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OZCF Newsletter

In Perspective Drawing

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Finally... summer is here. A favorite time of the year for a lot of people.

The last 2 months have seen a lot happening within OZCF. We are immensely glad to see the seniors return to our premises for their weekly Wednesday Zumba, meditation, and laughter therapy sessions. Complimentary lunch is provided to all attendees courtesy of the Government Grant for Seniors Meal Program we received earlier this year. A huge thank you to the Seniors' Committee and the volunteer drivers to provide a safe ride to our seniors every week. If you would like to take part or know someone who would be interested, please reach out to any Seniors' Committee member.

The Sports Committee held the 3rd Annual OZCF Volleyball Tournament at the start of June. This is one of the most popular sports events every year. We had a massive turnout of 100 players split into 13 teams. Accommodating all the players and teams to be playing simultaneously meant we had to invest more and purchase new nets, courts and playing equipment, but it was well worth it to see play occurring on 5 courts at the same time. A lot of people came just to watch the games and few of them stayed back for dinner taking the number of participants at the event to 135. Upcoming sports events include a Soccer Tournament on July 9th, Cricket Dhansak on July 23rd and Bring Your Own Team Volleyball on September 17th.

In June, we had 2 major events. A Volunteer Appreciation Event where we honored and thanked our countless volunteers who throughout the year have assisted us in operating the OZCF, as well as the Annual General Meeting held last weekend. A huge thank you to all the volunteers and my entire Board. FEZANA President Arzan Sam Wadia also joined us for the Volunteer Appreciation Event.

Our Place of Worship Advisory Committee (PWAC) Chair Phil Sidhwa provided us with an update on the project at the AGM. We have received bids from contractors for the project and PWAC is currently reviewing it. Things are now moving extremely fast and we are very hopeful of construction starting later this year.

The Fundraising Committee is organizing Bingo on July 8th. Already over 100 tickets for the event have been sold. Entrance ticket prices include cards for six games and all funds go towards the OZCF General account which help us in running the day-to-day affairs of the OZCF. In August, the Committee is organizing a High Tea event which has been a popular sold-out event in previous years.

During August we will have the Shehenshahi Muktd Prayers, Navroze Jashan, Khordad Sal Prayers and the Navroze Mela. If you would like to help with any event, please reach out.

Hoping to meet you at some of these upcoming events.

Sincerely,
Adil Bhesania
OZCF President 2022 - 2024



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nskotwal1@gmail.com

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Cyrus Gazdar 647-294-6462
cygazdar@yahoo.ca

ZRCC Coordinator

Armaity Anandasgar 905-271-0366
armaity.a@gmail.com

OZCF President

Dr. Adil Bhesania 647-985-0305
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Webmaster & Facilities

Rumi Jasavala 647-885-1759
rumijas@hotmail.com

Need a Mobed

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

Bamji, Ervad Xerxes (905) 702-1034

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Katrak, Ervad Kerman (647) 444-7359 (Speaks Farsi)

Kotwal, Ervad Nozer (905) 820-0461

Madan, Ervad Xerxes (416) 254-0685

Panthaky, Ervad Jal (905) 568-4946

Zarolia, Ervad Kobad (647) 8879213

RELIGIOUS EVENTS AND UPDATES

Due to inflation and increasing costs, OZCF will be revising rates for religious offerings and events with immediate effect, as follows:

- Sukhad – \$3/- each
- Divo – \$3/- each
- Gahambar lunch – \$10/- per person; children up to age 5 years are free

We sincerely appreciate the continuing support of the community.

MUKTAD (S) PRAYERS – AUGUST 11TH – 15TH

OZCF will be celebrating the Shenshai Muktab from Friday August 11th to Tuesday August 15th at the ZRCC.

We will be performing all the prayers during the Muktab days – three Satoom sessions (morning, afternoon and evening), and Afringan & Farokshi in the morning. If you wish to give the names of your dearly departed for daily prayers, please download, and complete the Muktab Names Form from the OZCF website and send it along with your donation cheque payable to OZCF to reach Er. Nozer Kotwal **by August 8th**.

The Hall will be open for a few hours during the prayers. Prayer timings are:

6:30 am – Morning Satoom

7:00 am – Afringan and Farokshi

11:30 am – Afternoon Satoom

7:00 pm – Evening Satoom

If you wish to offer your home-made Malido, Ravo, Sev, Batasa, Bhakras, and/or dry-fruits, flowers, fruits, Sukhad, Loban, we ask that you make arrangements with Er. Kotwal. If you wish to sponsor a meal and/or donate food, please contact Jerroo Madan at jeroomadan@hotmail.com

We also require volunteers to clean and set up the Prayer Room, House, and Hall before the start of Muktab as well as regular cleaning during the Muktab days. Please contact Er. Kotwal at (905) 820-0461 if you wish to help.

