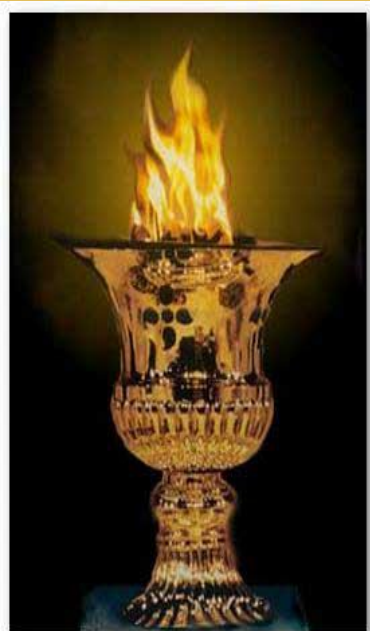


February 2015

# Zoroastrian Society of Ontario

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## Events for the months ahead...



Friday, February 6	7:00pm	Adult Avesta Class (Persian)
Sunday, February 8	8:00am	Ski Trip*
Sunday, February 8	12:30pm	Scouts
Sunday, February 8	2:45pm	Religion Classes
Friday, February 13	7:00pm	Paitishahem Gahambar (S)**
Sunday, February 22	12:30pm	Scouts
Sunday, February 22	2:45pm	Religion Classes
Saturday, February 28	4:30pm	100 Toronto BP Day Celebrations at OZCF
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	Hamaspahmaidyān Gahambar (F)
Thursday, March 19	6:00pm	Great Escape Adventure*
Saturday, March 21	10:30am	Norouz Jashan & Lunch
Saturday, March 21	7:00pm	Norouz Dinner & Dance***
Thursday, March 26	7:00pm	Khordad Sal (Zayesh-E-Zarhosht) (F)
Sunday, March 29	Full day	Religion Classes

\* See attached flyers for more information.

\*\* Chasni will follow the Jashan.

\*\*\* This event will be held at Le Parc Banquet Hall, 8432 Leslie Street, Thornhill. See attached flyer for more information.

**Note:** 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

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### Executive Committee Corner

After several challenges due to the state of the old and outdated infrastructure, as detailed in our previous newsletters, our major renovation project is taking shape: drywall work is almost complete and painting has commenced; state-of-the-art, motion-sensor activated, double sets of sliding doors have been installed in the main entrance; floor tiling is progressing well; and kitchen appliances and equipment are being sourced following valuable input from those who do most of the cooking. The contractor is confident that the project will be completed on time.

The renovation project is a collaborative effort of members, the contractor and your EC. We are especially grateful to those donors who retained their donations at the ZSO, which has made this major project possible. The spirit of Zoroastrianism and generosity is alive and well amongst us. Your EC has approved recognition of donors with a suitable plaque to be placed in the renovated area.

The Entertainment and Youth Committees have scheduled many activities for the year ahead. A ski trip is planned for February as detailed later in this newsletter. A Sports Night event will be held at the Darbe Mehr in March. A Norouz Jashan followed by lunch will be at the Darbe Mehr on March 21, 2015 at 10:30am.

It is with much sadness and disbelief for us at the EC and our members to have read the mass emails by former President Mr. Sarosh B Bharucha, which disrespected our many supporters, EC members both alive and deceased, and above all our most revered and charitable benefactor, the late Arbab Rustom Guiv. Without the vision of the late Arbab Guiv and his generosity, we would not have our Darbe Mehr today.

As a separate insert in this Newsletter, you will find our communiqué to members in response to the reprehensible emails sent by Sarosh B. Bharucha. We at the EC continue to maintain that the newsletter will be used solely to disseminate information to our members concerning your Society and not used as a tool to respond to Mr. Sarosh B. Bharucha. We remind the membership that the newsletter continues to remain the official channel of communication for ZSO matters. If you have any questions, please contact the EC directly.

Let us all work together for the good of all and stamp out negative influences and associations with those whose principal purpose is to destroy the very fabric of our culture, religion, and beliefs as Zoroastrians.

