

VISION

MAY 2017



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



April certainly brought its fair share of showers. Now hoping to see the bloom of May flowers. It's a lovely time within the year, one to hit the great outdoors. Planning for events is in full swing and your participation, as always, is requested.

On Sunday July 16th, the Annual Summer Picnic will take place at Coronation Park in Oakville. On Sunday September 17th, OZCF's Golf Tournament has been teed up to take place at Caledon Golf and Country Club. Not a golfer, no worries. We'll catch up with you on the 19th hole where you can still take part in this important fundraiser by coming out for dinner and drinks.

In March, the hard work of the Entertainment Committees of OZCF and ZSO co-produced a fabulous Navroze function to the delight of the community. Members packed the hall to celebrate our New Year in style with dinner and dance. Both organizations acknowledged the efforts of their volunteers and also felicitated Ervad Dr. Jehan Bagli for a lifetime of achievements and contributions to the Zoroastrian cause.

The 100th Oakville Zoroastrian Scouts Group have planned their annual fundraiser at the ZRCC on Saturday June 24th. This year's event is of even greater significance as the Group is looking to send members to a scouting jamboree later in the summer.

OZCF is hosting the North American Mobeds Council meeting at our property over a two-day span on May 20-21. On Sunday June 25th, we will hold our AGM at the ZRCC starting at 11am.

We have just received wonderful news relating to our Place of Worship. Halton Region has given its permission for us to proceed with building applications using private services. Keep reading these pages for more details on all of the aforementioned.

Look forward to catching up with you at an event real soon!

Cyrus Gazdar, President

Need a Mobed?

Our Mobeds are available to help in times of need to offer their guidance & services to the community. Please contact:

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Dhabar, Ervad Jamshed	(905) 819-0089
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The OZCF prayer room and facility is not open regularly. For personal requests, you may contact the following:

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We have some exciting news to share!! The Regional Municipality of Halton has lifted its development restriction on our property and will allow us to proceed with application to build our Place of Worship using our own private services, without the need of municipal water and wastewater infrastructure, which has held us back for a long time. We can now proceed with our development applications.

As background, when we bought the property in 2005, we negotiated a "Transitional Zoning" designation with the Town of Oakville which allows us a wide range of uses including places of worship, senior's home, apartments, retail and office space, recreational and other institutional uses, as well as other uses in our interest. The Transitional Zoning category is designed to act as a buffer between industrial development to the north of us and residential development south of us. This zoning will not change and we will always be allowed to keep the land uses stated in the Transitional Zoning category.

However, as the membership is aware, years later a development freeze was imposed through an interim zoning by-law prohibiting development in the entire North Oakville East masterplan area until municipal water and wastewater services are installed. This was meant to prevent large developments from being built using private services such as wells and septic tanks, as we currently use, until the proper infrastructure is built by Halton Region that is paid for through Development Charges imposed on developers. Halton Region is in the process of approving and building the various components of the system. However, it may take some years to complete the pipes planned to run to our location from south Oakville. This would have delayed development of our place of worship. Development will commence soon in the area just north of Dundas St. between Trafalgar Rd. and Ninth Line and progress northwards to Burnhamthorpe Rd. in stages, but this will take some time. This area to our south is a very large urban development hub in north Oakville comprising of large scale residential and retail developments. These development plans are available for viewing.

Following extensive discussions over a long period amongst OZCF and Town and Regional senior staff and elected officials, Halton Region has given us permission to proceed with our project using private services, instead of having to wait for the municipal infrastructure to be installed. We will follow the normal protocols for application of rezoning and site plan approvals. The condition is that we would connect to the water and sewer lines when installed eventually, which would be guaranteed by us. Details are being discussed.

This breaking news occurred at the time of newsletter printing so we are working through the assortment of approvals, timelines and processes with our architects, planners and lawyers together with Town and Region staff and elected officials. Both bodies of government have assured us of their support and assistance. Typically, such applications take about one year, assuming no major complications, before construction can start.

