

# ANNUAL REPORT

1995



## Holy Cross Armenian Church

UNION CITY, N. J.

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**UNION CITY, N.J.**

**AGENDA FOR PARISH ASSEMBLY**

**MARCH 3, 1996**

1. Prayer and Opening of Meeting
2. Election of Assembly Officers
3. Election:     5 Parish Council  
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HOLY CROSS ARMENIAN CHURCH  
UNION CITY, N.J.

1995 ANNUAL PARISH ASSEMBLY MEETING  
FEBRUARY 12, 1995

The Annual Parish Assembly was held on February 12, 1995, at the Church Center.

The Meeting was called to order at 1:00 PM by Mr. Nubar Dorian, Parish Council Chairman. Our Pastor, the Very Rev. Fr. Vazken Karayan, presided.

Mr. Dorian asked for nominations for Chairman and Secretary of the Parish Assembly. Mr. Edward Sahagian and Ms Kay Derderian were elected Chairman and Secretary respectively.

The Chairman requested motion to close the ballot box. Motion was made and passed to close balloting at 1:15 PM.

The Chairman dispensed with the reading of the Minutes of the 1994 Meeting and invited our Parish Priest, the Very Rev. Fr. Vaxken Karayan to present his Report.

Hayr Soorp indicated it was a delight and privilege to serve the Holy Cross Church family, and proceeded to review his Report highlighting objectives.

- To continue to improve and strengthen the Saturday and Sunday Schools;
- To continue to provide linguistic and cultural and education, and religious and adult education through video;
- The importance of Christian education was stressed;
- Parents urged to bring children to school;
- Home visitations were made enroute to office or home;
- Pastoral visitations to Old Aged Home were uplifting and fruitful;
- All financial contributions were acknowledged re: ecclesiastical items;
- Lecture series well received and would continue.

Hayr Soorp acknowledged and expressed his appreciation to the Assembly and thanked all who helped and worked with him.

The Chairman then invited Mr. Nubar Dorian, Parish Council Chairman to present Report of the Parish Council.



Mr. Dorian reviewed the Report highlighting the acknowledgements and asked if there were any questions. There being none, the Chairman invited various Parish organizations to present their Reports.

WOMEN'S GUILD: Ms Arpena Sbarbaro reviewed the Report highlighting activities. She reported that the sum of \$7000.00 which should have been presented to Parish Council in 1995 was done so in 1994 in order to close Treasurer's books.

ARMENIAN SCHOOL: Mrs. Alice Yigitkurt reported the School had enjoyed a successful year due to the untiring efforts of Hayr Soorp and staff. Religious instructions were given. School has 30 students, 4 classrooms. Tuition is \$100.00 per student, including books. She appealed to the Assembly for renovations of classrooms, such as painting, etc. She reported that tentative plans were underway for the presentation of a play by a drama group from Bayside, to be held sometime in April as a Fund raising event.

The Chairman noted the tremendous job Mrs. Yigitkurt is doing and asked that we all extend our support, both morally and financially.

SUNDAY SCHOOL: Sylvia Bozoyan reviewed the Report and expressed appreciation and gratitude to Hayr Soorp who had been instrumental in the revitalization of the School. Because of his encouragement and implementation of new programs, enrollment had increased to 26 students.

SENIOR CITIZENS: Mrs. Bertha Najarian expressed appreciation to Pastor and Parish Council for their support, and to the members for their continued help and contributions.

CHOIR: Ms Ann Dadaian reviewed Report and thanked Pastor and Parish Council for their continued support. She invited all who enjoy singing to join the Choir and participate.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Mr. Harold Azmelian reviewed receipts and disbursements for the year 1994 and answered pertinent questions. The Report was accepted with appreciation.

ENDOWMENT FUND: Mr. Harold Azmelian presented the latest status of the Fund and answered questions raised. The Assembly thanked the Messrs. Harold Azmelian, Philip Arpiarian, and Armen Kalbian for overseeing our Endowment Fund in a most competent manner.

Mr. Sahagian invited the Treasurer Mr. Harold Azmelian to present the 1995 proposed Budget (copy attached). After several clarifications and questions, the new Budget was unanimously adopted.

OLD BUSINESS:

1) Annual Christmas Party - Taking into considerations the expense, parking, etc.. it was decided by unanimous vote not to hold a Christmas party.

2) Picnic - Due to circumstances and our inability to sponsor joint picnic with St. Leon's Church in 1994, the matter came up for discussion. Street Fair was suggested. Motion made and passed to hold one in 1995.

The Chairman commended all the organizations for their tireless efforts during the past year.

NEW BUSINESS:

Mr. Sahagian introduced the following recommendations from Parish Council:

1) The adoption of separate dues of \$25.00 to be specifically designated as "Voting Membership Dues". We would still maintain the Annual Membership Dues and Pledge System, the Christmas and Easter Donations. Following discussion, motion was made and passed to adopt separate membership dues to be called "Voting Membership Dues" at \$25.00 per person, per annum.

2) To reduce the number of Parish Council members from 11 to 9 due to lack of interest was taken into consideration. Following vote the Parish Council membership will remain at 11.

3) Renovation of Center and Classrooms: A list of urgent renovations to the Center was called to the attention of the Assembly as were other renovations needed. Motion was made and passed to have Parish Council review the matter.

4) Recommendation by Mr. Nubar Dorian to move Annual Assembly in 1996 from the month of February to the month of March, citing inclement weather as the reason was approved with motion made and passed accordingly.

5) Armenian Missionary Fund:

Mr. Philip Arpiarian reported the amount of \$10,600.00 in the Fund, and recommended \$5000.00 be given to FAR (Fund for Armenian Relief); \$4000.00 to Armenia Fund, and the balance to the Japanese Earthquake Relief. The reason for this one time donation to the Japanese Relief Fund was in response to the generous donations made by the Japanese people to the Armenian earthquake of 1988. This recommendation was enthusiastically received and unanimously approved.

ELECTION RESULTS:

Mr. Sahagian asked Mr. Philip Arpiarian, Nominating Committee Chairman, for the results of the election. Mr. Arpiarian reported 50 ballots were cast with one write-in-vote. Results follow:

PARISH COUNCIL

Philip Arpiarian  
Harold Azmelian  
Arto Can  
Ann Dadaian  
Andrew Avedisian  
Edward Sahagian  
Charles Shenloogian - Alternate

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Diana Burdgraf  
Arax Karagosian  
Satenig Karagosian

AUDITING COMMITTEE

Lucy Bozoyan  
Gary Burdgraf  
Armen Kalbian

DIOCESAN DELEGATES

Nubar Dorian  
Zaven Hovsepian



Mr. Sahagian called upon Hayr Soorb to offer the closing prayer. Hayr Soorb congratulated those people elected and gave his benediction. Together with the singing of Hayr Mer, the Meeting came to a close.

