SUNDAY SCHOOL

PLACE: ZHCC, 8787 W. Airport Blvd., Houston, TX 77071   Tel: 713-270-9339
TIME: 11:30 a.m.
DATE: August 14, 2011

Children’s Session: Due to the Muktad prayer ceremonies at the Sunday School room, the Sunday school will not be held in the Sunday School room. We will find a quiet corner at the Center for story time for interested children who are present. Sessions will resume in the Sunday School room from September. The Gujarati session will not be held this month.

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

Tuesday, August 9 to Friday August 18 – Muktad Prayers held at the Center.
Friday, August 19 – Shahenshahi Navroze Humbandagi. 6.30 pm at the Center
Saturday, August 20 – Shahenshahi Navroze Function. Doors open at 8pm. Entertainment starts at 8.30 pm. RSVP and send in your checks by 12th August. Please see attached flyer.
Friday, September 9 – Library Event - “Parsi Identity….Lost” a talk by Sarosh Manekshaw
Sunday, October 2 - Fasli Mehrgan gahambar
Saturday, October 22 & Sunday October 23, 2011 – Annual Library Event – mark your calendar
Sunday, November 6th 2011 - Annual Cricket Day (including families)

MEETINGS

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REPORTS

LIBRARY REPORT
By Jangoo Mistry

The ZAH Library is proud to bring to you a very special and interesting event on Friday, September 9, when our resident scholar, Sarosh Manekshaw, will present his talk: “Parsi Identity….Lost”. In a fascinating account based on Sarosh’s research, he will trace how the Parsi identity has evolved from the time we landed in Gujerat,
through the ups and downs of the Parsi Panchayet and our special relationship with the British, to the more recent migration to the West.

Sarosh Manekshaw needs no introduction to the Houston community. An illustrious member of ZAH since 1978, Sarosh has served on the ZAH Executive Committee, the ZAH Library Committee, has conducted Sunday school classes for youth and adults, chaired several conferences in the U.S. and in India, and served as guest editor of the FEZANA Journal.

Though this talk was originally presented at the NAZC in Houston last December, many of us missed it because of scheduling conflicts or involvement in other parts of the program. This event will give all of us an opportunity to understand and discuss the issue of Parsi identity – today’s burning issue that has caused much controversy and anxiety here as well as in India. Please come and join us for an informative and thought-provoking event on September 9 at 7 pm with tea and snacks before that. More details on the event will be forthcoming.

It is with great pride that we are highlighting a recently-published book “Divine Rebels: American Christian Activists for Social Justice” by our very own Deena Guzder. Each chapter in the book tells the story of an activist who has found something worth marching in the streets for, something worth going to jail for, something worth dying for. Each person profiled in the book has encountered “suffering and injustice so deeply that it lit a fire in their bones”. These are the people who agitate for a world free of racism, bigotry, poverty, and militarism – evils that also bother ordinary folks, who choose to look the other way and do nothing. The book has been hailed by critics as “a learned, readable, and immensely important work of history, journalism, and advocacy”, and “a timely and important account of activists deeply committed to both their faith and to a better world”. Deena is an independent journalist who has reported on human rights across the globe. Her work has appeared in Time, National Geographic, Washington Post and several other publications. Wise beyond her years, she holds advanced degrees in journalism and international affairs from the prestigious Columbia University. The ZAH Library is privileged to add this book by such a talented youngster from our community to our collection. Be sure to check this book out. You will be glad you did.

Youth Report – July 2011
By Zenia Sunavala, Secretary

The Youth Congress in Vancouver that took place from June 30th to July 4th was an amazing journey filled with memories that each of us will cherish forever. We all made tons of new friends and became closer to the ones we have. We learned so much from the wonderful, informative sessions from honorable speakers, as well as enjoyed the beautiful city of Vancouver. We would not have been able to enjoy this life-changing experience if it wasn't for: our youth mentors and teachers for guiding us in the right direction, our chaperones Diana Aunty, Kayomerz Uncle, and of course Sarosh Uncle, who accompanied us on our trip, our loving parents for allowing us this opportunity, Manek Aunty for organizing all the paperwork and making this trip run smoothly, and of course, the continuous support of our community throughout all our fund-raisers. To fulfill our dreams of going to this Youth Congress, we worked diligently to raise money this past year and I can proudly say that our hard work has paid off.

On another note, we also celebrated the Tirgan Festival at the July Sunday School with the Middle Group. Jashn-e Tiregān is a festival that celebrates water/rain. After our Sunday School session regarding the Tirgan Festival, we enjoyed splashing water and throwing water balloons at friends in the parking lot area of the Z.A.H. Center.

