



ZAPANJ

ZOROASTRIAN ASSOCIATION OF PENNSYLVANIA AND NEW JERSEY

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President: Cyrus B. Toorkey **Vice President:** Banoo Karanjia

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Joint Secretary: Khorshed Vakil-Unwala

Join Us

FOR OUR

Pateti Celebration - 2004

AT

CHATEAU GRANIERI



Saturday, August 21, 2004

6:00 PM - 11:00 PM

*GOOD FOOD, GOOD MUSIC, GREAT DANCING AND FUN WITH
LOTS OF SURPRISES!!!!*

Enjoy!! Enjoy!! Enjoy!!

Contact *Khorshed Unwala* at 610-831-0716 and mail your check along with registration to
136 Spruce Lane, Collegeville, PA 19426
by no later than August 8, 2004



Please note, we will not be able to entertain any cancellations and no refunds will be made. All checks sent after August 8, will be charged at \$35.00 without any exception. You can call Khorshed Unwala (610-831-0716) before the due date to make reservations prior to sending your check.

PATETI DINNER REGISTRATION FORM

Name: _____

Address: _____

of members: _____ # of non-members: _____

Total amount on enclosed check: \$_____

_____	Adult Members	@ \$25 per person
_____	Student Members	@ \$20 per person
_____	Children (3-12 years)	@ \$15 per person
_____	Children (13-18 years)	@ \$17 per person
_____	**Kids meal (Under 12)	@ 12 per person
_____	Non-Members	@ \$35 per person

****Strictly** for kids under 12 years, opting for Kids meal, Macaroni & Cheese and Chicken Nuggets for dinner, chips for appetizer and ice cream for dessert will be served. No food will be allowed from the buffet table. Call *Khorshed Unwala* in advance for this menu.

-----Tear off here and return with payment-----

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CHATEAU GRANIERI

(2522 W. Main Street, Jeffersonville, PA 19403)
610-539-3500

Directions to Chateau Granieri: *From Expressway (I-76):* Take Expressway West and exit to Route 202 South. Continue ½ mile to 422 west. Proceed to Trooper exit (also called Route 363). Follow 363 North to Ridge Pike (Main Street). Turn right at traffic light on Main Street and proceed ½ block. Chateau Granieri is located to your right.
From PA Turnpike: Take PA Turnpike to Exit 24 and then to Route 202 South and proceed as above.

Past news to share



June 26 - Car Wash: Our first Car Wash fund-raiser held at the *Culligan Water Supply Company* in Eagleville, PA was a great success. Thanks to *Mr. Perry Funk*, owner of the company, for allowing us to use his premises free of charge for the car wash. We washed about 40 cars and earned a total of \$240.00. Following families and individuals participated in the car wash event: *Toorkeys, Singhs, Shroffs, Porus Cooper and family, Bapasolas, Kapadias, Freny Ranji, Diana Dadachanji, Adi Kasad, Cyrus Mehta, Aranvaz Sukhia, Feroze Karanjia and Jamshed Unwalla*. The money earned from the car wash will go towards ZACUCE. Also, this event will contribute towards earning community service hours for some of the children which will help them in accomplishing their community service goals. Thanks to *Kyra Singh and Behnaaz Toorkey* for coordinating this event.



July 17 - Children's Outing: An outing to the Firepower guided tour of the Battleship U.S.S. New Jersey and Camden Aquarium was a fun-filled outing and an educational experience for the ZAPANJ children. About 35 children and adults attended this event. A bit tiring due to the heat but overall everyone had a good time.



July 24 - Family Picnic: Our annual family picnic was cancelled due to inclement weather conditions. We may reschedule the picnic at a later date, so look out for further details.



August 23 - The Pateti Function

will be held on Saturday, August 21st at the Chateau Granieri in Jeffersonville, PA. There will be a fun-filled entertainment show with Gujarati Natak and children's presentation from our very own ZAPANJ members. There are lots of surprises and games also. As mentioned on the preceding page, please be aware that we have provided a special kid's menu. Call *Khorshed Unwala* for further details about this menu.

Future events to participate in

August 15th - Muktaad Prayers: The Muktaad prayers, which is a fund raising event for ZACUCE, will be held on 15th August at 10 am at the Days Inn in New Jersey. *Mr. Bhakgu Tailor* has graciously offered this location for the prayers. *Ervad Testar Elavia, Ervad Minocher Dadachanji and Mobedeyar Sam Bapasola* will conduct the ceremonies. Please fill in the form and send it to *Freny Ranji*.



September 11: Mark your calendars our first prayer class for the next season will be held on September 11th beginning at 4:30 pm in Devon, PA. Please remember to bring a topi or scarf for use during the Humbandagi.

October 3: Annual Gambhar for the year 2004 will be held at the Voorhees Community Hall, Voorhees, NJ on October 3rd beginning with a Jashan and followed by lunch. We will hold our prayer class right after the lunch. Please call *Freny Ranji* (856-854-2251) to volunteer for cooking and providing other assistance.



