

**Darul Arqum Islamic Center**  
**Social Affairs Committee**  
**Annual Report**  
**2009-2010**

Officers: Not elected this year

Members Who Signed Up For Committee: Ammar Melaibari, Yassir Mahmoud, Raja Umer Intiaz, Syed Junaid Ali, Asjad Pasha, Omar Mancini, Yusuf Evans, Syed Azam, Salman Maqsood, Jani Abbasi

Meetings: No official meetings were held. Programs were conducted and arranged using past Social Affairs Committee Members.

The Social Affairs Committee of Darul Arqum Islamic Center has sponsored the following activities during 2009-2010:

1. Eid ul Adha dinner and children Eid Gift distribution. Eid dinner was catered from Iowa City.
2. Social Affairs Committee tried to arrange a training program on "How to write effective letter to editor", however due to objections raised in PR Committee meetings and inordinate delay by PR Committee to discuss and finalize it, arranged dates were missed and training session was cancelled.
3. Arrange potluck dinner at Masjid to facilitate the lectures by Br. Yusha Evans at DAIC on January 13, 2010. This program was sponsored by MSA and arranged by MSA of ISU.
4. Participated in multiple meetings with Ames Public Library to coordinate food sponsorship for Older American Month and arranged bi-monthly event to highlight culture of different Muslim countries.
  - a. Sister Nermin Sabry coordinated with different families to arrange food for Older American Month in May 2010. She managed it very efficiently and Ames Public Library was very appreciative of the efforts.
  - b. Social Affairs Committee was not asked for any assistance for Destination Egypt event, first event at Ames Public Library.
  - c. Social Affairs Committee arranged food for the second event Destination Pakistan.
5. Monthly Potluck dinners were arranged and were done for several months but due to lack of participation from community, these monthly dinners were cancelled before Ramadan, August 2010.
6. Ramadan Iftar for Singles was arranged, sister Nermin, sister Sumaya, and sister Suraya Khanum to the lead role in contacting families to volunteer for cooking. Sister Suraya Khanum took the lead in managing the Iftar arrangements on a daily basis and coordinated with Social Affairs Committee.

Social Affairs Committee slaughtered two goats and ten chickens for Ramadan Iftar for

Singles. First goat and chickens were ordered from Omaha and second one was slaughtered by brother Salahuddin in Nevada.

7. Eid Dinner (Sept 10<sup>th</sup>) was arranged from Iowa City.
8. Eid Gifts for Children were purchased and packed by brother Yassir and his team. Eid Gifts were distributed on the evening of Eid, after Eid dinner.
9. Brother Amar Melaibari worked with MSA and Social Affairs Committee to arrange a Kid's Event by ordering inflatable rides and potluck lunch on September 18<sup>th</sup>, 2010. However, due to rain and cold weather, inflatable rides were cancelled. Though some activities were held by community members.

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