



SUNDAY SCHOOL

PLACE: ZHCC, 8787 W. Airport Blvd., Houston, TX 77071 Tel: 713-270-9339

TIME: 11:00 a.m.

DATE: April 8, 2012

Children's Session: The "Let's Learn Gujarati Together" session started with some songs followed by learning the Gujarati alphabet. We are on letters Ta and Tha. At the **Sunday school session**, we learned about the Nyiashes and their significance.

Middle Group: This group is for the children in the middle school. Last year they learnt about the ceremonies, this year they will be learning the Kusti prayers and their meanings. If your child falls in this age group, do please bring him/her to the Sunday School.

Senior Group: Sarosh Collector conducts this session. See a write up by the Youth Vice President

UPCOMING EVENTS

Friday, 20th April, 6.30 pm onwards – The ZAH Library Committee will present a novel event. Shahnaz Sidhwa is orchestrating an enactment of her book, **Farmer Brent**, as a play that will be performed by the children of our community. The profits from the sale of her book will be donated to the cause of senior Zoroastrians in India suffering from hunger. Don't miss this event !! So come in large numbers to support Shahnaz in this worthy cause. Details in attached flyer

Sunday, 22nd April, 12 pm onwards – ZAH Picnic – Galveston Island State Park. STATE PARK CHARGES (No ZAH Charges) - \$5 person 13 yrs and over; 12 yrs and under free; Over 65: \$3 with Texas I.D. Bring a dish to share. Soda and dessert provided. See flyer for details.

Sunday, 3rd June - Maidhiaya Gahambar

MEETINGS

GOLDEN GROUP	Fourth Sunday of each month. Interested? Please call Zarine Balsara at (281) 304-6611
LIBRARY COMMITTEE	First Sunday of each month at 11:00 AM. Interested in helping? Or would like more information, please call Aban Rustomji at 281-493-1275 or e-mail her at aban@coatingindustries.com

REPORTS

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT (By Jehanbux Mehta)

The ZAH EC would like to inform our community of some improvements as below:

- Electronic eye at exit gate of our center has been replaced after ten years of useful service.
- Paint job of the interior walls of the center is in progress and expect completion by mid April.
 - To keep our premises looking beautiful, members are once again requested not to affix any posters, flyers, etc on the walls, glass doors and windows or stage trimmings without first consulting with BMSC.
- New security system has been ordered with the help of Kersi Engineer and we hope to have it operational in April. Entry will be possible only with key fobs.
 - If you weren't able to collect the Application/Agreement form for obtaining the fobs at the Carnival on April 08, please contact the ZAH Secretary, Percy Master. The form is also attached at the end of Manashni
- One parking lot light made non-operational by wires damaged by over zealous lawn mower will be repaired shortly.
- EC and BMSC members are helping in defraying the cost of purchase of additional chairs and ten seater round tables and chairs.
 - Contributions from others very welcome. The approximate cost of a table is \$100 and that of a chair \$25. Pledges to be sent to our Treasurer, Kayo Sidhwa.
- ZAH now has a new and beautiful website developed by the ZAH Web Committee
 - Facility for payment of subscriptions, donations and event charges by credit card will be available to members in the very near future.
- There will be back to back non-member center rentals on April 14 and 15.

LIBRARY REPORT (By Jango Mistry)

Upcoming event

On Friday, April 20, the ZAH Library Committee will present a novel event. Shahnaz Sidhwa is orchestrating an enactment of her book, **Farmer Brent**, as a play that will be performed by the children of our community. Testimony of teachers that have used this book in the classroom and a question and answer session with the author will follow. The book is on sale for \$10.00 and profits from the sale of the book will be donated to the cause of senior Zoroastrians in India suffering from hunger. We are appealing to all to give Shahnaz your full support in this worthwhile endeavor as well as to honor a talented member of our community.