All in all, the month of July was a great month for the Youth as we continue to perform our three fundamental principles of having good thoughts, speaking good words, and performing good deeds in the hope that the younger generations look up to us as the inspiring leaders of today.
congress 2000 legacy

August 5, 2011

It gives us immense pleasure to announce that we are ready to declare the winners of our 2011 congress 2000 legacy award winners where we recognize them with modest cash grants in order to acknowledge their Academic & Communal Excellence.

This year competition was fierce, the calibers of the applicants were just spectacular and hence after much deliberation the selection committee decided that the best avenue was to tie this award. The winners were chosen by an executive judgment of the Legacy Planning Committee and acknowledged by the ZAH-EC.

Two outstanding students
Mitra Khumbatta & Ervad Viraf Nariman

Are the chosen recipients of this 2011 Award which will be split in half. Both our applicants are to be commended on their dedication, achievement and contributions.

This is the third year that one of our MAIN congress 2000 legacy awards has been designated as “Cyrus Rohinton Desai Award” in memory of a courageous young Houstonian who lost his battle with cancer. This award is ONLY given to the person who is going off to college for the first time since it was Cyrus wish to go even for a day to college but sadly this was not to be. It is a tremendous honor for one to be the recipient of this grant!

The 2011 outstanding winner of this award is Fram Haveliwala.

The congress 2000 legacy Award was established as a result of the funds that resulted from the success of World Zoroastrian Congress 2000 & the additional grants received from the Desai family. The award recognizes young Zoroastrian ZAH students who are studying at the University level and who have achieved excellence in their scholastic studies, in extracurricular activities and who have made substantial contribution to Zoroastrian community affairs.

The congress 2000 legacy Committee and the ZAH Executive Committee congratulate YOU, one of our winners. We believe these students deserve to be recognized as innovators and leaders for tomorrow’s global community. By supporting the next generation of great minds we pay tribute to the success of the World Zoroastrian Congress we had in 2000!

With our best wishes,
The legacy committee

Homi Davier
Dr. Farrokh Mistree
Aban Rustomji

The congress 2000 legacy is an award program of the Zoroastrian Association of Houston
ZAH Sports Committee Report

Indoor Sports Day on August 7th, 2011

We would like to acknowledge and thank all our community members for turning up in such great numbers and supporting us as well as all the volunteers for their selfless assistance and support on a hot and sultry Sunday for our inaugural Indoor Sports day event. We began the day with our juniors and youth going head to head with each other in Carrom and Checkers whereas another handful ranging from 8 to 80 yrs started to match their skills on the Dart board.

The excitement started to buildup with everyone so eager and anxious to participate and match their skills until the arrival of Pizzas which was a welcome change for the “now growling tummies”. Then came the long sought after and much awaited event, “Whist Drive”, where 48 participants matched their wits and talent under the guile and wizardry of our favorite MC, Jangoo Mistry and everyone had a lot of fun along with laughter and a few “Arre Whaa’s”. Once the Whist Drive was over after 12 intriguing rounds, the Brownies and Ice-Cream along with some Chai made an entrance and finally the day concluded with the culmination of the Carrom Singles Finals at around 7.30 pm.

All the awards will be presented to the prize winners at the Shahensahi Navroze Function on Saturday, August 20th 2011 and we would like to extend our grateful thanks to the Entertainment Committee for allowing us to conduct the Prize Distribution ceremony that day.

Last but not the least, we express our deepest gratitude and appreciation to all our Donors for their unstinted support and generosity shown as always and wish to see everyone at our next event.

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ZAH Sports Committee welcomes any feedback including any new ideas at zahsportscommittee@gmail.com

FEZANA BULLETIN

Fezana Bulletin is a new feature introduced by FEZANA, where in a bi-monthly 2-page newsletter called “FEZANABulletin” will be published to showcase FEZANA, member associations and small groups.
If you would like to receive this bulletin on an ongoing basis, please send an email to fezana@yahoogroups.com to be added to their distribution list. FEZANA Officers prefer that you update your e-mail address in the FEZANA Directory by going to fezana.org – click on North American Directory and follow the prompts. Recipients will have option to opt out of getting future copies of the newsletter by sending an e-mail to admin@fezana.org.

Below some snippets from the 1st edition of the Bulletin:

**New Center for ZANT:** Zoroastrian Association of North Texas opened their new Center in April with Vendidad ceremony invoking blessings of Ahura Mazda, and was formally opened on May 6.

