ZAGNY NEWSLETTER – FEBRUARY 2002

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- **MARCH 3RD**  RELIGION CLASS  -  2:00 PM
- **MARCH 23RD**  JAMSHEDI NAVROZ FUNCTION  -  ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
- **APRIL 7TH**  RELIGION CLASS  -  2:00 PM
- **JULY 4 – 7, 2002**  12TH NORTH AMERICAN ZOROASTRIAN CONGRESS, CHICAGO

JAMSHEDI NAVROZ FUNCTION:

The Jamshedi Navroz function will be held at the Arbab Rustam Guiv Darbe Mehr in Pomona, N.Y. on Saturday, March 23rd, 2002, at 4:45 PM. Details of the program are in the attached registration form. Please send in your registration promptly by the due date specified, to help us plan the function in a proper manner.

ZAGNY BOARD ELECTION:

The ZAGNY Board elections for the term 2002 to 2005, will be held on Saturday, 23rd March, 2002, at the Navroz function. Enclosed are two copies of the absentee/mail ballot showing names of the nominees standing for election for various positions. On the day of the election you will have the opportunity to hear from each of the candidates and to vote for them in person.

If you are unable to attend the meeting in person, you may use the attached ballots to vote by mail, following the procedures given below:

1. **Only dues paying adult members of ZAGNY are eligible to vote.** Please send your membership dues with the enclosed membership form to Jasmin Kotwal, if you have not already done so.
2. Each adult (18 years old) member has one vote, with up to two votes per family membership. (Reminder: Non-Zoroastrian spouses of Zoroastrian members are full voting members and are encouraged to vote).
3. **IMPORTANT:** Please fill out the Absentee/Mail Ballot, **seal it in an envelope with the names and address of the voting members written on the outside left corner of the envelope** and mail it to the Secretary, Sheroo Kanga, at 147, 12th Street, Cresskill, NJ 07626, postmarked no later than March 15, 2002. **Unnamed envelopes will be disqualified.**
4. Please note that we have received **six** nominations to serve as members at large. The Board recommends that all six members serve for the next term.

**Note:** If you vote by mail and are present at the election, you may revoke your mailed ballot and vote in person. Candidate presentations begin at 7:15 PM and ballots will be counted by 9:30 PM. Please be on time. **THANK YOU.**
**12TH NORTH AMERICAN ZOROASTRIAN CONGRESS, CHICAGO:**

The 12th North American Zoroastrian Congress will be held in Chicago from Thursday, July 4 to Sunday July 7, 2002. The main registration form and some information was sent in our last newsletter. For hotel and program information and online registration please visit their Congress 2002 website at [www.zac-chicago.org](http://www.zac-chicago.org)

**OLD EYE GLASSES:**

Please bring any old eyeglasses that you may have to the March Navroz function. Yasmin and Jamshed Ghadiali will collect them to be taken to the congress for distribution to the needy in India.

**RAFFLE TICKETS - NORTH AMERICAN CONGRESS, CHICAGO:**

We have received some raffle tickets from the sponsors of the 12th North American Congress to be held in Chicago from July 4–7, 2002. There are six fabulous prizes as follows: If anyone is interested in buying these tickets please contact Mahrukh Cama at 732-494-7566 or Sheroo Kanga at 201-227-1890. The cost is $10.00 per ticket.

1st Prize (1): Ladies accutron Watch
1st Prize (2): Men’s accutron Watch

2ND Prizes: TWO Hyatt Regency Hotel Rooms for Congress (1 room per winner)

3RD Prizes: TWO Free Registrations to the Congress (1 registration per winner)

The lucky winners will be announced during the Navroze celebration on March 21, 2002, at the Chicago Darb-e-Meher, and duly contacted. Questions or concerns regarding the Raffle, please e-mail Vera M. Dinshaw at: [www.zac-chicago.org](http://www.zac-chicago.org).

