



# Archbishop Torkom Manoogian Annual Basketball Tournament

**February 27th to March 1st, 1981**

**HOST: Palos Heights ACYOA Chapter  
Ss. Joachim & Anna  
Armenian Church**

**Friday, February 27th:**

7:00 pm - Tournament opening.  
11:00 pm - Wine & Cheese Party  
(Cultural Hall)

**Saturday, February 28th:**

10:00 am to 5:00 pm - Competitions to finale  
6:00 pm to 1:00 am - Banquet & Dance

*Banquet includes full dinner  
and entertainment by  
"The Private Eyes" and "Flying Hye"  
Rock and Armenian Bands.  
Hovanessian Cultural Hall*

**Sunday, March 1st:**

10:00 am - Divine Liturgy. His Eminence,  
Archbishop Torkom Manoogian, celebrant.  
[Brunch will follow services]

**NOTES:**

**Site:** All tournament games to be at Independence School Gymnasium in Palos Heights, Illinois.

**Shuttle:** services to and from the hotel/gym/church. All points are within two miles.

**Registration:** Hotel registrations are at the Holiday Inn, Alsip, Illinois. Prices per night are: \$41.00 for a double room, \$38.00 for single.

**Transportation:** from O'Hare International Airport, take "Tri-State Bus" service to Alsip, directly to the Holiday Inn. Fare: \$7.00 one way.

**Package Plan:** Total \$25.00. This includes: Wine and Cheese Party, Awards Banquet & Dance and Sunday Brunch.

**Tournament Fee:** \$75.00 per team. Men's and Women's competition teams may consist of any parish member (no age restrictions).

**Details will be sent to registrants.**

**Contact:**  
Susan Boyajian  
Palos Heights ACYOA  
6101 West 129th Place  
Palos Heights, IL 60463  
(Tel: 312-597-2177)

APPENDIX  
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ARCHBISHOP TORKOM MANOOGIAN  
ANNUAL BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT  
February 27th to March 1st, 1981  
REGISTRATION FORM

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

CHAPTER AND/OR CHURCH AFFILIATION \_\_\_\_\_

ARRIVAL (date) \_\_\_\_\_ (time) \_\_\_\_\_

DEPART (date) \_\_\_\_\_ (time) \_\_\_\_\_

Single (\$36.00/rm)

Double (\$41.00/rm)

Room-mates:

1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_

4. \_\_\_\_\_

\$20 deposit/room- to insure room reservation

\$25 package plan- which includes Friday's Wine and Cheese Party,  
Banquet & Dance Saturday evening, and Sunday Brunch

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: SS. JOACHIM & ANNE SENIOR ACYOA  
(deadline Jan.22)

Please send form and deposits to: Susan Boyajian  
6101 W. 129th Place  
Palos Heights, Il. 60463

call, if any questions: (312)597-2177

If interested in participating on a Basketball Team,  men's  
please submit Sports Coordinator's:  women's

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

Enclosed is \$50 deposit/team (nonrefundable) toward \$75 entrance fee.



GENERAL ARMENIAN YOUTH LISTING -----F O R M A T-----

The need to reach as many Armenian Youth with our announcements, advertisements, schedules and materials is very important. We cannot expect to be truly successful if we only have the names and addresses of 2,000 Armenian youth in our Diocese, when there are potentially 20,000 !!

Thus, we are organizing a life-time mailing list which will serve the ACYOA on the National, regional and local level. This "master" listing will be available for national, regional and local events sponsored by ACYOA chapters, as well as the Central Council. The listing will be divided into subsections designed to meet the needs of the event.

However, the list must be set up in the following manner, to enable it to continue to grow, efficiently and effectively.

1955 (year of birth - list all with this year as their birthday)

Vartan Vartanian	301 Christian Avenue, Yerevan, AR	10101
Hasmik Hasmikian	455 Avaryr Drive, Sevan, PR	10102

1956

Hagop Hagopian	1666 Biblical Way, Amsterdam, HO	90901
etc.		
etc.		
etc.		

The year of birth should start 30 years ago, 1951, and end with the present year.

In this way, we may remove those who are 30 and over (and place their names with local parishes, or keep them on if they wish to receive ACYOA literature) and add the year of birth as the individual becomes of age to join ACYOA Seniors (18). Each year, the oldest list will be removed, and the youngest added.

Moreover, if we have the names of all those youth in our various parishes, (from Baptism to 30 years old) we shall have a great reference to the numbers of young people who could potentially be members of the ACYOA, as well as those who could be within a few years, or ten years. This will help in planning from developing new programs, to accommodating participants in Sports Weekend or regional conferences.