**FEZANA Open Positions:**
- **Assistant Secretary:** Shiraz Italia will serve as the new FEZANA Assistant Secretary for 2011-2012.
- **Public Relations Committee:** Afreed Misty has been appointed the new Co-Chair for the FEZANA Public Relations Committee.

FEZANA is now on Facebook - http://www.facebook.com/pages/Fezans/146727472067524 and Twitter - http://twitter.com/#!/FEZANA1

**Zoroastrian Association of Florida (ZAF):** ZAF is running a raffle of 5 prizes with the grand raffle as a "gara". $20 ticket is valid for 5 prizes. Please see rules and picture of prizes in attached flyer.

**FALI CHOTIA CHARITABLE TRUST EDUCATIONAL SCHOLARSHIPS**
The Fali Chothia Charitable Trust is accepting applications for its 22nd annual scholarship awards. Scholarships are open to Zoroastrian students in North America enrolled in four-year or graduate-level programs. Awards are based on financial need, academic achievement, extracurricular activity and community service. They are given as outright gifts or no- and low-interest loans.

To demonstrate solidarity and trust between organizations while serving community causes, the US Chapter of the World Zoroastrian Organisation is once again joining the Fali Chothia Trust's Scholarship Program. This partnership enables the Trust to significantly increase the amount of its scholarships.

The Fali Chothia Charitable Trust was established in 1988 under the Zoroastrian Association of Metropolitan Washington, Inc. (ZAMWI). The Trust provides scholarships to deserving Zoroastrian students enrolled in universities in North America, regardless of their country of origin.

Applications may be downloaded from: http://www.zamwi.org/about/2001FCCT.pdf

**MANA OF ANGELS – THE RECIPE BOOK BY KZBM**
The much-acclaimed Recipe Book published under the auspices of the Karachi Zarthosti Banoo Mandal (KZBM) has now been reprinted and is for sale for $30.00. Limited number is available from Arnavaz Sethna. Please call in your order to Arnavaz at 281-499-1832 or e-mail her at asethna@comcast.net. All proceeds go to KZBM. KZBM is a philanthropic organization in Karachi, Pakistan and has helped many Zarathushtis over the past few decades.

**NAVJOTE MUBARAK**
Chloe and Tayte Choudhury, children of Tanaz and Chesley Choudhury, grandchildren of Banoo and Dara Colabawalla and Marie Celine and Kamal Noel Choudhury of Mumbai, India had their Navjote performed on July 2, 2011. Evads Bomanshaw Sanjana of Houston, TX and Yazdi Dastur of Dallas, TX performed the ceremony. Friends and Family from all over the Globe joined in to make this special occasion a success.

**MANASHNI and its readers extend their congratulations to Chloe and Tayte**

**WEDDING BELLS**
- **Kamal Dubash**, daughter of Mehroo Dubash, was married to **Brent D. Bromley** on Saturday, July 9, 2011, in Houston.

- **Ayesha Sagar**, daughter of Pervin and Vispi Sagar, was married to **Jason Bradley Wageneck** on Saturday, July 9, 2011 at a resort in Grand Cayman Island.

**MANASHNI and its readers congratulate the newly weds and wish them a happy future ahead !!**
OBITUARY
Minoo Mana, father of Sherry Sethna, Naomi Framjee and Hormuzd Mana, passed away in Karachi on August 6 at the age of 82. Our thoughts and prayers are with their families.

Dr. Roda Patel, sister of Roshan Nano Daroowalla, passed away on August 8, 2011. She will remain an inspiration to many people across the world. After her bout with cancer, in 1994, at the age of 60, she started her humanitarian work in India by joining Gram Seva Trust. She created a program to educate, nourish and help the rural children of India. Dr. Roda Patel will be remembered as a wonderful wife, mother, pediatrician and humanitarian.

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

MUKTAD (by Er. Dr. Ramiyar Parvez Karanjia)
Zoroastrians all over the world celebrate the last ten days of their religious calendar year, that is, from roj Ashtad mah Spandarmad to the Vahishtoist Gatha, as the Muktad. The word Muktad is also referred to as Muktā, which is closer to the Sanskrit word from which it is derived – mukt ātmān. It is the Sanskrit rendering of the Avestan word ashāunām.

Muktad is a joyous occasion for remembering and welcoming the Fravashis. We need to show our love and gratitude to them, as they help us in many ways. We have to thank both the types of Fravashis - those helping Nature and those helping souls of men (living as well as departed ones). In old books, among the list of duties of a Zoroastrian, the duty of celebrating the Muktad is foremost.

