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### **SUNDAY SCHOOL**

PLACE:ZHCC

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

**TIME:** Different timings for each group

**DATE: August 13, 2023** 

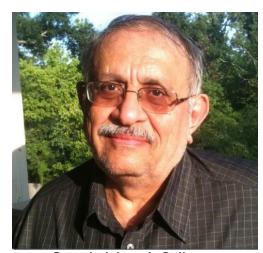
<u>Children's Session</u>: The Sunday School session starts at 11:00 a.m. inperson and by Zoom

<u>Middle Group</u>: The Sunday School session at 11:00 a.m. – in-person & by Zoom



Youth Group: The Sunday School session at 10:00 a.m. In person





Sarosh Jehangir Collector September 27, 1947 – July 23, 2023

### **Sarosh J. Collector - A Tribute to a Passionate Community Leader** By: Aban Rustomji

Sarosh Collector was a man of many facets - Altruist, Leader, Philanthropist, and Mentor. A contemplative man by nature, he took family, business, and community to the heart of his existence—deeply optimistic, his pursuits connected communities through public trails and in preserving Zoroastrianism and culture.

An engineer by profession, he chose to switch career paths and became a CPA, where he managed and transformed his company Collector and Dart and was involved in all aspects of the business.

He was ever-involved on many community boards and was instrumental in the early days of forming FEZANA, ZAH, and WZCC.

As a beloved Sunday school teacher, students and parents admired and revered him.

### ZAH EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Aderbad Tamboli – Chairman Percy Master – Secretary Farokh Billimoria – Treasurer

Zia Anklesaria – Member Nikita Gagrat – Members Kershaw Khumbatta – Member Fiona Setna – Member

Nazanin Sarkari – FEZANA Rep

### **OUR ERVADS (PRIESTS)**

Noozar Boomla Kyrus Buchia Barjor M Dastur Darius B Dastur Farrokh Desai Pervez Gonda Neville Kanga Rayomand Katrak Vispi Katrak Noshir Khumbatta Zubin Kotwal Dara Masani Khushrav Nariman Shapur Pavri Bahmanshah Sanjana Kurush Sanjana Kayomarz Sidhwa Maneck Sidhwa Yazad Sidhwa Peshotan Unwalla Freyaan Vimadalal Khushroo Vimadalal

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### SAROSH AT ATASH KADEH INAUGURATION GALA MARCH 2019



In community planning, he was a visionary, was always at the cutting edge, and was young at heart - no matter his age or health. He planned projects with cognitive maps allowing others to organize and tease out flaws. The landscapes we see locally are visions born from his industriously creative mind.

But it wasn't just his actions that defined Sarosh as a leader; his ability to inspire and empower others truly set him apart. He had an innate talent for bringing people together, encouraging collaboration, and fostering a sense of unity. Sarosh had the remarkable ability to see the potential in every individual and help them realize their capabilities. His guidance and mentorship touched the lives of countless individuals, leaving an indelible mark on their minds and hearts.

But amidst his dedication to his community, Sarosh knew the significance of family and friendship.



He was a loving partner, a devoted parent, and a loyal friend. Sarosh's infectious laughter, kind heart, and bellowing loud remarks at AGMs brought joy and attention to those around him. He had an uncanny ability to make people feel seen, heard, and valued, creating an environment of acceptance and love.

Let us honor Sarosh Collector, this remarkable community leader, by living our lives with the same passion, empathy, and dedication he exhibited. May his memory be a constant reminder that we have the power to make a difference, just as he did.

Dear Sarosh, thank you for the legacy of love and compassion you have left behind.

Dear Pearline and family, thank you for generously sharing Sarosh with us at ZAH and the North American community.

