



Zoroastrian Society of Ontario



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Newsletter



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Presidents Message

Typically March is our most social month of the year as we gather for various Norooz festivities at the Mehraban Guive Darbe Mehr (MGDM), celebrating the coming of the Spring season, which begins on Monday, March 20, 2023, at exactly 5:24 pm.

We are grateful to the ZSO & the OZCF youths who have been working so hard putting together the information package and application to bid for the next World Zoroastrian Youth Congress to be hopefully held in Toronto in 2027! We have an amazing team of youths that have been bringing the entire community together with planning various social events; for example, the successful Sports & Karaoke night event at the MGDM just last month.

The 100th Scouts annual Valentine's day dinner and dance was another great successful event with the entertainment organized by the youth themselves which was filled with games and laughter.

We are truly grateful for the generosity of our community for coming together to the aid of fellow Zoroastrian family in need. We raised over \$25,000 for the Zarina Bharucha family.

Thank you all for welcoming Viraf & Dilkhush Bhesania with open arms as the new custodians who have already done great work for the MGDM.

Great news, after several months of dedicated work by Shiamak Katrak, ZSO has been approved for cGaming. You may be asking, what is cGaming? It is a charity program that is in partnership with Ontario Lottery and Gaming (OLG) that may bring in up to \$25000 annually to the ZSO to be used toward the MGDM maintenance & upgrades. We are still seeking volunteers to make this cGaming opportunity successful, so please contact Shiamak for details.

The combined Kanoun & ZSO children's religion classes had a wonderful early Norooz party which the children found both educational and enjoyable. Kanoun adult & children religion classes in Farsi have begun and the dates and times coincide with the ZSO children's religion classes. Please contact [Katy Behdinan](#) for registration.

We would like to remind every youth, adult, and senior that the Iranian Zoroastrian Cultural Kanoun (Kanoun) continues to run the Zoroastrian Table Tennis Club (ZTTC) every Monday evening from 7-8 pm at the MGDM, where all are welcome to attend.

The annual Norooz semi-formal dinner and dance will be held on Friday, March 24th and tickets must be purchased in advance and early bird pricing ends on March 4th. To avoid disappointment, please register early. Please see the attached flyer.

The Panjeh, also known as the Farvardingan prayers will be held at from March 15-20th, please see the ZSO calendar on website for details.

Khordad Sal Celebration (Zayesh-E-Zarhosht) will be held on Sunday, March 26th at 6pm at the MGDM.

It is our honour to have celebrated Esfandegan, a celebration of the women in our lives, where the Kanoun awarded Simin Haghighat (Aflatooni) for her contribution to the Zoroastrian community over the past three decades.

We are also pleased to announce that we will be honoring Sam Vesna for his incredible contribution to our community. This event will take place on Saturday, April 15th, 2023 at the MGDM from 4-6 pm. Please see the flyer to register in advance for this event.



Sam Vesuna

As mentioned in the previous newsletter, the ZSO continues to hold meetings and is actively working on having a policy on the very sensitive topic of conversion into Zoroastrianism. The ZSO reached out for guidance from the North American Moubed Council and they declined to offer their guidance and stated that the decision is to be based on each individual organization.

If you have any ideas or relevant contributions for the monthly newsletter, please email us the WORD document at newslettereditor@zso.org.



Simin Haghighat
(Aflatooni)

The 2023-2024 membership renewals are due soon, please see the flyer attached to renew or Online by going to www.zso.org and clicking login/renew.

The MGDM is now open for private bookings. For availability please contact Hoofrish Patel evp@zso.org

For MGDM hours and all future events you can always visit www.zso.org.

