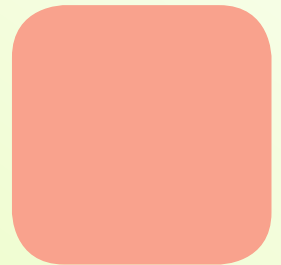


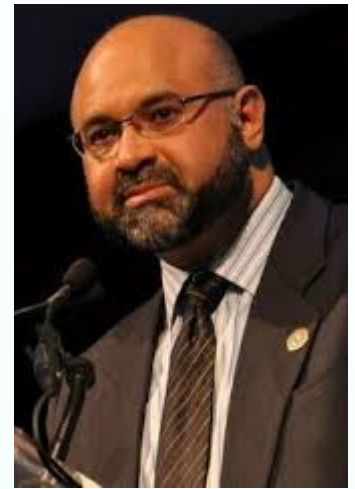
**Muslim American Society**  
**Urbana-Champaign Chapter**

**Annual Report 2014**



With the advent of the 7<sup>th</sup> anniversary of acquiring the Muslim American Society Community Center facility in Urbana, MAS Urbana-Champaign (UC) continues to develop its facility and programs. We are proudly sharing the following two achievements with our community, which happened during 2013-2014.

- Implementation of programs attractive to our new Muslim generation, which was clearly noticed in the newly formed weekly college Halaqat and
- The 32 youth teams seriously competed to include new restrooms and new air conditioning and heating equipment in the educational building providing a much more comfortable teaching environment thereby allowing us to take one step forward in planning for our three new services; the Campus for the Islamic American University, the Pre-School and the Public Computer Lab.



Dr. Ahmed Taha

Despite our limited financial resources, we are advancing in steady steps following a vision of Distinguished Programs and Dedicated Services to provide our local Urbana Champaign community with the programs and facility of their needs, to develop a new Muslim generation proud of their Muslim identity and to share the message of Islam with our fellow neighbors and citizens. Join us in putting our hands together. Your continuous support is very important to us.

Truly Yours,

*Ahmed Taha*

MAS-UC President



## Quran Institute

Activities under the Quran Institute included:

1. Award Ceremony (May 5, 2013)
2. Chicago Trophy Award Ceremony (May 5, 2013)
3. 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Hajj Simulation (October 12, 2013)
4. Salah Party (January 17, 2014)



# Family & Community and Community Center

## Family & Community

### 1. Mas Ramadan Iftar (*July 29, 2013*)

An Iftar held at the MAS Community Center. Welcoming many Non-Muslim visitors as well as the entire community. There was food provided by many members of the community as well as sweets. The youth had fun outside playing on the playground as well sports. While it was a great social gathering celebrating the holy month of Ramadan.

### 2. Ladies Weekly Swimming Sessions (*summer & fall 2013*).

### 3. Carnival & Bazaar (*October 25, 2013*)

### 4. 1st Annual Ladies Cooking Competition (*March 25, 2014*).



## Community Center

Some of the activities associated with the community center are as follows:

### 1. Hosting MSA Spring Camp Dinner (2013)

### 2. Building new flower beds (October 2013)

### 3. Installing outdoor night-lights all over the facility (November 2013)

### 4. Installing new Air-Conditioning and Heating machines in the Education Building (January 2014)



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## Youth and Junior Youth Services

### Youth Services

Activities under the Youth Services included:

1. Muhammad the Orphan who adopted the World (November 2013)
2. Fun Day (December 27, 2013)
  - After their weekly halaqa, the high school boys gathered at the local masjid (CIMIC) and played games. There was Tug of War, Soccer, Capture the Flag, etc. very competitive and fun. The two teams had a good match up, and
3. Social Night (December 6, 2013)
4. Weekly Halaqa
5. 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Seerah Competition
  - Featuring over 100 participants forming 32 competing teams of males and females covering big age-range spectrum of 5 years to college (March 14-15, 2014)



### Junior Youth Activities

1. Weekly Tuesday Group Gathering.
2. Muslim Girls' Party (November 15, 2013).
3. Girls Olive Garden Lunch Meeting (March 26, 2014). To practice the rules of etiquette and table manners.
4. Boys Spring Break Fun Night (March 27th 2014). The night featured a pizza dinner, basketball, fun mini-games, and a spiritual component.
5. Service Day (April 5, 2014).



# Tarbiya and Social Services and Activism

## Personal Development “Tarbiya”

1. Monthly Qiam-ul-Lail spiritual Program.
2. Adding three new weekly Study Circles “Halaqat” involving over 25 male and female college students.



## Social Services & Activism

1. Dawa Training Workshop (Imam Ahmed Elkhaldy *(May 26, 2013)*)
2. A workshop lead by community leader of Iowa Ahmed Khaldy. The workshop was aimed towards expanding our Dawa skills, what to do and what not to do. The experience was very good and beneficial, learning how to give Dawa is one of the most important things in Islam.
3. Ramadan Gift Basket Packing *(July 28, 2013)*.
4. Campus Volunteering Day *(April 20, 2013)*.
5. QI-Service Day *(December 30, 2013)*.

