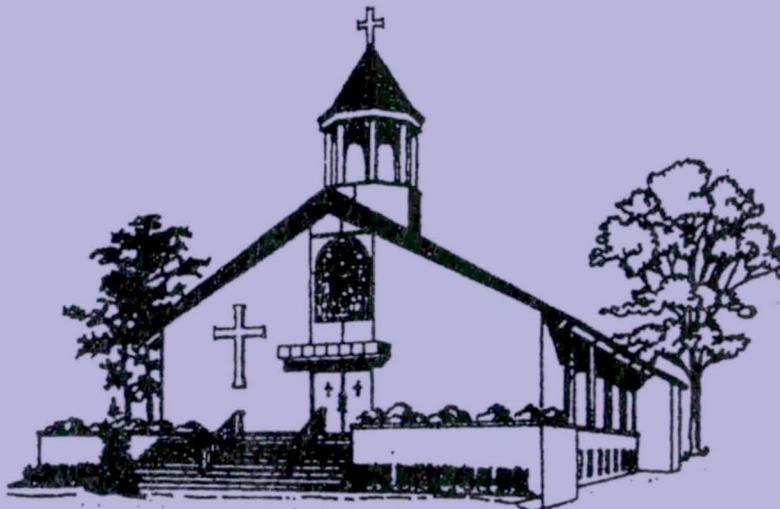


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ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
ST. LEON PARISH ASSEMBLY

Sunday, January 28, 1996



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MINUTES OF THE PARISH ASSEMBLY MEETING

ST. LEON ARMENIAN CHURCH

SUNDAY, JANUARY 29, 1995

The meeting was called to order at 12:15 PM by Joseph Basralian, the 1994 Parish Assembly Chairman. There were 83 members out of 240 in attendance. It was noted that Sarkis Soultanian, and not Joseph Basralian, called the 1994 Parish Assembly to order, having been the 1993 Assembly Chairman. A motion was made thereafter to waive the reading of the 1994 Parish Assembly minutes, as corrected. The motion was supported and approved.

Parish Council Chairman Rex Kachigian presented the candidates for Parish Council - -

Glenn Ajamian	S. Rex Kachigian
Leon Bedigian	Jack Loughhead
Barbara Boghosian	Leo Manuelian
Harry Harutunian	Arthur Ohnikian
Leon Hovsepian	Allan Tossoonian

Council Chairman Kachigian presented the candidates for the Auditing Committee - -

Robert Ishkanian William McMahon

Council Chairman Kachigian presented the candidates for the Nominating Committee - -

Seta Boudoughian Isabelle Kaprelian Edna Tungrian

Election of officers for the Assembly followed with Council Chairman Kachigian nominating Mr. Joseph Basralian to the position of Chairman of the Assembly, which was seconded. There being no further nominations, the nomination was approved and Mr. Basralian accepted.

Council Chairman Kachigian nominated Linda Harutunian for Secretary of the Assembly, which was seconded. There being no further nominations, the nomination was approved. Mr. Basralian then appointed Sarkis Bedevian Parliamentarian for the Assembly.

Instructions were then given regarding voting. If more than six votes were cast for Parish Council the ballot would be declared invalid. The same rule would also apply to the Auditing Committee and Nominating Committee, as far as voting for more than the number requested. There were no additional nominations for the Parish Council, Auditing Committee or Nominating Committee. The nominations were closed.

A suggestion was made by Hayr Soorp regarding the number of members of the Parish Council. He felt that perhaps consideration should be given to the reduction in number of the Parish Council members if two candidates could not be found for each seat.

The voting commenced at 12:25 PM.

Regarding the Pastor's Report, pages 15 to 18 of the Annual Report, Father Vahan felt it had been a successful year for our Parish, with Bible Study, Discussion Group, Deacon Training, Parish Council Meetings, Lectures, Retreats, etc. The two main events of the past year were Hayr Soorp's elevation to Vartabed and the elevation of six of young parish men to Sub-Deacons. He reiterated that the focus of the Assembly should be to gather as one family, to worship God, and the highlight of the gathering to be the receiving of Communion. He then reminded the nominees for executive boards that Council members, especially Parish Council members, should regularly attend Church, Parish Council meetings and be there to assist Hayr Soorp. He thanked Rex Kachigian for his help over the past year, as well as all the organizations.

Rex Kachigian then thanked all the organizations for their help over the past year. He announced that the ACYOA Juniors raised the most money over the past year. He asked the Assembly if there were any changes for the organizational reports. ACYOA Juniors, none. ACYOA Seniors, none. Armenian School, none. Care and Share, none. Choir, none. (Hayr Soorp thanked the Choir for their dedication. They meet every other Tuesday and rehears in Church for hours. Barbara Hovsepian thanked them for sponsoring various cultural events). Men's Fellowship, none. Senior Citizen's, none. Women's Guild - Carol Ashbahian added the fact that the Guild supports two orphans in Armenia through CASP, that they do the cooking for the Food Festival and also help support Eva's Shelter.

CORRECTIONS

Jacques Tossounian noted the following corrections to the financial report. Page 34, the endowment fund for Anita Jessourian should be \$11,000.00; page 35, the Budget Auxiliary was shown as \$20,461.95, which incorrectly included the sum of \$7,532.00 (a 1995 deposit, for the correct total of \$12,929.95; a typo on page 38, the correct amount being \$2,000.00. Dr. Knarig Khatchadurian-Meyer said a mistake was made with respect to the Khatchadurian Fund as the amount should be \$5,000.00 instead of \$4,000.00.

PROPOSALS

* Checks issued by all organizations should have two signatures.

* Consideration should be given to using the services of an outside professional accounting firm. No estimate could be given regarding the cost for this service.

Council Chairman Rex Kachigian mentioned that we might not need an outside accountant, since we now have the new software in place. He would like to try the software for a year before and other plans are made.

* Mr. Tossounian also proposed changing the fiscal year end to November 30, rather than December 31. It would give the organizations more time to prepare their reports for the Parish Assembly. John Nakashian proposed that perhaps the meeting could be changed to a later date to give organizations more time to complete their reports. Rex Kachigian said that the Parish Assembly meeting could be either in January or February. However, with the new software system, Mr. Kachigian said the books would be reconciled each month and if the system works properly, less time will be needed to reconcile the books at the end of the year. The Diocese also closes its books on December 31 and we should be in accord with them.

A motion was made, seconded and passed to require a double signature on all checks issued by each organization. Sarkis Bedevian reminded the Assembly that as the President of this Church, Father Vahan could be used as a signatory for the checking accounts of all the organizations so that if a second signature was needed in an emergency, he could be approached.

Rex Kachigian informed the Assembly of the Internship Program which has been requested by the Diocese. Hayr Soorp mentioned that Deacon George Devejian graduated from the Seminary two years ago and is now preparing for ordination. Hayr Soorp has been asked to supervise his internship in St. Leon and the Parish has been asked to pay a portion of his salary. This amount is \$5,000.00. Both the Parish Council and Hayr Soorp have already approved of this program. This program will be for only one year. Deacon George will also receive an additional stipend from St. Nersess Seminary and the Diocese. Since this amount is not yet included in the Budget, it will have to be amended. Ara Hourdajian recommended that receipts be increased by \$5,000.00 to a total of \$236,000.00 to balance the Budget. Sarkis Bedevian made a motion to add \$5,000.00 to the clergy stipend for a total expenditure of \$89,000.00. Mr. Hourdajian suggested that the amount allocated for receipts for the Sacraments be increased to \$33,000.00 to cover this expense. Page 37, Reserve Fund, raise to \$5,600.00. Page 35, Miscellaneous Income, change to \$2,600.00. The Proposed Budget total was increased to \$236,000.00. Rose Najarian made a motion to amend the Budget as mentioned. The motion was seconded and approved.