As the saying goes, now the 'rubber hits the road' and with Ahura Mazda's guidance we are immediately moving forward with project execution as this dream becomes reality sooner than we expected. We also have to come up with the balance of funds required beyond what we have already raised to-date, through donations or bank loan. We sincerely appreciate the generosity of our community in bringing us to the position we are in today - thank you, thank you and thank you! But it is no surprise, as it has been a hallmark of our global Zoroastrian community to give where there is a need, whether it be to those less fortunate, or within the communities we live in, or in facing the challenges of sustaining our religion and heritage. Now that the project is actually moving forward, if you have considered donating to this cause and have not done so yet, now may be a good time to extol those virtues of a true Zoroastrian - tax deductible philanthropy!

This is indeed very exciting news for us and we will keep you updated on progress.

May Ahura Mazda bless our community.

Phil Sidhwa

Chair, Place of Worship Advisory Committee

The two Zoroastrian organisations had a joint Navroze celebration on March 24th, 2017 at Woodbine Banquet Hall in Etobicoke. The event was jointly organized by the Entertainment Committees of the ZSO and OZCF, and was attended by over 200 members of the community.

There was a live band and the guests - young and old - were dancing away to the rhythms of the music requested by our members. No one wanted to leave the dance floor until it was closing time.

The dinner was sumptuous and delicious, and since we believe in *pet puja*, in true Parsi style it was enjoyed by one and all.

President Cyrus Gazdar acknowledged our exceptional volunteers and our guest of honour for the evening, all of whom were awarded plaques in recognition of their tireless service to our community. The following is an excerpt:

The functionality of the OZCF rests largely with our volunteers who give ever so generously of their time to the benefit of the community. We would like to now recognize them for having selflessly given of themselves and their time to the betterment of our community.

*This person is an extremely quiet worker who offers to assist and organize in any capacity and works tirelessly on various sub-committees. She can always be found during Muktaf time cleaning the house or at the hall volunteering her time by coming out of her way to the property because her presence was needed, so that the place could remain open when people wanted to come for prayers. And she does all this and more, always with that lovely smile. It is obvious that her motto is that she's **gutta** get it done. For years of wonderful service, the OZCF proudly thanks **Zarina Gutta**.*

*This gentleman is ever-present at community events. Whether he is helping with counting money, taking names, cleaning up after an event when most others have left or helping organize events and all the work that's involved in their lead up. He does all this and more to **engineer** success at whatever he undertakes. For years of tremendous service, the OZCF proudly thanks **Hormuzd Engineer**.*

I do not know how these gentlemen do it but they are our volunteers-on-demand. When duty calls, they provide their services at a moment's notice. Indeed, I am referring to the steadfast service provided by our priests, our men in white, who always do things right, whether by day or night. These gentlemen have repeatedly given yeoman service to the community when it comes to performing prayers, during our holy days of the Gathas, at various events involving benediction, such as Jashans, Humbandagis and house-warming ceremonies and of course for funerals, which involve many prayers and last over a few days.

It is wonderful to see young priests taking on a more active role in performing prayers. This has been possible due to elderly priests taking the younger ones under their tutelage and spending numerous hours with them so that can take the lead in performing prayers for the various aforementioned events.

*Being a small community, we do not have full-time priests who can tend to these liturgical services. It is the all more remarkable that these men of the sacred white cloth perform these time-consuming duties whilst working full-time and they have been doing so for years and years. For their outstanding service to the community, the OZCF thanks **Xerxes Madan** and **Jamshed Dhabhar**.*

*Another ever-present member around the Zoroastrian Religious and Cultural Centre and at numerous events, this member has been doing it all since OZCF's inception. Whether it's being involved on committees, assisting with seniors and offering them rides, proofreading newsletters, coming out of her way to the property because her presence was needed, running camps on our grounds or **guiding** all those girls in the right direction, this is one volunteer whose omnipresent service has benefited so many within the community. She embodies the saying, "Charity thy name is Parsi!" This, ladies and gentlemen is our champion volunteer extraordinaire, the one and only **Armaity Anadasagar**.*

We also felicitated a very special guest that evening, **Ervad Dr. Jehan Bagli**. Living here in Toronto and being an integral part of both organizations, we could not pass up the opportunity to bestow a **maan patra** recognition to this erudite, scholarly and brilliant gentleman, who has contributed much to the Zoroastrian cause and to our two organizations.

