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ST. GREGORY OF NAREK ARMENIAN CHURCH

REV. FR. DIRAN PAPA ZIAN · PASTOR

Diocese



ANNUAL REPORT
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1983

ANNUAL PARISH ASSEMBLY

Sunday, February 26, 1984

ARMENIAN CULTURAL HALL

666 RICHMOND ROAD

RICHMOND HEIGHTS, OHIO 44143

A Prayer Before Meetings

Hanoon Hor yev Vortvo yev Hokvooyn Srpo.

Eemasdootyoon Hor Heesoos/ door eendz eemasdootyoon/ uzparees khorhel yev khosel yev kordzel arrachee ko hamenayn jham/ ee char khorhurtotz/ ee paneetz yev ee kordzotz prgya zees/ yev voghormya ko araradzotz yev eendz pazmameghees.

Park Hor yev Vortvo yev Hokvooyn Srpo/ Ay-jhum yev meeshd yev haveed-yans haveedeneetz/ amen.

In the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Jesus, Wisdom of the Father/ give me wisdom to always think and speak and do what is good in Your sight/ Save me from evil thoughts/ words and deeds/ Have mercy on all Your creatures/ and on me, a sinner.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit/ now and always and unto the ages of ages. Amen.

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A Prayer After Meetings

Hanoon Hor yev Vortvo yev Hokvooyn Srpo.

Bahaban Amenaynee Kreesdos adj ko hovanee leetsee ee verah eem/ ee dveh yev ee keesheree/ ee nsdeel ee dahn/ ee knal ee djanabahr/ ee nundjel yev ee harnel/ zee mee yerpek sasanetzaytz/ yev voghormya ko araradzotz yev eendz pazmameghees.

Park Hor yev Vortvo yev Hokvooyn Srpo/ Ay-jhum yev meeshd yev haveed-yans haveedeneetz/ amen.

In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

O Christ, Guardian of all/ may Your hand shelter me/ during the day and at night/ at home and while traveling/ while asleep and awake/ that I may never fall/ Have mercy on all Your creatures/ and on me, a sinner.

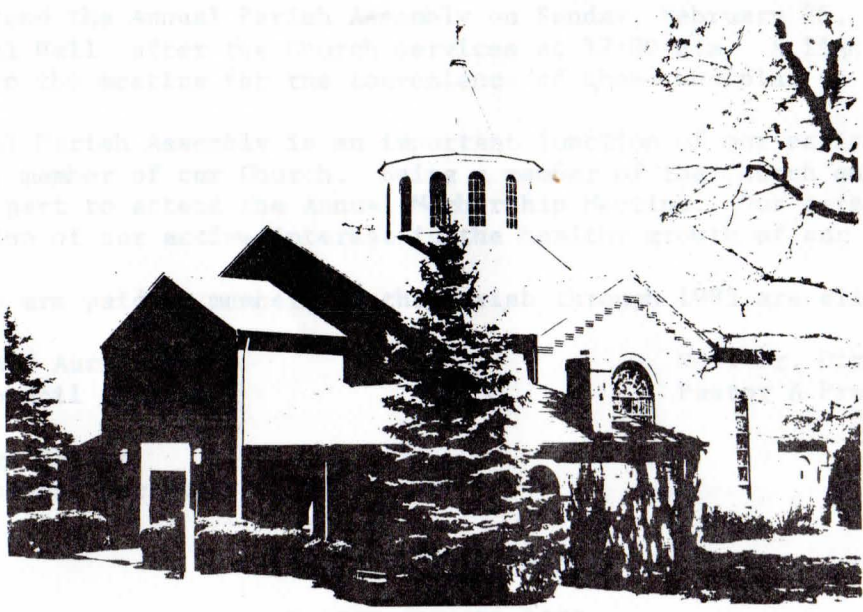
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INVITATION
TO THE ANNUAL PARISH ASSEMBLY
FOR THE YEAR 1983

The Parish members of St. Ignace of March Armenian Church of Cleveland, Ohio are invited to attend the Annual Parish Assembly on Sunday, September 12, 1983, at the American Cultural Hall after the church service at 10:00 AM. Refreshments will be served after the meeting for the convenience of those attending the meeting.

The Annual Parish Assembly is an important gathering for all members of our Church. It is our responsibility on our part to attend the assembly and to participate in the decision-making of our well-being. Your presence is most appreciated.



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Rev. Fr. Daniel Hovakimyan - Pastor
Mr. Robert Hovakimyan - Treasurer
Mr. George Hovakimyan - Secretary
Mr. Yeghishayeh Hovakimyan - Member
Mr. Aram Hovakimyan - Member
Mr. Nataral Mirakimyan - Advisor
Mr. John Hovakimyan - Advisor

WOMEN'S SOCIETY
elects for 1983 for women below
Mrs. Florence Hovakimyan
Mrs. Jack Hovakimyan (alternate)

ADVISORY COUNCIL

Mr. Jack Hovakimyan
Miss Nancy Hovakimyan
Mrs. Carol Hovakimyan

ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Mr. John Hovakimyan
Mrs. Ruth Hovakimyan
Mrs. Mary Hovakimyan

PARISH SCHOOL BOARD, 1983

Rev. Fr. Daniel Hovakimyan, President
Miss Nancy Hovakimyan, Chairman
Miss Alice Hovakimyan, Secretary

INVITATION
TO THE ANNUAL PARISH ASSEMBLY
FOR THE YEAR 1983

The Parishioners of St. Gregory of Narek Armenian Church of Cleveland, Ohio are invited to attend the Annual Parish Assembly on Sunday, February 26, 1984, at the Armenian Cultural Hall after the Church services at 12:00 p.m. A light luncheon will be served prior to the meeting for the convenience of those who plan to attend the meeting.

The Annual Parish Assembly is an important function of our parish as it concerns each and every member of our Church. Being a member of the Church entails a responsibility on our part to attend the Annual Membership Meeting. Our personal participation is an indication of our active interest in the healthy growth of our parish.

Those who are paid-up members of the parish through 1983 are eligible to vote.

