



*** ACYOA CENTRAL COUNCIL UPDATE ***

FROM

LISA MANDOOKIAN
ACYOA CENTRAL COUNCIL CHAIRMAN

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SPRING 1990

The ACYOA Central Council had its Spring meeting on March 17th at the Diocese. This is the third quarterly update.

CENTRAL COUNCIL ADMINISTRATIVE

Central Council Treasurer Greg Saraydarian (Bayside), has been appointed Administrator of the Diocesan Relief Project in Stepanavan. As a result, he has resigned from his position on the ACYOA Central Council and will spend

six months in Armenia overseeing a portion of the rebuilding of our homeland. The Central Council has appointed Charles Shooshan III, Esquire (Hartford) to replace Greg and complete his term of office. Please send all dues and "Bibles For Armenia" monies to Charlie at: 558 Cypress Road, Newington, CT 06111.

It is also with much regret that the Council announces the resignation of Doug Tashjian as ACYOA Executive Secretary effective May 18th. Doug has been an integral part of the organization's progress during the past 3 1/2 years and will be missed. He will be joining a small company in a marketing position. We wish him the best.

ANNUAL REPORT PACKAGE

Yes, it's that time again. The General Assembly is only five months away and the time to prepare is now. Attached are the following: (1) Sam Nersessian Award Guidelines; (2) Sam Nersessian Award Nomination Form; (3) Sam Nersessian Scholarship Guidelines; (4) Sam Nersessian Scholarship Nomination Form; (5) Annual Chapter Report Form; (6) "It's Due" (listing of deadlines and important dates); (7) Guidelines for the Submission of Proposals and Amendments to the Constitution for Consideration by the General Assembly; and (8) Annual Chapter "A" Award Guidelines.

The Central Council is requesting all delegates and clergy to assist the chapter chairmen and executive committees in completing these forms. Many of the points for the Chapter "A" Award, the Honorable Mention, and the Achievement Awards, are given upon the timely and successful completion of these forms. All award recipients will be chosen at the next Central Council meeting on June 9th. I am, therefore, requesting that all nominations and annual reports be submitted to me by June 6th. Any material received after this date will be ineligible for consideration.

1989 ACYOA GENERAL ASSEMBLY

The Minutes of the 1989 ACYOA General Assembly are also attached. The Central Council apologizes for the delay in getting the Minutes out, but they took longer to prepare than originally anticipated. All corrections will be noted at the 1990 ACYOA General Assembly in Cleveland (August 29-31, 1990). The Council extends its sincere appreciation to everyone who helped to make the Assembly a most productive one.

HYE HOKIN

The next issue is in production and should be out within a month. Coordinator, Laurie Onanian and new Editor, Leda Nakas, are currently working on the Spring issue, which will focus on "Politics."

Leda is a graduate of the University of Toronto and has significant editorial experience. She has worked on many newsletters and publications and occasionally writes features articles. She is currently working at the Diocese as an Administrative Assistant for Diocesan earthquake relief efforts.

The Central Council thanks Karen Sirabian for helping us get Hye Hokin off the ground and serving as our Editor this past year. We also welcome Leda and look forward to working with her.

Hye Hokin welcomes letters, photos and essays from our readers. Photos and illustrations should be in black and white format. All material submitted is subject to the discretion of the editorial staff; however, may not necessarily reflect the opinion of the editorial staff.

COMPUTER

The ACYOA Central Council has finally purchased a computer. This should assist us in updating the National Mailing List as well as producing our work with more frequency and efficiency. The Council needs your cooperation in order to keep the list continually updated. If you have any additions or corrections, please send them to me.

The Council thanks Diocesan Council member, Clement Ashekian, for assisting us with this project.

