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Editor's Note

Dear ZANC Community,

With the US Presidential Elections behind us, it is time to focus on our Community elections for Board calendar 2021-2022. All paid members should have received a ballot through email from Simply Voting (app).

1. Voting is by email, through Simply Voting
2. Vote - It should take you less than 10 minutes.

Please make sure you vote and support one candidate.

In order to get ahead of the tax season, please pay for your ZANC membership. Further, if you are working for a company that has a matching program, kindly consider ZANC to be the beneficiary.

The ZANC Board would like to wish every reader a Happy New Year. Wish 2021 is better for all the community here and all mankind.

Sincere thanks
Kersi Daruwalla
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Community 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

Latest Update for State of California on Covid19

You will find all the latest updates including Governor Newsom's orders <https://covid19.ca.gov/>

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>

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 - UPDATE !!!

Since the last newsletter, the final total collected from the Community was \$12,000. The total amount collected has been sent (wired) to Parsee General Hospital. Thank you all for your generous donations.

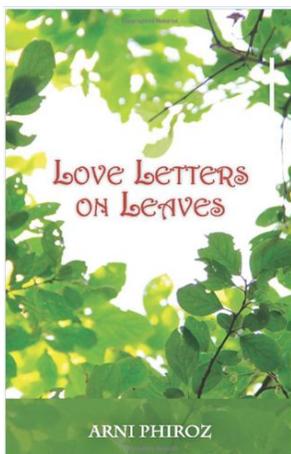
FEZANA - Federation of Zoroastrian Associations of North America

<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.

Books by Parsi Authors

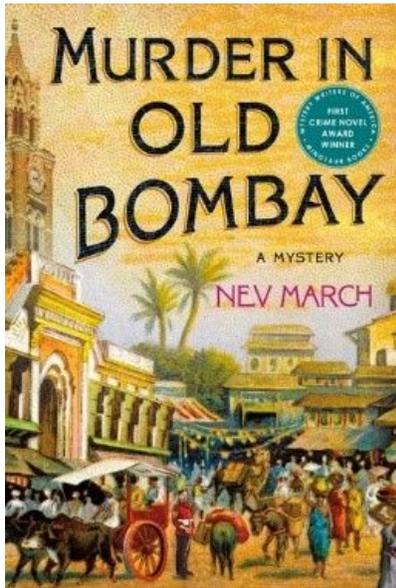


Love Letters on Leaves by Arni Phiroz

This tale of star-crossed lovers weaves through poignant turns, travelling from a South Africa entrenched in Apartheid, through the jagged edges of class barriers in Bombay, India, to Montreal, Canada.

More than a love story, Ava's journey is one of determination to live life on her own terms, surviving cultural obstacles with her own 'toolbox of coping strategies.'

Available on [Amazon](#)



Murder in Old Bombay by Nev March

Author Nev March (Nawaz Merchant), FEZANA co-chair of Funds and Finance Committee left a long career in business analysis in 2015 & returned to her passion, writing fiction. She is a member of the Mystery Writers of America and the Hunterdon County Library Write-Group, and lives with her husband and two sons in New Jersey.

In 1892, Bombay is the center of British India. Nearby, Captain Jim Agnihotri lies in Poona military hospital recovering from a skirmish on the wild northern frontier, with little to do but re-read the tales of his idol, Sherlock Holmes, and browse the daily papers. The case that catches Captain Jim's attention is being called the crime of the century...

Message from the ZANC Election Officer

The ballots for the 2020 ZANC Board Elections (for the 2021-2022 term) have been sent out to all eligible members, early December 2020.

Members who are either Life members or have paid their dues by June 30, 2020 and reside in Northern California are eligible to vote in this election.

Ballots have been emailed to every paid member early December 2020, for online voting for the Member-at-Large position from December 7, 2020 to December 21, 2020.

Questions?

Zarina Bhandari | 2020 ZANC Election Officer | ZANC2020EO@gmail.com

Upcoming Events

Sunday, December 20, 2020 at 11:00 am PST | Topic: Cooking with Niloufer - Batasa



Come join in and prepare your own Batasas on **Sunday 20th December 2020 at 11am PST.**

Find this lip smacking recipe in Niloufer's book – [The Art of Parsi Cooking](#)
Please note the ingredients if you wish to follow along.

