ZANT Upcoming Events

- Feb. 23: Gymkhana Night
- March 10: ZANT Religion Classes
- March 11: 2019 Spring Festival of Faiths & Cultures
- March 17: Panjeh Prayers
- March 23: ZANT NouRuz Celebration
- April 14: ZANT Religion Classes
- April 27: Maidyozarem Gahambar (Fasli)
- May 11: ZANT Carnival and Food Fest
- June 8: ZANT Graduation

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We welcome and encourage feedback from our community. Please send comments or suggestions to president.zant@gmail.com or mail to ZANT, 1605 Lopo Road, Flower Mound, TX 75028-1306
ZANT Board would like to thank all who attended the AGM in Jan! Thanks for taking the time to come & review the accounts & budget. We are very happy to announce that the general body elected Daraius Commissariat to be our Examiner for year ending Oct 31, 2019.

ZANT is working towards moving into the 21st century by adding an online payment option (PayPal), hopefully in time for the NouRuz function. We also plan on having a credit card reader to accept card payments/donations at functions.

We look forward to your RSVPs & hope you’ll attend ZANT NouRuz function on March 23, 2019 with your family & friends!

**Maidvozarem Gahambar (Fasli):**

ZANT Board is looking for “Sponsor” for the upcoming “Maidvozarem Gahambar” to be celebrated on Saturday, April 27. If you by yourself, or with other families, wish to sponsor this Gahambar, please contact Pearl at ppbalsara@gmail.com. If you have any questions about sponsoring, please contact Pearl.

**Childrens’ Religion Class and Vohu Manah Group**

Our next *Childrens’ Religion Class* will be held on **Sunday, March 10, 2019**. Please be at the ZANT Center by 10:45 a.m. so we can have the Prayers & Tandarosti for kids in the Prayer Room at 11 a.m. For further details about the class please contact Pearl P. Balsara.

The *Vohu Manah Group* will meet on **Sunday, March 10, 2019** at 1:30pm at the ZANT Center Library. For further details about the Vohu Manah Group, please contact Anahita Sidhwa.

**Panjeh Prayers**

Panjeh Prayers will be held on **Sunday, March 17, 2019 from 12:30 pm to 4 pm** at the ZANT Center. We’ll have potluck lunch, so please bring a dish to share.

If you’d like to help prepare Aash and Sirog for the Gahambar, please come to ZANT Center by 10:30 am on Sunday, March 17, 2019.

If you wish to submit the names of your dear departed family members and friends for inclusion in the Panjeh prayers, please complete and email the form on page 4 to Poras T. Balsara (ptbalsara@gmail.com) by March 16, 2019.

**2019 Spring Festival of Faiths & Cultures**

Thanks-Giving Square will be hosting many faiths and cultures during the week of March 11, to educate the Dallas community about the diversity of spring equinox celebrations and share traditions from all over the world. This year’s event is spread over a whole week with different days showcasing different faiths and traditions. Please see the attached flyer on page 5. We will have a traditional NouRuz table on **Monday March 11 2019, from 11:30 am to 1:00 pm** at Thanks-Giving Square. If you can help please contact Anahita Sidhwa.
Zoroastrian Association of North Texas
Warmly Welcomes One and All to
NouRuz 2019 Celebration

Date: Saturday, March 23, 2019
Time: 6:30pm – 12:00am
Place: Four Points by Sheraton
Telephone (469) 702-6311
Address: 1580 Point West Blvd., Coppell, TX 75019

Program
6:30pm – Meet & Greet
7:00pm – Welcome & Prayers, Performances
8:00pm – Dinner Buffet
9:00pm – Amoo NouRuz
9:30pm – DJ & DANCE!!

KIDS’ MENU:
Mac n Cheese, Chicken nuggets, Fries

ADULT DINNER BUFFET:
JuJeh Kabab, Ghormeh Sabzi, Mughlai Chicken, Kashk-e-Bademjan (veg),
Paneer Jalfrezi (veg), Mutton Pulao,
Zereshk Polo (veg), Shahi Daal (veg),
Salad, Raita, Chutney, Tandoori naan

DESSERT:
Baklava, Gajar Halwa
Lemonade, Coffee, Hot Tea
(There is a bar in the hotel lobby)

Reservations: Please submit this form with correct amount on check. Late fee of $10/person after March 17, 2019.
Name: ____________________________________________
ZANT Members: $45/adult
_____ × $45 = $_____
(No. of Vegetarians _____ )
Kids’ Meal: $25/child
_____ × $25 = $_____
Non-members: $60/adult
_____ × $60 = $_____ 
International Students (if members)
_____ × $0 = $FREE
Donation
_____ $______
(Children under 3 yrs. - Free) Total Payment = __________

