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Dear ZANC members,

Looking ahead to the next 3 months, we have our usual activities planned for you.

In July we look forward to relaxing at Oak Grove Park in Palo Alto, while volunteers BBQ your favorite foods and the kids and adults have fun playing games or just socializing.

Our August Navroze will be held at the Holly Community Centre in Union City. Many of our long time members know this place, as this is where most of ZANC events used to be held in the 'old days' before we had the Dare-mehr.

We are trying very hard to keep the September ghambar going, by looking for looking for an appropriate place where we can cook together and hold this annual event. Stay tuned for more information.

The North American Zarathushti community has been very energized by the arrival of the Cyrus Cylinder exhibition in the USA. In Washington D.C and Houston many events were held in the museums which members of the local communities enthusiastically attended. We hope to see the same enthusiasm here in the Bay area when the exhibition comes to the Asian Art Museum in San Francisco, Aug 9 – Sept 20th.

At the recently held FEZANA AGM in Dallas, there was much discussion about our infrastructure needs in North America. With our own centre and Dare-mehr having zoning restrictions, we also need to decide how we can best proceed for the future. Finding a place is not hard, but fund raising for it and getting a long term commitment from all community members will prove challenging.

It is time for the first generation-ers to encourage the upcoming generation Z, to become active participants in this process and not only make their views known, but more importantly make a commitment for the future of the community.

Acting together we can move forward in hamazori for the greater benefit of our community.

With many thanks for your support,

Nazneen & the ZANC Board

“The Cyrus Cylinder Tour of USA”



The Cyrus Cylinder is a 2600-year old object of modern importance, and a symbol of multi-culturalism, tolerance, diversity, and human rights. The Cylinder, a replica of which is enshrined at the United Nations as the first charter of human rights, is on permanent exhibit at the British Museum.

This year, it will be on exhibit, along with several other significant objects of Persian antiquity, including one depicting a Zarathushti priest, for the first time at five major museums across the U.S.: Washington D.C. (March 9 - April 28, 2013); Houston (May 3 - June 14, 2013); New York (June 20 - August 4, 2013); San Francisco (August 9 - September 22, 2013); and Los Angeles (October 2 - December 2, 2013).

This US national tour is officially sponsored by the Iran Heritage Foundation of America (IHF), working in collaboration with the British Museum. We Zarathushtis are especially attuned to the significance of the Cyrus Cylinder; and as the organization representing Zarathushti interests in North America; FEZANA has received a special invitation to partner with IHF in this effort.

The Cyrus Cylinder exhibition will be at the Asian Art Museum in San Francisco August 9, 2013 to September 20, 2013.

The Asian Art museum is located at: 200 Larkin Street, San Francisco, CA 94102 (<http://www.asianart.org/>)

New Light on the Cyrus Cylinder with Dr. David Stronach

When: Sunday, Sept 8

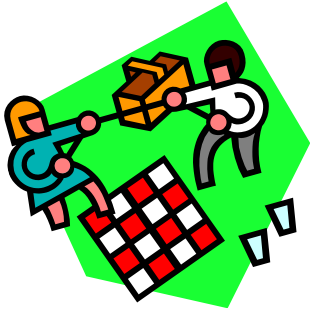
Time: 2.00 – 3.30 p.m..

Place: Samsung Hall , Asian Art Museum

Cost: free public lecture (after Museum admission) co-sponsored with the Ed Dept.

New discoveries related to the Cyrus Cylinder continue to be made more than 130 years after its discovery in the ruins of Babylon in 1879, shedding fresh light on the character and concerns of Cyrus . Prof Stronach who has worked on and studied this archaeological site will throw fresh light on the gardens and monuments of Cyrus , as well as talk about the Oxus treasure, and the Gold Armlet in the exhibition, which will provide an opportunity to explore the rare quality of Achaemenid Persian jewelry from the 6th to 4th centuries BCE.

David Stronach is Prof Emeritus of Near East Studies at UC Berkeley. A renowned archaeologist specially of the area of ancient Iran & Iraq and a leading expert on Pasargadae- the capital city of Cyrus.



