

# Zoroastrian Society of Ontario

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#### Events for the months ahead...



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Friday, January 2	7:00pm	Adult Avesta Class (Persian)			
Sunday, January 4	3:00pm	Midyaremgah Gahambar (F)			
Sunday, January 11	2:45pm	Religion Classes			
Saturday, January 31	6:30pm	Jashn-E-Sadeh (F)*			
Friday, February 6	7:00pm	Adult Avesta Class (Persian)			
Sunday, February 8	2:45pm	Religion Classes			
Friday, February 13	7:00pm	Paitishahem Gahambar (S)			
Sunday, February 22	2:45pm	Religion Classes			
Friday, March 6	7:00pm	Adult Avesta Class (Persian)			
Saturday, March 7	5:00pm	Sports Night			
Sunday, March 8	2:45pm	Religion Classes			
Sunday, March 15	10:30am	Ayathrem Gahambar (S)			
Sunday, March 15	3:00pm	Children's Norouz Party			
March 16-20		Muktad (Pangeh) Days			
Tuesday, March 17	5:00pm	Hamaspathmaidyan Gahambar (F)			
Saturday, March 21	7:00pm	Norouz Dinner & Dance (F)**			
Thursday, March 26	7:00pm	Khordad Sal (Zayesh-E-Zarthosht) (F)			
Sunday, March 29		Religion Classes (full day)			

<sup>\*</sup> This event will be held at Parya Trillium Foundation, 344 John Street, Thornhill

<u>Note:</u> All events will be held at Mehraban Guiv Darbe Mehr unless otherwise specified. ZSO, as publisher, is not responsible for content and support of any flyers not issued by them.

#### Mehraban Guiv Darbe Mehr Hours

**Monday** 4:30pm to 8:30pm

**Tuesday** 9:00am to 12:00pm; 4:30pm to 8:30pm

Wednesday 9:00am to 12:00pm

**Thursday** Closed

Friday, Saturday, Sunday 9:00am to 12:00pm; 4:30pm to 8:30pm

### MEHRABAN GUIV DARBE MEHR

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<sup>\*\*</sup> This event will be held at Le Parc Banquet Hall, 8432 Leslie Street, Thornhill. Please see attached flyer for more information.

#### **Executive Committee Corner**

With this early release of the January Newsletter, it gives your EC an opportunity to wish all of our members and readers the very best of the holiday season. May the new year bring you and your loved ones good health, much happiness, spiritual fulfillment, and contentment.

2015 will be a markedly significant year in the evolving life of the ZSO. The major washroom and kitchen renovation project will be completed, a major initiative after years of deferred maintenance and repairs to the basic infrastructure of our property. Additionally, as elaborated later in this newsletter, the EC has its sights on further enhancements and improvements in other areas of the DM. Great and exciting things are coming to the ZSO, stay tuned!

It is membership renewal time, and we urge all members to renew their memberships in your society, your organization, where you and what you say matter. We welcome new members who share our basic principles and values of mutual self-respect and upholding the basic tenets of our revered religion.

Nothing can happen without the countless hours of our many volunteers. We are thankful that the spirit of volunteerism is alive and well within our community. We hope that the younger generation will take a more active and participatory role in community volunteerism, learning from the older generation.

Happy new year to all!

#### **Renovation Project Update**

The washroom and kitchen renovations are on track despite surprises and unforeseen costs. For instance, the old kitchen floor and sub-floor, including floor joists, had to be completely removed as they were unstable, broken, and unsafe. After inspection by the Structural Engineer, new flooring with specialized wood beams has been designed and will be installed. An adjacent wall was determined unsafe and had to be stabilized. These were additional unforeseen costs. As mentioned in the previous newsletter, the electrical work with old and unsafe wiring continues to be addressed. The fire alarm system has to be repaired and updated, although this was not anticipated in the original scope of the renovation project. The various construction areas are taking shape, with dividing walls and drywall being installed. Some photographs are included in the email version of the newsletter for your information. We are also in the process of soliciting views and ideas, mainly from our ladies who do the cooking, with respect to the kitchen stoves, ovens, dishwasher, etc. that would best meet our needs. Further updates will continue to be provided through the newsletter. We are concurrently addressing and installing additional heating equipment in the prayer room, as it is often colder than other areas in the building.

