



# ZANC

ZARTHOSHTI ANJUMAN *of*  
NORTHERN CALIFORNIA

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Newsletter Date Oct- Dec 2014

Dear ZANC members,

This past summer some of our youngsters (age 13-18y) participated along with the youth of PZO in a wonderful summer camp, in Los Altos, which brought together nearly a 100 Zarathushti youth! This camp was organized by the Jahanian family with the help of a host of volunteers as a memorial to the youth camps which were held for many years, organized by Giti & the late Bahram Hormozaryari and their family, at the Dar-e-Mehr. Many of our long-time members will remember those days. Everyone who attended had a wonderful time and a great sense of camaraderie was established. We hope many more parents will send their kids next year.

Our next event is the Ghambar, which will be held at the Berryessa Community Centre. Since it will be held "off-site" our expenses will be greater and we need more volunteers for the set-up and clean-up; (not to forget all the big pots and pans to be cleaned before returning them back to the Dar-e-Mehr). Strong arms are needed!

At the moment there is no new information on the future of the Dar-e-Mehr, but we continue to look for a new property and start a capital campaign in earnest. Please be aware that we have researched ALL avenues and we are still doing due diligence by consulting an attorney from the County. In the meantime, our children's classes and other religious ceremonies continue to be held at the Dar-e-Mehr.

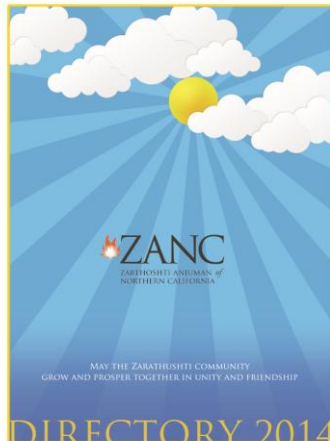
We always appreciate your feedback and were happy to see so many members at our recent Navroze lunch. It is not easy to find venues which hold 250+ people, especially on Saturday nights, as the popular places are booked up a year in advance. If you know of venues and can help us book them, we are open to your help and suggestions.

I look forward to welcoming you at the Ghambar, book early as space is limited.

Sincerely,

Nazneen

## ZANC Directory 2014



Our bi-annual printed ZANC Directory is now available for all our members. Please send us a check (payable to ZANC) in the amount of \$ 10.00 to cover printing and postage, and we will mail your copy to you.

Mail checks to: 12 Skypark Circle,  
South San Francisco CA 94080



# October Costume and Bingo Party

Come and join us for a fun-filled evening  
On Saturday, October 25, 2014  
At 5:00 PM for our annual costume party

Location: DM



Dinner and Bingo will follow the Costume Parade which will start at 5:45 PM sharp  
Parents: to avoid disappointment, please bring your children before 5:30 PM

Prizes (Yay!) will be awarded for the best costumes:

Children under 4 years

Kids 4 - 7 years

Children 8 – 14 years

Young adults

Adults

**Cost : Adults: \$ 15.00**

**Children 3y-12y: \$ 8.00**

**Children under 3y: Free**



Checks (no paypal) made payable to ZANC and mailed to

Della Dastur ([dbdastur@yahoo.com](mailto:dbdastur@yahoo.com))  
5570 Cosmos Common, Fremont CA 94538



**Deadline for reservations: October 22, 2014**





## Notice of Annual Election Meeting

Notice is hereby given that the Annual Election Meeting of the members and trustees of the Zarthoshti Anjuman of Northern California will be held on

**Sunday, December 21, 2014 at 1.30 p.m.**

at the Arbab Rustom Guiv Dar-e-Mehr for the purpose of electing Office Bearers whose terms are expiring.

### **Nomination Form For December 21, 2014 Election**

I, as a 2014 member of the Zarthoshti Anjuman of Northern California (ZANC), hereby nominate the following person(s) for the Executive Committee for the 2015 – 2016 term.

**The nominees have agreed to serve.**

<b><u>Office</u></b>	<b><u>Name of Nominee (Please print)</u></b>	<b><u>Nominee e-mail/ Tel No:</u></b>
<b>President:</b>	_____	_____
<b>Secretary</b>	_____	_____
<b>Board Member: 1)</b>	_____	_____

<b>Your Signature</b>	<b>Your Name (Please Print)</b>	<b>Your Phone Number/email</b>
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**Please mail to Election Officer by: November 11, 2014**

**Mary Jane and Percy Kanga  
ZANC 2014 Election Officer  
6588 Northridge Drive  
San Jose CA 95120**



## Invitation

# ZANC Annual Ghambar

October 4, 2014



*A Jashan will be held on Saturday, October 4, 2014 at 4:45 pm  
at the Dar-e-Mehr in San Jose*

*followed by our traditional Ghambar feast  
at the Berryessa Community Center in San Jose  
(3050 Berryessa Rd, San Jose, CA 95132)*

*To make Ghambar donations contact Nazneen or go to [ZANC.org](http://ZANC.org)*



**Reservations:** Ehler Spliedt, e-mail: [nazehler@aol.com](mailto:nazehler@aol.com) before  
September 29, 2014

**Many volunteers are needed, not only for the cooking and  
preparations but especially for help with set-up at the Center.**  
Contact Nazneen at [nazehler@aol.com](mailto:nazehler@aol.com)

## UPCOMING EVENTS

EVENT	DATE	LOCATION
<b>Local:</b>		
ZANC Ghambar	Oct 4, 2014	Jashan @ DM (4.45PM) followed by Ghambar @ Berryessa Community Ctr.
ZANC Costume Party	Oct 25, 2014 @ 5.00PM	DM
ZANC Annual Election Meeting	Dec 21, 2014 @ 1.30PM	DM
North American Zoroastrian Congress	Dec 28, 2014 - Jan 1, 2015	Los Angeles, CA
ZANC Ice Skating Party	February 2015 (More info to come)	Winter Lodge, Palo Alto CA
2015 Jamshed -i- Navroze Dinner	Mar 21, 2015	TBD
<b>National/International</b>		
World Youth Congress	Dec 2015	Auckland, New Zealand <a href="http://www.6wzyc.co.nz/">www.6wzyc.co.nz/</a>



## Community News:

**Deaths:** Mrs. Nergish Desai (89 years) in San Rafael on June 8, 2014. She was predeceased by her son Behram.

Mrs. Banoo M. Kurlawalla in Antioch on July 28, 2014. Mother of late Persis Rustom Engineer and Hoshang (Jane) and Rohinton (Sophie) Kurlawalla.

