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Editor's Note:

Dear ZANC Community,

We are thankful to our Dasturji Kobad Jamshed for providing selfless, religious services, jashans and other Zarathustrian rites, not only to ZANC but to anyone throughout Northern California. I sincerely hope to see other mobeds or dasturjis take active part in this much needed area of expertise.

We are thankful to our Sunday School teachers to continue working as normal with our younger generation. Thank you for your energy, time and talent for providing our children with this precious gift of knowledge and fun.,

Once again I call on every reader to reflect and do the right thing. ZANC is in need of your support. **There are still 62 households who have been members in either 2018 or 2019 but have not paid the dues for 2020.** By contributing towards ZANC membership, you help to pay the upkeep costs of the Dar-e-Mehr and help the Board spend on other activities as needed. The lack of meetings and functions are only temporary due to the mandatory restrictions and we will all meet once again as soon as we can safely do so. Yet, we need the community support by paying your 2020 and 2021 membership dues.

Finally, if you have paid your membership dues, you have the right to vote. Every member has one vote per open position for the upcoming **ZANC Elections** in December 2020. We are thankful to Election Officer 2020 - Zarina Bhandari.

Sincere thanks
Kersi Daruwalla
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IN OTHER NEWS

Visits to our Dar-E-Mehr

Dar-e-Mehr will be open Tuesdays, Fridays and Sundays 9am to 4 pm for prayer by appointment only. Please contact the PZO office to make an appointment. If you have any symptoms of sickness please don't come to Dar-e-Mehr. Please bring your own head covering, Avesta, candles. (408)471-8969 contact@pzo.info

ZANC Group Facebook Page

Please note that this group on Facebook is for local Bay Area members, friends of ZANC only. We are trying to keep this a closed group and question every individual wanting to be added to this group.

Facebook Group Link <https://www.facebook.com/groups/zancnorcal>

17th Zoroastrian Games - Postponed to Summer 2021

<https://www.zgames2020.com/coronavirus-update.html>

Please reach out to chairzgame2020@gmail.com if you would like to become an ambassador for your community or volunteer for the Games. This is a great way to help the community and make everlasting friendships.

Did you know?

Now you can donate for ZANC General Fund, New Community Center or Dare-Mehr Maintenance or Repair directly using Debit/Credit Card or PayPal at

<https://www.zanc.org/donation/>

Parsee General Hospital Donations

Collected from the Community around \$11,000. The total amount collected will be sent to Parsee General Hospital.

FEZANA - Federation of Zoroastrian Associations of North America


<https://fezana.org/> For Community News focused on North America, for Scholarships, Awards and Donations, plus much more.

FIRES - FEZANA Information Research Education System

<http://fires-fezana.org/> A wealth of information at your fingertips and continuously growing.

In Collaboration with PZO - Introduction to Landscape committee and its mission
It's with great joy to announce that the "Landscape committee" (LC) has been created by a number of PZO community members with a vision of improving DareMehr's unused landscape and making it more accessible and enjoyable for our community.
Our goal is to take advantage of DareMehr's beautiful landscape and location to create functional, relaxing, spiritual outdoor spaces that display the Zoroastrian symbolisms and philosophy, for various community-gathering functions.
The LC's bylaw has been approved by PZO Zenhardaran and we are pleased to start planning with the support of PZO Anjoman and PZO Zenhardarn. We plan on having ZANC's cooperation as well. Together we are stronger in building for the future generation.
We need additional volunteer members to join the committee to help with coordination, planning and implementation. We are also excited and looking forward to hearing all your suggestions and ideas in order to collectively make our DareMehr a sanctuary for ourselves and our children. Making it a must-see destination for our larger Zoroastrian community.
Please contact the Landscape Committee's members through LC email: lc@pzo.info

Traditional Persian Music

 <p>Traditional Voice Class with Mima Goodarz</p> <p>For registration and more info contact PZO: (408)471-8969 contact@pzo.info</p> <p>کلاس آواز با میما گودرز</p> <p>برای نام نویسی و آگاهی بیشتر با ما تماس بگیرید: (408)471- 8969 contact@pzo.info</p>	<p>These classes will focus on Persian Traditional Music including Radio Khani, and Tasnif Khani. Students will learn vocal cord warmups, and breathing techniques. Training is based on Ostad Mahmood Karimi's Radif khani lessons. New students will be auditioned for their tune recognition capabilities. All levels are accepted, ages 18+. Read more about Mima here. For registration and more information please contact PZO office (408)471-8969 contact@pzo.info</p>
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ZANC Elections

ZANC Elections 2020 -- Call for Nominations

The ZANC Board has appointed Zarina Bhandari as the Election officer for the elections to be held from December 7 to 21, 2020.