#### Position of Custodian/Caretaker

**Wanted:** A full-time Custodian/Caretaker for the MGDM property. The Executive Committee is inviting applications for this position. In general, the duties will include, but are not limited to, light handyman and cleaning, sorting mail, etc. Rent-free accommodation will be provided. The applicant must possess good interpersonal skills and be able to interact with members in a courteous and businesslike manner. Besides English, a working knowledge of Gujarati and Farsi would be an asset.

Applicants should mail their resume, along with names of 2 references, to the ZSO corporate address and clearly mark the envelope to the attention of the "House and Garden Sub Committee". Applications must be received no later than January 31, 2015.

The EC has met with and advised our present caretaker of its decision to seek a new caretaker. He has appreciated and thanked us for our frank discussion with him on the subject. He is well cognizant of his own limitations in the discharge of his duties and is in full agreement with and respects our decision to seek a new caretaker. Our dealings with him will continue in a highly compassionate and professional manner.

#### Correction of ZSO 2015 Calendar of Events

In our December newsletter on page 7, we provided the calendar of events for 2015, and through oversight, indicated a Khushali Jashan in January. Due to current renovations at the Darbe Mehr, the Jashan on Sunday, January 18<sup>th</sup> has been cancelled until further notice. Besides the scheduled Gahambar dates, we will hold our first major Jashan in the new year on March 21<sup>st</sup>, by which time the renovations should be complete.

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#### Monthly Newsletters – Appeal for Sponsors

We are delighted by the positive input, remarks, and appreciation to our new and improved monthly newsletters over the past several months. It is all the result of a great team effort between our young and vibrant editors and your EC. The newsletter continues to evolve and your suggestions and comments are always welcome and appreciated.

Although we are striving to move as many of our members from receiving a hard copy of the newsletter to an email version, there continues to remain a significant segment of the membership who prefers to receive the newsletter by post. While all time and effort for the Newsletter preparation are provided by volunteers, costs associated in printing, postage, and mailing are soaring. Monthly costs associated with the newsletter alone range from \$1,200 to \$1,500, depending on the weight of the newsletters. In an effort to save on costs going forward, pictures and images from our events, renovations, etc. will only be provided in the e mail version, where they are displayed in colour. Pictures will also be posted on the ZSO website.

Your EC is making a direct appeal for individual sponsors to cover the costs of the monthly newsletters commencing in January. This will be a great opportunity to see your donor dollars at work right before your eyes. Tax receipts will be provided. Members can sponsor all or part of the costs for any month. We intend to recognize the sponsor(s) in the newsletter unless otherwise requested. We are aiming for \$1,500 each month. If there is any unused portion in a particular month, it will flow to the ZSO general account. This is a great opportunity to showcase your generosity. Please make your cheques payable to ZSO, clearly marked for the Newsletter Sponsorship Initiative.

#### **Face-Lift and Improvements Initiative**

With implementation of the major renovation project well underway, your EC has set its sights to improving other areas of the Darbe Mehr on a step-by-step basis requiring minimal investment but providing major impact. For the immediate term, the areas identified are the main prayer room, the adjacent room where the caps are stored, the lounge off the main hall, and the passageway with the stairs leading up.

At the last Annual General Meeting, the membership approved to remove and replace the flooring in the carpeted areas of the main floor. However, your EC has determined that this would be an opportune time to address the rooms in totality for a total facelift and improvement. Right now, the rooms look aged and tired, and a new coat of paint alone will do little justice to the rich heritage of the property.

Your EC solicits and welcomes your ideas and input on how best to address and meet our objectives. Anyone interested in being a part of this process may please contact the Executive Vice President Khushru Chothia or the Vice President Dara Panthakee as early as possible. It is time to bring out the interior designer in you.

#### **Membership Renewal**

We start the New Year with a direct appeal to all members to take the time to renew their memberships. The new year for memberships commences on April 1<sup>st</sup>. A revised and simplified membership renewal form is attached with this newsletter and is also available online. Memberships can also be renewed online in a time-efficient manner by credit card. Our members are the life blood of our organization, and your EC continues to remain totally committed to make your membership experience a pleasant one. More activities and events are planned in the year ahead.

Our membership fees have remained unchanged for some time now despite increasing costs to operate the Darbe Mehr.