**CAUTION: Renovation areas at the Darbe Mehr are restricted to construction personnel and authorized persons only. All others please keep out. There are dangerous and hazardous areas due to construction activity.**

### Membership Renewal

The new year for memberships commences on April 1<sup>st</sup>. A revised and simplified membership renewal form is 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.

### Sad Passing of Mr. Fereidoon Demehri

Mr. Fereidoon Demehri passed away on January 18, 2015 in Vancouver. Founder of the Zoroastrian News Agency, Mr. Demehri was an icon in Zoroastrian and Iranian communities and will be remembered for his enthusiasm in culture, the arts, music, sports, films, ancient history, and charity. For him, Zoroastrianism was more than a cultural identity; it was a way to bridge gaps and unite all cultures. It was more than an appreciation for the arts, and about creating opportunity for our youth to shine as artists. He is survived by his wife, two daughters, and grandchildren. Fereidoon leaves a legacy that has inspired and will continue to inspire many.

### Condolences

Ms. Morvarid Zanzab, mother of Gulcher Irani, passed away in Iran in December 2014.

Ms. Aghdas Delgosha, mother of Khorshidchehr Zandian and grandmother of Mahshah Khosraviani, passed away in Iran.

Ms. Perin Engineer, wife of late Pesi Engineer, mother of Jehangir, Dinshaw, mother-in-law of Khurshid Engineer, sister of Goolo Shroff, grandmother of Fiona, Godrej, and Kate, and great-grandmother of Sophie, passed away on January 22, 2015.

*Our condolences to the bereaved families.*



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### **ZSO Logo Contest**

The logo design competition has been extended to February 20, 2015. 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 [execofficer2@zso.org](mailto:execofficer2@zso.org) for more information or to submit a design.

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### **Mosaic Interfaith Meeting**

Temple Har Zion hosted the Mosaic Interfaith meeting on January 18, 2015 to celebrate Martin Luther King, Jr. Day. The theme of the day was “**Social Justice: Is it the Way to Peace?**”. The panel included representatives from Anglican, Islam, Jewish, Sikh, Catholic, and Zoroastrian faiths. Mr. Sam Vesuna introduced Ervad Dr. Jehan Bagli who represented the Zoroastrian Faith. In his comments, Jehan stressed the fact that a society always benefits when its members collectively apply their Divine gift of Freewill through pursuit of Righteousness, Wisdom through Good thinking, unconditional love, and compassion. These Zoroastrian religious markers must bring into focus a pathway to peace. Global Truth of *Asha* and the Divine gift of Good Mind are the Spiritual counterparts of the physical attributes of a Just Society. However, this momentous journey must start with Peace within each member of the human race. For only through that we can see the reflection of Just and Lasting Peace in the cities, provinces, countries, and the world at large.

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### **World Religion Day**

On January 18, 2015 Firuzi Poonevalla and Rashna Dadachanji represented the ZSO at World Religion Day hosted by Durham County. The event was centred on the theme of “The Evolution of Faith, Diversity, and Culture in Durham Region”, and featured 10 different faith groups. The event aimed to develop interfaith understanding and harmony. Firuzi and Rashna have both been very involved in the North American Zoroastrian community.

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### **Guided Tour of Iran**

A 3-week guided tour of Iran will take place from April 23 - May 14, 2015. The tour will enable Zarathushtis to visit their ancient homeland and explore historical, cultural, and religious sites. For more information, please contact Ms. Silloo Mehta at (949) 551-5252 or [silloopmehta@gmail.com](mailto:silloopmehta@gmail.com).

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### **Lectures on History of Games in Pre-Islamic Iran**

Professor Panaino from the University of Bologna (Italy) is one of the most prominent specialists on pre-Islamic Iran. He will be in Toronto to give two lectures on the history of games in pre-Islamic Iran, based on the study of ancient Zoroastrian sources. The first lecture, “Sasanian Chess, Origins and Development” will be on March 16<sup>th</sup> from 2-4pm. His second lecture, “Sasanian Backgammon, Origins and Development” will be on March 20<sup>th</sup> from 2-4pm. Both lectures will be on the 10<sup>th</sup> floor of the Jackman Humanities Building, 170 St. George Street in Toronto.

