



MET 2010 Annual Report

Events & Programs



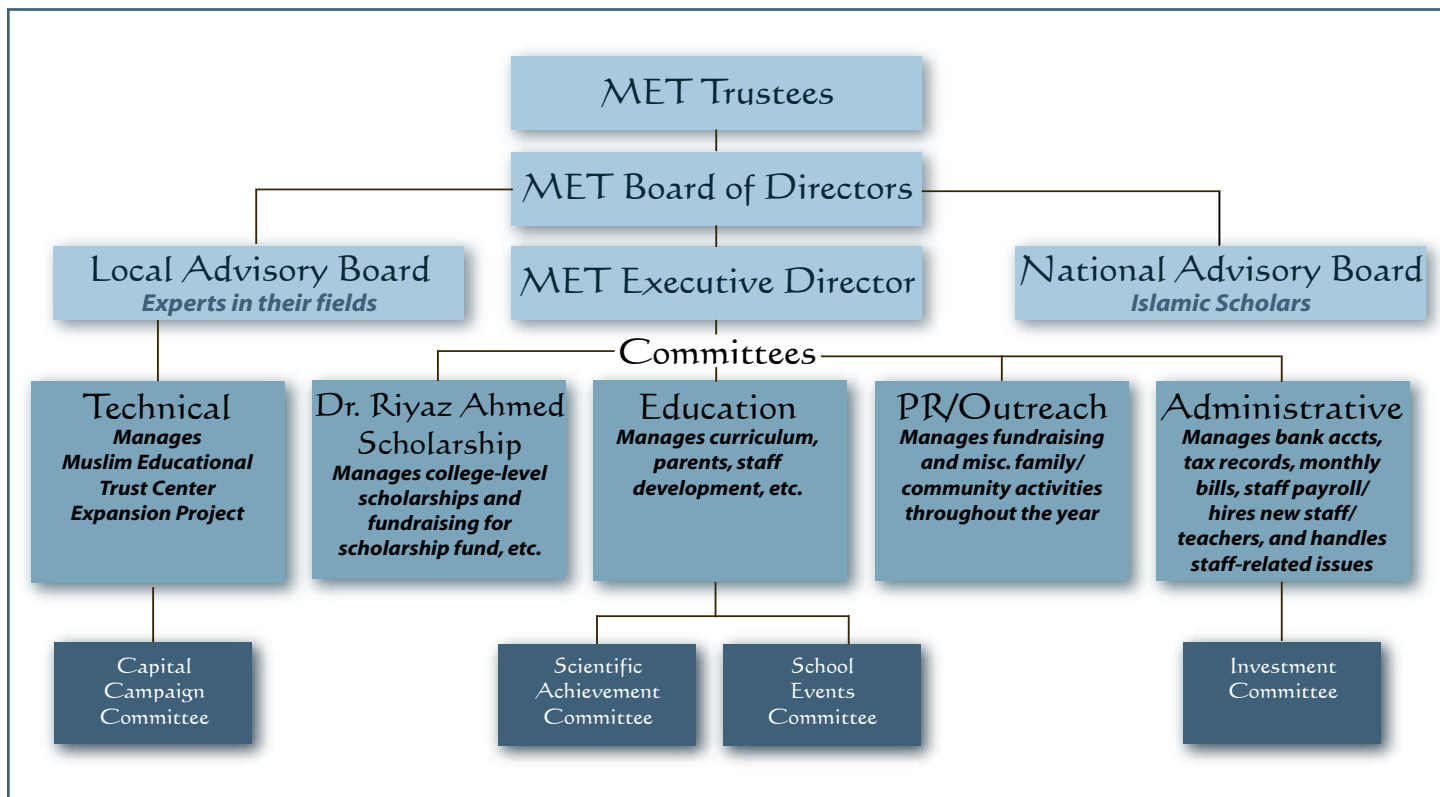
Bringing Community Together Since 1993

Education, Outreach, Recreation



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Dear MET Family, Friends, and Community Partners,
As-Salamu Alaikum (May Peace be upon you)

As we reflect upon the events of 2010, we cannot help but feel incredibly blessed and grateful for witnessing another year of wonderful accomplishments and great achievements. From education to scholarship to outreach to interfaith and recreational activities, MET has once again succeeded in bringing our beloved community together through the strength of great partnerships and rewarding experiences.

MET launched Oregon's Muslim Youth (OMY ^{أمة}), a program dedicated to all mothers who have worked so selflessly, tirelessly, and patiently day in and day out to fulfill the precious trust of raising their children, teaching them, guiding them, and inspiring them to be the best they can be. OMY is a youth enrichment, engagement, and mentoring program. OMY experiences and programs are specifically designed to inspire, motivate, and prepare our children and youth for a life of contribution. Along the way, they will acquire artistic, leadership, public speaking, strategic thinking, community service, as well as fitness and well-being skills.



As we embark upon 2011, we see a lot of promise and hope. God willing, 2011 will witness Oregon Islamic Academy's first senior graduating class. We thank Allah the Almighty for the seeds we planted 17 years ago which are now becoming a flourishing harvest, and for your wonderful and continuous support to MET and its programs over the years. By the grace of Allah swt, our alumni are developing into righteous individuals and positive community members who seek every opportunity to excel and give back to the community, while setting a good example for everyone around them. This has been the essence of our mission statement since day one, and we pray that Allah swt will accept our efforts, and continue to bless our youth and help them grow stronger, reach their full potential, and develop into our future leaders, in shaa' Allah (God willing).