Mail form and check to:
ZANT
1605 Lopo Road
Flower Mound, TX 75028
Names for the Panjeh Prayers

This year our priests will perform the Panjeh Prayers on **Sunday, March 17, 2019 at 12:30 p.m.**

If you wish to submit the names of your dear departed family members and friends for inclusion in the Afringan Prayers, please complete and email the following form to Poras T. Balsara (ptbalsara@gmail.com) by **March 16, 2019.**

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The names of the deceased are always recited together with their father/husband’s name along with their status, i.e. Ervad, Osta, Osti, Behdin or Khurd, as per Zarthushti custom. No Surnames are recited in the prayers.

E = Ervad (male who is /was a Navar)  
O = Osta ( male from Athornan, or priestly family but not a Navar)  
Oi = Osti  (female from Athornan family)  
B = Behdin (male/female from Behdin, or non-priestly family)  
K = Khurd (child whose Navjote has not been performed)
CELEBRATE EQUINOX AND EARTH DAY

The Interfaith Council of The Thanks-Giving Foundation presents the

2019 Spring Festival of Faiths & Cultures
A Week of Gratitude & Renewal | March 11–16, 2019

Complimentary programs each day from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
at Thanks-Giving Square: 1627 Pacific Avenue, Dallas

Monday, March 11: Naw-Rúz Celebration
Presented by: Bahá’í, Zoroastrian, Ismaili Muslim, Turkish, Persian and Afghan Communities

Tuesday, March 12: Jewish Holidays
Presented by: The Jewish Community Relations Council of the Jewish Federation of Greater Dallas, featuring Tina Wesserman, with Ashkenazi & Sephardic foods

Wednesday, March 13: Hindu Spring and Harvest Festivals
Presented by: Hindu Community

Thursday, March 14: Holy Week—A Christian Reflection
Presented by: Father Rudy, Oak Lawn United Methodist Church and Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America

Friday, March 15: Celebrating with the Creator
Presented by: Dallas Indian Mission United Methodist Church

Saturday, March 16: Vaisakhi
Presented by: DFW Sikh Community and Gurudwara Nisikh Seva, Irving

Visit thanksgiving.org for event information | Find us on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram
| ADITYA NIRMAL | IRANI SOHRAB | MEHDIABADI RUSTAM |
| ANKLESARIA MANEK | IRANI SANA | MEHDIABADI ROSHAN |
| ANKLESARIA GAURANGI | JILLA VISPY | MEHTA SHERAZADE |
| BAHRASSA FERAYDOON | JILLA SHARMEEN | MOGHADAM SAM |
| BEHROOZI KAMBIZ | KAPADIA ZONAH | MOGHADAM PARVIN |
| BEHROOZI PARVIZ | KARBHARI MEHRWAN | NAMIRANIAN TAHMURAS |
| BEHROOZI MAHBANOO | KARBHARI NAMAN | NAMIRANIAN PARIVASH |
| BELIVAN ANAHITA | KARNIK PARIZAD | PATEL ASPI |
| BELIVAN RAMIN | KAVESMANECK DARIEN | PATEL FRENY |
| BIDANJIRY ROSTAM | KAVESMANECK GULSHAN | RAGHANI FAROOK |
| BIDANJIRY ROYA | KAVIANI BAHMAN | RAGHANI SHERRY |
| BUHARIWALLA KALI | KAVIANI PARICHEHR | RUSTOMJI DILNAWAZ |
| BUHARIWALLA KESHVAR | KAVIANI MITRA | RUSTOMJI KAIZAD |
| BUHARIWALLA ZAAL | KAVIANI MEHRNOOSH | RUSTOMJI MANIJEH |
| COACHBUILDER SARVIN | KAVIANI POURANDOKHT | SHROFF PERSIS |
| CONTRACTOR JAMSHID | KAVIANI RAMA | TAMBOLI CYRUS |
| CONTRACTOR KASHMIRA | KHAVAS MONDY | TAMBOLI PESI |
| DADYBURJOR RUSI | KHAVAS YAZDI | TAMBOLI GOOL |
| DADYBURJOR ZENOBIA | KHAVAS CHARLOTTE | TENGRA PHEROZ |
| DADYBURJOR NITASH | MADEKA MEHROO | TENGRA MARY |
| DAMRI MEHROO | MADEKA RAJESH | VAKIL KARL |
| DAMRI AVA | MANEKSHAW CYRUS | WADIA KHUSHRU |
| DANIELS DHUN | MANEKSHAW LAUREN | WADIA MARIA |
| DEHNUGARA KURUSH | MANEKSHAW SAROSH |  |
| DEHNUGARA DHUN | MANEKSHAW GULU |  |
TREASURER’S CORNER

The donations and balances listed below are accurate as of January 31, 2019

**Donations**

| Prayer Room Collection | $ 188 |

The cost of maintaining the center is approximately $2,500 to $3,000 per month. If anyone would like to help with that, please contact the board.

