



Shenandoah Muslim Youth Group NEWSLETTER

"Ramadan is the (month) in which the Quran was sent down, as a guide to mankind and a clear guidance and judgment (so that mankind will distinguish from right and wrong).. (Q 2:183)

"Oh you who believe! Fasting is prescribed to you as it was prescribed to those before you, that you many learn piety and righteousness" (Qur'an, al-Baqarah, 2:183)

The Messenger of Allah (may Allah bless him and grant him peace) addressed his companions on the last day of Sha`ban, saying, "Oh people! A great month has come over you; a blessed month; a month in which is a night better than a thousand months; month in which Allah has made it compulsory upon you to fast by day, and voluntary to pray by night. Whoever draws nearer (to Allah) by performing any of the (optional) good deeds in (this month) shall receive the same reward as performing an obligatory deed at any other time, and whoever discharges an obligatory deed in (this month) shall receive the reward of performing seventy obligations at any other time. It is the month of patience, and the reward of patience is Heaven. It is the month of charity, and a month in which a believer's sustenance is increased. Whoever gives food to a fasting person to break his fast, shall have his sins forgiven, and he will be saved from the Fire of Hell, and he shall have the same reward as the fasting person, without his reward being diminished at all."

[Narrated by Ibn Khuzaymah]

How to complete the Quran for Ramadan in 30 days:

The Quran has appx. 600 pages.

Read 20 pages per day, that's only 4 pages after each salat.

To complete the Quran TWICE read 4 pages before and after each salat.

Source: Islamic Knowledge on Facebook

Cook-out at the park on a nice sunny day

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On June 10th, the Shenandoah Muslim Youth Group (SMYG) hosted a barbeque in celebration of the end of the school year. The event took place at Purcell Park and volunteers brought food and put up signs around the park to advertise the barbeque. The youth group provided hamburger patties and other foods for the picnic using money made from a bake sale that was held to raise money for the end of the year event.

Eiman Rasheed, a volunteer, escorted community members to shelter three and helped set up the tables.

"I came to volunteer because holding events like this makes the community stronger and brings us closer together," said Rasheed.

Abdulrahman Rabie, the principal of Saturday School came to support the youth group as well.

"The food was very good. I liked the shelter a lot. It's private yet open so that the kids could play around.

The youth group reserved shelter there, after finding that the other shelters were already reserved. It was the mosque's first time to hold an event at that shelter, and as a result, volunteers escorted community members to the designated location.

Gabriela Moreira, a new Muslim as well as a new Harrisonburg resident came to meet other Muslim community members.

"It's nice here! Everyone's friendly. This event is very family oriented and I liked the reception and the setting. It's really beautiful," Moreira said.

Syed Jaffery, who came to visit his daughter and support the community event also enjoyed the event and had some valuable advice to give to the new youth group.

"I see those young kids and think maybe next time there should be a specific attraction for them, like a bouncy castle. That way the younger kids won't get bored," Jaffery said.

After eating, the youth gathered to play a game of kickball, and then proceeded to clean the shelter. The group succeeded at bringing the youth group and the community together.

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this blessed Month where
inshallah your prayers
will be heard and
answered
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