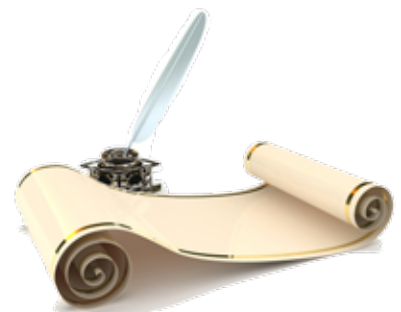
Finally, we are glad to share our great news with you. MET has spent years researching the feasibility of building our dream Community Center and is thankful to Allah SWT that our dream will very soon become a reality. The Muslim Educational Trust Community Center will be the first center in the metro area to provide a gathering place for the entire Muslim community; it will be a place where people may come together to grow in mutual understanding and respect, helping to make the Portland area a better place for all citizens. The Center will welcome and encourage members of all faiths and ethnic backgrounds to partake in a wide variety of on-site activities and events, including athletics, lectures, concerts, art openings, research, study opportunities, shopping, interfaith dialogues, and social events such as MET's monthly potluck/forum, weddings, and other celebrations. MET signed a contract with OTAK, a community-owned Architecture firm, for Architectural, Design and Construction Administration Services; MET's Technical Committee is working very diligently to manage this project and construction is scheduled to start in September 2011, inshaa' Allah.

We thank you once again for your support, and we look forward to your ongoing involvement and continued commitment in 2011 to see our programs and our youth thrive, and to see the Muslim Educational Trust Community Center become a tangible reality, God willing. You are indeed shaping the future of our community, one heart and mind at a time.

Sincerely,

MET Board of Directors, Rania Ayoub, Sahar Bassyouni, Lawrence de Block, Anusha Elias, Jawad Khan, Mohammed Jamal Khan, Wajdi Said, Jahed Sukhun, Bambang Suparjo, Ibrahim Turki, and Bashar Wali.

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Your Prayers, Time, and Dollars at Work ...

The *Muslim Educational Trust* (MET) was founded in 1993 with a mission to enrich the public's understanding of Islam and dispel common myths and stereotypes, while serving the Muslim community's educational, social, and spiritual needs in order to develop generations of proud and committed Muslims who will lead our community to the forefront of bridge-building dialogue, faith-based community service, and stewardship of Earth and humanity.

To accomplish this mission:

- * MET presents public lectures about Islam to educate both Muslims and Non-Muslims.
- * MET establishes interfaith dialogue to open channels of communication with people of different faiths.
- * MET operates an informal speakers bureau.
- * MET is an active advocate among local news organizations for non-biased news coverage.
- * MET publishes a quarterly newsletter, *Al-Hewar*.
- * MET coordinates communication between Muslim organizations, Islamic Centers, and the community.
- * MET operates a full-time licensed and accredited Islamic school, (Pre-K - 5th: Islamic School of MET - ISMET and 6th-12th: Oregon Islamic Academy - OIA) as well as a Weekend Islamic School.
- * MET is the co-founding member of the following Interfaith Organizations: Institute for Christian Muslim Understanding (ICMU), Arab-Jewish-Muslim Dialogue, Interfaith Council of Greater Portland (ICGP), and Between Women Interfaith Group.

MET's Faith-based and Community Partners:

- ☑ Ainsworth United Church of Christ
- ☑ American Civil Liberties Union Foundation of Oregon (ACLU)
- ☑ Arab and Muslim Portland Police Advisory Board (AMPAC)
- ☑ Beth Israel: Rabbi Michael Cahana
- ☑ Between-Women Interfaith Group
- ☑ Center for Spiritual and Ethical Education (CSEE)
- ☑ Ecumenical Ministries of Oregon (EMO)
- ☑ First United Methodist Church
- ☑ Good Neighbor Center Homeless Shelter of Tigard
- ☑ Havurah Shalom Synagogue: Rabbi Joey Wolfe
- ☑ Institute for Christian-Muslim Understanding (ICMU)
- ☑ Intel Northwest Science Expo and INTEL Foundation
- ☑ Interfaith Council of Greater Portland (ICGP)
- ☑ Islamic Social Services of Oregon State (ISOS)
- ☑ Japanese-American Citizens League (JACL)
- ☑ JOIN Oregon
- ☑ Lewis & Clark College
- ☑ Linfield College
- ☑ Mercy Corps
- ☑ Muslim Students Association of Portland State University
- ☑ Neighborhood House of SW Portland
- ☑ Neveh Shalom Synagogue: Rabbi Daniel Isaac
- ☑ Northwest Religious Liberty Association
- ☑ Office of International Affairs, Middle East Studies Center of Portland State University
- ☑ Oregon Episcopal School (OES)
- ☑ Oregon Federation of Independent Schools (OFIS)
- ☑ Oregon Humanities
- ☑ Oregon Nikkei Legacy Center, a Japanese American History Museum
- ☑ Our Lady of the Lake Catholic Church
- ☑ P'Nai Or Jewish Renewal Synagogue
- ☑ Portland General Electric Diversity Summit 2004-10
- ☑ Spiritus Abbey and Institute for Progressive Spirituality
- ☑ St. Mary's Academy of Portland, Sister Mollie Reavis, SNJM
- ☑ Westminster Presbyterian Church
- ☑ World Affairs Council of Oregon



Oregon's Muslim Youth (OMY ^{أمي}) is a youth enrichment, engagement, and mentoring program. With the vision of nurturing today's youth for a brighter tomorrow, the mission of OMY is to change lives and build bright futures for Oregon's Muslim children and youth by developing generations of proud and committed Muslims who lead their community to the forefront of bridge-building dialogue, faith-based community service, and stewardship of Earth and humanity. OMY seeks to meet the educational, social, and spiritual needs of our youth while equipping them with the tools, knowledge, and work ethic they need to succeed and leave their mark in today's world. The following are some of OMY's programs:

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| * Geo Bee | * Buddy Mentorship |
| * Art Club | * Alumni Association |
| * Career Day | * Science Fair & Expo |
| * Chess Club | * Youth Essay Contest |
| * Energy Fair | * Speech Tournament |
| * Poetry Night | * Youth Ambassadors Club |
| * Tae-Kwon-Do | * Sports & Nutrition Club |
| * Math Carnival | * Media & Multicultural Club |
| * Lego Robotics | * Arabic & Islamic Studies Fair |
| * Quran Contest | * English & Arabic Spelling Bee |
| * Basketball Club | * Toastmasters Youth Leadership |
| * Jump Rope Club | * Academic Exchnage with |
| * College Advisory | Oregon Episcopal School |
| * Weekend School | and other schools |



Second Annual Arabic and Islamic Studies Fair — January 8th

MET hosted its second Annual Arabic and Islamic Studies Fair. There was a wide spectrum of topics that instilled a pride of our Islamic culture and heritage and the love of the Arabic language in each of our children as they went about implementing their projects. Topics covered stories of Prophets, lessons from the Quran and the experiences of Muslim Scientists.



Tae-Kwon-Do Academy — January 9th—June 5th

The Muslim Educational Trust offered Tae-Kwon-Do classes which build self-esteem and promote discipline. Master & Black belt holder, Ahmed Aissi, ISMET Graduate, Class of 2004, taught all the basic blocks, kicks, and stances, the white-belt form (Taeguk il-Chung), basic self-defense and sparring techniques, and faith (Imaan)-enhancing lectures in every session.



Oregon Legislature's View on Religious Garb in Public Schools — January 9th

MET hosted a special panel discussion regarding "Oregon Legislature's View on Religious Garb in Public Schools" at PSU. Guest speakers were Ms. Andrea Meyer, Legislative Director/Counsel, ACLU of Oregon and Mr. Charles Hinkle, Attorney at Law, who shared their views about the American Civil Liberties Union of Oregon (ACLU) and its position regarding this law. Speeches were followed by a panel discussion moderated by Mr. Thomas Nelson, Attorney at Law. Also on the panel were Mr. Jim Hanna, retired teacher, and Ms. Saba Ahmed, law student at Lewis & Clark College.



The Spiritual Journey to Hajj at Linfield College — January 12th

Ms. Fatima Albar, Oregon Islamic Academy Quran teacher, and Ms. Maysoon Al Hassan, OIA Arabic and Islamic Art teacher, spoke at Linfield College about the special and spiritual journey to Hajj. They discussed the dynamics of the Muslim pilgrimage and the personal internal journey people go through while performing Hajj.



Students Receive Awards for Human Rights Poster Contest — January 17th

MET is very proud of its students who won 4 out of 5 winning entries in the 1st Annual Human Rights Council of Washington County Poster Contest. The theme of the contest was "Human Rights: Let It Begin With Me." Over 40 Islamic School of MET and Oregon Islamic Academy students participated in the contest and we were the only school that earned three 1st place positions plus the grand prize at this county-wide competition. Winners were Sophia Qamar, Umbre Khan, Ayah Fattom, and Mariam Said.



Being A Passionate Teacher — January 18th

MET was thrilled to host Mr. Jim Hanna, retired teacher and educator, Mr. Michael Sweeney, African Studies and Anthropology teacher at Lincoln High School, Tasha, PSU student, and Andrew, Lewis & Clark student. Our guests shared their vast experiences in the classroom both as students and as veteran teachers. It was truly an inspiring session where the importance of a one-on-one healthy relationship between the teacher and each student was greatly emphasized.



Franchise Consulting Workshop — January 23rd

MET hosted a Franchise Consulting Workshop presented by Mr. Humayun Malik, Senior Franchise Consultant at MatchPoint. Mr. Malik defined what a franchising business is and discussed the benefits of a franchise versus an independent business. Mr. Malik also presented the challenges individuals face when starting a franchise, techniques to investigate a franchise, and what Matchpoint provides to individuals interested in business opportunities.





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City of Beaverton Mayor visits MET — January 29th

City of Beaverton Mayor, Denny Doyle, visited the Muslim Educational Trust and Oregon Islamic Academy High School Students and spoke about the City of Beaverton's efforts in managing and engaging the culturally rich and diverse Beaverton community



Islam: Upclose and Personal Presentation — January 30th

In the spirit of interfaith and community service, OIA's Youth Ambassadors hosted a group of youth and students from the Unitarian Universalist Church of Vancouver and presented Islam in an engaging presentation. It was a wonderful experience for our students as well as their audience who had the following to say about their visit in the words of Jan Jewett, Director of Religious Education: "We had an outstanding time on our visit - your group is extremely welcoming, positive, and knowledgeable. I learned a lot myself. Parents of the youth report that they came home very enthusiastic about their visit as well."



ISMET/OIA Annual Spelling Bee — February 5th

Many thanks to Language Arts Teacher Jawad Khan for coordinating the Spelling Bee for the past few years. Oregon Islamic Academy Winners of our 2010 Schoolwide Spelling Bee were: Nadia Najim, 1st place winner, Malik Tune, 2nd place, and Azrah Ahmed, 3rd place. Nadia moved on to the Regional Spelling Bee in March and placed 12th at Oregon State's Regional Spelling Bee.