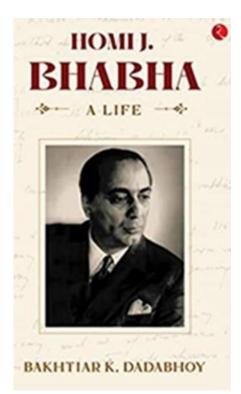
#### LIBRARY/WZCC EVENT

POWER OF THE PRODUCER: Trials, Tribulations & Triumphs Of a movie Executive

### **CYRUS BHARUCHA**



**Book Review** 



#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

Sunday, August 6 to 15 – Muktad Days
Wednesday, August 16 – Navroze Hambandagi – 6:30 p.m.
Saturday, August 19 – Navroze Function
Friday, August 25 – Library/WZCC Event
Sunday, October 1 – Fasli Mehergan & Maedyozarem Gahambar
Friday, October 20 – WZCC Event – Triumphs & Tribulations
Saturday, November 4 – A Play from Shahname: A Woman Archer
Friday, November 10 & Saturday, November 11 –
24<sup>th</sup> Annual Library Event

#### **REPORTS**

### LIBRARY REPORT Library Event – August 25, 2023

Have you registered for a joint ZAH Library/WZCC event "Power of the Producer: Trials, Tribulations & Triumphs of a Movie Producer" by Cyrus Bharucha on Friday, August 25, 2023. Not yet? Well, we are bringing you a very practical yet interesting event. You will soon realize that being a Producer is not as glamorous as you think, and that without tribulations, there is no triumph. Cyrus will talk about his time spent several years as the producer and director of On Wings of Fire. See flyer below for more details. The event begins at 6:30 with light refreshments followed by the talk and end with a potluck dinner. Although the event is free, please register online at <a href="https://zah.org/events/library-wzcc-event/">https://zah.org/events/library-wzcc-event/</a> for the purposes of the headcount.

#### **Book Review**

*Homi J. Bhabha: A Life* by Bakhtiar K Dadabhoy. Rupa Publications, 2023. ISBN: 9789355208187

This is the first full-fledged biography of the theoretical physicist who founded India's nuclear program. A Renaissance man, Bhabha was also a lover of music and an accomplished painter. A scientist and aesthete who was equally at home in the world of science and the arts. he was both a visionary and a doer—a man of thought as well as a man of action. A great deal is known of his astonishing intellect, but less about his human side. This biography combines both aspects of him, presenting a more complete picture of the man. Bhabha's life story also provides a good vehicle for telling the story of Indian science and the foundations of India's atomic energy program. This biography is as much an early history of the Tata Institute of Fundamental Research, Mumbai, and India's atomic energy program as it is an account of Bhabha's life and work. Meticulously researched and narrated in rich, human, political and scientific detail, this biography tells the story of one of twentieth-century India's greatest scientists and the country's greatest-ever science administrator.

Bakhtiar K. Dadabhoy is the author of eight books including the bestselling Jeh: A Life of JRD Tata, Sugar in Milk: Lives of Eminent Parsis, Barons of Banking: Glimpses of Indian Banking History and Zubin Mehta: A Musical Journey, the authorized biography of music conductor, Zubin Mehta. His most recent book was The Magnificent Diwan: The Life and Times of Sir Salar Jung I. He currently resides in New Delhi.

This book has been donated to ZAH Library by Cyrus Bharucha.

### **DAVIER FAMILY**



LATE SAROSH WITH SAROSH JR. BEHRAM ROJ OCTOBER 2022



YOUNG MOBED - TRAINING FOR BOYE CEREMONY



BEHRAM ROJ JASHAN SOME ATTENDEES



#### ATASH KADEH NEWS

By: Persis Behramsha

July was a busy month, not only with all the activities taking place throughout the month, but also preparations for the soon approaching Muktad prayers.

We began with the July 1<sup>st</sup> Behram Roj monthly sponsored Jashan, which was very graciously sponsored by Nergish and Jenisteen Davier. It carried a special meaning for everyone, having recently lost a special person - Homi Davier, who was a staunch pillar of our community. We miss him very dearly.

Just a few days ago, we also lost Saroh Collector, a strong and ardent supporter of the Atash Kadeh, and a key figure in our ZAH community. On several occasions he had mentioned that he was always ready to step in any time to cover a Jashan or event at the Atash Kadeh, if the need arose. He proved it by actually participating on short notice, on more than one occasion. He once mentioned that he was extremely happy to see the Atash Kadeh built in his lifetime.

During the North American Mobed Council AGM in June 2023, there were ongoing discussions to conduct training for Young Mobeds at the Atash Kadeh in Houston. The training was held July 29 – July 30, 2023. Ten young Mobeds, ages 11 through 29 attended from across the U.S. Ervad Tehmton Mirza, President of NAMC conducted the theoretical sessions ranging from the History of Mobeds to Meanings of Prayers. Mobeds Maneck Sidhwa and Pervez Gonda guided the young Mobeds on the rituals with hands-on participation with the Boye ceremony. The Mobeds had a good time retraining and some of the older youth were also eager to help the younger ones learn. The ZAH and Atash Kadeh are grateful to NAMC for choosing Houston for this training.