Wishing you a happy Norooz / Spring Equinox, Mitra Jam, ZSO President
president@zso.org

Scouts Valentines Fundraiser

Amongst many other fun events hosted by scouts, we recently just had our 100 Toronto Scouts Valentines Fundraiser 2023. The scouts valentines dinner and dance is an annual fundraising event hosted by our scouts troop. Although we missed 3 years due to the pandemic, we came back, bigger and better! All proceeds made that night will be going directly to the scouts, your donations and contributions will go towards camps, jamborees, field trips, activities, and events designed to not only build each scout as an individual, and to mold them with skills and personalities for their future but to bring them together and build lifelong relationships within our community. Every other Sunday at the ZSO, we have approximately 50 youth and leaders, from all over the GTA, and beyond, come together for an organized afternoon of scouting. Whether it's a simple hike, craft, game or archery lesson, we find ways to engage the scouts in something beyond what they learn in the classroom. Our goal is to provide them with expinces and values that no regular kid may have the opportunity to experience.

This event was a "sold-out" event thanks to all our guests, sponsors, and generous donors who opened their hearts and wallets to make this the success that it was! The event was held at the Dar-be Mehr on Saturday, February 11th, 2023 and began at 6:30pm. The MC and chief lead of the event was our very own Kashmira Bulsara (our scouts/ventures leader), who took every little detail into account, right from the decoration of the hall, to the interactive couple games and music. The scouts themselves were hosting games, selling roses and raffles, and helping behind the scenes to make this night special for everyone. DJ Araash (an ex-scout) and Scouter Jason took charge of the music and led a great night of dancing. Our new leaders Sohrab and Arish handled the cash bar and kept the spirit going. Additionally, the delicious dinner of the night was



Scouts posing for a pic on Valentine's Day

lovingly prepared by our Scouts Group Commissioner Ferozshaw Ogra and his team who included Kashmira Prasad, Dina Amroliwala, and Anahita Ogra.

A big 'thank you' should also be mentioned to Scouter Avan Apoo and all of our scouts and parent volunteers who came in on Friday to help Kashmira with all the prep work and decorations. The mouth-watering menu for the dinner included: Vegetable biryani, Dhansak Dal, Chicken Korma, Tandoori fish, Oven roasted Eggplant and Potatoes, Salad, Naan, and for dessert, warm Bread-Butter pudding, and Ice Cream. The evening was a huge success with everyone hitting the dance floor and participating in the joyful banter. All in all, the fundraiser was a marvelous success and we are proud to say, it was our most successful fundraiser yet! Go Scouts Go!

Written by: Kashmira Bulsara

Book review By Anaiya Khory

Title of Book: THE STORY OF OUR ZOROASTRIAN RELIGION **Author:** The Morvarid Guiv Trust, Rashid and Homa Mehin and Zoroastrian Community **Genre:** Children Book **Pages:** 24

Summary:

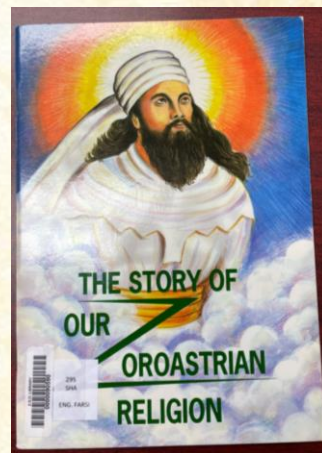
This story was about two Zoroastrian parents who were teaching their children about their religion, Zoroastrianism. The family discussed how Zoroastrians believe in one god, Ahura Mazda, and pray while wearing sacred garments, the Sudreh, the Kushti, and a topee. The children learned that the Sudreh represents a shield that protects us all from evil. The Kushti is wrapped around our waists three times to symbolize the three main teachings of our prophet, Zarathustra, which are good thoughts, good words, and good deeds. This story also discussed numerous holidays we celebrate, such as Nawrooz, the Ghambars, and others. All Zoroastrian traditions and holidays are discussed in this book.

Opinion (What did you think of the book? Why?):

The book was enjoyable for me. It demonstrates why we should be proud of our religion and all of the traditions that we should follow. The words were easy to read, and there were many colorful pictures. I loved learning more about my religion through this children's book.

