

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



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The OZCF has a few very exciting events planned for you. Below are some upcoming events for the near future.

EVENTS

Jan 3, 2016 Maidhyaram Ghambar (Fasli)

Mar 15-19, 2016 Muktad (Fasli)

Mar 21, 2016 Navroze (Fasli)

Mar 25, 2016 Navroze Dinner Dance

SAVE THE DATES

Mar 25, 2016 Navroze Dinner Dance

Jun 17, 2016 Black Tie Gala

Jun 26, 2016 AGM

Happy New Year!

On behalf of the OZCF Board, I want to wish everyone a happy and healthy New Year .

As we celebrate the start of 2016, I would like to thank all members and donors for their continued patronage of OZCF and above all, our amazing volunteers who are the reason we exist and are marching towards achieving our dream of building the Place of Worship.



There cannot be a better hopeful time then now. And while 2015 was difficult for most, we must also look back on this year with the knowledge that brighter days are ahead of us – that although our challenges are great, each of us has the courage and determination to rise up and meet them.

It is that spirit that has kept Zoroastrianism alive for generations and will continue to thrive in the years to come.

Happy New Year, everybody.

Percy Agreras Dastur President, OZCF

Need a Mobed?

Our Mobeds are available to help in times of need to offer their guidance & services to the community. Please contact:

Please contact:					
Ervad	Bamji Xerxes	(905) 702-1034			
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Ervad	Madan Xerxes	(416) 254-0685			
Ervad	Panthaky Jal	(905) 568-4946			
Ervad	Zarolia Kobad	(647) 887-9213			

The OZCF prayer room and facility is not open regularly. For personal requests, you may contact the following:			
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OZCF President	Percy Dastur	416-930-9666 president@ozcf.com	
Webmaster & Facilities	Rumi Jasavala	905-257-7864 rumijas@hotmail.com	

PLACE OF WORSHIP ADVISORY COMMITTEE PROGRESS REPORT BY PHIL SIDHWA, CHAIR PWAC

The Place of Worship Advisory Committee has been meeting frequently to develop strategies for our sub-committees to move the project forward. Our fundraising sub-committee is busily working on developing a framework to raise funds across North America as well as internationally. To set a good example to outside donors, we look forward to the OZCF membership taking the lead on donating generously towards this project, just as we did when we bought our land, then built the hall and now sit debt free on this valuable property. All funds raised at our 2016 Inaugural Gala will go towards the new place of worship.

The governance sub-committee is developing strategies for the future management of the facility. The entertainment, communications and public relations sub-committees are developing information packages to assist fundraising activities and communicate our message worldwide. The finance sub-committee is developing financial and administrative protocols around managing donations, loan arrangements and construction activities. Soon to follow will be the activities of the construction, project management and engineering sub-committee. Our Adaran commissioning sub-committee is investigating the processes and rituals required for consecration from learned scholars and priests.

In November, the Town of Oakville Planning and Development Council approved the removal of the house from the Oakville Register of Properties of Cultural Heritage Value or Interest. This is a major step forward for us and gives us the flexibility to demolish the house if required. These reports will be available on our website soon.

We continue to meet with Town of Oakville and Region of Halton staff to develop a suitable approach around planning and zoning matters, together with our planning and engineering consultants and architect.

2016 promises to be a busy year for PWAC and its sub-committees. We are fortunate to have such dedicated and hard working members working together towards this common goal. We always welcome additional members on our sub-committees, women and men, young and old, especially those with experience and interest in these areas. Please contact us should you be interested in sitting on a sub-committee and join us on this fabulous and fulfilling journey.

May Ahura Mazda bless our community.

SENIORS CORNER

As the winter is about to descend upon us, I am writing this short article on behalf of all those Seniors who will soon become more isolated and house bound for the next 4 or 5 months. Winter tends to be harsh on most Seniors as it is the beginning of long periods of isolation and inactivity, which bring about feelings of loneliness and depression. Some are certainly fortunate to be able to travel back to India to live for some time in the warmth of the sunshine and their extended families, but many are not blessed to be in that situation due to health problems or lack of a support system over there.