ARMENIAN STUDIES PROGRAM

Here's one you can't beat. The Archbishop Torkom Manoogian Armenian Studies Program is taking on a new twist this year. Due to increased travel to the Soviet Union and increased difficulty in travel to Armenia, this year's Armenian Studies Program will consist of a 12-day pilgrimage to the Holy Land, Israel and Egypt and will be held in conjunction with the Department of Religious Education. The cost for the pilgrimage is \$1,825.00 plus tax and includes the following: round-trip airfare from New York, first-class hotels with double occupancy, three meals a day and all tours and transfers. The scheduled dates are October 8-19, 1990. For further information, please contact me at 215-649-8426 (after 7 p.m.).

1990 NATIONAL SPORTS WEEKEND

Our "O-Hye-O '90" Committee is really cooking. I had the privilege of spending some time with several committee members a few weeks ago to view their progress and can wholeheartedly say that everyone should plan on riding the "Hye Tide" into Cleveland this Labor Day Weekend. The Weekend is packed with excitement!

Specifics you ask? The "port of call" is the Holiday Inn in Middleburg Heights. Athletic competitions will take place at the Cuyahoga Community College, Western Campus. "On-board" entertainment will be provided by the fabulous sounds of Richard Hagopian, Harold Hagopian, Roger Krikorian and Kenny Kalajian. The Weekend will also be highlighted by a barbecue dinner cruise on Thursday night, Friday night's dinner/dance, Saturday night's Alumni Banquet and Ball, Sunday night's Awards Banquet and Ball, hook-ups following each dance and a farewell picnic in Cleveland's beautiful Metroparks on Monday.

Posters will be sent out next week. Please post them on your parish bulletin boards once you receive them. The Committee has also begun selling T-shirts (\$8) and sweatshirts (\$15). Interested individuals should contact Chairman, Mona Karoghlanian at 216-289-2311. The 1990 ACYOA National Sports Weekend promises to be one of the best ever -- so don't miss the boat!

HYE CHRISTIAN ENCOUNTER

The Hye Christian Encounter, which was to be held March 23-25 in Providence, has been re-scheduled for October 27, 1990. Details will be forthcoming.

NEXT CENTRAL COUNCIL MEETING

The Central Council's Summer meeting is scheduled for June 8-10, 1990. If you have issues which your chapter feels the Council should include in its agenda, please let me know.

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FALL 1990

The ACYOA Central Council had its Fall meeting on Friday and Saturday, November 9th and 10th at the Diocese in New York City. There is much to do in the coming year and the 1990-91 ACYOA Central Council is striving to take on the challenge that lies before it. Below is an update:

ACYOA NATIONAL ANNIVERSARY BALL WEEKEND

What better way to kick off the New Year than by celebrating our 45th Anniversary? The date is January 26th. The place: Mardigian Hall, St. David Armenian Church, Boca Raton, FL. Hosted by the Boca Raton chapter and sponsored by the ACYOA Central Council, the weekend affair promises to be first-rate all the way.

Honored guests will be noted ACYOA benefactors, Edward and Helen Mardigian whose love and generosity towards the ACYOA has enriched the organization in many ways over the past several years.

Weekend entertainment will be provided by Shami & Steve from Brooklyn, NY; the Karatsayn Singers, from Hartford, CT; and the "Armenian All-Star Band" from Boston, featuring Roger Krikorian, Kenny Kalajian, Leon Janikian and Joe Kouyoumjian.

A \$70.00 package plan is being offered which includes a Volleyball Beach Party/Cookout; the reception, banquet and dance on Saturday evening; and a brunch on Sunday following church services. Dance tickets are \$20.00 each. Hotel accommodations have been secured with the Howard Johnson Resort

Hotel in Deerfield Beach for \$79.00 a night for a single and \$88.00 for a double, trip or quad. Hotel reservations must be made by January 1, 1991 (call 1-800-426-0084 and mention ACYOA). All tickets (including dance tickets) must be purchased in advance. Reservations will be made upon receipt of check.

You should have received announcements in the mail. If you haven't and are planning to attend, please contact Melanie Mikaelian at (305) 776-2770 or Rena Jebejian at (305) 942-2427.