**DONATIONS:**

**NEW BUILDING FUND:**

Noshir and Kashmira Dutia $3,000
Pouru and Farokh Hirjibehedin $1,001
Pesi Satarwalla $ 101
Rusi Gandhi $111
Rustom and Phiroza Lalkaka $ 40

**GENERAL FUND:**

Lovji and Mehru Cama $ 51
Vispi Cassod and Ignasha Joshi $100
Maneck and Najoo Daroowalla $35
Vira Saklatwalla $ 50

**CRITICAL ASSISTANCE FUND:**

Dinyar and Aashish Devitre $145
Kobad Malesra $ 60
Mahrukh and Firdosh Mehta $ 201 (in memory of Firdosh’s mother)
Feroz Nentin $ 25

**SCHOLARSHIP FUND:**

Homi Gandhi $ 50
Fred and Zhaver Morris $100
Shazneen Rabadi $ 50
Goolcher and Kayomarz Khambatta $25
John and Ruby Norwood $100
Pesi Satarwalla $100

**ENDOWMENT FUND:**

Lovji and Mehru Cama $300
Zarine and Tehmasp Dotivala $100

**LIBRARY FUND:**

**CHANGE OF ADDRESS:**

Tanaz Dutia and Michel Reid, 545 Newton Lake Drive, C1010, Oaklyn, NJ 08107
Minoo and Dinaz Bengali, 710 Cypress Point Drive, Toms River, NJ 08753

**WELCOME NEW MEMBERS:**

Birjis and Zenobia Chinoy, 65 Murray Drive, Old Bridge, NJ 08857
Shazneen Rabadi, 311 East 81st Street, 3RW, New York, NY10028

**CONDOLENCES:**

Xerxes and Smita Antia on the death of Xerxes’s mother, Tehmina Peshotan Antia, in Mumbai, India.
ADVERTISEMENT

AVAILABLE ON ORDER:

BATTASAS, BHAKHRAS, DAR-NI-PORI,
LAGAN-NU-CUSTARD, DODHI-NO-MURAMBO (seasonal)

PLEASE CONTACT LILY AT (845) 291-7174

WCZZ GREATER NY CHAPTER:

The sixth meeting of the Greater NY Chapter was held at Darbe Mehr in Pomona. Mr. Framroze Patel gave an interesting presentation on Business Valuation and Rusi Gandhi gave an excellent presentation with lots of questions and answers, his topic was- Is Real Estate Recession Proof? And What Is Sleeping Equity? Both speakers were great and Meeting was very informative.

The next NY Chapter meeting is scheduled for March 17, 2002 at 2:00 PM, at the Darbe Mehr in Pomona. The speakers will be Mr. Fali Shroff, the subject-Mobile Technology, Mr. Edul Daver, the subject- Asset Based Financing.

The future meeting dates are May 19 and July 21. All individuals who have become members and others who are contemplating membership are welcome to attend. If any one has any questions please call Rusi Gandhi at 973-575-6005, Ext.117, Edul Daver at 732-469-1866, Fali Shroff at 201-670-6762.

A MESSAGE FROM THE SECRETARY’S DESK:

Dear fellow members, as the term of the current board ends, this will be the last newsletter sent by me to you. Your next newsletter will be coming to you from the new board in a new format and electronically, if you so wish to receive it. I wish the new board good luck and success. On a personal note, I would like to mention that I have served the ZAGNY board for the last eight years in various capacities of Member-at-large, Chairperson of the Social and Fund raising Committee, Joint Secretary and Secretary. I would like to take this opportunity to thank the individuals who have helped me during my eight years with ZAGNY.