The month ended with another sponsored Behram Roj Jashan. This was a Jashan collectively sponsored by families from Houston, Chicago, and Poona, India, along with visitors from California. Thank you to the families of *Kersi & Meher Choksey, Rohintan & Mahrukh Deputy, Yezdi & Roshan Engineer, Dr. Nasli & Armaity Ichaporia, Dilnar & David Menesse, Shaheen Rustom and Zarir & Hira Todiwala* for generously sponsoring this Jashan.

Muktad prayers have started from August 6 through August 15, 2023. Please feel free to attend the prayers at the Atash Kadeh or via the Zoom link. Thank you all for your continued support and participation.



Young Mobeds in Training

### YOUTH GROUP OFFICERS





Mahtab President

Neville Natasha V President Secretary





Shireen Historian

Josephine Irani

### ADERBAD TAMBOLI ZAH CHAIR



**INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT TEAM** 



Vispi Sagar



Jamshed Elavia

### YOUTH GROUP REPORT

By: Mahtab B Dastur

The Youth Group had elections in July. The officers representing the

Youth Group for the 2023-2024 term are:

President: Mahtab B. Dastur Vice President: Neville Kanga Secretary: Natasha Kanga Treasurer: Josephine Irani Historian: Shireen Anklesaria

Mentors: Nerius Mehta, Natalya Katrak, Rayhan Nariman

Congratulations to all the newly elected officers!

### **MISCELLANEOUS**

### FINANCE COMMITTEE – IMPROVING OUR FINANCIAL PROCESSES

By: Aderbad Tamboli, ZAH Chair

As ZAH has grown, so has our requirement for managing our finances. Over the years we have progressed from a simple paper-based accounting system to using accounting software. As our accounting systems got more sophisticated, our internal processes also improved to capturing and saving each individual transaction - a transaction being a credit card charge for an event, a donation check or a check to a vendor, etc. Since we are now capturing all transactions, the number of transactions we record have increased from a small number to several thousands each year. This has enabled us to get better information, and assist in better planning. The downside is that the Treasurer has to record all these in a very timely manner. In order to assist the treasurer, we have had an informal team (Arnavaz Sethna, Jasmin Katrak & Lyla Daroga) record these transactions in our QuickBooks accounting software.

One of the 2023 EC's most important goals is to improve our financial reporting and to use this information to plan ahead. To accomplish this goal, we have had meetings with our accounting team, the Investment Management Team and other experienced individuals. The most significant outcome of this meeting is to create a new Finance committee.

### Finance committee:

 Purpose: The finance committee will be responsible for managing all bookkeeping, accounting, and financial record keeping for ZAH. It will also assist the Treasurer in creating monthly, quarterly and annual reports and budgets. All other subcommittees will interact with the finance committee for individual budgets and reporting financial transactions.

ZAH TREASURER Farokh Billimoria



**Bookkeeping Accounting Team** 





Jasmin Katrak

Lyla Daroga



**Arnavaz Sethna** 



- Composition: The finance committee will comprise of the following roles/individuals:
  - ZAH Treasurer will be the committee chair and ultimately responsible to the ZAH EC and members for all financials
  - Bookkeeping / Accounting team members, currently Arnavaz Sethna, Jasmin Katrak, Lyla Daroga & Kayo Sidhwa
  - IMT representative(s) Jamshed Elavia & Vispi Sagar.
     Other members as appointed by the EC
- Reporting: The finance committee will directly report to the ZAH EC.

The first task of this committee will be to create a TOR. In addition, they will be creating a budget for FY 2024. They will be working with all other subcommittees to help improve current processes and put some new ones in place. We hope to streamline these within the next few months and work with all the involved participants to ensure compliance.

In addition, there have been a couple of changes, that you may have already noticed.

