

MUSLIMS FOR LIFE

Blood Drive Campaign to Commemorate September 11, 2011

The Ahmadiyya Muslim Community (AMC) has launched a nation-wide campaign called Muslims for Life in honor of the victims of 9/11. Under this campaign AMC will hold blood drives across the U.S. in all our mosques and prayer centers, as well as in collaboration with community organizations at their locations. Our goal is to collect 10,000 units of blood on or around September 11, 2011.

Background of the Campaign: Terrorists not only caused death and destruction on 9/11 but they also hijacked the Islamic faith. By representing an untrue militant, violent picture of Islam, they created suspicion of all Muslims in the American mind.

The truth is that terrorists do not represent Islam or Muslims.

The AMC is in the forefront of efforts since 2001 to uphold the sanctity of human life as emphasized in Islam. The Holy Quran teaches that life is sacred and reaffirms Biblical teachings that whosoever unjustly kills a single person, it shall be as if he had killed all mankind; and whosoever saves the life of one, it shall be as if he had saved the life of all humanity (5:33). Further, in his Farewell Pilgrimage address, the Prophet Muhammad said, "Even as this month, land, and day of Pilgrimage are holy, so has God made the blood, property and honor of every human being sacred."

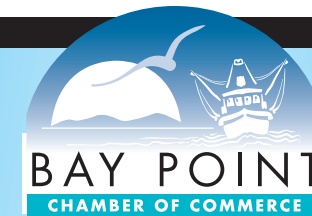
In 2010 a Muslims for Peace campaign was initiated by AMC to

spread the peaceful message of Islam in the United Kingdom and the United States of America. That campaign included bus advertisements, interfaith dialogue events and door-to-door flyer distribution. This year AMC has commenced a new campaign called Muslims for Life, to collect enough blood to save 30,000 lives in honor of those who lost theirs on 9/11.

The Ahmadiyya Muslim Community of Bay Point extends an invitation to Americans of all backgrounds to join us, as we demonstrate the true spirit of inclusion that is reflected in the Bay Point community. Bay Point Chapter of AMC has been actively involved in community service in this area. We strongly reject hatred and violence.

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Please... Take Advantage of Us!

Brad Klock, President

You probably think my title for this message is a bit provocative. I hope you do! If I've gotten your attention, that's the first step. The next is to reinforce the value of your Bay Point Chamber to your business and our community.

If you've got a business and you want advertising exposure, your Chamber provides that. Via the Bay Point Chamber of Commerce website, directory, newsletter, and other means, we provide your business with the exposure and advertising options to help you and your business succeed. The same is true for our networking lunches and breakfasts, and multi-Chamber mixers. If you have business cards, brochures, coupons, or special offers, bring them to the Chamber office at Ambrose; we'll make them visible and available right there in the heart of Bay Point! This is yet another value to our members -- referrals; we want each of our members to prosper!

If you don't have a business, but are contemplating starting one, we can provide you with some guidance, including connecting you with other resources. If you are already in business, but need some refreshers or tips, there are options as well. The Contra Costa County Workforce Development Board, for example, has some valuable programs for small businesses. Check them out. And if you need assistance in making the initial connection, let us know.

We're in Bay Point...for Bay Point. Whether it's for our businesses or our non-working personal lives, the Chamber provides us all with another source of socializing, networking, and enriching our everyday existence. We have a great group of people in and associated with the Chamber. Become part of us. You'll like what we offer, what we can do for you, how we work together, and where we fit into the on-going improvements in our Point by the Bay -- Bay Point.

As always, give us a call or stop in to our office at Ambrose to learn more about the Bay Point Chamber of Commerce. We're also, always, looking for new ideas. We hope to see you soon, if you are already a member. If you're not, we look forward to welcoming you soon.

Have a safe and prosperous summer.

Bay Point Chamber of Commerce, Hispanic Chamber of Commerce and Ambrose Recreation & Park District Mixer!

The Bay Point Chamber of Commerce, Ambrose Recreation & Park District, and the Hispanic Chamber of Commerce of Contra Costa County are sponsoring a joint mixer!

Reserve the date and time: Thursday, July 21, 2011
Ambrose Community Center

3105 Willow Pass Road
Bay Point, CA 94565
5:30pm to 7:30pm

Join us to network, meet with potential clients and make new business contacts while tasting the flavors of Bay Point. Each restaurant in town will be providing samples for those attending! Great

food, good company, and new contacts -- a winning combination.

See you there!



Gloria Magleby Honored for Her Service

Gloria Magleby was honored for her service to the Bay Point community on July 26, 2011. In attendance were more than a hundred of her closest friends, as well as dignitaries such as State Superintendent of Instruction, Tom Torlakson, Supervisor Federal Glover, and Assemblyperson Mark De Saulnier. She was awarded numerous certificates of appreciation and commendations, and enjoyed herself immensely.

Gloria Magleby was born on July 7, 1926 in Monroe Utah. While she was young, she traveled where her father could find work – to American Fork, Utah, Salt Lake City, Utah, Elko Nevada, and finally landing in Bay Point at 115 Mary's Ave in 1942, where she remained for 69 years.

