

# FEZANA *bulletin*

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## UPCOMING DATES

February 1, 2012

Submission deadline for FEZANA Journal Special Silver Jubilee Edition showcasing North American Zarathushti achievements. For info or to submit contact [editor@fezana.org](mailto:editor@fezana.org)

March 15, 2012

Nomination deadline for 2012 NA Zarathushti Community Awards

May 5, 2012

1st International Day of Service: Zoroastrians Stepping Out Initiative. For info on how to organize an event in your local area, visit <http://zoroastrianssteppingforward.weebly.com/>

June 2-3, 2012

Year 3750 Thus Spoke Zarathushtra Conference of Scholars of Zoroastrianism. University of British Columbia, Vancouver. For info, visit <http://www.3750z.com/conference.htm>

June 29-July 3, 2012

13th Zoroastrian Games Toronto, Canada. For info [www.zso.org](http://www.zso.org) or [zgames2012@yahoo.ca](mailto:zgames2012@yahoo.ca)

August 2-5, 2012

16th North American Zoroastrian Congress Rye, New York. For info <http://nazc.zagny.org>

August 3, 2012

25th FEZANA AGM; Rye, New York. For info <http://nazc.zagny.org> or [admin@fezana.org](mailto:admin@fezana.org)

AROUND FEZANA...

*Unity and Welfare Committee News*

## Message from Unity and Welfare Committee

When one of us is hurting, we all feel the pain. The closer the individual or family is to us, the more we feel their pain. Having said this, there are also times when we do not even know someone, but their hurt and pain touches our heart, our core and we want to do something to ease their pain, their hurt.

What do you think is the reason for this? We think it is the connectivity of life — the common thread that sustains all life, passes through all of us and that is what unites us.

We see our purpose of Unity and Welfare committee is described in this name. We see ourselves as the connection between the fortunate who can help and the fortunate who are recipients of the help. In these hard economic times we come across so many sincere, honest, hard working folks losing their jobs and income and if both income earners have this situation it is hard to live over an extended period of time.

Just like our religion teaches us to work on ourselves for individual salvation but also to work on community salvation. Once we are doing well for ourselves and family, we have an obligation to help bring up the folks around us to bring up their level of life.

We have been very fortunate in our community to have compassionate folks step up and help out whenever we have asked for help. Through the year we get requests from all over the world and we are fortunate to be able to coordinate help for all requests local and international.

We would like to thank all who helped financially and all who helped in sharing the appeals that we sent out. We would like to have volunteers from every association and small group to help share the appeals we get.

Also, we are so very grateful to donors who have set up endowments to help our committee, we cannot do our work without them. We would like to thank FEZANA President, Treasurer and all officers for their trust in us and to help whenever needed and be supportive always.

We are humbled and honored to be given the opportunity to serve our community in this capacity.

With love and good thoughts to all,  
Houtoxi Contractor, Freyaz Shroff and Hosi Mehta  
Co-chairs, FEZANA Unity and Welfare Committee

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## 25th FEZANA AGM to be Held in New York

Hosted by the Zoroastrian Association of Greater New York (ZAGNY), FEZANA's 25th Annual General Meeting (AGM) will be held on August 3, 2012 at the Hilton Rye Hotel, Rye, New York. The AGM is open to the public. For details or more information contact: [admin@fezana.org](mailto:admin@fezana.org). Also, visit <http://nazc.zagny.org/schedule/> to see the full NAZC XVI schedule. □

## ZACUCE Launches New Website

Be sure to check out the new ZoroastrianReligion.org website. The site was created as a way to educate visitors on the great legacy of the Zoroastrian faith and to appeal for donations to help establish a Zoroastrian Cultural Center (ZACUCE) in the New Jersey, Pennsylvania and Delaware area. Please spread the word! □


 A large graphic announcement for FEZANA's 25th anniversary. At the top is the FEZANA 25 Years logo. Below it is a light blue box with red text: "FEZANA'S 25TH ANNIVERSARY GALA AN EVENING OF DINNER AND DANCE CELEBRATING FEZANA'S SILVER JUBILEE IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE XVI NORTH AMERICAN ZARATHUSHTI CONGRESS HOSTED BY ZAGNY IN NEW YORK AUGUST 2, 2012 — 7:00PM". At the bottom is a banner with an American flag on the left and a red Zoroastrian flag on the right, with the text "FEZANA TURNS TWENTYFIVE!" in gold letters on a dark blue background.