**NEW TABLE-TENNIS TABLES FOR ZANT!**

ZANT Board would like to thank our Board Members— Mahervan Karbhari and Anahita Kyani for donating two fabulous, brand new table-tennis tables for our ZANT Center! Come over to our Gymkhana night and try your hand at TT and get ready for the upcoming TT Tournament!

**KROGER REWARDS FOR ZANT!**

**LINKING YOUR KROGER REWARDS CARD WITH ZANT:**

Just a reminder to all new and existing ZANT members - ZANT has established a Community Rewards Partnership with the Kroger family of stores. Please link your Kroger Rewards Card with ZANT so that ZANT gets a donation from Kroger every time a member shops at the store. The new Non-Profit Organization number for linkage is WT-497. Please feel free to contact a board member if help is needed to create the link.
To avoid misspelling of names please print all the information on this form clearly.

**Family Name:** ___________________________  **Home Phone#:** ___________________

**Email:** ___________________________  **Cell Phone#:** __________________

**Home Address:**

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Please list names of members/children and provide any additional information
(for “Age Range”, please specify, <35 or 35-65 or >65):

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- According to ZANT Bylaws, Regular & Life Membership is open to all Zartushtis and their spouses over 18 years of age.
- ZANT members may access the Zoroastrian Center of North Texas (ZCNT) by card key. Please read Card Key Access Form on our website zant.org for details.
- Donations to ZANT Center Operations and Maintenance Fund (ZOMF) may also be included. Please read the ZOMF Pledge Form card key and other details, including free ZCNT rental on our website zant.org.
- ZANT Newsletters are delivered by email or accessible from the ZANT website. If you prefer a newsletter mailed to your home, please add a $25 annual fee.
- Please complete this form (and ZCNT card key liability form if requesting a card key) and mail the form(s) with your check to ZANT, 1605 Lopo Road, Flower Mound, TX 75028-1306

**Membership rates per person:**

- **Annual Membership (@ $50)**: $ __________
- **Student Membership (19 yrs & older) (@ $25)**: $ __________
- **Senior Citizen Membership (65 yrs & older) (@ $25)**: $ __________
- **Life Membership (@ $1,500)**: $ __________

Subtotal: $ __________

**ZCNT Card Key (@$50)**: $ __________
**ZOMF Donation**: $ __________
**General Fund Donation**: $ __________

CHECK # __________

TOTAL $ __________

I would like to volunteer for the following: Sub-committee member (education, maintenance, community support, teen group, etc.), cooking for ZANT events, religious activities, youth activities, ZANT website, etc.

**Signature:** ___________________________  **Date:** ___________________________
weekendwonders4kidz

Making weekends wonderful ...
one kid at a time, one bag at a time, one week at a time

HAPPY Birthday!!

Weekend Wonders 4 Kidz is celebrating 3 years of feeding hungry children on the weekends! We became a 501(c)(3) organization on February 1st, 2016.

Our steady growth over the past few years and the number of food-insecure kids we have been able to serve would not be possible without our dedicated volunteers, school counselors, corporate partners and donors.

Please do continue to help us succeed by supporting our cause in any way possible - large or small, from volunteering, remembering us for girl/boy scout badges, collecting grocery bags, buying an extra can of vegetables, or asking your employer to match your donation. We really do appreciate all that you do.

On behalf of Weekend Wonders 4 Kidz, thank you all for your support of our mission!

“Helping a person will not change the world, but it will change the world for that one person.”

..... thatonerule.com.
A NEW FLAME BURNS BRIGHT

The Zoroastrian Association of Houston (ZAH) proudly announces the grand opening of its new Atash Kadeh. You are cordially invited to join us in celebrating the gala opening scheduled during the Navroze days from March 20 through March 24, 2019.

