

NEXT MEETING AT HOLY MARTYRS, NEW YORK MAY 22, 1986 at 7:30pm

Those who cannot attend or do not wish to remain on this committee should please contact Rose Mekenian as soon as possible.

201-871-4377

Also, photos and slides to be considered for booklet or slides!!!

DATE OF CELEBRATION\*\*\*\*\*NOVEMBER 29, 1986\*\*\*\*\*

Minutes for 40th Anniversary ACYOA regional celebration  
Meeting held at St. Thomas on April 7, 1986

present: 1 Fr. Khajag Barsamian  
2 Rose Mekenian  
3 Joseph Kalemkerian  
4 Shake' Ajamian  
5 Lori Kalemkerian  
6 Leon Hojegian  
7 Susan Ashjian  
8 Ann Dadaian  
9 Arda Nazerian  
10 Avedis Sakalian  
11 Gregory Saraydarian  
12 Arpena Sbarbaro  
13 Mary Selvinazian  
14 Michael Simonian

Tiran Surpazan accepted the invitation on 11/29/86  
Contract for band-Johnny Vartan-\$250 deposit to be sent  
Arda accepted to work on P.R. and articles.

Catering is being further looked into by Arpena

considering: Market Basket-\$18.00 (a head)  
Classic Touch-\$17.00  
Edmunds -\$17.50 (with open bar)

suggested ticket prices  
open bar-wine and champagne during dinner  
\$35 dinner/dance  
\$15 or \$20 dance

Program-7:30- 10:00

1 hour clear for dinner

Invocation

James Magarian as Toaster

Rose Mekenian- brief welcoming remarks

dinner

1st Central Council chairman-Zaven (maybe)

Current Junior ACYOA- Sarkis Jebejian (maybe)

Current Senior ACYOA- ?

Few Brief words-Tiran Surpazan

Few Brief words-Torkom Surpazan

Bringing past to present ACYOA's together-Nancy Basmajian

Cake cutting with past C.C. members

slides-approximately 10 minutes with music

Please continue to think about a Mater of Ceremonies

Mary Selvinazian wants parish liasons from each church to make reservations. A letter to the liasons (contact person) for invitations and booklets, slides and photos.

Think of names from parishes to receive invitations.

Booklet:

Advertizements Through ACYOA Seniors and Juniors  
Lori Kalemkerian and Shake' Ajamian to organize  
Joseph Kalemkerian will type set booklet  
GENERAL REQUEST FOR PICTURES FROM 1965-1975

Sunday Badarak (Fr. Dajad?)

Rooming to be looked into by: Lori Kalemkerian  
Susie Ashjian  
Avedis Sakalian

Banners for decorations to be further discussed  
Seed money of \$1,000 was received by Leon Hojegian

PLEASE CHECK MINUTES CAREFULLY  
AND BRING TO THE NEXT MEETING  
THE ITEMS REQUESTED.

NEXT MEETING - MONDAY, JUNE 23  
AT ST. THOMAS CHURCH-TENAFLY -  
7:30PM. PLEASE CALL ROSE MEKENIAN  
AT 201-871-4377 IF YOU CANNOT  
ATTEND.

MEETING - ACYOA 40TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION COMMITTEE

MID-ATLANTIC REGION

MAY 22, 1986

The meeting was opened with a prayer at 8:00 PM at the Holy Martyrs Church in Bayside, N.Y.

The following members were present:

Rose Mekenian	Joe Kalemkerian	John Nersesian
Mary Selvinazian	Leon Hojegian	Gregory Doudoukjian
Arpena Sbarbaro	Gregory Saraydarian	Marge Kachigian
Ann Dadaian	Michael Simonian	Arda Nazerian

Father Khajag Barsamian could not be present due to other commitments at the Diocese.

The minutes of the previous meeting were accepted.

Leon Hojegian reported that he has not to date received the \$1,000 from the Diocese for the treasury. There will be follow-up on this to see what happened to the check. Rose said that everyone should keep tabs on how much they spend and submit to Leon for payment.

It was reported that John Vartan has been contacted and will be playing at the affair. Rose will send the \$250.00 deposit needed to guarantee the band. John Nersesian as well as various other committee members will investigate deejays for the American music. In particular Glen J. will be contacted on his rate, etc. A report will be submitted at the next meeting.

Dinner: Edmunds price is the best. It was decided to go with Edmunds for our caterer, emphasizing to him we want a successful event.

Price for dinner and dance will be \$40.00. The dance alone will be \$20.00, beverages included. Suggestion was made by Michael Kermian to start the Reunion Hour at 6PM.

