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### **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**



2022 - Almost another year quickly gone by!

I would like to start off by thanking all the members for their support towards the OZCF and all the organizers and volunteers who put on so many successful events catering to all occasions and ages throughout the year.

The last 2 months of the year see the return of a popular Fundraiser – Jamva Chaloji. There is a wide variety of delicious food items on sale and both pre-order and in-person options are available. The Sports Committee is organizing the Annual Chess Tournament in November and the 100<sup>th</sup> Oakville Scouts Group and the Youth Committee are working together for the Christmas Party on Dec 4<sup>th</sup>. The Youth are also working on the 'Write to The Troops' initiative, where they facilitate community members to send cards to Canadian Armed Forces on duty abroad, who are missing the Holidays with their families. A very worthwhile initiative and while it is the Youth Committee facilitating it, anyone can write as many cards as they want.

In September of this year, the Zoroastrian Society of Ontario (ZSO) Board of Directors' invited the OZCF Board for a joint meeting. This has been a regular practice in the past few years with each association hosting the other, alternate years, before it was interrupted by the COVID-19 pandemic. While virtual meetings continued during the pandemic, it was great to meet in person and discuss ideas mutually beneficial to both associations and their memberships. We thank the ZSO Board for hosting us and look forward to hosting them next year.



ZSO and OZCF Board Members at the joint meeting

Our Place of Worship Advisory Committee has submitted our Site Plan for Approval to the Town of Oakville. We now wait to hear back from the Town and fingers crossed, it is a positive response. The end of this year also brings about the time to renew your OZCF membership for 2023. It can be renewed online or please reach out to our Membership Committee if you are having any issues.

Until next time,

Dr. Adil Bhesania OZCF President







#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Giving Tuesday is held every Tuesday after Cyber Monday and is a result of a simple idea: a day that encourages individuals to do good.

This year, the 10th annual Giving Tuesday will be held on Tuesday, November 29<sup>th</sup>, 2022. For information and tools to assist charities and non-profits, please click here to visit the **Giving Tuesday** website.

### **HALL RENTAL RATES:**

Please note new rates to rent the hall for social events. These rates are significantly lower than renting at halls and hotel rooms and allow members and non-members the entire use of our facilities.

Members: \$400 Non-members: \$500

Rental of Audio/Video equipment is \$100.

### RATES TO ADVERTISE IN THE NEWSLETTER:

Members often inquire about rates to advertise in the newsletter. See the rate structure below:

Business Card	\$25 per issue	\$150 per year
1/4 Page	\$50 per issue	\$300 per year
1/2 Page	\$75 per issue	\$450 per year
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If paid in full at the beginning of the year by the end of January, a 10% discount will be applied. There are six issues per year – January, March, May, July, September and November.

### HALL RENTAL RATES FOR FUNERAL SERVICES

Members: \$100 per day (over the 4-day period)

Non-members: \$150 per day



The OZCF prayer room and facility is not open regularly. For personal requests, you may contact the following:

#### **Prayer Room Access**

Nozer Kotwal 905-820-0461 nskotwal1@gmail.com

#### **Hall Rentals**

Cyrus Gazdar 647-294-6462 cygazdar@yahoo.ca

#### **ZRCC** Coordinator

Armaity Anandasgar 905-271-0366 armaity.a@gmail.com

#### **OZCF President**

Dr. Adil Bhesania 647-985-0305 president@ozcf.com

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#### Need a Mobed

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Madan, Ervad Xerxes (416) 254-0685

Panthaky, Ervad Jal (905) 568-4946

Zarolia, Ervad Kobad (647) 8879213

### **RELIGIOUS EVENTS AND UPDATES**

Due to inflation and increasing costs, OZCF will be revising rates for religious offerings and events with immediate effect, as follows:

Sukhad - \$3/- each Divo - \$3/- each

Gahambar lunch – \$10/- per person; children upto age 5 years are free

We sincerely appreciate the continuing support of the community.

### ZARTHOST-NO-DISO (F) - MONDAY, DECEMBER 26<sup>TH</sup>

OZCF will be holding prayers for Zarthost-no-Diso, as per Fasli Calendar, on Monday December 26, at the ZRCC at 1187 Burnhamthorpe Rd. East, Oakville.

The prayer ceremony will commence at 11:00 am, followed by Chasni.

If you wish to offer your home-made Malido, Ravo, Sev and/or dry-fruits, flowers, fruits, Sukhad, Loban, we ask that you make arrangements with Er. Nozer Kotwal, at (905) 820-0461, in advance.