The vote to accept the Budget as amended was seconded and approved as amended. Barbara Hovsepien made a motion to adopt the Internship Program for one year, as requested by the Primate, with a maximum cost of \$5,000.00. It is understood that Deacon George Devejian will be an employee of the Diocese, rather than St. Leon Church. According to Chairman Rex Kachigian, his salary will be paid to the Diocese and they will handle insurance responsibilities. All are in favor and the motion was duly seconded and approved.

OLD BUSINESS

Building Committee. Thomas Ashbahian spoke of the number of expansion projects;

1. An added storage facility to the Community Center.
2. Expansion of Caretaker's house - - waiting for bids.
3. Possibility of purchase of property top the south of the Church.

So far there has been discussion only. No firm commitments have been made. Council Chairman Kachigian read a letter regarding Church Expansion.

NEW BUSINESS

Council Chairman Kachigian informed the Assembly that the Parish Council is interested in starting an internal endowment program. Gregg Najarian explained the proposal. At this time, any endowments made to the Armenian Church Endowment Fund must be for a minimum of \$1,000.00. With this proposal, parishioners will be able to donate a certain amount weekly until a total of \$500.00 is reached. At that point the money would be sent to the ACEF and the interest only will be sent to St. Leon. Once the funds are received at St. Leon, the amount will be distributed to the organization specified by the donor. However, according to Jan Royland, the interest cannot go to any outside organization.

The thrust of this program is to encourage parishioners to endow without having to donate a lump sum at one time and for an initial outlay of less than usual. Barbara Hovsepien asked what kind of interest rates does ACEF get. The answer was a range of 6% - 6.4%. Barbara Boghosian asked why donate to the various organizations rather than just to the General Fund. Hayr Soorp explained that some people do request a specific organization, and we must give them that choice.

Mary Ann Mozian said that even though several endowments were for the Armenian School, they have never seen any interest checks for the School. The Armenian School has salaries and it is very difficult to pay the 80%, after expenses, back to Parish Council each year. They often are working in the red and then must go to the Parish Council and ask for additional funds to maintain the School. Sarkis Bedevian stated that no moneys are designated for the Armenian School general Fund. There are endowments just for scholarships. Council Chairman Kachigian stated that this was incorrect. Dr. Knarig Khatchadourian-Meyer said that the Khatchadourian Fund should be for scholarships rather than just general purposes of the Armenian School. Chairman Kachigian said that the original paperwork was for the general fund and could not be changed.

Hayr Soorp felt that the Armenian School and Sunday School should receive special attention, since they are essential parts of our Church ministry and mission. He felt that it should not be considered a moneymaking organization. He recommended that the School be allowed to operate in plus funds and be free to spend their money where it is needed most, rather than having to have to request additional funds from the Parish Council.

Barbara Hovsepien felt that the Endowment Program is a good idea, however, someone should be designated to help people set up endowment funds as they wish them to be used. Gregg Najarian said that he is our representative to the ACEF.

Rose Najarian made a motion to increase dues for Senior Citizen's from \$35.00 to \$50.00. Senior Citizen's are age 65 and older. The motion was seconded and approved.

Mary Ann Mozian gave us the results of the election. Three ballots were invalid because of improper voting. New Parish Council members are - Glenn Ajamian, Barbara Boghosian, Leo Manuelian, Arthur Ohnikian, Allan Tossoonian; Jack Loughead, (Alternate). The new Auditing Committee member is William McMahon. The new Nominating Committee member is Isabelle Kaprelian.

The meeting was adjourned with a prayer by Hayr Soorp, at 2:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Harutunian
Recording Secretary
1994 Parish Assembly

Joseph Basralian, Esq.
Chairman
1994 Parish Assembly

S. Rex Kachigian
Parish Council Chairman

V. Rev. Fr. Vahan Hovhanessian, Pastor
President, St. Leon Armenian Church

PASTOR'S REPORT

(January 1-December 31, 1995)

**"Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice."
(Philippian 4:1&4)**

Dear Members of St. Leon Armenian Parish:

The church in Philippi was the first Christian community that the apostle Paul established in Europe (Acts 16). After having established this church the apostle left Philippi to continue his missionary work elsewhere. The news of the faith and spiritual growth of this community made the apostle rejoice even though he was away from them and was imprisoned and awaiting trial (1:12-26). Indeed, the growth of this community in faith becomes a reason for the apostle to praise God. "I thank my God every time I remember you," says the apostle, "because of your sharing in the gospel from the first day." (1:5). Philippi can be considered St. Paul's first full time "parish assignment." And it is evident that the faith and spiritual growth of his parish, despite minor misunderstandings and oppositions, has become a source of great joy and celebration for the apostle. For any pastor, indeed, there is no greater reason for joy and celebration, than seeing his Christian community grow in love, closer to each other and to God and get stronger in faith.

"Sharing," I believe, is an essential element in living a Christian life. Christians are called to "share" with each other their God-given talents, time, wealth and knowledge. Most importantly, however, we are called to be "sharers" with Christ in His gospel and partakers in His holy communion. It is this concept of "sharing" with each other and with our Lord that makes the Christian community one family of God. A Christian community, or a Parish, should not be defined in terms of only annual dues or bi-annual attendance in Church celebrations. It should, however, be defined and limited to only those who want to be sharers and partakers in the learning, teaching, living and witnessing to the gospel of the Lord. Using St. Paul's words, I give thanks to God for the "sharing in the gospel" that I enjoyed with the Armenian Christian community of St. Leon during the past year. True members of St. Leon parish, this year more than ever, I believe, were indeed sharers and co-workers with me in the vineyard of the Lord, and not simply once-every-month "attendees" and "spectators" of *Badaraks*. It is this "sharing" and co-working for the gospel of Jesus Christ, as received and interpreted in the Armenian tradition, that made 1995 another exciting and inspiring year for us in St. Leon.

Our church services and various parish programs and activities are indications and revelations of our growth in partaking and sharing in the Gospel of our Lord. It is with great rejoice in the Lord and in His works in our community that I present the report of my ministry during the past year.

I. Liturgical:

I.1. Church Services: We continued our weekly Church services on Sundays. These services included a combined version of both the night and morning services and of the traditional and inspiring Divine Liturgy, i.e. *Badarak*. We added the traditional *Avak Orhnootyoon Sharagans* to our night service. Other church services included the Rest and Peace services during Great Lent, the services of Holy Week, Blessing of Fields, Blessing of House, Blessing of Grapes on the feast of the Annunciation of Mary, Blessing of Water on the feast of the Nativity and Baptism of our Lord, Christmas Eve service, the feast of

St. Leon, Women Saints' Day, and various liturgical processions. Special programs have been offered during the past year to educate our people in the origin, development and meaning of our beautiful liturgical celebrations, so that we may understand and "participate" in these services.

