

# OTTAWA EAST NEWSLETTER

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THE PROMISED MESSIAH (ON WHOM BE PEACE) SAID: 'ALLAH THE EXALTED IS EVER MERCIFUL AND COMPASSIONATE. HE NURTURES MAN IN EVERY WAY AND HAS MERCY ON HIM. IT IS BY VIRTUE OF HIS MERCY THAT HE SENDS HIS APOSTLES AND MESSENGERS SO THAT THEY MAY SAVE PEOPLE OF THE WORLD FROM SINFUL LIFE. HOWEVER, ARROGANCE IS A MOST DANGEROUS AFFLICTION. IT BRINGS ABOUT SPIRITUAL DEATH FOR THE PERSON IN WHOM IT IS INSTILLED. I KNOW FOR CERTAIN THAT THIS AFFLICTION IS WORSE THAN MURDER. AN ARROGANT PERSON BECOMES SATAN'S BROTHER BECAUSE IT WAS ARROGANCE WHICH DISGRACED SATAN. THEREFORE, IT IS CONDITIONAL FOR A BELIEVER THAT HE SHOULD NOT HAVE ANY ARROGANCE. ON THE CONTRARY, HE SHOULD HAVE HUMILITY, MEEKNESS AND MODESTY. GOD'S APOSTLES ARE EXCLUSIVE IN THIS REGARD; THEY HAVE EXTREME HUMILITY AND HUMBLENESS. MORE THAN THE OTHERS, THIS CHARACTERISTIC WAS PARAMOUNT IN THE HOLY PROPHET (PEACE AND BLESSINGS OF ALLAH BE ON HIM). ONE OF HIS SERVANTS WAS ASKED AS TO HOW DID THE PROPHET (PEACE AND BLESSINGS OF ALLAH BE ON HIM) TREAT HIM. HE REPLIED THAT THE TRUTH WAS THAT THE PROPHET SERVED HIM MORE THAN THE SERVANT SERVED HIM. BLESS O ALLAH MUHAMMAD AND THE PEOPLE OF MUHAMMAD AND GRANT HIM BLESSINGS AND SECURITY. THIS IS A SUPREME EXAMPLE OF MORALS AND HUMILITY. IT IS TRUE THAT AMONG ONE'S ASSOCIATES IT IS MOSTLY THOSE WHO SERVE/SERVANTS WHO ARE PRESENT AROUND ONE MOST OF THE TIME. THEREFORE, IF ONE NEEDS TO ASCERTAIN SOMEONE'S HUMILITY, HUMBLENESS, FORBEARANCE AND TOLERANCE, IT CAN BE FOUND OUT FROM THEM.' TRANSLATED FROM MALFUZAT, VOL. 8, P. 101

## NEW YEAR CLEAN UP DOWNTOWN – JAN 1<sup>ST</sup> WAQR E AMAL

By the grace of Allah, Majlis Khuddamul Ahmadiyya Ottawa East were requested by Markaz to perform Waqar e Amal in downtown, Ottawa. An Amila meeting was held to discuss the plan of which methods the hizbs would use to clean the area. It was decided by Nazim Sahib Tarbiyat to hold Tahajjud prayers at the masjid where members of Jama'at were requested to pray in congregation and Alhamdulillah, most members of Jama'at came to pray Tahajjud and Fajr prayers in congregation.

On January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2020, in addition to all Amila members many Khuddam also came to offer Tahajjud and Fajr prayers in congregation and listened to Dars which was delivered by Usama Saeed Sahib. After Dars, Khuddam recited the Holy Qur'an for 30 minutes. After the recitation of the Holy Qur'an, Khuddam carpooled downtown to the Byward Market area. Khuddam used a cleaning kit which had garbage bags, garbage grabbing sticks and gloves to clean the streets. Khuddam picked up garbage such as paper cups, glass bottles, pop cans and paper. A special thanks to the 5 Atfal who also joined to help in cleaning with the help of Nazim Sahib Atfal Ottawa East. Khuddam and Atfal along with Qaid Majlis spent 2 hours cleaning various streets. After cleaning the streets, they enjoyed some breakfast at Coras.