Copies of the "1994 Annual Report", the Permanent Endowment Fund" and "Ballot Summary" are attached to these Minutes.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:15 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Kay Derderian  
Secretary



## **PASTOR'S REPORT**

It was and is our aim to serve unselfishly and whole heartedly the Holy Cross Armenian Church from day one. We proudly express our gratitude to our parishioners who did contribute to our advancements in a very short period of time we have been here as a pastor. We had several goals during last year - many of which we achieved. Our priority was

- 1) To conduct services and sacraments
- 2) Meet spiritual and pastoral needs of our parishioners
- 3) Get acquainted with those parishioners whom we have not met before to gradually create and cement a strong bond and relationship between our Church and them
- 4) Increase Church membership
- 5) Improve and strengthen Sunday and Saturday schools
- 6) To have an active re-established ACYOA and organize programs designed for the youth
- 7) Through our pastoral visitations, we urged parishioners to get involved in Church organizations, activities and most importantly, to attend Church services.
- 8) To take care of the needs of the Church, office, and the center as much as possible in order to make it a more appealing place to worship, pray and work. Currently we are doing our best to improve the conditions of our property.

### CHURCH

Special thanks to the deacons', choir members', and organist's dedication, devotion, and commitment by participating in the Divine Liturgy faithfully every Sunday.

### PARISH COUNCIL

As president of the parish council we had the great pleasure and honor to work with Mr. Nubar Dorian, chairman, who is highly intelligent and respected in the community as well as the entire Diocese. We are also proud of our qualified and dedicated parish council members who put their hearts and souls for the advancement and welfare of Holy Cross Armenian Church. The meetings were fruitful through their unselfish and tireless efforts. Our outlook and horizon are bright and we certainly made great progress and change. We express our heartfelt gratitude to

outgoing members and congratulate, in advance, the new parish council members.

### WOMEN'S GUILD

As pastor, we attended Women's Guild meetings, provided guidance and assistance, and also took the initiative to have presentations. Certainly it is not news to us that our Women's Guild is the backbone of our Church. With their creativity, intelligence, and unselfish dedication, the Guild did a tremendous and outstanding job deserving our sincere appreciation and applause. We graciously acknowledge their generous donation of \$10,000. and the large screen television.

### MESROBIAN ARMENIAN SCHOOL

It was our goal to provide our best linguistic and cultural education to our students. We took the initiative to teach every Saturday religious and cultural courses. In addition to this, we also felt moral and spiritual responsibility to teach them contemporary issues that concern our youth such as drugs, greed, materialism, violence, parent and children relationship and communication, respect for their parents and those who are in authority, etc. The highlight of this year's Hantess was the graduation of Caroline Ak. We appreciate the superintendent - Alice Yigitkurt - and the teaching staff's dedication and hard work.

### SUNDAY SCHOOL

Thanks to Sunday School Superintendent - Sylvia Bozoyan - and a dedicated staff, our Sunday School doors are wide open every Sunday. Our mission is to impart the best Christian education to our precious children in order to guide them in Christ's footsteps.

On numerous occasions we contacted parents whose children were absent by phone and in person. We indicated and alarmed them about the importance and the necessity of Christian education and urged them to bring their children to Sunday School *EVERY SUNDAY ON TIME!*

On June 4, 1995, the Sunday School was extremely proud to graduate Caroline Ak, Tanya Gullep, and Berta Yigitkurt.



### ACYOA

The re-established ACYOA was active and busy with chocolate sales and social programs throughout the year. On different occasions as a group, we had the opportunity to socialize. Their activities included trips to Central Park and ice-skating at Rockefeller Center in New York City as well as having a pizza party.

### CLERGY MEETINGS

We attended clergy meetings monthly in different parishes to discuss past and present pastoral, spiritual, doctrinal, and canonical issues. We have to admit that we all have the same positive and negative issues in each parish. These meetings were extremely informative and enlightening. This was an opportunity to share our concerns, problems, and difficulties in order to improve the quality of life in every community.

### VISITATIONS

We had the privilege to be invited by parishioners to visit over 38 families and meet their family members on different occasions. During our pastoral visitations, our aim was a) to emphasize the mission of the Armenian Church and their vital role and contribution as parishioners in the Church's life. b) To urge the family members to attend Church services, enroll their children in our Mesrobian Armenian and Sunday Schools, and attend our Church. c) To remind them that the success and the perpetuation of this divine and sacred institution is solely dependent on them. In short, we ask them to keep the torch lit. Not responding to our visitation requests due to their busy schedule and personal reasons, some families were contacted by phone. At times, some pastoral visitation requests were unfortunately neglected. Occasionally, we accommodated parishioners by visiting them during business hours in their place of work. The purpose was to inform them that we were aware and concerned about their absence from Church.

Hospital visitations were made periodically upon request and voluntary. We visited more than 27 patients at their convenience providing them with prayers, Holy Communion, and pastoral counseling. The

first Tuesday of each was reserved for pastoral visitation to the Armenian Old Age Home in Emerson, NJ conducting morning services, delivered homilies, and gave Holy Communion. Our pastoral visitations were uplifting, encouraging, and fruitful. We provided our pastoral spiritual care and counseling for those who were willing to seek help and guidance. We graciously acknowledge those who expressed their appreciation and made positive comments in person and by phone.

### LECTURE SERIES

During the year, we had the following successful video presentations and lectures: *Elise Antreasian*, Director of Religious Education of our Diocese, led the faithful through the Divine Liturgy in narrated form; *The Very Rev. Dr. Fr. Krikor Maksoudian*, Director of the Zohrab and Clara Information Center, lectured on "The Election of the Catholicoi - Past and Present"; and *Julie Ashekian*, director of Children of Armenia Sponsorship Program (CASP), gave a video presentation on this project.

### BAZAAR AND 50/50 RAFFLE

These activities were extremely successful due to Dr. Edward Sahagian and Philip Arpiarian's efficiency and hard work. Guests enjoyed the evening's entertainment, food, and especially, each other's company.

### VISION & SUNDAY BULLETIN

Vision is the official newspaper of our parish which is a bridge of communication to convey pastoral messages and to inform about community activities in English and Armenian. As we promised in the passed we improved the quality and the content. Certainly we all felt and enjoyed the great progress and change. We proudly acknowledge and appreciate compliments from our parishioners as well as non-parishioners. Likewise, the Sunday Bulletin is neat and in great shape.

We wish our faithful a Happy, Healthy and Prosperous Year and are looking forward to working with you for the Glory of God.

