedule and School events.



SUNDAY - JUNE 5th, 2016

SPRING DAY



servants. This confession and vision should control our lives and reflect our deeds. Sincerity to Allah is to believe that our existence, our life and our death are from Allah and we have no power or strength except Allah and He is the only one who has control on us and our destiny.

To follow the Sunnah of the Prophet is to have sincerity to Allah in all our actions and deeds and to follow only the shadow and the appearance of the Sunnah without sincerity and devotion to Allah is hypocrisy and is far from the Sunnah. Prophet (SAS) said: Verily Allah does not judge you according to your looks and appearance but He judges you according to your heart and deeds.

The Prophet (SAS) the highest example in sincerity and devotion to Allah was staying most of the night time in prayers, even though Allah has guaranteed him forgiveness. Once Hazrat Ayishah (RA) asked why you pray all night. Prophet (SAS) replied, Should I not be thankful to Allah (SWT).

Most of us offer sincere devotion in bad times but forget our sincerity after the bad time is over. We as Muslims should observe and practice our sincerity and devotions to Allah in our daily prayer, fasting, Zakat and dealing with our families. I pray to Allah (SWT) to help us in understanding His message and guide us to the straight path and follow the Sunnah of the Prophet (SAS), Ameen

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