OIA Unique one-of-a-kind Field Trip — February 11th

On their first stop, Oregon Islamic Academy 7th-11th grade students met with Mr. Noah Siegel, Director of International Relations at the City of Portland. Next stop was the Mercy Corps Action Center, at which students got oriented with the community service efforts of Mercy Corps in Oregon and beyond. This unique field trip was concluded with a 1-hour guided tour of Downtown Portland with a special emphasis on its history.



MET Seerah Conference — February 13th

In commemoration of the Hijri new year, MET hosted a Seerah Conference addressing the life and humanity of Prophet Muhammad (PBUH). MET Guest Speaker, Dr. Muzammil Siddiqi, Chairman of the Islamic Jurisprudence (Fiqh) Council of North America and former president of Islamic Society of North America, presented two sessions. The first session was titled "Thinking Outside the Box: The Prophetic Model for Community Service Ingredients to Perfection: Sabr (patience), Shukr (thankfulness), Dhikr (remembrance)." The second session was titled "Prophet Muhammad: The Husband, the Father, and the Imam."



Staff Development with Dr. David Streight — February 15th

ISMET/OIA Staff listened to Dr. David Streight, Executive Director of the Council for Spiritual and Ethical Education, as he spoke about Fostering Positive One-on-one Relations between teachers and students and the ABC's of what every child needs: Autonomy, Belonging, and Competence.



Ninth Annual Science Fair — February 19th

Our Annual school-wide Science fair was a great success. Volunteer judges browsed the poster presentations and interviewed the students. Later in the day, the Science Fair showcase was open to parents and visitors in the ISMET cafeteria.



Between Women Interfaith Group Speaks at PCC — February 20th

Members of Between Women, a Jewish, Christian, Muslim Interfaith Dialogue group, started by MET, spoke during the Multicultural and Diversity class, taught by Ms. Linda Jones and Ms. Hadiya Miller at Portland Community College. They spoke about their experience in forming a strong friendship and a positive dialogue. They also spoke about how Between Women changed each one of them and what their individual dreams and goals are for this unique group.



Annual Bake Sale — February 21st

MET's Annual Bake Sale was a great success with delicacies from all over the world. Proceeds of MET's Annual Bake Sale were used towards purchasing additional robots for the ISMET/OIA Lego Robotics Team and library books and resources for the MET Kadri Family Library.



World Affairs Council World Quest Competition — February 20th

Two teams of eight Oregon Islamic Academy High School students participated at the World Affairs Council WorldQuest Competition. The event inspired students' interest and involvement in international affairs and increased their appreciation of diverse cultural perspectives. Team members were Mariam Said, Mohamed Nur, Basil Abu-Hamdeh, Nima Mohamed, Anika Siddiqui, Farhio Kheir, Dina Muqtar and Amirah Fattom.



Presenting Islam to Youth Groups — February 20th and 26th

MET's Youth Ambassadors Club members presented Islam in a simple and engaging manner to different interfaith groups. On February 20th they hosted students from First United Methodist Church and on February 26th, they visited Oregon Episcopal School and presented Islam before a crowd of 300 Middle School students. They graciously answered many difficult questions and presented the loving and true face of Islam.



Valley Catholic's 43rd Annual Speech Tournament — February 27th

We are proud of all OIA Middle School students and their excellent performances of serious, humorous, and patriotic elocution speeches of their choice. They have been working hard since the beginning of the school year on memorizing, living, and acting out their speeches. They rehearsed multiple times in class and during morning circle in preparation for this big day.



Annual Book Fair and Poetry Night — March 13th

The theme of our Book Fair this year was "1001 Inventions" where everyone got to discover the Muslim Heritage in our world through a variety of books, posters and a special movie. Our Poetry Night was filled with poetry recitations by our Oregon Islamic Academy students and by Mr. Gulzar Ahmed, dedicated friend of MET who shared with us his poem "Women." Our Guest Speaker, Dr. Lawson Inada, Oregon Poet Laureate, shared his stories and some of his inspiring poetry.



Gresham At-Large Science Expo — March 13th

OIA High School students participated in the Gresham at-large Science Expo. Three projects received special recognition from among a total of over 120 projects. Sophomores Amirah Fattom and Mariam Said won 1st place in the category of Behavioral and Social Science. Nima Mohamed (Junior), Anika Siddiqui (Sophomore), and Sarah Ibrahim (Freshman) won 3rd place in the category of Behavioral and Social Science and Sophomores Basil Abu-Hamdeh and Mohamed Nur received an Honorable Mention in the category of Electrical and Mechanical Engineering.





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SOLV Oregon Coast Beach Cleanup — March 20th

While many of us were sleeping in and resting over Spring break, OIA Youth Ambassadors Club, their friends and guests, were hard at work. Taking off to Astoria at 7:30 am with big hearts and a strong will to make a difference, they joined SOLV representatives and volunteers as they cleaned up Fort Stevens State Park, Hammond, near Astoria, Oregon.



Abraham Lincoln visits the Muslim Educational Trust — April 1st

In a one of its kind performance, Mr. Steve Holgate posed as America's 16th President, Abraham Lincoln (1809 - 1865), and delivered a press conference to Oregon Islamic Academy students. He spoke about the Civil War and how critical it is that the North and the South come together for an everlasting peace and unity for the sake of the country.