With the newsletter, many thanks to the Joint Secretary and my life partner Vispi Kanga for his help and support,- to Homi Byramji, Noshir Langrana and Gev Nentin for their help in the writing of difficult paragraphs,- to Viraf Commissariat for his tremendous help with all computer related programs and problems,- to Spenta Cama, Mahrukh Cama and Mahrukh Commissariat for taking care of the minutes and mailings in our absence and - to Adrian Byramji and Furrokh Irani our webmasters for posting the newsletters on our website - www.ZAGNY.org. On the Social front I would like to thank Khurshid Mehta and Mahrukh Tarapore as directors of the Nataks, - Mahrukh Cama, Mehru Cama, Beroze Clubwala, Behroz Dutia, Viraf Ghadiyally and Roda Patel for their help in coordinating and to all participants for their dedication. In my efforts of Fund Raising by way of Parsi Nataks, Halloween and New Year’s Eve parties, Food Sale and Raffles, I would like to thank Goolu Baria, Yasmin Ghadiali, Toni Ghadially, Aban Nentin and Katie Patel for their help and support.

Finally, thanks to all fellow board members of ZAGNY, IZA and DMZT, and to every one of you for your support and letters and phone calls of appreciation received by me.

MAY HAPPINESS AND HARMONY PREVAIL WITHIN OUR ZARTHUSTI COMMUNITY.

Sincerely, Sheroo Kanga

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### 2002 ZAGNY MEMBERSHIP FORM & DIRECTORY INFORMATION

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Please allocate my donation to the following fund(s): [ ]

- NEW Building
- General Fund
- Scholarship
- Critical Assist.
- Library
- Other

Donation $________

TOTAL $________

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*Regular members: At least one member of the family is Zoroastrian

*Associate Members: No member of the family is Zoroastrian

Please **make your check payable to ZAGNY** and mail it with your check to Jasmin Kotwal at: 12 Park Hill Terrace, Princeton Junction, NJ 08550. Phone: (609) 275-5952.
NAVROZ MUBARAK

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TEL. NO. 845-362-2104

SATURDAY, 23RD MARCH, 2002

PROGRAM

4:45 PM  REGISTRATION BEGINS  5:00 PM  JASHAN CEREMONY
6:15 PM  ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
7:15 PM  BRIEF WORDS FROM CANDIDATES FOR ELECTION
7:30 PM  COCKTAILS FOLLOWED BY DINNER, MUSIC AND DANCING

REGISTRATION: NAVROZ FUNCTION

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Kindly mail your form with check made out to ZAGNY to:

Jasmin Kotwal
12 Park Hill Terrace
Princeton Jct., NJ 08550
Tel. No. 609-275-5952

Reservations must be received by March 9th, 2002.
Surcharge of $5.00 per person and $15.00 per family at gate.

Registration will be non-refundable
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FROM TAPPAN ZEE BRIDGE (going West)

After crossing the bridge continue on New York State Thruway I-87
Take Exit for Palisades North (Exit 13N)

*On Palisades Parkway North take Exit 12. Make a left at the end of the exit ramp and again left at the T junction (there's a light), onto Route 45 South. Go through the first light (which is entrance to Palisades South).
Go straight and make a right at the next light onto Pomona Road.
Go straight for about a mile, you will see Minisieno Country Club on the right, (large white building)
Darbe Mehr is on the next block on your right (opposite the Middle School on the left hand side)
Park in the Middle School Parking lot and walk across to the Darbe Mehr.
The building is at the end of the driveway and is not visible from the road.

FROM GEORGE WASHINGTON BRIDGE (going West)

Preferably take the upper level of GW Bridge, it will lead you straight onto Palisades Parkway.
On Palisades Parkway North take Exit 12 and then follow directions as above (marked with an asterisk)

FROM NJ TURNPIKE

Take Exit 18 on the Turnpike. After the tolls stay right for the local lanes. Take Exit 72 for Palisades Parkway.
On Palisades Parkway North take Exit 12 and then follow directions as above (marked with an asterisk)
SHEROO V. KANGA
SECRETARY
ZOROASTRIAN ASSOCIATION OF GREATER NEW YORK
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