



Dar Al-Hijrah Islamic Civic Center

مرکز دار الهجرة الاسلامی الحضاری

Xarunta Daar Al-Hijrah ee Islaamka iyo Xadaarada

Our Faith, Our Family, & Our Future Diinteena, Qoysaskeena, & Mustaqbalkeena

Friday June 29 | Saturday June 30 | Sunday July 1, 2007

Minneapolis Convention Center



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“O you who believe! Stand out firmly for Allâh and be just witnesses and let not the enmity and hatred of others make you avoid justice. Be just: that is nearer to piety, and fear Allâh. Verily, Allâh is Well-Acquainted with what you do.”
[Qur’an: Al-Mai’dah 5:8]

Assalamu Alaikum brothers and sisters, Welcome to Dar Al-Hijrah Islamic Civic Center’s Convention in Minneapolis, MN.

The purpose of this convention is to connect the fine lines between our faith, our family, and our future in a balanced manner. The Qur’an directs Muslims to be people of moderation and fairness. We therefore need to remind ourselves constantly what Islam means to us in facing the challenges of life since Islam is both a religion and a way of life for Muslims.

A balanced life could be achieved in several ways. First, through spiritual guidance to the path that leads to the Merciful Creator. Second, through taking the role of responsible stewardship of the earth by being positive and productive citizens.

Currently, there is a lot of negative focus on Islam in the world in general, and in the United States in particular. It is therefore incumbent upon Muslims to strive hard to change these misconceptions that are perpetuated through the media.

Islam endorses establishing strong family relationships. The unit of family has served as the foundation for civilization throughout human existence on earth. Thus, the convention will provide the audience with tips for building families that grow with good character and healthy relationships.

A recent Pew Research Center survey showed that American Muslims have a crucial role to play in bridging cross-cultural and interfaith understanding. Muslims must therefore establish model Islamic schools, centers, and mosques to maintain their community while at the same time contributing to the common good of the American Society. This convention will provide the forum for fruitful dialogue and inspirational agenda.

Inshaa’Allah, each member of the family will find an activity that meets their needs. Let’s all meet at the convention to spend together a weekend of peace, learning, and hope. Come one, come all!

May peace and blessings be upon you.

Best regards,

Dar Al-Hijrah Administration





“Kuwa xaqa rumeeyow noqda kuwa u istaaga Eebe dartii oo ku makhraati kaca Caddaalad, yeyna idinku Xambaarin Cadhada qoom in aydaan Caddaalad falin, Caddaalad fala iyadaa u dhaw cabsida Alle kana cabsida Ilaahay. Eebe waa ogyahay waxaad falaysaane”

[Qur’an: Al-Maa’idah 5:8]

Asalaamu Calaykum walaalayaal, Ku soo dhawaada Mu’tamarka Koowaad ee Xarunta Daar Al-Hijrah ee Islaamka iyo Xadaarada.

Ujeedada shirkan waa sidii aan isugu dabaqi laheyn Diinteena, Qoysaskeena iyo Mustaqbalkeena si waafaqsan shareecada Islaamka. Quraanka Kariimka wuxuu si toos ah u farayaa ummada Muslimiinta ah in ay ahaadaan kuwa horumarsan. Sidaa daraadeed waxaan u baahanahey in aan is xasuusino marxaladaha ina soo wajahaya maadama u Islaamku yahay Diin iyo waliba hab noolaaleed kaas oo saameeynaya nolosha qofka Muslimka ah.

Nolosha habeytan waxaa lagu gaari karaa siyaaabo kala duwan. Ugu horeyn waa in aad dhisantahay ruuxiyan ood qabsatid jidka toosan ee kugu hagaya naxariista guud ee ilaahey. Marka labaad, waxaa qasab ah in aad qaadatid kaalinta qof muwaadin ah oo wax tar leh mas’uuliyadna qaadi kara aduunka iyo aakhiraba.

Xilliga hadda la joogo waxaa jira waxyaabo badan oo si qaldan loogu dhajinayo Islaamka meelo badan oo aduunka ka mid ah gaar ahaana Mareykanka. Masuuliyada saaran qof waliba oo muslima ah ayaa ah in uu ku dadaalaa sidii loo badali lahaa fikirkaan qaldan ee laga haysto Diinteena suuban.

Islaamku waxuu dhisayaa qoysas xariir hagaagsan leh in la abuur. Isku xiraanshaha qoysku waxeey saldhig u aheyd xadaarad walba oo aduunka hormar kasameeysay. Sidaa darteed, shirkani wuxuu gacan kageeysan doonaa sidii loo dhisi lahaa qoysas anshax wanaagsan iyo sidii qoysasku u yeelan lahaayeen xariir caafimaad qaba.

Cilmi baaris ay samaysey xarunta Pew Research Center lasameeyay ayaa lagu sheegay sida muslimiinta mareykanku ay muhiim ugu yihiin hagaajinta xariir u dhaxeeya dhaqamada iyo diimaha kala duwan. Muslimiintu waa in ay abuuraan xarumo, skoolo, iyo masjid lagu ilaaliyo Bulshada Muslimiinta iyo waanaga good. Shirkani waxaan ka heli doonaa haddii Alle idmo isfaham iyo dhiiragalin.