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### **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. 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 in the GTA area, please email [zenobia\\_homavazir@hotmail.com](mailto:zenobia_homavazir@hotmail.com) or call (416) 833-8769 for more information.

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### **Youth Ski Trip and “Great Escape” Adventure**

The ZSO Youth Committee has planned a ski trip to Blue Mountain on Sunday, February 8<sup>th</sup>. Tickets are \$30/person. To purchase a ticket, please email Nima Azarkeyvan at [youth@zso.org](mailto:youth@zso.org).

On Thursday, March 19<sup>th</sup>, there will be an evening (6-8pm) of adventurous and mind-challenging fun at the “Great Escape” in North York. Youth ages 13-25 are invited. Space is limited; reserve your spot by emailing Mitra Jam at [entertainment@zso.org](mailto:entertainment@zso.org) or Nima Azarkeyvan at [youth@zso.org](mailto:youth@zso.org).

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### **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 <http://www.6wzyc.co.nz/> for more information.

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### **Norouz Jashan & Lunch**

A Norouz Jashan followed by lunch will be at the Darbe Mehr on Saturday, March 21<sup>st</sup> at 10:30am. Please contact Anahita Ogra ((647) 404-1388 or [entertainment@zso.org](mailto:entertainment@zso.org)) if you will be staying for lunch.

### **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.



*Ardavan Taraporewala & Meher Pavri at the 2014 NAZC*

### **ZSO at the North American Zoroastrian Congress**

The 2014 North American Zoroastrian Congress in Los Angeles was widely-attended by Zarathushtis from across North America and the world, including the UK, India, and Australia. ZSO members were present as delegates, speakers, award recipients, and performers.

Daraius M. Bharucha led a workshop entitled “Teaching Zoroastrianism: Teaching the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Learner – New Curricula, New Techniques”. Aimed at those who teach religious education, this workshop demonstrated how to use the new FEZANA Curriculum to design a religion class program and prepare effective and engaging lessons. Daraius, with the FEZANA Religious Education Committee, has developed the first comprehensive curriculum for religious education programs for students ages 6 to 16. The comprehensive curriculum and corresponding program planning matrix are available on the FEZANA website ([www.fezana.org](http://www.fezana.org)).

Sam Vesuna was the recipient of the Rohinton Rivetna Outstanding Zarathushti Award, recognizing his contributions to the Zoroastrian community. The ZSO appreciates all of Sam’s hard work and dedication over the years.

Diana Vania presented the Return to Roots (RTR) program. RTR aims to return Zoroastrian youth to their Indian origins, reconnect to their identity, and revive the community. For more information, please visit [www.zororoots.org](http://www.zororoots.org).

Meher Pavri was part of a panel for young Zoroastrians ages 13-18, which focused on “Growing Up Zoro”. The session discussed topics relevant to young Zarathushtis growing up in North America, including religion, relationships, and culture.

Meher and Ardavan Taraporewala opened the Congress with a moving performance of ‘O Canada’. The two also performed with the Zoroastrian Symphony Orchestra and at the New Year’s Eve gala.

The Congress was a huge success, and we look forward to the 2017 North American Zoroastrian Congress in Vancouver!

**Birth announcements:** Sarina Aflatooni was born to Armita Kadkhoda and Aflatoon Aflatooni on January 13, 2015. Congratulations to the happy family!

Adrian, born to Nasrin and Mehran Mehrain. Congratulations to the Mehrain and Dinyarian families!

Deeyar, born to Morvarid and Mehrdad Aryana. Congratulations to the Aryana and Eftekhari families!



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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### Miscellaneous

In an attempt to save postage and paper, the ZSO requests those who do not wish to receive the newsletter by mail or who wish to receive the newsletter online to please email your full name to [secretary@zso.org](mailto:secretary@zso.org).

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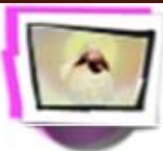
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## **A COMMUNIQUE TO ZSO MEMBERS FROM THE BOARD**

For the past year our community, both here and abroad, has been subject to a steady barrage of e-mails from Mr. Sarosh B. Bharucha, the immediate past President of the ZSO.