Dr. Bagli is a retired distinguished Research Fellow of Wyeth/Ayerst Pharmaceutical

*Research. He is an ordained priest and is a founding member and former President of the Zoroastrian Association of Quebec as well as having been the editor of the North American Zarathushti publication **Gavashni**, and a founding editor of the FEZANA journal. A highly sought-after speaker, Dr. Bagli has given numerous lectures at various symposia over five continents. He has spoken extensively at conferences throughout North America and on religious topics in traditional Zoroastrian centres of Mumbai, Karachi and London and has been invited to such faraway places as South Africa and Australia by their local communities to share his views and expertise on our religion.*

A well-respected author, Dr. Bagli has published countless periodicals, journals and publications in addition to having authored or co-authored no less than six books on matters Zoroastrian. His many awards include the Gold Medal of Indian Pharmaceutical Association as well as fellowships for the US Public Health Service, the US National Institute of Health and the National Research Council of Canada as well as being an elected fellow at the Chemical Institute of Canada. Dr. Bagli has also been the recipient of the FEZANA Excellence in Profession & Business Award.

You'd think such an extensive and eminent set of achievements would leave little time for much else. However, Dr. Bagli had also volunteered at hospitals at Princeton Medical Centre in the US and at Credit Valley here in Mississauga and to this date continues to do so at Toronto East General.

Dr. Bagli has devoted his time and energy over a lifetime in understanding and disseminating the knowledge of the religion of our prophet Zarathustra. He is committed to perpetuating Zarathushti faith as a universal way of life, here within our community, on this continent and around the world.

*Give it up ladies and gentlemen for his son Darius and his lovely wife of 60 years Freny, as they accompany the esteemed, the illustrious and the remarkable **Ervad Dr. Jehan Bagli**.*

It was very heartening to see such a large part of our community, coming together and celebrating our New Year in style.

- Armaity Anadasagar



The OZCF celebrated the 5 Gatha days of the Fasli Calendar followed by a very well attended Jashan on March 21, 2017 to mark the Fasli New Year. After the Jashan, there was a catered dinner that was enjoyed by many of those in attendance.

During the Gatha days, the stum, afringan, baaj and farokshi ceremonies were performed by the priests who gave their time and services voluntarily. Special thanks to the young mobeds Kamran Panthaki, Hormuz Javat and Nekzad Illava, who gave up large portions of their March Break to come and assist with the prayers. We are very fortunate to have a dedicated team of mobeds and mobedyars.

During the Muktads, we have prayers 3 times a day and a stum is offered during these times. A request went out to families, and we are happy to inform that each of the meals was sponsored by the members of our community. We would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who brought food for breakfast, lunch and dinner, which was enjoyed by all those who came to attend the prayers. We really appreciate their generosity for providing the meals.

Thanks go out to Khurshed Patel and Hozhi Patel for bringing the community together in singing some paragraphs of the Gathas every evening. Thanks also go out to those who donated fruits, flowers, dry fruits, sukhad, loban, plates, cutlery, etc.

As usual we had the Haft Sin table at the March 21st function, and this year Morvarid Fereidooni came and set it up at the ZRCC. Thanks go out to Morvarid for decorating such a beautiful table as families were lining up to take their pictures of it.