Haddii Alle’idmo, qof walba oo shirka jooga waxuu heli doonaa waxyaabo uu ku qanco. Aan ka wada faaiideysano shirkaan, dhamaan ka soo qayb gal wanaagsan.

Maamulka Daar Al-Hijrah



Dar Al-Hijrah Annual Conference 2007

Useful Guidelines for the Conference

Session Hall Venues / Qololka Muxaadarooyinka

- ☞ Main Session Hall / Qolka Guud - L100 A-D & G-J
- ☞ Multiple Session Rooms / Qololka kala Duwan— L100 E-F

Bazaar, Prayer, & Gym Venue / Basaarka, Salada, & Goobta Ciyaarta

- ☞ Exhibit A Hall

Prayer Times / Waqtiga Salaadaha

- ☞ Dhuhr / Noon — 1:17pm
- ☞ 'Asr / Afternoon — 5:26pm
- ☞ Maghrib / Sunset— 9:04pm
- ☞ 'Isha / Night — 11:00pm
- ☞ Prayer Location/Goobta Salaada: Exhibit A Hall

Parking / Baarkin

- ☞ Leamington Ramp: 1001 2nd Avenue South, Mpls, MN 55403
This is the most convenient parking lot to the convention

Child Care / Caruur Hayn [Rooms/Qololka: M101 A—C]

- ☞ *Drop off Time: when you come in / Waqtiga la keenayo:* markaad timaado
- ☞ *Pick up Time / Waqtiga la qaadayo:*
 - Friday / Jimcaha: 10:00pm
 - Saturday / Sabtida: 10:50pm
 - Sunday / Axada: 05:30pm





Date / Taarikhda

Events / Dhacdooyin

Venue / Goobta

June 29, 2007

Friday Sessions / Muxaadarrooyinka Jimcaha

3:00—5:30pm

Conference Registration / Is Diiwaangelin
Bazaar / Suuq

Level 2 Lobby

5:30—5:50pm

'Asr Prayer / Salaada Casar

Exhibit Hall A

6:00—6:45pm

Jaceylka Nabiga (Scw)

Sh. Cabdiraxmaan Shariif
[Xiriiriyaha: Br. Maxamed Diini]

L100 A-D & G-J
bilingual

7:00—7:10pm

Qur'an & Anasheed

L100 A-D & G-J

7:10—8:00pm

Grand Opening

with Sh. Said Ali Ahmed, Sh. Muse Omar, Sh. Mohamed Sh. Rashiid, Br.
Mohamed Dini, Sh. Hassan Mohamud "Jami'i," Sh. Ahmed Burale,
Macalin Abdisalam Adam, Sh. Abdirahman Sharif, Ahmed "Taajir," &
Sh. Abdirahman Omar
[Moderator: Teacher Abdisalam Adam]

L100 A-D & G-J

8:05—8:45pm

**Qabsashada Kitaabka Alle iyo
Sunnada Nabiga (scw)**

Sh. Maxammud Sh. Cali Xassan "Jayzaani" &
Sh. Axmed Buraale
[Xiriiriyaha: Cali Cumar]

L100 A-D & G-J





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Venue / Goobta

June 30, 2007

Saturday Sessions / Muxaadarooyinka Sabtida

09:00—9:55am

Conference Registration / Is Diiwaangelin
Bazaar / Suuq

Level 2 Lobby

10:00—10:40am

Tazkiyatun-Nafs

Sh. Cabdikariim Xassan
& Sh. Cabdiraxmaan “Abu Turaab”
[Xiriiriyaha; Nuur Mood, NYC Official]

L100 A-D & G-J
bilingual

10:45—11:25am

**Caruurta Yaryar iyo barashada
Islaamka (Dugsiyada)**

Sh. Muse Cumar & Sh. Cumar Faqi
[Xiriiriyaha: Macalin Cabdulaahi Maxamuud]

L100 A-D & G-J

11:30—12:20pm

Fadliga & Faa’iidada Imaanka

Sh. Cabdiqani Cali “Qardhaawi” &
Sh. Muxammad Sh. Rashiid
[Xiriiriyaha: Maxammuud Xareed, NYC Member]

L100 A-D & G-J

11:30—12:20pm

Maintaining Our Islamic Identity

Sh. Faisal Hamouda & Br. Mohamed Dini
[Moderator: Ahmed Gabane]

L100 E-F

12:25—1:10pm

**Mustaqbalka Muslimiinta ku Nool
Woqooyiga Ameerika**

Sh. Muse Cumar & Sh. Siciid Cali Axmed
[Xiriiriyaha; Axmed Ceynte]

L100 A-D & G-J

12:25—1:10pm

Challenges Facing Muslim Youth

Sh. Faisal Hamouda & Br. Mohamed Dini
[Moderator; Kashif Soroya]

L100 E-F

1:10—1:20pm

Generation for Change and Growth





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Saturday Sessions / Muxaadaroooyinka