These e-mails have been rife with intentional blatant misinformation, deliberate falsehoods, highly irresponsible and unsubstantiated accusations which are tantamount to outright character assassination. Their sole purpose is to damage the public reputations of members of the Board who were courageous enough to stand up to his outlandish deplorable behaviour here and abroad.

As is generally well-known, by a fluke of unpredicted circumstances, Mr. Sarosh B. Bharucha assumed the ZSO presidency without an election or a mandate from the membership or the strength of his own electoral platform. Through his actions and behavior, he reduced the ZSO, with a previously stellar international reputation, to a laughing stock at the World Zoroastrian Congress in Mumbai. Thankfully, we had eyewitness reports from our own observers in the person of Board members, including a current Board member and a past President of the ZSO.

Things started to unravel when he forcefully tried to grab sole control of the ZSO Newsletter as his own personal propaganda machine. He managed to bully his way into publishing the first couple of issues with rambling articles on world affairs, the price of oil, global finance etc., which had no relevance or connection to the purpose and intent of the newsletter. When the Board, particularly three Board members, were successful in putting an end to this situation by establishing independent editors, he directed his wrath against these three who are always mentioned by name in his emails and petition for removal on trumped up accusations.

Many members have declared their revulsion in particular to his most recent gratuitous comments against our revered benefactor, the late Arbab Rustom Guiv, and his oft repeated disparaging comments of a past chairman of RGFO who has long been deceased and had nothing to do with the issues at hand. These are measures of a man who would sink so low in basic human decency to settle real or imagined old scores.

There is a plethora of similarly well documented statements on record which on legal review by others and our own counsel has concluded that they meet the test of intent and lack of veracity under libel laws.

The Board is of the view, shared by many others, that his repeated pathetic pleas for quite some time to sign his petition is indicative of the lack of support he has in the community to even secure the minimum number of signatures required by the Corporations Act and our Constitution.

Many members have complained to the Board that they have received repeated harassing phone calls from Mr. Sarosh B. Bharucha and another individual on his behalf demanding that they sign the petition.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, your Board continues to remain fully committed to serving the membership for which we have been elected and will continue to focus our time and efforts on more important matters for the well-being of all members. It is unfortunate that the time and attention of the Board is diverted and distracted on a continuing basis to deal with Mr. Sarosh B. Bharucha's vituperative behaviour. The Board is also continuing to explore options and avenues through which we can take suitable action against Mr. Sarosh B. Bharucha.

## اهنودگات - یسن ۳۱ - بند ۶

دانایی که آیین راستی را گسترش دهد و مردم را از پیام مقدسی که آنها را به رسایی و جاودانی و حقیقت رهنمون است، آگاه سازد، از بهترین خوشبختی برخوردار خواهد شد. چنین شخصی بیگمان از نیروی اهورایی که در پرتو منش پاک افزایش می یابد بهره مند خواهد گردید.



## جشن سپندارمگان خجسته باد

جشن اسفندگان (سپندارمگان) یکی از جشن‌های ایرانی است که زرتشتیان آنرا در روز سپندارمذ از ماه اسفند (پنجم اسفند در گاهنامه‌ی زرتشتیان) برابر با بیست و نهم بهمن در گاهنامه‌ی خورشیدی و برابر با هیجده فوریه گرمی می دارند. واژه فارسی «اسفند» در زبان فارسی امروز، از واژه پهلوی «سپندارمت» (Spandarmat) و اوستایی «سپنته آرمتی تی» (Spenta-Armaiti) بر گرفته شده است. این واژه از دو بخش، سپنت یا سپند به معنی "مقدس" و پسوند آرمیتی یا آرمت به معنی "فروتنی" می باشد. در اوستا و گات‌ها این فروزه نماد پاسداری زمین است و زمین نماد عشق و باروری است. سپندارمذ با فداکاری به همه مهر می‌ورزد، زشت و زیبا را همچون مادری به یک چشم می‌نگرد و در دامن پر مهر خود می‌پروراند و آرامش می‌دهد.