She graduated from Mount Diablo High School in

1944, and went to college at the University of Nevada and the University of California at Berkeley, but without obtaining a degree. Her first job after high school was at the Port Chicago Naval Magazine, where she was an employee during the explosion of 1944. She was eighteen years old at the time of the explosion. She followed that with some college, and started her own business services company, Los Medanos Business Services, which was primarily a printing company. What with the advent of the photocopier, and her propensity to give services to too many charitable organizations, she found herself changing jobs and moving to Royal Dutch Shell in 1959. There she stayed to retirement in 1988.

A life-long member of the Church of Jesus Christ of

Latter-day Saints, while working, she also taught high school students religious classes at 6:00am every weekday. This she did faithfully, among other callings in the Church, for 16 years.

She remained quietly retired until prodded into public service in 1998, when she was first elected to the Municipal Advisory Counsel. What followed was a flurry of activity, with her being elected to the Ambrose Recreation and Park District Board, founding the Historical Society, the Bay Point Chamber of Commerce and the Bay Point Garden Club. She also re-invigorated the Bay Point Pride. She has also been a faithful member of the Daughters of the Utah Pioneers for years. In 2002, she was named "Woman of the Year" by the California State Assembly.

For a woman without a complete college education, she managed to draw hundreds of people into community activity. To know Gloria is to work for Gloria. There are no slackers in her circle of friends. If you knew her, you became involved in the community. Period. There was no discussion, and she continues that force to this day. She was, and is, a force to be reckoned with, a pillar of strength in the community, a cheer leader for Bay Point, and a hard worker.

Since her stroke, she continues to urge people to do better, do more, to DO in the community and in their personal lives. Her mission is not yet over, and she will continue to be a powerful, positive spokesperson for Bay Point.

Website to Your Site!

By Daniel ben Avrám,
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Chamber of Commerce

More and more, your website is your public face, and in some cases, such as home

offices, your only public face. Make that first impression a good one!

Here's a chance to let out the Inner Artist. Any of you old enough to remember life

before CDs will fondly recall how great album covers were. Well, how about adding links, slide shows, embedded music and links to YouTube videos and the vistas are endless. And even if you

think you don't have a clue, work with a responsive web designer and you'll be surprised at how much you know what you like.

Approaches to web design

are as varied as your imagination and your needs. The Bay Point Garden Club wanted a maintenance-free site. It took a while to set up, but only needs ten or fifteen minutes worth of updates a month.

Some transactions can be accomplished online, giving your home office a global reach. But even if they're coming to your café anyway, they can peruse the menu first, which will only entice them more. Likewise, a visit to your website, and those who hate shopping will know exactly what they want before they even get to your shop.

My motto is, "If it isn't fun, it's not worth doing." My friend Harry sends me cartoons in Finnish (with translations for the Rest Of Us) to post on his FinnLabor website. As a composer, I have the luxury of being able to embed music in websites without having to go farther than my elbow to get clearance. During the Tour de France one year I found a cool animated gif of a cyclist peddling away; one of my favorite e-mail icons is of a frog catching an envelope from across the page and swallowing it with a B-u-u-u-r-p!!

Perhaps you think of a website as only a website and not as just a webpage. Is there a poem or song or photo you love and like to share widely? I wrote a song upon the passing of a friend, and then put a recording of it up on a webpage, with the lyrics, and even a downloadable PDF of the music compuscripts, in case

viewers wanted to sing it themselves.

I don't need to tell you all that a website can contain. You can go online, or go to my website (noted at the foot of this article) and see for yourself all the myriad possibilities. Have fun and explore!

And when a website has outlived its usefulness, but you still want to visit it, or show it to friends, you can always keep it online for reference or reminiscing.

How easy is it to have your own website? Think of a domain name you like (and a bunch of alternates in case yours is already popular), then go to a registrar like GoDaddy or Dotster and register it for as little as under ten dollars for a year. Hosting can cost as little as five dollars a month.

As for the webpages themselves, many websites such as GoDaddy and HomeSite offer easy to use templates. Or you can purchase a program such as Namo WebEditor or DreamWeaver, which also have templates and themes from which you can choose.

But if you haven't the time or inclination to buck the learning curve, call on me! I'm as close as the Internet. I may not be the Daniel Webster, but I am a Daniel Webster nonetheless.

Cowabunga, the WebSurf's up!

Daniel ben Avrám
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Bay Point Yard Sale



The annual Bay Point Community Yard Sale was held May 14, 2011.



Angela Lowry of Delta Diablo Sanitation District supervising a recycling education project.

The Bay Point Yard Sale was a selling success. The 2nd Annual Event sponsored by the Bay Point Chamber of Commerce and The Ambrose Recreation and Park District provided space and publicity for Bay Point residents and non-profits for the sale.

Almost all the vendors were happy with their sales and the non-profits felt good about the information they were able to distribute.

In addition to the Yard Sale there was a Pancake Breakfast put on by the Boy Scouts, an ewaste truck from Blue Star Electronics, and a Goodwill truck for unsold items.

The 3rd Annual Yard Sale will be held in May 2012.



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