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SADD hosts annual drunk goggle course

On Jan. 25 during X-period, the student group SADD (Students Against Destructive Decisions) hosted the third annual drunk goggle obstacle course in the Briggs Gymnasium and invited students to see the danger in driving with impaired vision.

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RUBICONLINE PHOTO: Emma Sampson
OBSTACLE. Senior Harry Stevenson prepares to do a cartwheel.

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INTERSECTIONALITY. Muslim Students Alliance president Iya Abdulkarim and Vice President Mashal Naqvi asked guest speakers Lori Saroya and Tamara Gray about about advocacy and alliance for hijab-wearing women, and for all marginalized groups.

Advocates educate students for World Hijab Day

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Tamara Gray and Lori Saroya came to speak with students about the significance of wearing a hijab on Jan 25. Both women discussed how the hijab has affected their day to day lives, and also stressed the importance of intersectionality.

Lori Saroya is the founder of the Council on American-Islamic Relations, Minnesota (CAIR-MN), a leading civil rights and advocacy organization that assists Muslims and other racial, religious and ethnic minorities facing discrimination.

"For me, it's about identity. I grew up in southern Iowa in a really small town where my family was the only Muslim family. [When I didn't wear the hijab] it was easy to blend in because of my name and my appearance. It bothered me because I felt like I was pretending to be somebody who I wasn't. That's the core of why I wear the hijab in civil rights work is because I truly believe that it's about identity and about having the freedom

to be who you are as an individual, express yourself, and be true to who you are," Saroya said.

Saroya finds that working for a civil rights organization is an effective way to help people of all communities and faiths.

"The biggest thing for me is that we're all in it together. If I'm standing up for the rights of American Muslims, if I'm fighting for the right to wear the hijab at school and work, to not get bullied, then I have to do that for every other community as well, whether it's for the African American community, the Jewish community, or the LGBT community. It's the intersectionality that we're all in this together. Either we all have our civil rights or none of us have them," Saroya said.

Tamara Gray is an Islamic scholar, professional educator,

and community activist. She holds a Master's degree in Curriculum Theory and Instruction, multiple ijazas in Islamic sacred texts and subject matter.

"I became a Muslim woman in January, 1985. I don't think I knew it then, but I experienced a loss of privilege. We didn't talk about privilege back then, and I don't think I necessarily understood what it meant to be a white woman in the

United States and how much privilege I actually had. When I became Muslim I suddenly came up against walls and attitudes that I had never experienced or imagined existed, [because I was] in the bubble of liberalism where we all love each other and accept each other and everyone has the right to live how they want to live," Gray said.

"I really think that women need to step up our game of

supporting each other [...] to decide who has fulfilled the requirements of what it means to be a social activist or a woman worthy of walking at The Women's March for example. I think that that has to change because it comes back to the fact that we are all human beings and we need to meet each other where we are and uplift one another to a higher level," Gray said.

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World Hijab Day is an annual event was founded by Nazma Khan in 2013, and it takes place on Feb. 1st 140 countries worldwide. This year will be St. Paul Academy and Summit School's third time participating in the event. The day encourages women of all religions and backgrounds to have the experience of wearing a hijab and is an

opportunity for non-Muslim women to learn more about what it means to be part of Muslim community.

"[Hijab day] raises awareness surrounding both the difficulties and the responsibilities that come with wearing a hijab," Junior member of the Muslim Student Alliance Hussam Quereishy said.

While some Muslims criticize the event because they see non-Muslims wearing hijabs as a breach in the solidarity of traditional Islamic customs, the Muslim Students Alliance chooses to back the event in order to extend an open channel where people of all religions and lifestyles can communicate.

"Wearing a hijab is just a symbol of modesty, and especially on hijab day we encourage all female identifying students to participate if they want to," Qureishy said.

On Hijab Day, MSA hands out hijabs and helps people put them on, in addition to providing custom-designed stickers.

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CORRECTIONS POLICY

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LAST MONTH'S CORRECTIONS

SCI-TECH- Mussel was incorrectly spelled as muscle. ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT- Stray number 1 in list. SPORTS- Dance Team photos for playlist are from Spotify.