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young zoroastrians in business & employment

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Welcome!

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The World Zarathustri Chamber of Commerce (WZCC) exists primarily to assist our community in achieving prosperity in both business and employment. As part of a local NSW initiative, we have launched a **Youth Enhancement Program** which is designed to assist you in achieving excellence in your chosen field.

We would like to invite **YOU** to participate in a series of **Youth Enhancement Forums** which are designed to give you **practical advice and tips** across a wide range of business/employment related topics. There will also be many opportunities to win some fabulous prizes along the way during each interactive Forum.

Our Forums will be held once a quarter at our **AZA House**, with session 1 kicking off on **Saturday 19th July 2008 from 11am-4pm**. This Forum will focus on **"The Business of Networking"** and a **BBQ lunch** will be provided at a minimal fee of **\$5 per person (just approx. 205 rupees!)**. Please refer to Page 11 for a **Session Outline**.

We are a community of bright young talent and we want to do everything we can to **capture and share our collective knowledge**. So whether you are employed or self-employed, **these Forums are for YOU!**

So let's build on our strength and make the most of our distinctive character!

From your WZCC Project Team,

Sharmin Adaggra, Karishma Sarkari & Shiraz Contractor

What We're About

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Learning!

Learning means that we are open to new ideas and that we are willing to expand our thinking by looking to each other for knowledge and inspiration. It means that we are willing to learn, un-learn and re-learn.

Networking!

Networking means that we give and receive our knowledge, time and experience to others within our community. By working together we improve our skills and strengthen our character both as individuals and as a community.

Sharing!

Sharing means that we think about others and how we may be able to share our knowledge & experience. It means that we are willing to share stories and experiences, and we exchange knowledge and resources to help our fellow community members in whatever way we can—unconditionally.

Growing!

Growing means that we relentlessly seek out new ways of doing the things we already do! It means that we support one another, we listen to one another and we take active steps to help one another reach their business goals.

The WZCC Team

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Picture this:

Sunday 20th April 2008...I arrive at the AZA House at 2.45pm for the 3pm WZCC Forum...I park my car and I am delighted to see so many other cars already there! I walk up through the kitchen...I see lots and lots of people...hold on! These people are not our Youth. They are our Senior Citizens having their monthly get-together! I look around, thinking the Youth will be waiting outside for the seniors to vacate the hall. I step outside...no youth. I greet Firuza Sarkari who assures me that the Youth are on their way. 3pm...no youth...but Sharmin Adaggra arrives, yay! 3.15pm, still no youth. Sharmin and I start to brainstorm ideas for games we could play with our Seniors at future get-togethers. 3.30pm Firuza and Adil assure me that the "youth are on their way!" I start to imagine a bus load of youth "on their way". Altogether? How many people? I start to panic a little because I was giving a speech at this Forum...What was this Forum about again?!! It was my first time and since I was requested to speak, I thought "why not???" 4pm...still no youth...someone enthusiastically suggested that I still give my speech—What? To the seniors? What career advice could I possibly offer?!!!

Needless to say our intended program did not go ahead as planned, however some much needed discussion did take place about how we can provide an offering to our Youth to help them success in business and employment.

And this is the story of how we stepped up and agreed to lead this year's WZCC Youth Enhancement Forums. We hope you enjoy reading this and we look forward to seeing you at our first event on Saturday 19th July 2008.

Join us for some fun! - Shiraz Contractor.

Learn!

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Learning means that we are open to new ideas and that we are willing to expand our thinking by looking to each other for knowledge and inspiration. It means that we are willing to learn, un-learn and re-learn.

Learning is at the very core of the WZCC. As a community, we have a wealth of knowledge across a broad range of disciplines which places us in a privileged position to share our knowledge and grow together.

During the course of 2008, the WZCC will be facilitating both Personal and Professional Development Programs on a quarterly basis at our AZA House. These interactive programs will provide you with a solid foundation to further develop your skills in whichever area interests you.