1:20—2:15pm

Dhuhr Prayer, Bazaar, & Lunch
Salaada Duhur, Suuq, & Qado

Exhibit A Hall

2:20—3:20pm

How to Establish a Stable Muslim Family L100 E-F

A) The Process for Selecting the Right Spouse
Sh. Faisal Hammouda

B) The Rights of Spouses upon Each Other
Dr. Hamdy El-Sawaf
[Moderator: Tamim Saidi]

2:20—3:20pm

**Sidee loo Dhisaa Qoys Muslim ah oo Xasi-
loon** L100 A-D & G-J

B) *Habka Doorashada Qofkaad Noloshaha la
Wadaagaysid*
Sh. Axmed "Taajir"

T) Xaqa ay isku Leeyihiin Labada is Qabta
Sh. Axmed Buraale

J) Xalinta Dhibaatooyinka Qoysaska
Sh. Cabdiraxmaan Shariif
[Xiriiriyaha: Mustafa Ibrahim]

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Saturday Sessions / Muxaadaroyinka Sabtida

3:25—4:05pm

Islaamka & Waxbarashada

Prof. Cabdulwaaxid Sheekh Cusmaan &
Sh. Cabdiraxmaan “Abu Turaab”
[Xiriiriyaha: Xassan Sh. Maxamed]

L100 A-D & G-J

3:25—4:05pm

Sharing the Beauty of Islam with Others

Sr. Imani Jaafar & Br. Murad Mohamed
[Moderator: Sr. Amal Said]

L100 E-F

4:10—4:50pm

Kaalinta Ragu ay ku Leeyihiin Bulshada

Sh. Maxamed Sh. Rashiid &
Sh. Ahmed “Taajir”
[Xiriiriyaha: Cabdiweli Ismaciil]

L100 A-D & G-J

4:10—5:00pm

Anasheed

L100 E-F

Dhibatooyinka ka Hor Yimada Dumarka

Ikraan Cusman & Xaliimo Faarax
[Xiriiriyaha; Faadumo Guure]

5:05—5:55pm

‘Asr Prayer, Food, & Bazaar
Salaada Casar, Cunto, & Suuq

Exhibit A Hall

6:00—6:10pm

Islamic University of Minnesota

Wafiq Fanoun

L100 A-D & G-J

6:10—7:00pm

Islaamka iyo Midnimada

Sh. Nuur Baaruud Gurxan
[Xiriiriyaha; Sh. Cabdiraxmaan Shariif]

L100 A-J

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June 30, 2007

Saturday Sessions / Muxaadaroyinka Sabtida

7:05—7:35pm

Entertainment / Madadaalo:

Usul Al-Cishriin by Haboon Abdi (DYC Official)
Anasheed

Ma Ogtahay (Do You Know?)

L100 A-J

7:40—9:10pm

**Hay'adaha Islaamka &
Badbaadada Ummadda**

Sh. Cabdiraxmaan Shariif, Sh. Fisal Hamouda, Sh. Xassan Maxamuud
"Jaamici"
[Moderator/Xiriiriyaha; Abdisalam Adam]

L100 A-J
bilingual

9:10—9:25pm

Maghrib Prayer / Salaada Maqrib

Exhibit A Hall

9:30—10:30pm

**Muhimmada Barashada iyo
Ku Dhaqanka Qur'aanka**

Sh. Cabdirashiid Sh. Cali Suufi
[Xiriiriyaha: Sh. Cabdiraxmaan Shariif]

L100 A-J

10:35-10:45pm

Du'aa & Closing Remarks / Duco & Xiritaan

L100 A-J

**Child Care /
Caruur Hayn**

Child Care is available at Mezzanine Level, rooms M101 A-C. The fee for this service is \$10 per family. Every parent has to sign in their child and leave their immediate cell phone number behind for emergency cases.

Drop off Time:
when you come in

Waqtiga la keenayo:
markaad timaado

Qololka Xanaanada Caruurta waxay ku yaaliin Mezzanine Level, M101 A-C. Qiimaha khidmadu waa \$10 qoyskiiba. Waalid walba wa inu diiwaangaliyaa ilmihiisa markaasna ay qoraan numbarka telefoonkooda si loola soo xiriiro hadii ay dhacdo xaalad degdag ah.

Pick up Time
Waqtiga la qaadayo:
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July 1, 2007

Sunday Sessions / Muxaadaroooyinka Axada

09—09:50am

Conference Registration / Is Diiwaangelin
Bazaar / Suuq

Level 2 Lobby

10:00—10:05am

Qur'an

L100 A-D & G-J

10:05—10:40am

**Daryeelka Caafimadka: Cudurada ku
soo Badanaya Bulshada Soomaaliyeed**

Dr. Cusmaan Xaraare & Sr. Huda Faarax
[Xiriiriyaha: Cali Maxamuud]

L100 A-D & G-J

10:45—11:25am

**What Does It Take to Start & Succeed in
Business in MN**

Br. Hussein Samatar "Garabyare" &
Br. Basim Sabri

[Moderator: Teacher Abdisalam Adam]