Donors

ZAH Library wishes to sincerely thank Alan Margolin of M&M Lighting for his generous donation of the track and light fixtures recently installed over the 'Wall of Ancestors' display. Everyone who visits our Center has commented very favorably on the display and the track light accentuates it more. Perhaps nothing demonstrates support of what we bring to you than your attendance, your positive feedback and your monetary contributions.

New Books added to FIRES

Ever wonder how has the Zoroastrian religious ceremony of Nowruz become a secular national holiday? **Pious Citizens** by Monica M Ringer offers new insights into the theological premises behind the promotion of secularism, the privatization of religion and the development of new national identities. Ringer's work also explores growing connections between the Iranian and Indian Zoroastrian communities. Jamsheed Choksy says, "Ringer has produced an important work, one that adds greatly to our understanding of how traditional groups experienced and incorporated colonialism, westernization, and modernity."

Shahnameh – the Persian Book of Kings by Elizabeth Laird is retold for children to enjoy. This book is a fabulous collection of stories and myths, filled with kings, heroes, princesses, magical animals and demons with beautiful illustrations.

YOUTH REPORT (By Farzad Sunavala – Youth Historian)

This month the youth have been very active in a variety of activities. Hope you all had an extraordinary Navrouz Celebration! At the Navrouz function on March 24th, the youth had thanked Jango Mistry and Noshir Medhora for devoting their time and effort in giving the youth SAT tutor sessions. It was very thoughtful of them, and many of us benefited from their lessons. As a youth retreat, we have decided that we will have a camping trip to Enchanted Rock on the weekend of June 8th. The youth are also excited for the ZAH Carnival on April 8th at which we will be volunteering. We will have several stalls filled with fun games for everyone as well as our annual food booth with yummy treats. On May 19th, we will be volunteering to maintain our center and work with the EC in accomplishing some housekeeping tasks. The youth also is planning on hosting, along with the other Sunday School groups, the event "Zoroastrians Stepping Forward". This movement is a nationwide event to take place on May 5th. We hope to get our whole community involved in this movement and show the nation that Houston is devoted. (Details to follow soon!) We have also received an invitation letter from the ZANT community to join them for a summer camp at their center. This event is coordinated by the extravagant youth

mentor, Rustom Kharas from Dallas. Along with all of these activities, in Sunday School, the youth have been divided up and doing presentations on the different eras of Zoroastrianism, ranging from the ancient times of Zarathustra to the present day Parsis in India. As time progresses, we continue to learn about our religion, preserve our center, volunteer for a variety of groups, and socialize with our lovely Zoroastrian community.

WEB COMMITTEE REPORT (By Danesh Desai)

The ZAH Web Committee would like to announce a major development in the information technology arena for ZAH. Some of our extremely dedicated and selfless members have toiled day and night, and have developed a new ZAH website with tons of great features and many more to follow in the coming months. We have always been on the forefront of very community event or initiative domestically and globally. The launch of this truly interactive and easy to use website, particularly with automated features in this IT dominated sphere will catapult us on the information super highway and in a matter of months will allow us to compare ourselves with the best and be proud of.

We have developed a three stage approach and shall be GOING LIVE with the first stage on April 8th 2012. Some of the fascinating features which will be available on launch are:

Stage 1: Go-live on April 8th 2012 [Click here for New ZAH Web Site](#)

1. Automation of Event Management (without payments in this stage) with ZAH Picnic as the first event
2. Calendar of Events for the entire year linked to iCal which would populate your MS Outlook (or any other) Calendar with all ZAH events for the year with just one click
3. Mobile friendly website – Can RSVP for events, read Manashni, etc. over cell phones, iPads, etc
4. Online Sunday School presentations and student homework for easy access
5. Photo gallery of past events to reminisce along with a link to our ZAH Facebook page
6. Hall Rental feature with photos to be added to attract non-member rentals
7. City of Houston and other useful links particularly for New comers to Houston
8. Current listing of our Doctors, Priests as well as important Contacts

Stage 2: Dates will be indicated later

1. Event Management with Payment features along with choice of payment method (CC, DC, Bank)
2. Online Donations with instant automated receipts
3. Advertisements – Advertise businesses / products on certain pre-determined pages thereby giving exposure to our businesses internally as well as externally to the Zarathusti Community.