Respectfully submitted,

Fr. Vazken Karayan, Pastor





## **ՀՈՎՈՒԱԿԱՆ ՏԵՂԵԿՈՒԹԻՒՆ**

Որպես Հոգեւոր Հովիւ տարի մը եւս անշահափափախ ու անսովորելի օրէն մեր ծառայութիւնը մասնուցինք Ս. Խաչ Հայաստանեայց Եկեղեցւոյ ի Իւներն Սիթի: Մեր գերազույց նպատակներուն գիտակից գտնուեցանք եւ ըստ այնմ ծառայեցինք ատրոյշեալ նպատակներուն: Խորհրդակատարութիւններ կատարեցինք: Հովուական այցելութիւններ կատարելով ծիսականներուն մօտէն ծանօթացանք ու անոնց Հոգեպէս մասնակարարեցինք: Հաւատացեալներու ու Եկեղեցւոյ միջեւ գտնուող Հոգեւոր կամուրջը անգամ մը եւս ամրացուցինք: Շարժութիւնը մեր Կիրակնօրեայ վարժարաններուն որպէս դաստիարակ օժանդակեցինք ու զանոնք քաջակերեցինք:

Կը գնահատենք Եկեղեցւոյս դպրաց ու սարկաւազաց դասի բոլոր անդամ ու անդամուհիները որոնք՝ ամէն Կիրակի առանց բացառութեան կանուխաւոր մեր սրբազան արարողութեանց մասնակցեցան ու սատարեցին: Մեր սրտաբուխ գնահատանքը կը յայտնենք բոլոր անոնց որոնք Հոգեպէս, բարոյապէս ու նիւթապէս օժանդակեցին, նեցուկ եղան, ու նպաստեցին Եկեղեցւոյս բարգաւաճման ու պայծառացման:

### **ԾԻՍԱԿԱՆ ԽՈՐՀՈՒՐԴ**

Որպէս ծիսական խորհուրդի նախագահ, յաճախ ներկայ գտնուեցանք ժողովներուն, յայնեցինք նորոգութեանց մեր ծրագիրները, բաժնեցինք մեր մտաւորութիւնները ու փորձեցինք լուծում մը գտնել անոնց: Նաեւ Հաճոյքը ունեցանք գործակցելու աստեապետ մեծայարգ Տիար Նուպար Տօրեանի հետ: Հպարտ ենք մեր նուիրեալ ու ծառայաւէր ծիսական խորհուրդի անդամ ու անդամուհիներով որոնք եւս բոլորանուէր ու ժրջան գործունէութեամբ սատարեցին Եկեղեցւոյս բարգաւաճման: Մեր սրտաբուխ շնորհակալութիւնը կը յայտնենք բոլորին:

### **ՏԻԿՆԱՅ ՄԻՈՒԹԻՒՆ**

Որպէս Հոգեւոր Հովիւ ներկայ գտնուեցանք Տիկնաց Միութեան բոլոր ժողովներուն: Ծրագիրներուն ու ձեռնարկներուն նեցուկ

գտնուելով քաջակերեցինք զանոնք: Կը գնահատենք իրենց անփոխ յուրումը ու ծառայութիւնը: Մեր սրտաբուխ գնահատանքը կը յայտնենք որ այս տարի տասը Հազար տղարի փողգլի մը յանձնեցին ծիսական խորհուրդին:

### **ՇԱԲԱԹ ՈՒ ԿԻՐԱԿՆՕՐԵԱՅ ՎՐԺԻ:**

Շարժութիւնը մեր Կիրակնօրեայ վարժարաններու ասաներուն դաստիարակեցինք: Նոր ծրագիրներ մշակեցինք: Հպարտութեամբ չորս նոր շրջանաւարտներու Հունձք մը տուինք: Կը գնահատենք գոյգ վարժարաններու տնօրէնուհիները եւ ուսուցչաց կազմի Համայն աղամները իրենց մասնուցած անսովորելի, անշահափափախ ու ժրջան աշխատանքներուն համար:

### **ՀՈՎՈՒԱԿԱՆ ԱՅՑԵԼՈՒԹԻՒՆՆԵՐ**

Որպէս Հովիւ բազմիցս անգամներ զանազան ստիթներով պատիւը ունեցանք աւելի քան 38 ընտանիքներ այցելելու: Մեր այցելութեանց ընթացքին շեշտեցինք որ նախ եկեղեցի յաճախեն: Որպէս ծիսականներ նիւթապէս, բարոյապէս ու Ֆիզիքապէս օժանդակեն: Շարժութիւնը մեր Կիրակնօրեայ վարժարաններու մէջ արձանագրեն իրենց գաւակները: Երբեմն ալ Հակառակ մեր ջանքերուն Հովուական այցելութիւնները ծիսականներու կողմէ անտեսուեցան ու արձագանգ չգտան: Այդ պարագային յաճախ գիրենք Հեռաձաններով փնտրեցինք ու մեր մտաւորութիւնը յայտնեցինք: Հիւանդաց այցելութիւնները նախապատուութիւն նկատեցինք ու աւելի քան 27 Հիւանդաց այցելութիւններ կատարեցինք: Եւս սուսեղ ամիսը անգամ մը Էմբրսիոնի ծերանոցը այցելեցինք: Հակիրճ արարողութիւն կատարելէ յետոյ Սուրբ Հաղորդութիւն մատակարարեցինք:

### **ԶԱՆԱԶԱՆ ՁԵՌՆԱՐՆԵՐ**

Մշակութային դաստիարակութեանց շարան մը ունեցանք զանազան նիւթերու վրայ: Պարահանդէսը ու Պազարը բացաւրիկ յաջողութիւն մը արձանագրեցին: Երեսասարդաց միութեան Համար ընկերային ձեռնարկներ մշակեցինք ու պտոյտներ կատարեցինք: Լիպոյս ենք որ շնորհիւ ձեզի յաջող տարի մը եւս պիտի արձանագրենք: Վազգէն Վրդ. Գարայեան, Հոգեւոր Հովիւ

# HOLY CROSS ARMENIAN CHURCH

UNION CITY, NJ

## PARISH COUNCIL REPORT

1995

During the calendar year 1995, the Parish Council met eleven times and also held 1 special meeting with a quorum present.