L100 E-F

11:30—12:10pm

The Future of Muslim Youth in North America

Dr. Hamdy El-Sawaf & Imam Makram El-Amin
[Moderator: Farhan Ahmed, NYC Official]

L100 E-F

11:30—12:10pm

**Tarbiyada Caruurta Qurbaha ku Nool & U
Baarinoqoshada Waalidka**

Sh. Saciid Cali Axmed & Sh. Maxamuud Shariif Cali
[Xiriiriyaha: Axmed Ceynte]

L100 A-D & G-J

12:15—12:50pm

**Sister's Session: Challenges Facing
Young Muslim Sisters**

Huda Farah & Ruqiya Abdi
[Moderator: Abiya Ali]

L100 E-F





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July 1, 2007	Sunday Sessions / Muxaadaroooyinka Axada	
12:15—12:50pm	Ardayda Soomaaliyeed iyo Waxbarashada Gobolka MN Prof. Cabdulwaaxid Sh. Cusman & Macalin Cabdisalaam Adam [Xiriiriyaha: Sadiiq Maxamuud]	L100 A-D & G-J
12:55—1:55pm	Dhuhr, Lunch, & Bazaar Salaada Duhur, Qado, & Suuq	Exhibit Hall A
2:00—2:10pm	ARAH Mohamed Saleh	L100 A-D & G-J
2:10—2:40pm	Our Faith, Our Family, Our Future (Diinteena, Qoysaskeena, Mustaqbalkeena) Dhisidda Bulsho Habeysan oo Wadashaqeysa Macalin Cabdisalaam Adam, Sh. Cabdiraxmaan Shariif, & Councilman Cam Gordon [Xiriiriyaha/Moderator: Wali Dirie]	L100 A-D & G-J <i>bilingual</i>
2:45—3:50pm	Education Competition/ Kedis [Moderator: Abdikarim Haille, NYC Chair]	L100 A-D & G-J
3:55—5:15pm	Qur'an Competition/ Tartan Qur'aan [Moderator: Abdikarim Haille, NYC Chair]	L100 A-D & G-J
5:15—5:25pm	Anasheeds by Faadi & Closing Remarks	L100 A-D & G-J





Speakers' Biography / Maclumaad ku Saabsan ka Qeybgalayaasha

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1. Sh. Ahmed Ibrahim Omar "Taajir"

Sh. Ahmed Ibrahim Omar graduated from Sheikh Sufi High School in Mogadishu, Somalia and Institute of Islamic Research in Cairo Egypt. Then he attended Al-Azhr Sharif University in Cairo and he graduated with Bachelor Degree of Islamic Law. Afterwards, he attended and received a diploma from the Institute of advance Study under the Arab League and another diploma from the Institute of Advance Islamic Study under the Ministry of Education in Egypt.

Sh. Ahmed has been part of spreading the dawah for long time. In 1987- 1989 he was the imam of Masjid Abdirashid Ali Shar-make built by Second Somali President in, Mogadishu Somalia. He was also the Imam of Masjid Ummatu Muhammad in Minneapolis Minnesota from 2000 to February 2007. Currently he serves as the imam of Masjid Ummatu Al-Islam in Minneapolis, Min-nesota from March 2007 to present.

2. Sh. Ahmed Muhammad Burale

Sh. Ahmed Muhammad Burale finished his earlier education in Somalia. In 1989 he graduated from Sheikh Sufi High School. He went to Al-Azhr Sharif University in 1993 where he received for his Bachelor Degree in Islamic Law. Then he attended the Re-search Institute of Arabic Studies in Cairo and graduated with Masters Degree in Law. He currently serves as the imam and khatib (Islamic lecturer) of Omar Mosque in Minneapolis, MN.

3. Sh. Muhammad Sh. Rashid

Sh. Muhammad Sh. Rashid graduated from Al-Tadhamun Institute in 1974, Somalia.

In 1979, he graduated from the Islamic University of Al-Madinah Al-Munawarah with Bachelor Degree in Arabic Language.

He received his Masters Degree from Umu Al-Qura University in Mecca, Saudi Arabia, in 1985. From 1985-1990 he was a Profes-sor at the Somali National University. Sheikh Muhammad currently sevice as the imam and khateeb (Islamic lecturer) of Masjid Abubakr As-Sidiq in Mankato, Minnesota.

4. Sh. Nur Barud

Sh. Nur Barud finished his earlier education in Somalia. He graduated from Al-Tadhamun Secondary Institute Mogadishu, Somalia. Then he attended Somali National University and received a Bachelor Degree in Islamic Studies. He is a well known and influential sheikh in Somalia.

5. Sh. Muse Omar

Sh. Muse Omar finishes his earlier education from elementary to middle school in Beledweyne, Somalia. He graduated from Sheikh Yusuf High School in Mogadishu Somalia. He attended Al-Azhr Sharif University where he received a Bachelor Degree in Islamic Law.

Then he went to graduate from the same university and received a Masters Degree in Islamic Jurisprudence. Sh. Muse is presently the imam of Masjid Al-Huda in Columbus Ohio, and he also a teacher of a charter school.

