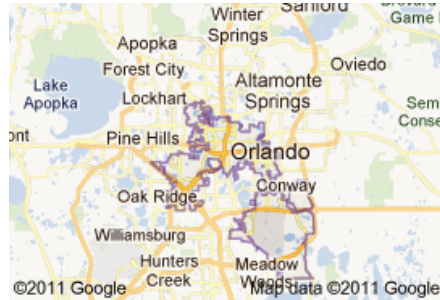


Lajna Orlando, FL Khidmate Khalq Activities



October 2011 Khidmate Khalq activities done by Orlando, FL majlis

Alhamdulillah! Along with our regular donations of money inside and outside the Jama'at, non-perishable food to the homeless and providing help and support to fellow majlis members as needed, one of our members was able to give her time and skills as follows:

- ☞ One member organized a "Script Your Future" Campaign event at Sarasota Senior Friendship Centre in which she provided Senior Citizens with tools and resources to use in order to adhere to their medications.
- ☞ She also volunteered at local community pharmacies and encouraged vaccination in preparation for the flu season.
- ☞ She also gave a presentation on the negative aspects of prescription drug abuse and other social issues around that topic while volunteering at the YMCA Youth Ranch (also recently covered as special directive in Lajna meeting)
- ☞ Since October was Breast Cancer Awareness Month, this member had the opportunity to take part in a 5K walk and helped raise money and awareness for breast cancer.

In addition, a unique opportunity arose when one of our older members passed away on October 22nd 2011. 8 members made a special effort to visit her daughter (almost a three hour drive for some), to offer condolences, provide food etc. Mother and daughter lived alone with no other family in the area; the daughter clearly needed help with all necessary arrangements etc.

- ☞ Three members then made the trip again two days later to the funeral home in order to prepare the deceased for burial, having made a last-minute purchase of all the materials needed to do so, including the shroud, on behalf of the daughter (she insisted on reimbursement later). These members had not participated in 'ghusl' of a deceased prior to this but were able to follow instructions, with much prayer and trepidation, that were thankfully available in various Jama'at and Lajna resources, Alhamdulillah. Not an easy thing to do, fearfully done, but a sacred privilege to have this opportunity and to help the bereaved who were absolutely lost on what to do. Inna lillahi wa inna ilaihi raajioon