I. 2. Sacraments: We continued offering educational counseling sessions for all those who requested Sacraments. We are doing our best to accommodate all requests for sacraments. On certain Sundays we had to schedule three Sacraments with less than one hour apart. It is important, therefore, that those who schedule a sacrament be in the sanctuary on time. A delay in one Sacrament will cause a delay in the following Sacraments. Special courses were offered to educate our parishioners in the meaning of these life-giving sacraments. The total number of sacraments celebrated in St. Leon Church for the year 1995 was 37. This included 8 Weddings and 29 Baptisms. There were also 19 funerals.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank my dear senior brothers in Christ, the Rev. Fr. Arnak Kasparian and Rev. Fr. Carnig Hallajian who frequently blessed us with their presence in our liturgical celebrations and community activities, and who made themselves available to help me whenever I was unable to serve in a sacrament or Church activity. My thanks go to our two senior deacons, Charles Pinajian and Sarkis Soultanian. Their devotion to Christ and His Church is not limited only to their participation in the Sunday services, rather it includes their close involvement in planning, preparing and executing our liturgical and religious programs. Many thanks to our Choir, its director Mr. George Paroönagian, organist Sirvart Galustian, and dedicated members. My thanks to Mrs. Lucy Dabagian for whose sincere love and dedication to our Church is reflected in her volunteering of her time and talents to help in Church services and programs. Special thanks to our ten altar servers in whom I see the genuine love of our Lord and His church, and through whom I see the work of the Lord in our youth. My thanks to our scripture readers, chanters, acolytes and their parents.

My special thanks to our beloved Deacon George for his services and help in the various aspects of my ministry. In addition to his assistance in the liturgical services, Dn. George was helpfully involved in our Sunday School ministry, youth activities, educational programs, pastoral ministry and office work. May the Lord grant Him the strength and power to continue his God-pleasing ministry and witnessing.

II. Pastoral: This aspect of my ministry included home visitations which gave me the opportunity to discuss our ministry personally with the faithful members of our church. It was also a good opportunity to meet those members who are new or who have not been actively involved in the Church ministry. My pastoral ministry included visitations to hospital, old-age homes, and the Hovnanian School. Counseling members of our church family, experiencing difficulties and problems, remains to be an essential element in my pastoral ministry.

III. Education: Educating our parishioners in our faith and liturgy remains to be the most important priority in my ministry. No one can fully participate in the life of a Christian community unless she, or he, knows the Lord and has the desire to live according to His commandments. Bible is the source for learning about God and His plan for our salvation. Liturgy is the celebration of our faith expressed in songs, psalms, recitations and bodily gestures. Armenian liturgy, therefore, is the celebration of the Christian faith as received and interpreted in the Armenian tradition. Members of a Christian community must teach and learn the Christian faith and its celebration in the liturgy. In order to achieve that, our parish continued offering educational programs during the past year. This included:

1. Bible Study: We continued our bi-monthly gatherings on Wednesdays at 8:00 p.m. The group finished reading St. Paul's letter to Romans, I & II Timothy, Titus, and Philippians. A second Bible Study group was formed during this year. This group, lead by Mrs. Lucy Chagachbanian, meets twice a month on Tuesdays at 10:00 in the morning.

2. Deacons' Training Program: Our ten altar servers continued meeting in the Church every Friday, participating in the Deacons' Training sessions. In addition to covering liturgical practices, this program exposes our youth to our faith, Church teachings, and discussions of contemporary moral issues. On October 19-22, during the Diocesan Choir Assembly, the 10 altar servers were chosen as the recipients of the first diocesan Ekmalian Award for altar service. Congratulations.

3. Badarak 102: This mini-course was offered during the summer of 1995. It was a continuation of "Badarak 101" offered during the summer of 1994. It included seven sessions which focused on the prayers and hymns of *Badarak*. More than 20 participants gathered every Monday at 8:00 pm to discuss *Badarak* and examine its prayers and hymns. The participants of this course were honored and blessed by the visit of His Eminence Abp. Khajag Barsamian who attended the last session of the course and participated in the concluding discussion. A video tape was prepared to help discussing the celebration of *Badarak*.

4. Ultimate Thursdays: Deacon George planned and offered this very exciting and thought provoking program for our youth. The course presented both inspiring and challenging forum to discuss human relationship from the perspective of our youth. I personally enjoyed the program. I'm sure youth did also.

5. Conversational Armenian: This course presented a practical approach to learning and practicing the conversational Armenian language. More than 30 participants gathered every Tuesday evening in the Abajian Hall, read, practiced, and even sung the Armenian language. Handouts and a cassette was provided to help the learning process.

6. Sunday and Armenian Schools: Both schools continued their educational ministry with success and very satisfying results. Thanks to the Superintendent of the Sunday School Mrs. Arax Moumdjian and her faculty and volunteer support group. Thanks also to the board of the Armenian School, the faculty and the group of volunteers and supporters. Special thanks to the parents who persistingly encourage their children to attend both schools and learn their faith, language and heritage.

7. Introduction to Computers: This course was offered by Mr. Allen Kirkorian who volunteered to offer three introductory sessions in computers. These sessions included topics covering the computer hardware, software, and communication. More than 40 people participated in this course which met on Wednesdays, November 29, December 6 & 13.

Lectures and Seminars:

During the past year, I was invited to lecture and participate in seminars and religious conventions. The following are some of the seminars and the titles of my lectures with their respective dates: "Development of the Armenian Canon of the Bible," Diocesan Clergy Assembly (5/2), "Armenian Edition of the Bible," Women's Guild Assembly (5/6), Bible Institute, Washington, DC, (6/3), "Third Corinthians and the Acts of Paul: Manuscript Evidence," Catholic University of America, Washington, DC, (6/8-10), Mardigian Institute, D.R.E., Diocese, (8/2-5), "Third Corinthians and the Acts of Paul: Text and Content," Oxford Patristic Conference (8/21-25), "Bible Institute," in Racine, WI, (10/7), in Philadelphia (11/18), Society of Biblical Literature (11/18-21).

Activities:

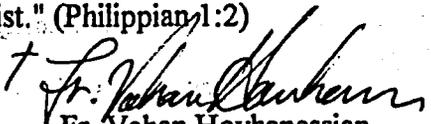
We continued the tradition of celebrating our annual known activities including our Parish Picnic, Food Festival, Christmas Breakfast, Women's Guild's Fish & Chips dinner and Military Bridge, ACYOA

Day, Wine & Cheese Party, Christmas at Hayr Soorp, Christmas Candy Sale, Christmas in the City, the Armenian School Fashion Show and graduation *Hantés*, Christmas Pageant and the Graduation celebration by the Sunday Sejool. This year, I am proud to say that our own ACYOA seniors hosted the annual Sport's weekend. Everyone who attended the weekend, including His Eminence Abp. Khajag Barsamian, were very pleased with the organization of the weekend and the emphasis on the religious dimension of the gathering. I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Sport's Weekend committee and all ACYOA members who volunteered to make the weekend a success. The ACYOA continued meeting for the once-a-month dinners which became also important and exciting forums to discuss our faith and interesting topics concerning our youth. During the past year our Women's Guild conducted two successful retreats. The various organization of our parish continued their programs and meetings.