Mr. Richard Aurslianian
Parish Council Chairman

Rev. Fr. Diran Papazian
Pastor & President

Mr. George Sakian
Parish Council Secretary

PARISH ADMINISTRATION

PARISH COUNCIL 1983

Rev. Fr. Diran Papazian	- Pastor & President
Mr. Richard Aurslianian	- Chairman
Mr. Robert Bagdasarian	- Vice-Chairman
Mr. George Sakian	- Secretary
Mrs. Florence Karoghlanian	- Treasurer
Mr. Armen Asadourian	- Advisor
Mr. Nazaret Mirakian	- Advisor
Mr. John Borazanian	- Advisor

DIOCESAN DELEGATE

(elected in 1981 for 4-year term)

Mrs. Florence Goekjian
Mr. Jack Hacherian (alternate)

AUDITING COMMITTEE

Mr. Jack Hacherian
Miss Martha Hacherian
Mrs. Cheryl Asadourian

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Mrs. Grace Arslanian
Mrs. Kathie Arslanian
Mrs. Mary Arslanian

PARISH ANNUAL ASSEMBLY, 1983

Rev. Fr. Diran Papazian, President
Miss Martha Hacherian, Chairman
Miss Alice Hacherian, Secretary

A G E N D A

1. Invocation by Pastor
2. Roll Call and verification of the eligibility of members and establishing Quorum.
3. Election of Tivan (Assembly Chairman and Secretary)
4. Welcome by Parish Council Chairman
5. Minutes of the Parish Assembly 1983.
6. Election - conducted by Nominating Committee
 - (a) Parish Council (partial election, 4 new members)
 - (b) Auditing Committee - 3
 - (c) Nominating Committee - 3
7. Pastor's Annual Report
8. Parish Council's Annual Report
9. Parish Council's Financial Reports - Verified by Auditing Committee
10. Approval of the projected Budget of 1984
11. Diocesan Delegate's Report
12. Reports of Parish Auxiliary Organizations:
(Statistical Reports and Financial Statements)
 - (a) Ladies' Auxiliary
 - (b) Armenian Women's Guild
 - (c) ACYOA Cleveland Chapter (Seniors)
 - (d) ACYOA Cleveland Chapter (Juniors)
 - (e) Armenian Church Choir
 - (f) Armenian Church Sunday School
13. Old Business
14. New Business
15. Announcement of the result of Elections
16. Pastor's Message
17. Adjournment and Benediction

ADDENDUM - 1983 DUES PAYING MEMBERS

MINUTES OF ANNUAL PARISH ASSEMBLY
ST. GREGORY OF NAREK ARMENIAN CHURCH
CLEVELAND, OHIO

Sunday, February 27, 1983

The Annual Parish Assembly of St. Gregory of Narek Armenian Church of Cleveland was called to order at 1:25 p.m., Sunday, February 27, 1983, at the Cultural Hall, presided by Rev. Fr. Diran Papazian, Pastor of the Church. Following the Invocation by Fr. Diran, the Chairman of the Parish Council, Robert Bagdasarian, welcomed the parishioners.

A roll call of dues-paying members was taken by Florence Karoghlanian, Treasurer of the Parish Council. Forty-eight (48) members were present out of a total membership of 101 eligible voting members. A motion was made and passed unanimously that the number in attendance would constitute a quorum.

The meeting was then turned over to the Nominating Committee comprised of Lucille Andonian, Sue Mirakian and Louise Ohanian. Sue Mirakian presented the names for Assembly Chairman and Secretary. Ballots were passed out for the election, with the following results:

<u>Chairman</u>		<u>Secretary</u>	
*Martha Hacherian	(35)	*Alice Hacherian	(29)
Wanda Venditti	(13)	Anita Arpajian	(19)

The reading of the Minutes of the 1982 Parish Assembly was dispensed with according to a motion passed and were accepted as presented in the Annual Report Book.

Next on the agenda was the election of members to the Parish Council, Nominating Committee and Auditing Committee. The three outgoing Parish Council members are Nat Arslanian, Alan Borazanian and George Sakian. Five names were presented by the Nominating Committee for Parish Council. Eileen Hacherian was nominated from the floor, increasing the number of candidates to six. Following are results of the election by secret ballot:

<u>Parish Council</u>			
*Nazar Mirakian	(41)	Helen Atkian	(23)
*George Sakian	(34)	Eileen Hacherian	(7)
*John Borazanian	(32)	Kevork Arslanian	(4)

Six candidates were presented for the Nominating Committee, with the following election results:

<u>Nominating Committee</u>			
*Grace Arslanian	(39)	Suzanne Hatchadorian	(22)
*Kathie Arslanian	(25)	Alan Borazanian	(20)
*Mary Arslanian	(24)	Margaret Semarjian	(13)

Three candidates were presented for the Auditing Committee. John Benneian, Martha Hacherian and Jennie Kapoudjian were nominated from the floor. Election results were as follows:

<u>Auditing Committee</u>			
*Cheryl Asadourian	(36)	Leigh Walton	(20)
*Jack Hacherian	(36)	John Benneian	(16)
*Martha Hacherian	(26)	Jennie Kapoudjian	(6)

*Elected

As has been the practice in our parish, the Pastor's Report, the Parish Council Report, the Diocesan Delegate's Report and the reports of the parish auxiliary organizations are published in the Annual Report Book for review by the members prior to the Annual Parish Assembly.

Regarding the Pastor's Report, Kevork Arslanian requested information concerning the status of Fr. Diran's assignment in our parish. Mr. Arslanian also requested a status report of the search committee appointed by Parish Council to locate a new priest. Fr. Diran responded, explaining to the Assembly that he had discussed this situation with the Primate, Archbishop Torkom Manoogian, and since there was no real pressure for him to leave the Cleveland parish, he agreed to remain until the appropriate time for the relocation of his family. In response to a question as to whether this was in writing, Bob Bagdasarian, Parish Council Chairman, advised that he had just received word from the Primate that Fr. Diran would remain in Cleveland until probably June 1985.

Commenting on the Parish Council Report, Bob Bagdasarian noted that in 1982 a deficit resulted in the financial report. Since our operating expenses increase each year, members were urged to be more generous with their time and money to avoid a deficit in the future.

Bob also pointed out that Fr. Diran had not only served our parish for 10 years, but that he was to be congratulated on the anniversary of the 25th year of his ordination. This anniversary will be observed in our parish in 1983 on a community-wide basis.

Concerning money-raising projects, Bob advised that plans were underway for a Reverse Raffle in April and that the Parish Council had applied for a bingo license. The bingo would be conducted at an outside party center and a \$500 weekly profit could be realized in addition to the profit from the concessions. This project will require volunteers.

The Parish Council Chairman then thanked Florence Goekjian, our Diocesan Delegate, for her participation at the Annual Diocesan Assembly and also her interest and contributions at Parish Council meetings. Kevork Arslanian suggested that the parish make an effort to increase the membership in our parish so that we may again have two Diocesan Delegates.

The Parish Council's financial reports were discussed. A question was raised concerning the \$5,000 donation to the Tekeyan School in Beirut from the sale of the Odian property. The financial report will reflect that this donation is from the sale of the property. As a further clarification, Alan Borazanian advised that the property was actually sold for over \$30,000, but that \$26,975.58 was received during 1982. Kevork Arslanian asked that the Parish Council consider the addition of Mr. Khoren Odian's name to the list of benefactors of the church.

In an effort to clarify the financial report, a suggestion was made that in the future the assets of the church and the interest drawn should be included as capital fund separate from the operating income. Sam Mirakian made a motion, which was seconded by Armen Asadourian, that we accept the Financial Report of the Parish Council as submitted. This motion was passed by majority vote.

The next order of business was the Proposed Budget for 1983. Jennie Kapoudjian requested an explanation of the disbursement of \$1,800 for the salary of the Property Manager. Alan Borazanian, who serves as Property Manager, responded that it was his function to perform the legal work involved with the service contracts for maintenance of the hall, negotiation and renewal of contracts, scheduling of the hall with the caterer, hall re-decorating terms, etc. The Parish Council has asked Alan to assume this responsibility at a token salary of \$1,800.