During its first meeting the following members were elected to the Executive Committee:

Chairman	Nubar Dorian
Vice Chairman	Armen Kalbian
Treasurer	Harold Azmelian
Secretary	Sylvia Bozoyan

The following committee chairpersons were appointed by the Chairman:

VISION	Very Rev. Fr. Vazken Karayan / A. Dadaian / A. Sbarbaro
Maintenance / Renovation	A. Avedisian
Bazaar	Dr. E. Sahagian
Raffle (50/50)	P. Arpiarian / A. Çan
Endowment Fund	H. Azmelian
Membership	A. Sbarbaro



1994 PARISH ASSEMBLY - The minutes of the Parish Assembly held on February 12, 1995, are included in the Annual Report. Issues discussed at the Assembly requiring action by Parish Council were carried out as follows:

- a. Christmas Party - Based on the last Annual Parish Assembly decision, the Christmas Party wasn't held this year. It is up to this Assembly to reconsider last year's decision.
- b. Voting Members - The Annual Membership meeting has adopted "voting membership dues of \$ 25." The Parish Council instituted this procedure and commencing with this Parish Assembly, only those who have paid or identified \$ 25. membership dues were permitted to vote.
- c. Parish Council Members - The proposal to have nine instead of eleven members to constitute the Parish Council having been defeated, the Parish Council directed the Nominating Committee to bring in the number of nominees accordingly.
- d. Armenian Missionary Fund - Based on the decision of the Annual Assembly, the \$10,600. in the Armenian Missionary Fund last year was distributed as follows:

Fund for Armenian Relief (FAR)	\$ 5,000.
Armenia Fund	\$ 4,000.
Japanese Earthquake Fund	\$ 1,600. (balance)

The latter is to be a one time donation in response to the generous donation Japanese people made to the Armenian Earthquake of 1988.

- e. Parish Assembly Date - Responding to the wishes of last Assembly, the Parish Council changed the date of the Annual Membership meeting from February to March.

CHURCH PROPERTIES - Harold Azmelian, Andrew Avedisian, and Pablo Taura, caretaker, continually monitored the condition of the Church, the Church Center, and the Parish House. During the year the following repairs were made:

1. Church
  - rest rooms were renovated
  - Armenian School / Sunday School rooms were painted during the summer
2. Parish House
  - new ceiling in one room of the Church office was fixed
  - hallway was painted
  - new linoleum was replaced in the hallway
3. Church Center
  - new gate at the entrance doors

PICNIC - Due to lack of communication and circumstance beyond our control, we were unable to have a picnic.

BAZAAR - Once again the Bazaar, held on October 27 and 28, was successful socially as well as financially. The parishioners owe a debt of gratitude to the Chairman, Dr. Ed Sahagian and all those who contributed to help make the Bazaar both enjoyable and profitable.

VISION - Our pastor, Very Rev. Fr. Vazken Karayan, as editor of the VISION with the assistance of Ann Dadaian and Arpena Sbarbaro once again sacrificed a great deal of time and effort to ensure the printing of the VISION on a regular basis. Upon the recommendation of our pastor, it was decided to change the VISION from monthly to every two months with more interesting contents and additional pages. You have already received the first two issues of the VISION and to date the acceptance has been excellent. Hayr Soorp is responsible for the success of the VISION.



SUNDAY BULLETIN - As in former years, the Sunday Bulletin was distributed every Sunday to those attending Church services. Each issue was replete with current information on Church activities, simple explanation of the meaning of each Sunday and other pertinent matters of interest such as listings of Hokehankisd to our Church members. Our pastor, Very Rev. Fr. Vazken Karayan, deserves special thanks for undertaking this important task. The new format of the Sunday Bulletin was introduced by our Pastor with a lot more interesting and inspiring messages and details.

ARMENIAN SCHOOL - Alice Yigitkurt, Superintendent, along with three teachers made this year's Armenian School a truly a successful one. Parish Council continued to underwrite the expenses of salaries and the weekly bus service cost. More details are available under the Armenian School report.

SUNDAY SCHOOL - Very Rev. Fr. Vazken Karayan and Sylvia Bozoyan, our superintendent, made it a priority to have a viable Sunday School. Fortunately their efforts succeeded in increasing the total enrollment to 26 students. In addition to Sylvia Bozoyan, the present teaching staff consists of Phil Arpiarian, Nubar Dorian, Caroline Ak, and Arthur Manoukian (during the Spring semester).

RAFFLE - Phil Arpiarian and Arto Çan, chairmen, did a superlative job in attending to all the details of the raffle and once again 300 tickets were sold and the Church's income was in excess of \$ 15,000. Following the success of the previous year, the raffle was held during our annual Bazaar instead of the usual raffle drawing reception held in previous years.

ENDOWMENT FUND - As the annual report of the Endowment Fund indicates, we had excellent results with our Endowment Fund. This is due to the efforts of Harold Azmelian as chairman and Armen Kalbian and Phil Arpiarian as members of the Endowment Fund committee.

DINNER DANCE - On Saturday, June 17, 1995, the Mesrobian Armenian School sponsored a dinner dance co-chaired magnificently by Alice Yigitkurt and Apo Boghosian to raise money for the school. Their diligence and hard work made this a sold-out event which featured MANUEL and Jacques Kodjian.

### **ACKNOWLEDGMENTS**

Parish Council thanks Very Rev. Fr. Vazken Karayan, our pastor, who during the past year gave us continued spiritual leadership and attended to the needs of the Parish. Being better acquainted with the community he was able to make more visitations, bring in more members, and increase Church attendance. There is every indication that under his guidance the Church will be stronger and the Bolsetzi community will be more attached to our Church.

The Parish Council would like to acknowledge the dedication and services performed by all its parishioners for the betterment of the Holy Cross Armenian Church and would like special mention to the following:

Parish Council thanks Fr. Carnig Hallajian who enriches our choir any Sunday he is in town and when called upon gives us his usual constructive advice and recommendations.



The Deacons: Hagop Hovsepien for his leadership and diligence; Haçik Sariminassian, John Hovsepien, and Hagop Kradjian.

The Choir Members: Ann Dadaian, choirmaster; Arpena Sbarbaro, assistant choirmaster: Caroline Ak, Mary Çan, Kay Derderian, Lucy Ganguzza, Jeanette Garabedian, Charles Genjian, Tanya Gullep, Arthur Manoukian, Sr., and Victoria Sariminassian.

The Organist: Mary Shalakian, our organist, has once again demonstrated her love for the Church by serving as organist without financial remuneration and deserves the full gratitude of our community.

The Women's Guild Chairlady Diana Burggraf and all Guild members who have consistently provided their services to make the Bazaar successful and also for their generous financial contributions.

Ann Dadaian who tirelessly serves as the Parish Secretary in addition to her responsibility as Choir Master.

Richard Assoian who undertook the printing of the annual Christmas Card in memory of Anne Hachadoorian.

Richard Tarzian who donates the printing of our Church publication of the VISION.

Women's Guild members for their help in the Church office whenever called upon.

Arax Chirkinian and Virginia Hajeian for co-chairing the Christmas Card project.

Harold Azmelian for acting as treasurer . . . most likely the most time consuming task for the administration of the Church.

Harold Azmelian and his committee for their continuous hard work to administer our Endowment Fund.

Sylvia Bozoyan for her dedication to the Sunday School.

Diana Burggraf, Takouhi (Sultan) Çan, Sultan Ipeksi, Vartouhi Kucukyan, and Aghavni Pashalian for donating and making the mahs.