What is needed is a concerted effort on the part of each chapter to work hard in producing a complete youth listing, as described above, and sending it in as soon as possible. The deadline of November 1st is being extended until January 1st to enable all chapters to comply. As new names are found during the year, they should be sent every six months as a supplement.

If everyone does their job, this listing can be made available in a very short time. Where to start ?? The Church Baptismal records is a good beginning.



CHAPTER OBLIGATIONS

- 1. General Armenian Youth Listing. DUE NOVEMBER 1st  
A listing of all Armenian youths within the Chapter vicinity - members and non-members. Name, address, zip, according to year of birth.
- 2. Chapter membership list. DUE JANUARY 1st  
Dues paid members of the current year. Updated List Due June 30th
- 3. Executive Committee List with Delegates. DUF IMMEDIATELY AFTER ELECTIONS
- 4. Administrative Forms:
  - a) Chapter Monthly Fact Sheet. DUE THE END OF EACH MONTH
  - b) Membership Renewal Form. DUE JANUARY 1st  
(used for past members to renew their membership)
  - c) Chapter Annual Report. DUE JUNE 30th
- 5. Membership Dues. FORWARD BY FEBRUARY 1st
- 6. ACYOA Sam Nersesian Award Nomination. DUE JUNE 1st

CHAPTER "A" AWARD CONSIDERATIONS

All Chapters should consider some of the following in their schedule for serious consideration for the 1981-82 ACYOA Chapter "A" Award:

- 1. All chapter obligations met (on time).
- 2. Participation in:
 

	<u>AS A CHAPTER</u>	<u>AS AN INDIVIDUAL FROM CHAPTER</u>
	Archbp's Tournament	Armenian Studies Programs
	General Assembly	Mission Programs
	Sports Weekend	<u>Keghard</u> contributions
	Chairman's Roundtable	ACYOA Camp Programs
	Regional Conferences	Archbp's Essay Contest
	Regional Retreats	Regional Retreats
	Regional Anniv. Balls	St. Nersess Summer Programs
	<u>Keghard</u> Contributions	Choir Programs
	ACYOA Day Celebrations	Deacon/Acolyte Programs
	Martyr's Day Commem.	Award/Scholarship Recipients
- 3. Parish involvement:
 

	Altar Servers	Parish Council Members
	Choir Members	Assistance to Junior Chapter
	Armenian School Teachers	Church School Teachers
	Church Office Assistants	Assist in Parish Events
	Dues Paid Parish Members	Sponsor Educational Programs



## CHAPTER REMINDER SHEET

The following provide a listing and information regarding ACYOA Chapter obligations to the National Organization, as well as the various programs of the ACYOA.

1. Obligations: (See "Obligations Sheet" for due dates.)

a) General Armenian Youth Listing.

A listing of all Armenian youths within the chapter/parish vicinity. This listing should be comprehensive and contain, according to year of birth, the names, addresses and zip codes of all Armenian youth. (See "Youth Listing example" for layout of listing.)

This listing is very important if we are to attract new members and bring into our organization those Armenians who are not presently involved.

b) Chapter Membership List.

Names, addresses, zip codes and telephone numbers of all dues paying ACYOA members of the Chapter. All of these names should appear on the General Armenian Youth Listing. This list will be used for Keghard mailings, specific "ACYOA" materials, and information designated for ACYOA dues paying members.

c) Executive Committee and Delegates List.

Names addresses, zip codes and telephone numbers of all members of the Chapter Executive Committee including all delegates.

d) Administrative Forms:

- 1- Chapter Monthly Fact Sheet. (End of each month.)
- 2- Membership Renewal Form. (January 1st.)
- 3- Annual Chapter Report Form. (June 30th.)

e) Membership Dues.

f) ACYOA Sam Nersesian Award Nomination.

Chapters and/or Pastors may nominate worthy candidates for this award, using designated form which will be available and mailed to each parish in April.

The Sam Nersesian Scholarship is available through applications sent to the ACYOA Central Council. The Scholarship is used to attend the St. Nersess Summer Study Conferences. Application forms will be sent out in April also. (NOTE: The Sam Nersesian Scholarship is not a Chapter obligation.)

2. Keghard:

On a chapter or individual basis, appropriate articles and contributions should be forwarded to the Keghard Staff, according to specifications and needs put forth by the Staff. (Photos, commentaries, book reviews, essays, etc....)

Subscriptions to the Keghard should be solicited throughout the year by ACYOA members. Keghard is mailed free to all ACYOA members.