Questions were also raised as to why the \$2,730.64 from the Ladies Auxiliary for the church door crosses and the \$10,000 interest were not reflected as part of the proposed income. This would bring the total income to approximately \$84,000 rather than \$71,325 as reported. There was some discussion regarding these entries. A motion followed and was seconded that the projected budget for 1983 be accepted at \$71,325. This motion was passed by majority vote.

Continuing with the agenda, the Assembly Chairman provided an opportunity for the Assembly to discuss matters reflected in the following reports:

1. Diocesan Delegate
2. Ladies Auxiliary
3. Armenian Women's Guild
4. ACYOA Seniors
5. ACYOA Juniors
6. Armenian Church Choir
7. Armenian Church School

Anna Karayan, Superintendent of the Church School, was commended for her efforts to keep the Church School functioning. The school has experienced a drop in enrollment of students this year. Church School graduates are encouraged to join the choir, serve on the altar and in other capacities. Parent interest in the school was emphasized as a necessary ingredient to increase the enrollment. Lucille Andonian suggested that the Church School institute a study group for former students. The Superintendent requested assistance in locating an appropriate individual and subject matter to start this project.

Cheryl Asadourian suggested that the parents assume the responsibility of taking their children into church on religious holidays such as Easter and Christmas. In this way, the work of the school staff would be relieved and both the parents and children would benefit from attending services together. The general consensus was that this appeared to be an excellent suggestion for the Church School to consider.

No old business was presented by the Assembly.

Several matters were introduced under new business. Florence Goekjian requested information on the organization of a Men's Club. This suggestion was introduced by Fr. Diran last year. Fr. Diran, Nat Arslanian, Armen Asadourian and Jack Hacherian outlined the advantages of having such a group in our parish but they have not been successful in organizing it as yet. Jack stated that financially our church is sound, but that we lack the physical strength and should seriously follow through in that area. Parish Council will again give consideration to the formation of a Men's Club.

Anna Karayan inquired as to the status of the basketball equipment which was to be installed for the use of the young people in our parish. It appears that the project was not completed due to a breakdown in communication. Bob Bagdasarian assured the Assembly that the equipment would be in place by June.

Thelma Bagdasarian asked about the dates of the downtown All Nations Festival and whether our parish plans to participate. We had been previously informed that the Festival was scheduled for June 15-17, 1983. Martha Hacherian will confirm these dates.

Lucine Mirakian asked if copies of the Lenten Sunrise Service could be provided since it is so beautiful. Fr. Diran indicated that this could be undertaken as a future project.

A question concerning the use of weekly collection envelopes was raised by George Sakian as over half the parishioners make lump-sum payments. To defray printing expenses, it was suggested that plain envelopes be used. Another suggestion was made to eliminate the envelope system. After some discussion, a vote was taken and the majority felt that the system should be modified next year. The Parish Council will take this into consideration.

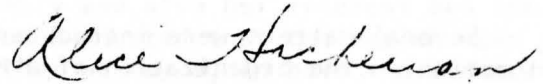
George Sakian also commented on the current practice of distributing candles to the members of the family requesting Requiem Services. He stated that occasionally it was difficult to determine who the family members were. A motion was made by Armen Asadourian, seconded by Wanda Venditti, that we completely discontinue the use of candles for Requiem Services to avoid possible damage to the pews and floors as a result of wax build-up. The motion was defeated by majority vote. The majority of those present favored the current practice.

Kevoik Arslanian acknowledged that the parish had many matters for discussion during the Annual Assembly and perhaps should consider a mid-year meeting. The Parish Council Chairman responded that a meeting was being planned for mid-term for the purpose of discussing the status of our parish house.

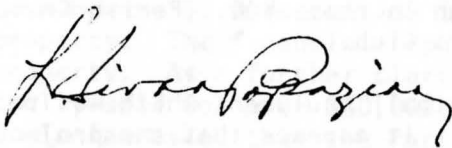
With the conclusion of the business of the Assembly, the Assembly Chairman requested the Pastor's Message. Florence Karoghlanian suggested that the Pastor's Message be scheduled earlier on the agenda at future meetings so that more members would be in attendance to hear it. Fr. Diran acknowledged that the Parish Assembly covered many business items and that a mid-year meeting was advisable. He expressed thanks to the outgoing members and congratulated the newly elected members of the Parish Council, Auditing Committee and Nominating Committee. He expressed thanks to the Assembly Chairman and Secretary for the fine job they performed during the course of the session. As expressed at past assemblies, Fr. Diran emphasized the need to serve the Church and the importance of church attendance. He stated that the parishioners should be more patient and remain until the business of the Assembly has been concluded and the meeting adjourned.

The Parish Assembly was adjourned at 5:50 p.m., following the Benediction by Fr. Diran.

Respectfully submitted,



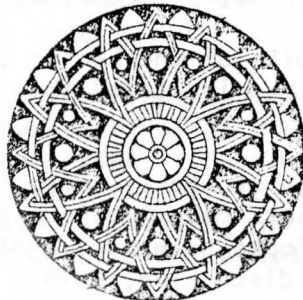
Alice Hacherian
Assembly Secretary



Rev. Fr. Diran Papazian
President



Martha Hacherian
Assembly Chairman



PASTOR'S ANNUAL REPORT

- 1983 -

Dear Parishioners:

Once again the time has arrived when I'm required to submit my Annual Report to you at our Annual Parish Meeting which gives us an opportunity to review and evaluate together our activities of the past year, as well as to conduct elections and set new goals for the coming year.

Last year at this time when I delivered my 10th Annual Report, I felt that it was going to be my last one since my transfer was impending: however, God's ways are different than man's ways and as the saying goes, "man proposes and God disposes", and here I am again to deliver this time my 11th Annual Report.

Last year's Annual Assembly met on Sunday, February 27, 1983 according to our practice of convening it on the last Sunday of February in order to have enough time to compile the annual reports of the Church organizations, audit the books of financial activities, print the Annual Reports Book and mail it to the parishioners in time for the Annual Assembly.

Following the ratification of the election of the new Parish Council by the Diocesan Primate with an official letter dated April 20, 1983, the Parish Council elected its Tiven (officers) on its regular meeting day on May 9, 1983, and the new administration began its work.

Herewith I submit a brief resume of my pastoral activities in the year 1983:

WORSHIP

Divine Liturgy was celebrated and sermon was delivered every Sunday throughout the year with some exceptions of several Sundays, either because of Pastor's vacation or because of Pastor's absence from the parish on official duty. The pre-arranged dates were all announced to the parishioners prior.

HOLIDAY OBSERVANCES

All five major feast days (Daghavar) and specially Armenian Christmas and Easter were celebrated with great solemnity and according to our liturgical traditions. Beside the major feast days, other religious observances also were held, such as Annual Commemoration of Armenian Women's Saints Day on Meechink Day (Median of Lent) under the sponsorship of the Armenian Women's Guild, Christmas Eve Service in English and Holy Week ceremonies.