Choir member, Arthur Manoogian, for preparing the mahs for distribution every Sunday.

Diana Burggraf for coordinating after Church refreshments.

Andrew Shashoian for his volunteering to act as the Church photographer whenever called upon.

Nubar Dorian, Chairman of the Parish Council, for his leadership.

. . . And to all the Parishioners who faithfully serve the Holy Cross Armenian Church by their support and confidence in the Parish Council.

Respectfully submitted,

**PARISH COUNCIL**



HOLY CROSS ARMENIAN CHURCH  
ENDING BALANCE DECEMBER 31, 1995

RECEIPTS 1995	\$179,548.18	
DISBURSEMENTS 1995	<u>\$178,318.61</u>	
RECEIPTS OVER DISBURSEMENTS	\$1,229.57	
BALANCE DECEMBER 31, 1994	<u>\$75,614.05</u>	
BALANCE DEC. 31, 1995		<u>\$76,843.62</u>

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MISSIONARY FUND	\$1,225.00	
PARKING LOT FUND	\$9,555.00	
RENOVATION FUND	\$1,360.00	
B.B.FUNERAL FUND (50/50 RAFFLE)	\$1,500.00	
UNRESTRICTED FUND	<u>\$63,203.62</u>	
		<u>\$76,843.62</u>



**HOLY CROSS ARMENIAN CHURCH  
STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS FOR THE YEARS ENDING 12/31/95-94**

	1995	1994
<b>RECEIPTS:</b>		
Membership, Dues, Pledges & Envelopes, Plate collections.	\$17,629.55	\$13,264.00
<b>DONATIONS:</b>		
Christmas	\$5,015.00	\$5,260.00
Easter	\$4,430.00	\$4,655.00
Christmas Card	\$1,790.00	\$1,790.00
Women's Guild	\$15,000.00	\$17,000.00
Senior Citizens	\$500.00	\$500.00
Other Donations	\$2,097.00	\$4,840.43
Renovation Fund	\$1,360.00	\$0.00
<b>AFFAIRS:</b>		
Bazaar:		
	(1994 Net Profit \$5,998.14)	
	(1995 Net Profit \$4,644.14)	
	\$8,422.75	\$8,459.85
Picnic:		
	(1994 No Picnic)	
	(1995 No Picnic)	
50/50 Raffle		
	(1994 Net Profit \$20,258.15)	
	(1995 Net Profit \$7,086.00))	
	\$30,200.00	\$30,800.00
Communion Breakfast	\$300.00	\$134.00
<b>OTHER INCOME:</b>		
Redeposit of certified ck.-Re: purchase of chairs	\$5,730.00	\$0.00
In Lieu of flowers	\$15,893.00	\$4,885.00
Hokehandkists & Prayers	\$7,915.00	\$4,460.00
Candles & candelabra	\$3,311.15	\$2,930.45
Christenings	\$500.00	\$750.00
Weddings	\$200.00	\$150.00
Funerals	\$1,250.00	\$1,250.00
Interest & dividends	\$1,209.73	\$1,153.93
Center rental	\$270.00	\$180.00
Altar Flowers	\$425.00	\$470.00
Vision	\$75.00	\$140.00
Missionary Fund	\$1,225.00	\$10,610.00
Miscellaneous	\$0.00	\$100.82
Insurance recovery	\$0.00	\$1,557.00
Armenian School Tuition/Hantess	\$14,350.00	\$3,150.00
Endowment Fund Interest	\$40,000.00	\$50,000.00
Exchange Account	\$450.00	\$732.55
	<b>\$179,548.18</b>	<b>\$169,223.03</b>

**HOLY CROSS ARMENIAN CHURCH  
DISBURSEMENTS FOR YEARS ENDING 12/31/95-94**

DISBURSEMENTS:	1995	1994
Salaries, Travel & Housing	\$45,417.00	\$40,881.00
Social Security Tax	\$277.80	\$277.80
Diocesan Dues & :Looma	\$8,596.00	\$8,640.00
Insurance	\$4,522.00	\$5,431.25
Gas, Electric & Water Church/Parish House	\$9,825.40	\$9,894.41
Church Center Expense (excluding insurance)	\$8,014.36	\$8,656.08
Building Maintenance & Improvements	\$4,087.57	\$4,743.61
Painting Church Basement/Parish house halls	\$2,750.00	\$0.00
Renovation of Church Rest Rooms	\$15,294.00	\$0.00
Office Expense	\$4,120.47	\$3,056.15
Purchase of Car/Auto Expense	\$2,076.71	\$2,081.19
Telephone	\$965.97	\$860.88
Church Supplies	\$0.00	\$2,400.02
Honorarium & Gifts	\$1,450.00	\$1,226.80
Flowers, Altar, Palm, Easter, Christmas	\$916.00	\$1,309.72
Donation Armenia Fund	\$4,000.00	\$0.00
Donation St. Nersess Seminary	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00
Donation Diocese Armenian Church (Earthquake Japan)	\$1,160.00	\$0.00
Donation St. James Seminary	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
Donation F.A.R.	\$5,000.00	\$0.00
Purchase of new Center chairs (Net 7,500.00)	* \$13,230.00	\$0.00
Purchase of Center Entrance Gates	\$775.00	\$0.00
Purchase of Computer Etc.	\$0.00	\$1,879.76
Purchase of Fax	\$0.00	\$369.60
Purchase of Chalice & Torch Bearers	\$0.00	\$1,227.92
Purchase of Altar Cloths	\$0.00	\$2,815.00
Expense of Affairs:		
Bazaar	\$3,778.64	\$2,461.71
50/50 Raffle	** \$23,114.00	\$10,541.85
Church Socials	\$862.94	\$425.15
Communion Breakfast	\$266.69	\$286.66
Christmas Party	\$0.00	\$1,951.32
Armenian School	\$14,272.06	\$11,673.39
Youth Sports Programs	\$0.00	\$388.00
Miscellaneous	\$696.00	\$1,464.68
Exchange Account	\$350.00	\$732.55

\$178,318.61	\$128,176.50
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Miscellaneous Account:

Childrens fund given	
to Sunday School	\$500.00
LaLame Co. (Material)	\$196.00
	\$696.00

\* Certified check for \$5,730 re-deposited .

