

Panjtan Society of Victoria

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COMMUNITY NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

MAULANA FOR MUHARAM 1431

Maulana Dr Mohamed Hasan Rizvi from Pakistan will be visiting Melbourne for the first Ashre, while Maulana Farman Moosavi from India will Inshahllah be reciting for the second Ashre from 10 of Safar 1431.

KHUMS

All khums money paid to Panjtan Society will be distributed as follows:

- 50% of the Sehme Imam portion will be sent to President of World Federation in his capacity as wakil of Aga Sestani
- 50% of the Sehme Imam will be kept here for PSV daily running costs as per permission from President of World Federation in his capacity as wakil of Aga Sestani
- 100% of Sehme Sadat will be kept here for assistance to local needy and eligible Sadat.

Note: a) Only the PSV President, Br Iftikhar Shah, will have the authority in disposing Sehme Sadat.
b) The PSV Treasurer shall issue official receipt for the full amount paid to PSV
c) Disposal of the Sehme Sadaat funds is the sole responsibility of PSV President, Br Iftikhar Shah and the PSV Committee will have no authority or responsibility in this matter.

For any khums issues in Ladies section, please contact Sis. Nighat Shah.

You can pay your \$300 contributions from the 50% of the Sehme Imam money that is kept here with PSV. If the Sehme Imam portion payable (100%) is less than \$600, then the member would be required to pay the shortfall.

NOTICES ON THE NOTICE BOARD

Prior approval from the General Secretary should be taken before posting any notices on the internal or external notice board at the Centre. No notices shall be stuck on the walls.

WORLD FEDERATION ELECTION RESULTS

The new Office Bearers for The World Federation for the term 2009-2012 are:

President: Dr Asgharali Moledina
Vice President: Munawer Rattansey
Secretary General: Shabbar Dhalla
Hon. Treasurer: Sajjad Tejani

Panjtan Society Inc. Annual General Meeting

The Panjtan Society Inc. Annual General Meeting will be held on:

Day and Date: SUNDAY 1 Nov 2009

Time: 5.30pm

Venue: PSV Centre, 21-23 Adelaide Street, St Albans.

GUEST SPEAKER – Sheikh Jihad Ismail

SATURDAY 31 OCT 2009

4.00 pm Session with Youths including Q&A
6.00 pm Lecture / Majlis for Gents and Ladies.

GRAVES FOR SALE

Limited number of Graves in our PSV Shia Section of the Fawkner Cemetery are available for sale to the newly migrants to Melbourne.

If you arrived in Melbourne after the Kabrastan Project was finished and are interested in purchasing a grave or two for your family,

Please contact Br Zaki Punjoo on 0416 123786 or by e-mail: captzaki786@yahoo.com.au

PSV WEBSITE – www.panjtan.org.au

As you all know a lot of work has been put in to maintain and update the Panjtan website by our IT team, PSV management committee would like to invite all to send in serious suggestions on how to improve the website. It has been decided by the committee to use the website as the primary source of communication for the community at large. Emails will only be used in extreme emergency issues. Please do not hesitate to provide your feedback to feedback@panjtan.org.au. All recommendations will be considered and carefully decided for feasibility and relevance.

SMOKERS

Due to the ill-effects of smoking in front of children, noise levels and smells, from immediate effect, the areas near the Imambarga Entrance has been designated as a "NO SMOKING ZONE.

A dedicated area for smoking has been set at the far left hand corner of the car park near the fence.

You are kindly requested to cooperate with the management to ensure this new regulation is followed at all times.

For further details, please speak to any committee members.

PERSONAL BELONGINGS

Every one is reminded to take care of their personal belongings while in the Imambargha. The PSV Management, PSV sub-committee members or any PSV Volunteers would not be responsible for any loss or damage to any one's belongings. Please ensure that you take care of your wallet, purse, handbag, mobile phone, iPod, camera, jumpers/jackets, cash, etc

If you bring your personal items to the centre, please look after them.

WOMEN ONLY SWIMMING

ALTONA North's Bay Fit Leisure Centre has been forced by VCAT to cover the glass of its multimillion-dollar venue so that **women-only swimming** can swim.