3. National Events:

## a) Armenian Studies Programs:

- 1- Educational Tour to Armenia (ACYOA members only, 4 weeks, studies/travel)
- 2- "Journey" to Armenia (open, 2-3 weeks, emphasis on sight-seeing)
- 3- Jerusalem - "The Holy City" (Holy Land, some studies, Egypt included 2-3 weeks)

## b) National Sports Weekend:

Held in conjunction with the Annual ACYOA General Assembly at a selected site and hosted by an ACYOA Chapter. Team and individual competitions.

## c) Archbishop Torkom Manoogian Basketball Tournament:

Held in N.Y.C. or at a selected site and hosted by an ACYOA Chapter. Men's and women's basketball competitions.

## d) ACYOA Camp Programs:

St. Vartan Camp, Connecticut, is the initial site for this program. Held for one or two weeks during the summer. ACYOA members may participate as counselors for the children of our parishes - ages 8-15.

## e) Chairman's Roundtable Seminar:

Held at the site of the Annual Diocesan Assembly. Seminar for all Chapter Chairman and interested Executive Committee members.

4. Regional Events:

## a) Anniversary Balls.

Hosted by an ACYOA Chapter within a region, usually in May or June.

## b) Retreats.

Headed by an Armenian Clergyman, Regional Retreats may be one day, or an entire weekend, and are usually held during Great Lent.

## c) Conferences.

Held on periodic basis, depending upon the region. The Conferences are organized by the Regional Central Council Representative and hosted by a designated Chapter. All Chapter representatives are encouraged to attend these conferences which outline ACYOA programs, events, and upcoming activities.

5. Local Events:

## a) ACYOA Day Celebrations.

Customarily held on Palm Sunday, these celebrations take the form of banquets, programs, guest speakers, etc. sponsored by the Chapter for the entire parish.

- b) **Martyr's Day Commemoration.**  
Held on April 24th, commemorating the Turkish Genocide of the Armenians in 1915, wherein almost 2 million Armenians perished. Usually held in conjunction with parish commemorations; formats vary from panel discussions to evening services in the Church.
- c) **Educational and Religious programming.**  
Initiated by the Chapter, with advisement by the Pastor.

6. Scholarships and Awards:

- a) **Sam Nersesian Award.**  
Given annually upon selection by the Central Council from nominations received from Chapters and/or Pastors.
- b) **Chaper "A" Award.**  
Given annually upon selection by the Central Council upon review of the annual Report of the Chapter, obligations met by the Chapter, as well as outstanding programs and events sponsored by the Chapter during the year.
- c) **Sam Nersesian Scholarship.**  
Awarded to applicants by the Central Council to attend the St. Nersess Summer Studies Conferences.
- d) **Archbishop's Essay Awards.**  
Awarded to winners of the Essay Contest. Guidelines for participation are sent to Chapters in December. The Contest runs from January to June. Winners are given awards at the Awards Banquet at the Annual National Sports Weekend. Armenian and English categories.

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It should be noted that all chapters are encouraged to attend all National and regional events. They are also encouraged to join local athletic leagues, sponsoring teams in basketball, volleyball, bowling, etc. - representing their chapters and the Armenian community at large.

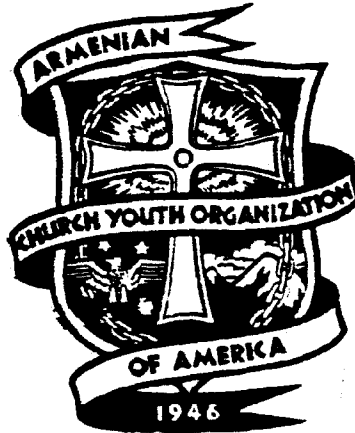
If there are any questions regarding the above, or, if there are suggestions and new ideas to add to the list, kindly contact your ACYOA Central Council Regional Representative, or the Executive Secretary. New ideas and progressive thinking are highly encouraged and welcomed!

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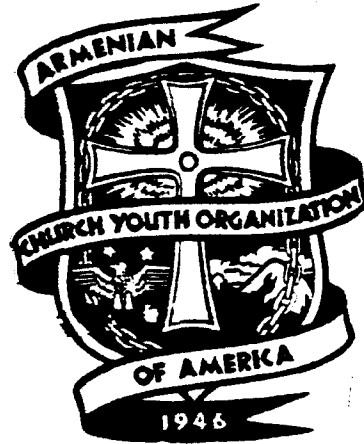
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Time of the year: The Advent Season (Hisnagi) (December)

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## PRINTING COSTS

### Membership Cards:

Credit/business card size - 2,000 count, any color card  
Black & White-----\$44.00  
Colored ink----- 15.00 additional charge  
Plastic coated----- 39.00 per thousand  
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### Reprinting of "Sacraments & Prayers of the Armenian Church":

Total Approximate costs per book (per 1,000)-----\$ 0.60 each

Department of Communications to typeset, layout and design to prepare for a camera-ready printing. Otherwise the cost would double or possibly triple. Higher counts (over 1,000) will reduce cost per book.