Stage 3: Dates will be indicated later

1. Online Membership with instant automated receipts
2. Dedicated log-in for members with unique IDs
3. Shehenshahi, Fasli and Kadmi Lifetime Calendar

Like every other change, this too will have some teething problems and need some learning /adjustment and we sincerely hope you would use our new and improved website going forward and assist us to make further improvements to stay abreast with the latest technology and in our commitment and endeavor to make our new website the gateway for all ZAH related information dissemination.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank all the members on the Web Committee as well as all other contributors without which this mammoth task would not have been successful. If you have any questions/comments/concerns please do not hesitate to let us know at zahwebmaster@gmail.com or via our new website under Contacts ->Webmaster.

Your ZAH Web Committee

ENTERTAINMENT COMMITTEE REPORT (By Yasmin Medhora)

The **Navroze function** was a grand success with estimated 350 people attending. The newly painted Atrium and the Hall was well decorated. The beautiful Haft Seen table set up by our Iranian community greeted the guests as they entered the atrium.

The festivities started with the entertainment by the Zoroastrian Sunday School children. Ms. Vehishta Kaikobad and the parents of the young kids had organized a lively show for the evening. It was wonderful to see the young kids perform with gusto and lots of energy. They started with the Ashem Vohu song, Sahebji song and sang 'Let it Shine'. They enthralled the audiences with numerous dances – Mexican Hat dance, Trepak and others. This was followed by Indian dances performed by the students of Rhythm India. The two

young dancers were elegant and professional. The Youth group honored some of their Sunday School teachers. The three dignitaries attending the function were honored by ZAH EC - Mr. Mohammad Aquil Nadeem, Consul General of Pakistan; Mr. Mike Laster, City of Houston Councilman and Mrs. Sonal Bucher, Ft. Bend ISD Board and standing for Texas State Representative. The program concluded with the Iranian Music played by Mr. Behzad and Mrs. Kameh.

The guests welcomed the traditional Iranian food catered by Kasra restaurant and the appetizers and Parsi delicacies catered by Naushad Mehta and Rustom Setna. All members of the Entertainment Committee had made delicious Parsi lagan noo custar. The kids enjoyed the variety packs of ice creams.

Last but not the least our talented DJ Mr. Noshir Khumbatta with the help of Mr. Farrokh Firozgary rolled the music which kept the dance floor packed with the young and the young at heart.

The Entertainment Committee thanks all the volunteers who helped in making this function a grand success. May there be peace and prosperity in all Zarathushti community on the wonderful occasion of Navroze.

On the suggestion of Ervad Bomanshah Sanjana, ZAH celebrated the **Ava Parab** jashan on April 25. Thanks very much to Bob and Carolyn Yazdani to open their home in Conroe to the community for the jashan. After the jashan prayers, Bomanshah explained the history, tradition and the significance of water in Zoroastrianism. It was a perfect day for this jashan with lots of sunshine and the beautiful waters of Lake Conroe.

After the jashan the guests had snacks followed by lunch. Bob and Carolyn had grilled kabobs and served tea and sodas. ZAH and the Entertainment Committee members donated fruits, malido, dal pori, flowers, prayer items, etc. All guests brought potluck snacks to share. The dal pori made by Freny Sanjana was emersed in the water after the prayers.

We would like to thank Ervad Sanjana for performing the jashan. We plan to make this event an annual tradition.