4TH ANNUAL CULTURAL WEEKEND

This year's Cultural Weekend will be held in Worcester from February 15-18, 1991 and will be a "hands on" cultural experience with visits to area Armenian churches and the Armenian Library and Museum of America, located in the heart of Watertown. Scheduled speakers include Richard Hovanessian. Detailed information will be mailed to everyone in early January.

CHAPTER "A" ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

This year the Council decided to send the Mission Team from Hartford, CT to the parish of Sts. Joachim & Anne Armenian Church in Palos Heights, IL in an effort to reactive the chapter. Council member, Steve Megrdochian, is working closely with Hartford's Mission Team to ensure the program's success. The program will take place in early April.

ACYOA WORK/STUDY PROGRAM IN JERUSALEM

Due to the current situation in the Middle East, the ACYOA Work/Study Program in Jerusalem will not take place this summer; however, the Council will complete the preparations for implementation in 1992.

MEMBERSHIP HANDBOOKS

All ACYOA dues-paid members for the 1990 fiscal year will be receiving an updated copy of the Membership Handbook. If you have paid your 1990 dues and do not receive a copy by January 15th, please call Central Council member, Suzie Ashjian at (914) 963-0889.

I am attaching an updated list of all Chapter Chairmen and Parish Contacts. The Council's next meeting will be on Friday, January 25th. If you have any issues or concerns which you feel need to be addressed please let me know.

Wishing you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year -- and looking forward to seeing everyone in Florida.



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WINTER 1990

The ACYOA Central Council had its Winter meeting on January 13th at the Diocese to further discuss and implement national and regional programs and projects. This is the second quarterly update to you.

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As there have been several elections since my last communication to you, I am attaching an updated Chapter Chairman and Parish Contact List. This list is current as of March 1st. If elections have been held, please notify me so that I can update our records.

Although I'm sure many of you know by now, Greg Arpajian (Cleveland) has resigned from the Council due to illness. Sonya Gasparian (Providence) will take his place and serve until the General Assembly in Cleveland. Due to Greg's resignation, positions and assignments have been juggled around somewhat. I am therefore attaching a revised copy of the ACYOA Central Council listing.

Greg has been a very dedicated member of the organization for the past several years. We wish him a speedy recovery and look forward to working with him again.

ACYOA COLLEGE COORDINATOR

Please join the Central Council in welcoming Nicole Mazmanian as the new ACYOA College Coordinator. Nicole is a graduate of Towson State University with a degree in Business Marketing and Management and is a member of the American Marketing Association. She was recently hired by the Diocese in an effort to reach out to and create programs for college students. Nicole will be assisting the ACYOA Central Council in many ways in her new position.

CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP SEMINAR

The Christian Leadership Seminar, held in New Britain, CT on November 11, 1989, proved to be a huge success. Over 60 people attended the seminar sponsored by the ACYOA Central Council and organized by the New Britain chapter. Speakers included the Rev. Fr. Michael Buttero, Pastor of the Armenian Church of the Holy Resurrection; Mr. Clement Ashekian, a member of the Diocesan Council; and a management consultant from Pratt Whitney. Much thanks to Arthur Simonian for coordinating the program. The seminar is conducted annually as part of an ongoing effort to educate our members about effective leadership within the Armenian Church.

ACYOA CULTURAL DAY

Another success! Over 85 people were in attendance at the one-day symposium sponsored by the ACYOA Central Council and organized by the Armenian Language Lab and Resource Center (ALLARC). Speakers included the Rev. Dr. Krikor Maksoudian, Ara Kalaydjian, John Vartan and Kevork Bardakjian. Much thanks to Central Council member, Laurie Onanian, and ALLARC Director, Sylva Der Stepanian for coordinating and organizing the program and the Rev. Fr. Vertanes Kalaydjian, Pastor of St. Mary Armenian Church, and our Washington chapter for their gracious hospitality.

