# AWSOM NEWS

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As of December 2016, the Anjuman has loaned out approximately US\$ 1.82 million to 300 students pursuing undergraduate, graduate and post graduate degrees in educational institutions in the United States. We are neither able to thank Allah enough for His mercy nor you for the continued patronage. Thanks.

### **FELICITATIONS**

The Anjuman extends heartiest felicitations to the community for the month of Sha'ban as we celebrate the birth anniversaries of Imam Husain (A.S.), Imam Sajjad (A.S.), Hazrat Abbas Alamdar and the Imam e Waliul Asr, Hazrat Imam Mehdi (A.S). May Allah give us the wisdom to understand and practice the true teachings of the Ahlul Bait and raise our characters, morals and intellectual standards to the point where could be counted as the true followers of the Masoomeen.

### **CONGRATULATIONS**

The Anjuman extends sincere congratulations to Mr. Shehryar Haider and Mrs. Asima Haider of New Jersey on the marriage of their daughter, Mehak Haider. We wish the newlyweds all the best and a long, happy and harmonious married life. Shehryar Haider is a member of the Executive Committee of the Anjuman.

### **YADGAR FUNDS**

Dr. Sikandar Madad and Dr. Saiyeda Madad of Long Island New York added an additional \$5,000 to the existing yadgar funds formed in the memories of their respective fathers. We thank Drs. Sikandar and Saiyeda Madad for their generosity and request the readers to receipt a Sura e Fateha for the souls of late Syed Yawar Madad and late Syed Mohammad Mustehsan.

### **OBITUARY**

The Anjuman extends sincere condolences to Manzoor Raza Rizvi of New Jersey on the demise of his father, Syed Anwar Raza Rizvi who passed away in New Delhi, India on April 13. Late Anwar Rizvi was also a cousin of Dr. Sikandar Madad of New York who is one of the founding directors of the Anjuman. We pray to Allah to grand the marhoom the highest place in Janat and request the readers to offer a Sura e fateha for the soul of Anwar Raza Rizvi s/o Mohammad Jafar.

### **LOAN APPLICATIONS INVITED**

The applications portal on the Anjuman's website is now open and accepting loan applications for the fall 2017 semester. Applicants are advised to submit the application on line and also mail the singed copy of the application and the fully executed and notorized Promissory Note to the Anjuman by the **deadline of June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2017.** Applications should be received by the deadline by the Anjuman and should be complete in all respects for consideration. Incomplete and late applications will be rejected.

It is important to note that the Anjuman requires both the paper and the electronic portions of the loan application and one without the other will be considered incomplete.

At this time, we wish to remind the guarantors to make sure that their membership dues are for 2016 and 2017 are paid up before they sign a Promissory Note for any applicant.

The Holy Qu'ran says: "Allah elevates to high positions those from amongst you who are faithful and those who have acquired knowledge". (Surah al-Mujadilah, 58:11)

# SHOP ON LINE AND SUPPORT THE ANJUMAN

Your on line shopping dollars can also be a source of support for the Anjuman without any additional expense on your part. Readers who do on line shopping on AmazonSmile can support the Anjuman with their shopping dollars. AmazonSmile will donate 0.5% of the purchase price of your eligible purchases to the Anjuman. All you have to do is to select Anjuman Wazifa Sadaat of North America Inc. as the charity of your choice and AmazonSmile Foundation will make the donation directly to the Anjuman. The Anjuman being a 501 (c) 3 registered, non-profit charitable organization is eligible for the donations from AmazonSmile Foundation. Kindly choose the Anjuman as your charity of choice and help us in facilitating higher education for our community.

# FINANCING YOUR COLLEGE EDUCATION

The rising cost of college education is putting higher education out of the reach for many families. However, there are smarter ways of tackling this problem and achieving your goals of higher education.

Community Colleges: One common way of beating the higher cost of college education is enrolling in community colleges for the first two years and taking the foundation courses at a much lower cost before transferring to the more expensive four year college for final graduation. Students can also take classes in community college while being enrolled in the four year college and taking the required foundation courses at the community college which charges less for these courses and then taking the higher level courses at the community college. This lowers the overall cost of education.

AmericanHonors.org: There is a new program that takes this concept further. <u>AmericanHonors.org</u> will guarantee your admission to big name schools if you do the required coursework and maintain your grade point average.

The cost to go the American Honors route is about \$3,000 a semester in tuition and fees. And while that is a bit more than community college, having that added layer of a big name school guaranteeing your admission down the road is pretty nice.

Scholarships: There are several scholarships opportunities available based on variety of qualifications — academics, athletics, cultural

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and community experiences, background, location, desired major or area of study, accomplishments. If you get creative, you'll find a lot of options available out there. For example, football scholarships aren't just for football players, but some schools offer them to other members of the team like equipment managers.

High schools typically have resources for students to help them find scholarships they may be able to qualify for. Plus, there are tons of resources available on the Internet. Here are a few options:

- Collegeboard.org is not only for college planning — it also has an arm that focuses on scholarships called Big Future. There is a huge database of scholarships on the website, so it is critical to fill out as many details as you can in the profile that is used for searching.
- Fastweb.com is another great tool. Again, you need to create a profile in order to find the most accurate matches. You can then also see all the scholarships you applied for, or may want to apply to in the future. They also have 'contests' that you can enter monthly or weekly to win money.
- Niche.com (formerly College Prowler) can help you find colleges, as well as money. You have options to pick from what types of awards you're looking for. This site also has some contests to enter.
- Moolahspot.com is not as robust, but does offer another choice. In the search for college funds, the more places you look, the better chance you have to get some extra dollars for your higher education.

The Anjuman is there to supplement your financing for higher education. We recognize that we cannot loan enough funds to finance your entire educational expenses, however, despite of our meager means, the Anjuman has helped over 300 students to achieve their dreams and attain higher education.

Help us support this noble cause of elevating the intellectual standards of our community and assisting our children in achieving academic excellence.

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## **Membership Form**

(Tax Exempt under IRS 13-3588100)

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I wish to become a member of the Anjuman Wazifa Sadaat o Momineen and enclose herewith my check/cash/online payment for US\$being the subscription for
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Anjuman's Constitution, Rules and Regulations as approved by the Board of
Directors.
Date:
Full Name:
Telephone No
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Introduced By:
☐ I am donating a sum of US\$
to support educational programs of the Anjuman.
☐ I am contributing US\$from my Khums money. (Anjuman has obtained 'Ijaza' from Ayatollah Seyyed Ali Al- Seestani)
☐ I am donating a sum of US\$to establish an "Endowment Fund" in the memory of my late, the income from which will be utilized by the Anjuman for supporting its aims and objectives.
Name and contact information of person(s) who may be interested in Anjuman's membership:
Name
Address and Tel #:
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#### **CREDIT CARD AUTHORIZATION FORM**

#### **CARDHOLDER INFORMATION**

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