Community News

Correction: There was an error in the spelling of young *Eric's* birth announcement. Below is the corrected one. We apologize for any inconvenience.



Our Youngest member: Congrats to *Pareez* and *Michael Golub* on the birth of their son *Eric Samuel Kelsang Golub*, and grandson to *Fatima* and *Erach Patel* on December 12, 2003.



Our Budding Scholars

CONGRATULATIONS to:

- ♣ *Monaz Kanga*, who will be attending the Syracuse University in Syracuse, New York. Monaz achieved Honor Roll status in all four years of high school, and was awarded a Dean's Scholarship to attend the Syracuse University.
- *Zubin Toorkey* for graduating with a B.S. Degree in the Computer Science program from Rutgers University Camden Campus, Camden, New Jersey.
- *Zarine Kapadia* who graduated with a B.S. in Psychology from George Washington University in Washington D.C.

GOOD LUCK to you all in your future endeavors. Keep up the good work!

☺ New Arrivals:

Please welcome the new family *Fali* and *Zarine Sidhva*, and their daughter *Farzeen* (17) and son *Farzad* (14), who have relocated to

Pennsylvania from Oregon. Their address is: 244 Rivercrest Drive, Phoenixville, PA 19460. Fali is the Vice President of Operations for Fresenius Medical Care that runs the kidney dialysis centers. They will move to their above residence in September. Meanwhile you can contact them at 610-278-9818.

We also welcome *Adi* and *Carol Maneckshaw*, who reside at 52 Wonama Circle, Rehoboth Beach Delaware 19971. Phone: 302-227-6262. Adi and Carol are blessed with 7 children and many grandchildren. Adi is a retired engineer, currently working in the county office and Carol is a retired teacher and realtor. They have relocated from Maryland.

Advertise In ZAPANJ:

Expand your market by advertising in the ZAPANJ newsletters and help us defray the cost of printing and mailing of the newsletters. Our newsletters cover the area of Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Delaware. We also send our newsletters to all other associations in the US and Canada as well as post them on the web. For details on subscriptions contact *Aban Singh* 610-539-9229.

Elections for ZAPANJ Board:

This is a bit early but we would like the ZAPANJ community to start thinking about the elections for Board members that will take place in March 2005 at the Navroze Function. There will be four positions vacant and we will need new members to fill these positions. Please consider joining the board and serving your community.

FEZANA NEWS:

Cyrus & Behnaaz Toorkey attended the Annual General Meeting of FEZANA held May 29 & 30, 2004 in Tampa Bay, Florida. A brief overview of the meeting from Cyrus and Behnaaz is given below. For further details, visit www.FEZANA.org

Some of the highlights were:

- More focus on Youth participation.
- Focus on Iranian–Zoroastrian participation
- Discussion on power point and better electronic communications
- Discussion on one place of worship and raising funds for the same.

2. Need to have a sub-committee with representation of youth from all associations across North America and Canada for the Zoroastrian Youth of America (ZYNA).
3. Next North American Congress to be held in San Francisco in December 2004.
4. Individuals are encouraged to subscribe to FEZANA journal.

5. *Dolly Dastoor* presented Academic Education Scholarship report. Graduating seniors are encouraged to apply.
6. Various associations are trying to raise money to build their own community halls.
7. It was suggested that the North American Mobed Council should encourage respective associations and give increased leadership roles from the religious viewpoint.
8. FEZANA welfare sub-committee is present to give “critical assistance”. They have a benefit fundraiser on September 4, 2004 in Chicago. For more information contact *Hutoxi Contractor* from Pittsburgh.

MUKTAD PRAYERS FOR THE DEPARTED

Sunday, 10:00 am, August 15, 2004
At Days Inn Motel, Bordentown, NJ 08505 *

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT FRENY RANJI AT 856-854-2251.

- Ervad Testa Elavia, Ervad Minocher Dadachanji and Mobediyar Sam Bapasola will conduct the Muktdad prayers
- Each family may submit up to five names for inclusion in the prayers with a donation of \$5.00 per name. (Checks to be made payable to ZACUCE by 8/8/04)
- Flowers in vases, sandalwood and candles may be offered at the ceremony.

NAME OF DECEASED

NAME OF DECEASED’S FATHER/HUSBAND

E/O/Oi/B _____	E/O/Oi/B _____
E/O/Oi/B _____	E/O/Oi/B _____
E/O/Oi/B _____	E/O/Oi/B _____
E/O/Oi/B _____	E/O/Oi/B _____
E/O/Oi/B _____	E/O/Oi/B _____

- E: Ervad (male who was a Navar)
- O: Osta (male from Athornan or Priestly family, not a Navar)
- Oi: Osti (female from Athornan family)
- B: Behdin (male/female from non-priestly family)

We will be able to attend the prayers: Yes/No _____ Number of attendees: _____
 TOTAL AMOUNT OF ENCLOSED CHECK: \$ _____
 Donated By: _____
 Phone Number: _____

*NJ Turnpike, Exit 7-Bordentown, bear right onto 206 North. Motel is 1,000 yards on the right.

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Secretary-ZAPANJ
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