Muktab are the days of communication between the material and spiritual worlds – our need of health, happiness, peace and prosperity is fulfilled through the blessings of the Ruwans (souls) and the Fravashis (spirits), and their need for our remembrance is fulfilled by our prayers and invocations.

HAMASPATHMAIDYEM GAHAMBAR (S) – AUGUST 13TH

The Hamaspathmaidyem Gahambar prayers as per Shenshai Calendar, will be held on Sunday August 13th (on Gatha Spentamainyu) at 7:00 am at the ZRCC, 1187 Burnhamthorpe Rd. East, Oakville.

NAVROZE JASHAN (S) – AUGUST 16TH

OZCF will be celebrating Navroze on Wednesday August 16th at the ZRCC. The prayer ceremony will commence at 7:00 pm followed by dinner. Details will follow closer to the event.

If you wish to offer your home-made Malido, Ravo, Sev and/or dry-fruits, flowers, fruits, Sukhad, Loban, we ask that you make arrangements with Er. Kotwal in advance.

KHORDAD SAL (S) JASHAN – AUGUST 21ST

OZCF will be holding a Jashan on Khordad Sal day, as per Shenshai Calendar on Monday August 21st at the ZRCC. The prayer ceremony will commence at 7:00 pm, followed by Chasni.

If you wish to offer your home-made Malido, Ravo, Sev and/or dry-fruits, flowers, fruits, Sukhad, Loban, we ask that you make arrangements with Er. Kotwal in advance.

FARVARDEGAN (S) PRAYERS – SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 3RD

The R&L Committee will be holding Farvardegan prayers, as per Shehenshai Calendar, on Sunday September 3rd at the ZRCC, 1187 Burnhamthorpe Rd. East, Oakville. The prayer ceremony will commence at 11:00 am, followed by Chasni.

If you wish to offer your home-made Malido, Ravo, Sev and/or dry-fruits, flowers, fruits, Sukhad, Loban, we ask that you make arrangements with Er. Nozer Kotwal, at (905) 820-0461, in advance.

DASTURJI KOOKADAROO BAJ – MONDAY SEPTEMBER 4TH

The R&L Committee will be holding Dasturji Kookadaroo Baj prayers on Monday September 4th at the ZRCC, 1187 Burnhamthorpe Rd. East, Oakville.

The prayer ceremony will commence at 11:00 am, followed by lunch. The cost of attending the Jashan & lunch is \$10 per person; children up to the age of 5 years are free. Members wishing to attend in-person must give their names to Er. Nozer Kotwal at (905) 820-0461 or at nskot-wal1@gmail.com in advance, but **not later than Thursday, August 31st**. Please also volunteer to clean up after the event.

If you wish to offer your home-made Malido, Ravo, Sev and/or dry-fruits, flowers, fruits, Sukhad, Loban, we ask that you make arrangements with Er. Kotwal.

If you and/or your friends wish to sponsor a Gahambar & lunch or any other religious event in the future, please provide your interest to Er. Kotwal.

NEW HALL RENTAL RATES:

	OZCF Member *	Non – Members
Short Term Rental (Maximum 3 hours)		
Hall Only **	\$100	\$150
Audio Video (optional)	\$50	\$75
Long Term Rental		
Hall Only	\$400	\$600
Hall + Patio ***	\$600	\$900
Audio Video (optional)	\$100	\$150

***Conditions for paying OZCF member's rate:**

The member has been an OZCF member and has paid membership fees for at least 2 years immediately preceding the time of signing the rental agreement.

** If only the hall is rented, the renter is responsible for ensuring that the patio is not used by any guests/attendees.

*** The patio will be deemed to be used if video surveillance shows groups or individuals, guests and/or attendees are congregating on the patio to consume food/drinks or just to interact. Consequently the user will be charged the additional fee for Hall + Patio rental.