COMMEMORATIVE PROGRAMS

Our national-ecclesiastical holidays, such as Vartanantz (February or March), Armenian Martyrs' Day (April), Armenian Cultural Month (October), all were observed with public gatherings, and proved to be memorable events in the annals of our community. Pastor was personally involved in all phases and aspects of each of these celebrations and insured their success with quality programs.

REQUIEM SERVICES (Hokehankist)

Memorial Mass was conducted both on special occasions according to the Directives from the Diocese and our liturgical requirements, as well as in compliance with individual requests in memory of their loved ones.

PASTOR'S ANNUAL REPORT (CONT.)COFFEE HOURS

Coffee Hours were sponsored by the Parish Council on Five Major Feast Days and also hosted by individuals on Memorial occasions which provided opportunities of good fellowship.

SACRAMENTS & RITES:

During the year of 1983, the total number of Sacraments and Rites amounted to 11 which are duly recorded in our Parish Registry as follows:

BAPTISM & CONFIRMATION: 7 (two were performed in Cincinnati, Ohio)

CONFIRMATION: 1

FUNERAL: 3 (one was performed in Columbus, Ohio)

WEDDING: 1 Wedding was performed in our church

Pastor performed or participated in six Funeral Services and three Wedding Services both in and outside of our community as follows:

As for Funerals, Pastor participated in one Funeral Service in our community. Also, he conducted one Funeral Service at Holy Shoghagat Armenian Church, Belleville, Illinois. He conducted one Funeral Service in Detroit, Michigan and participated in three other Funeral Services at St. John's Armenian Church in Southfield, Michigan.

As for Weddings, the Pastor participated in one Wedding in our community held in a Roman Catholic Church. He performed one Wedding at Holy Shoghagat Church, Belleville, Illinois and participated in one Wedding at St. John's Armenian Church, Southfield, Michigan.

PASTORAL DUTIES

Beside sacerdotal duties, which are strictly priestly duties (such as performances of worship service, liturgy, sacraments and rites), Pastor's work encompasses also pastoral duties (such as, sick calls, home visits, counseling, etc.). Pastor always regarded sick calls, specially emergency calls, as first priority in his pastoral duties. He visits patients any time of the day or night whenever he was aware of their hospitalization. Pastor also made home visitations on different occasions whenever special situations called for.

Administrative tasks are another aspect of pastor's duties. He conducts the office work on a day to day basis, maintains correspondence, prepares certificates, keeps the records in the Parish Registry, implements Diocesan Directives and writes letters of recommendations upon requests.

PAROS

Paros is our parish review which is published bimonthly. The publication of Paros is a time-consuming work, and is the Pastor's main burden. The Pastor strives for excellence with each issue. Paros is much appreciated by our people, and their generous financial support together with their expressions of occasional praise attest to this fact. The people's contribution partially offsets the costly expenses of publication and mailing, making it more or less self-sufficient. The Pastor considers

Paros as a vital link between the Church and the parishioners, and for this reason, he doesn't spare his own time in order to make it a respectable paper in every way and he does this as a hobby which makes the burden bearable.

OUT-OF-TOWN ACTIVITIES

The Pastor had many occasions this year to visit other parishes in official capacity. They are listed hereby chronologically:

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St. John The Baptist Armenian Church - Miami, Florida parish, where he celebrated Badarak and presided over the Annual Parish Meeting (February 20).

Diocesan Clergy Conference, at St. Francis Retreat House, Oak Brook, Illinois, (Chicago area) (May 3-4).

81st Diocesan Assembly in Oak Brook, Illinois, Chicago, hosted by Sts. Joachim & Ann Armenian Church, Palos Heights (May 5-7).

Holy Shoghagat Armenian Church - Belleville, Illinois, where Pastor was invited to perform a Wedding and to officiate at Holy Badarak (Aug. 6-7).

ACYOA General Assembly and Sports Weekend in Scarborough, Canada (Toronto area), while attending the annual event, the Pastor celebrated Holy Badarak for the benefit of the Armenian youth at the Ramada Renaissance Hotel in Scarborough (Sept. 1-4).

Annual Assembly of Choir Association, in Evanston, Illinois, hosted by St. James Armenian Church of Evanston, Illinois, where the pastor celebrated Badarak (Nov. 4-6).

EDUCATIONAL FUNCTIONS AT LARGE

The Pastor also participated, by special invitation in the 1983 Holocaust Conference at Kent State University, Trumbull Campus (April 13-14)

Also the Pastor gave an Interview Over The Radio about the Armenian Apostolic Faith on June 12th. The interview was part of the series of "Religion For Every Man," sponsored by the National Conference of Christians and Jews.

SPECIAL EVENTS

The special two events of the year were the Heritage Collection and 25th Anniversary of Pastor's Ordination.

The Heritage Collection was a tremendous undertaking under the sponsorship of our Women's Guild, shown at the Haig Avedisian Gallery in downtown Cleveland's Playhouse Square (June 11). Mrs. Ilene Hacherian, the Guild Chairman, was the driving force behind the project and she should be commended for her vigorous and inspiring leadership.

The Observance of Pastor's 25th Anniversary of Ordination with Testimonial Dinner-Program, under the auspices of the Diocese and sponsored by St. Gregory of Narek Armenian Church was indeed an ever-memorable occasion. This celebration will always inspire and encourage me throughout the coming years. With a special Gontag (Encyclical) from His Holiness, Vasken I Catholicos of All Armenians, the Pastor was conferred with the ecclesiastical title of Archpriest (Avak Kahanah).

EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS FOR OUR YOUTH

This year fortunately, our youth could be benefited from the Diocesan Workshop and Study Seminars. Three members from our youth group, Cheryl Arslanian, Nancy Bagdasarian and John Mirakian, attended the St. Nersess Armenian Post High School Religious Program Study Seminar at New Rochelle, N. Y. (Aug. 19-28). Also Anita Arpajian, our organist and acting Choir leader, attended the first Choir Director & Organist Workshop, sponsored by the Association of Armenian Church Choirs at St. Nersess Seminary in New Rochelle, N. Y. (Sept. 9-10).

PASTOR'S ANNUAL REPORT (CONT.)

This year for the first time in our parish, we held a Religious Conference for the Spiritual Renewal of our youth with a group from Detroit (Oct. 29). On this occasion, Deacons Michael Ohanesian and John Kazanjian served at the Holy Altar during Badarak, John Merigian, who is involved in the Christian Outreach at the University of Ann Arbor, Michigan, participated in Church Services and Yeretzgin Papazian lectured to the Sunday Church School teachers and conducted the Assembly (Oct. 30).

GUEST CLERGY

We were honored with the visitation to our parish of His Grace the Most Rev. Archbishop Tiran Nersoyan. He was our guest preacher on the first Sunday of the year (Jan. 2).

The Rev. Fr. Nersess Jebejian, was guest celebrant in our church in replacement of Fr. Diran during his absence from the parish for his Florida Mission (Feb. 20). Fr. Nersess, formerly pastor of the Springfield, Mass. parish, is presently pastor of St. Kevork Church in Houston, Texas where he was recently transferred.