Besides repairs and maintenance costs to the aging infrastructure, utilities, supplies, and postage costs have risen sharply over the past few years.

#### **Religion Class 2015 Dates**

The 2015 dates for religion classes have been set. Please note that dates may be subject to change. All classes are scheduled from 2:45-5:00pm on Sunday, unless otherwise indicated.

January 11 September 20
February 8 October 4
February 22 October 25
March 8 November 8
March 29 (full day) November 22
April 19 December 6
May 24

June 7 (full day)

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#### **Mosaic Interfaith Program**

The Mosaic Interfaith Program will hold an event "Social Justice: Is it the Way to Peace?" on Sunday, January 18<sup>th</sup>. A panel of representatives from different faiths will explore what the faiths teach about social justice and what the faiths' response to injustice should be. The event will be from 2-4pm at the Temple Har Zion, 7360 Bayview Avenue.

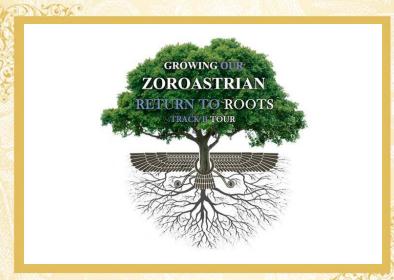
#### **ZSO Logo Contest**

The logo design competition has been extended till February 20, 2015. We will inaugurate it during the Nouruz Jashan to celebrate the beginning of spring and bring in the New Year. We will keep you updated with the latest information as the deadline date approaches. We look forward to more ideas and designs from all. The winner of this competition will receive a monetary prize and a formal Letter of Approval and Recognition. Please email <a href="mailto:execofficer2@zso.org">execofficer2@zso.org</a> for more information or to submit a design.

#### **Sandalwood**

ZSO supplies of sandalwood (sukhar) sticks are at a precariously low level. We need to maintain an adequate supply on hand to meet our ongoing needs. We earnestly request our fellow Zarthushtis travelling to India to be kind enough to bring back whatever they can. Every bit will help. ZSO will gladly reimburse costs if desired.

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#### **Zoroastrian Return to Roots**

Zoroastrian Return to Roots (RTR) is a youth-led initiative that aims to reconnect Zoroastrian youth in the diaspora with their Indian and Iranian origins. Applications for the next RTR trip in March 2015 are now open. Roots Fellows will visit historic and cultural Zoroastrian sites in Delhi, Mumbai, Pune, and Gujarat with world-renowned experts and local guides explaining the cultural, religious and economic significance of the sites being visited.

Participants will gain a deeper understanding of Zoroastrianism, a sense of community and identity, an expanded network of motivated and likeminded Zoroastrians, and a desire to contribute and give back to our community. This program is an essential step to maintaining our Zoroastrian values, ideas, and traditions for future generations.

The Roots program has been generously sponsored by donors from our global community. If you are interested in supporting us or in becoming a Fellow on the next trip, please visit <a href="www.zororoots.org">www.zororoots.org</a>, or contact Diana Vania, 2013 Roots Fellow, at <a href="dianakvania@gmail.com">dianakvania@gmail.com</a> for more information.

#### **Lifetime Achievement Award**

Rohinton Mistry recently received the Lifetime Achievement Award at the Times LitFest in Mumbai. We heartily congratulate Rohinton and praise him for his contribution to the Zoroastrian community and larger worldwide literature community.

*Condolences:* Khurshed Fredoon Gazdar, brother of Sam, brother-in-law of Dhun, and uncle/great-uncle of Aban, Roy, Diana, Natasha, Kashmira, Mikiyo Nina, and Cyrus, passed away on December 6, 2014.

Dinyar Mistry, husband of Lucia, father of Zarina and Danielle, brother of Arni Presswalla, Eruch Mistry, and Kerman, passed away on December 12, 2014.

Sarosh Motiwalla passed away on December 18, 2014.

Our condolences to the bereaved families.

#### **ZSO Website Improvement**

The revised ZSO website has received great reviews since its introduction in August 2014. We have received creative suggestions to make our website more effective with a few tweaks to it going forward. Fellow Zoroastrian web professionals have volunteered their expertise to make it a better experience for all visitors.

We are also looking to introduce web advertising to sustain all the IT expenses on an ongoing basis. We will keep you informed as things start panning out over the coming months.