Recommendation (Would you recommend this book to others? Why?):

I would recommend this book to families with young children who want to learn more about Zoroastrianism. This book would make an excellent bedtime story to keep young minds engaged in our religion! Again, there are amusing images and easy-to-understand words.



*THE STORY OF OUR
ZOROASTRIAN RELIGION By:
The Morvarid Guiv Trust*

A Night to Remember in True Community Spirit – Karaoke, Sports & Games

On February 25, 2023, at 6pm, the Zoroastrian Society of Ontario (ZSO) opened its doors to the 'Sports Night with Karaoke' event. This was yet another fun-filled evening organized by the ZSO Youth and Entertainment Committee as a fundraiser for the 8th World Zoroastrian Youth Congress (8WZYC) to be held in London, United Kingdom, in July.

Pearl Chothia and Reehan Shahparast warmly welcomed everyone to the event. Our wonderful youth, Yarnie Shahparast, Roxana Jam and Taronish Chothia, were the hosts for the night. It was heartwarming to see Zoroastrians from all ages enjoying themselves while being engaged in karaoke, sports, games, and more.



Passionate Karaoke singers on stage singing their favorite songs

The audience sang along, danced and applauded several performances from timeless classics like 'Take Me Home, Country Roads' by Azman Makujina, 'Quando, Quando, Quando' by Mehroo Homavazir and 'Main Hoon Na' by Kurzan Daruwala, to more recently released songs like 'Watermelon Sugar' by Ardeshtir Jamtorki, 'Hey There Delilah' by Armand Behrooz and 'Let it Go' by Spenta Chothia and Ella Kapadia to name a few. Little Aiden Kapadia impressed everyone with his take on 'Cake by the

Ocean' while Maya Zandian confidently sang 'We don't talk about Bruno'. Yohan Ghadiali was hands down one of the most promising singers of the night and nothing short of a future superstar who took the audience by surprise with multiple performances ranging from 'We are the Champions' to 'I want it that way'. All through the night the reverberations of the brilliant voices were felt across the hall.



Games including chess, limbo, table tennis and carrom

While the music kept the audience energized, several friendly table tennis matches took place in the various rooms, keeping the old and young engrossed in healthy competition. Other groups were seen strategizing in intense games of Chess, Carrom, Cards, Connect 4 and Monopoly Deal. Additionally, some youth members were spotted graciously acing several games of Limbo. Raffle ticket purchases were also taking place, available online as well at www.zso.org with a chance to win a TV, microwave, board games and more.

Scrumptious food part of an eclectic Italian Cuisine menu also delighted everyone. We indulged in a spaghetti bar with several sauces and toppings prepared by our lead chef Tahsheen Daruwala and her sous chefs Kayomaz Patel, Danny Hoshi, and Minoo Bharda. Bright smiles were seen across the room when the dessert was served in an Italian Gelato format with Starbucks coffee and syrups to add a special touch of 'Affogato' style sweetness.

The night ended with Fravash Chothia introducing us to a one-of-a-kind experience known as the 'Barefoot in the Snow' competition. The willpower was contagious with no less than fifteen members who were resilient and extremely competitive standing barefooted outside in the snow for over ten minutes, with no signs of giving up!

On this note, we would like to thank everyone who came out to support the youth and all the organizers who worked relentlessly to keep the entertainment going. A special thank you to Tanya Hoshi for the photography and social media coverage. It was encouraging to see such an engaging audience – we truly are a lovely vibrant community and in the words of some ZSO board members, this gives us immense faith that we have 'an amazing future ahead of us!'. For more information on our fundraising campaign, please visit <https://www.zso.org/8WZYC> or email youth@zso.org for further inquiries.

Written by: Nerissa Mavalvala

Seniors Corner – Dates at the Darbe-Mehr

Friday, March 10, 2023. 11:00 am.
Friday, March 24, 2023. 11:00 am.

