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

News and Events

IEB and CoEJ Organize 'Quranic Sciences' CPD Course

At the Muballigheen Retreat in 2005, the WF's Islamic Education Board, IEB, resolved to offer Continuing Professional Development (CPD) Courses for the Muballigheen. The first such CPD Course was held in November, 2006, entitled Quranic Sciences, conducted by Sheikh Abbas Jaffer. The course was organized by IEB in conjunction with the Council of European Jamaats, CoEJ, in London. Coordinators included Dr. Mahmood Dattoo and Sheikh Abbas Ismail.

Ramadhan Relief 1427:

Stanmore Jaffery's Raise £9,500

During Ramadhan 1427, the Stanmore Jaffery's youth organization took on the challenge of fund-raising for the WF's Ramadhan Relief Fund at Hujjat Imambara, Stanmore. From dessert stalls and DVD sales, to cake auctions and sponsored Quran recitations, a grand total of £9,500 was raised. For details and pictures, visit the WF website. For other information, email secretariat@world-federation.org

Responses from London Metropolitan University

Al-Hussain Society at London Metropolitan University raised funds for Ramadhan Relief by selling food at the campus, and applying henna to students. For details, email secretariat@world-federation.org

MCB Reception for Sayyid Muhammad Khatami – London, UK

The Muslim Council of Britain, MCB, organized a reception in honour of the former President of Iran, Sayyid Muhammad Khatami on November 3, 2006 at the London Muslim Centre. In his speech the former President reflected on the issues facing Muslims at the present time. Read more on the WF website.

New Online Courses by Academy of Learning Islam, A.L.I.

New online courses are being offered at the Academy of Learning Islam, A.L.I. These include Hajj: Purpose and Rituals, Belief in the Justice of God, and Introduction to Irfan. Detailed information on the courses is available at www.academyofislam.org. There are no fees for the courses; donations are welcome.

Bilal Muslim Mission Organizes 'Discover Islam Seminar' for Egerton University Students – Mombasa, Kenya

A group of 40 Egerton University students studying Islam visited Bilal Muslim Mission Kenya in October, 2006 to participate in 'Discover Islam Seminar'. Presentations included insights into Bilal activities and talks on Women's Rights, Morality in Islam in the era of HIV/AIDS and Islamophobia, Fundamentalism and Terrorism. For more, visit www.kenbilal.org or email admin@kenbilal.org

Madrasah Children, Members Brave it to Raise Funds for Baab-UI-Ilm Mosque – Leeds, UK

In July 2006, Leeds Madrasah students, as young as 8, set out for the Yorkshire Dales and made their way down the Malham Cove, a 150 foot vertical drop. Others climbed Ben Nevis, the highest mountain in UK, located in Scotland. The students raised £400 and the adults raised £1,000. The event was organized by 'The Desk and Chair Foundation', TDCF, a UK registered Charity. For more, visit www.deskchairfoundation.com

'Muslim Think Tank': A New Organization by the Youth

The Muslim Think Tank was founded in 2006 to address community concerns such as lack of open scholarly co-operation and debate in the UK, lack of access to current research, addressing contrasting viewpoints and apathy towards Islamic issues. The Muslim Think Tank is in the process of registering as a company and charity, reliant upon contributions to achieve its goals. Email editor@muslimthinktank.org to volunteer or for more information.

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