According to Saddar Bundahishn during these days the souls of the departed too come down to the earth. The Fravashis, who are the guardians of the soul, accompany them. All souls are liberated, from wherever they are, even from hell. The souls of the pious make merry as if a traveler has returned home. The souls of the evil do not experience much joy as they are in the dread of returning back.

Zoroastrians erroneously believe that Muktad are the days of remembering just their departed ones. In fact. Muktad are the days for the collective worship of all Fravashis, followed by the individual remembrance of souls and Fravashis of one’s dear departed ones.

During the days of Muktad, the Fravashis come collectively to this world and go to their respective houses. Whenever the Muktad are properly celebrated and the Fravashis are duly propitiated, the affairs of those people are successful, and there is all round prosperity. People are blessed with health, strength, happiness, protection and abundance of waters. The Fravashis even bless the city and nation in which they are remembered.

Preparation for Muktad:
In the past, especially when Muktad was mainly celebrated in the house, preparations were made in the house. The full house or a particular room was cleaned and white-washed. Provisions and fuel were stocked at least to last the days of Muktad and New Year. This was done so that one did not need to go shopping during these days. People, as far as possible do not go out of the house, as souls and Fravashis come home, and it is not proper to leave them and go. Sometimes night long vigil was also kept by people. People of the house, especially women who were actively involved with preparations, took a Nahan. All family members used to contribute their share towards buying house-hold items. This sharing gave rise to the term Behru, a Persian word, which means “share” Today, what we understand by the term Behru is the consecrated vase or karasya in which water and flowers are kept during the days of Muktad. The Behru is symbolic of the unity of the family and does not necessarily represent the departed person.

Muktad in the house
It is advisable to observe the Muktad in the house. If not the prayers, at least some arrangement can be done to welcome the Fravashis home. The main requirements for observing Muktad in the house are fresh water, flowers, a metallic vase or a Karasyo, a metallic or stone table, fire, divo and chanting of prayers. Flowers can be arranged in a vase filled with water and kept in the prayer room or a secluded corner of the house. Water and flowers in the vase have to be changed daily. Flowers and water are the visible emblems and symbolic reminders of the invisible souls and Fravashis. Notes prepared by Er. Dr. Ramiyar Parvez Karanjia for Ahunavar Academy

Water and flowers are representatives of Khordad and Amardad Ameshaspand. They are the carriers of reward for the soul of the deceased. They also uphold life and so do Fravashis. Moreover, all the three are also carriers
of divine blessings. Hence water, plant and Fravashis are remembered together at several places (Yasna 26, Farvardin Yasht 23 etc.)

**Duration - 10 or 18 days**

Today generally we celebrate 10 days of Muktad, starting from Roj Ashtad of Mah Spandarmad and ending at Vahishtoisht Gatha. Zoroastrian texts have references to 10 Farvardeghan days. (dasa pairi khshafnao in Farvardin Yasht XIII, Phil Vd.VIII.22, Sdr Bnd, 52.1-3, Persian Revayats, Dhabhar).

Since a long time in India, Muktad was celebrated for 18 days. It started on Roj Ashishwangh of Mah Spandarmad and ended on the dawn of roj Amardad mah Fravarden. The earliest evidence of 18 days Muktad is through references in a book which relate such celebrations since the 15th century. The reason Muktad were lengthened to 18 days was that the 7 days after Vahishtoisht Gatha are important since they belong to 7 Amshaspands: Hormazd Roj is Navroz, Ardibahesht roj is Rapithwin consecration, Khordad roj is Khordad sal. Hence these six days were clubbed together to form 18 Muktad days. It should be noted that though the Muktad are said to be of eighteen days, on Ashishwangh roj and Amardad roj hardly any prayers are done.

In the early seventies, especially due to the initiative taken by Dasturji Khurshed Dabu and others, Muktad were once again gradually reverted back to 10 days.

**Hamaspathmaedhem Gahambar:** The later five days of the 10 day Muktad are also the days of the sixth and the last Gahambar, Hamaspathermhaedhem. According to Zoroastrian religion, each of the 6 creations was created during one of the Gahambars. Mankind was created on the last Gahambar.

**Purpose of Muktad**

In most religious traditions, the departed ones are specially invoked once a year. The Hindus refer these days as Shradh and the Christians as Lent (before Good Friday). According to Zoroastrian tradition the Fravashis descend at the end of the year.