6. Prof. Abdul Wahid Sheikhosman

Prof Abdul Wahid Sheikhosman became an expert in the area of Comparative Constitutional Systems, Islamic law and Interna-tional Law since obtaining his advanced law degrees from the prestigious International Islamic University in Islamabad, Pakistan and from the University of Minnesota Law School in 1999 and 2004 respectively.

Prior to that time, he was a researcher at Islamic Research Institute, a leading Islamabad-based think-tank. Abdul Wahid currently works at Metro Law Group, P.A., a Minneapolis-based law firm. He also serves as the director of Somali-American Legal Institute in Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Prof. Sheikhosman earned his graduate degree in law from the University of Minnesota Law School where he now teaches. He earned a LL. B in British Common Law from International Islamic University in Islamabad, Pakistan as well as a LL.M degree



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7. Dr. Osman Harare

Dr. Osman Harare finished his early education in Somali. He graduated from National Somali University. Then he perused his medical career to the following abroad institutions: Kiev Medical Institute (USSR), Doctor of Medicine (Pediatrician) in 1969 and University of Rome (Italy), Specialization in Tropical Disease in 1979. In 1970-1972 when he finish his education he became a Medical Officer, Hiran Region in Somalia. In 1972-1975 he was elected to be director of Forlanini Hospital Mogadishu, Somalia. In 1975-1980 he became the Director of Public Health Department, Mogadishu Municipal Government in Somalia. In 1975-1990 he was the Lecturer of Tropical Disease, Faculty of Medicine Somali National University Mogadishu, Somalia.

In 1991-1992, Dr. Harare was the Chairman of Volunteer Medical Board in Kismayo, Somalia. In 1992-1994 he was the Medical Coordinator of Ibrahim Al-Ibrahim Refugee Camp in Mendera, Kenya. In 1994-1995 he became the Medical Volunteer in Utanga Refugee Camp in Mombassa, Kenya. In 1996-2004 he was the chairman of Somali Health Project and assistant director of SAHAN education project. Since 1997 to present he has being a Somali Patient Advocate at Hennepin County Medical Center. Dr. Osman Harare is well known physician within the Somali community. He is the co-founder and Executive Director of East Africa Health Project and gives health related lectures at Dar Al-Hijrah Islamic Civic Center.

8. Councilmember Cam Gordon

Cam Gordon has lived in Minneapolis all of his life in or near the second ward since 1977 in the Cedar-Riverside, Longfellow and Seward neighborhoods.

Cam graduated from the University of Minnesota in 1977 and then completed extensive graduate work in early Childhood Development and Montessori Education. He is a writer and accomplished Montessori teacher. He is the author of *Together with Montessori*, a guide to help parents and staff work together in harmony to create better schools. He was public school teacher. Currently he is a member of Minneapolis City Council (ward 2).

9. Imani Jaafar-Mohammad

Imani Jaafar-Mohammad was born in Virginia and raised in Cincinnati. She is a Staff Attorney for the Legal Aid Society of Minneapolis in the Housing Unit. She received her J.D. from William Mitchell College of Law and her B.A. in English Literature *magna cum laude* from the University of Minnesota.

Imani is a board member of the William Mitchell Alumni Committee and the Minnesota Justice Foundation, a member of the William Mitchell Women in Law Committee, and a participant in the college's mentor program. Imani is also a speaker for the Islamic Resource Group and a board member of the Muslim Youth Leadership Scholarship Award Program.

10. Br. Ryan Harris

Ryan Harris is an American football offensive lineman, and he was born in March 11, 1985 in St. Paul, Minnesota. Harris was a highly touted offensive lineman out of Cretin-Derham Hall High School in St. Paul, Minnesota. He was recruited for Notre Dame, Iowa, Miami (FL), and Michigan. Harris projected to be drafted in the second or third round of the 2007 NFL draft, and now he plays for the Denver Broncos.

He was raised in the Unity Church Unitarian in St. Paul. Harris embraced Islam in middle school years.

11. Br. Mohamed Dini

Mohamed Dini graduated from Lake Broddock High School in Burke, VA and he is currently a senior at Walden University Ohio State.

Dini studied Islamic Studies at the Institute for Arabic and Islamic Science in Fairfax, VA.

He was the Chairman of the Somali Public Affairs Committee. He was appointed by the Mayor for the Religious Council in Columbus, OH. He is the recent delegate to the State Department's Midwest Muslim Panel. Dini served as an official with the Muslim Students Association of the US and Canada. Br. Dini travels frequently to give lectures at campuses nationwide.

He started dawah in his sophomore year of high school with a "Dawah Table." Dini's goal is to see Muslims take up leadership positions where they not only lead Muslims but all of humanity.





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12. Sh. Abdirahman Sharif

Sh. Abdirahman Sharif was born in Somalia. He has been a student of many distinguished scholars, some of whom were his family members, in Somalia. Teaching the religion of Islam, in details, to others was a passion he grew up with. Imam Sharif has been also a teacher of his own; educating himself about the abundance knowledge of Islam and giving fatwas (legal ruling) to others.