Finally, we would like to express our deep gratitude to Fredoon Golwalla, Khushroo Bharda and Armaity Anadasagar for demonstrating what exceptional volunteerism is all about. These individuals stayed all day and late into the evening, during the Gatha days and on March 21st, to keep the centre open for those who wished to come and pray. We could not have had a successful Muktab without the help of all our volunteers, who cooked, cleaned, washed, prepped, set up and took down tables. A massive *thank you!* to one and all on behalf of our community.





TEE OFF FOR



SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2017

at

CALEDON GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB

2121 Olde Baseline Road, Inglewood, Ontario L7C 0K7 Phone: 905.838.0200

REGISTRATION: 10:30 A.M. onwards **BBQ LUNCH:** FROM 11:00 A.M. onwards

TEE-OFF TIME: 12:00 NOON.

COCKTAILS & DINNER: 5:00 P.M (Cash Bar)

(Please ensure that you are at the Golf Course 45 minutes prior to tee-off time)

COST: 18-hole Golf, shared cart, BBQ lunch and dinner

\$140 per person/\$500 per foursome

Dinner only: \$45 per person

Click [here](#) for online registration

OR

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Prizes galore including BEST SCORES, LONGEST DRIVES, HONEST GOLFERS, etc.,

*** * * PLUS ATTRACTIVE RAFFLE DRAWS* * ***

Name: _____

Address _____

TEAM MEMBERS	Phone No.	E-mail Address	Handicap	Meal Choice*

***Meal Choice for Dinner: Salmon, Prime Rib, Chicken or Vegetarian**

ALL PROCEEDS GO TO OZCF (Please make cheques payable to OZCF)

MAIL CHEQUES TO: Chisty Bulsara, 6352 Longspur Road, Mississauga, Ontario L5N6G8

Payments must be received by Friday, August 20, 2017.

Non-refundable after Tuesday, September 5, 2017

CONTACT: CHISTY OR FIRDOSH BULSARA – 905.824.7692 or bulsarafc@gmail.com

See over ... ➡



The Golf Fundraising committee is working away at making it a very memorable day with lots of fun and games, not to mention the fabulous reception and dinner following a day on the golf course.

All proceeds will go to OZCF. Funds raised will be utilized for the upkeep, maintenance of our property, and seniors and youth activities. Join us, have fun, and **MAKE A DIFFERENCE.**

We depend on the generous support of our small yet benevolent community. In order for us to make the event a highly successful fundraiser, we are seeking major sponsors.

WELCOME GIFT SPONSOR \$2,500

- One foursome
- 4 additional tickets to Cocktail Reception and Dinner
- Opportunity to display corporate Logo on welcome gift
- Logo will be listed on all tournament promotional material
- *Full Page Ad in Tournament Program
- *Banner display at the event all day
- Acknowledgement at evening reception

GOLD SPONSOR \$1,000

- One Foursome
- Advertising and Signage on the sponsored hole
- Opportunity to conduct an activity or contest on the hole
- Logos featured on all power carts
- *Banner display at the event all day
- *Half page ad in tournament program
- Acknowledgement at evening

****All of the above mentioned sponsorships can be shared by two or more companies or individuals.***

DINNER SPONSOR \$2,500

- One Foursome
- 4 additional tickets to Cocktail Reception and Dinner
- Signs on each table during Dinner
- *Full page ad in tournament program
- Logos featured on all power carts
- *Banner display at the event all day
- Acknowledgement at evening reception

POWER CART SPONSOR \$2,500

- One Foursome
- 4 additional tickets to Cocktail Reception and Dinner
- Logos featured on all power carts
- *Half page ad in tournament program
- *Banner display at the event all day
- Acknowledgement at evening reception

HOLE SPONSOR \$650

- One Twosome
- Advertising signage on the sponsored hole
- Opportunity to conduct an activity or contest on the hole
- Logos featured on all power carts
- *Half page ad in tournament program
- *Banner display

Unquestionably the highlight of the event will be Raffleing of a **Holiday Package** (Details to come). In addition there will be **2 tickets on South African Airways** from JFK or Washington DC to South Africa courtesy of South African Airways (Taxes and fees not included). **There will be many, many more prizes to be won.**

No event like this one would ever be successful without the generosity, support and willingness of its sponsors. Your generosity is much appreciated.