NOTE.... Following consultations with clergymen and with graphic-artists, the conclusion drawn is that the book needs complete revision and editing. This can only be done by order of the Primate, but should precede any reprinting.

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Explanation

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Tour rate does not include: cost of passport, visas, airport departure tax (Jerusalem), excess baggage charges or insurance. Meals will vary with each of the three tours. A separate itinerary for each tour will be forwarded with applications.

For further information, write to:

James Magarian  
Tour Coordinator  
180 Old Westford Road  
Chelmsford, Ma. 01824



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# ANNUAL <sup>A.C.Y.O.A.</sup> ARMENIAN STUDIES PROGRAMS



- Educational Tour to Armenia
- "Journey" to Armenia
- Jerusalem, "The Holy City"

## Educational Tour to Armenia

Visit Armenia as guests of His Holiness, Vazken I, Supreme Patriarch and Catholicos of All Armenians.

Four weeks duration.

See the many points of interest such as: Ancient churches and monasteries, monuments, historic sites, archaeological diggings, museums, galleries, the beautiful countryside and the magnificent metropolis of Yerevan, the capital city.

Experience many cultural, athletic and social activities, such as: The opera, symphony, ballet, soccer games, the olympic training center and night-life in Yerevan

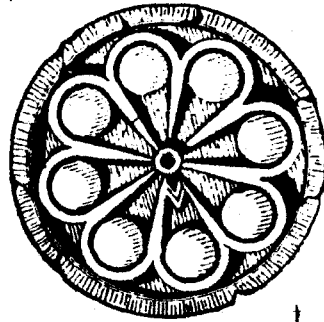
See Armenia's industry: The motion-picture studios, the cognac factory, the automobile factory, the winery, art and crafts workshops and the restoration of ancient cathedrals and sites.

Visit Armenia's schools and universities, such as: The University of Yerevan, The Conservatory of Music, The children's camps and student outings.

Participate in dance, language and music instruction.

Meet with professional in your field of interest on an informal basis to exchange ideas and new concepts.

Divine Liturgy at the Holy See and Mother Cathedral of Holy Etchmiadzin, and, an audience with His Holiness, the Catholicos.



### "Journey" to Armenia

Two-week tour of Armenia.

A series of excursions to sites of Ancient Cathedrals and Monasteries, historic sites, places of interest.

Tours to the Art Galleries, Museums, Opera, Ballet, Symphony and University.

Shopping sprees and night-life in the Metropolis of Yerevan, Armenia's capital city.

Tour to Etchmiadzin, the Holy See of the Armenian Church.

Meet the people, in the market-place, downtown, at work and play, in the park, the towns, villages and their homes.

## Jerusalem - "The Holy City"

17-day duration.

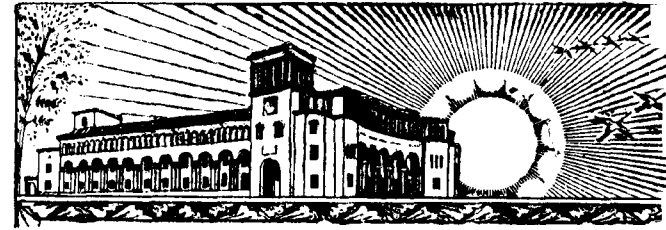
Excursions to the Biblical sites, Jericho, Capernaum, Bethlehem, Nazareth, Jordan River, Dead Sea, Mt. of Ascension, Gethsemane, and many others.

Tours of the Holy Places: the Holy Sepulchre and sites of the Crucifixion, the crown of thorns, the stone of anointing, column of flagellation, finding of the Holy Cross, witnessing of the Holy Mother of God, Cathedral of the Nativity, Pilate's Palace, Herod's Palace, Mt. Zion and others.

Tours of Armenian Jerusalem. The Cathedral of Ss. James, the Convent of the Archangels, the monastery of the Holy Saviour (Mt. Zion), the Manuscripts Library and Church of Saint Theodoros, the Seminary, the Gulbenkian Armenological Library, the parochial school of the Holy Translators, the Printing Press, the Monks' cloisters, the Religious Art Museum, the Patriarchal Palace and other parts of the vast Armenian complex in the Holy Land.