Imam Sharif came in Minneapolis, MN in 1996. He is one of the founders of Dar Al-Hijrah center, which was an establishment of promise that he would stay within this community and be part of it. Amongst his immense activities include teaching people about Islam, giving legal rulings (fatwa) to those who seek justices, instituting a counseling office where people can work out their problems through the teachings of Islam, raising funds for Islamic institutions, and many more.

Imam Sharif gives speeches and lectures in both large and small audiences. He also teaches students from varieties of Islamic books, and he is an eminent scholar in the teachings of Islam in America and around the world. Among his works includes researches in *Islam & Family*, *How to Raise Muslim Children in Western Hemisphere*, *Good Manners in Islam*, *How to live with non-Muslims*, etc. Imam Sharif serves as the imam of Dar Al-Hirah at this time.

13. Teacher Abdisalam Sharif Adam

Abdisalam Adam was born in Somalia. He finished his early education, from elementary to high school, in Nigeria. Adam has BA from the King Saudi University, Riyadh, SA.

Abdisalam Sharif came to America in 1991. Here he proceeded his education and received a Master of Science Degree from St. Cloud State University. He is very active within our community; from teaching to volunteering. Adam is currently the director of Dar Al-Hijrah, and he is also the founders of the center. Adam is also a Somali Community Specialist for St. Paul Public Schools.

Adam served as the board member of Al-Amal school, International Charter School, and African Relief Agency of Horn of Africa [ARAH].

14. Sheikh Said Ali Ahmed

Sheikh Said Ali Ahmed finished his earlier education in Somalia. He received Bachelor of Arts (BA) in Computer Science. He served as the President of Somali Center in Ottawa. He is an author in several areas such as Somali in Diaspora, youth, and technology.

Sheikh Said is a member of Islamic scholars in Ottawa, Canada. He is a producer of CKCU 93.1 Radio in Ottawa, Canada. Sheikh Said currently serves as a programmer and analyst for the Government of Canada.

15. Sis. Huda Farah

Huda Farah has a Masters degree in Molecular Biology of Infectious Diseases. She is a researcher, public health educator, cultural competency trainer, mentor, coach and a leader in public health and early childhood.

Huda is a dynamic national and international speaker, worked on tissue typing, cloning, heart transplant studies, and epidemiological studies, prenatal Hepatitis B, TB and HIV/AIDS.

Huda has taught Arabic and Islamic studies for school age and adults. She is currently a trainer for trainers, trainer for many curricula including BEAM, children with special needs SEEDs literacy, Not By Chance, the Infant Toddler Training Intensive (ITTI) program, First Aid CPR, HIV and STDs, Infectious disease control, children's mental health and ASQ/ASQS Assessment tools.

Huda is a host of ECHO TV shows for public health and emergency preparedness. Among her membership include as the member of Emergent Public Health Leadership fellowship. Huda is in the process of production of educational video on Children with special need and early intervention.





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16. Sheikh Abdirahman Omar "Haguf"

Sheikh Abdirahman Omar finished his earlier education from eliminatory to secondary in Baledwayne, Somalia. He went to Sudan where he finished his Bachelor Degree in Islamic Shariah from National African University.

Afterwards, he went to Bangladesh where he taught Madarastu Khalid bin Waleed. Sheikh Abdirahman currently serves as the imam of Masjid Khalid bin Waleed mosque in Minneapolis, Minnesota.

18. Sheikh Omar Faqi

Sheikh Omar Faqi finished his earlier education from elementary to secondary in Galkacayo Somalia. In 1985, he attended King Saudi University where he graduated with Bachelor degree in statistics (BS).

In 2006, he finished his Master Degree in Mathematics from the University of Minnesota. Sheikh Omar currently serves as the imam of Masjid Towhid, Karmell Mall, in Minneapolis, Minnesota.

19. Sheikh Omar Ismael

Sheikh Omar Ismael completed his earlier education from elementary to secondary in Mogadishu Somalia. Sheikh Omar attended Somali University Lafoole, where he graduated with Bachelor Degree of Education. From 1978-1983, he served as a teacher at Sheikh Yusuf School Mogadishu, Somalia.

In 1978- 1985, Sh. Omar worked for the Ministry of Somali Information. Sheikh Omar currently serves as the President of African Relief Agency of Horn of Africa (ARAHA).

20. Sheikh Abdirashid Sheikh Ali Sufi

Sheikh Abdirashid Sh. Ali Sufi finished his earlier Islamic education in Mogadishu, Somalia under his father, who was a well known sheikh among Somalis. He learned from his father two Qira (Hafs, and Shadhib). Afterwards, He went to Cairo, Egypt, where he attended Institute of Qur'anic recitation and received his diploma for Qur'anic recitation. After he received his diploma, he was awarded with two awards of Qira'at.

Sh. Abdirashid became a teacher of Qur'anic recitation at Al-Azr University in Cairo, Egypt. Since 1991, he served as the imam of Masjid Anas bin Malik in Doha, Qatar. Sheikh Abdirashid is a Qari, and one of the popular sheikhs in Somalia, and many parts of the world. His father, Sheikh Sufi was the first person who brought the "Tajweed" recitation in Somalia.