-Report By Department Of Waqr e Amal MKA Ottawa East



## BI WEEKLY GYM – KICKOFF JAN 11<sup>TH</sup> & 25<sup>TH</sup>

Nazim Sahib Sehat e Jismani and Nazim Sahib Umur e Talba collaboratively organized bi-weekly sports day by renting a double gym at Sir Wilfrid Laurier Secondary School where Khuddam played multiple sports. Nazim Sahib Sehat e Jismani ensured that all team captains confirmed their team members and Nazim Sahib Umur e Talba ensured that all University/School going Khuddam participated. The sports played were basketball, volleyball, and indoor soccer. This year as an initiative to test our Majlis, we have invited non-ahmadi students to join and play with us. This is done to increase the competitive skills of our Khuddam.

-Report By Department Of Sehat e Jismani MKA Ottawa East

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## ACTIVITIES AND SPORTS (AFTER ISHA)

MONDAY: BOOK READING

TUESDAY: HOCKEY AND TABLE TENNIS

THURSDAY: VOLLEYBALL AND WAQAR-E-AMAL

FRIDAY: ATFAL CLASS AND SPORTS

## IMPORTANT DATES AND UPCOMING EVENTS

JALSA MUSLEH MAUD: 22<sup>ND</sup> FEB

BI WEEKLY GYM: 29<sup>TH</sup> FEB

JALSA WAQE NAU: 29<sup>TH</sup> FEB

ATFAL IJTIMA: 7<sup>TH</sup> MAR



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## TALIMUL QURAN & JALSA QURAN 11<sup>TH</sup> JAN

Ottawa East Jama'at held its Talimul Quran Class and Jalsa Quran on January 11<sup>th</sup> at Baitun Naseer Mosque. The first session was focused around Tarteel Quran led by Usama Saeed Sahib who went over the pronunciation of various sections. The lessons were repeated, and many members attended the class. Followed by this, Murrabi Luqman Sahib presented the translation and a short commentary from the Holy Qur'an. After the first session ended, members of the Jama'at enjoyed lunch prepared by Secretary Ziafat Sahib along with Khuddam who assisted in the preparation of lunch and served it to all attendees. Right after lunch, Zuhr and Asr prayers were offered in congregation by members of Jama'at.



The second session of the program started right after Zuhr and Asr prayers with Tilawat followed by Nazm by Ibtisam Janjua Sahib. This session consisted of very intriguing presentations. The first one was by Dr Saleem Ur Rehman Sahib on the topic, "The Holy Quran on Truth of the Promised Messiah (AS)", followed by a presentation by Murrabi Luqman Sahib on the topic, "Importance and Significance of the Holy Qur'an". By grace of Allah, 25 Khuddam and 5 Atfal attended the program. 5 Khuddam performed security duty for this event along with Waqar E Amal.

-Report By Department Of Talim MKA Ottawa East

## KHIDMAT E KHALQ – PUBLIC RELATIONS CONFERENCE JAN 24 AND 26<sup>TH</sup>

Just like last year, Majlis Khuddamul Ahmadiyya Ottawa East was honored to make a small, humble contribution in volunteer work for the public relations conference in Baitun Naseer Mosque and perform various duties. Upon instructions from Regional Qaid Sahib, it was decided with Saiqueen that two hizbs were assigned to help on Friday, January 24<sup>th</sup>. It was planned to perform the setup after Isha prayer. Firstly, from the mission house, Khuddam arranged some beds for the guests that were coming from Markaz. The washrooms were cleaned, water was arranged and the carpets were vacuumed.

