1 9 8 9 WOMEN'S GUILD PARISH COUNCIL ANNUAL REPORT ST. GREGORY THE ILLUMINATOR ARMENIAN CHURCH

The officers for 1989 were:

Presently we have 16 members. We have ten meetings a year and they are held on the second Friday of each month.

The following activities were held during the year:

Earthquake Rummage Sale
Mardi Gras - Paregantan
John Mossiman Show
Palm Sunday Dinner
Maundy Thursday
Easter Sunday Breakfast for
Sunday School Students

Mothers Day Dinner Earthquake Bake Sale Memorial Service for deceased members Fathers Day Breakfast Pre-Holiday Bake Sale

We provide financial support for the needs of Sunday School. Attendance is very low in this area.

In January, Emergency Rummage Sale was held for the Earthquake victims. Profits realized from this sale was \$1328.49 and check was forwarded to New York.

On Easter Sunday, St. Gregory's invited the four children who became survivors of the devastating earthquake in Armenia. These children were being treated in Chicago under Presidnet Bush's Project Hope. They were rehabilitated and fitted with prostesis and would be returning to their homeland. The Women's Guild presented each child with crate of useful gifts to take back with them as a token of remembrance from St. Gregory's.

Sunday, April 23rd, St. Gregory's hosted the 74th Anniversary Martyrs Day Dinner and Program. The Women's Guild provided their labor and talents for a most successful dinner.

On May 20th, at the request of Women's Guild Central Council of New York, a bake sale was held to benefit the Earthquake victims. A successful bake sale was held with the combined efforts of the Guild from St. James Armenian Church of Evanston. Profits realized from this sale was \$1800.00. Each Guild donated the profits of \$900.00 each and profits were forwarded to New York.

During the month of July, while we we're in preparation of pastries for the oncoming Annual Picnic, a desperate need for a second freezer was required. The Guild made this purchase possible for all the needs of St. Gregory's. Cost \$429.00.

On August 12 & 13, marked St. Gregory's Armenian Fest. The Guild once again applied their support and had their most successful "Sweet Table". Each year the Guild donates about \$500.00 to defray the costs of all pastries which were made by our talented and hard working women. Many cash donations and pastry donations help make the sweet table profitable. The Ladies Auxiliary supplied 84 dozen lahmajounes. Profits realized from picnic \$5468.93.

On November 11 and 12th, marked the 25th Anniversary of our Church. Many hours of planning for the Dance and Anniversary Dinner reached another successful milestone. The Guild donated Choregs and Boregs and some of the labor as did all other inner organizations.

Each year St. Gregory's donates food for Hye Camp. This year the Guild made a batch of Choregs. This cost is absorbed by the Parish council along with donations of cheese and olives.

The Guild wishes to Thank our Der Hayr for his guidance and prayers throughout the year.

There were three Condolence visits made to families of the deceased.

We are few in number, but we are mighty. Our Women unselfishly come forward to all our activities during the year. I wish to express my word of Thanks to all of them for all their efforts, time, talents and generosity and was proud to be their leader for the last two years.

Last, but not least, the Women's Guild wish to Thank all of you for supporting our activites throughout the year and pray that 1990 will be even greater.

Respectfully Submitted,

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