First Zoroastrian NFT

On Valentine's Day 2023, seventeen Zoroastrian youth from all over the world, worked together to launch the first Zoroastrian NFT called Love Story Unicorns. This 10,000 digital art collection, was spearheaded by ZYNA Co-Chair Kimiya Shahzadi, the founder of Love Story LLC, designed with the help of Jennifer Bugli, ZYNA Communications & Outreach Co-Chair, and skillfully put on the blockchain by Mazda Shahzadi.



*Love Story Unicorn
#11 available on
Open Seas*

Each NFT is not only a beautiful unique art piece. It is also a membership card to member-only benefits, the first of which is a lifetime supply of online sessions with a Relationship Expert at an insanely low one-off price removing the barrier of high cost and accessibility. We also plant 1 tree for every NFT sold (10,000 trees when all sold). If interested to learn more, visit www.LoveStoryUnicorns.com.

In a world where 70% of couples break up in the first year and 50% of marriages end in divorce, relationship skill expertise is needed more than ever. Founder Kimiya Shahzadi is using her master's in clinical behavioral psychology specializing in relationships, scholarly publications, and extensive experience to increase love in the world in a BIG way. Her company Love Story will accomplish this goal initially through the NFT collection and long term, will launch a dating app that also teaches relationship skills in a fun gamified way!



*World Zoroastrian Youth Congress in London 2022
speaking about the first Zoroastrian NFT*

Report Submitted by: Kimiya Shahzadi

Newsletter Requests

Please note that the deadline for receiving submissions for the ZSO newsletter is the 20th of each preceding month. Any materials received after this date will be published on a best-effort basis.

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Please note that all requests for inclusions in the ZSO NL should be emailed to newslettereditor@zso.org. Please copy Hoofrish Patel at evp@zso.org for approval.

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اهنودگات - یسن ۳۰ - بند ۱

اکنون سخن می گویم برای خواستاران و نیز برای دانایان، درباره اندیشه هایی که بر پایه خرد نهاده شده. با ستایش اهورا و نیایش خردمندان برای وهومن و اشا که با روشن شدن حقایق خرسندی فراهم شود.

پیام فرنشین انجمن

معمولا ماه مارچ یکی از ماه های شلوغ سال است، زیرا برای برنامه های گوناگون نوروز در درمهر مهربان گیو گردهم می آییم. جشن هایی که برای گرمی داشت فصل بهار است که در روز دوشنبه، ۲۰ مارچ ساعت ۵:۲۴ دقیقه پسین آغاز خواهد شد.

از جوانان ZSO و OZCF سپاسگزاریم که پرونده و اقدامات لازم برای انتخاب محل برای کنگره جهانی جوانان زرتشتی را تهیه کردند و امیدواریم که این کنگره در سال ۲۰۲۷ در تورنتو باشد! گروه بسیار خوب جوانان تلاش کردند که با همکاری همه کمیته ها برنامه های گردهم ایی را برای این هماهنگ کنند که برای نمونه همین ماه گذشته برنامه شب ورزش و تفریح بود.

بسیار از جامعه امان سپاسگزاریم که با همازوری به یاری خانواده زرتشتی شتافتند که نیاز به همیاری داشتند. موفق شدیم بیش از ۲۵۰۰۰ دلار برای خانواده زرینا بروچا جمع آوری کنیم.

صدمین برنامه روز داوطلبان اسکوتها با شام و پایکوبی، دیگر برنامه موفق بود که توسط جوانان با بازی و سرگرمی برگزار شد.

با سپاس از ویراف و دلخوش بسانیا، سرپرستان جدید که تا الان زحمت زیادی برای درمهر کشیده اند.