ZANC PICNIC

Date: Sunday July 14, 2013

Time: 11:00 a.m.

Foothills Park, Palo Alto
3300 Page Mill Road
OAK GROVE PICNIC AREA

Price: Adults: \$ 13.00 Children: 5 – 12 \$ 7.00 Kids under 5: Free

Bring your lawn chairs and lawn games, no alcohol please

Directions: From I 280 North or South use Exit Page Mill Road to Arastradero Road WEST turn into Page Mill Road for about 4 miles (uphill) Enter Foothill Park, at first fork in road (near Lake) turn left, next fork in road turn right and continue till you reach OAK Grove. Parking area is on the left.

PLEASE NOTE: Foothills Park is a private park – only people with prior reservations and on the official list will be admitted. You will not be able to join us if your name is not on the list!

For information, please contact: nazehler@aol.com

ZANC Picnic 2013

Price: Adults: \$ 13.00 Children: 5 – 12 \$ 7.00 Kids under 5: Free

Name(s): _____

Adults: _____ X \$13 = _____ # Children (> 5yrs) _____

Children (5 – 12 yrs) _____ X \$7 = _____ # Vegetarians _____

Total due = \$ _____

Send your payment checks (sorry, no online/paypal payment for this event) made out to ZANC before July 07, 2013 to:
Ehler Spliedt, 12 Skypark Circle, South San Francisco, CA 94080

For information, please contact: nazehler@aol.com

Muktaad Prayer Details

Muktaad prayers will be held as usual during the 5 Gatha days from:

Tuesday Aug 13 to Saturday August 17th at 5.30pm daily

If you wish to have the names of your departed family members included in the prayers, please inform Ervad Kobad Jamshed- 650-572-1085, before August 10th.

Suggested donation per name is \$ 20.00.

Please mail checks (payable to ZANC) to 1115 Polynesia Dr. Foster City CA 94040

Community News:

Birth: Nashwan Dastoor, born in Mountain View on Apr 22, 2013 weighing 6.8 lbs. to Homyar and Jennifer Dastoor. Grandparents: Hoshang and Bapsy Vaid; & Silloo and late Noshirwan Dastoor

Navjote: Carl and Natasha Patel on May 12, 2013 in Burlingame, CA, Children of Dianne and Burzin Patel of Foster City, CA.

Weddings: Zal Bilimoria (son of Yaz & Firoza Bilimoria of San Diego) & Nazneen Bahrassa (daughter of Feraydoon Bahrassa & Persis Shroff of Little Rock, AK) on May 18, 2013 in Woodside, CA

Death: Mr. Rusi Cooper, brother of Farrokh (Katy) Cooper of Fair Oaks, on Apr 17, 2013. Rusi was born 90 years ago and worked as a civil engineer. May his soul rest in peace.

Nari Pavri (95) on May 10, 2013 in Mumbai. Father to Nagja Bamji, grandfather to Dinaz Bamji.

May their souls rest in peace.

Class of 2013 CONGRATULATIONS!!

Eyra Dordi graduated from Palo Alto High School and will be studying at UC Santa Barbara.

Delna Godrej graduated from Chapman University, Orange Co. with a degree in English Literature. She plans to attend graduate school to study interior architecture.

Rustam Kanga graduated from Hillsdale High School in San Mateo and will be studying at UC Berkeley.

Kiana Khosravian graduated from Mission San Jose High School in Fremont and will be studying at Emory University of Atlanta pursuing a degree in Neuroscience and Behavior Biology.

Lyla Unvala graduated from San Francisco State University with a Major in Mathematics and a Minor in French. She has joined the workforce with Yelp.

Goolrukh Vakil graduated from Sofia University of Palo Alto with a PhD. in Psychology and Transpersonal Orientation. She plans post graduate studies at Virtis, in Sacramento.





NAVROZE-Shenshahi New Year Y.Z.1383
Luncheon
August 18, 2013

Prayers at 12.30 p.m. Parsi Lunch at 1:30 p.m.

