

JUNIOR A.C.Y.O.A.

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1976, the Bi-Centennial Year became a year when this Armenian community contibuted greatly to further strengthen the goal of building an Armenian Church of Westchester. The feeling of camaraderie was especially present in the Church's Junior Youth Group.

We have, at present, fifteen dues-paying members and the Executive Committee is as follows:

Chairperson: Dian Dorian
Vice-Chairperson: Greg Dorian
Corresponding Secretary: Jackie Mirzayan
Recording Secretary: Chris Derdiarian
Treasurer: John Mirzayan
Activities Director: Jennifer Gurahian

Through monthly executive and membership meetings, various lectures and activities were held to help us appreciate our spiritual and cultural heritage.

The following were the monthly activities held and were well received by our membership and friends:

- April 9 - Armenian cooking demonstrated by Sirarpi Feredjian and Yeretzkeen Dawn
- April 10 - Trip to Lazarium at the Hayden Planetarium, N. Y. C.
- April 18 - Easter Egg Sale
- April 25 - ACYOA Day-Banquet and Program
- May 16 - Trip to Bear Mountain Park
- July 31 - A day's outing at the home of Mr. & Mrs. John Babakian in Belmar, N. J.
- October 10 - Slide presentation on Armenia, lectured by Fr. Karekin
- October 29 - Halloween Party
- November 7 - Cake Sale
- December 5 - Trip to Dark Shadow Mansion in Tarrytown
- December 18 - Christmas Party at St. Leon's Church in N. J.

The preceeding year included many church functions in which the Junior ACYOA participated. These were:

- May 8 - Kef Night
- June 6 - White Plains Outdoor Art Festival
- July 25 - Northern Westchester Picnic
- September 5 - Armenian Church of Westchester Annual Picnic
- December 12 - Juniors provided cakes for coffee hour after church.

We thank the members and friends of all the other church organizations for their help and cooperation in making 1976 a successful year for the ACYOA Junior Chapter.

Respectfully submitted,

Dian Dorian
Chairperson

NOTE: After donating \$200.00 to the Bi-Centennial Thanksgiving Drive, we now have \$209.00.

Chris Derdiarian
Recording Sec.