

ZAH Entertainment Committee Report AGM - 2009

Recap of main events

The Entertainment Committee, besides bringing you regular activities, assisted the World Zarathushti Chamber of Commerce at their Annual Gala in Houston last December. Bawas on Broadway kept the audience entertained till the end.

As always, the tradition of Jashn-e-Sadeh was celebrated successfully, thanks to our Iranian Zarathushti members. They work very hard to keep this tradition alive. Our role is minimal but we assist them in whatever we can.

Our Carnival event has always been an excellent fun-filled fundraiser and this year raised a record amount of over \$3000. Our two Navroze functions – Fasli and Shehanshahi, were well attended and successful, and here we have to acknowledge Generation 1 Live Band and their DJ'ing the evenings. As everyone knows, DJ's tend to get expensive and we have had volunteer service from our own community members for the past number of years. Such kind of volunteering has enabled us to keep the entrance affordable for every one and offer even a lower rate to our Seniors at the same time making some money to cover the cost of cleaning and utilities. Another successful fundraising event was the English Play "*Darling I am finally out*" that raised over \$5000. As one of the visiting WZCC delegate said "you all are so talented" – yes, our ZAH has lots of talent and that became evident when for the last Shehanshahi function we had a talent show and we saw the children at their best.

Function Costs

The Entertainment Committee has endeavored to keep the cost increase to the minimum by expending more effort and energy, doing leg-work/research to get the best deals from vendors to provide a good quality event at a reasonable cost. And we cannot thank our community DJ's enough. Its with this kind of volunteering that we can keep the costs low and make them affordable for everyone. Our goal for the events is to generate just about enough income to cover cleaning costs and utilities and we have done well so far.

Closing

The Entertainment Committee would like thank the Executive Committee for their support, all our many sponsors who donate generously, and all the volunteers for their time and help with various activities at our functions. So a BIG THANK YOU to all for your continued support.

We will continue to serve our members and strive to bring you a good mix of fun, education and culture, which every family can enjoy and afford.

We also do welcome your ideas, comments, and suggestions anytime. If you want to serve on The Entertainment Committee, our doors are always open.

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