Check the following news:

<http://www.starnewsgroup.com.au/story/78157>

NEW E-MAIL ADDRESS FOR PSV GROUP

The new email address for the PSV group was launched soon after Idd.

If you wish to be added in this group, please forward maximum of two emails per member (Home and Work) to secretary@panjtan.org.au.

RELIGIOUS SECTION

FROM THE BOOK: MANASIKE HAJJ

B. ON WHOM IS HAJJ WAJIB?

Hajjatul Islam is wajib once in a life-time upon a Muslim who fulfills the following condition:

1. Bulugh; that is, a person should be of legal age. In Islam the legal age for girls is 9 lunar years and for boys is 15 lunar years.
2. Financial and physical ability: Hajj becomes wajib only if the person has the financial ability to make the journey to Mecca, to leave adequate financial provision for his dependents during his absence, and also be able to continue his business after his return. Financial ability also means that the person must be free from debts: it makes no difference whether the debts are payable to some persons or are payable to the religious authorities, like khums and zakat. The person must also be physically able to do the hajj by himself. Otherwise, he should appoint someone else to perform hajj on his behalf.

Sufficient time: After the fulfillment of the above conditions, there should be enough time for one to make the journey for hajj. For example, if a healthy person becomes financially able to do hajj on the 8th of Zilhijjah, then it is obviously not possible for him to make all the arrangements in 24 hours to go to Mecca. So for such a person, the hajj becomes wajib in the next year.

If the above three conditions are found in a person, then hajj becomes wajib on him immediately - he must perform hajj in Zilhijjah of that same year. If he does not perform the hajj in that year, then it is due upon him in the next year, and so on.

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Question: What is the status of a person on whom hajj has become wajib but he does not perform it?

- a. He does not accept hajj as an obligatory act in Islam - in such a case; the person becomes kafir because by rejecting hajj, he is actually rejecting the Qur'an and the Messenger of God.
- b. He does not perform hajj because he holds such an act in contempt - such a person is like a kafir.
- c. He does not perform hajj out of negligence; that is, he believes in it and also regards it as important - such a person is just a sinner, he is committing a major sin.

On Contentment

(From the BOOK: MISHKAT UL-ANWAR FI GHURAR AL-AKHBAR
THE LAMP NICHE FOR THE BEST TRADITIONS)

658- In Al-Mahasin it is narrated that Imam Baqir (a.s) quoted on the authority of God's Prophet (a.s): "Whoever wants to be the richest person should trust what is in God's hands more than what is in the hands of the people."

659- Imam Baqir (a.s) said: "God the Almighty said: O' children of Adam! Be content with what you are granted, then you will be the richest men."

660- Imam Sajjad (a.s) said: "Whoever is content with what God has destined for him is one of the richest persons."

661- Imam Sadiq (a.s) said: "The best form of wealth is contentment."

662- Imam Sadiq (a.s) advised a man and said: "Be content with what God has destined for you. Do not be greedy of what others own. Do not hope to have what you cannot get. Whoever is content will get satisfied. But whoever is not content will never get satisfied. Gain your benefit from the Hereafter."

663- Imam Sadiq (a.s) narrated that Imam Ali (a.s) always said: "Whoever wishes spiritual richness but does not quench his anger will die in sorrow."

664- Imam Baqir (a.s) said: "Do not consider the conditions of those who are better off than you are, since God the Almighty often said to the Prophet: "Let not their wealth nor their following in sons dazzle thee." [The Holy Quran: Taaba 9:55], and: "Nor strain thine eyes in longing for the things We have given for enjoyment to parties of them, the splendor of the life of this world." [The Holy Quran: Ta-Ha 20:131] "If you ever doubt this issue remember the Prophet's life. His food was barley bread, his sweets were dates, and his fire came from burning date branches- if he could get any."

665- Ameer al-Momineen (a.s) said: "Minimum worldly goods will suffice whoever is content with the minimum necessities; but nothing will suffice one who is not content with the minimum necessities."