If members wish to provide any feedback, please email execofficer2@zso.org.

#### **NAZC Sponsorship**

The ZSO Executive Committee was pleased to partially sponsor Meher Pavri's and Ardavan Taraporewala's trip to the North American Zoroastrian Congress in Los Angeles. Meher and Ardavan performed with the Zoroastrian Symphony Orchestra.

#### Seniors Friendly Visitor and Drive Program

The ZSO Helping Hands Committee and the OZCF Seniors Committee are partnering together to help our seniors. The Helping Hands Committee is actively looking for new volunteers and drivers. As our community ages, we have a growing need to help support seniors to live independently in the community. Some of our community members are isolated and without family to help them. Volunteers are needed to help drive seniors to appointments and programs and to visit seniors who would benefit from some extra company. If you would like to volunteer, or if you are a senior or know of someone who would benefit from a visitor or extra assistance with drives in the GTA area, please email <a href="mailto:zenobia.homavazir@hotmail.com">zenobia.homavazir@hotmail.com</a> or call (416) 833-8769 for more information. We are also looking to offer a "buddy system" during winter months. If someone you know who lives alone could benefit from a daily phone call to check on them, please let us know.

#### 100 Toronto - First Zoroastrian Scout Group

100 Toronto – First Zoroastrian Scout Group continues to be busy, and its Scouts Section held a Link Winter Camp along with the Scouts of 100 Oakville at Camp Mount Nemo in Burlington from December 5-7. The Camp was attended by 17 Scouts and 5 Leaders, and after Saturday morning breakfast, they all went over to the very scenic Crawford Lake Conservation area. The guided tour took them to the Long Houses used by the First Nation Huron Tribe, built with cider and bark, and very well maintained just the way it was when built over 300 years ago. They then conducted a board-walk along this unique cone shaped glacial Lake, which does not freeze in winter due to its "meromictic nature". As the Winter Camp is a key requirement for the Chief Scouts badge, the Scouts had to stay outdoors in tents, cook their own food, and have a campfire lit at all times. The Leaders noticed that our Scouts from both the groups displayed the best of brotherhood and great teamwork in setting up and cleaning the campsite before departure. A special thanks to 100 Oakville Leaders Khushroo, Xerxes, and Danny for organizing this great camp, to 100 Toronto Leaders Shiraz and Adil for keeping the activities on schedule, and to the parents for driving the kids to and from the camp.

The focus of 100 Toronto continues to be on its fundraiser, the Lagan Patraa nu Bhonu, to be held at the Darbe Mehr on Saturday, April 11, 2015. Please mark the date and participate with family and friends for fun and feast like never before! The Scout Group Committee takes this opportunity to wish our Scouts in all sections, Leaders, parents, and our community at large a very happy holiday season and the very best in the new year!

## 6<sup>th</sup> World Zoroastrian Youth Congress

Early bird registration is now open for the 6<sup>th</sup> World Zoroastrian Youth Congress in Auckland, New Zealand from December 26, 2015 – January 2, 2016. The Congress aims to educate, engage, and motivate delegates, enhance the unique Zoroastrian traditions, and evolve to create a united future. Please visit <a href="http://www.6wzyc.co.nz/">http://www.6wzyc.co.nz/</a> for more information, including registration rates.

Please note that the deadline for receiving submissions for the ZSO newsletter is the 15<sup>th</sup> of each preceding month. Any materials received after this date will be published in the following newsletter.

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#### Revised ZSO Darbe Mehr 2015 Calendar

Below is a listing of events that will be held at the Darbe Mehr during the 2015 calendar year. Please note that these are subject to change; dates will be advertised in the monthly newsletters closer to each event.