MISCELLANEOUS

WHY DO ZARATHUSHTIS HAVE 3 CALENDAR SYSTEMS (By Pervin Mistry)

The following is explained by late Dasturji Hormazdyar Dastur Kayoji Mirza in *Outlines of Parsi History (OPH)*, Bombay 1987, pages 436 to 448 with regard to the 3 Zarathushti calendars, **Kadmi, Shahenshahi and Faslī**:

Generally the ancient festivals were the seasonal festivals, based on seasonal changes and harvesting time. In ancient Iran, a year was divided into two parts: "ten months of winter, two months of summer" – indicating the climatic conditions prevailing in the northernmost countries of the North Pole (the Arctic was known as the original homeland of the Aryans as also supported by B.G. Tilak.) In later times, a year was divided into "seven months of summer, five of winter" –indicating the climatic conditions prevailing in some of the countries of Central Asia, most probably the countries of the Avesta people who migrated south from the north Polar regions, as noted above, after the last glaciation or ice age took place sometime during Jamshed Padshah's reign.

The two following religious systems of time-reckoning were in **simultaneous** use in the Sassanian times among the Zarathushtis: (1) Sal Oshmurтик or the year of 365 days – 12 months of 30 days each with extra five days after the end of the 12 months. (2) Sal Vihezakik, a 'shifting' or leap year. It had 365 days (as in the Oshmurтик year) **with an intercalation of a month every 120 years**. In ancient Iran, this intercalation was affected under royal patronage according to the guidance and advice of the council of the learned men of the realm.

At present only the first system of time-reckoning, the Oshmurтик, is in use among the Parsi-Irani Zarathushtis in Iran as well as in India. The religious year, therefore, has 365 days – 12 months, each of 30 days, and extra five days are added after the end of the 12th month.

At present there are three sects or groups among the Parsis of India: Shahenshahi "of imperial (reckoning)"; Kadmi "of ancient (reckoning)" and Faslī "of seasonal (reckoning)".

"The last intercalation under Iranian sovereignty was affected in 406 A. C. during the reign of Sasanian Emperor Yazdgerd I (399-420). On this occasion, two months were intercalated – one that was due and the other in anticipation of troubled time in the coming century when the next intercalation was due. In 406, therefore, the five Gatha days were transferred from after the end of Shahrevan month and were placed after the end of Avan month, where they remained for six centuries thereafter. Due to political instability and disorder in Iran, and later the Arab invasion and overthrow of the Empire, the practice of intercalation fell into disuse.

"In 1006 A. C. four intercalations were due; **and it appears that in that year four months were intercalated, and the Gatha days, which were after the end of the Avan month at that time, were shifted and placed after the end of the 12th month Aspandarmad**. Hence the Oshmurтик year coincided with the Vihezakik year. Since then there was no difference between the two systems, or really speaking only the Oshmurтик year remained in practice." (OPH, p. 443)

The difference of a month between the two calendars of Iran and that of India was first noticed in 1721 when Jamasp Vilayati, a priest of Iran, came to Surat. Later, the matter came to a head when Jamshid, a Zarathushti resident of Iran, came to Surat in 1736. He explained that the Zarathushtis of Iran were ahead of their co-religionists in India by a month in commencing their year and observing religious festivals and functions. They were known as Kadmi (*Qadimi*) 'of the ancient (reckoning)'. The corresponding term used in Iran is *bastani* 'ancient'. "The said difference of one month between the Zoroastrian calendar of India and that of Iran may be

explained by the assumption that the forefathers of the Zoroastrians of India intercalated a month after the downfall of the Sasanian Empire either in Khorasan (where they lived in exile) or after their arrival in India. Evidently, this must have happened after 1006 A.C. **and in India.** But no record or even oral tradition has been preserved.” (OPH, p. 444.)