I offer my praise and thanks to God almighty especially for having saved us from what could have been a deadly disaster because of the explosion in the boiler room of the Jessourian Hall. On August 9, 1995, an explosion in the boiler room of our parish damaged the major section of the Jessourian Hall which served as the Sunday School and Armenian School facilities. It also caused serious structural damages to the Church building. As a consequence of this explosion we had to move our offices and schools' facilities to the Abajian, Dadekian and Soutanian halls of the Community Center. The explosion, however, could not damage the faith and zeal of our community to build and expand our spiritual home. Indeed, within few weeks after the explosion, the expansion committee headed by Sarkis Gabrellian and Sarkis Soutanian, was able to finalize the plans and contracts needed for the long awaited expansion project. On October 30, 1995, our community started its expansion project, which by the grace of God will be completed during the Spring of 1996. By the time of the writing of this report, the first phase of the expansion, i.e. Church offices, was completed. The other two phases will cover the entrance and Narthex of the Church and the sanctuary with the addition of two domes. This expansion project, I believe, comes as a living witness to the spiritual growth that our community has been experiencing and celebrating in the past few years. I would like to take this opportunity to thank the expansion committee members, and all those who contributed and continue to contribute to the success of this monumental project. My special thanks to the two co-chairmen of the expansion committee, Sarkis Gabrellian and Sarkis Soutanian, without whose immediate supervision and dedication, I don't think the project could have been planned and executed as successfully as it was.

My thanks to the parish council chairman Rex Kachigian, and all members of the Council for their support and serious dedication to serving their church and community. Thanks to all the organizations of the Church, and all their council members, chairpersons, committees and sub-committees. Special thanks to the volunteers of the *Mahs* committee, Altar Guild, Lradoo collating and mailing group, and the Social Services committee. Thanks to all who make the office work of St. Leon a smooth and happy ministry. Thanks to Mr. Minas Arakelian and his family for their help without which none of our Church services or programs could have been as successful and "immaculate" as they were. My heartfelt thanks to all the members and friends of St. Leon Church who tried their best to grow in faith and to become active participants, rather than passive spectators, of the activities and celebrations of the Church. Finally, thanks to my Lord and Savior, whose love and grace made me worthy, unworthy as I am, to become a servant and minister of His life-giving and rejoicing gospel.

"Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ." (Philippian 1:2)


Fr. Vahan Hovhannessian
December 31, 1995

PASTORAL INTERN REPORT

APRIL 1, 1995- JANUARY 6, 1996

As our Parish Assembly is upon us, it is a good opportunity to reflect upon my work and report

on my activities to you, the Assembly. My duties are directed by the Very Rev. Fr. Vahan Hovhannessian and have included: visitations, parish programs; such as Bible Study and lectures, Sunday School, delivering monthly sermons and participation in the liturgical life of the community.

VISITATIONS

The work I have enjoyed the most is the visitation of the sick at the area hospitals. Often I am not informed of the sick but I always check the patient listing and seek out our parishioners. It is a Christian duty to visit the sick and it is my privilege as well. My visitations have allowed me to bring the love of the Lord to you, His people and the visitations have given me to the opportunity to share deep moments of your lives. I follow up with calls and visits as someone recovers. I also visit the Old Age Home and the homebound.

EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS

I have been directing the Evening Bible Study for the last three months, assist the Morning Bible Study, have given one of the Badarak 102 lectures, developed an instructional Badarak Video with Hayr Soorp, prepared an Armenian conversational tape with Hayr Soorp, lead the thought-provoking Ultimate Thursday program on human relationships and I also take the youth on pastoral visits with me. In addition to educational programs that I have directed, I have also attended workshops and seminars which are an integral part to being ever more prepared to serve you better. During my internship thus far I have attended Diocesan programs on the Genocide, Patristics and Religious Education, Armenian seminars on Leadership and Spirituality, Conferences on Orthodox Ecumenical Relations, Preaching, and Pastoral Care of Patients with Cancer.

I worked closely with the ACYOA Sports Weekend Committee to develop religious programming for this eventful weekend and followed through by weaving spirituality into the Banquet program as Master of Ceremonies. I also contributed to the Armenian Dance Classes by planning a mixer

and proved that Armenian clergyman can enjoy our Armenian culture. I provided a speaker for Men's Fellowship, and have supported the activities of the Women's Guild. I was blessed to share in their one day retreat in November.

As well, I am involved with Diocesan-wide activity. I was the Recording Secretary at the Clergy Conference and reported to the Diocesan Assembly, participated in the Annual Choir Assembly where we studied the Holy Week Services and was elected to the Choir Central Council. Also, I gave the sermon on the Sunday of the Choir Assembly Weekend. In addition, I was a panel lecturer for a Diocesan Social Services Workshop.

These activities have allowed me the occasion to be in contact with the real pulse of the community, locally and at large, and have provided me with the chance to reflect on my ministry and evaluate the methods that I use to be an effective Christian pastor.

ADMINISTRATIVE

I have helped out in the daily running of the office. This includes: proofreading, typing, preparing flyers, collating, mailings, photocopying, answering phones, giving directions to the Church.

LITURGICAL

Liturgical duties are so multi-faceted and often unseen that I think it is worthwhile to write a few lines about these related responsibilities. I enjoy serving at the altar under the spiritual direction of Hayr Vahan along with the senior deacons, Charles and Sarkis, the altar servers, the Choir Director, Dn. George Paroonagian, the choir and the faithful. Also, I give a monthly sermon and this is truly a special privilege that I can share with you the truths about our spiritual life and knowing God. I have appreciated the encouragement by you, the faithful, and look forward to your concrete input about my homilies. Also, Hayr Soorp and I have spent many hours behind the scenes preparing booklets, music, setting up the sanctuary for special services, training the altar servers as to the ritual and directing processions. In addition we organized a joint program for the Altar Servers of St. Leon's and St. Stepanos's Altar Servers. Beyond this, Hayr Soorp has entrusted me with the responsibility of Baptismal Counseling, Wedding Counseling and Rehearsals, and serving at the Baptisms, Funerals, and Weddings. As needed I conduct

the Wake ceremonies and visit the cemetery with the families who wish to offer prayers for their deceased loved ones.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Certainly one important organization of the Church is the Sunday School. Hayr Soorp has assigned me to assist the Superintendent, Araxi Moundjian, and the Sunday School by giving Assemblies, teaching the 12th Grade class, planning a special presentation for the Upper Grades of the Sunday School on the Priest's Vestments. As well, I gave a presentation on Lesson Planning for the Sunday School Teachers.

COMMENTS

While I have tried to list the major areas of my ministry this certainly is not all of the activities that I am involved in within the parish. I attend most of the organizational meetings (Women's Guild, Men's Fellowship, Choir Rehearsals), and contribute my input where appropriate. As the need arises, I have provided counseling. I have also learned that in addition to programming there is a great need for pastoral presence and careful listening to the faithful about their many concerns and questions.