Many of our Youth have expressed interest in the following topics:

- Resume Writing Skills
- How To Develop Your Professional Network
- Mentoring Skills
- Negotiation Skills
- Business Writing Skills
- Business Planning
- PowerPoint Presentation Skills

If you would like to nominate any other topics of interest, please let us know and we will bring them to you! Better still, if you'd like to be a presenter at future Forums please let us know as we would love to hear from you!

Network!

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Networking means that we give and receive our knowledge, time and experience to others within our community. By working together we improve our skills and strengthen our character both as individuals and as a community.

Networking is an essential skill of all highly successful people. Skilled networkers craft their networks by contributing twice as much as they receive in return. Networking is about sharing information, ideas, resources & opportunities. Members of a network look to each other for advice, tips and personal experiences. The WZCC facilitates a fantastic support system to YOU and your friends.

Ask yourself:

- How many people are in my professional network?
- How do I add value to my network?
- What value do I derive from my network?
- How can I strengthen my network to help me reach my business goals?

The WZCC is a **BIG** part of your network! You were born into this network and some of you may have already climbed the corporate ladder or developed your business as a result of being a part of this network.

Our quarterly Youth Enhancement Forums provide an excellent opportunity for you to make real connections with people from within our community. Feeling shy??? Don't be! Everyone who attends these forums are friendly and happy to help you in whatever way they can. Don't forget—you could be a valuable contact for others too!

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Sharing our time and knowledge with our community members is an excellent way that we can give back to our community. If we think back we can probably all recall a time when somebody within our community shared an important lesson with us—and after hearing this we thanked our lucky stars that we had the conversation!

This is what our Youth Enhancement Forums are about. We facilitate the sharing of our knowledge and experiences so that we don't find ourselves in tricky situations which could have been prevented 'if only!' ... If only someone had shared their experience with us!

Grow!

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Growing means that we relentlessly seek out new ways of doing the things we already do! It means that we support one another, we listen to one another and we take active steps to help one another reach their business and employment goals.

Most of us have grown up together as children—remember Santa at Sunday School? Remember our Table Tennis Tournaments? Remember Sunday School Camp?

We are still all growing so why not do it together? Many of us play together in social settings and we keep in touch on Facebook, but how many of us grow together in professional settings?

Helping our fellow youth to grow in business can be as simple as sharing some interview tips, salary negotiation tips or by putting them in contact with “a friend of a friend” who may be able to help them secure the next move in their career.

The WZCC is about GROWTH! Growth as Individuals | Growth as a Community.

4 Simple Q's

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As individuals within our Zoroastrian community, from time to time its worth stopping to ask ourselves 4 Simple Questions:

1. **Am I learning** new skills from people within my community?
2. **Am I sharing** my time and knowledge within my community?
3. **Am I networking** and providing value to myself and to my community?
4. **Am I growing** both personally and professionally within my community?

Simply by reading these questions, you have opened up your mind. You may not be ready to answer them straight away, but over the course of 2008, spare a few moments to think about these questions.

"The Business of Networking"

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Session Description

Strong personal networks don't just happen by doing nothing! They have to be carefully constructed, nurtured and developed. Successful networkers have a "nose" for opportunity and knack for knowing who to tap into and when to ask for assistance.

This interactive session provides you with foundation level skills for developing your network and strengthening your connections.

Session Content

- Networking - Do's and Don'ts
- Giving & Receiving
- Setting Your Objectives
- Moving Out of Your Comfort Zone
- Planning Your Introduction
- The "Make or Break" Handshake
- Entering A Conversation
- Remember Your Manners!
- Little Things Count
- Business Cards Are Gold!
- General Follow-Up
- Reflection—How Did I Go?

Competition Prizes

Win a Myer Voucher or iTunes Card + more!!!

RSVP

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Please join us as we launch our WZCC Youth Enhancement Forum!

Date: Saturday 19th July 2008

Venue: AZA House. 196 Annangrove Road Annangrove NSW 2156

Time: 11am–4pm

Topic: "The Business of Networking"

RSVP Date: Friday 4th July 2008

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