- New website We have moved to a new hosting platform, and are working on improving the website, making it easier and more intuitive and a better mobile experience. The new hosting platform (HostGator) provides us with more features at a lower price.
- 2. Stripe: We are in the process of replacing PayPal with Stripe as our credit card processing service. With Stripe we get faster payments and better reporting. All of our events starting with the August Navroze function will be using Stripe. In order to reduce the burden of our credit card charges, we are giving the attendees the ability to choose to pay for these charges. I'm happy to report that as of now, 90% of the registrations have opted to pay for the credit card charges. We hope that you have a more seamless experience with this option.

We are also in the process of improving our financial planning using the 2020 Reserve Study done by a professional firm Reserve Advisors LLC. They have provided a great planning tool for financial reserves, equipment replacement timelines & cost and potential capital expenses among other things.

Stay tuned to this page for more updates.

Best Regards Aderbad Tamboli For ZAH EC 2023

### FOOD FROM GALIS OF INDIA



### Golden Group Enjoying Street Food Of India





### GOLDEN GROUP'S ADVENTURES FOOD FROM THE GALIS OF INDIA

By Jehanbux Mehta

When we first announced that street food of India would be served at the Golden Group event on July 8, some raised their eyebrows, expressing silent disapproval of our decision. And yet, setting aside their disdain 36 persons attended: one of the largest number that we have had at our functions. They were in awe at the treat that awaited them.

Arrangements had been made by Helping Hand, Anita Kavina, with Ekta to cater for the afternoon. Simple down to earth specialties from the galis of Mumbai, Calcutta, but, for that matter, ubiquitous all over the sub-continent. Food which we used to enjoy on the sly as kids so as not to incur the wrath of our parents. But this time there was a big difference which mum would have approved of. Same flavour but hygienically prepared and served by Ekta's own staff was chicken kathi (chopped chicken wrapped in a roti) bhel puri in individual glasses and samosa chat in individual bowls. Four different chutnies to choose from with heat levels from mild, medium, hot and extra hot. Chilled mango lassi to cool you down, or, if you prefer, nimbu pani or Rooh-hafza prepared by our Helping Hands.

To lend appropriate air to the occasion, a table in the center was adorned with colorful glass bangles for the guests to take home and beautiful *dupattas* which were put to good use in an interesting competition with each table selecting a lady to parade among the guests wearing one. The best draped lady award was a tie between Mahrukh Mody and Gool Masani. They all looked so lovely and graceful. Wish the parade had lasted longer. A welcome tea break before the quiz on street food around the world. The questions compiled by Anita Kavina stumped many. At the same time, several were able to score high. Who would have imagined that Thailand is the street food capital of the world and not our sub-continent?

Nearing 3:30 p.m. the guests reluctantly bid goodbye with all carrying back home a souvenir of some sort. That's what one would say was a thoroughly enjoyable afternoon.

### ZAH FUNDRAISER FOR DADAR ATHORNAN BOYS AND AVABAI PETIT GIRLS HOSTEL

By: Neville & Natasha Kanga

In 2022, our ZAH Youth Natasha and Neville Kanga along with Sabrina and Sanaea Warden opened a Non-Profit "Center of Giving". Their aim was to support individuals and communities through charity work.

This year Natasha and Neville took the lead in organizing a fundraiser to support our Dadar Athornan Boys and the Avabai Petit Girls Hostel. Natasha and Neville under the guidance of Jasmine Mistry organized the fundraiser during the March Navroz Function. The outpour of support from the ZAH community was overwhelming, and they raised an amount totaling \$4,100. A sum of \$2,500 was donated to the Dadar Athornan Institute and \$1,600 was donated to Bai Avabai Petit Girls Hostel.

Ervad Dr. Ramiyar Karanjia and Mrs. Yasmin Charna were very appreciative of the generous donation received from ZAH and sent them their thank-you note.

### DADAR ATHORNAN INSTITUTE Mumbai, India



Bai Avanbai Petit Girls' Hostel



Bai Avanbai Petit Girls' Hostel Students



NAZC 2024 HOSTED BY ZAH



Dear members of Zoroastrian Association of Houston,

The Dadar Athornan Institute has received a handsome donation of Rs. 202244.00 (Two lakhs two thousand two hundred and fortyfour) painstakingly collected especially by two youngsters Natasha and Neville Kanga, under the guidance of their parents, for the use of young students of our Institute. This is not the first time that they have done this gesture for our children and their largess has increased over a period of time.

We are grateful to them as well as the ZAH. Youths like Natasha and Neville are indeed an inspiration to others and a hope for the future of our community.