As you know my Internship is ending as of March 31, 1996; I am grateful to all of you for your encouragement and enthusiasm in my ministry. I appreciate the input of the Chairman, Rex Kachigian, the support of the office staff, Maryann and Pat, and the help of the Custodian, Minas. Also I want to especially thank Fr. Vahan for his pastoral guidance and his example, input, and opportunities that he has given me. It is a unique opportunity that He and I, both graduates of St. Nersess Armenian Seminary, have to work together in the vineyard of the Lord. Furthermore, I am most grateful to His Eminence, Abp. Khajag Barsamian, Primate for his support of this appointment. Finally, I thank the Lord Almighty whose unending love towards me continues to feed, strengthen, and guide me in my mission.

Prayerfully yours,



Dn. George Devejian

The Diocesan Ekmalian Award Winning Altar Servers:

George Devejian, Deacon and Pastoral Intern

Charles Pinajian, Deacon

Sarkis Soutanian, Deacon

George Paroonagian, Choir Director

Jason Capizzi, Sub-Deacon

Haig Hovsepien, Sub-Deacon

Armen Jesralyan, Sub-Deacon

Patrick Kaprelian, Sub-Deacon

Nubar Kasaryan, Sub-Deacon

Garou Moundjian, Sub-Deacon

Ike Kasaryan, Altar Server

Kirk Hourdajian, Altar Server

Greg Capizzi, Altar Server

Michael Burdman, Altar Server

Arthur Siroonian, Altar Server

... and the acolytes.



PARISH COUNCIL REPORT

Dear Fellow Parishioners:

The Parish Council of St. Leon Armenian Church met on the first and third Wednesday of each month in 1995, (excepting for July and August), for a total of 22 meetings. All members were in attendance on a regular basis at the twice a month meetings, with a minimum number of absentees. The Council members faithfully carried out their duties and the responsibilities of their offices in accordance with the By-laws of the Armenian Church of America.

SPECIAL NOTES FOR 1995

- * Expansion of the custodian's house was completed. In addition to adding a new bedroom, the bathroom was moved and enlarged to include room for a washer/dryer, the living room was renovated, the kitchen was enlarged and new kitchen cabinets were installed, and the entire house was reshingled. We express our thanks to Arthur Ohnikian for coordinating this effort.
- * A 10' x 60' storage area was added to the rear of the Community Center. This capital improvement, although not a part of the original expansion program, was added to that program at the request of the Parish Council. Our thanks to Sarkis Gabrellian and Sarkis Soutanian and the Building Committee for taking on this added task.
- * The Church expansion program was started. Expansion and reorganization of the offices and Parish Council room is essentially completed. The Church office and Pastor's office has been expanded, the choir vesting room has been enlarged, a lavatory has been added and a Parish Council - Conference Room has been constructed in the attic. Foundation and blockwork has started on the Narthex and the Sanctuary. Thank you, Building Committee.
- * New robes were purchased for our Choir. We thank everyone who contributed.
- * After many year of inactivity, we resumed our Spring Ground Maintenance Day program. We want to thank all the individuals and families who did an outstanding job in cleaning up the Church grounds.
- * Throughout the year, the Church received donations of goods and services, whose donors are not always recognized. We express our thanks for the following:

Robes for Acolytes	Lynn Beylerian
Carpeting for Custodian's House and Parish Council/Conference Room	Kevork Ohannessian
Carpeting for Landing and Attic Stairs	Gabriel Kaprelian
Copying Machine	Rose Najarian
Community Center Christmas Decorations	Treasurer Island/Lynn Beylerian
Architectural Drawings for Custodian's House Expansion and Community Center Storage Area	Thomas Ashbahian

We are grateful for their service and generosity. Thank you, all!!!

* The Altar Guild, Anne Kachigian, Rose Kirian and Takouhi Soultanian, have started the fabrication of new covers for the Altar, which will be ready for the Spring. Thank you ladies; keep up the good work.

* The Mahs Committee continues to supply the needs of the Church. We want to recognize Grace Pinajian and her committee for their outstanding work. Thank you ladies. The entire Church appreciates your efforts.

MAJOR ACTIVITIES OF 1995

* St. Leon Endowment Fund Program was initiated. Gregg Najarian was appointed coordinator of the program and the Church representative to the Endowment Fund.

* Our Annual Church Picnic was again highly successful, due to our two capable and dedicated co-chairmen. Our thanks to Antoine Moundjian and Kevork "Koko" Ohannessian and their committee for a job well done.

* St. Leon was the host Church for the ACYOA Sports Weekend. Our young people did an outstanding job in planning and coordinating the weekend activities. Unfortunately, it was poorly attended. However, we want to recognize their well planned effort and encourage them to continue taking on new challenges.

* Our Food Festival continues to be a great success, this year better than ever. We want to thank Bert Bedrosian and his committee for an outstanding job.

CHURCH ORGANIZATIONS

Our Church organizations were active throughout the year, meeting on a regular schedule, fulfilling the mission of each organization. Their individual reports outline their specific activities for the year. Our thanks to the executive bodies and members who gave of their time and treasure for the success of their individual organizations and of our Church.

THANK YOU

I would like to thank all the Parish Council members and the Diocesan Delegates, who attended all our Council meetings, for their dedication and commitment towards performing the responsibilities of their office and contributing to the success of our Church. To our outgoing Parish Council members, Thomas Ashbahian, Bert Bedrosian, Ara Hourdajian, Gabriel Kaprelian, and Gregg Najarian, best wishes and a grateful thank you from our parishioners.

I would like to thank Leo Manuelian and Glenn Ajamian for their many hours of effort in completing the installation of our finances into the computer system. Our financial reports will be more timely and accurate in the future.

To Alice Yazmajian, director of the Community Center, a special thank you for her dedicated effort in renting our Abajian Hall for the much needed revenues.

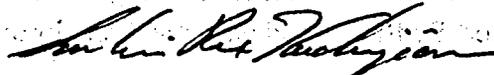
I would like to thank Minas Arakelian and his family for their continued efforts in keeping out facilities in good order.

I would like to thank Mary Ann Mozian and Patricia Trommelen, our Church Secretaries, for their dedication in administering the affairs of our office.

I would like to thank Deacon George Devejian, our Pastoral Intern, for his dedication to his ministry and his service to our Church.

Finally, a grateful thank you to Father Vahan for his continued spiritual leadership and his devotion to his Church and St. Leon.

Respectfully submitted,



Sarkis "Rex" Kachigian
Chairman, Parish Council

1995 PARISH COUNCIL

Father Vahan Hovhannessian

President

S. Rex Kachigian

Chairman

* Thomas Ashbahian

Vice Chairman

Allan Tossoonian

Recording Secretary

* Gregg Najarian

Corresponding Secretary

Leo Manuelian

Treasurer

Glenn Ajamian

Assistant Treasurer

Barbara Boghosian

Member at Large

* Bert Bedrosian

Member at Large

* Ara Hourdajian

Member at Large

* Gabriel Kaprelian

Member at Large

Arthur Ohnikian

Member at Large

* Jack Loughead

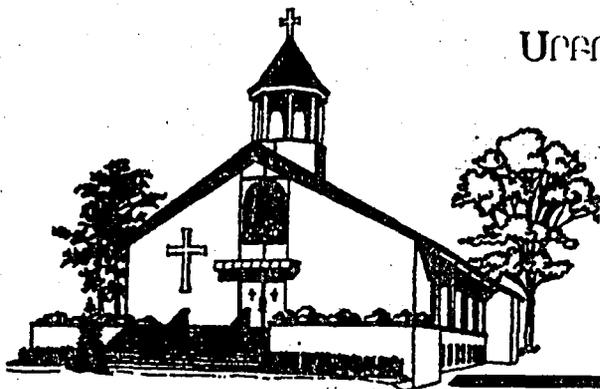
Alternate Member

DIOCESAN DELEGATES

* Rose Najarian

* Sarkis Soultanian

*Denotes Outgoing Member



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Very Rev. Fr. Vahan Hovhanessian, Pastor

January 12, 1996

Dear Fellow Parishioners:

An examination of all financial reports from the Parish Council and various church organizations was conducted for the Fiscal Year, 1995. Where necessary, corrections were made and brought to the attention of the Parish Council and/or other Organizations.

