

## ZANC Board 2017

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## FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear Members,

As we face 2017 and a new year, I would like to thank each and every one of you for all the help, support and love that you have shown me in my many years on the ZANC Board and specially during the time that I have been President.

Taking over from Bomi after our very successful 2004 North American Congress in San Jose and his many years of Presidency, was not an easy act to follow. With the help of all the various members of the Board who have served with me since 2005, we have had a good run.

I have to thank our hard working and well-organized Secretary, and my husband Ehler, for his help and support all these years (it's a miracle we are still together!). I feel that it is now time for me to move on and encourage a new generation of members to help run our association. I will certainly not 'fade away'... much work needs doing for our new Community Centre to become a reality and I will continue to support and help wherever needed.

I wish Bomi and all the Board the very best of luck, to keep the organization moving from strength to strength and involving our youth and 2nd generation members in taking an interest to involve themselves in our small but vibrant community.

Wishing you and everyone in the Zarathushti Community of Northern California a very happy and healthy 2017 and beyond.

*Atha Jamyaat, Yatha Afrinami (May it be as we wish)*

Ushta te

*Nazneen*

**HAPPY NEW YEAR!**  
**Welcome 2017!**





## **Membership / Renewal Form 2017**

Family Name: \_\_\_\_\_ First: \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Apt #: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

Tel: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone(s): \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail Spouse: \_\_\_\_\_

Profession: \_\_\_\_\_ Profession Spouse: \_\_\_\_\_

Adult Children (18+) \_\_\_\_\_  
(Living at home or at university)

Children (under 18) 1) \_\_\_\_\_ Year of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ 2) \_\_\_\_\_ Year of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

3) \_\_\_\_\_ Year of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ 4) \_\_\_\_\_ Year of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

Seniors / Parents (living at same address)

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail addresses for the ZANC Yahoo-Group: \_\_\_\_\_

(The Yahoo-ZANC-Group is open only for members in good standing, and is under the strict control of the ZANC Board, with only two moderators. You may use more than one e-mail address, (his and hers). The Yahoo ZANC group is an important tool of communication within the community.)

We want to receive the ZANC Newsletter electronically: \_\_\_\_\_ hard copy by mail: \_\_\_\_\_

<b>Dues 2017:</b>	<b>Family:</b>	<b>\$150.00</b>
	<b>Individual:</b>	<b>\$ 75.00</b>
	<b>Seniors (over 62)</b>	<b>\$35.00 per person</b>
	<b>Students</b>	<b>\$ 25.00</b>
	<b>Life Membership</b>	<b>\$ 3,000.00</b>
	<b>Donations</b>	<b>\$ _____</b>

Make Checks Payable to ZANC and mail with this form to:  
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Tel: 650-624-8888 E-mail: [nazehler@aol.com](mailto:nazehler@aol.com)

For online payments: [www.zanc.org/membership.html](http://www.zanc.org/membership.html)

# ZANC's Coolest Party!!

## Ice skating at Winter Lodge

(3009 Middlefield Road, Palo Alto CA 94306)



Bring your family and join your friends and enjoy ice skating at the only permanent outdoor rink west of the Sierra Nevada Mountains. It may even snow!!

**When:** Sunday Jan 29<sup>th</sup>, 2017 from 5.30 – 7.30pm.

Hot Cocoa/Tea and Dinner provided

**Cost:**      \$20 per skater (skate rental included)  
                 \$15 per Non skater  
                 Nonmembers, add \$5 to above costs.



Please email [khurshidgandhi@yahoo.com](mailto:khurshidgandhi@yahoo.com) to register.

Provide names, ages, veg/non-veg and skater/non skater info.

**Registration deadline: Jan 25<sup>th</sup>, 2017**

Please mail a check (payable to ZANC) to:  
Khurshid Gandhi, 321 W. Meadow Dr.,  
Palo Alto, CA 94306

See you there!!!





## Dates for your Diary - SAVE the DATE – Locations to be advised

### ZANC activities for 2017, subject to changes and final planning

Day	Month	Date	Event		Location
Sunday	January	15	Sunday School	Pot Luck Lunch	DM 11.30AM
Sunday	January	29	Ice skating	Dinner	Palo Alto 5:30 - 7:30 PM
Sunday	February	19	Sunday School	Pot Luck Lunch	DM 11.30AM
Sunday	March	19	Sunday School	Pot Luck Lunch	DM 11.30AM
Saturday	March	25	Navroze Celebration	AGM Dinner	6:30 PM Teen Center Fremont
Sunday	April	16	Sunday School	Pot Luck Lunch	DM 11.30AM
Sunday	May	21	Sunday School	Pot Luck Lunch	DM 11.30AM
Sunday	June <b>fourth Sunday</b>	<b>25</b>	Sunday School	Pot Luck Lunch	DM 11.30AM
Sunday	July	23	Picnic	Picnic Lunch	Foothill Park
Saturday - Wednesday	August	12-16	Mukta Prayers		DM
Sunday	August	20	Navroze celebration	Lunch	TBD
Sunday	September	17	Sunday School	Pot Luck Lunch	DM 11.30AM
Saturday	September	23	Ghambar	Jashan & Dinner	Berryessa
Sunday	October	15	Sunday School	Pot Luck Lunch	DM 11.30AM
Saturday	October	28	Halloween Party + Bingo	Dinner	DM
Sunday	November	19	Sunday School	Pot Luck Lunch	DM 11.30AM
Sunday	December	17	Sunday School Election Meeting	Pot Luck Lunch	DM 11.30AM



# FEZANA

FEDERATION OF ZOROASTRIAN ASSOCIATIONS OF NORTH AMERICA

## Design A FEZANA Logo

In 2017, the Federation of Zoroastrian Association will celebrate 30 years of its founding. To mark the occasion, FEZANA has announced a competition to design a logo for the organization. The new logo will become the official logo of FEZANA and will be used on FEZANA website, social media sites, business cards, letterhead, posters, souvenir trinkets and gifts, or anywhere else FEZANA chooses.