With best regards,
Golf Fundraiser Committee

Upcoming Religious Events at the ZRCC**Asha Vahishta Seminar / Colloquium #6: May 6, 2017- 1:00 pm onwards for 2-3 hours. Refreshments provided****Blasphemy, Heresy, Heterodoxy and Zoroastrianism**

Having discussed many aspects of faith and fellowship, the core themes of the Series, we shall now revisit all our previous discussions from a different approach and direction. In the sixth colloquium, we shall be discussing the idea of blasphemy, heresy and heterodoxy. What are these terms and concepts? How did they arise? What do they mean for religious faith and fellowship? And most importantly, do they have a place in Zoroastrianism?

Religion usually prescribes tenants of faith, articles of belief, adherences and proclamations. But what about that which is denied? Why is it? What does this mean for faith and how does it affect fellowship within a global community?

From a Zoroastrian perspective, we shall investigate these questions through a discussion of issues such as conversion, menstruation, death, intra-Zoroastrian global community relations and interfaith religious concerns.

If you plan to attend please contact Ervad Nozer Kotwal at (905) 820-0461. For those who would like to join in via **Skype**, please contact Ervad Xerxes Madan at xerxes_madan@hotmail.com. A gentle reminder to participants to bring with them a pen. Paper shall be provided.

Zarthost-no-Diso (S) Wednesday May 24th

Zarthost-no-Diso (S) prayers will be held on Wednesday May 24th at 7:00 pm at Z.R.C.C. 1187 Burnhamthorpe Rd. East, Oakville, followed by chasni.

Maidhyoshem Ghambar (F) Saturday July 1st

We will be celebrating Maidhyoshem Ghambar (F) on Saturday July 1st at Z.R.C.C. 1187 Burnhamthorpe Rd. East, Oakville. The Ghambar Jashan will commence at 11:00 am followed by lunch. The cost of attending the Jashan & lunch is \$5.00 per person; children up to the age of 20 years are free. If you plan to attend please give your name to Ervad Nozer Kotwal (905) 820-0461 stating how many adults and/or children, veg. or non-veg., will be attending, a.s.a.p. but not later than June 27th. Donation of fruits, dry fruits, flowers, Sukhad, Loban, Tachho, etc. is always welcomed at these prayer meetings. Please also volunteer to clean up after the event. If you and/or your friends wish to sponsor this Ghambar or any other religious event in the future please let Ervad Kotwal know.

May 20 & 21 - NAMC AGM - Full days

June 10 - Asha Vahishta Seminar @ 1 pm

ASHA VAHISTA SEMINAR—SESSIONS 4 & 5

Inheriting and Bequeathing Faith

Performative Aspects of Faith, Lost in Translation?

The 4th & 5th colloquia of the Asha Vahishta Seminar series were held on March 11th and April 8th at the ZRCC.

Discussions in the 4th colloquia focused on the methodology surrounding an education and transmission of Zoroastrianism. We contemplated how one's role as an adherent translates into being a progenitor of Zoroastrianism. Whether and how religion should be taught or modeled sparked much disagreement, which also created the basis of multiple perspectives on the "mission statement" of Zoroastrianism. Without being clear regarding the identity and purpose of Zoroastrianism as an entity, it is unlikely that transmission of the faith can be satisfactorily accomplished. Initially we understand that when one inherits faith, one is receiving religion. When one bequeaths faith, one is passing religion forward. However, it is important to realize that receiving inheritance is also an act of preservation in which one is honouring the past; while, bequeathing is an act of relinquishing and designating succession. Without the clarity and focus of messaging, investment in faith is hard to achieve let alone bequeath. Intergenerational (time) and interlocational (place) dialogue determines the context of 'the what' and 'the how' of inheriting and bequeathing faith. (CONT...D NEXT PAGE)