The Auditing Committee, consisting of Leon Hovsepian, William McMahan and myself found the books to be in satisfactory condition.

Respectfully submitted,

Jacques Tossounian, Chairman
Auditing Committee

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CHURCH ORGANIZATIONS

A.C.Y.O.A. Juniors
A.C.Y.O.A. Seniors
Armenian School
Church Choir

Church School
Men's Fellowship
Senior Citizens
Women's Guild

**A.C.Y.O.A. JUNIORS
ST. LEON ARMENIAN CHURCH
1995 ACTIVITIES REPORT**

OFFICERS - Chairman, Haig Hovsepien; Vice Chairman, Andrea Scicchitano; Recording Secretary, Vanessa Hortian; Corresponding Secretary, Gregory Capizzi; Treasurer, Jason Capizzi; Advisors, Glenn and Margie Ajamian.

MEMBERSHIP **35**

MAIN ACTIVITIES DURING 1995 - Ski Trip; Palm Sunday Dinner and Program; Pool Party and Elections; Apple Picking; Haunted House and Hayride; Calendar Raffle at Food Festival; Bake Sale; Meal for Eva's Shelter; "A Christmas Carol" in NYC.

PROPOSED ACTIVITIES FOR 1996 - Spiritual Retreat; Ski Trip; Valentine's Day Dance; Discussion/Lecture; Palm Sunday Dinner and Program; Car Wash; Pool Party and Elections; Sports Weekend.

1995 FINANCIAL REPORT

Cash on Hand and in Banks as of December 1, 1994

Checking	\$ 2,373.85		
Savings	<u> .00</u>		<u>\$ 2,373.85</u>
Add 1995 Receipts	\$11,648.07		
Deduct 1995 Disbursements	<u>11,770.40</u>		
Net 1995 Income			\$ < <u>122.33</u> >

Cash on Hand and in Banks on December 1, 1995 (Before Payment to Parish Council)

Checking	\$ 2,251.52		
Savings	<u> .00</u>		<u>\$ 2,251.52</u>
80% of Cash Balance to Give Parish Council			\$ 1,801.22

A.C.Y.O.A. SENIORS
ST. LEON ARMENIAN CHURCH
1995 ACTIVITIES REPORT

OFFICERS - Consisted of a Chairman, Vice Chairman and Secretary along with Fr. Vahan Hovhannessian. Our new committee is about to begin its term. We had a meeting in August and a committee of four people, plus Fr. Vahan, volunteered to organize and run the organization. We were having trouble getting people to run for executive positions. We came to the conclusion that position titles are very overwhelming and tend to make people turn away from responsibility. Using volunteers with a contact person, may be a solution to having an "Executive Board." The committee will still run by the rules and regulations set forth by the ACYOA and Armenian Church.

MEMBERSHIP 24

MAIN ACTIVITIES DURING 1995 - Monthly Dinner Series; Wine 'n Cheese Party; Christmas in NYC; Handel's "Messiah" Concert; Armenian T-Shirt Sale; Christmas Candy Sale; Chaperones for ACYOA Jrs. Dances; "The Fantasticks" off-Broadway, NYC; ACYOA Day with Juniors; "Sundae" booth, Food Festival; Dinners to Women's Shelters; Participation in Parish Council and Sunday School; ACYOA Annual Picnic. Hosted 1995 ACYOA National Sports Weekend.

PROPOSED ACTIVITIES FOR 1996 - Many of 1995 Activities Will Be Repeated.

1995 FINANCIAL REPORT

Cash on Hand and in Banks as of December 1, 1994

Checking	\$	90.63			
Savings		<u>00</u>			\$ <u>90.63</u>

Add 1995 Receipts		\$ 2,151.78			
Deduct 1995 Disbursements		<u>1,214.00</u>			
Net 1995 Income					\$ <u>937.78</u>

Cash on Hand and in Banks on December 1, 1995 (Before Payment to Parish Council)

Checking	\$	1,028.41			
Savings		<u>00</u>			\$ <u>1,028.41</u>

**80% of Cash Balance to Give Parish Council (Excused Per P.C.
Absorbing Loss of Sports Weekend)**

Interest Income of \$1.53 Included Above

**ARMENIAN SCHOOL
ST. LEON ARMENIAN CHURCH
1995 ACTIVITIES REPORT**

OFFICERS - Acting Principal, Fr. Vahan Hovhanessian; Chairperson, Mary Ann Mozian; Recording Secretary, Zabelle Kaprelian; Corresponding Secretary, Silva Jinivizian; Treasurer, Arda Kiljian; Member at Large, Joanne Hidirsah; Parish Council Liaison, Gabriel Kaprelian.

MEMBERSHIP 26 Students, 6 Teachers, (1 Dance).

MAIN ACTIVITIES DURING 1995 - Open House; Food Festival; Pot Luck Dinner; Christmas Plant Sale; Armenian Christmas Program; Mothers' Day Plant Sale; Spring Fashion Show and Dinner; Hantes.

PROPOSED ACTIVITIES FOR 1996 - Food Festival; Pot Luck Dinner; Christmas Plant Sale; Mothers' Day Plant Sale; Spring Fashion Show and Dinner; Hantes.

1995 FINANCIAL REPORT

Cash on Hand and in Banks as of December 1, 1994

Checking	\$ 216.07	
Savings	<u>.00</u>	<u>\$ 216.07</u>

Add 1995 Receipts \$7,803.65

Deduct 1995 Disbursements 7,955.57

Net 1995 Income

\$ <151.97>

Cash on Hand and in Banks on December 1, 1995 (Before Payment to Parish Council)

Checking	\$ 64.15	
Savings	<u>.00</u>	<u>\$ 64.15</u>

80% of Cash Balance to Give Parish Council

\$ 51.32

Interest Income of \$18.15 Included Above

CHURCH CHOIR
ST. LEON ARMENIAN CHURCH
1995 ACTIVITIES REPORT

OFFICERS - Chairman/Director, George Paroonagian; Vice Chairperson, Emerald Noorigian; Recording/Corresponding Secretary, Lynn Beylerian; Treasurer, Vahe Kiljian; Advisors, Lucy Dabagian and Leon Dourgarian; Parish Council Liaison, Sarkis Soutanian.

MEMBERSHIP 25

MAIN ACTIVITIES DURING 1995 - Leading the Congregation in Singing Liturgical Hymns on Sunday; Biweekly Rehearsals with Choir Director and Hayr Soorp; Sponsorship of "Dinner Dance" featuring the John Berberian Band and Onnik Dinkjian, Singer; Participation in AACCA in Palos Heights IL, Receiving "Honorable Mention" for the GOMIDAS VARTABED AWARD.

