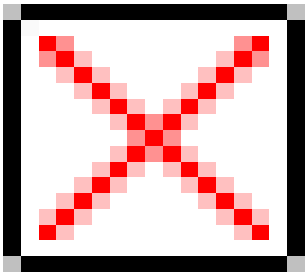




[US sues school over denial of Muslim pilgrimage](#) [1]



WASHINGTON ? The federal government sued a suburban Chicago school district Monday for denying a Muslim middle school teacher unpaid leave to make a pilgrimage to [Mecca](#) [2] that is a central part of her religion.



[Ramadan means no water during workouts for Husain Abdullah](#) [3]

NFL practices this time of year are designed for maximum sweat production. Coaches are trying to build up stamina and endurance. Players push themselves to the limit, in pursuit of jobs and starting spots. It's also really, really hot.



[Michigan's Rima Fakhri Wins Miss USA Pageant](#) [4]



(AP) A 24-year-old Arab American from Michigan beat out 50 other women to take the 2010 Miss USA title Sunday night, despite nearly stumbling in her evening gown. Rima Fakhri of Dearborn, Mich., won the pageant at the Planet Hollywood Resort & Casino on the Las Vegas Strip after strutting confidently in an orange and gold bikini, wearing a strapless white gown that resembled a wedding dress and saying health insurance should cover birth control pills.



[?Halal Meals on Wheels? comes to Michigan](#) [5]

DEARBORN, Mich. ? Mariam Wehbe learned about a program offering home-delivered meals made according to Islamic law at a good time ? poor health made cooking impossible and a grandson who helps her had to cut back to devote more time to school.



[SR50bn tourist city planned in Al-Ahsa region](#) [6]

JEDDAH: A fully-fledged tourist city is being developed in the eastern coastal city of Al-Oqair at a total cost of SR50 billion.

According to Prince Sultan bin Salman, chairman of the Saudi Commission for Tourism and Antiquities (SCTA), Custodian of the Two Holy Mosques King Abdullah has given the go-ahead to implement the project, which will change the face of Al-Ahsa region.

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