### MAIDYAREM GAHAMBAR (F) - SUNDAY, JANUARY 1<sup>ST</sup>, 2023

OZCF will be celebrating Maidyarem Gahambar, as per Fasli Calendar, on Sunday, January 1, 2023, at the ZRCC at 1187 Burnhamthorpe Rd. East, Oakville.

The Gahambar Jashan will commence at 11:00 am, followed by lunch. The cost of attending the Jashan & lunch is \$10/- per person; children up to the age of 5 years are free. Members wishing to attend in-person must give their names to Er. Nozer Kotwal at (905) 820-0461 or at <a href="mailto:nskotwal1@gmail.com">nskotwal1@gmail.com</a> in advance, but not later than Wednesday, December 29<sup>th</sup>. Please also volunteer to clean up after the event.

If you wish to offer your home-made Malido, Ravo, Sev and/or dry-fruits, flowers, fruits, Sukhad, Loban, we ask that you make arrangements with Er. Kotwal.

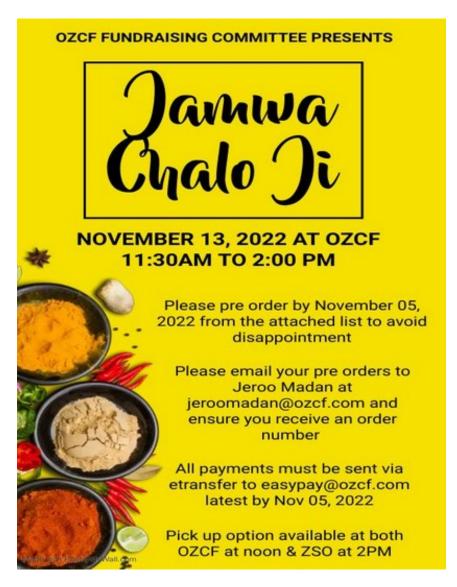
If you and/or your friends wish to sponsor this Gahambar & lunch or any other religious event in the future, please provide your interest to Er. Kotwal.



### YOUTH FUNDRASING AND EVENTS

The Fundraising & Entertainment Committees have planned a Jamva Chaloji for November 13, 2022 with many vendors also joining us in person. There are lots of delicious items on the menu – please make sure you email <a href="mailto:jeroomadan@ozcf.com">jeroomadan@ozcf.com</a> with your order and you will receive an order number. The last day to order is November 5to.

You can download the menu <u>here</u>.





### **YOUTH:**

### **COLOUR PALETTE:**

On a more colourful note, the Color Palette project has kicked off! Premium quality wood was delivered last month and the Youth Subcommittee along with Xerxes Wania took on the task of creating 6 new benches. It was a tedious task, but we were able to build them all within a couple of weeks. The next step is to paint them with creative designs, which we aim to finish before Navroze in March, 2023. We are looking for volunteers to help with the next phases of the project. If you are good at arts, or painting, please reach out to us at ozcfyouthevents@gmail.com











### **RAPTORS GAME:**

We are also planning a Raptors game at Scotiabank arena on Jan 12, 2023. Tickets were sold out last time within 6 hours of advertising. We only have a limited number of seats and ticket prices are way less than what they are on Ticketmaster. Please go to <a href="https://www.ozcf.com">www.ozcf.com</a> to book your tickets and avoid disappointment.





#### **WRITE TO THE TROOPS:**

Write to the Troops is also back in action! We are excited to send another round of creative and heartwarming cards to our Armed Forces who will be spending the holidays away from their families. Please see the attached flyer below on how to participate.



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### YOUTH HALLOWEEN PARTY FUNDRAISER

The Youth had a spooky Halloween Fundraiser for the Youth Congress in London on Oct 29<sup>th</sup>. The event was sold out within a few days of advertising and was a major success. The house was converted into a live haunted house with many youth volunteers (and our favorite Khushroo Bharda) playing various roles around the house. There were a lot of screams that evening!

The Youth Committee dressed up as past OZCF Presidents and were a crowd favourite!































### **OZCF FALL SOCCER TOURNAMENT**

Due to popular demand, the OZCF Sports Committee arranged its 2<sup>nd</sup> soccer tournament for 2022 on Sunday October 23<sup>rd</sup>. This time it was held in comfortable weather, with temperatures of 16°c on the green grounds of the ZRCC.