With best wishes and prayers to Ahura Mazda for health, happiness and prosperity to all.

Ramiyar Karanjia

Dear Natasha and Neville

The Bai Avabai Petit Girls Hostel are very grateful for the kind donation made by Zoroastrian Association of Houston. Special thanks to Natasha and Neville for their thoughtfulness and initiative to support us. The donations will be very valuable to buy supplies for the girls and our hostel. God Bless and best wishes.

Sincerely Mrs. Yasmin N. Charna Head of Boarding Section

#### NAZC CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS

As you all know, our North American Zoroastrian Congress 2024 is coming up on December 29, 2024 through Jan 1, 2025, and we are all very excited about it. We are very happy that our current volunteers will be continuing on our committees, but we still have some committees that need volunteers. If you are interested, please send an email with your full name and committee(s) of interest to Percy Master at percymmaster@gmail.com. Please note, all volunteers need to register for the Congress if they wish to attend the Congress.

Committees Still Needing Volunteers:

- Publications
- Exhibits and Booths
- Fundraising
- Pre and Post Congress / Transportation
- Social Media
- Press Relations
- Medical

The call for participants in various Congress activities will come at a later date.

NAZC2024 Core Committee



**NAVJOTE** 





**LUKIAN (LUKA) KEYGHOBADI** 



### WE HAVE MOVED:

Jimmy & Whitney Sethna have moved. Their new address is:

Jimmy & Whitney Sethna 3419 Stoney Mist Drive Sugar Land, TX 77479

### **NAVJOTE**

**Armin and Landon Kruse**, sons of Amy Godiwalla & Shaun Kruse, and grandsons of Arnavaz and (late) Adil Godiwalla, had their Navjote Ceremony on June 17, 2023 in Spring, TX. Armin and Landon had memorized the Kasti prayers and prayed very well at the time of the Navjote.

### **OBITUARY**

Dinshaw Pirozeshah Sethna, husband of Perviz (Jiki) Sethna, father of Minoo Sethna and father-in-law of Sweta M Sethna passed away on, August 7, 2023.

### **URGENT APPEAL - HOPE FOR LUKA**

By: Yasmin Pavri

I am reaching out to you today with an urgent and heartfelt appeal to extend a helping hand to a Zoroastrian family.

Luka Keyghobadi is 6 years old. He was born with a gene mutation that causes a rare form of Muscular Dystrophy (MD). In the face of overwhelming challenges, children like Luka display unwavering determination and an unbreakable spirit. Their courage and determination are nothing short of inspirational; countless hospital visits and a rollercoaster of emotions have tested their strength and resilience to the core. But the family cannot fight the battle alone.

There have been great strides in research for various forms of MD. Unfortunately, none have been helpful for Luka so far. His father, Maziar, has put his life and career on hold to find a way to help his son. Maziar has educated himself on the disease and connected with scientists who are working on experimental therapies that might help Luka. Right now, Maziar has connected with two scientists: one at the University of Missouri and one in the Netherlands. Their research could be the breakthrough needed to help Luka and other children like him. There are already two other children who may benefit from this research.

#### MAZIAR KEYGHOBADI – FATHER



#### RAFFLE TICKETS



You do not have to be present to win \$100 will be sent to the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> winner if not an IL Resident

### ZAKOI Kids' Camp



The family needs the community's help. The obvious one is financial. The University of Missouri needs \$50,000 for their research project. The one in the Netherlands is more expensive at \$73,000. Maziar has set up a tax-deductible fund called Hope for Luka <a href="https://www.hopeforluka.org">www.hopeforluka.org</a> to collect donations.

Maziar also needs help to run this fund. He does not have expertise in the financial/auditing requirements for a charitable fund. He is also looking for people to serve on the board to guide him on how to set up this fund in the best possible way.

This is where your kindness and generosity can make a world of difference. Your contribution, no matter the size, can help with research that may make a difference. Your donation will also serve as a beacon of hope, showing the family that they are not alone in this challenging journey. I understand we all have commitments and constraints, but the impact of your support can never be underestimated. Our compassion and kindness can create ripples of positive change that extend far beyond the moment.