21. Sheikh Abdiqani Ali Haga

Sheikh Abdiqani Ali Haga finished his high school years in Somalia. He received an Associate Degree of Computer Science from Minneapolis Community and Technical College (MCTC). He continued his education and received a bachelor degree of Business and Accounting from St. Mary University.

Sheikh Abdiqani is a student at Open Islamic University in Virginia. Currently, he serves as the teacher of Minnesota Internship Center High School (MNIC) and head of Institute of Islamic Education in Minneapolis.

22. Sis. Fadumo Gure

Fadumo Gure graduated from Volunteers of America High School. She is student of Islamic University of Minnesota. She is a teacher of Salahudin Islamic School at Dar Al-Hijrah Masjid. Fadumo works at Anderson Elementary School and Volunteers of America- Iqra Night School.

23. Sheikh Mahamud Sharif Ali

Sheikh Mahamud Sharif Ali finished his earlier Islamic education in Somalia. He is known for his articulate and knowledge of translating the Noble Qur'an and Hadiths of the Prophet (pbuh). He is well respected within the Somali Community. Sheikh Mahamud currently serves as the imam of Masjid Darul-Quba, in Minneapolis, Minnesota.

24. Dr. Hamdy El-Sawaf

Dr. Hamdy El-Sawaf received his B.A. in Psychology from Ain Shams University in Cairo, Egypt, and MA, Ph. D. Psychology at University of Minnesota, MN, US. Dr. El-Sawaf is a psychotherapist, imam, consultant, professor, and an adjunct professor.





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He is the founder of Al-Wafaa Center for Human Services in Minneapolis, and a co-founder of many Islamic institutions such as the Islamic University of Minnesota. Dr. El-Sawaf serves as the Advisory Board Member for Center for Religious Inquiry. He is also the Vice President of East Side Neighborhood Services in Minneapolis, MN.

He is a public speaker in many Islamic conferences held locally and nationwide. He gives lectures on Islam in public, private schools, colleges, universities, mosques, churches, synagogues, hospitals, and clinics.

25. Sis. Halimo Farah

Halimo Farah finished her early education in Somalia. She has been a teacher for seven years in Minneapolis, MN.

Currently, Halimo is the Arabic teacher for the International School based in Minneapolis. She is also the producer of Haboon Journal that runs within the Somali community.

26. Businessman Hussein Samatar

Hussein Samatar was born in Somalia and came to Minnesota in 1994. Quickly he managed to receive a MBA from St. Thomas University, MN. Hussein has 8 years commercial banking experience and Norwest/Wells Fargo.

He is the former senior lender for Neighborhood Development Center. He serves in many boards such as Minneapolis Foundation, Minnesota Public Library, Payne-Lake Community Partners, Citizens League, and Emerging Markets Homeowners Initiative. He has been serving as the Executive Director of African Development Center (ADC) since 2003.

27. Sh. Abdirahman "Abu Turab"

Sh. Abdirahman has completed his early education in Somalia. He is amongst well known sheikhs in the Somali Community in Minneapolis, MN.

Currently, he serves the board of Al-Qanateen mosque based in Minneapolis, MN.

28. Sh. Faisal Hammouda

Sh. Faisal Hammouda was born in Cairo, Egypt, and moved to America in 1969. He has been an active member ever since.

He received his Bachelor and Master Degrees in Aeronautical Engineering from Cairo University, and a Masters Degree in Engineering Mechanics from Wichita State University. Hammouda is an inspiring speakers as an imam, teacher, fundraiser, counselor, and as a Muslim worker.

For over 30 years he helped many organizations and started some of his own as well dealing with national and/or local status quo. Hammouda is currently the President of Creative Engineering Company based in Chicago, IL.

29. Sh. Abdulkarim Hassan

Sh. Abdikarim Hassan is an imam and khateeb at the masjid of Al-Qanateen in Minneapolis, MN.

He also speaks in many Islamic conferences held locally and nationally in regards to Islam.

30. Sh. Hassan Mohamud "Jami'i"

Sh. Hassan "Jami'i" graduated from Somali National University School of Law in 1986 where he received LL.B. in Civil Law and Islamic Law. Thereafter, in 1989, he graduated from the Higher Institute for Islamic Studies in Cairo, Egypt, graduating with a diploma (MA) in Islamic Law. In January 2002, he received his Juris Doctor degree from the William Mitchell College of Law in St. Paul, Minnesota and became the first Somali graduated from Minnesota Law schools.

Sh. Hassan works also with the Legal Aid Society of Minneapolis as an Immigration Law Project Advocate. He is a former member of US commission on Civil Rights and board member of Twin Cities Red Cross.

Currently, he is the imam and director of Dawah mosque in St. Paul, MN. He is also an adjunct Professor at William Mitchell Col- 17





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He is a former member of US commission on Civil Rights and board member of Twin Cities Red Cross. Currently, he is the imam and director of Dawah mosque in St. Paul, MN. He is also an adjunct Professor at William Mitchell College of Law.