The Rev. Fr. Karekin Kasparian, represented the Diocesan Primate Archbishop Torkom Manoogian and Archbishop Tiran Nersoyan at Fr. Diran's Silver Jubilee (Sept. 18). Fr. Karekin is the Pastor of St. James Armenian Church in Westchester, N.Y. and a Diocesan Council Member.

We had the pleasure also of the visit as our guest, Deacons Serop Demirjian and Krikor Manuelian both from Long Island, N.Y. parish who participated in Holy Badarak by serving on the Holy Altar.

IN APPRECIATION

It is very much in order to express my heartfelt thanks and deep appreciation to all our Church organizations collectively, as well as to some individual parishioners for their dedicated cooperation and unselfish service in the accomplishment of our objectives. I would like to acknowledge some of these special people who were very helpful to the Pastor in the performance of his various tasks: Mrs. Mary Arslanian, our Church Secretary for the last five years, even though has resigned her post, however continued her help with occasional typing and volunteering her services for Church mailing which she performs so professionally. Her voluntary help in many aspects of our Church activities is consistent and invaluable. Mrs. Anita Arpajian, who undertook the responsibility of the Paros typing for the last several issues. Now that Anita has began her night college courses, in addition to her daily job, she curtailed her typing, however she was a great help when we were in dire need. We are indebted to Anita for other responsibilities as well which she has undertaken, such as Church Organist and acting Choir Master. Mrs. Anna Karayan, our long-time dedicated superintendent of our Church Sunday School, who after the close of the School Year for the summer months, has resigned from her position; however, fortunately she is still with us as our Religious Advisor. We are indebted to her for past and present invaluable services. Mrs. Louise Ohanian is our new superintendent beginning with the new academic year, September 1983. Louise has already, in this short time, demonstrated her great enthusiasm, conscientiousness and selfless dedication in her new responsibilities. Lucine Mirakian, our new dynamic Guild Chairman, to be commended for her leadership within the realm of Guild activities. Special mention should be made of our Deacons & Choir Members who every Sunday come and participate in the Church Service and sing the Holy Badarak: Haig Arpajian, Simon Ghazarian, Karayan brothers, Wahe, Haig & John, and the Aurslanian family, Jeanette, Marie & Louise who constitute the core of our Choir. Mrs. Rose Yeranian is a devoted parishioner who makes and donates "Mahs" to the Church every Sunday; this is indeed a labor and donation of love. The Pastor

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would like to make a special mention also to Mr. Harry Yepremian, a retired electrician, who upon the request of the Pastor, every time donates his labor for any type of electrical work for the Parish House. Our prayers are with all of these fine people for their continuous dedication and well being.

SOME OBSERVATION

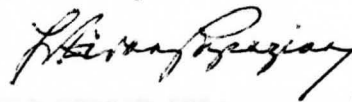
Many of our difficulties stem from the fact that we are a small parish with limited resources. The same handful of people are on the many fronts of our church activities. We need more participation in our Church activities with additional voluntary workers so that those who are tired, may be alleviated with shared responsibility. The size of our Church attendance is deplorable even though we can be proud for the high quality of our performance.

The Church will, of course, continue to perform her Divine mission, despite the difficulties that we are experiencing, however with more support and participation in our activities undoubtedly greater achievements can be accomplished and a stronger parish can be developed. Let us hope and work for the best as God gives us opportunity to serve Him.

As we embark into another year, I ask your prayers and encouragement so that your humble servant, with the grace of God, may satisfactorily perform his duties during the year of 1984 for the greater glory of God.

May the blessings of God and the guidance of the Holy Spirit be with us always.

In the Service of Christ,



Rev. Fr. Diran Papazian
Pastor

February 7, 1984
Richmond Hts., OH



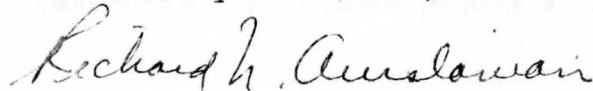
PARISH COUNCIL CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

The past year has been one of moderate progress and minimum mistakes with a cautious but optimistic view to future improvement. Parish Council enjoyed a close working relationship with the Pastor, undertook an aggressive membership drive, succeeded in obtaining a bingo license, and has taken positive steps to improve the Pastor's living quarters and offices, and increase revenues. The character of Parish Council was reflected in the excellent recognition of Father Diran Papazian's 25th Anniversary of his Ordination. Not a bad accounting for the seven members who make up the governing body of your church and community.

This kind of progress can only be achieved when people put the good of the group above individual feelings. Sure, we had disagreements but they led to progress. If someone slipped a little, someone else took up the slack. And if someone did good we all shared satisfaction.

I would like to thank these mature, intelligent people dedicated to serving this parish and to those of you who gave such close support.

Gratefully submitted,



Richard N. Aurslanian

1983 PARISH COUNCIL ANNUAL REPORT

The Parish Council of St. Gregory of Narek Armenian Apostolic Church of Cleveland with Reverend Father Diran Papazian presiding, elected the following officers for 1983 on May 9, 1983.

Chairman	Mr. Richard Aurslanian
Vice Chairman	Mr. Robert Bagdasarian
Recording & Corresponding Secretary	Mr. George R. Sakian
Treasurer	Mrs. Florence Karoghlanian
Advisors:	Mr. Armen Asadourian
	Mr. John Borazanian
	Mr. Nazar Mirakian

The Parish Council met and conducted 26 business meetings in 1983.

DIOCESAN DELEGATE: Mrs. Florence Goekjian and Mr. Jack Hacherian (alternate)

CHURCH SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT: Mrs. Louise Ohanian

PAROS EDITOR: Reverend Father Diran Papazian

CULTURAL HALL RENTAL COORDINATOR: Mrs. Sandra Aurslanian

LEGAL CONSULTANT: Mr. Alan Borazanian

1983 PARISH COUNCIL CALENDAR

January 9, 1983	Armenian Christmas
February 13, 1983	St. Vartanantz Program
February 27, 1983	Annual Parish Assembly
April 24, 1983	Martyrs' Day Observance - joint sponsorship with AGBU - Guest Speaker - Mr. Dennis Papazian
May 29, 1983	Benefactor's Day
July 3, 1983	Annual Parish Picnic - Parish Council members
September 18, 1983	Celebration of the 25th Anniversary of Rev. Fr. Diran Papazian Ordination into the Priesthood
October 16, 1983	Cultural Day Celebration - stage play - joint sponsorship with AGBU
December 24, 1983	Christmas Eve Services

On the following various occasions, the Parish Council was honored in sponsoring the following fellowship hours:

1. Benefactor's Day - May 29, 1983
2. Feast of Transfiguration - July 17, 1983
3. Feast of Assumption (Blessing of Grapes) - August 14, 1983
4. Feast of Exaltation of Holy Cross - September 11, 1983

1983 PROPOSED MAJOR PROJECTS AND RESULTS

1. Membership Drive - Program suggested and initiated by Mr. Sam Mirakian and Mrs. Helen Atkian. Letters originated by Mr. Richard Aurslianian and program now underway with first mailing on 10/14/83. Father Diran in charge of inquiry and follow up.
2. Erection of Church Sign - Project again being attempted with various bids under inquiry from contractors. Completion hopeful in Spring of 1984.