CHAPTER "A" AWARD/CHAPTER "A" ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

The Council is pleased to report that the Chapter "A" Assistance Program was a great success. Mission team members from Providence (our Chapter "A" Award winner) visited their fellow members in Livingston and made an excellent presentation to members of the Livingston chapter. The "Mission Team" (Jeff Masoian, Stephanie Masoian, John Megrđichian, Steve Megrđichian, and Linda Minassian) was led by ACYOA Central Council member Suzie Ashjian and ACYOA Executive Secretary Doug Tashjian. It is our hope that Livingston will achieve much success through utilizing their new-found knowledge in their service to the Organization.

On behalf of the Council, I congratulate the "Mission Team" on a job well done and thank Vahe Baboosian and the members of the Livingston chapter for the hospitality accorded to the team members.

ACYOA CULTURAL WEEKEND

The 1990 ACYOA Cultural Weekend has been one of our most successful programs since its inception two years ago. Over 35 individuals participated in this year's Weekend which featured noted lecturers Kevork Bardakjian, Lucy Der Manuelian, Ruben Adalian, Artin Arslanian, John Vartan, the Rev. Dr. Krikor Maksoudian, and Dennis Papazian, who provided insight into and led discussions on some of the most contemporary issues facing our people today. The weekend also included visits to the St. Nersess Armenian Seminary and the Metropolitan Museum of Art.

ACYOA MARTYRS' DAY COMMEMORATION

During the past few years, the ACYOA has sponsored an annual Martyrs' Day Program at the Diocese. This year, on the occasion of the 75th Anniversary of the Genocide, the ACYOA will jointly sponsor a program with the Armenian Network and the Armenian Youth Federation. The program is tentatively scheduled for Friday, April 27th. We will keep you apprised of all details.

ARCHBISHOP TORKOM MANOOGIAN INVITATIONAL TOURNAMENT

This year's Tournament will be held from May 4-6, 1990 in Worcester in conjunction with the Annual Diocesan Assembly. Jay Kapur, Tournament Committee Chairman, informs us that the Worcester Marriott will serve as the center of activity with Roger Krikorian & Company providing that great Armenian beat on Saturday night. The athletic competitions will be held at a local high school. Washington's looking for another double winner folks so keep those basketball and volleyball practices going strong.

HYE HOKIN

By now you should have received our Fall issue. Our Winter issue, "Directions for a New Decade" is currently in production and will center on our feelings and concerns with regard to the role of the church, her strengths and weaknesses, and the course we feel we should take over the next ten years. Contributors will include the Rev. Fr. Garabed Kochakian, the Rev. Fr. Arshen Aivazian, Elise Antreassian, Dawn Maksud, Armand Paboojian, Robert Shamgochian, and Dean Shahinian.

1990 ACYOA ANNIVERSARY BALLS

As no bids were received for regional balls, the ACYOA Central Council has decided to sponsor one National Ball to be held in the Fall of 1990 under the Council's direction. Details will be forthcoming.

BIBLES FOR ARMENIA PROJECT

You may recall that at the General Assembly in Houston, a proposal was passed to create a "Bibles for Armenia" project in conjunction with the existing Diocesan one. If your chapter has not already done so, the Central Council is requesting that it conduct some type of fund raiser and forward the proceeds (by no later than June 15th) to: Greg Saraydarian, ACYOA Central Council Treasurer, 9 Cliffway, Port Washington, NY 11050.

ACYOA NATIONAL SPORTS WEEKEND

Our friends in Cleveland have some super plans for us during the "O-Hye-O" 1990 ACYOA National Sports Weekend. The committee of 35+ has reserved an entire Holiday Inn and has secured the Cuyahoga Community College for the athletic competitions. Plans include dinner/dances on each night followed by hook-ups and a farewell picnic on Labor Day. Entertainment you ask? Who else but the fabulous sounds of Roger Krikorian, Kenny Kalajian, Richard Hagopian, and Harold Hagopian - and - the Mid-East Beat from Wisconsin. Executive Committee members include Chairman Mona Karoghlanian, Anita Arpajian, Cheryl Arslanian, Leslie Bagdasarian, Melanie Gumushdjan, and Kim Zadnik. We'll keep you updated on their progress.

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