



ZANZ

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President's Message

Dear Friends,

This is the first issue of our gazette in 1999 and I take this opportunity to wish everyone a happy and prosperous New Year and Navroze Mubarak for the upcoming Zarathushti New Year.

The past year has been one of challenges and we are now assessing our future expansion, which you will hear about in due course.

Our children's Christmas party was a huge success. Sixty of our children had a real ball of a time with a clown, magic show, Santa Clause, games and ofcourse, goodies to munch on. Well done and thanks to the Christmas party team (Edwina Mistry, Jarafshan Mistry, Freny Khambatta, Dolly Shahlori, and Ava Damri) and the others who helped in many ways.

In the year gone by we had quite a few activities. Our participation at the WCRP annual multi-faith service, where nearly 25 of our children presented an item, was very well received. The organising team (Freney Khambatta, Bilkish Vazifdar, and Navaz Karbhari) and many parents put in a lot of effort.

Our Papeti function was a full house and all present had a grand time and thoroughly enjoyed the food, music, dancing and auction.

We had 2 sausage sizzles over the Christmas holidays to raise funds for the Association. These were a roaring success thanks to the hard work of Mehroo Damri, Dolly Shahlori, Freney Khambatta, Bilkish and Zirak Vazifdar and a large number of other volunteers.

The garage sale was a great success thanks to the efforts and hard work of the Vazifdars (for donating their garage) and Freney and Kersi Khambatta. A big thanks to Amy Nariman, Zarir Choksy and all of you who donated and bought things.

In the last few months we have had several enjoyable picnics with lots of food and games. They were held at Western Springs Park (25th December), Cornwall Park (3rd January) and Maraetai Beach (23rd January).

After the summer holidays, our prayer classes are back in full force. We have various speakers to enlighten us on different aspects of our religion. Please

take note of the meeting dates and times. Also, do not forget that a potluck dinner follows our Saturday meetings.

We welcome Rustom Dubash, Freney Khambatta and Dolly Shahlori onto the committee. They have been involved in the many activities we have had during the short time they have been on the committee.

Navroze is around the bend and some of our members are putting in a lot of time and effort to make the evening an enjoyable and entertaining event by presenting a Parsi gujrati natak "*Made in India*". Please cooperate with the organisers by phoning in and confirming your attendance by March 15th.

Hope to see you all at the Navroze function.

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Yazdi Mistry (President)

Welcoming Fellow Zarathustis

Porus Dumasia
Viraf and Pervin Fatakia
Porus and Binaifer Irani
Jal and Hufri Mehta
George and Hutoxi Phillips

Navjote Mubarak

Tinaz Jal Karbhari (6th Jan 1999)
Freya Homi Colah (8th Jan 1999)

Both the navjotes were held in Mumbai, India. Our congratulations to both the young ladies.

Obituary

On 30th January 1999, Mr. Shiavak Rustomji Mistry father of Darius S. Mistry and brother of Thrity Y. Mistry passed away suddenly in Mumbai, India. Our heartfelt condolences to the bereaved family.

Adios

Mehroo and Ava Damri (to USA)
Viraf and Aban Kekobad (to Australia)

Navroze Jashan

A Jashan is to be held on March 27th at 5:15pm just before the prayer class.

Sausage Sizzle (for youth activities)

We have planned a sausage sizzle to be held around the Easter weekend. Please volunteer your help to look after the stand. (Contact Bilkish on 535-8491).

World Congress WZC2000

The World Zarathushti Congress is to be held from December 28, 2000 to January 1, 2001 in Houston, Texas, USA. The congress will be a time for Zarathushtis to unify and participate as a global community. The congress committee has solicited our help to raise funds for the event. They would like each Zarathushti to contribute \$2 per year for each year till the year 2000. This small contribution is a way in which every Zarathushti feels they have a stake in the congress.

Our treasurer Zarir Choksy will be happy to calculate your family contribution.

Prayer Classes for 1999.

☺ Saturday 6pm Start ➤ Sunday 10:30am Start

- ☺ Saturday, 13th March 1999 (Bring along dish)
- ☺ Saturday, 27th March 1999
- ☺ Saturday, 10th April 1999 (Bring along dish)
- ☺ Sunday, 25th April 1999
- ☺ Saturday, 8th May 1999 (Bring along dish)
- ☺ Sunday, 23rd May 1999
- ☺ Saturday, 12th June 1999 (Bring along dish)
- ☺ Sunday, 27th June 1999
- ☺ Saturday, 10th July 1999 (Bring along dish)
- ☺ Sunday, 25th July 1999
- ☺ Saturday, 14th August 1999 (Bring along dish)
- ☺ Sunday, 29th August 1999
- ☺ Saturday, 11th September 1999 (Bring along dish)
- ☺ Sunday, 26th September 1999
- ☺ Saturday, 9th October 1999 (Bring along dish)
- ☺ Sunday, 17th October 1999
- ☺ Saturday, 13th November 1999 (Bring along dish)
- ☺ Sunday, 28th November 1999
- ☺ Saturday, 11th December 1999 (Bring along dish)

For Your Information

If you were told that henceforth, almost everything you buy would cost you 10% to 50% less, would you believe it?

By investing just \$281 only once, you can ensure this discount and also start earning an income.

This is an exciting opportunity for all of you and Porus and Hutoxi Kateli have organised a presentation on March 13th (around 7:15pm) just after the prayer class. If you would like to learn a bit more beforehand, please feel free to get in touch with the Katelis on 527-4085.

NAVROZE

Dinner & Dance

To be held on 21st March
At Riverina School
30 Millen Ave, Pakuranga
Play starts at 7:00 p.m. SHARP

Join in an evening of fun
with family and friends.

- ☺ Hilarious play "Made in India"
- ☺ Sumptuous Indian dinner. Soft drinks BYO
- ☺ Dance to your heart's content to tunes played by the hired DJ

All this and more for:

Adult Price \$15 (Member)

Adult Price \$18 (Non-Member)

Child Price \$8 (between the age of 4 - 10)

It is **IMPERATIVE** that you confirm by Monday 15th March so catering arrangements may be made.

Call Bilkish (535-8491), Thrity (815-8177) with your response.

"No show" after confirming attendance will entail full payment. Everybody is requested to bring exact due amount.

PLEASE NOTE

- No Stiletto Heals To Be Worn.
- Please Bring Your Own Soft Drinks.
- NO ALCOHOL IS ALLOWED