The renter will be required to provide insurance coverage for your booking:

The renter will be required to obtain, at their own expense, liability insurance of two million dollars (\$2,000,000). The renter will provide the OZCF with proof of such insurance with OZCF mentioned in the policy as an Additional Insured at the time of entering into this agreement. ***If alcohol is being served, it must be mentioned when applying for the policy.*** A copy of the insurance policy, Special Occasion Permit (SOP) from the Alcohol and Gaming Commission of Ontario and the renter's completed application (available online) for insurance must be provided to OZCF at the time of paying the rental charges.

A few links to insurers are provided herewith, however the renter can choose any Insurer licenced to provide insurance in Canada:

- <https://www.palcanada.com/index.php/en-us/>
- <https://duuo.ca>
- <https://easyinsure.ca>
- <https://www.brokerlink.ca/>

Disclaimer: *OZCF is not associated with the above insurers, nor does it profit from any transactions with these insurers.*

RATES TO ADVERTISE IN THE NEWSLETTER:

Members often inquire about rates to advertise in the newsletter. See the rate structure below:

Business Card	\$25 per issue	\$150 per year
1/4 Page	\$50 per issue	\$300 per year
1/2 Page	\$75 per issue	\$450 per year
Full Page	\$125 per issue	\$750 per year
Last Full Page	\$150 per issue	\$900 per year

If paid in full at the beginning of the year by the end of January, a 10% discount will be applied. There are six issues per year – January, March, May, July, September and November.

HALL RENTAL RATES FOR FUNERAL SERVICES

Members: \$100 per day (over the 4-day period)

Non-members: \$150 per day

2023 MEMBERSHIP FEE STRUCTRE

Below is agreed upon membership rates passed at the 2022 AGM

Fee Structure for January 1, 2023 to December 31, 2023 (Non-Refundable)

Membership Level	2023 Fee
Family (Includes spouses/partners & children up to age 22)	\$175.00
Single (Individuals of age 27 to 64 years)	\$100.00
Senior (Individuals of age 65 -89 years)	\$50.00
Seniors (age 90+)	\$FREE
Youth (Individuals of age 23 to 26 years)	\$50.00

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- Single (Individuals of age 27 to 64 years)
- Senior (Individuals of age 65 -89 years)
- Seniors (age 90+)
- Youth (Individuals of age 23 to 26 years)



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MUKTAD PRAYERS

Please include the following names in the daily prayers during the forthcoming Muktaḍ Ceremonies. Please note that **NO NAMES WILL BE ACCEPTED OVER THE PHONE**.

Name of the Deceased

Name of his/her father/Husband**

1. E O Oi B K _____

E O B _____

2. E O Oi B K _____

E O B _____

3. E O Oi B K _____

E O B _____

4. E O Oi B K _____

E O B _____

5. E O Oi B K _____

E O B _____

6. E O Oi B K _____

E O B _____

Please find enclosed my cheque payable to OZCF for \$ _____

Thank you.

Name Signature Tel. No

** Names of the deceased are recited together with their father/husband's name

E= Ervad O = Osta Oi = Osti B = Behdin

K = Khurd (child whose navjote was not performed)

Please complete the form in Block Letters, ensuring the proper status (i.e., E, O, Oi, B, K) is circled and forward it to the address below

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SENIORS ZUMBA SESSIONS

Members of the Seniors' Subcommittee, along with other volunteers, help out to open the hall, set up the chairs and tables. A few volunteer drivers from our community bring the seniors who need a drive to and fro. The meals get picked up from the vendors in time for serving the seniors around 1 pm. Finally after meals, all tables and chairs are piled up, all garbage gets cleaned up and the hall is evacuated and the program for the day ends.

Every Wednesday, our seniors are looking forward to this event! They enjoy a zumba stretch and dance session organized by Ariam Del Real, followed by meditation and laughter therapy by Nowzar Borzooyan. Finally everyone is served with delicious hot meals. Obviously everyone is enjoying it because we see the increasing number of participants!!

Last but not the least, we have done away with the admission fee, but have placed a donation box, if anyone would like to contribute.

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VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION DINNER

The Board of Directors 2022-2024 wanted to thank all the volunteers that have been an essential part of day-to-day running of the OZCF. About 100 volunteers joined us for a fun filled evening. We started the evening off with a few refreshments and snacks. The highlight of the evening was an OZCF inspired Kahoot quiz which had multiple questions related to the history, current affairs, committees, and fun facts about the OZCF.

Following the very competitive quiz, everyone enjoyed a delicious dinner sitting on the new benches made by the OZCF youth. Every family went home with a small gift from the Board. Since OZCF is a FEZANA member, we had extended the invitation to the current FEZANA president, Arzan Sam Wadia, who also attended that evening. He was very pleased to see an organization taking such an initiative to appreciate their volunteers.

