

Parish Council Report - 1994
5 February 1995

1. ELECTIONS AND POSITIONS OF RESPONSIBILITY

The results of the new board along with assignments of responsibility for the various members of the Parish Council were as follows after the Parish Council elections were submitted to and approved by the Diocese.

Gary Hovhanessian	-	Chairman
Emil Mosey	-	Vice-Chairman
Sharon Landsman	-	Secretary
Michael Kallajian	-	Treasurer
Guy Simonian	-	Asst. Treasurer
Peter Bagdigian, Jr.	-	Pledge Custodian
Grant Landsman	-	Asst. Pledge Custodian
Tim Bagdassarian	-	Advisor
Louis Steinke	-	Advisor
Peter Bagdigian, Sr.	-	Emeritus

2. MEETINGS

Parish Council meetings are held regularly on a monthly basis presided over by our Pastor and President Fr. Michael Buttero. Council members with the Parish Priest also meet on a scheduled basis with our sister parishes, St. George of Hartford and St. Mark of Springfield, MA as well as regional meetings.

3. CHURCH ENTERPRISES

The Parish Council organized and conducted, with help from parish members and other Church Organizations, as required, several Church functions. New enterprises were explored in our attempts to generate flow of monies from other sources that would benefit our church. Some affairs were more successful than others. We have tabulated the results below:

FUNCTION	PROFIT (LOSS)
Annual Church Picnic 10/9	\$1941.00
Anniversary Banquet 10/16 Dinner	(278.00)
General Donations	2955.00
Donations from Organizations	7700.00
December Christmas Tree Sale	768.00
New Year's Eve (SHISH Productions)	397.00

The above functions were a success and will be considered for 1995. The Flea Market is also planned again in 1995.

A New Britain, Hartford, Springfield area Armenian New Year's Eve Celebration was planned and run by the five area Armenian Churches (SHISH Productions). The affair was very

successful in terms of those that attended although we turned in only a small profit for the amount of planning and work necessary to make the event a financial success. All those involved feel that there should have been better support from the Armenian Communities. A repeat SHISH Productions New Year's Eve Gala is in the tentative plans for 1995. There were 160 attendees for the dinner/dance and another 45 attended the dance only. Although the numbers were down, four of the five churches had similar or increased numbers over the prior year. The St. Gregory parish of Indian Orchard, MA had a conflicting wedding.

4. CHURCH MEMBERSHIP

We strongly urge parishioners to complete making their 1995 pledges, pick up their pledge envelopes and maintain payments on a current basis.

We currently have outstanding past due pledges in the amount of \$2,435.00 for 1994 and prior years. This number has decreased approximately \$1000.00 from the prior year. We ask those who are behind to clear up their past due pledges. If you are unable to do so, please discuss this with the Pledge Custodian to allow resolution of these matters.

5. CHURCH MAINTENANCE

- A. Air Conditioning was installed
- B. The doors of the Church entrance were refurbished
- C. Ceiling was put in the tower
- D. Parking lot repairs
- E. Lines painted in parking lot
- F. Organ repair and tune up
- G. In 1994, a large amount was spent on snow removal

6. BUDGET

This item will be discussed in a separate budget presentation by the Parish Council.

7. PERMANENT TRUST FUND

The Permanent Trust Fund balance stands at \$22,020.00. The details of this fund are included in the Church Handbook.

8. ARMENIAN CHURCH ENDOWMENT FUND

The ACEF was increased by a \$1,000.00 donation by Mr. and Mrs. John Maljanian to \$14,500.00.

9. CHURCH HANDBOOK

The handbook was updated in August, 1993 and copies are available in the vestibule. We encourage our membership to read, understand and abide by the policies where stated.

10. MEN'S CLUB SUPPORT

We encourage more of our membership to work to actively support the Men's Club endeavor which can realize a \$5,000.00 annual income for the church. We achieved approximately 50% of this potential in 1994. Please see Emil Mosey or Berj Kallajian to aid this endeavor.

11. MANOOG AND ALICE BAGDIGIAN CULTURAL CENTER

The report of the Committee will be presented today. We urge all to participate in the discussions following this report.

12. SUNDAY COFFEE HOUR

We request that all parishioners participate in hosting one coffee hour per year. In this manner we may continue fellowship and welcome new visitors and old friends. Angel Yirigian requests your help and support by advising her of the week you and your family can host the social hour.

13. INVESTMENT COMMITTEE

The report of the Committee will be presented today.

14. LOOYS

The Parish Council is assisting with the assembling and mailing of the Looy's.

15. AREAS OF CONCERN

A. We have an inactive ACYOA Srs. group. Our youth need help beign guided into this organization.

B. We have allowed the Mr. & Mrs. Club and the Cultural Committee to disband.

C. The Parishioner of the Year Committee needs a new member to replace Darlene Simonian, who is outgoing.

D. Besides the Christmas Tree Sale the Parish Council feels the Church needs other outside sources of income.

Respectfully Submitted,



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Parish Council Chairman



Fr. Michael Buttero
Pastor/Parish Council President