An interesting and exciting program is planned for the celebration that will include prayer ceremonies, social events and lectures, and some meals. High priests have been invited from Iran & India, along with many local and foreign dignitaries. Many influential leaders from our community in North America are also expected to attend. We request leaders of Zoroastrian Associations to forward this invitation to all their members and friends.

A dream for many years, the establishment of a new Atash Kadeh in North America has been brought to fruition by the generous donation of Feroze and Shernaz Bhandara of Houston. This Atash Kadeh, the first of its kind, is a standalone structure costing over one and a half million dollars, that will be inclusive and open to all Zoroastrians, their family members, and friends. It will meet the needs of a dedicated place of worship, and also provide a place to train Mobeds locally.

Over the last several decades, Zoroastrian immigrants from India, Pakistan and Iran have made inroads with distinction into every segment of America’s professional and social life. The North American diaspora is energized and moving to ensure that Zoroastrians thrive in their adopted homeland. This landmark event marks the natural culmination of that story. Please plan to be a part of this event as history is being made.

For now, mark the dates on your calendar; more details will be forthcoming. Registration and schedule of events will be on our website soon: http://zah.org/atash-kadeh-grand-opening/
Past Events: Jashn-e Sadeh, Jan. 26, 2019
PAST EVENTS: JASHN-E SADEH, JAN. 26, 2019
PAST EVENTS: SUPER BOWL PARTY, FEB. 3, 2019
PAST EVENTS: RELIGION CLASSES, FEB. 10, 2019
Register for the 2019 Zoroastrian Youth Congress

Who: 18-35 year old Zoroastrian Youth from around the world
What: Sign up for the World Zoroastrian Youth Congress today!
When: July 1-6, 2019
Where: Los Angeles, CA USA
Why: Learn about the Zoroastrian religion, network with peers and other professionals, and make new friends from around the world!
How: Click on this link: [https://wzycongress.org/register/details/](https://wzycongress.org/register/details/)
Use the code FIRST100 to get the early bird price of $399.99!

Theme: A Global Zarathushti

As the first youth congress took place in California in over twenty-five years ago, this congress is a milestone event where we can recognize the progress and shortcomings that our community have faced over the last twenty-five years as the original youth groups have now transitioned into adulthood. Now, it is time that we reenergize our youth and engage them again to build a better Zoroastrian community in an increasingly globalized world.

We plan on encouraging the youth to attend and take place in the ABC’s of the congress:

- **Academic**: What updates have taken place in our understanding of the religious and historical literature regarding Zoroastrianism over the last twenty-five years?

- **Business**: What professional opportunities are Zoroastrians thriving in across the world and how can we continue to thrive professionally and entrepreneurially going forward?

- **Community**: What can we do to reignite the flame as our community continues to expand across the world?
FEZANA Subsidy Program for 
7th World Zoroastrian Youth Congress 2019

The FEZANA Executive and its Congress Committee Co-Chairs Katayun Kapadia and Mahrukh Motafram are happy to announce the FEZANA Subsidy Program for the 7th World Zoroastrian Youth Congress, 2019.

FEZANA proposes a subsidy which will help sponsor young adults (18-35 years) with congress registration cost for the 7WZYC, City of Industry, July 1-6 2019. An amount of US$ 26,200 has been earmarked in the 2019 FEZANA Budget for this program.

Details of the Subsidy Program and Procedure for Application can be found in the PDF document linked below.

FEZANA Subsidy Program for 7 WZYC

All Member Associations/Small Groups by replying to this email, shall establish their interest in participating in this subsidy program.

If you need further clarifications or have any queries or comments, please email me at vp@fezana.org

Sincerely,

On behalf of FEZANA Executive & Congress Committee

Arzan Sam Wadia
Vice-President, FEZANA
**Medical Organ Donor Appeal**

Mr. Dinyar N. Hansotia, age 62 years, residing in Mumbai, India, is in urgent need of a liver transplant. Donor will be adequately compensated with travel airfare to Bombay, accommodation and additional compensation.

Donor must be under 50 years, male/female, with blood group B or O.

Please help save a Zoroastrian gentleman's life.

Please correspond for further information to his sister, Mrs. Arnavaz Talati at Tel: +1 909-941-1450 or email: amo999@aol.com
Dear Presidents/Representatives of Member Associations, Corresponding Members and Committee Chairs,

Please be informed of the details for the upcoming 2019 FEZANA Annual General Meeting (AGM) hosted by the FEZANA Corresponding Member, Central Florida Zoroastrian Community, from Friday, May 3rd through Sunday May 5th, 2019.