During the 5th colloquium of the series, the participants interrogated the role of the priesthood. Who is a priest, what the role of priest should be, and how priests fit into the concept of faith and fellowship, were some of the themes. The role of prayer, rituals and traditions, were also critiqued. Consensus seemed to indicate that the figure of priest must be that of a scripturally informed, but also emotionally involved individual. With regard to the latter, many participants expressed the desire to witness a priest who could act as both, a ceremonial figurehead, but also a pastoral counsellor. The historic role of priests, and their contemporary plight, was also discussed. It was mentioned that for the continued development and existence of Zoroastrianism, a reformed priesthood with a contemporary outlook, was necessary.

The dates for the next sessions are:

6th colloquium - May 6

7th colloquium - June 10

JOINT BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING WITH THE ZSO BOARD



Over the past few years, the Entertainment Committees of both boards have collaborated to organize Navroze functions to the enjoyment of all members of the community. These events have been well attended and appreciated by membership of both organizations and have been the catalyst for both boards meeting at each other's centres to further discuss hosting other events. Last year, OZCF hosted ZSO at the ZRCC and just last month, our Board went to the Darbe Mehr for a joint meeting. Discussions remain ongoing over jointly staging future events.

Mother's Day
by
Farida Bamji

I like to Dedicate
This Mother's Day
To our Sweet
Stately Lady Dugdova
Who brought forth
Into this world
A Great Mantharan
Asho Zarathushtra!

Thanking Her
Is not enough
For such an
Invaluable gift
It's mainly due to Her
Thro' Her Son
Humanity benefits

Gentle Caring
Loving Wise
"A Jewel in the Crown"
Asho Zarathushtra must be
Truly proud
Such an Astute Lady
To have around!



100th Oakville Zoroastrian Scouts

Annual Fundraiser 2017



A great evening with Kids Entertainment, Dance, Trivia, Music, Dinner, Door and Raffle Prizes, while raising funds for our Scouts, Cubs and Beavers

Saturday, June 24th 2017

OZCF, 1187 Burnhamthorpe Road E., Oakville L6H 7B3

6:00 pm onwards

Adults
\$ 30.00



Kids 5-10yrs
\$ 15.00

Contact

Prochi: 647-985-5499 and Lily 647-686-7853

O B I T U A R I E S

Rucy Behram and his wife Lorna lived in Owen Sound for past 45 years. They came to Canada in 1964. He was born in New Delhi.

Rucy was a ship's harbour pilot in India on the Hoogley River. When he came to Canada, he sailed on the Great Lakes and taught at the Toronto Marine School. When the school was closed, he helped establish the Marine School at Georgian College in Owen Sound. He taught there from 1973 to 1991.

He was a well-loved teacher. He was an avid Bridge player and was regularly mentioned as a champion in the local newspaper.

Rucy was 89 when he died. He is survived by his wife Lorna. His niece Meher and her husband Mehernosh from India, were here for the funeral. May his soul rest in Peace. (Submitted by Putli and Noshir Mirza)

Dr. Dinshaw Bejan Sidhwa, 1953-2017 (age 64), of Kingsland, Georgia, USA, passed away suddenly following cardiac surgery on April 7, 2017 at Baptist Medical Center in Jacksonville, Florida.

Dr. Sidhwa was born January 28, 1953 in Karachi, Pakistan and moved with his parents to Tanzania, Africa at the age of 4. The family moved to England in 1970, then moved to Canada in 1972 where he attended McMaster University. He practiced medicine in Mississauga and Oakville for many years and treated many Zoroastrian patients. He also practiced in Chicago, Florida and Georgia.

He was diagnosed with multiple myeloma and after a successful stem cell transplant he returned to practicing medicine. He was a private pilot with his own plane who volunteered for Angel Flights and Mercy Flights to transport children with special needs to hospitals across the USA. His cancer recently returned and he was undergoing treatment but it did not stop him. He could never sit still and always wanted to learn and explore. He was an accomplished scout and packed a life full of experiences in his short 64 years here.

