

# MANAR ALHUDA



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## SPECIAL THANKS

We at Al Huda Society would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to all those who supported and joined us in our mission over the past Ramadan. Our gratitude goes first and foremost to Allah (swt). In addition, there are tens of individuals who have supported us and helped us with their time and effort during this past Ramadan. Below are mentioned just a few of those to whom we owe our deepest appreciation:

- Amghar Kacem
- Azaoui Zaki
- Rev. Barry James J.
- Benhamida Sarah
- Bezzat Martha
- Boukili Abderrahman
- Boussebaa Said
- Erritouni Zakaria
- Fadlallah Hatim
- Ghazi Abdelhamid
- Haida Zayneb
- Hailoul Zahira
- Hamrani Asmaa
- Harney Scott
- Jabrane Ahmed
- Jorti Mostapha
- Najah Abderrahim

## RACHIDA'S STORY

One morning of the past Ramadan, Al Huda Society received a phone call from a probation officer at the Haverhill district court asking for help for an inmate named Rachida who is scheduled to leave the Framingham State prison in 2 days but has no where to go and knows nobody to contact or ask for help.

Al Huda Society sent a representative to the Haverhill district court on Monday September 24, 2007 the date when Rachida was scheduled to meet the judge who will give the order to be released after spending 10 days at the jail for breaking a restraining order put against her by her non-Muslim husband, with whom she has a 4 year old daughter.

After talking to the Al Huda rep, the judge released Rachida to

him, and thanked him for being there to help this lonely woman who needs a lot of help and counseling.



**Rachida is only one of many victims of Online Marriages in the United States.**

Five years ago, Rachida arrived to the United States to join her husband whom she met over the internet. Rachida told us that, in order to keep her isolated, the husband scared her from American society claiming that Americans hate Muslims and that her life is in a danger if she works or even goes out

anywhere far from where she lives in Haverhill. He also warned her to not go to the mosques or to have Muslim friends because she may be considered a terrorist. "He did all that just to abuse me and take advantage of me being a foreigner with no relatives or friends," Rachida added.

So far, Al Huda Society has helped Rachida find a place to live in Malden and has also helped her go see her sick father in Casablanca and spend Ramadan and Eid with her family.

Currently, Rachida has no income but she has many expenses that she can't afford at all. To help her find a job, or to donate to her cause, please contact Al Huda Society by phone (781) 492 0379 or by e-mail [alhudasociety@yahoo.com](mailto:alhudasociety@yahoo.com)

## A NEW RAMADAN INITIATIVE

This past Ramadan, Al Huda Society was Al Hamdu Lillah able to invite and bring a well known Muslim Scholar to spend most of Ramadan with the community giving daily sermons during taraweeh, and also delivering various lectures and workshops on the weekends.

"Dr. Abderrahman Boukili has made my Ramadan very special this year" said Ahmed K. who attended most of the nightly 20 minutes talks given by Dr. Boukili on the topic of **"The Prophetic Model of Mercy"**.



**Dr. Boukili during one of his nightly talks to the community**

# Al Huda Saturday School : News & Update

## Welcome On Board

Al Huda School Administration would like to welcome all the new students and their parents as well as the following new teachers:

- \* Nesreen Lotfi (Level 1)
- \* Mounia Achebour (Level 1)
- \* Fatma Seyam (Level 2)
- \* Hanan Youssef (Floater Teacher)

We also welcome our new director of security brother Rachid Benzerdjeb. We pray to Allah that you enjoy your new journey at Al Huda and, to make it a long one inshaallah.

## Students of the Month

### **October 2007**

- ◆ Sondos Dabash
- ◆ Mehdi Raoui
- ◆ Sarah Benlaatmania
- ◆ Hajar Moudakkire
- ◆ Yasmina Dacosta
- ◆ Abdelhak Belatreche

### Best Project

- ◆ Bilal Eddaif

### Outstanding Behavior

- ◆ Hicham Hadjares

## Mark your Calendar

- **November 24:** Review Day
- **December 1st::** Testing Day -  
End of 1st Term
- **December 8th:** Parents - Teacher  
Conference

## About The School:

- **Levels:** Kindergarten to 6th Grade
- **Students Capacity :** 150 Students
- **Cost::** \$520/Year - (3 Terms)
- **Time:** Saturday, 3PM–7PM
- **Location:** 190 Nichols Street,  
Everett, MA 02149

## Al Huda Society Weekly Programs

Day	Time	Program	In-Charge	Location
<b>THURSDAY</b>	6:00 - 8:00	<b>Brothers Soccer Program</b>	<i>Sports Team</i>	Longfellow School - Cambridge
<b>FRIDAY</b>	1:00 - 2:00	<b>Friday Prayer</b>	<i>Brother Said Boundok</i>	Roca Inc., Chelsea
<b>SATURDAY</b>	3:00 - 7:00	<b>Arabic School</b>	<i>School Committee</i>	190 Nichols Street - Everett
	3:30 - 4:45	<b>Sisters English Halaqa</b>	<i>Sister Rosa Naimane</i>	190 Nichols Street - Everett
	4:30 - 6:30	<b>Sisters Arabic Halaqa</b>	<i>Sister Zahira Hailoul</i>	190 Nichols Street - Everett
	5:00 - 6:30	<b>Brothers Arabic Halaqa</b>	<i>Brother Mohamed Bhalla</i>	190 Nichols Street - Everett
	5:00 - 6:30	<b>Arabic as Second Language</b>	<i>Sister Martha Bezzat</i>	190 Nichols Street - Everett
	6:30 - 7:00	<b>Community Social Coffee Time</b>	<i>Social Committee</i>	190 Nichols Street - Everett
<b>SUNDAY</b>	4:00 - 6:00	<b>Al Huda Youth Program</b>	<i>Youth Committee</i>	Longfellow School - Cambridge
	6:00 - 8:00	<b>Brothers Soccer Program</b>	<i>Sports Team</i>	Longfellow School - Cambridge
	7:00 - 9:00	<b>Brothers Tajweed Class</b>	<i>Brother Mouad Bouazizi</i>	MAS Office - Somerville

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