

National Midwest Lajna/Nasirat Ijtema 2012

The National Midwest Ijtema on CHOOSE ISLAM WHEN CULTURE DISAGREES took place at Baít-ul-Jaamay Mosque in Glen Ellyn, IL, on September 14th to 16th. Respected National Sadr Lajna Ima'illah USA, Salíha Malík, presided over the event with five National officers and all three Regional Sadran. The Overall attendance was very good with and 205 members on Friday, 355 on Saturday, and 283 on Sunday. Alhamdulillah, 16 Majalís from all Midwest regions participated, East Midwest, South Midwest, and West Midwest. It was a great succsees!

Highlights of the Ijtema included workshops and presentations:

- "Appearance & Actions: Importance of Modesty in daily life" conducted by Lajna ages 15-25 years
- Impromptu speeches
- "Islam Vs Culture: Misconceptions removed" - National Secretary Tabligh, Dhiya Baker
- "The Muslim woman's sphere of influence within this Culture"

- "What is popular isn't always right and what is right isn't always popular"
- Team Building Activity on Creative Hijab: Design a hijab for a professional and for a special occasion in groups
- Jeopardy on questions about Islam and Ahmadiyyat
- Lajna ages 15-25 had lunch with Respected Sadr Sahiba
- Honoring Nau Mubayat in the region from the 1970's until current, including many moving stories on their experiences.
- Nasirat Tarana and Skits on: "How Lajna can be Role Models for Nasirat"
- Our Ijtema concluding with inspiring words from Respected Sadr Sahiba:
 - ❖ Reminders from Hudhur's Address to Lajna USA 2012
 - ❖ True signs of a believer - they 'hear and obey'
 - ❖ They are the Truthful