Please make sure to adhere to the deadlines that are requested of your associations and committees.

1. Committee Reports – Deadline 4/1/19
Committee Chairs should submit their reports to myself (secretary@fezana.org) and copy the FEZANA Administrator, Zenobia Damania (admin@fezana.org) latest by April 1, 2019. The format is no different from that in the previous years. When possible, please mention your committee's accomplishments in the past year as they tie in with the FEZANA Second 10-year Strategic plan. Please plan to submit slides along with your report, so that they may be presented during the AGM as your report is presented.

2. Association Reports – Deadline 4/1/19
Association reports in slide form, should be submitted to myself (secretary@fezana.org) and copy the FEZANA Administrator, Zenobia Damania (admin@fezana.org) latest by April 1, 2019.
- Please keep the length of your presentation to a maximum of 5 minutes and 12 slides.
- Showcase your community by including photos, special events, infrastructure/construction projects, and other memorable activities from your association.
- Include your organization's name/logo on each of the slides in the bottom right hand corner for identification.

3. AGM Agenda
A copy of the 2019 AGM Agenda will be circulated shortly. Hosted by FEZANA Corresponding Member, Central Florida Zoroastrian Community (CFZC), the 2019 FEZANA AGM will be held at the Springhill Suites by Marriott (5828 Hazeltine National Dr., Orlando, FL 32822), from Friday, May 3 to Sunday May 5, 2019.

The Executive officer positions that are open for election at this AGM, are the following. Please note the nomination forms were circulated previously.
- Vice President
- Secretary

4. Meeting Venue
The 2019 FEZANA AGM will be held at the Springhill Suites by Marriott (5828 Hazeltine National Dr., Orlando, FL 32822). The venue is within walking distance of the hotel (see next paragraph).

5. Hotel Reservations

6. AGM Registration
Registration for the AGM is now open. Please click here to register.

7. AGM Website
Please bookmark the FEZANA 2019 AGM Information Website and visit it often for the latest updates. If you are planning to attend the AGM, please RSVP to Zenobia Damania (admin@fezana.org) and myself (secretary@fezana.org) ASAP so that we can maintain a count of who will be coming.

Best Regards,
Percy M. Master
FEZANA Secretary
**New Year – New Books**

Want to know what new items have just arrived in the FIRES Library? Go to our website [www.fires-fezana.org](http://www.fires-fezana.org) and click on library catalog. Here are a few that may interest you.

**Tabiyat: Medicine and healing in India and other essays**  
By Farokh Erach Udwadia, Oxford University Press. 2018.

This book, aptly titled ‘Tabiyat’ which translates to ‘health’, ‘nature’, ‘temperament’ or ‘disposition’, is a collection of nine masterly and thought-provoking essays which explore some important discoveries, dwelling on their relevance in our daily lives. Including essays on War and Medicine, Medical Ethics, Music and Medicine, Nursing and Death, the book encompasses various fields of human endeavor and aspects of life and living which influence and impact medicine. The author, Dr. Farrokh Erach Udwadia is a consultant and director in charge of the intensive care unit at the Breach Candy hospital in Mumbai, India.

**Like Sugar in Milk**  
By Majlend Bramo, Self Published, available at Parsiana Bookstore, 2018.

Italian photographer Majlend Bramo puts the spotlight on the Parsi community of Mumbai, their unique history and culture, and how they manage to thrive despite the challenge of dwindling numbers. Various aspects of the community, weddings, navjotes, jashans, as well as birthday parties are featured – in photographs. With a preface by Dr. Shernaz Cama, Director, UNESCO PARZOR Project, this book hopes to introduce readers across the world to think again about the great migrations that are affecting us today. Born in Albania, Bramo cites: “The Parsees were refugees exactly like the Syrians that are coming to Europe for shelter. And our response to migrations should be more open and focused on the future and not only the present.”

**A Kenyan Journey**  

This compelling book exposes the politics of belonging as it unpacks the contradictions of Asian African heritage. The author reminds us that 2,493 coolies who died building the railway are “unacknowledged in our history”, and they are the embodiment of the sacrifices that the Indian community made in the making of Kenya. It is also a family history. In the portrait of his grandmother, Dinoo, Nowrojee’s progressive history shifts from the sacrifices of the dead to the dynamism of Indian women. Nowrojee makes it clear that recurring moments of rejection and the 1972 expulsions of Asians from Uganda created a tenuous bond. “The relationship of a newcomer to his adopted country is not a marriage. It is a love affair. It may be passionate, it may be resentful. It is sometimes both”.