خبر خوب این که پس از چندین ماه تلاش توسط سیامک کاتراک، انجمن برای سی گیمینگ پذیرفته شد. شاید بپرسید سی گیمینگ چیست؟ این یک برنامه خیراندیشی است که با همکاری سازمان لاتاری و بازی اونتریو انجام می شود و می تواند سالیانه تا ۲۵۰۰۰ دلار درآمد برای انجمن ایجاد کند. درآمدی که می تواند برای هزینه های نگهداری و بهینه سازی مورد استفاده قرار گیرد. ما در جستجوی داوطلبان هستیم تا بتوانیم این برنامه را با موفقیت اجرا کنیم. برای همین برای جزئیات با سیامک تماس بگیرید.

برنامه کلاس های دینی کودکان این بار به صورت جشن پیش از نوروز در روز ۵ مارچ برگزار خواهد شد. برای این روز بازی و سرگرمی های زیادی برای کودکان در نظر گرفته شده است.

کلاس های دینی برای کودکان و بزرگسالان کانون به فارسی شروع شده است. با توجه به این که تاریخ و ساعت برخی از این کلاس ها می تواند با دیگر کلاس های دینی کودکان هم پوشی داشته است، لطفا با کتی بهدینان تماس بگیرید.

هرماه یادآوری می کنیم که برنامه تنیس روی میز زرتشتیان برای جوانان، بزرگسالان و سالدیدگان که توسط کانون فرهنگی زرتشتیان ایرانی برنامه ریزی شده است؛ هر دوشنبه ساعت ۷ تا ۸ شب برگزار می شود. به همه برای شرکت در این برنامه خوش آمد گفته می شود.

گردهم ایی شام و جشن به مناسبت نوروز در روز جمعه ۲۴ مارچ برگزار خواهد شد. پیش خرید بلیت ها به قیمت های مناسب روز ۴ مارچ به پایان می رسد. برای جلوگیری از ناامیدی، لطفا زود ثبت نام کنید. برای آگاهی بیشتر به آگهی مراجعه کنید.

جشن های پنجه یا فروردینگان در محل درمهر از ۱۵ تا ۲۰ مارچ برگزار می شوند. برای آگاهی بیشتر به تارنمای انجمن مراجعه کنید.

جشن زایش اشوزرتشت در روز یکشنبه ۲۶ مارچ از ساعت ۶ پسین در محل درمهر برگزار می شود.

جای بسیار خوشبختی بود که جشن اسفندگان که جایگاه بانوان را گرمی می دارد جشن گرفته شد. در این جشن کانون هدیه ای را به سیمین حقیقت (افلاطونی) برای نقشش در جامعه زرتشتی در سه دهه گذشته، پیشکش کرد.

بسیار خوشبختیم آگاهی رسانی کنیم که برای سام وسونا (Sam Vesuna) به خاطر تمامی خدماتش به جامعه امان، برنامه بزرگداشتی را برگزار خواهیم کرد. این برنامه در روز شنبه ۱۵ آوریل ۲۰۲۳ در محل درمهر از ساعت ۴ تا ۶ پسین خواهد بود. لطفاً به آگاهی رسانی ها برای شرکت در این برنامه مراجعه کنید.

همانگونه که در خبرنامه گذشته هم گفته شد، انجمن در حال برگزاری نشست ها است و به طور فعالی بر موضوع تهیه یک شیوه نامه برای موضوع بسیار حساس «زرتشتی شدن» کار می کند. انجمن با کنکاش موبدان آمریکای شمالی در این رابطه تماس گرفت و آنها از ارائه شیوه نامه ای کلی خودداری کردند و اعلام کردند که تصمیم درباره این موضوع برعهده هر سازمان به تنهایی است.

اگر هر نوع ایده یا نوشته ای در ارتباط با خبرنامه ماهیانه دارید، لطفاً آن را در یک متن وارد و به نشانی ایمیل newslettereditor@zso.org بفرستید.

درمهر برای هر نوع رزرو برنامه های خصوصی قابل دسترس است. برای این لطفاً به هوفریش پتل evp@zso.org بنویسید.

برای ساعت باز بودن درمهر و همه برنامه های آینده لطفاً به تارنمای انجمن مراجعه کنید.