PROPOSED ACTIVITIES FOR 1996 - Biweekly Rehearsals; Recruit new Choir Members; Sponsor Cultural Programs.

1995 FINANCIAL REPORT

Cash on Hand and in Banks as of December 1, 1994

	Checking	\$ 1,823.74	
	Savings	<u>.00</u>	\$ 1,823.74
Add 1995 Receipts		\$ 6,449.43	
Deduct 1995 Disbursements		<u><4,677.00></u>	
Net 1995 Income			\$ 1,772.43

Cash on Hand and in Banks on December 1, 1995 (Before Payment to Parish Council)

	Checking	\$ 3,596.17	
	Savings	<u>.00</u>	\$ 3,596.17

80% of Cash Balance to Give Parish Council **\$ 2,876.93**

Interest Income of \$33.43 Included Above

**CHURCH SCHOOL
ST. LEON ARMENIAN CHURCH
1995 ACTIVITIES REPORT**

OFFICERS - Superintendent/Chairperson, Arax Moundjian; Recording and Corresponding Secretary, Pamela Bedrock and Anita Sarkissians; Treasurer, William McMahon; Photographer, James Leitner; Assembly Teachers, Dn. George Devejian, Lucy Dabagian, Barbara Hovsepien; Advisor, Linda Paroonagian; Parish Council Liaison, Barbara Boghosian.

MEMBERSHIP 124 Students

MAIN ACTIVITIES DURING 1995 - Christmas Pageant and Dinner; Easter Communion Breakfast; Graduation Exercises; Attendance of Mardigian Institute; Followed and Supported Activities of the Diocese and Department of Religious Education.

PROPOSED ACTIVITIES FOR 1996 - Activities Above; Visiting Old Age Home in Emerson; Gathering Food for the Needy; Provide Gifts for Needy Children.

1995 FINANCIAL REPORT

Cash on Hand and in Banks as of December 1, 1994

Checking	\$ 1,494.00		
Savings	.00		\$ 1,494.00

Add 1995 Receipts \$ 6,085.00

Deduct 1995 Disbursements 4,133.00

Net 1995 Income **\$ 1,952.00**

Cash on Hand and in Banks on December 1, 1995 (Before Payment to Parish Council)

Checking	\$ 3,451.00		
Savings	.00		\$ 3,451.00

80% of Cash Balance to Give Parish Council **\$ 2,760.00**

MEN'S FELLOWSHIP
ST. LEON ARMENIAN CHURCH
1995 ACTIVITIES REPORT

OFFICERS -- (All Positions, Temporary Capacity) - Chairperson, Ara Hourdajian; Vice Chairperson, Garabed Yazidjian; Recording Secretary, Allan Tossoonian; Treasurer, Vahe Kiljian; Publicity, David Rowan; Advisors, Thomas Ashbahian and Dennis Tarzian.

MEMBERSHIP 23

MAIN ACTIVITIES DURING 1995 - Easter Communion Pancake Breakfast; Grounds Cleanup and Landscaping; Family Barbecue with Women's Guild; Lecture and Spaghetti Dinner

PROPOSED ACTIVITIES FOR 1996 - Super Bowl Party; Lecture/Dinner; Parish Pancake Breakfast; Genocide Observation; Easter Communion Breakfast; Sports Association Dinner; Biking Trip; Dinner Cruise.

1995 FINANCIAL REPORT

Cash on Hand and in Banks as of December 1, 1994

Checking	\$ 223.60	
Savings	<u>.00</u>	\$ 223.60
Add 1995 Receipts	\$ 894.63*	
Deduct 1995 Disbursements	<u><554.99></u>	
Net 1995 Income		\$ 339.64

Cash on Hand and in Banks on December 1, 1995 (Before Payment to Parish Council)

Checking	\$ 563.24	
Savings	<u>.00</u>	\$ 563.24
80% of Cash Balance to Give Parish Council		\$ 450.59

*Includes Reversals of Band Service Charges Debited in 1994; Amount of \$100.26.

**SENIOR CITIZEN CENTER
ST. LEON ARMENIAN CHURCH
1995 ACTIVITIES REPORT**

OFFICERS - Chairman, George Shahinian; Corresponding Secretary, Helen Mazoujian; Treasurer, Leon Bedigian; Advisors/Hospitality, Manushag Arakelian, Marion Nakashian, Satenig Johnson, Renee Shahinian.

MEMBERSHIP 65

MAIN ACTIVITIES DURING 1995 - Weekly Meetings Every Wednesday with Tavloo, Bingo, Cards; Christmas Party and Anniversary; Birthday Parties Held Monthly; Bus Trips to Atlantic City.

PROPOSED ACTIVITIES FOR 1996 - More Frequent Bus Trips, Including Ellis Island, Statue of Liberty and Circle Line Cruises.

1995 FINANCIAL REPORT

Cash on Hand and in Banks as of December 1, 1994

Checking	\$ 1,322.88 (Adjusted from 1994 Report)	
Savings	<u>.00</u>	<u>\$ 1,322.88</u>
 Add 1995 Receipts	 \$ 4,632.68	
Deduct 1995 Disbursements	<u>3,532.53</u>	
Net 1995 Income		<u>\$ 1,100.15</u>

Cash on Hand and in Banks on December 1, 1995 (Before Payment to Parish Council)

Checking	\$ 1,366.50	
Savings	<u>1,056.53</u>	<u>\$ 2,423.03</u>

80% of Cash Balance to Give Parish Council (None, per Parish Council)
Interest Income of \$56.53 Included Above

**WOMEN'S GUILD
ST. LEON ARMENIAN CHURCH
1995 ACTIVITIES REPORT**

OFFICERS - Chairperson, Carol Ashbahian; Vice Chairperson, Barbara Royland; Recording Secretary, Arlene Jessourian; Corresponding Secretary, Irma Altunyan; Treasurer, Linda Galgano, Advisor, Katherine Ohnikian.

MEMBERSHIP 107

MAIN ACTIVITIES DURING 1995 - Armenian Christmas Communion Breakfast; Installation of New Officers; Low Fat Cooking Demonstration; Fish 'n Chips Dinner; Hosted Women's Saints Day Service and Luncheon; Participation in Holy Week Services, Remembrance of the Ten Virgins; Medical Lecture; Membership Buffet Dinner; Aerobic Exercise Classes; CASP Sponsorship of Armenian Children; Hokehankisd for Deceased Guild Members; Joint Pot Luck Barbecue with Men's Fellowship; Blessing of the Grapes; Assisted Breakfast for ACYOA Seniors Sports Weekend; Baby Photo Contest; Slide Presentation on "Mission to Armenia"; Armenian Dance Classes; Military Bridge; One Day Retreat.

PROPOSED ACTIVITIES FOR 1996 - Crafts Demonstration; Fish 'n Chips; Membership Buffet Dinner; Hokehankisd for Guild Members; Overnight Retreat.

