



ZANZ Gazette

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Willpower is to the mind like a strong blind man who carries on his shoulders a lame man who can see

President's Message

Dear Friends,

This is the first issue of our gazette in 2002 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. Over seventy children had a fun time with, Santa Clause, games and goodies to munch on.

Our 31st December New Years party was a fun-filled and enjoyable evening for all the 230 plus attendees. Manukau City Council sent us a formal apology for opening the hall late. The reason was due to a mix-up at Amourguard who was contracted to open the hall, but failed to do so. MCC have reassured us that such an incident will not happen again, as they have implemented new hall opening measures.

On the 5th of January at Western Springs we have had an enjoyable picnic with lots of food and games.

Our Bhel Puri and Ragra Pattice party in January was also a huge success with over 100 attendees. Some people came dressed in traditional Indian attire and people really got into the mood of playing Bingo. Everyone there had an enjoyable, relaxed and fun filled evening

Well done and a BIG THANK YOU to all the people who helped out at these functions.

After the summer break, our prayer classes have started at the Riverina School Hall. This venue allows us to divide the prayer class into groups. Namely pre navjote, post navjote and adult fellowship. We have speakers to enlighten us on different aspects of our religion. Please take note of the meeting dates and times.

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 natak "Vagar Fokat Ni Panchaat". Please cooperate with the organisers by phoning and confirming your attendance by March 21st.

Ushta-Te
Tehmus Mistry (President)

The Stork Has Arrived!

They are cute and are the latest addition to our Zarathushtrian community. Congratulations to:
Baby Boy Anosh to Mehernosh & Mahafrin Aryana
Baby Boy Mark to Rushad & Farzana Anklesaria
Baby Girl Tanya to Jal & Hufrish Mehta
Baby Girl Karishma to Cyrus & Khushnooma Khambatta
Baby Boy Shauvax to Pervez & Zenobia Mistry
Baby Boy Rayan to Cherag & Anahita Daruwalla

Welcoming Fellow Zarathustis

Nozer & Arnavaz Bharucha & Family
Cherag & Anahita Daruwalla & Family
Eric & Ana Lawyer
Hutoxi Mehta
Khushru Contractor
Kersi & Yasmine Katki
Zeenia Mistry
Dinshaw Mehershahi
Firoze & Shahira Irani
Hormuz & Shahnaaz Kermanian
Firdosh & Kashmira Siganporia
Yazdi & Sanober Dastur
Minoo & Farah Kothari
Kaiwan & Yasmin Mewawalla
Farishte & Rustom Nazni
Behmun Nazni
Malcolm & Sonali Motiwalla
Vispy Dorabjee
Xerxes & Sanober Saher
Nazneen & Firdosh Wadia
Riaz & Farah Unwalla
Keki & Tina Colabevalla
Hormuz Patel
Adil & Kerafin Damania & Family
Hormuz & Anahita Bhagwagar & Family
Kersi & Behroze Peddar & Family
Husman & Flavia Khusraveshahi & Family
Farhad & Pervin Contractor & Family
Mahiar Wellington
Maneck Panthaki
Khausrav Kotwal
Shereyin N Vaghchhipawalla
Yazdi & Sanober Dastur & Family
Shahrukh & Roshni Tata & Family
Kaizad & Kashmira Merchant & Family

Obituary

Mr Hormuzji Irani father of Porus Irani passed away suddenly in New Zealand. Mr Parvez Mehta father of Jimmy Mehta passed away suddenly in India. Our heartfelt condolences to the bereaved families.

Annual Subscription

The yearly subscriptions for 2002-2003 are now due. Please send in your cheque for \$25 as soon as possible to our Treasurer, Nash Vazifdar. Send all cheques to P.O. Box 46-246, 240 Jervois Road, Auckland, New Zealand

Lets Help out

40-Hour Famine - March 15-17, 2002

World Vision is once again organising the annual 40 Hour Famine. This is one of New Zealand's largest fund raising events and raises money for abandoned, exploited and impoverished children around the world. It brings people together and achieves life-changing results for thousands of children globally. 75 cents of every dollar raised is sent overseas to help those in need.

Occurring over the March 15 -17 weekend, faminers are sponsored to go without food for up to 40 hours (from 8pm on Friday till noon on Sunday). Some participants prefer to forgo something other than food for the 40 hours e.g. cigarettes, Internet, TV, work.

Each participant raises funds by finding sponsors for their particular "fast". Sponsors who donate over \$5 will be issued a tax-deductible receipt.

If you would like to participate in this very worthwhile fund raising event, please contact Mahrukh Stazyk at Tel: 849-5200 for a participant's pack.

Prayer Class Schedule for 2002

Classes are held at Riverina School 30, Millen Avenue, Pakuranga, Auckland. The dates are as follows:

March	9th
April	6th & 20th
May	4th & 18th
June	1st, 15th & 29th
July	13th & 27th
Aug	10th
Sept	7th & 21st
Oct	5th & 19th
Nov	2nd, 16th & 30th
Dec	14th

Virus Protection

Who among us doesn't know someone who has experienced the embarrassment of Unknowingly spreading a computer virus via their email address book? It's time to STOP this from happening by TAKING CONTROL of your email program!