He loved to travel and share his adventures with his friends, family, and patients. He recently returned from a National Geographic expedition to Antarctica and was planning a trip to India for the first time.

He is survived by his wife, Tracey, mother Dinoo, daughter Michelle Dehn and her husband Charlie, grandsons, Cyrus and Archer, Michelle's mother Elsa Brelsford, step Daughter Jenna Ford, brother Phil, wife Marook and their children Farokh, Lila and Danny, brother Shahroukh, wife Riah and their children Jahan, Kashmira and Arman. Dr. Sidhwa was preceded in death by his son, Darius Dinshaw Sidhwa and father, Bejan Dinshawji Sidhwa.

Zoroastrian Funeral services were held Sunday, April 9, 2017 in Georgia, where friends, patients and staff rejoiced his life. A tenth day service was held at the OZCF property in Oakville, Ontario on April 16, 2017. The family sincerely thanks friends and the community for their ongoing support and strength, as well as Ervad Nozer Kotwal who accompanied the family to perform the funeral in Georgia and Ervad Xerxes Madan who performed the service here.

His staff have decided to dedicate a memorial plaque in his honour at Baptist Primary Care:

"Dinshaw Sidhwa, MD served multiple roles in his life; esteemed physician, husband, father and friend. He loved the practice of medicine and his dedication to his patients was evident through his perseverance over the last years of his life. Dinshaw was truly a great physician who will be missed by his patients and the medical community. He served for 35 years. He was driven by his love for life and his every action demonstrated devotion to his family, friends and patients. The gift that Dinshaw leaves for all are precious memories that will bring about moments of peace and gratitude. We are blessed to have known such a wonderful person. Forever in our Hearts. 1953-2017"

Testimonials can be viewed and shared at: <http://allisonmemorialchapelandfuneralhome.com/?p=1482>

OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

Notice: This is a request to members to please not tinker with switches/panels or unplug units at the property. If you must do so, please advise a Board member.

AGM

Our AGM will take place on Sunday June 25th with a prompt start time of 11am at the ZRCC.

Births

Tanaz, daughter of Farouk and Yasmin Khory, and Alim Jivraj were blessed with their second son, Kian, born on March 25th. Congratulations to the Khory and Jivraj families.

Weddings

Navaz, daughter of Farouk and Yasmin Khory, married Stewart Dean on December 29th, 2016. We wish Navaz and Stew a happy and prosperous married life. Congratulations to the Khory and Dean families.

Ode to Dr. Ervad Jehan Bagli

Asho Zarathushtra's message: From the brown rugged mountains
Lead a life of selflessness To the lush green valleys below
'Cause: May your seeds of inspiration
"Happiness is to those Fertile the growing minds
Who seek happiness for other" Of future generations
Regarding our religion
Zoroastrianism

In a dark ignorant world
I was groping my way
When I came across
Gavashni one fine day!

Every article I read
Was awe inspiring
Devotedly staying the course
Without flinching or cowering
Even though poisoned arrows
Have come-a-flinging
To the dictate of others
Never flinching

May the precious
Pearls of wisdom flow

Choicest Happiness

- Farida Bamji

OZCF PRESENTS IT'S ANNUAL SUMMER PICNIC
TIME TO ENJOY THE GREAT OUTDOORS AGAIN!!!

Where: Coronation Park, Picnic Area B ~ 1426 Lakeshore West Oakville.
When: Sunday, July 16, 2017 from 11am to 5pm.
Price: Adults: member- \$15, non member- \$17,
 Children (4-12): \$10.



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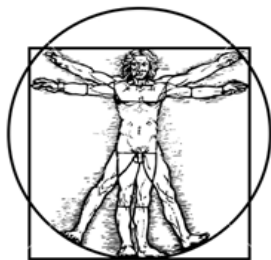
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