1995 FINANCIAL REPORT

Cash on Hand and in Banks as of December 1, 1994

Checking	\$ 3,688.18	
Savings	<u>.00</u>	<u>\$ 3,688.18</u>

Add 1995 Receipts \$ 11,728.30

Deduct 1995 Disbursements 9,618.98

Net 1995 Income \$ 2,109.32

Cash on Hand and in Banks on December 1, 1995 (Before Payment to Parish Council)

Checking	\$ 5,797.50	
Savings	<u>.00</u>	<u>\$ 5,797.50</u>

80% of Cash Balance to Give Parish Council \$ 4,638.00

PARISH COUNCIL FINANCIAL REPORTS

ARMENIAN CHURCH ENDOWMENT FUNDS

COMPARATIVE OPERATING BUDGET RECEIPTS

COMPARATIVE OPERATING BUDGET DISBURSEMENTS

SUMMARY OF ORGANIZATIONAL ACCOUNTS

ST. LEON ARMENIAN CHURCH
ACCOUNTING OF FUNDS LISTED
WITH
THE ARMENIAN CHURCH ENDOWMENT FUND

GENERAL PURPOSES OF THE CHURCH

Sarkis and Ruth Bedevian Fund	\$ 5,000.00
George Beshlian Fund	4,500.06
Harout Boyajian Memorial Fund	3,129.36
Robert Buchakian Memorial Fund	100,025.00
E. George and Lucy Dabagian Fund	11,000.00
Zaven and Arlene Dadekian Fund	16,250.00
Arpine Holopikian Memorial Fund	1,817.00
Noubar and Anita Jessourian Memorial Fund	13,000.00
Martin Kapoian Memorial Fund	1,780.00
Satenik Kazanjian Memorial Fund	25,000.00
Mirjan Kirian Fund	500.00
Angele Kouchoukians Memorial Fund	1,770.00
James and Emerald Noorigian Fund	2,267.00
Andrew and Florence Purpuse Memorial Fund	2,635.00
Karnig Shabazian Memorial Fund	5,000.00
Anthony Tungrian Fund	1,740.00
Lucille Varjian Fund	500.00

ARMENIAN SCHOOL

Peter Jesraly Memorial Fund	3,000.00
Pailak Khatchadourian Memorial Fund	5,000.00

CHURCH SCHOOL

Takvorian Fund	3,418.94
Varsen Torosian Memorial Fund	1,920.00
Lucy Tutunjian Memorial Fund	7,315.00

YOUTH CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Fr. Vahan and Yn. Zarouhi Jelalian Fund	<u>6,050.00</u>
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TOTAL

\$222,617.36

ST. LEON ARMENIAN CHURCH - COMPARATIVE OPERATING BUDGET

DECEMBER 31, 1995

RECEIPTS

	PROPOSED 1995	ACTUAL 1995	PERCENT TOTAL %	PROPOSED 1996	PERCENT TOTAL %
Weekly Envelopes					
Plate Collections					
Special Donations	57,000	63,354	20.88	60,000	24.27
Sacraments					
Hokehankisd					
In Lieu of Flowers	33,000	40,108	13.22	35,000	14.16
Lradoo	2,000	1,615	0.53	1,000	0.40
Christmas & Easter					
Yughakin	14,000	9,605	3.16	12,000	4.85
Auxiliary Organizations	10,000	13,469	4.44	12,000	4.85
Community Center Rentals	56,000	74,636	24.59	65,000	26.29
Endowment Fund Income	15,000	15,266	5.03	16,000	6.47
Net Proceeds from Affairs	42,000	27,329	9.00	37,200	15.05
Investment Income	5,000	5,081	1.67	7,000	2.83
Miscellaneous Income	2,600	3,366	1.11	2,000	0.81
Insurance Advance	N/A	25,000	8.24	N/A	N/A
Building Com. (Conf. Room)	N/A	9,660	3.18	N/A	N/A
Partial Ins. Settlement	N/A	15,000	4.94	N/A	N/A
TOTALS	\$236,600	\$303,489	100.00%	\$247,200	100.00%

ST. LEON ARMENIAN CHURCH - COMPARATIVE OPERATING BUDGET

DECEMBER 31, 1995

DISBURSEMENTS

	PROPOSED 1995	ACTUAL 1995	PERCENT TOTAL %	PROPOSED 1996	PERCENT TOTAL %
Clergy Stipend					
Employee Salaries					
Pensions, Health Insurance	89,000	93,080	27.57	93,000	37.62
Visiting Clergy	1,000	1,200	0.36	1,000	0.40
Diocesan Dues and Expenses	22,000	26,899	7.97	23,000	9.30
Sports Association	2,000	1,913	0.57	2,000	0.81
General Administration Expenses	23,000	16,968	5.03	18,000	7.28
Utilities	34,000	34,466	10.21	35,000	14.16
Publications and Mailings	3,500	4,095	1.21	4,000	1.62
Repairs and Maintenance	10,000	6,137	1.82	7,500	3.03
Insurance (Auto, Property Casualty and Liability)	11,000	10,709	3.17	11,500	4.65
Armenian School	1,000	295	0.09	1,000	0.40
Church School	1,000	1,015	0.30	1,000	0.40
Organist Stipend	3,500	3,960	1.17	3,500	1.42

(Disbursements, Continued)

	PROPOSED 1995	ACTUAL 1995	PERCENT TOTAL %	PROPOSED 1996	PERCENT TOTAL %
Van and Auto Expense	3,000	2,751	0.81	3,000	1.21
Community Center Expense	14,000	31,562	9.35	20,000	8.09
Community Center Repair and Maintenance	4,000	2,889	0.86	3,000	1.21
Van Fund Reserve	2,000	2,000	0.59	2,000	0.81
Equipment Purchase	1,000	0	0.00	1,000	0.40
Community Center Reserve Fund	5,600	7,349	2.18	6,500	2.63
St. Nersess Seminary	2,200	2,500	0.74	2,200	0.89
Parish Functions and Church Activities	3,000	6,896	2.04	4,000	1.62
Miscellaneous	1,000	7,850	2.32	5,000	2.02
Extraordinary Items					
Custodian Home Repairs	N/A	29,069	8.61	N/A	N/A
Conference Room	N/A	13,590	4.03	N/A	N/A
Explosion Expenses	N/A	30,425	9.01	N/A	N/A
TOTAL	\$236,600	\$337,615	100.00%	\$247,200	100.00%

ST. LEON ARMENIAN CHURCH
SUMMARY OF ORGANIZATIONAL FUNDS ON HAND
DECEMBER 31, 1995

Parish Council Checking Account	\$ 11,597.35
Parish Council Special Events Account	1,756.85
Parish Council Money Market Business Account (Building Fund Loan \$10,000 in 1995)	7,742.21
Parish Council Money Market Memorial Account (Building Fund Loan \$20,000 in 1995)	582.17
Dreyfus Fund	49,473.01
Dreyfus Fund (Insurance Settlement)	275,722.11
Community Center Capital Improvement Fund	31,093.06
Building Fund	136,801.12
Van Reserve Fund	14,682.50
A.C.Y.O.A. Juniors	2,251.52
A.C.Y.O.A. Seniors	1,028.41
Armenian School	64.15
Church Choir	3,596.17
Church School	3,451.00
Men's Fellowship	563.24
Senior Citizens	2,423.03
Women's Guild	<u>5,797.50</u>
Total	<u>\$548,625.40</u>
Deduct "80% Deposits" by Parish Council Included in 1995 Receipts	<u>(13,469.00)</u>
Total Funds on Hand December 31, 1995	<u>\$535,156.40</u>

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