\*\* \$10,000 raffle winner of 1994 paid in 1995

**HOLY CROSS ARMENIAN CHURCH  
PROPOSED PARISH COUNCIL BUDGET**

**ANTICIPATED INCOME:**

**1996**

Membership, Dues Plate & Pledge	\$15,000.00
Holiday Donations	\$10,000.00
Christenings, Weddings & Funerals	\$2,000.00
In lieu of flowers	\$5,000.00
Hokehankisds & Prayers	\$5,000.00
Dividends & Interest	\$1,200.00
Net proceeds from affairs (Bazaar, Raffle Etc.)	\$20,000.00
Other donations (Auxiliary Organizations)	\$18,000.00
Candles & Candelabra	\$3,000.00
Christmas Greetings	\$1,800.00
Center rental	\$500.00
Renovation Fund	\$20,000.00
Miscellaneous	\$10,000.00
Armenian School (Tuition/Affairs)	\$10,000.00
	<b>\$121,500.00</b>

**ANTICIPATED EXPENSE:**

Diocesan Dues & Looma	\$10,000.00
Salaries, travel, housing & honorariums	\$52,000.00
Insurance	\$5,000.00
Armenian School	\$15,000.00
Building maintenancde expense	\$15,000.00
Building imporvements	\$75,000.00
Office supplies, postage, etc.	\$4,000.00
Office machine repair/replacement	\$2,000.00
Telephone	\$1,000.00
Church supplies	\$2,500.00
St. Nersess Seminary	\$1,500.00
St. James Seminary	\$1,000.00
Miscellaneous	\$5,000.00
	<b>\$189,000.00</b>

**PROJECTED SHORTFALL OF \$67,500.00 TO BE  
DRAWN FROM ENDOWMENT FUND INTEREST.**



# HOLY CROSS ARMENIAN CHURCH

UNION CITY, N.J.

## WOMEN'S GUILD ANNUAL REPORT

1995

General Membership Meetings were held on the third Wednesday of each month with the exception of July and August. Executive Committee meetings were held in the morning prior to the general membership meeting. At our meetings, our pastor, the Very Rev. Vazken Karayan, presided as President, giving spiritual and educational lectures or showing VCR tapes relating to the death of our Catholicos Vazken I and the election of our new Catholicos, His Holiness Karekin I.

This year's Executive Committee members were:

Chairperson	Diana Burggraf
Vice Chairperson	Kay Derderian
Recording Secretary and Corresponding Secretary	Satenig Karagosian
Treasurer	Arax Karagosian
Publicity	Mary Kharpertian
Advisors:	Gladys Abahoonie
	Ann Chopoorian
	Lucy Joseph
	Isabel Keshguerian

Standing Committees:

Flea Market	Isabel Keshguerian
Sunshine/Hospitality	Arax Karagosian
Membership	Ann Chopoorian
Rummage Sales	Rose Sahagian
	Diana Burggraf

The Women's Guild continues to actively participate in all Parish functions. Our successful FLEA MARKETS are organized by Isabel Keshguerian with the assistance of Mary Kharpertian. The Women's Guild tables are set up and merchandise sold by the following volunteers: Victoria Bohajian, Diana Burggraf, Kay Derderian, Grace Genjian, Kay Keshishian, Rose Sahagian, Miss Virginia Shenloogian and Arpena Sbarbaro. Bertha Najarian stocks our pantry with staples for the refreshment counter with the help of Gladys Bagdasarian, Arax Karagosian, Gladys Abahoonie and Alice Muhibian. Let us not forget the ever-ready Mrs. Areknaz Sarajian who is always available for all our needs. A special thank you is in order to Victoria Bohajian, Isabel Keshguerian and Rose Sahagian for their bi-lingual assistance during these sales.

Our RUMMAGE SALE was ably chaired by Rose Sahagian. Diana Burggraf arranged with the Goodwill for the pick-up of all the leftover clothing for which they were very appreciative. thank you for all the volunteers that helped during this project.



Under the auspices of the Women's Guild Central Council, with the approval of the Parish Council, the Guild sponsored Karen Grigorian under the Children of Armenian Sponsorship Program (CASP). Karen replaced Tigran Hovhannisian in 1995. We don't have all the necessary information on Karen, but we will inquire for more details. Karen will be sponsored by us until she reaches the age of eighteen (18) years at \$200.00 each year.

We continue to support our Project Share whereby members and parishioners are urged to fill food baskets which are then distributed through the Division of Youth and Family Services to needy families with children. The undersigned, as Chairperson, in March attended the Hudson County Outreach Project for Community Enrichment meeting. This meeting was attended by representatives of many Hudson County churches of all faiths. The Service thanks us for our representation and our support through Project Share.

Our Lenten Luncheon held March 1, 1995, was attended by 70 people and a profit of \$680.40 was realized.

On May 7, 1995, the traditional Women of the Year Dinner was held honoring Charlotte Arshalous Kechejian, Isabel Keshguerian and Miss Virginia Shenloogian. Taken completely by surprise, Arax Chirkinian and Virginia Hajeian were also honored. All these women are dedicated and deserving women to have devoted their time, talents and energies to the Guild and Church. We also thank all the members who prepared our delicious chicken dinner and worked to make this a successful affair. Ann Chopoorian handled the Reservations for this affair.

We wish to thank Satenig Karagosian in planning the bus ride to Atlantic City on May 22, 1995.

In June, the Guild members gathered at Maison Madrid for a "Dutch Treat" closing luncheon. Reservations and arrangements were handled by Arax and Satenig Karagosian and Ann Chopoorian.

In December, in the spirit of the season, we met again for a holiday luncheon at the Kef Room in Palisades Park, where a delicious Armenian lunch was served. It was especially nice having our Hayr Soorp Vazken and Varujan Kalustian amongst us. Reservations and arrangements were handled by Ann Chopoorian, Diana Burggraf and Arpena Sbarbaro.

Our appreciation to all the aforementioned ladies who handled these affairs.

Members of the Guild also attended and supported the Women's Saints Day of the Armenian Church commemoration under the auspices of the Women's Guild Central Council which was held at St. Leon's Church, Fair Lawn, NJ. Ticket sales for this occasion were handled by Kay Derderian and Arax Karagosian.

We thank Isabel Keshguerian for handling our two visitation dates to the Armenian Home for the Aged in Emerson in June and November. We thanks the girls that were able to accompany Isabel on these trips. We also thank Mrs. Takouhi Bozoyan who prepared a delicious pastry to take on their November visitation.

during the year we baked choreg twice: January 27 for a profit of \$425.00 which was earmarked for electronic equipment and April 5 for a profit of \$227.75 on the occasion of Palm Sunday.

The month of October was a very busy month for our Guild Members. On October 15, we celebrated our 61st Anniversary. On this occasion we honored the following devoted members: 51 years service: Gladys Bagdasarian and Ann Damurjian; 50 years: Zephyr Bandazian, Ann Chopoorian and Eleanor Krikorian...a donation of \$100.00 was made to CASP in their honor; 25 year pins: Eugenie Mandikian and Virginia Fourounjian; 10 year pins: Marie Radoian. Special Hokehankisd prayers were offered for the souls of all departed members. All the names were read by Hayr Soorp during the Service. Refreshments prepared by the Guild were served in the Church Annex. Everyone was invited.

