SUNDAY SCHOOL

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

TIME:   11:15 AM.

DATE:   September 13, 2009

Children’s Session:  Vehishta will talk about Muktad Ceremonies.

Middle Group:  Arnavaz Sethna and Pearline Collector conduct this session.

Senior Group:  Sarosh Collector conducts this session

Adult Sunday School Classes  – If you are interested in joining Adult Sunday School classes, please contact Nazneen Khumbatta, preferably at nazneekhumbatta@yahoo.com

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday, October 4  – Fasli Mehergan Gahambar
Friday evening/Saturday all day/Sunday morning – Oct 16, 17 & 18  – Library event with Peter Clark
Saturday, November 7  – ZAH Fundraising Gala
Sunday, November 8  – ZAH Annual General Meeting
Saturday, November 21  – Dinner Theater
Friday, December 4  – Library Event
Sunday, December 13  – Christmas Party after Sunday School

MEETINGS
REPORTS

None at this time

MISCELLANEOUS

NAVROZE FUNCTION
Navroze function started off with Humbandagi at our Center on Navroze evening(August 19th). Then celebration and festivities took place at the Center on August 22nd. What a celebration it was !!. The evening commenced with a talent show. Everyone present at the show, would agree that there is no dearth of talent in our community... From toddlers to grandparents and everyone in between, entertained us with songs, dances, instrumentals, poetry and more!! Arzan Gonda’s troupe performed the bollywood numbers.
The Sunday school teachers who put in countless hours to teach our kids and youth were also honored and rightfully so!! We are thankful for your efforts. Congratulations to all the graduates who were honored. You make us proud.
Dinner by Zaika was much appreciated by all. The color coded system for getting dinner prevented long lines at the buffet tables and allowed for dinner service to be more organized.
The evening was rounded off with dancing until the wee hours of the morning to foot stomping, hip-swaying music by our very own Generation 1 band. Yes, they are back!! With a Bang !!
There are some new faces on the band:
Aspy Jamshedji - Bass Guitar
Eddie Behrana - Vocals
Farrokh Firozgary - Keyboards/Synthesizer
Jamshed Dubash - Drums
Rustum Challa - Rhythm, Lead Guitar & Vocals
Ziba Colah - Rhythm Guitar & Vocals

Generation 1, would like to thank Aspi Colah and family, Danesh Dubash and Khush Nariman for helping the band with sound, lights, set-up, etc during the function.
The Entertainment Committee would like to thank the many volunteers that worked hard not only during the function but also before - to help with the set-up and after - to help with the clean-up. Your efforts made this function fun for everyone. THANK YOU !!

If you have pictures of the talent show that you would like uploaded to our ZAH website photo gallery, please do email those to kbdastur@yahoo.com

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR THE ZAH INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT TEAM
For the past several years, Purvez Rustomji, Rustom Engineer and Kershaw Khumbatta have been actively managing ZAH’s investments on the Investment Management Team. The funds are held in two separate
accounts with Fidelity Investments - a Scholarship account and a General account. Due to personal reasons, this group would like to resign from this activity soon. The ZAH EC thanks them for their dedicated work, and is looking for volunteers to take over this activity. If you are interested, please contact the ZAH secretary, Percy Master by email at percy.master@hp.com.

WZCC - COVERAGE IN THE TIMES OF INDIA
WZCC has received excellent coverage in India's most prestigious publication, The Times of India, Mumbai edition, on August 19, 2009 (Navroze day). WZCC is grateful for the efforts of Hon. Member, Sam Balsara, for this free publicity.

Attached is the article:
APPEAL FROM THE NEW ZEALAND PARSIS (by New Zealand, Zoroastrian Community Trust)
The Zoroastrian population in New Zealand has grown from a tiny community of about 20 in the late 1980s to today being over 1,200 Zoroastrians, most of who are settled in Auckland.

Initially, the size of the community meant that social and spiritual events were held in peoples' homes. As the community has grown, they have started hiring community halls and restaurants for functions. This creates challenges, especially with respect to religious ceremonies. The growing community has become keenly aware of the need for a spiritual, cultural, and social center that will serve the Zoroastrian community through networking. Set to inaugurate its first all-India business plan on Parsi New Year's Day (August 19), the Chamber has invited applications from those who wish to start a business or expand an existing one.

"The idea is to encourage the growth of enterprise and business in the Parsi community," said Cyrus Bagwadia, the ex-CEO of Essel Propack. "We intend to have a corpus of Rs 5 crore to start off with, and will invest in the equity of the company. The Chamber will be like an angel investor who will help people realise their dreams, mentor them, coach them and provide monetary help. It is a way to connect to youngsters who have ideas and need a little push."

There is no age bar. People from other communities with a Parsi partner are also eligible for seed capital. The Chamber has already received numerous requests. Proposals include plans to start a restaurant on the Pune-Mumbai Expressway, a resort in a wildlife park and a garment business.
in New Zealand.
To respond to this need, the "Zoroastrian Community Trust of New Zealand" (ZCT) was set up as a Charitable Trust under the laws of New Zealand in March 2007. The objectives of ZCT are to establish a Zoroastrian community centre and place of worship in Auckland, New Zealand and to accumulate funds, through donations and fundraising activities, for the establishment and ongoing management of the community centre.
The proposed community centre will provide a social, cultural and spiritual anchor for the Zoroastrian community in New Zealand. It would be an institution that this generation and future generations of Zoroastrians will identify with. It will aim to create a link with our cultural and religious roots in India, Iran and rest of the world.
Several Zoroastrian families in NZ have already become Pledge Donors and are donating regularly. The Trust Board with its group of volunteers has conducted, several fund raising activities that and are also working with local charities/government organisations for the same.
ZCT is reaching out to Zoroastrians around the world for assistance and is making an appeal to fellow Zoroastrians and Zoroastrian Associations/Anjumans worldwide to help achieve this vision of establishing the community centre for the benefit of the entire Zoroastrian community in New Zealand.
The ZCT Trust Deed, Financial Statements, Annual Reports and other details are also available on their website at [http://www.zct.co.nz/](http://www.zct.co.nz/).
If you have any questions on ZCT or can help in any way please contact [zcentre@gmail.com](mailto:zcentre@gmail.com)

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**NAVJOTE**

Kyle Jensen, son of Venessa Behrana Jensen and David Jensen, had his Navjote performed on April 25, 2009.

Congratulations Kyle.

**WEDDING BELLS**


We wish the married couple all the best.