1983 ACCOMPLISHED PROJECTS

1. Second Annual Reverse Raffle and Dinner - Mr. Alan Borazanian.
2. New type offering envelopes from Duplex Envelope Co. 80 sets \$66.40.

3. Listing of Benefactor's names in Church Lobby - Mr. John Borazanian.
4. Fund raising project "Mr. Suit" Sale - June 18, 1983 - Mr. Alan Borazanian.
5. Removal of Station Wagon from premises - Mr. Nazar Mirakian.
6. Cutting and removal of dying tree from S.E. corner of Cultural Building - Mr. Nazar Mirakian and Mr. Harry Odabashian.
7. Treatment of both Blue Spruce trees at front corners of Church Building - Mr. Richard Aurslanian.
8. Contract with Seaway Cleaning Contractors terminated and new contract negotiated with S & S Janitorial Services, Lyndhurst, Ohio.
9. Parish office typewriter completely reconditioned - \$100.00.
10. Purchase of File Cabinet for pastor's office.
11. Approval of sale of pumpkins by Mr. Amerino Calandra on church premises. 25 pumpkins and \$40.00 donated to Church School.
12. Approval of sale of Christmas trees by Calandra on church premises. Parish Council to receive 50% of net profit.
13. Contracted Cut-N-Care landscapers to handle lawn care and cutting for 1983 at \$265.00 per month.
14. Formation of the 1984 Community Calendar.
15. Negotiated and established 1984 Contract with Pasquale Caterers. - Mr. Alan Borazanian.

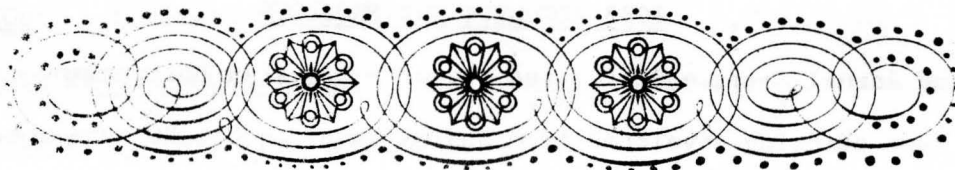
Parish Council extends its full appreciation to the Clerk Church Servers, Clerk Stole Bearers, our Organist, and each member of our Choir who faithfully during each service throughout the year rendered their assistance to our pastor.

Our sincere gratitude to all our organizations and their members along with all persons who generously devoted their support to our community and its components.

Respectfully yours,

George
George R. Sakian
Secretary

ST. GREGORY OF NAREK ARMENIAN
APOSTOLIC CHURCH OF CLEVELAND



DIOCESON DELEGATE'S REPORT**81st ANNUAL ASSEMBLY**

of the

DIOCESE OF THE ARMENIAN CHURCH OF AMERICA

The Assembly, held May 5 - 7, 1983 was hosted by Sts. Joachim and Anne Armenian Church of Palos Heights, Illinois. John K. Najarian was elected chairman.

Other major elections were: Diocesan Bd. of Trustees, Alex Manoogian; Diocesan Clergy members, Fr. Mampre' Kouzouian and Fr. Vazken Keshishian; Diocesan lay members, Vincent Gurahian and Ann Kasparian.

John K. Najarian, as Chairman of the Unity By-laws Committee reported that there was no further progress on by-laws for a Unified Church because the Diocesan and Prelacy committees could not agree on proposals. Also, the position of the Antelias Prelate on jurisdictional divisions was unclear. The Primate announced that dialogue will continue but there are to be no official functions with the separated brethren.

Sarkis Bedevian, treasurer of the Diocesan Council reported that in April, 1982 the concept of a 36-40 story high rise revenue-producing structure to be built on about 230,000 sq. ft. of the cathedral complex was presented to the Diocesan Council. Three developers were reported interested. The Assembly voted to allocate \$15,000 in the budget for a High-Rise Feasibility Study. Also voted was the adoption of the recommended balanced budget for 1983 of \$1,453,500.

By-Law Amendments passed were:

Article #62 (Passed second and final time.)

Diocesan Council will be composed of 11 members, 4 clergymen and 7 laymen.

Article #65X (Passed first time.)

Diocesan Council to prepare and send budget for the current year to Delegates and Parish Councils at least one month before the Annual Assembly.

Proposals passed were:

#1 (Revised.) A fund to be established for the theological education of students preparing for the clergy. Monies to be provided by adding \$25,000. to the 1984 budget through an increase in Parish dues.

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#3 Diocesan Council to review present health insurance programs for the clergy.

#5 Primate to request His Holiness to place on the agenda of the next Conference of Bishops the question of allowing ordained priests 7 years before deciding on celibacy or marriage. (Primate expressed his support for the proposal to the Assembly.)

#6 Beginning in 1984 the Diocese is to establish a 5-day (Mon. - Fri.) training program for clergy, parishes to assume travel, lodging and meal expenses of their pastors.

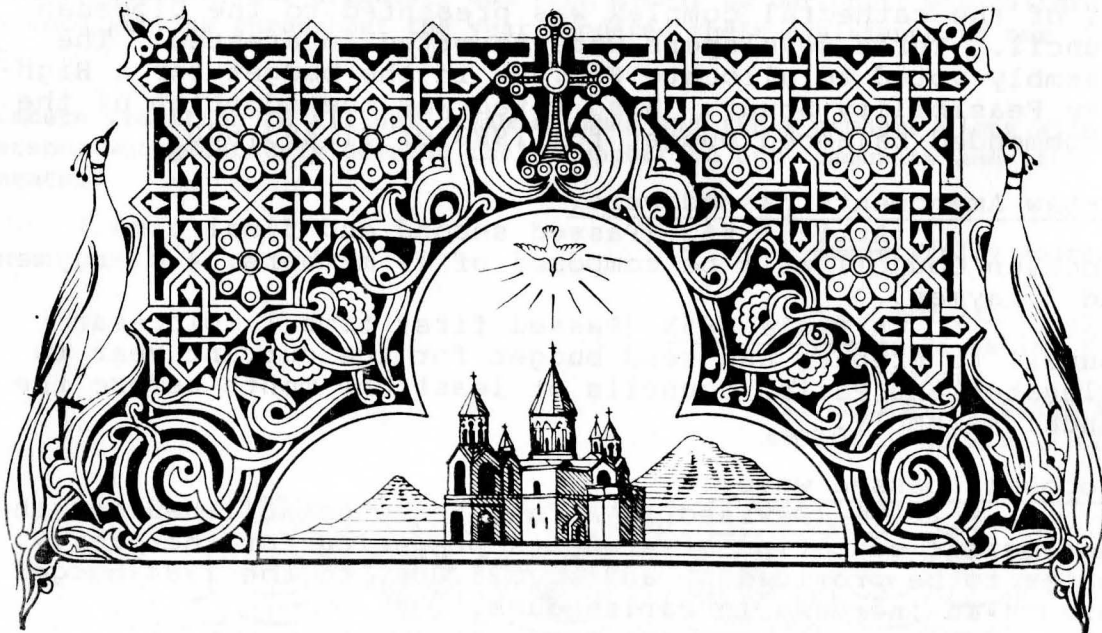
#8 The nominating committee to prepare pertinent, church-related biographies of candidates for Primate, Diocesan Council and Board of Trustees.