در اوستا و گات‌ها می‌خوانیم :

"اینک زمین را می ستاییم، زمینی که ما را در بر گرفته است، ای آهوره مزدا! زنان را می ستاییم، زنانی را که از آن تو به شمار آیند و از بهترین آتش برخوردارند، می ستاییم." اوستا - یسنا ۳۸ بند ۱

مردان در این روز زنان و دختران را بر تخت پادشاهی می‌نشانند و به آنان از یک شاخه گل تا هر چیز دیگری پیشکشی می‌دادند و همچنین از آنان فرمان می‌بردند و کارهای آنان را انجام می‌دادند. این یک یادآوری برای مردان بود تا مادران و همسران خود را گرمی بدارند و همواره آرم و احترام به زن، برای مردان گوشزد گردیده است. این روز به نام "مزدگیران" یا "مزدگیران به معنی پیشکشی گرفتن از مردان نیز بازگو شده است. زرتشتیان همانند گذشته این روز را به نام روز زن و مادر جشن می‌گیرند.

## جشن سپندارمگان بر همگان و به ویژه بانوان فرخنده باد !

## ابراز همدردی

موبدیار گرمی مهشاد خسرویانی  
درگذشت مادر بزرگ گرامیتان روانشاد اقدس دلگشا،  
را به شما و مادر گرامیتان خورشیدچهر آرامش باد  
گفته و شادی روان آن بهشتی روان و دیرزیوی  
بازماندگان را از درگاه اهورامزدا خواستاریم.

## ابراز همدردی

با کمال اندوه فراوان، آگاه شدیم که هازمان زرتشتیان ونکوور  
کانادا یکی از یاران خود را از دست داده است.  
بدینوسیله درگذشت روانشاد آقای فریدون دمه‌ری را به  
خانواده آن بزرگوار آرامش باد گفته و شادی روان آن بهشتی  
روان و دیرزیوی بازماندگان را از درگاه اهورامزدا خواستاریم.

## دهشمندان

نام بردن از خیراندیشان گرمی، کوچکترین پاسداشتی است که می توان از این هموندان گرمی داشت. به این منظور دهشمندان و خیر اندیشان را به کانون [kanoun@zso.org](mailto:kanoun@zso.org) معرفی نمایید تا بدین وسیله از آنها تشکر و قدردانی شود. پاداش نیک خیراندیشان را از اهورامزدا خواستاریم.

## تماس با ما

انتقادات، نظرات و پیشنهادات  
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[kanoun@zso.org](mailto:kanoun@zso.org) در میان  
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**تبریک و چشم روشنی**

با شادی فراوان، قدم نورسیده **دیار** فرزند مروارید و مهرداد آریانا و نوه سیمیندخت افتخاری را شادباش می گوئیم. سلامتی و روزهای شادی را برای این خانواده از درگاه اهورامزدا خواستاریم.

**تبریک و چشم روشنی**

با شادی فراوان، قدم نورسیده **آدرین** فرزند نسرين و مهران مهرباین و نوه مهوش مهر آیین را شادباش می گوئیم. سلامتی و روزهای شادی را برای این خانواده از درگاه اهورامزدا خواستاریم.

**جشن نوروزی**

**تاریخ:** شنبه ۲۱ مارچ ۲۰۱۵ از ساعت ۶:۳۰ پسین

**مکان:** سالن پذیرایی لپارک

**آدرس:** (Le Parc Banquet Hall – 8432 Lesli St, Thornhill, ON, L3T 7M6)

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- ✓ هموندان ZSO/OZCF ۷۰ دلار ( بعد از اول مارچ ۲۰۱۵ )
- ✓ غیر هموندان ZSO/OZCF ۹۰ دلار ( بعد از اول مارچ ۲۰۱۵ )

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- ✓ تماس با [kanoun@zso.org](mailto:kanoun@zso.org)
- ✓ استودیو عکاسی رویال – پلازای ایرانیان
- ✓ سیروس زندیان ۶۴۷-۶۷۸-۳۱۰۱
- ✓ جشن سده – ۳۱ ژانویه ۲۰۱۵ (January 31<sup>st</sup>, 2015)
- ✓ 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 [kanoun@zso.org](mailto:kanoun@zso.org) تماس بگیرید.