Call for Nominations

2020 Elections are to fill the following Board positions for the Jan 2021 to Dec 2022 term:

- President
- Secretary
- Member-at-large

If you would like to nominate someone (including yourself), please fill the [Nomination form \(click here\)](#) and email it to ZANC2020EO@gmail.com. Alternatively, you may print the form and mail it to the address given on the form. Nominations must be received by **October 20, 2020** by the Election Officer.

If more nominees are received than open positions, then an online Election will be held from **December 7 to 21, 2020**.

We will be using an e-voting process, and so there will not be a physical venue for the election meeting.

Upcoming Zoom Events

Saturday, September 19, 2020 at 5:00 pm PST

Topic: Iran - A Presentation by Silloo & Erach Tarapore

Erach and Silloo Tarapore will present their perspectives on Iran, with beautiful photographs and videos of Tehran, Isfahan, Shiraz and Mashhad. They will include their moving trip to Yazd which is home to Zoroastrians even today, and has an ancient Atash Behram, which is often full of respectful, local visitors on the outside verandah. They will end with their visit to the Shah's palace. They will give an overview of their conversations with Iranian people who had a warm and positive response to American visitors.

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85069886735?pwd=c1dYajQ4RnJYSgHdWUxXTkxFT2dDU>
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Meeting ID: 850 6988 6735

Passcode: 874033

Saturday, October 10, 2020 at 11:00 am PST

Topic: Healthy Aging - A Presentation by Mukund Acharya, Sukham

What is Healthy Aging?

The World Health Organization defines Healthy Aging "as the process of developing and maintaining the functional ability that enables wellbeing in older age." Functional ability is about having the capabilities that enable all people to be and do what they have reason to value. This includes a person's ability to: meet their basic needs; to learn, grow and make decisions; to be mobile; to build and maintain relationships; and to contribute to society. This presentation will provide an overview of this and related issues, and provide a roadmap for healthy aging.

Be sure to join and bring your questions and smiles.

Sukham Panel will provide responses to questions relating to aging and general health

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87055698848?pwd=RHIUTC9INHZIR2RjMi9UUVVOZFZzZz09>

Meeting ID: 870 5569 8848

Passcode: 713259

Saturday, October 24, 2020 6pm PST

Stay tuned for a Virtual Bingo Night & Costume Party



Dates for your Diary - SAVE the DATE - 2020

**Due to the Covid-19 outbreak
All ZANC events are on hold until life returns to normal.**

Day	Month	Date	Event	Location	Comments
Sunday	January	19	Sunday School	DM 11:30 AM	Pot Luck Lunch
Sunday	January	26	Ice Skating	Winter Lodge, Palo Alto 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm	Dinner
Sunday	February	16	Sunday School	DM 11:30 AM	Pot Luck Lunch
Sunday	March	15	Sunday School	DM 11:30 AM	Pot Luck Lunch
Saturday	March	21	Navroze Jashan	DM 11:00 AM	
Saturday	March	21	Navroze Celebration and Annual General Meeting	Mitchell Park Community Center, Palo Alto 6:30 PM	Dinner
Sunday	April	19	Sunday School	DM 11:30 AM	Pot Luck Lunch
Sunday	May	17	Sunday School	DM 11:30 AM	Pot Luck Lunch
Sunday 4th Sunday	June	28	Sunday School	DM 11:30 AM	Pot Luck Lunch
Sunday	July	19	Picnic	Foothills Park, Palo Alto	Lunch
Tuesday -- Friday	August	11 to 15	Muktad Prayers	DM	
Saturday	August	22	Navroze Celebration	To be announced	Dinner
Sunday	September	20	Sunday School	DM 11:30 AM	Pot Luck Lunch
Saturday	September	26	Jashan and Gambhar	Jashan -- DM Gambhar-To be announced	Dinner
Sunday	October	18	Sunday School	DM 11:30 AM	Pot Luck Lunch
Saturday	October	24	Costume Party and Bingo	DM	Dinner
Sunday	November	15	Sunday School	DM 11:30 AM	Pot Luck Lunch
Sunday	December	20	Sunday School	DM 11:30 AM	Pot Luck Lunch



Membership / Renewal Form 2021

ADULT 1:

First Name: _____

Last Name: _____

E-Mail: _____

Phone Number: (____) _____

Month and Year of Birth: _____

Profession: _____

ADULT 2:

First Name: _____

Last Name: _____

E-Mail: _____

Phone Number: (____) _____

Month and Year of Birth: _____

Profession: _____

Address: _____ **Apt #:** _____

City: _____ **State:** _____ **ZIP:** _____

INFORMATION ON CHILDREN LIVING WITH THE FAMILY OR IN COLLEGE

Child 1:

First Name: _____

Last Name: _____

E-Mail: _____

Phone Number:(____)_____

Month and Year of Birth: _____

Child 2:

First Name: _____

Last Name: _____

E-Mail: _____

Phone Number:(____)_____

Month and Year of Birth: _____

Child 3:

First Name: _____

Last Name: _____

E-Mail: _____

Phone Number:(____)_____

Month and Year of Birth: _____

Child 4:

First Name: _____

Last Name: _____

E-Mail: _____

Phone Number:(____)_____

Month and Year of Birth: _____



INFORMATION ON PARENTS LIVING WITH THE FAMILY:

Parent 1:

First Name: _____

Last Name: _____

E-Mail: _____

Phone Number:(____)_____

Month and Year of Birth: _____

Parent 2:

First Name: _____

Last Name: _____

E-Mail: _____

Phone Number:(____)_____

Month and Year of Birth: _____

The ZANC Annual Membership is due by January 2021.

Dues are:

Family \$ 150

Individual \$ 75

Seniors \$ 35 per person

Students \$ 25

Life Membership \$ 3,000

Options to pay membership:

1) PayPal -- <https://www.zanc.org/membership/>. [Go to www.zanc.org and click on the Membership tab.]

2) Check -- Make checks payable to ZANC. Please send a check to Kerman Deboo at 4357 Krause Street, Pleasanton, CA 94588.

Please help us by updating our membership information.

Options to update membership information:

1) Online -- Fill online form available on <https://www.zanc.org/membership/>.

2) Mail Please send this filled form to Kerman Deboo at 4357 Krause Street, Pleasanton, CA 94588.

Time Pass or Learning Online during the pandemic

1. Whacky Weekend for the East Coast North America -- Excited for the end of September! Need to register for this event.

<https://mailchi.mp/043efe44c49f/zap-news-xyz>

2. There is an online session being planned by ZSO & OZCF (jointly) with Dr. Mickey Mehta (Global Leading Holistic Health Guru) titled, "Mind is Medicine"

3. Some parsi Nataks:

a. Bawaji ka time Aayega -

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6IEXmLwSyXE&ab_channel=prakashstudio

b. Parsi Natak Madan Ni Mansik Hospital -

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZCJRHunSPPM&ab_channel=MehbadDastur

c. Gherno Gahambar: A Parsi Gujarati Play Performed by Members of the Zoroastrian Association of Metropolitan Chicago

1. Title and Credits <https://youtu.be/p6F1FOFzdpI>

2. Act I, Scene 1 <https://youtu.be/4IjNXS7c7CY>

3. Act I, Scene 2 <https://youtu.be/kzyucmuglwU>

4. Act II, Scene 1 <https://youtu.be/nFphPIsprPA>

5. Act II, Scene 2 <https://youtu.be/7Gvgxmi43UU>

Pestonjee na parakram -

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DeMurWuOM6g&feature=youtu.be&ab_channel=ZoroastrianAssociationofGreaterNewYork

4. Fezana Talks - <https://fezana.org/category/talks/>

ZANC members can now advertise in the newsletter!

Current rates per issue are:

Business Card Size (3.5" X 2")	\$20.00
Quarter Page Size (3.5" X 5")	\$40.00
Half Page Size (3.5" X 10" or 7.5" X 5.5")	\$75.00
Full Page Size (7.5" X 10")	\$125.00
To sponsor an issue and get recognition:	\$200

Contact board@zanc.org for more information or to place an ad. The ZANC board has the right to reject ads for any objectionable content.

Dear ZANC Community Members:

We would love to share your good (and sad) news with everyone in the community: Births, Navjotes, Graduations, Weddings, Professional Awards, Deaths etc. We urge you to please let us know of such events in your family and please urge your friends to send in their news too. These are an important part of our community's life, and often, a source of pride for everyone.

Please email the ZANC Board (board@zanc.org) with this information. Submissions may be edited for clarity, space etc. Final decision to publish content lies with the ZANC Board.

Thank you and looking forward to your input.