After the Fasli Muktads in March 2016 we shall begin our regular Yoga and Zumba sessions. Our numbers have now increased to between 35 and 40. Many Seniors are eagerly waiting for that time. I want to take this opportunity to thank all our wonderful VOLUNTEER DRIVERS who made it possible for the Seniors to come together and participate in these activities. We are still desperately in need of more volunteer drivers and I am sincerely requesting our vibrant and caring members to PLEASE DONATE A FEW HOURS A WEEK AND HELP A SENIOR IN OUR COMMUNITY ENJOY 2 HOURS WEEKLY IN THE COMPANY OF THEIR FRIENDS. PLEASE DECIDE TO HELP AND BECOME A VOLUNTEER DRIVER.

PLEASE CALL MINNIE MIRZA AT 905-825-8188 OR EMAIL minnie.mirza@gmail.com FOR MORE INFORMATION.



ENTERTAINMENT CORNER

- - JAMVA CHALOJI - -









The last Sunday in November, the OZCF hall was bursting with food, fun and laughter as the annual Jamva Chaloji brought in crowds to buy, savour and take away from a menu of 30 items all made by 12 vendors from the local Parsi / Irani community. Special thanks to Mahveer Javat — Chair of Entertainment Committee and his team of volunteers - Jeroo Madan , Arnawaz Dhabhar, Hormuz Engineer & Zarina Gutta for the endless hours spent organizing this event.

Also Big Thank you to:

- Neville Patrawalla for always stepping up and helping out with the cash/coupons,
- Zarine Irani for donating the delicious Dhansak and Kachumbar
- The OZCF Scout group led by the dynamic Khushroo Bharda for preparing and selling Bhelpuri and chai on behalf of the OZCF
- Kermin Byramjee, Khurshid Engineer, Katy Patel & Zeenia Khan for helping with Food Baskets, Raffles etc.

-- KIDS XMAS PARTY --



100 Oakville Zoroastrian Scouts Group supported by the OZCF Entertainment Committee celebrated an early Christmas with Santa and toys Sunday December 13 at the ZRCC.

57 children along with their parents feasted on pizza, samosas, chips, pop and juice. Each child also took home a gift, thanks to a generous donation made by the OZCF for the children.

Thank you to scout leader Khushroo Bharda and chair of the Entertainment Committee Mahveer Javat for jointly organizing this event.

As well, none of this would have been possible by the entertainment committee members and scout volunteers who pulled out all stops to make this a success.

OZCF WISHES ALL OUR ESTEEMED MEMBERS A MERRY XMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR 2016.

Magic & Sparkle Gala 2016



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A perfect occasion to rejuvenate and reunite with friends and family

Friday March 25, 2016 7pm Onwards

Apollo Convention Centre 6591 Innovator Drive, Mississauga

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Dinner

Dancing

Cash Bar

Raffle

RSVP by March 14, 2016 entertainment@zso.org ozcfentertainment@gmail.com

Please fill out your details and send it along with your cheque. Cheques must be received by March 14th. Please adhere to this deadline to avoid last minute disappointment.

Name:					
Number of Adlts	Number of Children	Meal Choice : Non Veg	Veg		
Total Payment \$	Phone#				

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RELIGION CORNER

Maidhyarem Ghambar (F) Sunday January 3rd

We will be celebrating Maidhyarem Ghambar (F) on Sunday January 3rd at Z.R.C.C. 1187 Burnhamthorpe Rd. East, Oakville. The Ghambar Jashan will commence at 11:00 am followed by lunch. The cost of attending the Jashan & lunch is \$5.00 per person; children up to the age of 20 years are free.

If you plan to attend please give your name to Ervad Nozer Kotwal (905) 820-0461 stating how many adults and/or children, veg. or non-veg., will be attending, a.s.a.p. but not later than Dec 31st. Donation of fruits, dry fruits, flowers, Sukhad, Loban, Tachho, etc. is always welcomed at these prayer meetings. Please also volunteer to clean up after the event.

If you and/or your friends wish to sponsor this Ghambar or any other religious event in the future please let Ervad Kotwal know.