**نوروزتان پیروز، هر روزتان نوروز**

کانون زرتشتیان اوتاریو، از همه کسانی که تمایل دارند تا در برنامه های کانون همکاری نمایند خواهشمند است تا با [kanoun@zso.org](mailto:kanoun@zso.org) تماس بگیرند.

**روانشاد فریدون دمهری**

ایریستنم اوروانو یزمیده  
یا اشه اونام فروشیو  
بر روان و فروهر همه  
درگذشتگان پارسا درود باد

فریدون دمهری یکی از کنشگران دلسوز هازمان زرتشتی بود، که در تاریخ ۲۹ دی ماه (19<sup>th</sup> January) در ونکور کانادا به شوند تصادف در حین پیاده روی، در گذشت. وی همواره در هر کجا که بود برای شناسایی و سربلندی دین و فرهنگ زرتشتی کوشا بود و با بنیان نهادن تارنمای «اشپهن»، در شناساندن و ثبت فرهنگ زرتشتی کوشا بود.

"داستان زندگی او سرشار از سخاوتمندی و صمیمیت قلب است. برای وی زرتشتیگری چیزی فراتر از حضور یک فرهنگ بود. و آن پلی جهت ارتباط با سایر فرهنگها بود.

داستان او، داستان تقدیر از هنر نیست، داستان ایجاد موقعیت برای جوانان جهت درخشیدن در عصر هنر بود.

او چیزی فراتر از یک جریان یا یک واقعه بود، دیدگاهی بود برای بنیانگذاری یک هازمان متحد که ایمان و فرهنگ زرتشتی را ارج می نهادند.

جهت آگاهی از بیوگرافی ایشان می توانید به لینک زیر مراجعه نمایید:

<http://www.berasad.com/fa/content/view/13313>

پاره ای از متن بالا برگرفته از تارنمای برساد می باشد.

درگذشت این هموند گرامی را به خانواده ایشان، هازمان زرتشتی ونکور و همچنین به جامعه زرتشتیان تسلیت گفته و برای آن روانشاد آموزش و شادی روان از اهورامزدا خواستاریم.

از طرف هازمان زرتشتیان اوتاریو

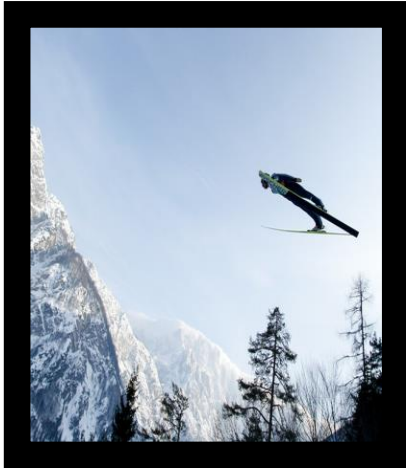


**تبریک و چشم روشنی**

با شادی فراوان، قدم نورسیده **سرینا** فرزند آرمیتا و افلاطون افلاطونی و نوه سیمین افلاطونی را شادباش می گوئیم. سلامتی و روزهای شادی را برای این خانواده از درگاه اهورامزدا خواستاریم.

**تور اسکای**

با همکاری زیرگروه جوانان هالمان زرتشتیان اوتاریو یک تور تفریحی \_ ورزشی برای جوانان و خانواده ها برنامه ریزی شده است. این تور در تاریخ یک شنبه ۸ فوریه (Sunday Feb 8<sup>th</sup>) با سفر به مجموعه ورزشی (Blue Mountain) برگزار خواهد شد.