We, as a board, would like to thank all our volunteers that help us run the OZCF efficiently.









OZCF FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE
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Sunday, July 23rd

11.00am

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All Ages and Gender welcome

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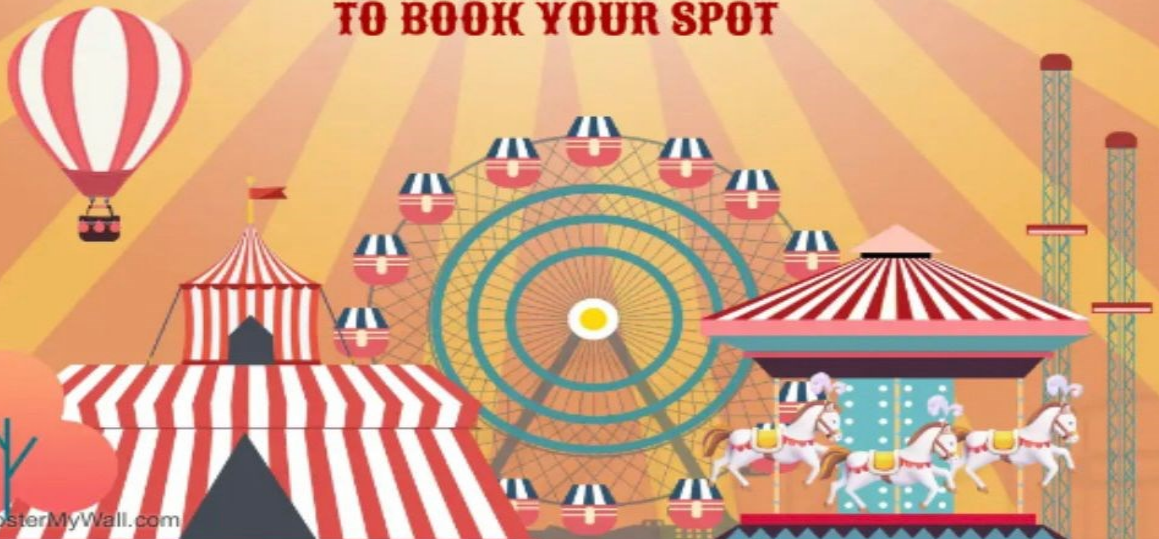
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HIGH TEA



AUGUST 27TH, 2023 AT OZCF

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MEMBERSHIP FORM

January 01 to December 31, 2023

Membership Application: ☐ New ☐ Renewal

Membership Category / Fees

<input type="checkbox"/> Youth	<input type="checkbox"/> Single	<input type="checkbox"/> Seniors	<input type="checkbox"/> Family
Individuals of age 23 to 26 years	Individuals of age 27 and below 64 years	Individuals of age 65 years to age 89 (age 90+ = free)	Includes spouses/partners & children up to age 22 years
\$50	\$100	\$50	\$175

APPLICANT INFORMATION

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____
 Address: _____ Apartment No: _____
 City: _____ Province: _____ Postal Code: _____
 Home Phone: (_____) - _____ - _____ Cell Phone: (_____) - _____ - _____
 Email: _____ Age _____ Receive OZCF text messages (Y / N)

DEPENDANT INFORMATION

1. Full Name _____ Email _____ Age _____
 2. Full Name _____ Email _____ Age _____
 3. Full Name _____ Email _____ Age _____
 4. Full Name _____ Email _____ Age _____

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- ☐ I (We) select OZCF as our Prime Membership Group for FEZANA membership
☐ I (We) would like to receive the VISION Newsletter by post
☐ I (We) would like to provide Donation. One time: \$_____ or ongoing \$_____ per: _____
☐ I (We) are interested in volunteering with OZCF

Total Enclosed: Cash: \$_____ Cheque: _____ or Credit Card (paid via website): \$_____
 I have reviewed the OZCF By-laws available on the OZCF website www.ozcf.com, and agree to abide by them. By signing this form I give consent to OZCF to contact me by email / phone for announcements and requests.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

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\$50	\$100	\$50	FREE	\$175
Youth	Single	Seniors	Seniors	Family
Individuals aged 23 - 26 years	Individuals aged 27 - 64 years	Individuals of age 65 years - 89 years	Aged 90 and above	Includes spouses/partners & children up to age 22 years

Member Name: _____

Address/Contact Information: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

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