Intel Northwest Science Expo — April 2nd

Middle School students and High School student nominees participated with a diverse spectrum of projects at the 27th Annual Northwest Science Expo held at Portland State University. Alaa Aissi, 8th grader, got recognized with the Best in Computer Software Engineering Award from the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers, Inc. (IEEE). Tariq Abu-Hamdeh, 7th grader, received a Certificate of Achievement from the United States Air Force for an Outstanding Science/Engineering Fair Project. Kareem Aboueich, 6th grader, received a Certificate of Distinguished Achievement on behalf of the Air Force Research Laboratory.



OMSI names Oregon Islamic Academy the Most Outstanding Middle School with respect to its Science Research Program — April 2nd

Oregon Islamic Academy was named at the 27th Annual Intel Northwest Science Expo by Oregon Museum of Science and Industry (OMSI) the school with the Most Outstanding Middle School Science Research Program Award. This special recognition included both a certificate and a trophy.



ISMET Second Annual Junior Poetry Night — April 3rd

ISMET students learned about poetry and worked hard on their poetic creations to deliver on ISMET's 2nd Annual Junior Poetry Night and participate with in the Creative Communications' Annual Poetry Contest. Some students wrote original poetry and others recited their favorite poems in both English and Arabic.



Jeanna Adkinson speaks to OIA students about radiothons — April 8th

In an intriguing brown-bag luncheon, OIA students hosted Ms. Jeanna Adkinson, Account Manager at Alpha Broadcasting, who spoke of her experiences about radiothons and how they are run and how Alpha Broadcasting helped with the Haiti disaster.



MET Hosts Leadership Excellence Workshop — April 10th

An interactive and thought-provoking workshop entitled "Leadership Excellence: How Divine Guidance Supports Your Personal and Professional Success" where Mr. Paul Werder and Mr. Ahmed Duggan of LionHeart Consulting explained how our thoughts, emotions and physical bodies get wound up in stressful separation from Allah. They also explained how to use our difficulties to deepen our reliance on Allah. The workshop was followed by a special honoring of Speaker Dave Hunt and Labor Commissioner Brad Avakian for their tireless efforts in repealing the religious dress ban law.



SW Hope Feed The Hungry Campaign — April 14th

MET Youth Ambassadors Club members successfully collected 265 pounds of non-perishable food items over the course of two weeks. Food was delivered to Neighborhood House Family Shelter, MET's long time neighbor and partner. Besides the generous food donations, monetary donations to this worthy cause totaled \$240!

Third Annual Career Day — April 18th

Our speakers for MET's Third Annual Career Day included Ms. Zaha Hassan, Attorney at Law, Ms. Nancy Haught, Oregonian Journalist, Ms. Patricia Johnson, Retired Diplomat, Mr. Ahmed Aljarwan, Store Chain Manager, Dr. Amir Faishol Fath, Professor and Muslim Scholar, Mr. Gulzar Ahmed, Mechanical Engineer, and Ms. Taghrid Elmeligui, Teacher. Our youth were intrigued by the up-close and personal presentations of the speakers' careers and daily jobs.

Second Annual Youth Writing Contest — April 19th

MET launched its second Annual Portland-wide Youth Essay Contest, in which 50 youth from different public and private schools participated and got to express themselves and contemplate their roles as confident, positive, contributing members of society. Winners received their monetary awards and the first, second and third place winners also read excerpts from their essays at the Awards Ceremony.

Earth Day — April 22nd

Students engaged in a wide spectrum of activities in celebration of Earth Day. Preschoolers commemorated National Earth Day with a no-waste party. Kindergartners and first through fourth graders did an outstanding job cleaning up the MET grounds. Third through seventh graders planted cabbages and shrubs to beautify our MET Campus. Middle and high school students also planted fir trees and did more field clean-up work.

Positive Behavioral Intervention Support (PBIS) Workshop — April 23rd

In a wonderful staff development and training session, ISMET and OIA staff were intrigued as they engaged hands-on and worked in teams on methods to enhance positive interaction and learning in the classroom. Laurie Maheen Huntwork, Aloha Huber Park School Counselor, gave everyone an overview of the PBIS system, and how it works as an effective means for positive discipline and classroom management toward an upbeat classroom environment that promotes learning, good self-esteem, and positive guidance.

Know Your Rights Workshop — May 8th

MET hosted Ms. Irene Konev, Community Outreach Coordinator at the City of Portland and City Auditor of the Independent Police Review Division (IPR) during May's Monthly Forum. Ms. Konev talked about how IPR is a body that overlooks Portland Police, our rights when we encounter a Police stop, the avenue we have at our disposal to file complaints when one of us is treated unfairly and the process we can use to reinforce Portland Police accountability.

Service Learning Day at Oregon Episcopal School — May 12th

OIA seventh and eighth grade students participated in the OES Service Learning Day. This year, our students served and made a difference for our community in five different areas: food collection and sorting for a homeless shelter, keeping some elderly people company and spending time with them in a nursing home, sorting out school supplies for the needy, weeding and yard work to maintain a farm and a nature park, and story-telling to preschool children in a neighborhood Native American school.





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US Department of Justice Representative Speaks at OIA — May 12th

OIA High School Students received two special visitors during their U.S. Government class. Ms. Rosa Melendez, Regional Director, and Ms. Jane Wu, Conciliation Specialist of the Northwest Regional Office from the U.S. Department of Justice Community Relations Service connected with and visited the Muslim Educational Trust in an effort to reach out to our community toward mutual understanding and positive relations.



First Annual Arabic Spelling Bee — May 13th

Our First Annual Arabic Spelling Bee was a BIG success! We are very proud of all our students who participated. First place winner in ISMET was Layan Atieh, in 4th grade and first place winner in OIA was Amirah Fattom, High School Sophomore.