با آرزوی نوروز و بهاری شاد برای شما، میترا جم، فرنشین [zso](mailto:president@zso.org), president@zso.org

خبرنامه

جشن نوروز شاد باد!

براسوده از رنج روی زمین

سر سال نو هرمز فرودین

می و جام و رامشگران خواستند

بزرگان به شادی بیاراستند

به ما ماند از ان خسروان یادگار

چنین جشن فرخ از آن روزگار

به سال جدید و جشن نوروز نزدیک می شویم. با آرزوی سالی همراه با پیروزی و شادکامی برای همه ایرانی ها این نوروز را در کنار یکدیگر جشن می گیریم. تحویل سال روز دوشنبه ۲۰ مارچ ساعت ۵:۲۴ دقیقه پسین به وقت تورنتو خواهد بود.



نوروز مهم ترین جشن زرتشتی-ایرانی است که علاوه بر گاهشماری و آغاز سال جدید، با بسیاری از برنامه ها و مراسم های دینی همراه است. از پنج روز پیش از نوروز برنامه ها آغاز می شود و تا سیزده روز پس از اول فرودین ادامه می یابد.

مانند سال های گذشته در دو زمان جشن نوروز را جشن می گیریم:

- سه شنبه ۲۱ مارچ از ساعت ۶ پسین در محل درمهر

- جمعه ۲۴ مارچ از ساعت ۷ پسین در محل Premier Place Banquet Hall



برای آگاهی بیشتر درباره رزرو هر کدام از این مناسب ها به آگاهی های هر کدام در این خبرنامه مراجعه کنید

گهنبار و جشن های پنجه



چهارشنبه ۱۵ تا ۲۰ مارچ در محل درمهر گهنبار و جشن های پنجه و یاد درگذشتگان برگزار می شود. برای آگهی از ساعت و چگونگی این برنامه ها به تارنمای انجمن مراجعه کنید. بسیار مناسب است که بتوانید به همراه خانواده در یکی یا همگی این برنامه های پنجه شرکت کنید.

برنامه پیش از نوروز برای کودکان و نوجوانان



یکشنبه ۵ مارچ از ساعت ۵ پسین در محل درمهر برنامه آماده سازی و تفریحی پیش از نوروز برگزار می شود. این گردهم آیی به همراه برنامه های آموزشی و تفریحی خواهد بود. با شرکت فرزندانان در این برنامه ها آنها را با دین و فرهنگ خود آشنا کنید.

ششم فروردین زادروز اشوزرتشت فرخنده باد



یکشنبه ۲۶ مارچ از ساعت ۶ پسین در محل درمهر ششم فروردین جشن زایش اشوزرتشت برگزار خواهد شد. با شرکت در این گردهم آیی زادروز بنیانگذار دین زرتشتی را گرمی می داریم.

گردهم آیی ورزشی!

هر دوشنبه از ساعت ۷ پسین گردهم آیی ورزشی در درمهر برگزار می شود. می توانید برای بازی تنیس روی میز در این برنامه شرکت کنید یا این که برای تماشا و دیدوبازدید به درمهر بیاید. اگر می خواهید تنیس یاد بگیرید، هم می توانید در این برنامه شرکت کنید. هر دوشنبه در این گردهم آیی ورزشی و دیدوبازدید شرکت کنید.

گردهم آیی ماهیانه سال دیدگان

سالدیدگان ایرانی در محل درمهر در روز سه شنبه ۷ مارچ از ساعت ۹:۳۰ گردهم می آیند. این دورهمی با گفتگو، دیدوبازد و صرف چای و شیرینی خواهد بود. با شرکت در این دورهمی دیدوبازدیدی با دوستان داشته باشید.



برنامه بزرگداشت فعالیت های سام وسونا

شنبه ۱۵ آوریل از ساعت ۴ تا ۶ پسین گردهم آیی برای بزرگداشت فعالیت های سام وسونا (Sam Vesuna) در محل درمهر برگزار خواهد شود.