Fasli Muktad Tuesday March 15th to Saturday March 19th

We will be celebrating Fasli Muktad at Z.R.C.C. 1187 Burnhamthorpe Rd. East, Oakville. Following is the schedule of Prayers for the five days:-

Tuesday March 15th - Friday, March 18th

6:30 am Morning Stoom & Baj;7:00 am Afringan & Farokhshi;11:30 am Afternoon Stoom;

7:00 pm Evening Stoom & Hum Bundagi

Saturday March 19th

7:30 am Morning Stoom & Baj;
8:00 am Afringan & Farokhshi;
11:30 am Afternoon Stoom;
7:00 pm Evening Stoom & Hum Bundagi

If you wish to give the names of your dearly departed for daily prayers please complete the attached form and send it along with your donation cheque payable to O.Z.C.F to reach Ervad Nozer Kotwal by March 12th. **PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE IT UNTIL THE LAST MOMENT. NAMES WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED OVER THE TELEPHONE**

Donation of fruits, dry fruits, flowers, Sukhad, Loban, Tachho, etc. is always welcomed. If you wish to sponsor a meal and/or donate food e.g. Malido, Papri, Bhakhra, Puri, Batasa etc. please contact Armaity Anandasagar at (905) 271-0366 or Kermin Byramjee at (905) 845-3480.

We also require volunteers to thoroughly clean the Agiary before the start of Muktad as well as regular cleaning during the Muktad days. Please contact Ervad Kotwal at (905) 820-0461 if you wish to help.

Navroze (F) Monday March 21st

Navroze Jashan will be held on Monday March 21st. at 7:00 pm at Z.R.C.C. 1187 Burnhamthorpe Rd. East, Oakville, followed by chasni.

Khordad Sal (F) Saturday March 26th

Khordad Sal Jashan will be held on Saturday March 26th at 11:00 am at Z.R.C.C. 1187 Burnhamthorpe Rd. East, Oakville, followed by chasni.

ANNOUNCEMENTS



OZCF BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Welcome

TAUZER DALAL

As Treasurer of the OZCF Board

WORLD RELIGION DAY

Khushroo Mirza, VP of OZCF will present at the "World Religion Day" being held in Milton, on January 17th, 2016 on the ropic of "Zoroastrianism in the Family Tree of Religions". Khushroo will present the similarities that exist between Zoroastrianism and some of the main-stream religions.

CONGRATULATIONS ON NAVJOTE

ZOISH, daughter of Dilshad and Behram Byramji, grand-daughter of Shirin and Sarosh Byramji and Shenaz and Kersi Banaji, was initiated into the Zoroastrian faith on Saturday, October 24, 2015, at Payal Banquet Hall in Mississauga.

OBITUARIES

We regret to inform you of the sad passing away of **SOONU KEKI KHARADI**. Mother of Darius and Rohinton (Roy) Kharadi and mother in law of Anneli & Anushka Kharadi. She passed away peacefully on Wednesday December 09, 2015 at 1:20 pm.

The OZCF would like to express their condolences for the sad demise of **NAJU BURJOR LANGDAMA** Loving wife to Burjor, loving mother to Zarrin John-Paul, Ron, Meher, Karen and Eric and Grand Mother to Ashton, Jake, Sarah, Paige and Quinn. She passed away on Thursday December 10, 2015 @ approximately 10:50 pm.

Our condolences to all the bereaved families

MASS MARKETING FRAUD AND CYBERCRIME AWARENESS PRESENTATION

On November 15, 2015 a presentation was held by the RCMP and the Canadian Anti- Fraud Centre covering Mass Marketing Fraud, Identity Theft, other scams – and how to avoid them. The presentation was well attended by over 60 members. Nearly 80 percent of mass marketing fraud is conducted by organized crime groups and is currently the second most common criminal activity funding terrorist activities. The presentation was delivered by CAFC Volunteer SeniorBuster: Brock Godfrey and RCMP Constable Jennifer George at no charge.



Brock joined PhoneBusters in 1997 as a Volunteer SeniorBuster. He has been instrumental in educating the public and raising awareness of illegal mass marketing fraud and Id theft: which is clearly the most successful and effective long-term strategy in reducing the number of fraud victims.

Jennifer George is a Constable with 10 years' experience with the Mounties. She is attached to the Mass Marketing Fraud Unit of the Greater Toronto Area, part of the Commercial Crime Section, located in Milton. This is her third year working with the Canadian Anti-Fraud Centre.