Annual Volunteer Appreciation Breakfast — May 23rd

In appreciation of our wonderful volunteers for their time and tireless efforts, MET hosted its 4th Annual Volunteer Appreciation Breakfast. Hats off to all our committed, dedicated, and hard-working MET volunteers who choose to make a difference in the future of our youth and our beloved community every day.



Wall Muriel of the Islamic World — May 23rd

Hats off to Oregon Islamic Academy Art Teacher Maysoon Al-Hassan and her wonderful students in sixth through eleventh grade who worked, during their weekly Art class, on this project to beautify ISMET's Cafeteria with a breathtaking painting of the Islamic World.



Community Emergency Response Team Training (CERT) — June 5th

MET Staff and Oregon Islamic Academy students in eighth through eleventh grades put out live fires as part of CERT or Community Emergency Response Team Training. This year, MET has taken the initiative to require this training of its staff and faculty in an effort to be prepared and know what to do in case of an unforeseen emergency, God forbid. During six training sessions, MET students and staff had to break up into teams to do light search-and-rescue, triage, medical treatment, and put off fires. At the end of the sessions, MET staff and student participants were awarded their official certification by Mike Leuck, Emergency Management Safety Coordinator and Trainer, for the City of Tigard.



Oregon Islamic Academy 8th Grade Graduation — June 12th

MET celebrated the accomplishment of Oregon Islamic Academy Eighth graders and held a special graduation ceremony for them. Our 8th grade class of 2010 were: Asya Raza, Alaa Aissi, Sireen Alkhatib, Aya Hodroj, Fawzi Othman, and Dania Muqtar. Our Keynote Speaker, Mr. Haroon Moghul of Maydan Institute, New York, advised our graduates to seize every opportunity, work hard, and aspire to greatness.



OIA Art and Drama Club Talent Show — June 15th

The Oregon Islamic Academy Art and Drama Club organized a talent show which took place during the last week of school. Club members carried out auditions for weeks before the show. The high school class put on a superb performance acting out scenes from Lewis Carroll's Alice in Wonderland as part of their Drama class.



MET Alumni and OIA Hiking Trip at Columbia River Gorge — June 24th

The Muslim Educational Trust (MET) arranged its Fourth Annual ISMET/OIA Alumni gathering for all MET Alumni and Oregon Islamic Academy students at Angels Rest in Columbia River Gorge for an enjoyable hiking trip with Brother Vaqas Malik, Engineer at Intel Corporation and dedicated MET volunteer.



Second Annual MET Open House — July 10th

Everyone enjoyed barbequed chicken, kabobs and hamburgers while the kids enjoyed our outdoor activities and play structure at the MET 2nd Annual Open House. Activities included a dunk tank, inflatable slides, an inflatable obstacle course, lazer tag, hennah, basketball, and a bazaar sale.



MET YAC Movie "Finish Reading the Quran in One Month" — August 12th

The MET Youth Ambassadors Club prepared a short video to encourage people to finish reading the whole Quran during the month of Ramadan. They demonstrated how simple it is to reap many rewards by simply spending eight minutes after each prayer reading a few pages of the Holy Quran.



Acceptance Vs Hate Panel Discussion — August 28th

MET held a panel discussion to reflect upon Portland Interfaith Community's response regarding the controversy around the misnamed "Ground Zero Mosque." Panelists were: Mr. Greg Hamilton, Northwest Religious Liberty Association, Imam Mikal Shabazz, Oregon Islamic Chaplain Organization, Ms. Ashlee Albies, Attorney at Law, Sr. Mollie Reavis, Institute for Christian Muslim Understanding, Dr. Courtney S. Campbell, Oregon State University, and Mr. Kevin Finney, Ecumenical Ministries of Oregon. The facilitator was Dr. Jan Abu Shakrah, Chair of PCC Sociology Department.



Turning Challenges into Opportunities Workshop — September 3rd

MET hosted Mr. Paul Werder, President of Lionheart Consulting, at an engaging staff development session where staff members learned that they have the power to dig deep in their souls and turn their challenges into opportunities for spiritual growth and healing. They also learned that turning to Allah helps them deal with their challenges and seek the guidance of the almighty to purify their hearts and nourish their souls.



Annual Quran Contest — September 4th

The Quran Contest has been an annual tradition of the Muslim Educational Trust for several years. Since the advent of Islam, memorizing the Quran has been instrumental in preserving the final word of God and keeping it alive in the hearts and the minds across time. The objective of this annual tradition is to encourage the next generation of young Muslims to know the Quran word-for-word and learn its timeless teachings.



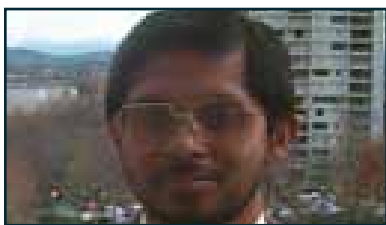
In-Kind Collection Drive for Pakistan's Flood Victims — September 17th

Six hundred pounds worth of in-kind winter items were donated and delivered to Hidaya Foundation, who promptly shipped all items to the flood-afflicted regions of Pakistan. Reportedly, 8,000 lbs of in-kind donations and \$8,000 of shipping costs have been donated in all by our beloved community at large to this drive.





Your Prayers, Time, and Dollars at Work ...



College-Prep Session for High School Students and Parents — September 18th

An important College-Prep session was held with Dr. Shafiqur Rahman, Professor of Finance, School of Business Administration, PSU. In an enlightening one-hour session, Dr. Rahman introduced our students to the college admission process, scholarship opportunities, how to choose a college, then a major, etc. Important information was shared and well-received by our students and parents.