For official rules and requirements, prize info and other details please visit <https://fezana.org/logodesign/>

## Community News:

- Births:** A boy KAYDAN JOKHI SINGH to Jadwinder Singh and Monaz Jokhi Singh on Oct 27, 2016. Brother to Nishaan and Anaiya Singh and grandson to Gool F Jokhi and Late Fakir P. Jokhi.  
A girl KAYA VILLARIBA DESSAI to Rustom and Katheryne Villariba Dessai on Oct 15, 2016 in Emeryville CA. Granddaughter to Soonamai and Jamsheed Dessai of Santa Rosa CA.
- Deaths:** Katie Dhun Engineer (née Katie Faramroz Sarkari) passed away on Nov 3, 2016 in Martinez CA. She was the loving wife of Dhun Sapurji Engineer: doting mother of Tinaz, Niloofer and Sapur: grandmother to Shirin & Maxwell Adams  
Kaikhosrow Farahmand (67y) passed away on Nov 20, 2016 in Walnut Creek, CA. He was beloved husband of Arnavaz, and father of Farahnaz, Kamran and Kaiwan, father-in-law of Haley & grandfather to Kya  
Daulat Sam Choksy, at age 91, passed away on Nov 9, 2016 in Mumbai, India. Mother of Nina Kersi Daruwalla of Cupertino, CA and Zarir Sam Choksy of Houston, TX. Mother in law to Kersi Daruwalla and Zenobia Choksy. Grandmother to Mahnaz Daruwalla, Taronish Daruwalla and Tishtar Daruwalla.
- Wedding:** Narissa Vania (daughter of Darab and late Nilufer Vania of San Ramon) to David Harris (son of George Harris and Anne Georger-Harris of Buffalo NY) on Sept 3, 2016 in Tahoe City, CA.
- Navjotes:** Yohaán Birje and Shania Birje, children of Pareezad and Anand Birje on Oct 16, 2016 at Dar-e-Mehr, San Jose.  
Meher Wadia, daughter of Persis and Percy Wadia, on Dec 19, 2016 at Albless Baug, Mumbai, India  
Sanaya and Zenia Shroff, daughters of Roxan and Nekzad Shroff on Dec 31, 2016 at Cama Baug, Mumbai, India

Want to see it in color?? Check out the ZANC newsletter in color at [www.zanc.org](http://www.zanc.org). There you can also find Dar-e-Mehr hours, directions, the Parsi calendar and much more...

## UPCOMING EVENTS

EVENT	DATE	LOCATION
<b>Local:</b>		
Ice Skating Party	Jan 29, 2017, 5.30-7.30PM	Winter Lodge, Palo Alto CA
Jamshed -i- Navroze Dinner	Mar 25, 2017, 6.30 PM	Fremont Teen Center, Fremont, CA
ZANC Summer Picnic	Jul 23, 2017, 11.00AM	Foothills Park, Palo Alto
Muktad Prayers	Aug 12 - 16, 2017	DM
<b>National/International</b>		
2017 FEZANA AGM	Apr 28 - 30 2017	Houston TX, USA
2018 World Zoroastrian Congress	Jun 1 -4 2018	Perth Australia
2019 World Zoroastrian Youth Congress	Summer 2019	Los Angeles CA, USA
2020 North American Zoroastrian Congress	TBA	Houston TX USA

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 urge your friends to send in their news too. It is an important part of our community's life, and often, a source of pride for everyone.

Please email Khurshid (khurshidgandhi@yahoo.com) 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.

# NAVROZE PARTY!

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Music

Get ready for a fabulous party to celebrate Navroze

25<sup>th</sup> Mar 2017, 6.30 PM

**Fremont Teen Center, Lake Elizabeth**

(39770 Paseo Padre Pkwy., Fremont, 94538. Tel# (510) 494-4344

I 880 Exit Stevenson Blvd East)

FUN!

Yummy  
Food

**DANCING!**

Games

Stay tuned! Registration Info coming soon!





## **Ashodad / Kadr-Dani guidelines by North American Mobeds Council (NAMC)**

In response to requests from several North American Zoroastrian Associations, NAMC provides the following **guidelines** for “Ashodad” or “Kadr-Dani” for performance of religious services provided by Mobeds invited by the family:

Weddings / Gavah / Navjote / Sudreh –Pushi:	\$ 500 per Mobed per ceremony
Jashan / Jashan–Khani / Afargan /Seeom/ Saal:	\$ 250 per Mobed per ceremony
Funeral Ceremonies: Geh Saarnu, , Sarosh nu Patru, Day Uthamnu, Night Uthamnu, Chaharom.	\$ 250 per Mobed per ceremony
Sareh Khak, Poresh	\$ 500 per Mobed per ceremony
Travel and accommodation (in addition to above amounts): Pre-paid Air ticket and / or mileage as appropriate Overnight accommodation as appropriate	
Use of Association facilities and supplies:	as per Association regulations

This list is intended to be a guide and is not mandatory.

Consideration should be given to geographical and logistical variations through North America and financial ability of the family requesting these prayers.

These guidelines are subject to change.

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