زمان و مکان سوار شدن: ساعت ۸ صبح در (Yonge and Finch Ave East)

زمان و مکان برگشت: ساعت ۶ بعد از ظهر در همان مکان

هزینه اتوبوس: ۳۰ دلار برای هر نفر (\$30 PP)

برای تهیه بلیط با نیما آذرکیوان (youth@zso.org) تماس گرفته، و یا در روز جشن سده ۳۱ ژانویه (Jan 31, 2015) به صورت نقدی و یا چک (cash or cheque payable to "ZSO") خریداری نمایید.

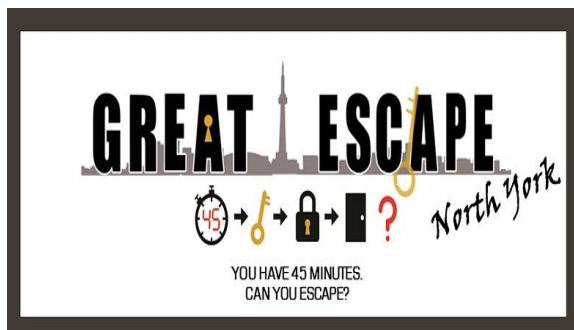
ماه اسفند نزدیک است. کلمه "اسفند" یعنی دوستی و فروتنی.

یک زرتشتی حقیقی باید بیاموزد که بدون خود پسندی در برابر دیگران رفتاری انسانی و درست داشته باشد. یک زرتشتی حقیقی باید به همه مردم عشق بورزد.

ماه اسفند ماه دوستی و از خود گذشتگی است. در ماه اسفند "مردم دوستی و فداکاری" را فراموش نکنید.

**فرار بزرگ (Great Escape)**

برنامه ای سراسر شاد، هیجان انگیز و خلاقانه برای جوانان ۱۳ تا ۲۵ سال (13-25yrs).



زیرگروه جوانان هالمان زرتشتیان اوتاریو، برای بوجود آوردن خاطره ای به یاد ماندنی برای جوانان در دوران تعطیلات ماه مارچ مدارس (during March break)، برنامه شادی را در تاریخ پنج شنبه ۱۹ مارچ (Thursday Mar. 19<sup>th</sup>) از ساعت ۶ تا ۸ بعد از ظهر (6pm-8pm) در مکان تفریحی (Great Escape) برگزار می نماید.

هزینه: ۲۵ دلار برای ۲ بار تلاش ۴۵ دقیقه ای ( 2 games of 45 minutes)

مکان: (5291A Yonge St. North York (south of Finch), www.greatescape-to.com)

به علت محدودیت جا، هر چه سریعتر برای تهیه بلیط با میترا جم (entertainment@zso.org) و یا نیما آذرکیوان (youth@zso.org) تماس بگیرید.





# *NOROUZ DINNER & DANCE PARTY!*

**Date:** Saturday, March 21st, 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:** DJ PS from Radio Javan

For more information and to purchase tickets (by Cash or Cheque) contact:  
Mitra Jam Tel: 905-889-9224      [Kanoun@ZSO.org](mailto: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 31st)      Kids Norouz Party (March 15th)

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 or Back Covers) For Program Booklet & Advertisements

Contact: Rostam Khosraviani      [Kanoun@ZSO.org](mailto:Kanoun@ZSO.org)



# ZSO work in Progress



**Renovations Jan 2015**

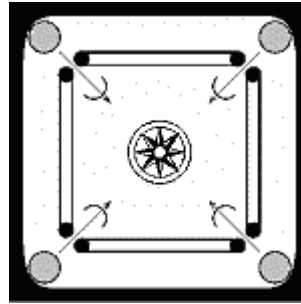




**Saturday, March 7, 2015**

# **Social Evening & Sports Night**

**VISIT US AT: [HTTP://SPORTNIGHTS.ZOOMSHARE.COM](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, Carrom, 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: [Khoresh Ghymeh](#) (Split Yellow Pea & Beef Stew), [Zereshk Polo ba Morg](#) (Barberry Rice with Chicken), along with [Dhansak - Masala Dal](#) 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 not later than March 4, 2015 by calling:**