During the Muktad, one has to keep away from routine work, devote time to the remembrance of Fravashis and do works of charity. Fravashis come whenever they are invited. However, during the days of Muktad all the Fravashis descend. When they come to the house they have to be remembered and worshipped. If they are happy, they give blessings of prosperity and happiness. They should not go back dissatisfied. Great rewards can be obtained by the observation of Muktad.

Muktad is a time of REPAYING the debt of gratitude to our ancestors - those whom we know and the countless others whom we don’t know, but who have made a difference to our lives. These days also help us to renew the MEMORY of our dear departed ones. They also help us realise our RESPONSIBILITY for the future generations. Just as we reap the rewards of the actions done by our past ancestors, we should do something for the future generations.

**Special prayers for Muktad, especially for laity:**

1. For the first five days, Framraot Hā (commentary of Ashem Vohu) or 1200 Ashem Vohu in the khshnuman of Ardafravash has to be recited. Notes prepared by Er. Dr. Ramiyar Parvez Karanjia for Ahunavar Academy
2. For the five days of Gathas, each Gatha on the respective day or 1200 Yatha in the Khshnuman of Gatha has to be recited.
3. Muktad no namaskar.
4. Lākhi nu bhantar 570 Yatha + 210 Ashem + 120 Yenghe (total 900) in the khsnuman of Sarosh – is to be recited daily for 10 days.

**Customs for Muktad**

1) Not to cut hair and nails, so as not to create naso and impurity.
2) Not to stitch clothes or other such avoidable chores, so that one could devote time to prayers and remembrance of Fravashis Men should not engage in activities except doing their duty and performing meritorious deeds, so that the Fravashis may return with delight and pronounce benedictions.
3) To keep fire in the house and offer fragrance to it, praise Fravashis, recite the Fravarden Yasht, perform Afringan and recite Avesta prayers so that the Fravashis experience comfort, joy and delight and confer blessings.

Some customs arose out of ignorance and were later discontinued. For instance, a Jama (long white robe) was hung on sugarcane sticks to remind of the presence of the souls of departed persons. There was also a custom
of cleaning the corners of the house with a broom immediately after Muktad to make sure that all the souls and Fravashis depart, lest some may stay back and take back the soul of a living person as company. Presently there is a practice of going from Agyari to Agyari to pay homage to Muktad. This practice is not in agreement with the spirit of Muktad, wherein we need to stay at home, pray and invite the Fravashis in our houses. Moreover, in the past Muktads were mostly celebrated at home and not in Agyaris.

Important days during Muktad
1. Roj Marespand – Din Beh Mino Marespand: On this day the Zarathushtra was accepted as a prophet by King Vishtasp.
2. Hamaspathmaedhem Gahambar days: To consecrate Gahambar preferably on Ahunavad Gatha or any of the five Gathas.
3. Vahishtoisht Gatha is known as Pateti – day of Repentance. On this day, preferably in the Ushahin Gah, Patet has to be recited to seek forgiveness for sins committed knowingly or unknowingly during the year. The night of Vahishtoisht Gatha is also referred to as Valavo, that is, send off (for the Fravashis).

Muktad are the days of heightened communication between the material and spiritual worlds – our need of health, happiness, peace and prosperity is fulfilled through the blessings of the souls and the Fravashis, and their need for our remembrance is fulfilled by our sincere prayers and invocations.
ZAH Library Presents

PARSI IDENTITY ..LOST?

TALK BY SAROSH MANEKSHAW

Sarosh Manekshaw will present his research on Parsi identity. Sarosh has outlined the development of the Parsi identity from their arrival in Gujarat, the ups and downs of the Parsi Panchayet, and their special relationship with the British, to their recent migration to North America. This talk was first presented at the NAZO in December 2010, and later on in Mumbai. Don't miss this opportunity to hear Sarosh's concerns regarding the loss of the Parsi identity.

Sarosh Manekshaw has been a member of ZAH since 1978 and has served on the Executive Committee for four years. He has conducted Sunday school classes for both youth and adults. He is a valued member of the ZAH Library committee. He was the Co-Chair of the Second Gatha Conference held in Houston in 1996, and editor of the Proceedings of that Conference. He served as Vice-Chairman of the 7th World Zoroastrian Congress, held in Houston in December 2000. Sarosh was a guest editor of the FEZANA Journal, and contributed many articles over the years.

Friday, September 9, 2011

TEA & SNACKS: 6:30—7:00 p.m

PRESENTATION: 7:00—9:00 p.m

Zarathushtri Heritage and Cultural Center
87887 W Airport Blvd.
Houston TX 77071