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ACYOA CENTRAL COUNCIL ELECTS OFFICERS

Immediately following the 1984 ACYOA General Assembly, the Central Council met in its transitional meeting with the Primate of the Diocese of the Armenian Church, His Eminence, Archbishop Torkom Manoogian, and with Mr. James Magarian, Executive Secretary to the ACYOA from the Diocese.

Two positions on the Council were filled during elections of the General Assembly to replace outgoing members Vaughan Totovian, Treasurer, and Melanie Barsamian, Vice Chairman, who completed their two year terms in office.

Newly elected were Susan Boyajian (Palos Heights) and Shake Ajamian (Bayside), who will assume the offices of Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer respectively. Other members of the Council for 1984-85 include Arda Nazerian, Chairman; Sona Palvetzian, Vice Chairman; and George Jevarjian, Recording Secretary.

Mr. Magarian briefed the Council on some of their duties and

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responsibilities, and remarked on the fine work of the outgoing members. He also stressed the need to stay in touch with the various chapters, and concentrate on accomplishments, rather than the formal procedures.

In addition to their offices, each Council member is assigned a region of the Diocese to act as personal contact and representative. Each region is to have its own programs and activities, in addition to normal parish-based events. The Council Regional Representative coordinates these programs and develops others according to the resources and accessibility of the Chapters to one another. The Executive Secretary advises the Regional Representatives in the planning and execution of the Regional Events and meets with them individually to discuss new ideas and programs.

The regional assignments include: Sona Palvetzian, New England; Susan Boyajian, Midwest-South; George Jevarjian, Midwest-North; and Shake Ajamian, Mid-Atlantic. Arda Nazerian, the Council Chairman, oversees the assignments and ensures that all Chapters and parishes without ACYOA chapters are visited and communicated with.

Considerable discussion on programs and involvement with the 70th Anniversary of the Armenian Genocide of 1915 concluded the meeting. The Primate informed the members of the many program under consideration for the upcoming year by the Diocese, and expect the ACYOA to have an active role in the Commemorative events.