It took a whole day to set up the two pitches with line markings and goals for the 20 games that were to be played. With 5 teams and 38 players, the tournament was bound to be another success as we had a format of 5 Round robin games followed by a knockout format.

Teams were randomly made up and consisted of Arsenal, Liverpool, Manchester United, Watford, Chelsea and West Ham. Referees were assigned for each game ahead of time.

The enthusiasm & skill shown by all players could be seen live on @ozcfcanada Instagram page and by the spectators who had pitch side seats.

The round robin format allowed each team to play five games and then each team had an opportunity to go to the playoffs where they played another game each. This culminated in the semi finals and the final.

The final was played between Manchester United and Arsenal, with Manchester United winning the final 3-1.

The day ended with many folks helping to pack up the nets, picking up the balls, pinnies, tables, chairs and sound system. Thank you to all that helped.

Delicious dhansak, prepared by Prochi Gazdar was served in the hall and we had a great Fall turn out of 65 people.

The OZCF Sports Committee should be commended on their huge effort of days of preparation ahead of the actual day and the smooth organization on the day.

The outdoor summer sporting events have come to an end but stay tuned for the Fall and Winter events. The Chess Tournament will be the next event on Saturday, November 26, 2022.

- OZCF Sports Committee:

Rumi Jasavala, Xarius Jasavala, Hormuz Javat, Kevan Madan, Rohmin Raisi







































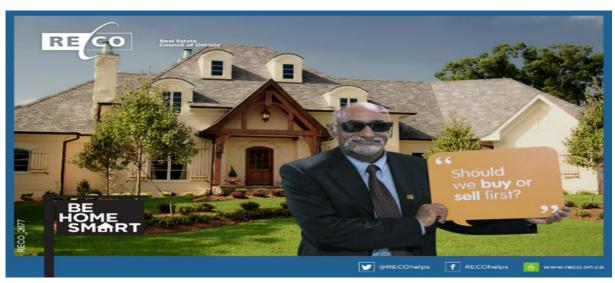


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## SHARED HOSPITAL LAB HONOURS FOUNDING MEMBER DR. DHUN NORIA



Healthcare trailblazer, Dr. Dhun Noria, Chief of Laboratory Medicine at Scarborough Health Network (SHN), was recently honoured for her formative and ground-breaking contributions to the Shared Hospital Lab (SHL).

Founded in 1996, Shared Hospital Lab is a partnership between SHN, Sunnybrook Health Sciences Centre, Michael Garron and North York General Hospital to provide high-quality microbiology lab services. Dr. Noria's critical role in establishing SHL and ongoing contribution to the organization's success was celebrated at Sunnybrook's Bayview Campus as a group of her family, close peers and esteemed colleagues joined in for the event.

At the dedication ceremony, a plaque was unveiled in the gardens, *The Dr. Dhun Noria SHL Staff Wellness Courtyard*. The plaque reads, "Named in recognition of Dr. Noria, MD, FRCPC, O. Ont., a previous Chair of the Board of SHL, her personal story of inspiration and her commitment to patient care and the Ontario health system is unsurpassed. She envisioned, championed, and was the driving force behind the creation of SHL."

"Shared Hospital Lab has been an important part of my professional life for 26 years", Dr. Noria explained during her remarks, attributing the success of SHL to the incredible and selfless team of visionaries and healthcare workers. "I am truly proud and honoured to work with our forward-thinking team. These people are not just frontline workers, to me they are warriors and they are soldiers in this epic Covid-19 battle", she continued.

Shared Lab presented Dr. Noria with a special commemorative portrait, which will be hung in the Boardroom, "in recognition of the tremendous contributions Dr. Noria has brought to healthcare across the province."

SHL has played an instrumental role in the fight against COVD-19 by conducting and processing PCR COVID-19 tests for SHN patients and three million across Ontario. SHL has also provided Covid –19 testing for Public Health Ontario Laboratory and 20 other health care facilities across Ontario.

In addition to her contributions to SHL and advancing healthcare for Scarborough, Dr. Noria has been a steadfast supporter of SHN Foundation. As one of the founding physicians of the Birchmount Hospital, Dr. Noria's philanthropy and leadership has helped position SHN as a leader in healthcare. Throughout her 30+ years of support, Dr. Noria and her husband Farokh Noria have donated over \$1 million cumulatively to SHN Foundation. SHN is tremendously grateful to Dr. Noria for her ongoing support, and we are proud to recognize her as one of SHN Foundation's original donors.



