

\$ 205.000 PLEDGED

TOWARDS NEW AUDITORIUM

Dear Parishioner,

We're delighted about our new building plans. In order for you to be as enthusiastic as we are, let me tell you what transpired at a meeting held at the Clinton Inn on January 5, 1979.

The purpose of this meeting was to solicit two year pledges for our new auditorium. I was elated that we were able to report \$105,000 in pledges were received from the following members: Edward Bashian, Henri Dimidjian, Michael Halebian, George Karamanoukian, Dr. Haroutune Mekhjian, Vay Najarian, Rupen Saddler, Antranig Shahinian, Carl Tashjian, Haig Tashjian, and Richard Turnamian. This did not include the \$100,000 that Nazar and Artemis Nazarian had already pledged. In addition to the above pledges, our Der Hayr pledged 1% of the total pledges for all pledges to be received.

Victor Arzoomanian, Chairman of the Parish Council, who attended the meeting thanked Nazar and Artemis Nazarian for their generous donation which has our Parishioners excited and enthusiastic towards our new building plans.

We plan to build a first class auditorium and furnish it with the best furniture and materials. Our auditorium will be the hub of all Armenian Community activities. You will be proud of our new facility that will serve the Armenian Community.

We are planning meetings with groups of 10 to 20 individuals for the purpose of discussing our building plans and soliciting pledges on a person to person basis.

WE WANT TO REASSURE YOU WE WILL NOT PROCEED WITH OUR PLANS UNLESS WE ARE FINANCIALLY SOUND.

At the Parish Assembly meeting you will be briefed further about our building plans and how it will be supported financially.

We are confident we have your support in this new building phase of our Church that will add another dimension in making St. Thomas Armenian Church the very best.

Sincerely,

NEW BUILDING COMMITTEE

Edward Bashian
Chairman

Vahan Najarian (Vay)
Vice-Chairman