While the difference between the Shahenshahi and Kadmi calendars are based on the intercalation of a month after the downfall of the Empire, and since the last intercalation in 1006, regarding the Fasli calendar, a sixth Gatha called “Awardadsalgah” is added every fourth year. There are many reasons given by Dasturji Mirza why he believes that this reckoning is baseless. Some reasons below:

1) The Awardadsalgah jashan was performed every year on Roz Khordad, Mah Aspandarmad of the Shahenshahi calendar and was performed only in India and only by the Shahenshahi priests. It was **unknown** in Iran and therefore not celebrated in Iran by the Kadmi priests. It is reasonably concluded that this jashan was instituted when the last intercalation of a month was affected by the forefathers of the Parsis of India, in remembrance of the New Year day, Navruz, they abandoned while intercalating a month in India. (The last five Gatha days were shifted in 1006 from the end of Avan Mah to the end of Aspandarmad Mah and Navruz – the New Year came to be celebrated from Adar Mah and Dadar Hormazd Roz to Farvardin Mah and Dadar Hormazd Roz.)

2) The *khshnuman* of Awardadsalgah is not found in the Siroja or in any other authentic Avesta-Pahlavi writings.

3) The Awardadsalgah Jashan took place every year and NOT every four years!

4) In the Avesta, Pahlavi and later writings always the Five Gathas are expressly mentioned, and the names of the five Gathas are given, there is no mention of six or the sixth.

5) The mode of intercalation of one day after four years was never practiced by the Zarathushtis in Iran or in India. The Denkart forbids this mode of intercalation (Denkart, edited by Madon, p.404 lines 22-23):

“Day calculation should not be affected till a month becomes complete; it should not be neglected for more than five months.” Here, **day-intercalation is clearly and expressly forbidden, and month-intercalation is advocated. This is also supported by Al-Biruni, the Muslim historian, in Months of the Persians, p. 54.**

6) In 1963, Professor Miss Mary Boyce of the School of Oriental and African Studies, London, stayed in Kerman to study the religious practices of the Zarathushtis. Writing on *Jashan-i Sade*, she observes: “Since the 1920’s both Tehran and Kerman have used the *jalali* calendar (called *Fasli* by the Parsis, *bastani* in Tehran and Kerman, and *jadid* in Yazd); whereas Yazd, after using this calendar for about a year, **reverted in the main to the old religious calendar (called *qadim* in Yazd and India, and *na-dorost* in Tehran)! Since *sade* is newly established in Yazd, this festival is observed there according to the *jalali* calendar.” (OPH, p.448.)**

The **Jalali calendar** was primarily instituted for revenue purposes in 1079 A.C. by Sultan Jalalu’d-din Malikshah, the King of Iran, on the advice of his grand vazier Omar Khayyam. It was tied down to the Christian Gregorian Calendar, the new year day was fixed always falling on March 21st, and the ancient Iranian name of Jamshedi Navruz was applied to it. (OPH, p. 451.). The Jalali (Fasli) calendar is seasonally correct, so some Parsis asked Ustad Saheb Behramshah Shroff to set up a new Fasli *alat* but Ustad Saheb acknowledged that there is no Fasli *alat*.

WZCC – HOUSTON MEMBERSHIP DUES (By Zarir Sethna – Chair, WZCC Houston)

It is that time of the year when we request World Zarathusti Chamber of Commerce- Houston membership dues from you. The dues are \$50 per person for the entire year. If you are a full time student your membership is \$15. Corporate membership is \$250.

The membership dues gives us seed money and helps us subsidize the cost for different events that we hold during the year. We have reviewed the surveys that were completed by you and we are going to provide more of what you have asked for. Along with our speaker series, we are coming up with some new tangible programs that can help our young professionals. For example, a leadership conference led by senior retired executives from within and outside our community.

In North America the Houston chapter is one of the more active organizations and the chamber exists for the larger good of the Zoroastrian community. Please make your checks payable to WZCC-Houston and mail to:

Attn: Zarir Sethna,

2211 Crescent Palm Ln. Houston, TX 77077

Thank you and feel free to call me with any questions.