The capacity at the Kavookjian Hall for a sit-down dinner with a dance floor is 350-400 people. If however only tables are set up we could accommodate up to 500 people. This idea is being taken into advisement. If we find that the reservations keep coming in, we may go with the maximum and then fold some tables up to make room for a dance floor.

A suggestion was made to consider having music during the dinner --- background. Possibility of good tapes.

Joe Kalemkerian reported on the booklet. He envisions it to include:

- Message from His Holiness and Photo
- Message from Primate and Photo
- Message from Archbishop Tiran
- Biography and Photo of Abp. Tiran
- Message from President of U.S. and Photo
- History of ACYOA interspersed with photos

Prayer and pledge of ACYOA  
Central Council members and Executive Secretaries/Directors  
Primates since inception  
Story on ACYOA paper as well as other publications  
Photo Montage of decades  
List of host assemblies  
"A" Award winners  
Future of ACYOA

Carol Der Boghosian requested August 1 be deadline for slide submissions; Joe suggested September 1 for pictures and we decided on October 1 for ads.

Shake Ajemian and Lori Kalemkerian are in charge of the booklet ads. Letters have been drafted. They will be revised and sent out shortly.

Letters will be sent to the Parishes (Priest, Parish Council Chairmen, ACYOA Chairmen -Senior and Junior- and ACYOA representative or liaison, as well as our Committee members). This letter will advise them of the Celebration and ask for help in getting ads as well as submitting slides and pictures.

Rose commented that data on the Central Council from 1970-1975 is missing and is being pursued.

Joe Kalemkerian distributed preliminary posters to be put on bulletin boards of the local parishes. A more detailed one will follow.

A discussion was held on whether or not individual invitations should be sent out. It was decided that this would have to be done. Everyone must bring their church dues-paying membership mailing list or labels for same. If your office addresses envelopes by machine and will address them for us please inform us as to how many envelopes you will need. All reservations will be sent to Mary Selvinazian.

Even though the upstate New York region is separate from ours, it was decided that they should be included in case they want to participate. We should tell them what's happening and invite them to join us.

A question was brought up about how we would handle giving booklets out to those who gave ads. A possibility is to check off the ones who attended the dinner as they would receive them there and then mail to the ones who were not present. Think about this.

Gift: Father Khajag informed us that Soss Melik has agreed to do a portrait of Tiran Surpazan. Rose suggested maybe giving something personal besides; i.e., a plaque, or VCR?

Program: It was decided that Michael Simonian and Arda Nazerian would coordinate the program as MC's. Zaven Hovsepian, the first Central Council Chairman, has accepted the invitation and will speak at the banquet. Carol Der Boghosian will present a slide presentation with a possible voiceover and background music.

Gregory Saraydarian will do the lighting. Marge will do the decorations, arrange centerpieces and try to get the banners. She would like to rent trees. The Diocesan florist will be investigated for this purpose as to price, etc. Leon will also investigate trees and flower prices.

The photographer of the affair will be Carol Der Boghosian, and we will also check regarding Diocesan photographer.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 10:30PM.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Ann Dadaian".

Ann Dadaian

WORK/MAILING MEETING  
THURSDAY, AUGUST 21  
AT HOLY MARTYRS CHURCH.  
7:00PM

NEXT FORMAL MEETING: MONDAY  
SEPTEMBER 8 AT DIOCESE IN  
NEW YORK - 7:15PM "H" HALL.  
PLEASE CALL ROSE MEKENIAN  
AT 201-871-4377 IF YOU  
CANNOT ATTEND.

MEETING - ACYOA 40TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION  
COMMITTEE - MID-ATLANTIC REGION  
JUNE 23, 1986

The meeting was opened with a prayer by the Rev. Rev. Khajag Barsamian, Vicar General, of the Diocese at 8:00 PM.

Members present were:

Rose Mekenian	Joseph Kalemkerian
Mary Selvinazian	Michael Simonian
Arda Nazerian	Arpena Sbarbaro
Ann Dadaian	Marge Kachigian
Susan Ashjian	Greg Saraydarian

The minutes of the previous meeting were accepted.

Rose Mekenian reported that she had sent the \$250.00 deposit to John Vartan. Also, all the preliminary correspondence has been mailed to the churches with instructions, press releases, etc.

Arda Nazerian will work with Nina Marson, the publicity director at the Diocese, in sending out press releases to the newspapers. Arda distributed a release she had written.

cf. with  
Nina

It was decided to put the event in the Calendar of Events of the Armenian Reporter for three months. Also to the Mirror-Spectator.

It was mentioned that Carol Der Boghosian can make slides from pictures sent in.

Ad forms were passed out to the members present. A list of Central Council members was prepared and also distributed to members present. Any additions or corrections to the list are welcomed.

Invitations will be printed and should be sent out in September. A mailing meeting has been scheduled for Thursday, August 21 at Holy Martyrs Church.

