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OUR MISSION
To introduce and promote the rich and diverse heritage
of Iranian culture amongst people of all nationalities and
ethnic background

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House of Iran Welcomes You!

Happy New Year and welcome to the House of Iran's first News Letter. We're planning to stay in-touch with you and provide you with regular updates on your House. The quarterly news letters are designed to inform you of latest events with the House of Iran and the Persian community in San Diego. We intend to keep it short and sweet!

House of Iran had a great year! We hosted 52 Sunday's from noon to 4:00 PM, giving thousands of visitors a glimpse to our rich Persian culture and heritage along with delicious Chai (tea) and Shirini (pastries). We also hosted for local school children on Fridays, providing our youngsters an opportunity at early age to learn about Iran and leave them with cheerful impressions and memories.

Rouze Iran this past March was also a great success! Over 3000 people attended and celebrated Noruz in Balboa Park. Many thanks go to members and friends of House of Iran that helped to make Rouze Iran a big success. We had volunteers making home made shirini, shole zard and ash-reshteh and many more helped us with serving food. My sincere thanks go to local Iranian stores and restaurants with their generous gift certificates for our raffle ticket drawings. Also, special thanks to Mastaneh Neek Ravesh for her performance of Persian folk songs and last but not least, thanks to D.J. Mohsen for providing high octane Persian dance music to close the event. It literally gives me goose bumps when I see the level of care, love and participation we receive from our community...keep it up!

In closing, I ask you to continue your support of your House by continuing your membership and encouraging others to join. Without your support, none of this would be possible.

Best Regards,
Habib Hariri - President

Announcing 2009 Board of Directors

The House of Iran Board of Directors would like to welcome our new Delegate, Shahram Salehi. He is not new to HOI; he was a member of the Board a few years ago and we are glad to have him back.

Also, countless thanks go to outgoing Board members Bahar Bagherpour, Rehaneh Raie and Arya Zeghamnia. Of course, they will continue their work with House of Iran as active members. Once you get involved with House of Iran, you will never quit!

Introducing the 2009 House of Iran Board of Directors:

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Events

DECEMBER NIGHTS - The House of Iran is proud to have taken part in the biggest event of the year at Balboa Park, December Nights. This is the most festive and attended event, with nearly half million visitors.

The event took place at night on Friday and Saturday, where Balboa Park shined in bright lights for everyone to enjoy the food & fabulous entertainment at each corner of the park. The House of Iran joined the festivities to represent a taste of Persian cuisine and culture. We thank all of the volunteers who made this event a success. We are looking forward to the 2009 December Nights.



House of Iran is proud to take part in celebration of Nowruz sponsored by *Mingei International Museum*

Saturday, March 7, 2009

1:00-4:00 PM

Mingei International Museum

Enjoy musical recitations of poetry, learn about the seven elements that comprise the Haft Seen table (symbolizing the triumph of good over evil) and engage in crafts associated with the Persian New Year.

\$5 members/students or \$10 non-members
Information & Reservations: (760)735.3355

ROUZE IRAN

Come and enjoy the festivities as House of Iran celebrates Nowruz with our annual **Rouze Iran!**

March 22, 2009
Balboa Park
Noon – 4:00 PM