MONTH	DATE/TIME	EVENT	
January	Sunday 4 <sup>th</sup> , 11:00am	Maidyarem Gahambar (F)	
	Saturday 24 <sup>th</sup> , 7:00pm	Jashn-E-Sadeh (F)	
February	Friday 13 <sup>h</sup> , 7:00pm	Paitishahem Gahambar (S)	
March	Sunday 15 <sup>th</sup> , 3:00pm	Children's Norouz Party	
	Sunday 15 <sup>th</sup> , 10:30am	Ayathrem Gahambar (S)	
	Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> to Friday 20 <sup>th</sup>	Muktad (Panjeh) Days (F)	
1000	Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> , 5:00pm	Hamaspathmaidyan Gahambar (F)	
	Saturday 21 <sup>st</sup> , 7:00pm	Norouz (F)	
	Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> , 7:00pm	Khordad Sal (Zayesh-E-Zarthosht) (F)	
April	Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> , 7:00pm	Fravardegan (F)	
	Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> , 7:00pm	Adargan (Atash-Nu-Parabh) (S)	
May	Sunday 3 <sup>rd</sup> , 11:00am	Maidyozarem Gahambar (F)	
	Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> , 7:00pm	Zarthosht-No-Diso (S)	
	Sunday 31 <sup>st</sup> , 10:30am	Maidyarem Gahambar (S)	
June	Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> , 7:00pm	Homaji-Ni-Baj (S)	
	Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> , 7:00pm	Meherban Guiv Death Anniversary	
July	Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> , 11:00am	Tirgan (F)	
All Prince	Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> , 11:00am	Maidyoshem Gahambar (F)	
August	Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> to Monday 17 <sup>th</sup>	Muktad Days (S)	
	Saturday 15 <sup>th</sup> , 2:00pm	Hamaspathmaidyan Gahambar (S)	
	Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> , 6:30pm	Norouz (S)	
	Sunday 23 <sup>rd</sup> , 10:30am	Khordad Sal (S)	
September	Saturday 5 <sup>th</sup> , 10:30am	Fravardegan (S)	
	Sunday 6 <sup>th</sup> , 10:30am	D <mark>as</mark> toorji Kookadaroo Baj (S)	
	Sunday 13 <sup>th</sup> , 11:00am	Paitishahem Gahambar (F)	
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October	Saturday 3 <sup>rd</sup> , 7:00pm	Mehergan (F)	
	Saturday 3 <sup>rd</sup> , 7:00pm  Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup> , 7:00pm	Arbab Guiv Death Anniversary	
	Sunday 11 <sup>th</sup> , 7:00pm	Ayathrem Gahambar (F)	
November	Sunday 29 <sup>th</sup> , 10:30am	Maidyoshem Gahambar (S)	
December	Saturday 19st, 7:00pm onwards	Yalda	
	Saturday 26 <sup>th</sup> , 6:00pm	Zarthosht Death Anniversary (F)	

F = FASLI; S = SHAHENSHAI-1383/1384YZ

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#### Miscellaneous

• In an attempt to save postage and paper, the ZSO requests those who do not wish to receive the newsletter by mail and who are prepared to accept the same online only, to please email your full name to <a href="mailto:secretary@zso.org">secretary@zso.org</a>.

#### **Contacts**

Emergency situations: Khushru Chothia (416) 677-7555 or evp@zso.org

Messages on the auto-dialer: Mehbad Dastur (416) 235-2627 or admin@zso.org

Renting the MGDM hall (for post-funeral prayers and rituals or for private functions): Meherwan Wadia (416) 455-

5614 or execofficer2@zso.org

#### Newsletter advertising rates

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#### اهنودگات - پسن ۳۱ – بند ۵

پروردگارا برابر با آیین راستی، راهی را که بهتر است به من نشان ده تا آن را برگزینم. در پرتو اندیشه پاک، مرا از پاداشی که برخوردار خواهم شد آگاه ساز تا احساس شادی و سرور کنم. ای خداوند جان و خرد مرا از همه چیز آگاه ساز، خواه آنچه روی داده و یا در آینده رخ خواهد داد.

# حش سده خبته باد



روز مهر از ماه بهمن ( شانزدهمین روز از ماه بهمن در گاهشمار زرتشتی) برابر با دهم بهمن ماه را جشن سده نامند. جشن سده از زمانهای بسیار دور به یادگار مانده و جشن پیدایش آتش می باشد. سده از واژه "سَت" در زبان پهلوی و معنای آن "صد" می باشد. بنابر تقسیم فصلی ایران باستان، از ابتدای فروردین تا پایان مهر "تابستان بزرگ" و از