MILITARY HONOR AT THE XVI NAZC 2012 CONGRESS

The theme of the XVI North American Zarathusti Congress in August 2012, hosted by ZAGNY and IZA, is “Zarathushti Existence in the Contemporary World”. Among many facets of life, some of our Zarthushtis and their spouses have served or are currently serving in the US or Canadian Armed Forces. We would like to honor these individuals and their valor. Their pictures will be displayed/projected during the opening ceremony. Therefore, please send pictures (in uniform) of family members who are in the US or Canadian Armed Forces. We would also like to know their rank, division of the Armed Forces and number of “tours” they may have done at deployment.

Please send the pictures in jpg format to the following, by May 15, 2012: mahrohi@verizon.net (Mahrukh Cama); shranji@gmail.com (Shiroy Ranji)

CONGRESS 2000 LEGACY SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION 2012

The congress 2000 legacy Committee and the ZAH Executive Committee invite applications for the sixth year. **Two applicants will be awarded \$3000.00 this year.** The winning students will be recognized as innovators and leaders for tomorrow's global community at the August Naurooz celebrations. By supporting the next generation of great minds we pay tribute to the success of the World Zoroastrian Congress.

Application form is on the ZAH website <http://www.zah.org>. **Please do note that the deadline for submission of your completed application is June 01, 2012**

FEZANA ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIPS FOR 2012

FEZANA Academic scholarship applications are now available on their website: <http://www.fezana.org/>

There are 2 new scholarships this year:

- Purvez and Aban Rustomji Endowment Scholarship
- Morvorid Guiv Endowment Scholarship

Changes for 2012 are as follows:

- The Kapadia Endowment Scholarship has been increased.
- In recognition of the 25th anniversary of FEZANA, MEHRABAN AND MORVORID KHERADI (MMK) ENDOWMENT SCHOLARSHIP FOR ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE, THE FEZANA SCHOLAR has been increased to \$10,000 for this year only.

HOUSTON SHOULDER TO SHOULDER FOUNDATION

Houston Shoulder to Shoulder Foundation will be holding its **4TH ANNUAL GALA DINNER** including presentation of the Service to Houston Shoulder to Shoulder Award, Entertainment, Dancing, & Silent Auction on SATURDAY APRIL 14, 2012 AT 7:00 PM AT HILTON UNIVERSITY OF HOUSTON, 4800 Calhoun Road, Houston, TX.

The rates are as follows:

Donor Table: \$1,500 for 10-person table

Individual Tickets: \$100 per person

Student Tickets: \$50 per person, limited to first 50 students

For tickets, purchase at www.houstonshouldertoshoulder.org or contact **Roshan Sethna** at [713-856-9359](tel:713-856-9359)/rosh@sbcglobal.net. For more information contact Rosa Contreras at rolvera@bcm.edu.

ZAH Members will remember that a couple of years ago, some of our ZAH youth had gone to Honduras with doctors to set up a clinic and help the needy. They had a very humbling experience of seeing the children there deprived of things that we, in the United States take for granted. Please do help this worthy cause.

BIRTH

Baby boy **Darius** born on March 16, 2012 to Lyla and Danny Aga in Austin, TX. Proud grandparents Ruby & Rohinton Aga and Adil Bharucha.

Heartiest congratulations to the Aga and Bharucha families !!

OBITUARY

Homi Bhappu, father of Ken Bhappu and Rukshana Charna, passed away on Tuesday, April 3, 2012. Ken has left for Karachi. Condolences may be sent to villinken@yahoo.com

Beloved **Thrity F. Kharas**, wife of Feroze B. Kharas, mother of Nazneen K. Khumbatta and Noshir and Yezdi F. Kharas, passed away on Sunday April 8th, 2012, Shenshahi Roj Daepdin, Mah Avan, at approximately 3:46 a.m.

MANASHNI and its readers convey their heartfelt condolences to the bereaved families.

The ZAH Library proudly announces a
delightful event performed by
our own children



Do you know of our beautifully illustrated bedtime story book, **Farmer Brent**, by Shahmao Sidhwa for children ages 5 and up? And do you know that it is now a play to be performed by the children of ZAH? The story teaches how a difficult situation can be salvaged in a humorous manner.