**Holly Community Center
31600 Alvarado Blvd.
Union City, CA 94587**

Space Limited to 250 persons - maximum capacity

Cost: Adults: \$27.00, Children: 8 – 14: \$14.00, 5-7: \$7.00 Kids 4 +under: Free

**Please register before August 10th 2013
Limited space, your payment guarantees your reservation
Paid up members will get priority
For your convenience: pay on line at zanc.org/navroze**

-----Tear Sheet

Navroze Dinner Reservations

Name(s): _____

Adults	_____	x \$ 27.00
Children 8 – 14yrs	_____	x \$ 14.00
Children 5 – 7yrs	_____	x \$ 7.00
Children 4 + under	_____	free

Amount enclosed \$ _____ Total number of persons: _____ No. of Vegetarians: _____

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Ehler Spliedt
12 Skypark Circle
South San Francisco, CA 94080
Tel# 650-624-8888

Or you can pay on line at www.zanc.org/navroze

*World Zoroastrian Congress (Mumbai) participants
Travel between December 5th. 2013 – January 12th. 2014 and get special discounted airfare rates*

Book your rail tickets Mumbai to Udvada along with Air tickets

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BB Travel Experts
Phone (408) 264-4395 (408) 390-0750
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www.bbtravelexperts.com

Chaalokaajkariye.com is a website for Zoroastrians
interested in Matrimony.

It is Free of Cost and has been serving the community for the
last 3 years.

Please visit
<http://www.chaalokaajkariye.com/images/Chaalokaajkariye-Advt.jpg>

Any questions? Please go thru our FAQ's at
<http://www.chaalokaajkariye.com/Faqs.htm>

Or email us at chaalokaajkariye@gmail.com

Counseling and psychodynamic therapy available in the Bay Area.

**Specializing in cultural issues and intergenerational conflict besides general psychotherapy for all
issues.**

Individual, couples, and family sessions.

Please call in confidence for an initial consultation.

Currently practicing in Palo Alto, east and south Bay offices will be included shortly.

Goolrukh Vakil, MS, Immunology; MA Psychology; registered MFT intern under supervision; PhD Psychology

350 Cambridge Avenue, Palo Alto (415) 845-8519

FIRES

FEZANA Information Research Education System

FIRES is based in Houston and the FIRES collection is available for loan across North America. It provides research support and links to other Zoroastrian Libraries in North America. FIRES is currently linked to the libraries at the Zoroastrian Associations of Houston, Chicago, and North Texas.



The FEZANA Information Research Education System's (FIRES) mission is to establish and provide global access to a centralized collection of materials in print and electronic form, primarily pertaining to the Zarathushti faith, culture and history.

To access our online catalog, go to:

www.fires-fezana.org

For more information, contact Aban Rustomji: Info@fires-fezana.org

Dear ZANC Community Members:

We would like to make this a true community newsletter and so we invite input from you. Please feel free to share what you think would be interesting to our community. Examples would be beloved (and hopefully easy) recipes, art/drawings made by children,

UPCOMING EVENTS

EVENT	DATE	LOCATION
<i>Local:</i>		
Cyrus Cylinder Exhibit	Aug 9 - Sept 20, 2013	Asian Art Museum, San Francisco, CA
ZANC Summer Picnic	14 July, 2013	Foothills Park, Palo Alto, CA
Muktad Prayers	Aug 13 - Aug 17, 2013	See details above
Navroze Lunch	Aug 18 th @ Noon	Holly Community Center, Union City
North American Zoroastrian Congress	Dec 28, 2014 - Jan 1, 2015	Los Angeles, CA
<i>National/International</i>		
The Everlasting Flame Exhibit	Oct 9 - Dec 14, 2013	Brunei Gallery, University of London, UK
10 th World Zoroastrian Congress	Dec27 - Dec 30, 2013	Mumbai, India www.wzcmumbai.com
World Youth Congress	Dec 2015	Auckland, New Zealand