ابتدای آبان تا پایان اسفند را "زمستان بزرگ" می نامیدند. "سده" برابر با صدمین روز زمستان بزرگ می باشد. به روایت شاهنامه فردوسی، در چنین روزی هوشنگ شاه پیشدادی به همراهی یاران خود برای شکار به کوه می رود. در راه به مار تنومندی برمی خورد و با یک سنگ بزرگ به جنگ با مار می رود. او سنگ را به سوی مار پرتاب می کند. سنگ به سنگ دیگری برخورد کرده جرقه ای بیرون می جهد و به خار و خاشاک اطراف شعله می کشد و آتش فروزان پدیدار می گردد. از آن پس جشن سده را به پاسداشت پیدایش آتش جشن می گیرند. مراسم جشن سده در بین زرتشتیان بدین گونه است که پس از غروب آفتاب، سه تن از موبدان در حالیکه لباس سید بر تن دارند به سوی توده ای از هیزم خشک که از قبل تهیه شده است حرکت می نمایند. گروهی از جوانان که لباس سفید بر تن دارند با مشعل های روشن موبدان را همراهی می کنند. موبدان بخشی از اوستا که "آتش نیایش" می باشد را می سرایند. موبد بزرگ بوسیله آتش موجود در آتشدان و جوانان سپیدپوش با یاری شعله های مشعل خود تَل هیزم را آتش می زنند.

به همرا آنان گروه موزیک از ابتدا تا انتها آهنگهای شاد می نوازند و زرتشتیان با شادی، شعله ور شدن آتش سده را جشن می گیرند و به امید آنکه تا جشن سال آینده روشنایی و گرمی در دلهایشان باشد به خانه های خود باز می گردند.

برای آگاهی شما هموندان گرامی، به شوند (دلیل) بازسازی سالن مهربان گیو، جشن سده امسال با شکوه هرچه تمامتر از ساعت ۶:۳۰ پسین روز شنبه ۳۱ ژانویه ۲۰۱۵ (2015, January 31<sup>st</sup>)در سالن فرهنگی پَریا برگزار می گردد. خواهشمند است تا به دیگر هموندان گرامی نیز آگاهی رسانی نمایید. آدرس (344 John Street, Thornhill, ON, L3T 5W5)

از کسانی که تمایل دارند تا در برنامه های هنری جشن سده مشارکت داشته باشند خواهشمند است با <u>kanoun@zso.org و</u> یا میترا و بهرام جم تماس بگیرند.

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#### تماس با ما

انتقادات، نظرات و پیشنهادات سازنده خود را با ما با آدرس <u>kanoun@zso.org</u> در میان بگذارید.

گهنبار چهره میدیارم گاه امسال نیز به شوند (دلیل) بازسازی سالن مهربان گیو، دستخوش جابجایی مکانی دوباره شده است. به شوند محدود بودن جا و دوری مسافت مجتمع فرهنگی پارسیان می سی ساگا (Mississauga)، برگزار کنندگان و میزبانان این گهنبار اراده کرده اند، تا این مراسم به صورت ساده در درب مهر ارباب رستم گیو برگزار گردد. بدین سبب، اوستا و جَشن این چهره گهنبار در روز شنبه چهارم ژانویه ۲۰۱۵ گردد. بدین سبب، اوستا و جَشن این چهره گهنبار در روز شنبه چهارم ژانویه ۲۰۱۵ رستم گیو برگزار می گردد. خواهشمند است به دیگر هموندان هم آگاهی رسانی نمایید.

گهنبار پاری رسان و مدد رسان شما باشد

برگردان اوستایی یسنای ۶۲ به پارسی (۱) یتا اهو وییریو! [دوبار] ستایش و نیایش، و هدیه خوب و هدیه ی آرزو شده ، و هدیه دوستانه را آرزو دارم، برای تو ای آتش، ای پسر اهورا مزدا! قابل ستایش و نیایش هستی، قابل ستایش و نیایش باشی، در خانه ی مردمان. خوشبخت باشد آن مرد، که تو را بستاید، به راستی فراستاید. هیزم در دست، برسم [barsom] در دست. شیر در دست، هاون در دست.

هیزم [برایت] فراهم شود. بوک خوش فراهم شود. خورش فراهم شود. «برنایی» به نگاهبانی تو بواد! «اگاهی» به نگاهبانی تو بواد! ای آتش، ای پسر اهورا مزدا! (۳)

سوزان باشی در این خانه. بی گمان سوزان باشی در این خانه. فروزان باشی در این خانه. شعله ور باشی در این خانه. به زمانی دیرپا. تا به فرشگرد (=رستاخیز) توانا. همچنان فرشگرد توانای نیک. (۴)

بدهی به من ای آتش، ای پسر اهورا مزدا !