Marge Kachigian will investigate the ASA deejay. We have no report on Glen Dalakian.

Regarding the decor: Leon Hojegian's school horticulture department can make arrangements of fresh or silk flowers - about \$10.00 each. Plants of violets were also suggested. We are considering lavender cloths and deep purple napkins. Marge will speak with caterer.

Program progress: Sarkis Jebejian will speak as current ACYOA Junion. Zaven Hovsepian as the first Central Council Chairman. A draft of the program will be worked up by Michael Simonian and sent to Rose. This must be submitted to the Primate for approval.

Background music for slides was discussed. We will check with Carol Der Boghosian.

[ Archbishop Tiran's gift will be the portrait by Soss Melik. It is scheduled to be finished by the time of the affair. Father Khajag will follow-up. Also, suggestions for personal gift: VCR (cost \$350) and/or plaque. ]

The question of complimentary tickets was discussed. The former Executive Directors/Secretaries of the ACYOA will get just an invitation, no special note. Complimentaries should be given to Archbishop Tiran's closest family, non-committee people on the program, all clergy and yeretzgins in our Mid-Atlantic area, any press members invited. The list will be reviewed with the Primate.

Susan Ashjian gave a hotel report. The matter is to be checked further.

Father Arten Ashjian will be contacted regarding Holy Badarak for the Sunday after the affair. We might think of having the ACYOA serve that day in various capacities, such as reading of the day, deacons, choir members. Tiran Surpazan might be approached to give the sermon that that Sunday and Father Karekin (or Father Mardiros) to be Celebrant. Coffee and cake could be served after the Badarak. [ Father Khajag will discuss the tentative Sunday plans with the Primate prior to our approaching Father Arten. ]

NOTE: Mailing Meeting - Thursday, August 21 at Holy Martyrs Church, 7:00 PM.

September meeting on Monday, September 8, origianlly scheduled to be held at St. Thomas Church has been changed to the Diocese at 7:15 PM.

Meeting adjourned with a prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Ann Dadaian

NEXT MEETING AT THE DIOCESE  
WED. NOV. 12, 1986 7:30 PM  
PLEASE CALL ROSE MEKENIAN  
IF YOU CANNOT ATTEND.  
201-871-4377

MEETING - ACYOA 40th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION COMMITTEE

MID-ATLANTIC REGION  
OCTOBER 16, 1986

The meeting was opened with a prayer at 7:50 PM at St. Thomas Armenian Church in Tenafly, NJ.

The following members were present:

Suzie Ashjian	Ann Dadaian	Greg Doudoukjian
Leon Hojegian	Lori Kalemkerian	Rose Mekenian
John Nersesian	Greg Saraydarian	Arpena Sbarbaro
Mary Selvinazian	Michael Simonian	

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as corrected. Two names were omitted from the committee list, Michael Findikyan and Charles Garabedian.

Correspondence - the 3rd letter was sent out on Sept. 19th.

Treasurer - Leon opened the checking account and deposited \$1000 at the Morristown Bank - all bills are being paid.  
Checks received from invitations total \$605.00.

Rose Mekenian thanked everyone who helped with the mailing of all the invitations. They were taken to the Post Office on Sept. 18th. The cost for the mailing totaled \$230.27.

All complimentary tickets have been mailed - will also send invitations to Father Michael Buttero and Yeretzgin and also to Yeretzgin Jankulian.

Suzie A. will assist Mary S. and Rose M. with the seating arrangements.

Publicity - material ready to go to Arda to submit for articles.  
Total amount for booklet ads - \$6,125.00. Everyone has to push NOW!

Publicity coverage that night - possibly pictures being taken by Arda or Carol - not yet determined. Rose will speak with Arda.

Dinner - make sure there are no conflicts with St. Gregory's bazaar.

Program - see attached schedule layout - add in Anthony Barsamian.  
Michael will get background information on all speakers.

Decorations - Leon brought in sample of flower centerpiece - the committee approved and cost is \$14 each - 40 were ordered.

Banners - host banners will be left with Detroit.



Gifts and plaque - will purchase VCR for gift.

Video taping - still looking for someone to videotape throughout the evening.

Admissions - need volunteers at door and elevators - 7 -1 hour shifts. Greg D. and John N. volunteered for any time - should have at least two or three people at all times.

Table to be set up at top of stairs- stamp for people exiting.

Dance publicity - fliers at AGBU dance? Open to all - no display add in paper.

Memorabilia - bring any type of memorabilia to next meeting.

Meeting adjourned at approximately 10:00 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Suzie Ashjian".

Suzie Ashjian

ACYOA 40<sup>th</sup> ANNIV.  
GALA  
PROGRAM LAYOUT

