



NEWSLETTER

Communication & Engagement

The Communication and Engagement Committee aims to build a more engaged future for our community! We believe this is accomplished by building a culture of respect, values, and appreciation for each other. What better place to do this than our hall? Our hall is our home which is why you have seen so many events scheduled over the last few months. From Oilers games, to youth parties, to a featured vendor market on May 7, the hall fosters an inclusive environment that nurtures relationships and unifies community members for years to come. We hope to see everyone at our DAE Vendor Market May 7th so we can support and promote our fellow business owners!

Membership Contribution

The DAE is thankful for all the support from community members who are stepping up to the task and offering their services and commitment to improving our relationships with each other and the brethren bond. In unity we grow in strength and perseverance.

Business & Finance

We announced in our previous newsletter that Inaya Kamaledine won the exclusive catering contract. After much deliberation, we decided to work with Inaya as our preferred pop-up caterer while allowing for other caterers to also rent the kitchen for their special events. For all your event planning needs, please contact our hall manager - Jessy Halabi at 780-777-0169

Strategic Planning

The DAE Board of directors hired a grant writer and is working around the clock to ensure that it can match the funds and meet the deadlines of government and municipal grants for community initiatives and hall enhancement. We ask the community's support to donate, rent the hall, and support our fundraisers because the more money we can raise, the more grant money we can match!

Hall Maintenance

The Druze Hall has never looked so clean thanks to Speckless Clean Inc - Yazan Aladdine who is treating it like his home. We also want to thank Alta General Contracting - Samer Harb for painting the parking lot for free! Thank you Jihad Al Halabi and Ghassan Dweik for your help fixing our coffee machine!

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Tawheed, Truthfulness, and Tasleem

The Druze Association of Edmonton held its first DAE Youth Retreat for ages 11-15. The retreat was a huge success thanks to Dr. Farouk Hamzeh who donated his generous time and wealth of knowledge to guide our children on the path of Tawheed and the foundations of moral ethics. We look forward to collaborating with Dr. Farouk on more youth retreats for different age groups in the near future. Keep an eye out for announcements so you don't miss the enrollment deadline. Thank you Moemen Choufi and Yasmine Salame Hakim for your donations toward this event.

The DAE Community Preschool held its first Cultural Showcase at the hall. The students performed a cultural dance and enjoyed making manakeesh on saj. The DAE thanks Samira Kamal for volunteering her time and expertise to create these wonderful memories with the kids. We would also like to thank Nora Hatoum for stepping in to help at the grill and all the teachers who worked tirelessly for an unforgettable experience. We will be holding an open house and taking in registrations at the May 7th Social Sunday. Make sure to reserve your spot. Only 30 spots available!

The DAE will be calling the Cash Calendar winners everyday throughout the month of May. We wish everyone who supported us all the luck and a special thanks to our angel donor (who wishes to remain anonymous). This donor saved the day and donated the balance of \$2520 to make sure that we get the maximum gain from this project. The money that we earned will be used towards funding the preschool. The preschool will be investing in an intercom system for the safety and security of our children. We will also be investing in technology for the classroom that will benefit both the preschool and the Arabic school.

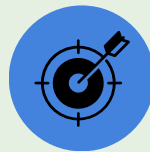
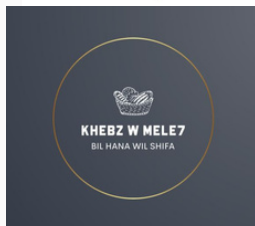
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Education is the passport to the future, for tomorrow belongs to those who prepare for it today". Malcolm X

VENDOR DAY MAY 7



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GOALS



STRATEGIES



BUDGET & EVALUATION

- Focusing on developing relationships among youth.
- Promoting our Arabic language.
- Organizing social and educational events for youth.
- Supporting EDYA
- Overseeing the Preschool and Arabic School operations.
- Catering to Druze youth of different age groups.

- Organizing events to build relationships among the youth, such as sport activities, camps, educational programs, etc..
- Hakini bil zarabi Sessions
- Collaborating with EDYA, advertising for their events and supporting them either financially or planning events together.
- Bringing activities to the preschool that focus on our culture and language.
- Weekly Newsletter to parents.

- All activities should be paid for.
- Fundraisers and donations.
- Setting a budget for certain activities.
- Registrations.
- Attendance & participation.
- Community feedback.
- Youth interest and engagement.