به زودی گشایش را، به زودی پناه را، به زودی زندگی پر گشایش را، پر پناه را، پر «زندگی» را. «دانایی» را، «زبان شیوا» را، «پاک» را، «روان هشیار» را، پس از آن «خرد بزرگ» را. فرا گیرنده ی نابود نشدنی را.

(۵) [بدهی به من..] پس آنگاه «مردانگی» را، ورزیده، بر پاک ایستاده، بی خواب، استوار برجای. «کاردان فرزند» را، «آیین گستر در کشور» ، انجمن آرا، همیشه بالنده ، «نیک اندیش»، «از تنگنا رهاننده» ، «هوشمند» . تا اینکه برای من گسترش دهد

خانه را، ویس (=دهکده) را،

اُوازه ی دهیو (=سرزمین) را. کتاب «نیایش آتش در دین زرتشتی»

نوشته ی رستم وحیدی

زنتو (=شـهر) را، دهيو (= سـرزمين) را،

# حش نوروزی

تاریخ: شنبه ۲۱ مارج ۲۰۱۵ از ساعت ۶:۳۰ پسین

**مكان:** سالن پذيرايي ليارك

آدرس: ( Le Parc Banquet Hall – 8432 Lesli St, Thornhill, ON, L3T )

پذیرایی شام: غذاهای متنوع ایرانی (مشروب جداگانه در بار فروخته می شود)

**موزیک:** موزیک زنده با دی جی حرفه ای

### کارت ورودی:

- √ هموندان ZSO/OZCF دلار
- √ غير هموندان V۵ ZSO/OZCF دلار
  - ✓ کودکان زیر ۲ سال رایگان
- ✓ هموندان ZSO/OZCF دلار ( بعد از اول مارچ ۲۰۱۵)
- ✓ غیر هموندان ZSO/OZCF دلار ( بعد از اول مارچ ۲۰۱۵)

#### تهیه کارت ورودی:

- √ ميترا جم ۹۰۵-۸۸۹-۹۰۲
- √ تماس با <u>kanoun@zso.org</u>
- ✓ استودیو عکاسی رویال پلازای ایرانیان
  - √ سیروس زندیان ۳۱۰۱-۶۷۸-۶۴۷
- √ جشن سده ۳۱ ژانویه ۲۰۱۵ (January 31<sup>st</sup>, 2015) ۲۰۱۵
- √ جشن نوروزی کودکان ۱۵ مارچ ۲۰۱۵ (March 15<sup>th</sup>,2015)

### پرداخت وجه:

- √ نقدی
- √ چک در وجه (Iranian Zoroastrian Cultural Kanoun) لازم به یادآوری می باشد که تعداد کارت ورودی محدود و پس از فروش پس گرفته نمی شود .

در صورت تمایل برای معرفی مهارت شغلی خود و یا درج آگهی در کتابچه نوروزی با رستم خسرویانی <mark>kanoun@zso.org</mark> تماس بگیرید.

# نوروز مان بیروز، حرروز مان نوروز

#### دهشمندان

نام بردن از خیراندیشان گرامی، کوچکترین پاسداشتی است که می توان از این هموندان گرامی داشت. به این منظور دهشمندان و خیر اندیشان را به کانون kanoun@zso.org معرفی نمایید تا بدین وسیله از آنها تشکر و قدردانی شود.

پاداش نیک خیراندیشان را از اهورامزدا خواستاریم.

کانون زرتشـتیان اونتاریو، از همه کسـانی که تمایل دارند تا در برنامه های کانون همکاری نمایند خواهشـمند اسـت تا با <u>kanoun@zso.org</u> تماس بگیرند.