Orientation sessions for the tours to the Holy Places. Optional classes in Armenian cultural and religious subjects.

Shopping spree in the colorful bazaars of the ancient city of Jerusalem.



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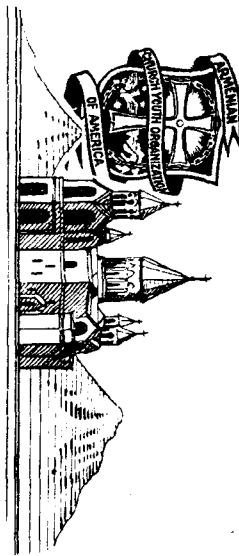
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Meet with professionals in your field of interest on an informal basis and exchange ideas and new concepts

Experience Divine Liturgy at the Mother Cathedral of Holy Etchmiadzin, and an audience with His Holiness, the Catholicos.



Program (2).....

## "Journey" to Armenia

Two weeks in duration.

A series of excursions to sites of ancient Cathedrals and Monasteries, historic points and places of interest.

Tours to the Art Galleries, Museums, Opera House, Manuscripts Library and more.

See the Monastery of Keghard, the churches of Sts. Hripsime', Gayane' and Shoghagat. Visit Kor Virap, Sardarabad, and Erebuni - the 2750 year old archaeological discovery of the first settlement of the city of Yerevan.

Meet the people, in the market-places, downtown, at work and play, in the parks, the towns, resorts and their homes.

Shopping sprees and night-life in the exciting metropolis of Yerevan, Armenia's growing capital city.

Special tour to Holy Etchmiadzin, the Holy See of the Armenian Church.



Program (3).....

## Jerusalem - "The Holy City"

15 day duration.

Excursions to the Biblical sites: Jericho, Capernaum, Bethlehem, Nazareth, Jordan River, Dead Sea, Mt. of Ascension, Gethsemane, Solomon's Pools, and many others.

Experience the Holy Places of Christendom, such as: The Holy Sepulchre and sites of the Crucifixion - the crowning of thorns, the stone of flagellation, finding of the Holy Cross, witnessing to the Holy Mother of God, place of the Crucifixion, and the Tomb of Christ.

Visit the Cathedral of the Holy Nativity, Pilate's Palace, Herod's Palace, Mt. Zion and more

Tours of Armenian Jerusalem: The Cathedral and Monastery of Sts. James, the Convent of the Holy Archangels, the Monastery of the Holy Saviour, the Manuscripts Library and Church of St. Theodoros, the Seminary, the Gulbenkian Armenological Library, the parochial school of the Holy Translators, the Printing Press, the Religious Art Museum, the Patriarchal Palace and other parts of the vast Armenian complex in the Holy Land.

Orientation sessions for tours of the Holy Places. Optional discussion and class periods on Armenian religious subjects and the Biblical Lands.

Shopping sprees in the colorful bazaars of the ancient city of Jerusalem.

Included in this trip is a 3 day tour to the fascinating city of Cairo, Egypt. See the pyramids, the famous museums and more.

MEMBERSHIP DRIVE SUGGESTIONS  
(Develop a theme and given date)

1. Send out letters and club promotion brochures showing different aims, goals and activities.
2. Introduce all new members at meetings and draft them to to different jobs.
3. Membership Dance
4. New Members Day. (Have the new members take entire charge of a meeting)
5. Publication in Mirror Spectator or Keghart about new members, marriages, graduations, births, etc.)
6. Competitive Basis - Divide membership into two teams, each having its own captain. The team that brings in the most new members will get a free meal, drinks, party, etc. at the expense of the losing team. Prizes should be awarded to the individuals who get the most members. You should have prospects in mind on a card or a list made up to distribute to the members. They can then call them, etc. and discuss possible qualification and interest in becoming a member to the organization. Then take a survey to see if  
(a) What does he think of the caliber of the clubs programs,  
(b) Does he feel he is getting as much as he expected out of his affiliation (c) What are his suggestions for improvement.
7. Have different types of activities on a specified given date. (Examples: Meal get-together, brunch, lunch, cocktail party, wine & cheese tasting party, scavenger hunt, treasurer hunt, hayride, sleighride, restaurant dinner, bingo party, square dance, record hop, bus tour, river boat cruise)



## GIVE NEW MEMBERS THE FACTS

Many clubs provide new members with an "orientation booklet," usually pocket- or purse-size, containing the basic facts about the organization. The various headings in the booklet follow a format like this:

### WHAT EVERY MEMBER SHOULD KNOW

- Constitution & bylaws
- The history, scope, and achievements of the club
- Organizational structure
- How programs and policies are made
- Value of active participation

### MEMBERS' RESPONSIBILITIES

- Attendance at meetings
- Program participation
- Project participation

### DUES • MEETINGS • PROJECTS

- Dues: Amount and when payable
- How money is used
- Meetings: Day of month, hour, location
- Projects: What they are, how they relate to total organization

### WHERE INFORMATION CAN BE FOUND

- Publications of local and parent organization
- Membership directory
- Handbooks
- Other printed material

### ARE YOU A GOOD MEMBER?

Checklist for attendance at meetings, dues payment, committee service, member recruitment

List of other ways in which members can help your club on a regular basis.

### WELCOMING NEW MEMBERS

How you welcome new members to your club is important, whether it is a once-a-year function or is done throughout the year, as part of regular meetings.

This is the time to say "We're glad you decided to join with us" by conducting a special welcoming ceremony. Remember, in your recruiting you told these people they were needed by the organization. This is your official way of confirming the fact.

Work closely with the program chairperson. Schedule the initiation ceremony when everyone will be present. Decide whether you want new members to sit together, or if it will be more comfortable for them to be scattered about the room. Try to keep the ceremony fairly simple.

Be sure you have all necessary "props" on hand. Have papers organized in proper order (so you don't have to shuffle them as the ceremony proceeds). Have other items such as certificates of membership, cards, jewelry, booklets, and so on, on hand and ready for distribution.

If you are in charge of the ceremony, be well rehearsed. If the president or some other officer is handling it, make sure that he is well prepared. An advance run-through will show you if your plan is working, or if it will take too much time and seem to drag. If so, shorten it as much as possible without making it seem that you are rushing through to get to other more important matters.

ACYOA ALUMNI ASSOCIATIONPURPOSE

- I. To act as a support group for the A. C. Y. O. A., both morally and financially.
- II. To act as a bond between A. C. Y. O. A. members that outgrow the nature and interests served by the A. C. Y. O. A.
- III. To maintain a link between the Alumni and the A. C. Y. O. A., and also between the Alumni and the Church.
- IV. To take on projects of a more mature and serious nature, while still promoting the basic goals of the A. C. Y. O. A.
- V. To be available as a source of human resources for the A. C. Y. O. A., and to serve in an advisory manner whenever needed.

STRUCTURE

- A. The Alumni Association shall be made up of any and all A. C. Y. O. A. Alumni. There are no limitations of age; by definition, no one under 18 years of age could be a member. Furthermore, it is more likely that the youngest members will be in their mid-twenties, having become somewhat detached from the A. C. Y. O. A. mainstream. Those who are active members of the A. C. Y. O. A. may also hold membership in the Alumni Association, but will be directed by both the A. C. Y. O. A. and the Alumni to put his/her energies into the A. C. Y. O. A. until becoming detached.
- B. The Association would be directed by a National Committee, to be elected annually at the Annual Alumni Association session on the Saturday of the Sports Weekend of the A. C. Y. O. A., at the same location as the Sports Weekend. (Number of members, time limits of term, etc. to be decided upon.)
- C. The Annual Alumni Session shall be the highest legislative body of the Association, with the responsibility of directing and deciding upon any projects to be undertaken, and the responsibility of allocating whatever funds are generated by the Association.
- D. The National Committee is responsible for carrying out the decisions of the Annual Session exploring and implementing projects. It is also responsible for handling Alumni funds, overseeing any mailings to the Alumni. It will also be responsible for publishing an annual mailing list of Alumni, and updating it whenever necessary.

Furthermore, the National Committee will keep in contact with the A. C. Y. O. A. Central Council, to keep abreast of developments and to be available for consultation. In accordance with the needs of the Central Council of the A. C. Y. O. A., it will direct its membership to assist the A. C. Y. O. A., be it on a national, regional or local level, wherever there is a need that

the Alumni can help fulfill.

The National Committee will be responsible for organizing the Annual Alumni Session over Labor Day Weekend, along with any other Alumni oriented events that take place. In this way, older people and families will be encouraged to attend Sports Weekend, something the A. C. Y. O. A. has tried to achieve for years. The National Committee shall work in coordination with the A. C. Y. O. A. Central Council and the local Sports Weekend Committee on this matter.

REGIONAL AND LOCAL STRUCTURE

Whenever possible, the Alumni of the various regions shall strive to come together. An appropriate time for this may be regional Anniversary Balls of the A. C. Y. O. A. or locally, on Chapter A. C. Y. O. A. days.

