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Winning design by Vancouver-based graphic artist, Zara Contractor, selected for accentuating elements of air, earth, fire and water and strong Zoroastrian identity.

**FEZANA** Earlier this year, FEZANA held a Logo Redesign Competition as part of its 30th Anniversary celebrations. The winning logo was unveiled at the 30th Anniversary Gala in Houston. Designed by graphic artist, Zara Contractor, the logo was selected through an exhaustive independent evaluation of more than 100 outstanding logo design entries submitted by Zoroastrians around the world.

The logo competition was managed by FEZANA Vice-President Arzan Sam Wadia and judged by leading Zoroastrian marketing, design and public relations industry professionals. "On behalf of FEZANA's Executive team, our member associations and corresponding groups, I personally want to thank each designer who took the time to think through our need, develop innovative design concepts and put their artistic skills to the test" Wadia said. We salute Zara Contractor for her winning design and believe it best represents FEZANA's mission, vision and religious identity.



## Australia welcomes you to the 11th World Zoroastrian Congress

Friday 1 June to Monday 4 June, 2018.

Team Australia and worldwide supporters of the 11th World Zoroastrian Congress extend a hearty welcome to you and thank you for visiting our website at

#### https://www.11wzcperth.com.au/

For the first time in the history of the Zoroastrian community, the Congress is being held in the southern hemisphere in Australia. Perth, Western Australia

Zoroastrians from around the world will meet in Perth, network, discuss, debate, form friendships and enjoy their time together. Australian

Zoroastrians from all over, including Sydney, Melbourne, Gold Coast, Brisbane, Adelaide and Perth welcome you to Australia and are sure you will have a great time here! Early Bird registration opens on **1st Oct 2017**.





Date: July 23 (Sunday), 2017

Time: 11.00 am

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

Price:Adults: \$15Children (5 – 12y): \$10.00Children (under 5 y): FreeNon-members: Add \$5.00

Do bring your lawn chairs, games, sunscreen, towels and water. NO alcohol please.

Directions: From I-280 North or South, exit on Page Mill Road to Arastradero Road WEST, which turns into Page Mill Road for about 4 miles (uphill). Enter Foothill Park (on right side of road) and at first fork in road (Near Lake), turn left. At next fork in road, turn right and continue till you reach OAK GROVE. Parking area is on left.

PLEASE NOTE: Foothill 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 more info: Please contact meher526@gmail.com or 650-948-1660

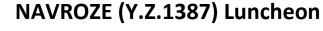
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#### ZANC PICNIC 2017

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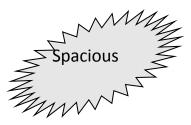


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Sunday August 20<sup>th</sup>, 2017

12.00 NOON



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39195 Farwell Dr. (off Mowry)

Fremont, CA 94538

510-744-9500



Cost: Adults (Over 12y): \$35.00, Children: 6 – 12y: \$17.00, Kids under 6y: Free (Non-members add \$5)

LIMITED SPACE, PAYMENT GUARANTEES RESERVATION

*Registration accepted till August 6<sup>th</sup> 2017 or till capacity reached (whichever is earlier)* 

For your convenience: pay on line at zanc.org/navroze

-----Tear Sheet

#### Navroze Aug 2017 Lunch Reservations

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Adults \_\_\_\_\_ x \$ 35.00

Children 6 – 12yrs \_\_\_\_\_ x \$ 17.00

Children under 6yrs \_\_\_\_\_ x \$ 0

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

Please make checks out to ZANC and mail before August 6<sup>th</sup> to

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

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



## **Community News:**

**Births:** A boy XERXES PAVRI to Numazer & Shermeen, brother to Ava on 24 April, 2017. Fifth grandchild for proud grandparents Dinar & Dinyar Pavri and third grandchild for Pouruchisti & Shahrouk Rabadi of Karachi.

A boy ALISTAIR GANDI LARSON, on 9 June, 2017 to Rashna Gandi & Ben Larson, grandson to Arnavaz & Jamshed Gandi- in Walnut Creek CA

A boy CHARLIE HIRJI ENGINEER JOHNSON on 7 Jan 2017 at Burlingame to Nisha and Chris Johnson. Grandson to Sue & Dick Johnson, and Carl & Dina Engineer

- **Deaths:** Kelly Jr. Engineer, on Tuesday, 30th May, 2017 at 10:09 pm at UCSF Hospital in San Francisco. He was the son of Kelly & Late Diane Engineer, Godchild to Becky Cruz, loving husband of Angela Hook-Engineer, doting father to Calina Grace & Kelly Brayden and brother to Jesse & Jessica.
- *Navjotes:* Zara Mody daughter of Dawen & Aliya Mody, granddaughter to Ashok & Yasmin on June 17th in San Jose, CA.

Zaal Sunavala, son of Armeen & Farhad Sunavala of San Ramon on 1st July in Sydney, Australia.

Shenaya Engineer, daughter of Harvesp & Dilkush Engineer on 25th June in San Jose, CA

Jasmine Engineer, daughter of Zinaida & Adil Engineer of San Jose, on 3rd July in San Jose. CA.

Parinaz Dastur, daughter of Della & Behzad Dastur of Fremont, on 23rd July in Toronto, Canada.



Shenaya Engineer's Navjote/Sedreh Pooshi ceremony organized by PZO at the Campbell Community Center



#### Class of 2017 CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR GRADUATES!!

**Rustam Kanga**: - Graduated from UC Berkeley, with a degree in Economics and a certificate of Technology Entrepreneurship. He will work at Oracle as a Sales & Business Development Representative.

**Armaiti Mody**: - has completed her residency in Pediatrics at Rutgers Medical School and will pursue fellowship in Pediatric Endocrinology at UCSF.