Date: Saturday, March 21<sup>st</sup>, 2015 at 6:30 pm

**Location:** Le Parc Banquet Hall 8432 Leslie St, Thornhill, ON L3T 7M6

**Tickets:** ZSO/ OZCF Members \$60 PP Non – ZSO / OZCF Members \$75 PP Kids under 2 Free

Prices go up after March 1, 2015

ZSO/ OZCF Members \$70 PP Non – ZSO / OZCF Members \$90 PP

**Dinner:** Persian Cuisine with Cash Bar

**Music:** Live Persian music with professional DJ

For more information and to purchase tickets (by Cash or Cheque) contact:

Mitra Jam Tel: 905-889-9224 Kanoun@ZSO.org

Or by mail: Make a cheque payable to "Iranian Zoroastrian Cultural Kanoun" and mailed to Mitra Jam 44 Sea Island Path, Thornhill, ON L3T 3A4

Upon availability you may also purchase tickets in person at: Jashn-e-Sadeh (January. 24<sup>th</sup>) Kids Norouz Party (March 15<sup>th</sup>)

Please write **FULL NAMES** of all attendees and indicating if they are members or non-members

# Tickets are LIMITED and available upon payment Tickets are NON-REFUNDABLE

**Sponsors are welcome.** Advertisement Rates: \$25 Business Cards, \$50 Half page. \$100 Full Page, \$200 (Front & Back Covers) For Program Booklet & Advertisements:

Contact: Rostam Khosraviani <u>Kanoun@ZSO.org</u>

# Saturday, March 7, 2015

# Social Evening & Sports Night

### VISIT US AT: HTTP://SPORTNIGHTS.ZOOMSHARE.COM



# A fun-filled evening with Sports, Dinner and Dancing

Organized by: ZSO and ZSA (Zoroastrian Students Association)

Where: Zoroastrian Society of Ontario, 3590 Bayview Avenue, Toronto

Time: 5:00 – 8:00 PM – Sports (Table Tennis, Carom, Cards, etc.)

Time: 8:00 – 9:00 PM – Dinner & Dessert

Time: 9:00 – 10:00 PM – "Surprise Entertainment"

Time: 10:00 PM – Midnight – Dancing (Professional DJ with Light & Sound)

Dinner: <u>Khoresht Gheymeh</u> (Split Yellow Pea & Beef Stew), <u>Zereshk Polo ba Morg</u> (Barberry Rice with Chicken), along with <u>Dhansak - Masala Dal</u> with Golden Crust

Potatoes, Long Grain Basmati Rice & Garden Salad

Dessert: Sholeh Zard (Saffron Rice Pudding), Sev (Vermicelli) Ice-cream

Soft Drinks, Refreshments, Tea/Coffee

Children under 5 years: Free Children between 6-10 years: \$5/-

Dinner, Dancing, and Entertainment: \$12/- per person

Please give your names for dinner no later than March 4, 2015 by calling or emailing:

Kerman Katrak: 905-707-7359

Email: <u>kkatrak@gmail.com</u>

#### **Main Floor**













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# Zoroastrian Society of Ontario

3590 Bayview Avenue, Toronto, Ontario. M2M  $3\mathbf{S}6$ 

# Membership Form

☐ Renewal	☐ New Member	Membership Year April 1,	_ to <b>M</b> arch 31,		
First name:		Last Name:	Last Name:		
	me:				
		City:			
Postal code:		Email:			
Home Tel:		Cell:	-		
	I wish to receive the ZSO	newsletters by 🗖 Regular mail 💢 By E	mail		
Children		A man			
		Age:			
		Age:			
		Age:			
Full Name:		Age:			
I (we) select ZSC	as our prime Membership	o Group for the FEZANA membership [	I Yes □ No		
		Membership Type			
<b>□ Family</b> \$100 (	Includes all children under 18)	☐ Individual \$60 (non-student over	er age 18)		
<b>□ Student</b> \$30 (f	ull time student, age 18-25)	☐ Senior \$30 (age 65 and over)			
☐ Family senior	\$50 (both spouses age $65$ and o	ver)			
	☐ I wish to ma	ke a onetime donation of \$			
		payable to "Z.S.O." and mailed payable to "Z.S.O." and "Z.S.O."	l to		
I have reviewed t	he ZSO Bylaws* and agree	to abide by them, (* available on the ZSO we	eb site at www.zso.org)		
Signature		Date:			
	Interest	ted in volunteering: 🗖 Yes			
NEW MEMBERS	S must be introduced by two 2	ZSO members in good standing and approve	d by the ZSO EC		
ZSO Member #1		ZSO Member #2	Approved by the ZSO E.C.		
Print Full Name		Print Full Name	☐ Yes ☐ No		
Signature		Signature	Signature		
Tel:		Tel:	Date		