The primary function of regional and local planning is threefold: 1) to assist with a local or regional effort toward a national project; 2) for social purposes; and 3) to assist as advisors to A. C. Y. O. A. Jr. Chapters. This being the case, there is no need for a local chapter or regional committee. In the event of a program to assist on a national project, a committee would be formed for that particular effort.

Each A. C. Y. O. A. Chapter will be provided with a list of names and addresses of Alumni in the area that may be called upon to assist the A. C. Y. O. A. Chapter.

The National Committee will designate one or more names to serve as contacts in the local area, liasons between the National Committee and the local area.

DUES

There shall be four (4) categories of annual dues:

		<u>MARRIED COUPLE (Both Alumni)</u>
Regular Alumni Dues	\$10.00 per year	\$15.00 per year
Charter Alumni Dues	\$25.00 per year	\$40.00 per year
Sponsor Alumni Dues	\$50.00 per year	\$80.00 per year
Patron Alumni Dues	\$100.00 per year	\$150.00 per year

Dues are to be paid annually, no later than August 1st, for the fiscal year which runs from August 1st to the following July 31st.

Only dues-paid Alumni will be granted voting rights at the annual session, as well as the right to hold office on the National Committee.

Alumni dues shall be the major source of regular income, which for the most part shall be given over to the A. C. Y. O. A. as the Association sees fit, specifically earmarked for a purpose which will be determined at the National Annual Session and upon recommendation from the A. C. Y. O. A. Central Council.

Dues shall be National Alumni Association dues, not to be used for any local or regional purposes, but to be given to the Association for its purposes.

THE ANNUAL ALUMNI SESSION

1. Run by National Committee, who will draft agenda.
  2. Roberts Rules of Parliamentary Procedure.
  3. All votes -- majority rules
  4. Direct voting, no delegates -- every dues-paid Alumni shall be entitled to one vote.
  5. Determines allocation of excess funds.
  6. Sets priorities and decides upon annual projects.
  7. Elects National Committee; appoints or elects any necessary project committees or standing committees.
  8. Once a year, most likely on the Saturday of the A. C. Y. O. A. General Assembly and Sports Weekend in the same location as the A. C. Y. O. A. General Assembly and Sports Weekend.
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SUGGESTED GUIDELINES FOR THE SAM NERSESIAN AWARD

I The proposal that was passed by the 1979 ACYOA Assembly.

## II REFERENCES

Based on the below criteria, the Parish Priest/Deacon-in-Charge and the Parish Council Chairman should write their recommendations. Obviously, it is impossible for the candidate to have all the below qualities, but the below is a guide for the recommendation.

## III CRITERIA

This award is not based on intelligence, committee leadership talents or speaking abilities, but upon the following two things:

- A. Christian virtues, such as, love, patience, openness, humility, Christian purity, guilelessness, and understanding.  
The applicant should possess as many of the following qualities as possible:
1. He/she should be loved not because of the way he/she speaks nor because of physical appearances, but because he/she loves others.
  2. The applicant should understand the needs and opinions of others.
  3. He/she should mend controversy and not be the cause of it.
  4. He/she should have the humility to see the importance of others.
  5. He/she should reflect Christ in his/her actions, as well as words.
  6. He/she should not only not be deceitful and not hold animosities, but should not bear the remembrance of deceit and animosity when directed at him/her.
  7. Should have a peaceful and conciliatory effect on people around him/her.
  8. Welcome and make comfortable strangers and new members of the ACYOA.
- B. Service to the Church (applicant should be involved in as many of the following as possible):
1. Volunteer for any type of committee work in the ACYOA.
  2. Regular Church attendance
  3. Active role in the Church's charitable work or service programs.
  4. Altar Server or Choir member
  5. Church School Teacher
  6. Senior advisor for the ACYOA Juniors, if any.
  7. Parish Council member
  8. Dues paying member of the Parish to which he/sh
  9. Any other service project you feel pertinent

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passed by the 1979 General Assembly:

WHEREAS, it is the objective of the ACYOA "to encourage its members to...propogate the principles and teachings of the Christian Faith... of the Armenian Church...(and) to strengthen the social and spiritual bond of its members..." and

WHEREAS, a member of the ACYOA, Sam Nersesian, who recently met tragic death, naturally exhibited such virtues so perfectly and extraordinarily. Who while not being conscious of his virtues was a living example and guide to those around him...and

WHEREAS, it is in keeping with the spirit of the ACYOA to recognize extra special members on the basis of thier Christian Virtues of love, humility, patience, understanding and practice,

We Propose:

- a. An annual award be given to an ACYOA member, male or female, based on the Christian virtues of love, humility, patience, understanding and practice, called the "Sam Nersesian Award". To be presented at our yearly Sports Weekend, chosen by Central Council.
- b. At least one annual scholarship award be given to a member of the Armenian Church for the purpose of the Deacon's Training Program and/or the St. Nerses Summer Study Conference based on the same Christian virtues as stated above, called the "Sam Nersesian Scholarship Award". To be chosen by Central Council.