#9 Assembly recommend to Board of Directors of St. Nersess Armenian Seminary that it review the by-laws of the school with the purpose of having the North American Dioceses structurally involved in the Seminary organization.

Zarvin Kasparian of the Diocesan Council reminded the Assembly that the Primate in his message believed that the time had come to give serious consideration to the creation of sub-dioceses and asked that this Assembly endorse the concept of a sub-Diocese. A motion to that effect passed.

The 1984 Assembly will be held in Fair Lawn, New Jersey at St. Leon Armenian Church.

Florence Goekjian
Diocesan Delegate



STATISTICAL REPORTS OF CHURCH AUXILIARIES

Armenian Women's Guild

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President	- Rev. Fr. Diran Papazian
Chairman	- Lucine Mirakian
Vice Chairman	- Sandra Aurslanian
Recording Secretary	- Alice Bagdasarian
Corresponding Secretary	- Alice Hacherian
Treasurer	- Grace Arslanian

Committees

Program	- Martha Hacherian, Louise Ohanian
Membership	- Jennie Kapoudjian, Sue Mirakian
Sunshine	- Florence Straka
Paros Reporter	- Sandra Aurslanian

The Women's Guild has a membership of 48. The membership is divided into four circles, with each circle responsible for an activity. A summary of our meetings, programs and other activities in 1983 follows.

- January - Fireside meeting at the home of Mary Bagdasarian
- February - Business meeting; served dinner at St. Vartanantz Day; served luncheon for Annual Parish Assembly
- March - Business meeting and program, "Spring Fashions with Casual Corner" presented by Beth-Ann Burg; served Michink Lenten Supper and honored the Holy Virgin Mary at the Ninth Annual Women's Saints Day, narrated by Anahid Aghajanian (Armenian) and Jeanne Arslanian (English)
- April - Business meeting and program "African Art" presented by Rhoda Levensohn
- May - Business meeting and Election of Officers
- June - Presented Armenian Heritage Collection from Detroit, Michigan at the Haig Avedisian Oriental Rug Gallery, downtown Cleveland; annual dinner at the Dry Dock Restaurant
- September - Business meeting and Installation of Officers
- October - Business meeting and program "Super Mom Syndrome" presented by Stephanie Sattelle, Notre Dame College
- November - Presented Membership Tea, entertainment by Daniel and Jeanette Arax Melnick
- December - Presented Christmas Holiday Party for the community

ARMENIAN WOMEN'S GUILD (CONT.)

In addition to the above, the Women's Guild donated \$300 towards expenses of two students attending the St. Nersess Armenian Seminary Summer Studies Program, provided Easter lilies and Christmas poinsettia plants for the church altar, donated \$100 to the Church School, and purchased two tickets for the Church Reverse Raffle.

Respectfully submitted,

Lucine Mirakian

Lucine Mirakian
Chairman



Armenian Church School

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In 1983, enrollment was 23 and with the opening of Church School on September 11, enrollment was 25. A teenage class was organized in November which brought our enrollment to 30.

Under the Superintendency of Mrs. Anna Karayan, the following activities took place.

<u>1983</u>	January	Armenian Christmas Holy Communion - Children and Staff
	March	Participation - Holy Week - Washing of the Feet
	April	Easter Holy Communion - Children and Staff
	June	Closing Day Program Recognition of High School Graduates

STAFF

Head of Church School	- Rev. Fr. Diran Papazian
Superintendent	- Mrs. Louise Ohanian
Director of Religious Education	- Mrs. Anna Karayan
Music	- Miss Lisa Aurslanian
	- Miss Louise Aurslanian
Treasurer	- Mrs. Karyl Aghajanian
Bulletin Board	- Mrs. Margaret Ohanessian
Parish Council	
Liaison	- Mr. Richard Aurslanian

CHURCH SCHOOL (CONT.)TEACHING STAFF MEMBERS

<u>Teacher</u>	<u>Grade</u>	<u>Curriculum</u>
Sonia Elloian	Pre-Nursery	Happy Together
Aida Janian	Nursery	The Jesus Story
Janice Nazarian	Kindergarten	The Jesus Story
Nancy Bagdasarian	Elementary	Joy 3
Wanda Venditti	Upper Elementary	History of the Armenian Church
James Nazarian	High School	Faith of the Armenian Church
Jay Bagdasarian	Seniors	Real Living Part I
Substitute - Mrs. Cheryl Asadourian		

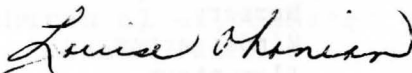
Activities for 1983 included:

<u>1983</u>		
September 11	Opening Day Registration Coffee Hour	
25	Celebration of Rev. Fr. Diran Papazian's 25th Anniversary of His Ordination Holy Communion - Children and Staff	
October	Dedication of the Staff Halloween Party Guest Yeretzgin Rosalie Papazian	
November	Teenage Class Started	
December	Christmas Tree Trimming Party Church School Community Meeting Christmas Party Christmas Eve - Christmas Pageant Christmas Project in cooperation with A.C.Y.O.A., Jrs. Fund collection to go to a needy family.	

- Goals:
- To encourage children to serve the Church through participation in the Choir and/or inspire them to continue to participate by devotion in and attendance of the Divine Liturgy after Church School years.
 - To learn about the Life and Teachings of Jesus.
 - To familiarize the children with the Saints of the Church and teach them about the holy days and feast days of the Church calendar.
 - To learn about Armenian Church traditions.
 - To help them use the Bible in searching out scriptural readings as listed on the Armenian Church calendar.
 - To be contributive to the community.

- To make Church School a meaningful experience, both spiritually and educationally.
- To perpetuate the Church School and Church.

Respectfully submitted,



Louise Ohanian, Superintendent



Armenian Church Choir

ST. GREGORY OF NAREK ARMENIAN CHURCH CHOIR

ANNUAL REPORT

The year 1983 was yet another year of accomplishment and progress for the Church Choir.

Our Church Choir was fortunate this year to be represented at and to participate in several diocesan-wide events that dealt with the growth and education aspects of our organization. Thanks to the financial assistance of the Parish Council, organist and acting choirmaster Mrs. Anita Arpajian was able to attend the Choir Director and Organist Workshop at St. Nersess Seminary in New Rochelle, NY, September 9-10. Fr. Diran attended the 37th Annual Assembly of the Association of Armenian Church Choirs of America (AACCA), held during the first weekend of November in Evanston, IL.

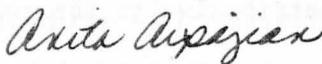
On September 18th, the choir gave what we and the congregation felt was the most spiritually uplifting and joyously rendered Soorp Badarak, our hearts singing praise to the Glory of God for blessing our pastor Fr. Diran with 25 years of faithful and fruitful service in the priesthood.