با شرکت در این برنامه تلاش های پیش کسوتان جامعه امان را ارج خواهیم گذاشت.

بازگشایی درمهر مهربان گیو

روزهای باز بودن درمهر عبارتند از: دوشنبه (بعدازظهر)، سه شنبه (صبح و بعدازظهر)، چهارشنبه (بعدازظهر)، جمعه (صبح و بعدازظهر)، شنبه (صبح و بعدازظهر) و یکشنبه (صبح و بعدازظهر). ساعت های باز بودن درمهر را حتما از روی تارنمای انجمن ببینید.

بسیار مناسب است که مانند گذشته رفتن به درمهر را در برنامه هفتگی خود بگذارید.

پشتیبان مالی انجمن را به یاد داشته باشید

با پرداخت حق عضویت خود و نیز تشویق جوانان و افراد دیگر زرتشتی به عضویت، به وضعیت مالی انجمن کمک کنید. همینطور با شرکت در برنامه ها و نیز رفتن مرتب به درمهر تلاش کنید که بخشی از نیازی های مینوی و اجتماعی خود را برآورده کنید. امیدواریم مانند همیشه پشتیبانی و کمک شما اعضای انجمن ادامه داشته باشد. کمک های مالی خود را با فرستادن چک یا پرداخت آنلاین انجام بدهید.

انتقادهای، نظرها و پیشنهادهای خود را با کانون فرهنگی زرتشتیان ایرانی با ایمیل kanoun@zso.org در میان بگذارید.

با پیوستن به گروه تلگرامی کانون و آگاهی رسانی درباره آن به دیگران، از برخی اخبار و برنامه ها آگاه شوید.

<https://t.me/zsokanoun>

مناسبت ها و رخدادهای ماه گذشته

با سپاس از همه افرادی که در برگزاری این مناسبت ها همزوری کردند.



برنامه جشن اسفندگان در ماه گذشته در روز شنبه ۱۸ فوریه برگزار شد. در این جشن از سیمین حقیقت (افلاطونی) به خاطر سی سال همزوری و تلاش هایش برای جامعه امان قدردانی شد.



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Invites the entire Zoroastrian Community to attend

JAMSHEDI NAVROZE JASHAN & DINNER

TUESDAY, MARCH 21st, 2023 at 6.00 pm.

Followed by Dinner

Members : \$20.00 Non-Members: \$25

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Email: entertainment@zso.org or

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Invites you to a Celebration of Lifetime Achievement

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For his contributions to the Zoroastrian community



Saturday, April 15th, 2023 | 4:00pm - 6:30pm

Mehraban Guiv Darb e Meher

3590 Bayview Ave, Toronto, Ontario

Register Online or Contact Anahita Ogra (647) 404 -1388 | vp@zso.org



"The valuables we have may impress others, but the VALUE we hold is enough to inspire others!"

"Help where you can, Give what you can".

The Zoroastrian Society of Ontario's (ZSO) Youth committee is actively hosting fundraising events to keep the youth engaged and involved in building a stronger community together. This year most of our activities are focused on raising funds to provide the youth an opportunity to attend the **8th World Zoroastrian Youth Congress (8WZYC) in London, UK (July 21 – 26, 2023)**.

The World Zoroastrian Youth Congress begun 25 years ago with a mission to bring together the Zoroastrian youth from around the world. It happens once in every four years. Over the years these congresses have brought together hundreds of Zoroastrian youth and enabled them to interact with others, as well as collaborate and work towards the challenges we face as a community. The intended age of these youth ranges from 18 to 37 years of age.

With your generosity and support, we are confident that once again we will be able to support our youths to discover new adventures and achieve experiences they would not have elsewhere. These social and engagement opportunities develop them into capable, confident, and successful individuals focused on giving back to their community and helping others.