MARTYRS' DAY PROGRAM

April 24, 1980

To begin exactly at 8:00 P.M.

- I Hayr Mer -- recited in Armenian, led by the Chapter Chairman or other member.
- II Psalm 3;  
Five minute pause for meditation to follow.
- III Psalm 52;  
Five minute pause.
- IV "The Father";  
Five minute pause.
- V Psalm 83, 1-5;  
Five minute pause.
- VI "Poem For My Father";  
Five minute pause.
- VII "A Strange Irresistible Longing";  
Five minute pause.
- VIII Corinthians I, 13: 4-13;  
Five minute pause.
- IX Psalm 23
- X Service for the Repose of Souls(Hokihankisd)  
-- Optional--

APPENDIX C



MARTYRS' DAY PROGRAM GUIDELINES

The enclosed program stresses simplicity and the feeling of identity through sharing in the same experience nationwide.

The service has three sections, the first of which relates to our anguish and hatred due to the genocide. The second part relates to our understanding the impact and reality of death, while the third part indicates our oneness and growth through love and forgiveness.

It is strongly recommended that the program be prepared under the guidance of the Parish Priest, however, it should be presented entirely by the youth. The Church Choir could be asked to lead in the singing of the Requiem Service (Hokihankisd). At the conclusion of the services there should be no speeches or sermons. It is suggested that there be a speaker or some other presentation in the Church Hall following the services.

Please note that this prepared program DOES NOT PRECLUDE any other activities which might have been planned by the individual chapters already. Such plans should still be pursued, but in conjunction with this program.

It is further recommended that all of the activities for the remembrance of Martyrs' Day be publicized, not only to parishioners, but also to other denominations so that they too might share in the commemoration.

**PROGRAM PROCEDURES:**

- The service shall be held in the Church and shall begin at 8 P.M. sharp.
- The Church should be lit with only candlelight and the altar curtain should be drawn closed.
- A lectern or sermon podium should be set up in the chancel (beneath the altar) with two lit candles adorning the sides.
- Everyone should be given unlit candles.
- As ACYOA members approach the podium to do their readings, they should light their candle and keep it lit during the reading and throughout the remainder of the service.
- After completion of the readings, everyone's candle should be lit for the Requiem Service.
- Upon conclusion of the entire service, there should be a procession of ACYOA members leaving the Church together.

## General Information

Tour prices based on current Advanced Purchased Fares - prices are available upon request.

Transfers and baggage-group transfer by motorcoach service to and from airports. Porterage is limited to two average size suitcases (44 pounds to Armenia; 70 pounds to Jerusalem) per person. In addition each passenger may bring an overnight or flight bag which may be carried on the plane. Gratuities are included.

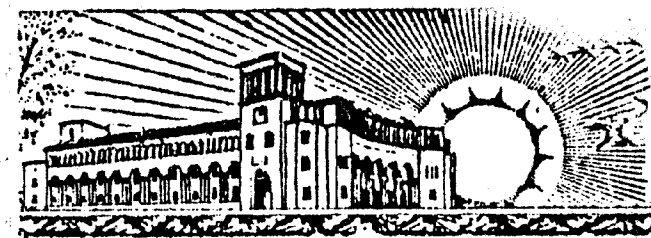
Tour rate does not include: cost of passport, visas, airport departure tax (Jerusalem), excess baggage charges or insurance. Meals will vary with each of the three tours. A separate itinerary for each tour will be forwarded with applications.

For further information, write to:

James Mogarian  
Tour Coordinator  
180 Old Westford Road  
Chelmsford, Ma. 01824



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# ANNUAL ARMENIAN STUDIES PROGRAMS

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- Educational Tour to Armenia <sup>ACYOA only</sup>
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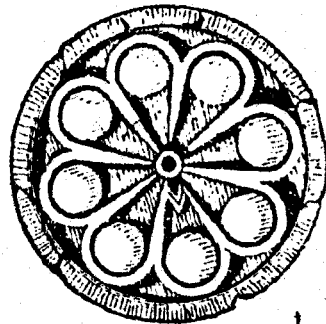
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