#### **About Dr. Dhun Noria**



Ontario Medical India Business Council.

Dr. Noria has built a career on an unwavering commitment to excellence in health care, and her work has had a significant impact on Ontario's health care system.

Dr. Noria was a founding board member of Birchmount Hospital, and member of the core planning team that brought together Birchmount and General in 1999. She was appointed by Premier and Lt. Governor in Council as Chair of Metro Toronto District Health Council with a mandate to Restructure 44 Hospitals in Metro Toronto. Dr. Noria was also a founding member of the Shared Hospital Laboratory.

Dr. Noria's enthusiasm has been recognized nationally and internationally. She has earned many awards for her commitment to the health care field in Canada, including the Order of Ontario Award - the province's highest honour; Queen Elizabeth's Diamond Jubilee Medal; Queen Elizabeth's Platinum Jubilee Medal; a star in the Scarborough Walk of Fame; Presidential Medal from the Association; and Professional and Business Woman of the Year through the Canada-

### Congratulations to Dr. Dhun Noria





## 100 TORONTO ZOROASTRIAN SCOUT GROUP CELEBRATES ITS 32<sup>ND</sup> ANNIVERSARY

Affiliated with Scouts Canada, the Group needs a Sponsor and the Board of the ZSO steps up once again and promptly agrees to be the Sponsor of the 100 Toronto Scouts Group, and continues to be so to this day. Thank You, ZSO! Very timely that Scouts Canada decides that boys and girls can participate together in the same scout group; and so, we have some 50 plus Zoroastrian boys and girls all participating as "Scouts" of 100 Toronto. (An aside: for good reason, there continues to be an organization "Girl Guides Canada" that is for girls only).

ZSO President Mitra Jam congratulates the Scout Group on its services to our youth over





these past 32 years. In turn, 100 Toronto thanks ZSO for steadfastly having been its Sponsor all these years. We have been fortunate because many scout groups have folded when churches or schoolshave had to pull their sponsorships primarily for financial reasons.

And so, the 32<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary festivities continue with 100 Toronto Commissioners and Co-Chairs, Ferozshaw Ogra and Kersi Khambatta welcoming Chief Guest Ms. Natalia Rutchanka,

Scouter from Toronto 69<sup>th</sup> Group, *aapro* Khushru Bharda (Group Commissioner of our sister Group, 100 Oakville that has OZCF as its Sponsor), and some past Scouters of 100 Toronto.

Scouter Natalia hands out several Merit Awards, and notably to the 3 Founders in our midst, Freddy Mirza, Noshir Dastoor and Vispi Patel. Alas, Father Time has taken its toll and Merit Awards are handed out to the families of our Founders who have since "Gone Home": Jimmy Mistry, Maneck Sattha, Noshir Mirza and Phiroz Dastoor. ZSO member, Dara Homavazir recalls the achievements of his dear grandfather, Ardeshir Byramjee Homavazir, Founder member of 11<sup>th</sup> CBDA Central Bombay District Association Scout Group. And finally to THE-e-e event of the afternoon – a scrumptious storm served up by none other than aapro Master Chef Scouter Kersi Khambatta and Firozshaw with his merry band of helpers: Greek Potatoes with a notch of Coriander (aka, *Pilaa-mai na papetaa*), Margrett style Butter Chicken served with Saffron Rice, salad, Anniversary Cake, Cup Cakes, Sev Ravo, Dahi, and fruits and nuts from the chasni.

Difficult to list here the many names of our Leaders and friends who helped put together a most memorable afternoon; but special mention needs to be made of Anahita Ogra for her tireless efforts towards the success of this event.

May the blessings of Ahura Mazda be on 100 Toronto Scouts Group as it marches on to its 40<sup>th</sup> and thereafter to its Golden Anniversary!!

(Contributed by: Russi Surti)

















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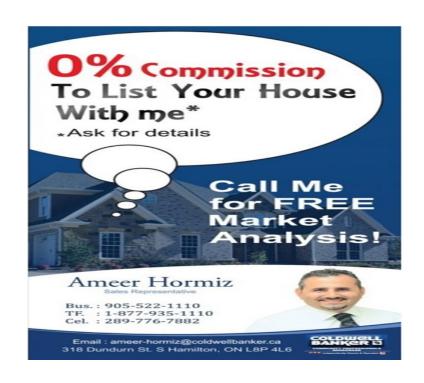


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