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Eid Memories *(Continued from page 5)*

people wait for that day all year long. It is one of their only opportunities to eat a real hearty meat-filled meal. People were crying and exerting themselves, but once they were handed a bag they would sit and make dua for us. Oh, sincere duas like these are truly the most beautiful things to hear. They brought me to tears and made me think of how immensely blessed I am and how ungrateful I am. SubhanAllah, if only I could have a Eid like that every year so that I may get that feeling again. Only something like this can give you such a feeling: a feeling that only the people who are less fortunate than you can give you with their sincere and humble words. May Allah accept from everyone their deeds.

Apathy *(Continued from page 13)*

Muslims helping out others? Ah but yes, people don't care about others whom they feel no connection to. But, this is a poor and sorry excuse, and one that I see rampant amongst the members in this MSA. Perhaps it would help if Muslims branched out and actually interacted with non-Muslims.

Allah (swt) does everything for a reason. We are here for a reason. We are at this university for a reason. Should we merely join the MSA to go to meetings, social events, to get a position, to find someone to marry? Why don't we use the MSA to become a force, not just on this campus but a force within ourselves, to actually do as much as we can, to give as much time as we can, to bring about change and justice? There are ways of doing so. We are not powerless. But, what will it take, how much inciting, provoking, and poking can one do, to burst the MSA bubble.

A Non-MD Life *(Continued from page 6)*

If you have a genuine dream to become a doctor and do good in this world, then more power to you. But understand that you have a choice and that you do not have to be a doctor to be a Muslim. Realize that it is a long and arduous journey to your final destination and you will need all the motivation that you can muster to continue it. Recognize that you have the final say in how to live your life, not your parents. And realize that doctors are needed, but so are lawyers, engineers, and social workers. We need more counselors to talk to our youth when they want to leave Islam, more social workers to take our children form their abusive homes, more businessmen and women to offer an alternative solution to the interest-ridden capitalistic nature of American society, more lawyers to defend and stand up for the likes of Sami Al-Arian and Mumia Abu Jamal, more therapists to treat our brothers and sisters affected by traumas at the hand of their oppressors, more teachers to educate the next generation of leaders, more activists trying to save the world, and more scholars to maintain the integrity of the religion in this country.

Campus Prayer Areas *(Continued from page 1)*

use of space. "That space could be used for a riba machine too," said one business school affiliated Muslim.

***Name that Shoe* Answers:** 1) B 2) C 3) D 4) A 5) E

Student Organization of the Year *(Continued from page 1)*

been given this recognition over other student organizations for its help, uniqueness and commitment to positive chang...We pray this will encourage more Muslims to get involved with MSA and its activities, as well as motivate all of us to grow stronger in our faith."

This is the fourth time in nine years that the MSA has been given this award, most recently being the 2002 academic year.

Vice president Wajeeha Shuttari said, "Our newsletter indicates how diverse our activities are and how diverse the community is that makes up our MSA. We have a lot of work and ambitions still to achieve, and I encourage everyone to get involved to help ensure the future success of the MSA."

Legacy of the Prophet (S) *(Continued from page 1)*

condemned by the MSA but, according to Sheikh Abdullah, the offense of the Muslim perspective also needs to be taken into consideration.

Based on the feedback and avid participation and dialogue of the students at the event, the MSA is planning on hosting a follow-up event to further discuss and explore these issues, such as the Freedom of Speech and its role in Islam. There will be a follow-up event to

The recent actions in Denmark have caused global chaos to uproar, and with it, confusion from many different aspects. The Michigan community is undoubtedly curious and confused as to why Muslims have been so offended by the recent cartoon depictions of Muhammad (S).

Chronicles *(Continued from page 12)*

rest is history. You get a funny glance in the elevator, but hey, when was the last time an elevator ride in TP wasn't awkward?

You get out and make your way around campus and not only are you approached by several random people trying to convert you; you're forced to realize that after 200 years of adaptation to humans, squirrels have the right of way on the sidewalk. You get a little scared, so you settle on taking the grass to class. Class ends and because you have some extra time before your next one, you stop by the fishbowl to check your mail. Not only do you run into every Muslim in Ann Arbor there, but you dually receive an email from each one on the listserve…To Be Continued in Next Issue

PHOTO CAPTIONS

1) Former MSA President Tariq Hafiz speaks at Thursday Halaqa
2) Sana Syed, Lubna Khan and Sana Javed at Thursday Halaqa
3) Students at Jill Carroll Vigil at the Diag– sponsored by MSA
4) Usama Canon at Prayer Workshop held in February
5) EBoard Meeting snack courtesy of Aliyah Rab
6) Hazem Malas at Campus Jumaa
7) E-Board Meeting
8) Unity Experiment Meeting
9) Brothers at Eboard Meeting
10) Dan Kalash, Hassan Ahmad, Khalid Odeh, Asad Usman & Zeeshan Bhatti at Thursday Halaqa

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