**Births:** A boy- VIRAF to Shenaya & Pirzad Motafram on July 22, 2014 in Los Altos. Grandson to Silloo & Erach Tarapore of Lafayette.

A girl- AVA to Numazer & Shermeen Pavri on August 21, 2014. Granddaughter to Dinar & Dinyar Pavri of Pleasant Hill

A boy- ZANE to Mahzarin Vakharia & Darius Dadabhoy on June 20, 2014. Grandson to Arnavaz & Adi Vakharia of Dallas and Mr & Mrs. Porus Dadabhoy of Chicago.

**Navjotes:** Milan & Zane Boga had their navjote performed by Er. Kobad Jamshed on July 3, 2014. Children of Cyrus & Shernaz Boga of Danville

**Marriages:** Dr. Shiraz Buhari with Amrit Kaur on July 6, 2014 in Stockton. Son of Dr Fram & Behroze Buhari of Stockton

Darius Contractor with Priscilla Scala on July 8, 2014 in Gargonza, Italy. Son of Shazad & Dorothy Contractor of San Jose & daughter of Kikko & Giordana Scala of Genoa, Italy

Farhad Doctor with Laura Castillo on July 12, 2014 in Foster City. Son of Firoze & Katy Doctor of Foster City

Rashna Wadia with Calvert Lee on July 24, 2014 in Morgan Hill. Daughter of Noshir & Arnavaz Wadia of Morgan Hill and son of Sim & Donald Lee of Antioch.

Rustom Dessai with Kathyrene Villariba on September 5, 2014 in Berkeley, CA. Son of Soonamai and Jamsheed Dessai of Santa Rosa, CA and daughter of Maebel and Carmelo Villariba

**Awards:** Congratulations to Natalie Kanga, daughter of Persi & Mary Jane, on receiving a Fezana scholarship for her studies at UC San Diego.

Best wishes to Cyrus Kerman Deboo for receiving his Eagle Scout Award

Congratulations to Nina Daruwalla for receiving an award from the City of Cupertino in recognition of her service as an 8 term Community Public Safety Commissioner. The award was presented at a ceremony by the Mayor of Cupertino.





## **Parsee General Hospital: the 27<sup>th</sup> Annual Charity Drive**

By: Homai Kasad

*Dear respected members of the community,*

*We invite you once again to join us in helping the poor and the sick members of our community. The Parsee General Hospital provides medical service to the Parsee community, including those who lack sufficient funds for healthcare.*

*Currently the hospital has 220 beds, out of which 91 beds are for the free patients, and 25 beds are highly subsidized. A free patient receives 100% of free medical care, including medicine, surgery, and diagnostics. The hospital is able to provide such a large volume of free care to the poor only because of continuing support from kind and concerned members of our community.*

*We would be grateful if you, if you would join our efforts by donating generously for this cause. Our donation makes a huge impact on the lives of several less fortunate patients. 100% of the donation will be applied towards the hospital's corpus fund, the interest from which is used to provide medicines and medical supplies to the deserving free patients of the hospital.*

*If you are interested in donating, please make your checks to Z.A.N.C., and mail to:  
Dr. Homai Kasad, 6 Somerset Ct, Belmont, CA 94002*

*If you have any questions, or would like more information, please do not hesitate to contact us.*

*With gratitude,  
Homai & Arvand Kasad.*

*Tel: 1-650-591 2813  
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Dear 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, photographs, accomplishments, information on graduations, awards, navjotes, births, deaths, weddings etc.

Please email Nazneen/Ehler or Khurshid 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.

# RECIPE CORNER

## Parsi Wedding Custard:

(From the cook-book "Manna of the Angels" published by the Karachi Zarthoshti Banu Mandal.....Thanks!)



### Ingredients

6 cups of whole milk  
2 tbsp sugar  
1 can sweetened condensed milk (14 oz)  
1/1/2 tsp vanilla essence  
6 eggs  
2 tbsp sugar for caramel  
sliced blanched almonds (to taste)  
1/2 tsp nutmeg  
1/2 tsp cardamom powder



### Method:

Boil the milk and 2 tbsp sugar for 10 to 15 minutes and then add the can of condensed milk. Let cool

Beat the eggs and add the vanilla essence to them.

In another pan caramelize the 2 tablespoons of sugar, when done add in the milk mixture. When this mixture is cool add the beaten eggs-vanilla mixture to it (if there are any egg lumps formed, sieve the mixture through a fine sieve) then sprinkle in the nutmeg and cardamom powders.

Pour this mixture in a lightly buttered oven-proof dish and then sprinkle the sliced toasted almonds on top. This mixture will fit in a 12 x 8 " Pyrex dish

Bake at 350 F till set and light brown in color (about 1 - 1.5 hours). Enjoy!!

Serves 16-20

For a smaller quantity, reduce milk to 4 cups and use 4 eggs

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