Continuing with the month of October, our ladies worked very hard preparing all the food everyone enjoyed at our Bazaar. We wish to thank all our members sand dear non-members who worked so hard making all the delicious delicacies. At this time we wish to thank Mrs. Takouhi Bozoyan and Mrs. Verone Mzrakian who helped us tremendously. Again our ladies did a fantastic job in helping make the Bazaar a financial and social success.

Our thanks to Rose Sahagian who ably handled the Members Only Flea Market during the month of November.

We thank all our Women's Guild Members who volunteered preparing refreshments for our Sunday Fellowship hour.

During the Year 1995 the Guild has donated a total of \$15,000.00 to the Parish Council.

All of our projects are successful because of the faithful devotion of our Women's Guild members who give of their time and energies to these projects.



WOMEN'S GUILD CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES - 1995

January	6	Armenian Christmas Badarak - served breakfast
	18	General Membership Meeting - Met at Center for lunch. Hayr Soorp was present...he thanked Arpena Sbarbaro, our outgoing Chairperson for her devotion
	27	Choreg-making session (sale profit earmarked for electronics equipment)
February	5	Parish Assembly - Women's Guild served lunch
	22	Snow date - Women's Guild Membership Meeting Hayr Soorp showed tapes on the funeral service for the Catholicos, Vazken I
	27	Cook for Lenten Luncheon
March	1	Lenten Luncheon
	11	Flea Market
	15	General Membership Meeting
	25	Women Saints Day - St. Leon's Church, Fair Lawn, NJ
	29	Chairperson attended Hudson County Outreach Project for Community Environment Meeting, North Bergen
April	5	Choreg-making session for sale - Palm Sunday
	8	Flea Market
	9	Palm Sunday - Choreg Sale
	13	Maundy Thursday - Divine Liturgy - served lunch
	19	General Membership Meeting - Hayr Soorp spoke on many needs of our Church.
	21&22	Members Only Flea Market
	28&29	Members Only Flea Market
May	5	Cooking Session - Women of the Year Dinner
	7	Women of the Year Dinner & Program
	13	Flea Market
	17	Membership Meeting - Hayr Soorp spoke about concerns our Church and Cleaning Center for needed space
June	22	Bus Ride to Atlantic City
	8	Visitation to Armenian Home for the Aged
	10	Flea Market
	21	Closing Luncheon at Maison Madrid, Palisades Park NJ
September	27	Set up and sell for Rummage Sale through July 8
	9	Flea Market
	13	General Membership Meeting - Lecture by Hayr Soorp
	28	Chorag-making Session for Bazaar and 61st Anniversary Celebration



CALENDAR (continued)

October	4-5	Keufteh-Making Session - BazaarBus Ride to Atlantic City
	12	Toorshi Making Session - Bazaar
	14	Flea Market
	15	Women's Guild 61st Anniversary Celebration
	18	Choreg-making Session and General Membership Meeting discussing nominees for November Guild elections
	25	Yalanchi-Making Session - Bazaar
	27&28	Bazaar - Preparation of food for two days
November	9	Women's Guild visitation to the Armenian Home for the Aged
	11	Flea Market
	15	General Membership Meeting - Hayr Soorp was present and spoke about outstanding job done by Women's Guild for Bazaar. Election of Executive Members of the Guild were held
December	9	Flea Market
	13	Closing Luncheon - Kef Room, Palisades Park, NJ

Respectfully submitted,

DIANA BURGGRAF  
Chairperson

HOLY CROSS ARMENIAN CHURCH  
WOMEN'S GUILD - FINANCIAL REPORT  
1995

Balance - December 31, 1994 \$ 3,370.44

INCOME:

Dues	\$ 519.00	
Members Only Flea Markets (2)	190.00	
Flea Markets (8)	8,782.77	
Rummage Sale (1)	1,103.40	
61st Anniversary Donation	2,005.00	
Women of the Year	1,585.23	
Kufteh Sale	322.50	
Choreg Sale (2)	652.75	
Lenten Luncheon	680.40	
Donations	210.00	
Atlantic City Trip (1)	155.00	
Miscellaneous	<u>74.80</u>	16,280.85

TOTAL INCOME AND OPENING BALANCE

*19,651.29*  
\$ 3,302.74

DISBURSEMENTS

Transfer of funds to Parish Council	\$ 15,000.00	
Floral Vases and in lieu of flowers	175.00	
Postage	215.20	
Printing	121.00	
Child Sponsorship in Armenia (CASP)	200.00	
Special Donation to CASP	100.00	
Guild Central Council Dues	140.00	
Meeting Refreshments	157.85	
Christmas Gift to Caretaker	100.00	
Miscellaneous	<u>139.50</u>	\$16,348.55

BALANCE - DECEMBER 31, 1995

\$ 3,302.74

TOTAL ASSETS

Checking Account - Hudson United Bank	\$ 3,150.21	
Petty Cash	147.15	
Bazaar Account	<u>5.38</u>	
		<u>\$ 3,302.74</u>

Respectfully submitted,

Arax Karagosian  
Treasurer

HOLY CROSS ARMENIAN CHURCH

UNION CITY, N.J.

MESROBIAN ARMENIAN SCHOOL

1995

It is a pleasure to report that the Mesrobian Armenian School had an extremely successful academic year due to the untiring efforts of its superintendent Alice Yigitkurt and her dedicated staff.

This year we are extremely pleased to have the talents of our pastor, Very Rev. Fr. Vazken Karayan who, not only gives the teachers and the students inspiration and guidance, but also teaches the religious education to the students of the graduating class. We thank him from the bottom of our hearts.

The School presently has 30 students, aged 4 to 14, composed of 4 classes. The teachers are Mrs. Sela Nazarian, Ms. Maggie Nazarian and assistant teacher, Mrs. Haygan Cehreci. Mrs. Alice Yigitkurt, in addition to acting as superintendent, also teaches the graduating class.

Regular weekly van service helped increase the number of students and the hope is that the present number will increase in the coming years.

During the year we held the following affairs:

1. School Registration
2. Christmas Hantess/Luncheon/Party for the school children, parents and friends. Songs were sung and poems recited by the children and gifts were distributed by "Santa Claus".
3. Vartanantz Day - recitations and songs by our school students at our Church.
4. Year-End Hantess - Recitations, play, dancing and songs. Refreshments prepared by the parents.

All proceeds raised from the Armenian School functions have been placed in the Holy Cross Endowment Fund.

Our thanks and gratitude to all those who support the Armenian School both financially and socially. Our thanks to all those who donate to the Armenian School in memory of their loved ones. Special thanks to all our friends and parents who so diligently work throughout the year. Also thanks to the teachers for their untiring efforts and hard work in teaching our children the Armenian language and culture. And finally, a huge debt of gratitude to the Parish Council and to Alice Yigitkurt.

