

## MSA Event Summery 2022

### Fall Orientation Picnic and Potluck

Held towards the end of first week of Fall 2022 semester, Muslim Students Association at Michigan Tech arranged a fun-packed picnic for new and returning MSA members. It is a great opportunity to make new Muslim friends in the town and get to know the resources available to Muslim students at MTU. The picnic was a day-long event and the locations visited were mainly Great Sand Bay Beach, Copper Harbor, and Brockway Mountain.

### Chicago Grocery Run

The MSA community comprises students from all around the world and to ensure that they can enjoy their local cuisine needs while living in Houghton, MSA organized 2 trips to Chicago in the year 2022 to purchase the HALAL meat (Chicken, Beef, Lamb, Goat) as well as any traditional ingredients that are not locally available in Houghton. The MSA community loved this event and the event was totally made possible by the volunteers who drove to Chicago for this purpose and gave their time and dedication to its community.

### Fall Color Tour by MSA

To fully enjoy the scenic beauty of fall colors painting the trees of Keweenaw Peninsula, MSA organized a trip to Pictured Rocks in the month of October 2022. It was a day-long trip available to limited community members on a first come first serve basis. This trip also included a 4-hour hike to the beach which the students enjoyed a lot.

### Ramadhan Iftars by MSA

The month of Ramadhan is that time of year when international students of MSA reminisce their families celebrating this month with its full zeal. To make sure our community finds a home away from home, MSA administered multiple Iftars held at the mosque where students could break their fasts together with plenty of delicious food prepared by the student's families. These iftars were made possible by generous donations of the MSA students, faculty members, and alumni.

### Ramadhan Awareness Day

During the month of Ramadhan 2022, the MSA committee wanted to spread the message of the month of fasting with the MTU students. For this purpose, the Ramadhan Awareness Day was held at the exhibition area in the library. Our representatives at the desk shared candies and dates among the students and answered their queries about this month of fasting and the religion of Islam in general.

## Eid Celebrations by MSA at MTU

The celebrations of Eid ul Fitr and Eid ul Adha were arranged by the MSA committee. This included Eid prayers held in the congregation followed by a potluck that is joined by students, faculty, and their families.