Our goal is to raise \$40,000 to subsidize between 30-40 youths to give them an opportunity to engage and enhance their knowledge of our religion, create everlasting friendships with Zoroastrian youth from all over the world, and expand their connectivity within Toronto, and their greater worldwide network. The ZSO Youth have a fundraising vision to aid every youth from the ZSO to attend the 8WZYC. The total trip expense is likely to be over \$2,500 CAD per person (including airfare and accommodation).

As a token of appreciation, all official promotional sponsors (Bronze \$500+, Silver \$1,500+, Gold \$5,000+) will have their logo printed on the back of T-shirts given to all the ZSO youth attending the congress. For more information on sponsorship please contact Sohrab Bhiwandiwalla [email: Youth@zso.org | Call: +1(289)-886-2309].

Here is how you can donate;

1. **Online:** www.ZSO.org/donate → Select the option "ZSO Youth 8th WZYC Fundraiser". Electronic tax receipt will be issued right away.
2. **Cheque:** Payable to "Zoroastrian Society of Ontario". In the memo section kindly, mention "ZSO Youth 8WZYC Fundraiser". Please be sure to complete the [donation form](#) and attach it with your cheque. This will ensure we have correct mailing address to send the tax receipt.

We look forward to your continued support.

Thank you,

ZSO Youth Committee



DONATION FORM

Please complete the form below and send it along your donation cheque. This form will ensure we have your correct mailing address to send your tax receipt.

Tax receipts will be issued for donations of \$25 and higher.

First Name: _____

Last Name: _____

Address: _____

City _____ Province _____ Postal Code _____

Donation Amount: \$_____

Please mail cheques to : Zoroastrian Society of Ontario
Attn: Treasurer
3590 Bayview Ave
North York, ON, M2M 3S6

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ZOROASTRIAN SOCIETY OF ONTARIO

3590 BAYVIEW AVENUE, TORONTO, ONTARIO M2M 3S6

MEMBERSHIP FORM

Membership Application: ☐ Renewal ☐ New Member Membership Year April 1st 20____ - March 31st 20____

Membership Category/Fees

<input type="checkbox"/> Family	<input type="checkbox"/> Individual	<input type="checkbox"/> Student	<input type="checkbox"/> Senior	<input type="checkbox"/> Senior Couple
Includes children under the age of 18	Non-student over age 18	Full time student age 18-25	Age 65 and over	Both spouses age 65 and over
\$100	\$60	\$30	\$30	\$50

Applicant Information

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____
Spouse Last Name: _____ Spouse's First Name: _____
Address: _____ Apartment/Suite# _____
City: _____ Province: _____ Postal Code: _____
Home Phone: (____) - ____ - ____ Cell Phone: (____) - ____ - ____
Email: _____ Age: _____ Signature _____

Dependent Information:

First & Last Name	Age

Select your communication methods: Auto dialer (US & Canada) and/or E-Mail or *Letter Mail

Auto dialer voice messages: ☐ No ☐ Yes: __ (____) _____ - _____

Newsletter: ☐ Email _____ ☐ Spouse Email: _____ ☐ *Letter Mail

(*Newsletter by Letter Mail are only for Senior or Senior Couple members)

Total Enclosed: Cash \$ _____ Cheque \$ _____

(All cheques payable to "Zoroastrian Society of Ontario" and mailed to Attn: ZSO Treasurer (Membership Form) 3590 Bayview Avenue, Toronto, ON, M2M 3S6). Please note the bank will **NOT** accept cheques payable to "ZSO".

☐ I have reviewed the ZSO Constitution & Bylaws* and agree to abide by them (*available on the ZSO website zso.org)

NEW MEMBERS must be introduced by two ZSO members in good standing and approved by the ZSO Board of Directors (BOD).

Existing ZSO Member

Print Full Name _____

Signature _____

Existing ZSO Member

Print Full Name _____

Signature _____

Approved by the ZSO BOD

☐ Yes ☐ No

Signature _____