**Zarrah Birdie:** -Graduated with her MBA from the Haas School of Business at UC Berkeley in May 2017. The focus of her MBA was Healthcare Systems and Management. Post MBA, Zarrah will begin working as a Senior Manager at the McKesson Corporation in San Francisco.

**Natalie Kanga:** Graduated from UC San Diego with a Bachelor of Science, Psychology, Specialization: Human Health, Minor: Music. She has a job in a university lab this summer and is planning to go to graduate school.



**Neville Taraporevala**: - Graduated from Los Altos High School on 2-June. He will be attending UCSD (University of California, San Diego) in the fall and is enrolled in their Environmental Chemistry program.

**Jamsheed Mistry:** -Graduated from Monta Vista high school and he will be studying Life Sciences at University of Toronto.

**Tishtar Daruwalla:**— Graduated from Homestead High School She will be going to UC Davis to study Bio-Medical.

# **CONGRATUATIONS!**

#### **Muktad Prayer Details**

Muktad prayers will be held at the DM as usual during the 5 Gatha days:

Saturday August 12 at 4.00 pm

Sunday August 13 at 10.30 am

Monday August 14 at 5:00 pm

Tuesday August 15 at 5.00 pm

#### Wednesday August 16 at 5.00 pm

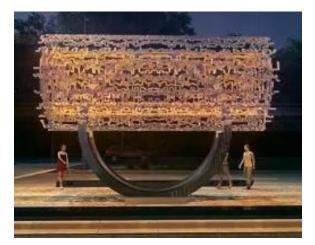
If you wish to have the names of your departed family members included in the prayers, please inform Ervad Kobad Jamshed- 650-572-1085 or <u>kobadj@hotmail.com</u> before **AUG 8**<sup>th</sup>. Suggested donation per name is \$20. Please provide full name including father's name and whether Osta or Behdin.

Please mail checks (payable to ZANC) to Er. Kobad Jamshed, 1115 Polynesia Dr. Foster City CA 94404



## THE FREEDOM SCULPTURE

The Freedom Sculpture, will be a "Statue of Liberty" for the West Coast -- A crowd-supported public monument that will be gifted to stand in the heart of Los Angeles. It is inspired by the humanitarian ideals of freedom, respect for cultural diversity and inclusiveness that originated with Cyrus the Great of Persia 2,500 years ago and which have been enshrined in the U.S. Constitution for all by the Founding Fathers. The Freedom Sculpture will be officially unveiled in a citywide celebration on July 4th, 2017. It will stand from that day on as a reminder of the universally shared values that truly make America great.



The winning design of the Freedom Sculpture was created by renowned artist and architect Cecil Balmond. It is themed on the Cyrus Cylinder from 2000 years ago which is widely considered the first declaration of human rights, whereby Cyrus the Great Persian King originally granted individual and religious freedoms, along with a variety of other hitherto unheard of human rights to all within his vast and culturally diverse empire.

The large-scale, modern-day sculptural interpretation of the Cyrus Cylinder is made of two finely crafted 100% stainless steel cylinders, one within the other. The interior cylinder is gold, and the outer element is silver - both interacting with each other in an exchange of strength and vulnerability. The two rings are linked internally to form a strong and robust structure. For more information, visit http://www.freedomsculpture.org/



## COMMUNITY CENTER FUNDRAISING UPDATE

We have good volunteer momentum gathering over the past couple of months with 4 new volunteers - Zarin Randeria, Delara Patel, Pearl Mistry Driver, Sheena Driver joining the fundraising team. The team has now covered 50+ZANC member families as step-1 of the capital campaign to get feedback on the initial proposal.

Since the previous update, we've also received **\$45,553** from **28 donors** taking funds raised to **\$475,655.13** and combined funds and pledges to **\$602,455.13**. A huge thank you to all the donors!!

Interviewing ZANC members for feedback on the initial proposal continues to be our highest priority for first half of 2017. Please contact us (<u>darayush@gmail.com</u>) if you would like to have an interview scheduled.





### **RETURN TO ROOTS PROGRAM**

The Zoroastrian Return to Roots Program is pleased to announce the opening of applications for Return to Roots 4 Trip scheduled to take place from 22nd December, 2017 to 3rd January 2018. This will be the fourth tour after the first three very successful tours in 2013-14, 2015 and 2016.

The aim of Zoroastrian Return to Roots is to bring together young Zoroastrians from across the world between the ages of 22-35; to return to their roots, reconnect with their culture, and revive the community. Participants ('Fellows') will explore various significant Zoroastrian historical, religious, cultural, and archaeological sites in India over a trip of 13 days.

The itinerary will take participants to Mumbai and Gujarat. The tour in 2017 is unique since it will overlap with the Iranshah Utsav in Udvada in December 2017.

Applications close on November 15, 2017.

We encourage applicants to apply at: http://zororoots.org/apply/ before the deadline and approach one's local community members and associations for funding and sponsorship. Applications are accepted on a rolling-basis.

#### Check out <u>www.zanc.org</u> for Dar -e-Mehr hours, directions, the Parsi calendar and much more!

EVENT	DATE	LOCATION
Local:		
ZANC Summer Picnic	Jul 23, 2017, 11.00AM	Foothills Park, Palo Alto
Muktad Prayers	Aug 12 - 16, 2017	DM
Navroze Function	Aug 20, 2017 (Lunch @ Noon)	Sakoon Restaurant, Fremont
Ghambhar	Oct 7, 2017 (Dinner)	Berryessa Community Center
Costume & Bingo Party	Oct 28, 2017	TBD
National/International		
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	ТВА	Houston TX USA

#### UPCOMING EVENTS



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.