Similarly on the same day, the gymnasium and washrooms were swept and mopped. The hallways were mopped. The rooms on the second floor were also cleaned and vacuumed. We also placed the garbage bags in the dumpster. Around 10 Khuddam from Ottawa East were involved in this setup and spent 2-3 hours cleaning the masjid. May Allah reward them immensely! Ameen.



On January 26<sup>th</sup>, Majlis Ottawa East was assigned the duty to serve breakfast, lunch and dinner to all of the delegates and guests who were attending the public relations conference. In this regard, it was discussed with Amila Members and Saiqueen to decide how they would like to participate. It was decided to assign 3 hizbs. 1 hizb was responsible for each meal and rides for Khuddam were arranged. Breakfast was assigned to 1 hizb, lunch was assigned to another hizb and dinner was assigned to another hizb.

Khuddam tried to make sure that the guests had a good experience, and Khuddam worked throughout the day by serving and cleaning up after each meal service. The highlight of the program was the dinner service which was attached with a discussion with the parliamentary guests. By the grace of Allah, 20 Khuddam spent approximately 4 hours each to help for the National public relations Conference.

## KHIDMAT E KHALQ – PIZZA DAY @ OLD RETIREMENT HOUSE 31<sup>ST</sup> JAN

Majlis Khuddamul Ahmadiyya Ottawa East kicked off their "I Serve Food" initiative as a step towards the concept of Langar Khana for the year of 2020. Atfal, Khuddam and Ansar prepared pizza at the masjid kitchen after Isha prayer. The pizza was delivered and served at a retirement home near the masjid. As the seniors enjoyed the pizza, Khuddam spent time with them by introducing our Jama'at. A special thanks to local Ameer Sahib and other volunteers who assisted in the preparation of the pizza.

-Report By Department Of Khidmat e Khalq MKA Ottawa East



## SECURITY TRAINING JAN 25<sup>TH</sup>

A special training event was organized by Markaz in order to train Khuddam on how to handle and respond to security related incidents at Level 1. The team with specialized skills in the area of security were led by National Muthamim Umumi who started the training with drills which aimed to energize Khuddam and remain active throughout the training. They made Khuddam perform push ups, sit ups and patrol around the hall.

During the security training, various team members covered different topics like how to perform security training, how to communicate with strangers and do's and don'ts of security. Additionally, the team showed why Khuddam should always be ready in position so they can quickly react and be attentive at all times. The training went beyond lunch time due to other commitments and severe weather. Khuddam from Ottawa East left around noon time, however everyone did complete the course. By the grace of Allah, after Fajr prayer, 6 Khuddam travelled to Montreal to attend this training.

-Report By Department Of Umumi MKA Ottawa East

## ASHRA MAL JAN 10-19<sup>TH</sup>

Before the start of Ashra Mal, Nazim Sahib Mal held a meeting with Qaid Majlis to go over the yearly targets set for Khuddam Membership which was \$6500 and Ijtima which was \$2500. During the meeting, they reviewed each Khadim's status (Student, Employed, Unemployed) and updated their statuses in the local collection database. A few Khuddam were reached out to get clarification of their income budget which was updated accordingly. Just like last year, Majlis Ottawa East executed the same plan in which those earning members paying membership were divided into 3 Ashra Mal, those paying monthly considered 100% and Ijtima collected 100% from Student and Employed Khuddam. By the grace of Allah, all students paid 100% Khuddam membership and Ijtima. Those paying on a monthly basis are given constant reminders every month by Nazim Sahib Mal. During Ashra, by the grace of Allah and with the help of Saiqueen, Maulana Sahib and Naib Qaidin, Majlis Khuddamul Ottawa East stood number 1 in the region and overall and Top 40 in the Majlis. With the target set by region to 70% in Ijtima and 40% in Membership, By the Grace of Allah we achieved 104% in Ijtima, 45% in Membership in the 1st Ashra Mal. Alhamdullah, 80% Khuddam participated in Ashra Mal.

-Report By Department Of Mal MKA Ottawa East