Profits from the sale of the book will be donated to the cause of senior Zoroastrians in India suffering from hunger. So please come and give Shahmao your full support to this worthwhile cause.



Come and join us in the fun!

Take this opportunity to :

- See our marshkins in action
- Honor a talented member of our community
- Support a charitable effort

Friday, April 20, 2012

Meet & Greet - 6:30 pm Program 7:00 pm
Zarathoshi Heritage and Cultural Center
8787 West Airport Boulevard, Houston

ZAH PICNIC RSVP

GALVESTON ISLAND STATE PARK
Sunday April 22, 2012
Noon onwards

ENJOY A DAY OF FUN, GAMES, AND FOOD IN SUN'n'SAND

FUN ITEMS TO BRING ALONG: Frisbees, sand games, soccer ball, football, beach canopy and other activity items

POTLUCK: PLEASE BRING A FOOD ITEM TO SHARE: Covered Entree or similar food item to share. Please do not bring: Cakes, Cookies, Pies, Soda, etc. Dessert and soda will be provided. Please bring your water bottles and ice-chests.

DOGS PERMITTED ON LEASH

BRING YOUR BEACH UMBRELLAS, CANOPY & CHAIRS

STATE PARK CHARGES (No ZAH Charges)

\$5 person 13 yrs and over; 12 yrs and under free; Over 65: \$3 with Texas I.D.

Address: 14901 Farm to Market 3005 Galveston, TX 77554 **Phone:** (409) 737-1222

DIRECTIONS FROM HOUSTON

I-45 South towards Galveston. Exit 61st Street. Make a right at the light. At the sea-wall make a right and drive 10 miles, and arrive to Galveston Island State Park entrance on the left. Pay fee at park entrance, and come to the picnic tables area to join in the fun!!!





ZOROASTRIAN ASSOCIATION OF HOUSTON

ZHCC ACCESS FOB AGREEMENT FORM

I, the undersigned, being a member of the Zoroastrian Association of Houston in good standing, hereby agree to the following terms, in exchange for which I will be issued a unique access fob, for entry to the Zarathushti Heritage and Cultural Center (ZHCC).

1. I understand that my key fob is unique, and that its use will be recorded by ZAH as evidence of my entry into the building.
2. The purchase cost of my first fob is \$10, payable to ZAH.
3. Should I need a replacement, or an additional fob, I agree to purchase it at a cost of \$25.
4. I agree to be solely responsible for my fob, and shall not loan it to anyone else to use.
5. I agree to be responsible for any persons I admit to the ZHCC.
6. If my fob is lost or stolen, I agree to inform the ZAH Secretary as soon as possible so that the fob may be disabled without delay.
7. If I am the last person exiting the ZHCC, I will ensure that all doors and windows are locked, and I shall arm the alarm system before exiting the building.
 - a. If I am unable to arm the system for any reason, I shall immediately contact a member of ZAH's Security System Team to request remote arming of the alarm system.
8. I understand that the access fob is only for ZAH members and should I choose to not renew my annual ZAH membership, it will be deactivated.
 - a. If I renew my ZAH membership after letting it lapse, I understand that I will have to pay ZAH a fee of \$10 for reactivating my deactivated fob or I may purchase a new fob for \$25.
9. I understand that if I repeatedly misuse the ZHCC, the ZAH Executive Committee (EC) may disable my access fob, limiting my access to the ZHCC.
 - a. Reinstatement of the fob would be at the sole discretion of the ZAH EC, and may require an additional fee or deposit as appropriate.

Member Name (printed)

Member Signature

Date

Lot #

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FOR ZAH USE ONLY

Fob Number Allocated

Received by
(Member Signature)

Received on
(Date)

ZAH Issuer Initials

Amount Collected: \$ _____

Please return this form to the ZAH Secretary