[All purpose flour, Baking Powder, Salt, Salted Butter, Semolina, Water]

You can [buy her latest book on Amazon](#) for yourself or as a delicious holiday present for friends and family! [Click here](#) to view the flyer

[ANNOUNCEMENT] Niloufer will be hosting focused cooking classes starting in the month of January. For the month of January she will be working with vegetables. Each week she will pick one and make a variety of dishes. You can enroll for one or all of them.

January | Sundays at noon EST | California 9 am PST ~| OR | ~ Wednesdays at 11 am EST | 9.30 PM IST

Individual class price is 20 CDN per Sunday OR a package price of 50 CDN for 4 classes.

Class outline / tentative menu

Courgette/ Zucchini Cake Parsi style per edu Milanese style	Beans Paaprie Guar French bean	Spinach Egg florentine Bhaji jhinga (spinach and prawn) A bake with spinach
Eggplant A vegetarian moussaka Eggplant patio Spicy Eggplant with yogurt	Mushrooms Mushroom salan mushroom pasta Mushroom Pâté	Carrots Carrot Cake Carrot Halwa Carrot Soup

If you have any queries please do not hesitate to inquire.

Once they have the responses they will send in a confirmation with the dates for each vegetable selected

Disclaimer: Purchasing fresh vegetables can be difficult at times Changes can be made at her discretion. There are no returns, refunds or exchanges. Changes can be made at my discretion. There are no returns, refunds or exchanges. Cancellations will not be reimbursed.

Friday, January 1, 2021 at 1:30 pm PST

Topic: ZANC New Year Prayers with Dastoorji Kobad



The event is rescheduled for January 1, 2021 1:30PM PST.

Please make all your Art submissions by Saturday 9 January 2021, over email with a short writeup talking about the art or explaining the details you wish to highlight.

Do not sign artwork - Do not put your name

Sunday, January 17, 2021 at 10:30 am PST

Topic: ZANC Art Competition



The event is rescheduled for 17-January 2021 10:30AM PST.

Please make all your Art submissions by Saturday 9 January 2021, over email with a short writeup talking about the art or explaining the details you wish to highlight.

Do not sign artwork - Do not put your name (tag) on the drawing, painting or any art.

Send your submission directly by email or a link to your Cloud storage location. (Google Drive, Microsoft One Drive, Box or Dropbox). Submission Format JPEG or MP4 or PPTX or DOCX. Please email kersi1042@yahoo.com and provide the submission details by Saturday January 9, 2021.

If your child has completed their artwork, feel free to submit it in advance. Will need their age category with the writeup.

SAVE THE DATE



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.

The 12th World Zoroastrian Congress will be hosted by ZAGNY, a FEZANA member association. The 12WZC will be held at the Hilton Hotel in Midtown Manhattan, New York City from July 1-4, 2022



Start Spreading the News...

<https://wzc2022.nyc>


1st-4th July | 2022

World Zoroastrian Congress 2022



Memberships and donations are key for ZANC to continue to be able to operate for the benefit of everyone in our community.

The Board requests you to:

1. Pay your Annual ZANC Membership for 2021 by January 2021.
2. Provide member contact information. **Requested of all members even if the information has not changed.**
3. Consider donating.

Dues are:

- Family -- \$150
- Individual -- \$75
- Seniors -- \$35 per person
- Students -- \$25
- Life Membership -- \$3,000

Options to pay membership:

1. **PayPal** -- Follow link on <https://www.zanc.org/membership/>. [Go to www.zanc.org and click on Membership tab.]
2. **Check** -- Make checks payable to ZANC. Send a check to Kerman Deboo at 4357 Krause Street, Pleasanton, CA 94588.

Providing membership information:

This is requested of everybody. PLEASE!

Get a copy of the form from <https://www.zanc.org/membership/> below.

Send filled form to Kerman Deboo (ZANC Secretary).

Email: secretary@zanc.org (preferred).

USPS: 4357 Krause Street, Pleasanton, CA 94588.

Options to donate:

1. **Online** -- [ZANC Donations](#) page, or
2. **Check** -- Make checks payable to ZANC. Send a check to Ratan Mistry, 1258 Water Lily Way, San Jose, CA 95129.

Thanks a lot for your engagement and continued support.



Member / Household Information Form

*= required information

*Address: _____ Apt #: _____

*City: _____ *State: _____ ZIP: _____

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: _____

INFORMATION ABOUT CHILDREN

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 ABOUT 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: _____

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 like 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.