For those who are unaware, many computer viruses spread themselves by sending themselves to everyone in your address book. Imagine how you would feel if you were unknowingly infected with a computer virus, and worse yet, your friends, family, and business contacts were being targeted by your computer! Well, if you want to avoid this sort of thing, here's a great tip:

This trick won't keep the virus from getting into your computer, but it will stop it from using your address book to spread further, and it will alert you to the fact that the worm has gotten into your system. Here's what you do:

First, open your address book and click on "new contact" just as you would do if you were adding a new friend to your list of e-mail addresses. In the window where you would type your friend's first name, type in !000 (that's an exclamation mark followed by 3 zeros). In the window below where it prompts you to enter the new e-mail address, type in "Worm Alert!". Then complete everything by clicking add, enter, OK, etc.

Now, here's what you've done and why it works. The "name" !000 will be placed at the top of your address book as entry #1. This will be where the worm will start in an effort to send itself to all your friends. But when it tries to send itself to !000, it will be undeliverable because of the phoney e-mail address you entered (Worm Alert!). If the first attempt fails (which it will because of the phoney address), the worm goes no further and your friends will not be infected.

Here's the second great advantage of this method: if an e-mail cannot be delivered, you will be notified of this in your 'In Box' almost immediately. Hence, if you ever get an e-mail telling you that an email addressed to Worm Alert! could not be delivered, you know right away that you have the worm virus in your system. You can then take steps to get rid of it.

We must emphasise that an ounce of prevention is better than a ton of such damage-limiting tricks, so don't try to open any unexpected e-mail attachment and always make sure your anti-virus software is updated regularly and run at least daily.

Try this and pass it on to your email contacts. The more people that use this technique, the less vulnerable we will be to viruses that spread in this manner!

This time of the year in Iran it's the beginning of New Year and we the Zarathushtis, of New Zealand feel proud to celebrate the same in a different way.

In Iran its time for people to rejoice the beginning of a new season after a cold winter and we Zarathushtis here in New Zealand celebrate the end of Summer and await the cold winter.

We have lined up two functions for you to celebrate and rejoice Navroze. The details of which are as follows -

Jamshedji Navroze Jashan Ceremony - Thursday, 21st March 2002

We have organised a thanks-giving Jashan for prosperity and well being of each one of us on this mother earth. May our prosperity continue on this New Land of New Zealand, where the concentration of Zarathushtis is on the increase. Please take of note of the date and time and be there to grace the Jashan Ceremony.

Date: 21st March 2002
Start Time: 4:30 p.m.
Venue: Mount Richmond Lodge,
676, Mt. Wellington Highway,
Mt. Wellington, Auckland

Navroze Day Celebration - Saturday, 23rd March 2002

We promise to give you a grand evening, filled with lots of fun, food and laughter.

All this and more will be happening at -

Venue: The Bucklands Beach Community Hall,
48 The Parade, Bucklands Beach, Auckland.
Start Time: 6:00 p.m.

Be there on time and book your tickets now, before they sell out.



We have organised a Parsi style Natak, "Vagar Fokat Ni Panchaat", Directed by Khurshed Patel, performed by Jazeel Mistry, Nasreen Dubash, Jal Mehta, Persis Mory, Kersy Khambatta, Shazaad Contractor, Rashna Tata, Tehmasp Munshi, Nazneen Engineer, Khushnuma Balsara and Khurshed Patel. With Back Stage management by Viraf Mory.

It's Hilarious, its funny and packed with a lot of punch -

CAUTION - "will make people fall off their chairs laughing".



We also have bombastic music to shake you up and more so to shake up your tummy we have Chicken Tikka Masala to start the rhythm, with foot tapping Lamb Korma and lip smacking Navratan Korma, with hills of Rice, surrounded by Naan with free flowing Raita and Salad.

Veges we have free flowing rivers of Navratan Korma, adored by the haryali of Palak Paneer, topped up with Malai Kofta. There will be plenty of rice, Naan and heaps of Salad and Raita to twist your tongue.



Soft drinks will be served with dinner and to cool you down from the summer heat we shall serve you Ice Cream.

As requested we are providing a kids menu, which includes Pizza, Soft Drink and Ice Cream. Kindly indicate your choice at the time of booking.



This Time We Are Not Serving Any Alcoholic Drinks
And
Your Compliance By Not Consuming Alcoholic Drinks
On The Premises Will Be Appreciated

This wonderful evening comes to you at a reasonable cost.

	<u>Members</u>	<u>Non-Members</u>
Upto 3 years old	FREE	FREE
3 years to 6 years	\$7	\$15
7 years to 12 years	\$18	\$25
13 years and above	\$28	\$35

What are you waiting for? Pick up the line and dial anyone of us right now -

Ms. Freny K. Khambatta (09) 535 1925
Mr. Tehmus Mistry (09) 828 1103
Mr. Aspi P. Ustad (09) 576 0783

Last date for booking 21st March 2002.

Tickets will also be made available at our regular prayer classes at Riverina School 30, Millen Avenue, Pakuranga, Auckland

S U R P R I S E

We are having "Wear A Parsi Dress Evening".

Categories are -

- (a) Children Under the age of 12 years
- (b) Teens between 13 and 19 years
- (c) Adults age 20 and above

So either dress in Jamsji-ni-Dagli, or wear Fakirji-nu-Fhetto

Hey Ladies do not be left behind, since you too can dress in either Soonamai-ni-Sari, or Goolamai-no-Garo. Children you too can wear Zarir-Nu-Jablu.

Lets see those wonderful Parsi outfits flowing out at Bucklands Beach Hall.