31. Sr. Ruqia Abdi

Ruqia Abdi finished her early education, from elementary to secondary, in Somalia. She went to International Islamic University in Islamabad, Pakistan.

Ruqia received her Certificate in Medical Assistant from Academy College in Bloomington, MN.

32. Makram El-Amin

Makram El-Amin graduated from North High School, Minneapolis in 1988. He attended Olive Harvey College in Chicago, IL and the University of MN in Minneapolis.

Imam El-Amin is a founder and co-founder member of many organization such as El-Amin Properties, Muslim American Society of Young Adult, Metropolitan Interfaith Council on Affordable Housing, and many more.

Imam El-Amin currently service as the imam of Masjid An-Nur.

33. Br. Basim Sabri

Br. Basim Sabri is a businessman, and he owns several businesses in and around Minneapolis, MN, including Karmel Mall.

He graduated from the University of Minnesota.

34. Sh. Mohamaud Sh. Ali "Jayzaani"

Sh. Mohamaud Sh. Ali finished his earlier education in Somalia. He went to Ummu Al-Quraa University, Saudi Arabia, and received a degree in Islamic Studies. He has a Master degree from Open University in Virginia.

Afterwards Sh. Ali has been a public school teacher in Yemen for 10 years. He was the imam of Marshal Mosque in Minnesota and others in US.

35. Sr. Ikran Osman

Sr. Ikran Osman finished her education from elementary to high school in Somalia. She then received a Teacher Certificate from the Teacher Training Academy in Somalia.

Afterwards she received an Associate degree in Islamic Studies. She has been a teacher for several years in Yemen. In 2000, Sr. Ikran received a Certificate of Medical Assistant from Academy College in Bloomington, MN.

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About Dar Al-Hijrah

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Dar Al-Hijrah Islamic Civic Center is a religious, educational, social, and charitable non-profit organization dedicated to serving the Muslim community in the state of Minnesota. The Center also strives to work with anyone interested in learning about Islamic values and customs. Dar Al-Hijrah was established in 1998 in response to the needs of the growing Muslim community. Since then, Dar Al-Hijrah has been operating and providing essential services in line with its mission.

The Goals of Dar Al-Hijrah:

- ☞ Establishment of the rites of Islam such as prayers, ceremonies, and celebrations
- ☞ Providing Islamic teachings to both Muslims, and non-Muslims, and familiarizing them with Islam's beliefs and way of life
- ☞ Cooperating with other Islamic organizations to build common platform, and promote community institutions
- ☞ Providing essential services to Muslims including Mosques and Islamic schools
- ☞ Promotion of better relations and understanding between Muslims and non-Muslims
- ☞ Offering opportunities for social and educational services for the community in Minnesota

Dar Al-Hijrah Activities

Some of the services Dar Al-Hijrah provides include:

1. *Schools*

Part-Time Islamic Schools:

- ☞ Dar Al-Hijrah Islamic Schools currently serve students of all ages. Their curriculum includes memorization of the Holy Qur'an, Islamic Beliefs (Aqeedah), reading and writing Arabic, Islamic manners (Tarbiyah), Islamic history (Seerah), prophet's way of life (Hadith), jurisprudence (Fiqh) and remembrance of Allah (Thikr).

Salahudin Weekend Islamic School—612-298-2031

Al-Ihsan Weekend Islamic School—612-817-3394

Iqra Night School:

- ☞ Dar Al-Hijrah also provides an adult high school in partnership with Volunteers of America where students can earn a regular high school diploma.

612-375-0700 / <http://voahs.org/>

2. *Counseling Office:*

Dar Al-Hijrah offers a counseling office where the imam provides counseling on social issues such as marriage, divorce, and conflict resolution. The imam will extensively go over with the family about their issues, and he will provide a solution that is reasonable for both parties.

3. *Youth Center:*

Dar Al-Hijrah Youth Council shall welcome any Muslim youth in the state of Minnesota to enhance their religion and culture, expand their educational level, strengthen between families and youth ties, establish non-violent methods for peace, institute integrity, and work for better future.



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4. *Salahudin Student Union:*

SSU is a student organization that helps youth get more involved in Islamic activities. Its mission statement is “to get Muslim youths involved in the community and keep their Islamic values.” SSU is a branch of Dar Al-Hijrah Youth Council that deals with younger students. It works closely with students in elementary and middle, operates bimonthly journal, holds Islamic events and workshops, and producing documentaries regarding issues in our society.

5. *Health Screening Center:*

Dar Al-Hijrah Health Screening Service (DAHSS) is a free and accessible health service provided by Dar Al-Hijrah Islamic Civic Center for the community in partnership with the Minnesota Department of Health, where members of the community can check their blood pressure, diabetes, weight, height, and child and teen checkups.

6. *Salahudin Journal:*

This journal is published by Salahudin Student Union; a group of youths from Salahudin Weekend Islamic School. It is produced bi-monthly, and this journal is part of the community that promotes education and knowledge. Every issue discusses about current affairs in the community, Islam, health, science, education, literature, entertainment, and many more.

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