**Kerman Katrak: 905-707-7359**

**Email: [kkatrak@gmail.com](mailto:kkatrak@gmail.com)**



# ZSO YOUTH PRESENTS: SKI TRIP

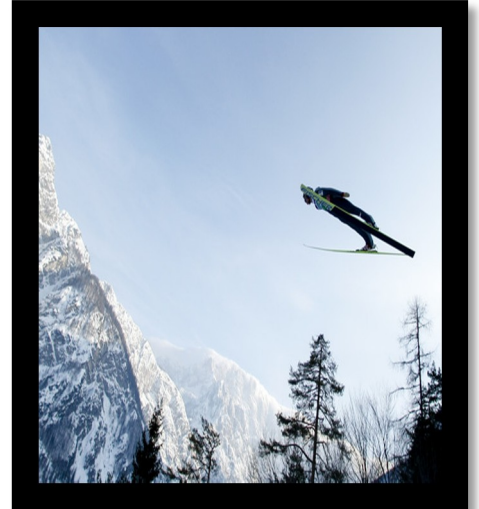
*Get ready to hit the slopes on Feb 8<sup>th</sup>. A trip to Blue Mountain will be the best way to spend your Winter Sunday with all your friends and family.*

*Pick up: 8 a.m. (Yonge and Finch Ave East)*

*Drop off: 6 p.m.*

*Transportation Cost: \$30 pp*

*TO purchase your ticket please email Nima Azarkeyvan at [youth@zso.org](mailto:youth@zso.org). You may also purchase tickets in person at Jashn-e Sadeh (Jan 31, 2015) by cash or cheque payable to "ZSO".*



## Great Escape

*Fun, adventurous and mind challenging event for youth (13-25yrs). Join us Thursday March 19<sup>th</sup> (during March break) 6pm-8pm for only \$25 at The Great Escape where you try to escape a mysteriously locked room within 45 minutes (2 games of 45 minutes).*

*Space is very limited. Please reserve your spot by emailing Mitra Jam at [entertainment@zso.org](mailto:entertainment@zso.org) Or Nima Azarkeyvan at [youth@zso.org](mailto:youth@zso.org)*



5291A Yonge St. North York  
(South of Finch)

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# ZOROASTRIAN SOCIETY OF ONTARIO

3590 BAYVIEW AVENUE, TORONTO, ONTARIO M2M 3S6

## Membership Form

☐ Renewal ☐ New Member

Membership Year April 1<sup>st</sup> 20\_\_\_\_ - March 31<sup>st</sup> 20\_\_\_\_

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse's First Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Province/State: \_\_\_\_\_ Postal/ZIP Code: \_\_\_\_\_ Country: \_\_\_\_\_

Children Names: (Please check mark if they are under 18 years of age)

☐ Name: \_\_\_\_\_ ☐ Name: \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Name: \_\_\_\_\_ ☐ Name: \_\_\_\_\_

I wish to receive the ZSO newsletters by ☐ Email ☐ Regular Mail

I wish to volunteer in \_\_\_\_\_

Select your communication methods: Autodialer (US & Canada), E-Mail and SMS Messages (SMS within Canada Only)

☐ Home Phone Number (For Autodialer voice messages) : \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_ ☐ Spouse Email: \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Cell: \_\_\_\_\_ ☐ Spouse Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

**Membership Type** (Select one choice only per membership)

☐ Family \$100 (Includes all children under 18)

☐ Individual \$60 (non-student over age 18)

☐ Student \$30 (full time student, age 18-25)

☐ Senior \$30 (age 65 and over)

☐ Family senior \$50 (both spouses age 65 and over)

**I wish to make a one-time donation of \$\_\_\_\_\_**

Please make cheque for the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ payable to "Z.S.O." and mailed to

Attn: ZSO Secretary (Membership Form) 3590 Bayview Avenue, Toronto, ON, M2M 3S6

☐ I have reviewed the ZSO Bylaws\* and agree to abide by them, (\*available on the ZSO website [zso.org](http://zso.org))

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**NEW MEMBERS must be introduced by two ZSO members in good standing and approved by the ZSO Executive**

### ZSO Member

Print Full Name \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### ZSO Member

Print Full Name \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### Approved by the ZSO E.C.

☐ Yes ☐ No

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_