RELIGIOUS EVENTS FOR 2016

<u>DATE</u>	<u>DAY</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>ACTIVITY</u>	<u>Shenshai</u> (R Mah)	oj &	<u>Fasli</u> (Roj &	Mah)
January 3 rd	Sunday	11:00 AM	Maidhyarem Ghamba (F)	r		R - Farvadin	M- Dae
March 15 th - 19 th	Tue - Sat	All Day	Muktad (F)				
March 21 st	Monday	7:00 PM	Navroze (F)			R - Hormuzd vadin	M - Far-
March 26 th	Saturday	11:00 AM	Khordadsal (F)			R - Khordad vadin	M - Far-
April 8 th	Friday	7:00 PM	Farvardyan (F)			R - Farvadin	M - Farvadin
May 1 st	Sunday	11:00 AM	Maidhyozarem Gham- bar (F)	-		R - Mohor Ardibesht	M -
May 24 th	Tuesday	7:00 PM	Zarthost-no-Diso (S)	R - Khorshed Dae	M -		
July 1 st	Friday	11:00 AM	Maidhyoshem Gham- bar (F)			R - Tir	M - Tir
Aug 12 th - 16 ^t	^h Fri - Tue	All Day	Muktad (S)				
August 17 th	Wednesday	7:00 PM	Navroze (S)	R - Hormuzd	M - Fa	arvadin	
August 22 nd	Monday	7:00 PM	Khordadsal (S)	R - Khordad	M - Fa	arvadin	
September 4 ^t	^h Sunday	11:00 AM	Farvardyan (S)	R - Farvadin	M - Fa	arvadin	
September 5 ^t	^h Monday	7:00 PM	Dasturji Kukadaru Baj	R - Behram	M - Fa	arvadin	
September 16 th	Friday	11:00 AM	Paitishahem Ghambar (F)			R - Aneran var	M - Shere-
October 16 th	Sunday	11:00 AM	Ayathrem Ghambar (F)			R - Aneran	M - Meher
December 26 th	Monday	11:00 AM	Zarthost-no-Diso (F)			R - Khorshed	M - Dae

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

Dear OZCF Member,

As we are now in the New Year 2016 the OZCF Membership Committee would like to thank you for your patronage and support in past years and remind you to kindly renew your membership for the year 2016.

As you are aware, we are young and vibrant organization and our success is solely due to the support of members and the membership fees received. The membership dues received from you help us to provide better services to the Zoroastrian community in the GTA.

You have the flexibility to pay your fees either online using PAYPAL/Credit Card, or by Electronic Fund Transfer (PAD – Pre Authorized Debit Form attached with this Newsletter) or by CHEQUE payable to Ontario Zoroastrian Community Foundation and mailed at 1187 Burnhamthorpe Rd East, Oakville. ON. L6H 7B3 with attention to Membership Committee. The membership form is attached in this newsletter.

If you wish to deliver the membership cheque & form in person please give them only to Shirin Chaturvedi or Meher Panthaky. No board members will accept cheques from any members. We request all members to please fill in all de-

tails with full address and please indicate whether you would like to receive our bi-monthly newsletter via e-mail or by post.

Continuing with our initiative which we started in 2015 we are glad to announce that all memberships for 2016 paid online will be eligible to participate in a lucky draw. Three lucky winners will win Gas cards worth \$100 each at a draw to be held at our Navroz function in March 2016.

KINDLY PROMOTE THE OZCF MEMBESHIPS TO ALL YOUR FRIENDS AND FAMILY.

OZCF Membership Committee



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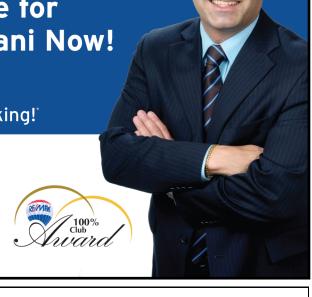
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Pre-Authorized Debit (PAD) Agreement

For Annual Membership Fees

Please debit my Bank Account Annually (attach VOID cheque) for

\$50

Seniors

Individuals of age 65 years

\$150

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Includes children up to age

\$100

Single

Individuals of age 25 and

\$40

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MEMBERSHIP FORM

January 01 to December 31, 2016

		Membership Application:	New 🔲 📙	Renewal 🔲				
	Membership Category / Fees							
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