Recognizing and Reporting Child Abuse and Neglect Workshop — October 8th

Sister Ronda Sukayna Mau, Licensed Professional Counselor and President of Connection Counseling, PC, delivered a staff development session entitled 'Recognizing and Reporting Child Abuse and Neglect per Oregon State Law', with an emphasis on a holistic spiritual approach to healing of the mind and the heart. All staff members received certification for the training which is required for all schools licensed by Oregon State Department of Education.



Dr. Riyaz Ahmed Scholarship Dinner — October 9th

A special fundraiser for MET's Dr. Riyaz Ahmed Scholarship Fund was held during MET's Monthly October Forum. Our guest speaker, Ms. Peyton Chapman, appointed Principal of Lincoln High School, talked about the importance of setting up scholarship funds for students and how Lincoln High School plans to engage the community with the new Arabic Language Program it started offering this year.



MET Toastmasters Youth Leadership Program — October 30th

MET introduced an eight-week program in the fundamentals of oral communication and leadership. The program was presented by Brother Tahseen Mohammed, ISMET/OIA parent and President of Motormouths Toastmasters Club. The Program offered an opportunity to learn effective speaking, analytical listening, and critical thinking skills as well as practice in delivering impromptu & elocution speeches.



Second Annual Energy Fair — November 4th

Representatives from Beaverton Honda, Solar Oregon, Tualatin River National Wildlife Refuge, and US Fish and Wild Life Services provided information about the impact each of them is trying to make toward a cleaner, healthier Earth. Informational booths were also furnished by Oregon Department of Energy, Iberdrola Renewables, INTEL, PSU Environmental Engineering, Portland General Electric, Oregon Energy Trust, and Renewable Northwest Project. The fair concluded with a talk by Ms. Christine Vrem-Ydstie, Enviromedia Account Manager, who spoke about Enviromedia's marketing efforts to accomplish their mission to 'use the power of advertising to make the world a better place'.



Open Meadow High School visits OIA — November 9th

Oregon Islamic Academy High School students hosted staff and students from Oak Meadow High School. OIA Youth Ambassadors Club members gave an introductory presentation about Islam to their guests and answered questions about our beautiful faith and what it is like growing up Muslim in America.



Lewis & Clark Student Orientation — November 19th

As part of OIA's College-Prep Program, OIA High School Students went on a guided tour to Lewis and Clark College to explore what Lewis and Clark College has to offer in terms of undergraduate programs and opportunities.



MET YAC Emergency Blanket Drive with JOIN — November 24th

MET Youth Ambassadors Club participated in an emergency blanket drive led by JOIN for people experiencing homelessness in our city. We were blessed with a huge heap of blankets and winter clothing to keep Portland's homeless warm and provide them with much-needed bedding supplies. MET Youth Ambassadors Club hand-delivered the donated items to Portland's JOIN: Connecting the street to a home.



OIA Brown Bag Lunch about Social Work — November 30th

Oregon Islamic Academy High School hosted PSU's Dr. Jim Nash, Associate Professor and MSW Program Director of the School of Social Work. OIA High School students were introduced to the field of Social Work as a viable option for college. The field of Social Work is indeed most rewarding and most interesting. Helping the community grow and be strong, and helping individuals within the community have positive relations and overcome their problems is a noble cause that some students may find worth pursuing as they move on to college.



Community Youth and Leadership Panel Discussion — December 11th

MET organized a community youth and leadership panel discussion entitled: "Why Violence is Committed in the Name of Islam: A Religion of Peace and Community-building?" Moderating the Panel Discussion was Mr. Arif Kareem, Chief Executive Officer at Fluke Networks and Board Member of Bilal Masjid and Member of MET's Advisory Board. Panelists included the following prominent leaders and members of our beloved community: Mr. Gulzar Ahmed, Dr. Nohad Toulan, Ms. Marion Dawan, Rev. Hector Lopez, Dr. Shahriar Ahmed, Ms. Aseel Nasir-Dyck, Dr. Omar Reda, and Ms. Amy Mahmoud.



ISMET/OIA Alpha-Bots compete for the second year at the First Lego League Qualifying Tournament at INTEL — December 12th

Congratulations to our team members for an excellent performance. Many thanks to coaches Shafaat Khan, Khalid Maklai, and Wesam Khalil for believing in our team, and giving them their time and expertise to succeed and gain insights into the intriguing worlds of robotics, programming, robot building and biomedical engineering.



OIA Scientific Research Methods Workshop — December 13th

In a series of two back-to-back sessions, OIA students learned about the scientific method and how to conduct a research project. Many thanks to our presenters, Sisters Nura Elmagbary and Manar Alattar for sharing their time and knowledge with our middle and high school students as they prepare for our annual science fair.



OIA and OES Educational and Interfaith Exchange — December 14th

Oregon Islamic Academy High School hosted staff and students from Oregon Episcopal School and engaged in an open discussion about Islam. OIA students shared lunch and a one-on-one rich interfaith experience with Oregon Episcopal School students learning about Islam. OIA students answered tough questions about Islam and displayed exceptional pride and knowledge about our beautiful faith.



Peace Rally: Responding to Violence with Unity — December 19th

People of good-will came together to declare that love and peace are the inherent teachings of all our faiths. People of all faiths stood shoulder to shoulder in the cold weather and declared their unity against hate and violence of any form and for any reason.