If you or someone you know can help this family, they would be very appreciative. Maziar Keyghobadi can be reached at <a href="mailto:dunyamazi@gmail.com">dunyamazi@gmail.com</a>

### RAFFLE TICKETS FOR ZOROASTRIAN ASSOCIATION OF METROPOLITAN CHICAGO 40<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY

1st Prize – Embroidered Gara Sari 2nd Prize – Day at the Joliet Autobahn 3rd Prize – IFLY Skydiving Package

Cost of ticket: \$25.00 – Drawing Date: September 23, 2023

Call Arnavaz Sethna for tickets 281-468-4988 or email her at ahsethna@yahoo.com Let's support our Z community of Chicago

### FUNDRAISER FOR ZOROASTRIAN ASSOCIATION OF KENTUCKY, OHIO AND INDIANA (ZAKOI)

Bakhtawar Desai - Cincinnati, Ohio

Dear Friends,

I hope you all are having a good summer!

This time I am reaching out to you SO early to please help us out by just placing your orders from our FALL 2023 ZAKOI Worship Temple Fundraiser NOW, even though we will DELIVER THE ORDERS IN NOVEMBER AND YOU WILL PAY US IN NOVEMBER. I AM DOING THIS BECAUSE SOME OF OUR VENDORS IN INDIA AND HERE ARE REQUESTING MORE TIME TO FULFIL OUR ORDERS FOR FALL.

As you all know, that all the items in the list of products below, are provided either by people (here in the US) who are really doing this to support our fundraisers for our future Zoroastrian Center, or, they come from India, made by Parsi women from Navsari and other towns in Gujarat, India, for whom their livelihood depends on selling these homemade products.

Your supporting this fundraiser will serve dual charitable purposes: helping us get closer to our Zoroastrian Center, and helping support the livelihood of some of these parsi women entrepreneurs in India. Please see this link here to see ZAKOI's message to all our supporters

https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1At6tTZsVh\_J63PiEDxYHvUYE3l4zLDuA/edit?usp=sharing&ouid=10588938175 9741457965&rtpof=true&sd=true

Your support with donations and/or purchases over the years has meant the world to us! Once again it will be greatly appreciated! As November is the beginning of the Holiday Season here, please let me know if you want to send gift hampers to your friends, family, colleagues, and more! I will be happy to send a gift package out with a message from you. Please share this message with your contacts for spreading the word further about our work here!

<u>Please place your orders as soon as you can, but latest by 20th August, as that is when I will have to put in all my orders with my vendors.</u> I am thankful to you for your support and understanding.

With deep gratitude to all of you,

Bakhtavar

PS: You can read this email as a google doc viewer as well here.

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#### **ZAKOI 2023 FALL FUNDRAISER PRODUCTS:**

(Orders will be shipped in the first & second weeks of November, unless you order a product I am able to send sooner).

### Delicious Homemade Sweet & Savory Treats:

Badam ni Bois \$22/each

Box of Toots (1 lb) \$22/each

Badam Pak \$47/lb

VASANU \$47/lb (made by excellent chefs in Navsari and in the US)

Batasas \$37/lb

Chevro \$37/lb (delicious blend of snacky tidbits made with chick pea flour, potato flour, nuts, flattened rice, and savory seasonings)

Finest Sali (Finely shredded Potato Sticks) \$25 for 200 gms

Rabri powder \$25 for 200 gms (made by the Navsari ladies - a delicious powder of mixed crushed nuts, and flavorings to mix in warm milk for good health and energy)

Mava Cup-Cakes \$40/dozen

Bhakras \$23/dozen

Homemade All-in-One Masalas (dry ground seasonings with recipe to use on the container):

(you DO NOT need any other spices to make these dishes, except this all-in-one spice)

<u>Dhansak Masala</u> 200 gm jar \$40 (Besides Dhansak Dar, you can also use it in meat & vegetable dishes, and in other kinds of dals, etc.)