Respectfully submitted,

MESROBIAN ARMENIAN SCHOOL



HOLY CROSS ARMENIAN CHURCH  
UNION CITY, NJ

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT  
1995

The pupils attend Church services from 10:15 - 10:45 A.M. Then assembly is conducted from 10:45 - 11:00 A.M. followed by class session from 11:00 - 12 Noon.

<u>Grades</u>	<u>Enrollment</u>	<u>Teachers</u>
Nursery, Kindergarten, First, and Second	11	Sylvia Bozoyan
Third and Fourth	5	Arthur Manoukian / Caroline Ak
Fifth, Sixth, and Seventh	6	Philip Arpiarian
Ninth, Tenth, and Eleventh	4	Nubar Dorian

The staff consists of 4 teachers and treasurer, Alice Bozoyan.

Average weekly student attendance - 45%  
Average weekly student offering - \$ 10.00

**1995 Events**

January	Christmas Holy Communion & Breakfast
March / April	Lenten Offering Collection
April	Easter Holy Communion & Breakfast Easter plants & candy were presented to students.
June	Graduation
September	Opening Day & Registration
December	Christmas Party - Gifts & candy were presented to each student.

## Sunday School Report (cont.)

### SPECIAL ACTIVITIES

**GRADUATION** - On Sunday, June 4, 1995, the Sunday School was extremely proud to graduate three students - CAROLINE AK, TANYA GULLEP, and BERTA YIGITKURT. Prior to receiving their diplomas and gifts and giving their speeches, they participated in the Divine Liturgy by serving on the altar. A reception in honor of these graduates was hosted by the Sunday School in the Church Center.

**SCRIPTURE READING and ACOLYTE PROGRAMS** - These programs, initiated by our pastor, Very Rev. Fr. Vazken Karayan, continue to be well received by the students.

**VIDEO PROGRAM** - It continues to create enthusiasm as the students are absorbing religious educational lessons.

**ADVENT** - Students participated in the Advent Calendar of Activities sponsored by the DRE.

### THANKS AND APPRECIATION

Our heartfelt thanks to our pastor, Very Rev. Fr. Vazken Karayan, who was instrumental in revitalizing our Sunday School. Hayr Vazken played a vital role by encouraging and stimulating the students by implementing new programs. Through his efforts the enrollment has increased to 26 students.

Our sincerest thanks to Hayr Soorp for his spiritual leadership, guidance, support, care, and interest in our Sunday School.

#### **Special thanks are also extended to**

- the teachers for their dedication, commitment, and diligence
- our anonymous candy donor at Easter and Christmas
- all those who prepared and served the Christmas and Easter Communion breakfasts
- our dear parents for bringing their children for religious education.

Respectfully submitted,

Sunday School Staff

**HOLY CROSS ARMENIAN CHURCH**  
**SUNDAY SCHOOL - FINANCIAL REPORT**  
**1995**

CASH BALANCE - January 1, 1995 \$ 1,089.17

RECEIPTS

Sunday Collections / Offering	485.00
Lenten Collection	135.00
Donation (from Alice Minassian)	<u>500.00</u>
	\$ 2,209.17

DISBURSEMENTS

Lenten Donation	\$ 135.00
Graduation Expenses	\$ 453.77
Christmas Expenses	\$ 167.91

TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS \$ 756.68

CHECKING INTEREST \$ 18.17

CASH BALANCE - December 31, 1995 \$ 1,470.66

Respectfully submitted,

Alice Bozoyan  
Treasurer



HOLY CROSS ARMENIAN CHURCH

SENIOR CITIZENS ANNUAL REPORT

1995

The Executive Committee of the Senior Citizens consists of:

Chairperson	Bertha Najarian
Treasurer/Secretary	Satenig Karagosian
Advisor	Alice Najarian

Our Seniors group has been meeting Tuesdays from 11:00 AM to 3:00 PM. However our group has been getting smaller due to illness, moving out of the area, etc. But we still have a small congenial group meeting when weather permits to play cards, exchange friendly greetings and enjoy refreshments. We would welcome more members - come and join us to make the day an enjoyable one.

Our organization wishes to thank our dedicated members for their continued support, attendance and contributions.

Respectfully submitted,

Satenig Karagosian  
Secretary

HOLY CROSS ARMENIAN CHURCH

SENIOR CITIZENS - FINANCIAL REPORT  
1995

Balance - December 31, 1994 \$ 1,027.42

INCOME:

Admissions	\$ 307.50	
Dues Received	48.00	
Cash Donations	10.00	
Interest on Savings Account	<u>21.67</u>	<u>387.17</u>

TOTAL INCOME AND OPENING BALANCE \$ 1,414.59

DISBURSEMENTS

Donation to Church	\$ 500.00	
Meeting Expenses	20.00	
Christmas Gift - Caretaker	<u>25.00</u>	<u>545.20</u>

CASH BALANCE - DECEMBER 31, 1995 \$ 869.39

TOTAL ASSETS

Bank Savings Account	\$ 864.19	
Cash on Hand	<u>5.20</u>	
	\$ <del>302.71</del> 869.39	

Respectfully submitted,

Satenig Karagosian  
Treasurer

HOLY CROSS ARMENIAN CHURCH

UNION CITY, N.J.

CHOIR ANNUAL REPORT

1995

The Church Choir continues to serve our Church faithfully throughout the year.

We wish to acknowledge and thank the services of our Choirmaster, Ann Dadaian and Assistant Choirmaster, Arpena Sbarbaro, as well as our organist, Mary Shalakian; our Deacon: Hagop Hovsepian and Stolebearers: Hacik Sariminasyan, John Hovsepian and Hagop Karadjian and to all the choir members: Victoria Sariminasyan, Arthur Manoukian, Sr., Marie Can, Lucy Ganguzza, Jeanette Garabedian, Caroline Ak and Tanya Gullep who serve our church every Sunday with dedication and love.

We encourage and welcome all those interested in singing in the choir to participate and join us.

Our thanks for the continued support of our Pastor, Very Rev. Vazken Karayan and the Parish Council and all our parishioners.

Respectfully submitted,

CHOIR EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE



HOLY CROSS ARMENIAN CHURCH

CHURCH CHOIR - FINANCIAL REPORT

1995

CASH BALANCE	January 1, 1995	\$ 1,690.21
RECEIPTS		-0-
TOTAL RECEIPTS PLUS OPENING BALANCE		1,690.21
DISBURSEMENTS		-0-
CASH BALANCE	December 31, 1995	\$ 1,690.21

Respectfully submitted,

Hacik Sariminyan  
Treasurer