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The Muslim Educational Trust Community Center is an educational, community, cultural, and recreational center that will include the following facilities:

- * Gymnasium/Multipurpose Hall/Musalla
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- * Islamic Museum, Art Gallery, and Art Studio
- * Resource Library
- * Computer/Media Lab and Science Lab
- * Commercial Kitchen
- * Gift Store/Book Store
- * Fitness Center/Exercise Room
- * 15 Classrooms/Childrens' Playground

قال رسول الله صلى الله عليه وسلم: "إذا مات ابن آدم انقطع عمله إلا من ثلاث: صدقة جارية أو علم ينتفع به أو ولد صالح يدعو له". رواه مسلم
"When a person dies, all his/her good deeds cease except for three: A continuous act of charity, beneficial knowledge, or a righteous child who prays for him/her." (Muslim)

MET's 2010 Expenses vs. Revenue



Education

- Teacher Salaries
- Payroll Taxes
- Employee Benefits
- Subscriptions
- Liability Insurance
- Disability Insurance
- Printing and Copying
- Professional Fees
- Modular Building Rent
- Telecommunications
- Staff Development
- Office Supplies
- **School Supplies***
- Student Activities
- Financial Aid
- Student Awards

\$753,857

Operation

- Building Repairs and Maintenance
- Building Insurance
- Accounting Services
- Legal Fees
- Consulting Services
- Alarm Surveillance
- Landscaping
- Gas and Electricity
- Sewage and Water
- Janitorial Services
- Janitorial Supplies
- Waste Management
- Bank Service Charges
- Postage and Delivery

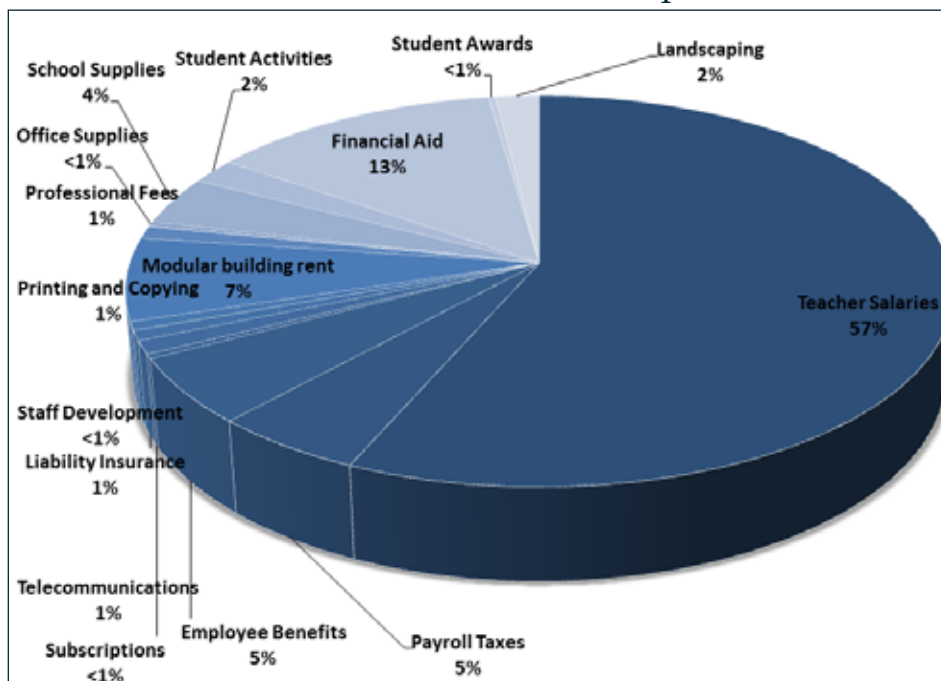
\$95,421

Outreach

- Hosting Speakers/ International Visitors
- Quran and Islamic Resources Distribution
- MET Contributions to non-profit organizations through special fundraising drives
- Monthly Forums
- Public Lectures
- Workshops
- Monthly Online MET News
- Al Hwar Newsletter
- Interfaith Events
- **Supporting Ramadan Food Drives***
- **Dr. Riyaz Ahmed Scholarship Fund***
- Annual Quran Contest
- Annual Youth Essay Contest
- Eid Parties
- Annual Open House
- **Supporting Needy Muslim Families (food, utilities and medical bills)***

\$40,135

Breakdown of Annual Educational Expenses



Revenue

Tuition

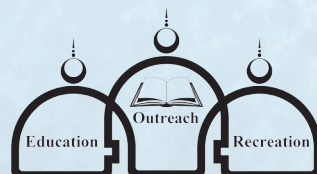
\$581,719

* Expenses covered by the Annual Zakah Fund are dedicated to supporting needy Muslim families with life necessities including food, rent, school supplies, and medical bills.

2010 Fundraising Goal: \$307,694

Thanks to Allah (SWT) and to generous community members, MET was able to raise donations during its 2010 Fundraising Drive to achieve this goal and cover this deficit.

In 1993, MET was founded with the dream to help create an open, empowering, and collaborative atmosphere within the Muslim community in the greater Portland area. Over the last seventeen years, MET has made significant strides in the development of Portland's Islamic-based education. MET's focus on education through positive interaction with Muslims and non-Muslims and honest communication with the media and public officials has positively impacted not only the people of Portland, but well beyond our local area. The greatest impact has been on a core group of students who have spent their formative years at the Islamic School of MET and Oregon Islamic Academy. These students have grown to be successful academically, but more importantly, become the embodiment of what it means to be a confident, active, believing, and practicing young American Muslim. Inshallah, it will be these very same students who grow into leadership roles in the coming years and help lead our community to be in the vanguard of those who engage in bridge-building dialogue, faith-based community service, and stewardship of Earth and humanity.



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