Curry Masala 200 gm jar \$40

Fish/Seafood Masala 200 gm jar \$40

(use it for frying/baking/grilling fish/shrimp, eggplant/other vegetable steaks/slices)

DELICIOUS HOMEMADE Achars and Chutney (NUT-FREE)

(Made with Love for our cause, by chefs in the US, as well as some parsi ladies in Navsari, India)

Price: \$42 per lb

Gajar Meva nu Lagannu Achar (carrots & dry fruits)

Mango & Dry Fruits Lagannu Achar

Khajur & Limbu ni Chutney (dates & lemons chutney)

Shrimp Achar Gharab Achar



<u>Exquisite Silk Scarves</u> to use professionally or use as part of your evening wear (please click <u>here</u> to see these exquisite pure silk scarves. {These exquisite 100% Silk Scarves w/Floral and Zoroastrian (farohar & other persian art) motifs are designed by a Zoroastrian artist}

Price: \$80 each

Sagan na Gift Envelopes (to use for gifting cash on good occasions)

Please click on this link to see the designs:

https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/14vkgXdC\_lbWxirWiH2xkinQkLxtKpm-C?usp=sharing

Price: \$40 per packet (all designs; 25 envelopes in a packet)

Farohar Pendants: \$70 for Large size (1.5" wide) and \$50 for Small size (1" wide)

See designs by clicking here

All of the following products are made by Parsi women entrepreneurs in Navsari, Surat or other towns in India:

Handmade Scarves to use during prayers/ceremonies etc. \$25/each See the designs here

KUSTIS: (MADE BY PARSI WOMEN IN NAVSARI) \$100 each (any size up to 5 Gaj, but will custom make for you for a bigger size)

Glass Bead Torans: \$225 each

The toran length ranges from 32 to 39 inches

See the designs by clicking here

Beautiful Machine-Embroidered GARA SAREES \$450 each

(includes blouse piece and petticoat)

See the designs by clicking here. You can request a saree color of your choice, and if we can get it for you, we will!

Gara designs Hand-embroidered Purses/Handbags \$75 each

See the designs by clicking <u>here</u> The handbags stand on their own and have a small pocket inside, and a main zip to close the bag.

Multi-purpose soft pouches or Pehramni envelopes-Cotton/Silk hand embroidered \$35 each

See the designs by clicking here

Khordeh Avesta WITH hand-embroidered covers (English or Gujrati)

Big Prayer books (Tamam) are in Gujrati: \$85 Small Prayer Books: \$75 See the designs by clicking <u>here</u>

Exquisite Paintings (please click here to see the paintings)

Giclées signed by the Zoroastrian artist herself. The artist lives in the US.





### Art for \$400

Irises, Hydrangeas, Horse 1, Stallion 3, Farohar, Divine Flame (Atash), Divine Flame (Atash), Indian Dancer in Flute Pose, Ganesha, Lord Krishna

### Zarathushtra 2,

16" x 20" \$450 8" x 10" \$250

### Indian Dancer 1

22" x 30" \$450

11" x 15" \$350

Note: Difference between Giclée & Print: Inkjet Printer: Standard inkjet prints are made using dye-based inks. Giclées are made using pigment-based inks. High Resolution and Color: They have the sharpest detail and highest resolution, displaying a full-color spectrum. Giclées capture every shade of an original work.

### Shipping and Handling:

I will use the <u>most reasonable</u> mailing source for you. Approximately, a medium size priority mail flat rate box costs \$18-19, and the large flat rate box costs \$23-24. I may also use plastic containers for more secure packaging, which will cost around \$5-\$10 for packing cost, if needed.

Packaging and Shipping costs will be given to you at the time of the order.

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Cyrus Bharucha is a multi-talented writer, producer, and director who has made significant contributions to the film industry. Cyrus trained as a photographer and joined the BBC film department as a cameraman. He worked on various programs for the BBC, from dramas to documentaries, music, current affairs, and more. He became a producer in the Current Affairs department producing and directing stories around the world, including the floods in Pakistan, Watergate, and the Yom Kippur War to name a few. In 1976 Cyrus came to the USA and joined PBS where he produced and directed over 80 shows, two of which were nominated for an Emmy. He was a founding producer of CNN where he put out the first day's program in 1980. Cyrus spent several years as the producer and director of *On Wings of Fire*. In his presentation, Cyrus will speak about the trials, tribulations,

and triumph of the role of a producer. Cyrus will use his documentary-drama *On Wings of Fire* as an example of the role a Producer plays in the making of a movie. Most people think all a producer does is raise money. Cyrus will explain the role and how young people can get into the business today.

- Date: Friday, August 25, 2023
- Time: 6:30 pm 7:00 pm Light refreshments
- · 7:00 pm Program Power of the Producer
- · 8:00 pm Pot Luck dinner
- Event is free Please register online for head count <u>Library/WZCC Event ZAH</u>