On November 20th, the choir requested Hokehankist in memory of our late choirmaster, Armand Kazaros, on the third year of his passing, and hosted a Fellowship Hour for the community for Choir Day, annually celebrated on the Sunday nearest to the Feast of the Holy Archangels.

Visiting deacons during the year, namely Serop Demirjian, Krikor Manuelian (both of Holy Martyrs Armenian Church in Bayside, NY) and Michael Ohanesian (of St. John's Armenian Church in Detroit, MI) provided much inspiration and beautiful voice to the Soorp Badarak on the Sundays which they assisted Fr. Diran and our stole bearers on the altar.

Rehearsals were held on an as-needed basis in preparation for the major feast days variables sung. We still have no permanent choirmaster, but through the musical and spiritual guidance of Fr. Diran and acting choirmaster, organist Mrs. Anita Arpajian, this has not been a serious problem.

Respectfully submitted,



Anita Arpajian
Secretary



Armenian Church Youth Organization of America

A.C.Y.O.A. SENIORS

ACYOA SENIORS - ANNUAL REPORT, 1983

EXECUTIVE OFFICERS:

President	Fr. Diran Papazian
Chairman	Anita Arpajian
Vice Chairman	Louise Aurslanian
Recording Secretary	Cheryl Arslanian
Corresponding Secretary	Nancy Bagdasarian
Treasurer	Jay Bagdasarian

HIGHLIGHT OF 1983 ACTIVITIES:

February	11	- 2nd Annual Community Valentines Dance
March	27	- 5th Annual Community Palm Sunday Pancake Brunch sponsored jointly with the ACYOA Juniors
		- Showing of "Symbolism in the Armenian Church" slide program
April	24	- Martyr's Day, jointly donated wreath with ACYOA Juniors and served dinner, donated sheet cake
May	21	- Car Wash
June	26	- Election of Officers
		27 - Volleyball Practice
July	3	- Conducted Raffle and assisted in clean-up at Annual Parish Picnic
		- Installation of Officers Ceremony
August	7	- Trip to Cedar Point Amusement Park
		31 - Annual General Assembly in Toronto, Ontario (3 days) attended by delegates Cheryl and Charles Arslanian
September	3	- 14th Annual ACYOA National Sports Weekend in Toronto, Ontario (3 days). Eight members attended, six individual awards were won.
October	29	- Spiritual Renewal Conference and Bible Study in Cleveland, "The Nicene Creed," with guest speakers from Detroit, followed by Vespers

- November 25 - Spiritual Renewal Conference and Bible Study in Detroit, "The Five Major Feast Days of the Armenian Church"
 26 - Regional Meeting, Detroit. Pastor, Chairman and two members attended.
 - Annual November Dance, Detroit. Eight members attended.
- December 17 - Christmas Party Pot Luck Supper for Armenian youth and friends at the Yoel home
 24 - Christmas Eve Coffee Hour

The year 1983 was one of much accomplishment for our organization. We saw increased interest, activity and membership from our parish youth. In addition to attracting additional members and enjoying ourselves with recreational and social activities, we saw the need to incorporate another of the main objectives constituted in our national organization's by-laws. We held our first religious activity this year in the form of a bible study conference. This shows the seriousness and maturation of our local organization, which is the true objective of the ACYOA: to prepare the youth to be productive parishioners and leaders in the future. For without today's youth, tomorrow's Armenian Church would be in jeopardy.

As we gain experience in serving the parish in small ways, we are quickly becoming prepared to face larger tasks to become more of an aid to the parish. We are not only preparing for the future, but are providing service now.

Respectfully submitted,

Anita Arpajian

Anita Arpajian
 Chairman



ACYOA JUNIORS

ANNUAL REPORT - ACYOA JUNIORS

EXECUTIVE OFFICERS

President:	Fr. Diran Papazian
Chairman:	Lucine Arslanian
Vice Chairman:	David Ohanian
Recording Secretary:	Erica Ohanian
Corresponding Secretary:	Dina Aurslanian
Treasurer:	Cindy Aurslanian
Parish Youth Advisor	Ray Yoel

ACYOA JUNIORS ANNUAL REPORT (CONT.)ACTIVITIES OF YEAR 1983.

- January 28, 1983 - Spaghetti Dinner for community
- February 11 - Sona Hacherian attended Midwest Regional Junior ACYOA Conference in Evanston, Illinois
- March 27 - Annual Palm Sunday Pancake Brunch (Jr. & Sr.)
- April 24 - Donation of wreath (with Srs.) placed on Martyr's Monument: donation of sheet cake for Martyr's Day Affair
- May 27-30 - 4th Annual Sports Weekend - Racine, Wisconsin
Participated with a group of members from our chapter
- June 11 - Armenian Heritage Collection - many members participated
- August 14 - Election of officers
- September 4 - Car wash
- September 18 - **The Juniors participated in the purchase of Fr. Diran's 25th Anniversary gift of stained glass cross**
- September-October - Candy Sale
- November 5 - Hay ride at Siedel's Farm in Strongsville
- December 21 - Pot Luck Christmas Party at the home of Dick & Sandy Aurslanian.

This past year was filled with many activities, several of which are becoming annual events. The Spaghetti Dinner, Pancake Brunch, Sports Weekend and the Christmas Party are repeated events that are becoming more successful each year.

, After Sona Hacherian's return from the Midwest Regional Junior ACYOA Conference, it was decided that future meetings would not be attended since most of the discussions involved activities planned for the Illinois/Wisconsin area. Because of the distance it is not feasible for our group to attend these events.

Again this year, many members attended the 4th Annual Sports Weekend in Racine, Wisconsin. Much thanks to Mr. Ray Yoel for driving the van that provided transportation for our members.

Many new events are planned for the coming year. This year, the juniors hope to incorporate more service activities in their list of events.

The following is a list of 1983 ACYOA Juniors:

Anna Arpajian	Sona Hacherian
Lara Arslanian	Rachel Mirakian
Lucine Arslanian	Vicky Mirakian
Cindy Aurslanian	Sam Mirakian
Dina Aurslanian	David Ohanian
Ross Bagdasarian	Amy Ohanessian

Respectfully submitted,

Lucine Arslanian
Chairman

FINANCIAL REPORTS

PARISH COUNCIL

ST. GREGORY OF NAREK ARMENIAN CHURCH

FINANCIAL REPORT - 1983 CHECKING ACCOUNT

INCOME:

Membership Pledges - 1983	\$13,353.00
Membership Pledges - 1982 (paid in 1983)	1,890.00
Church Plate Collection	1,422.66
Baptisms, Weddings, Funerals	775.00
Requiem Service	920.00
Christmas/Easter Offerings	2,861.00
Church/Special Offerings	726.00
Paros Donations (Greetings)	1,389.00
Cultural Hall Rental (Pasquale)	24,845.03
Rental Income	1,020.00
Altar Flowers	165.00
Miscellaneous Income	1,250.83
In Lieu of Flowers	4,605.00
Bingo	1,050.00
Fund Raising	<u>15,515.78</u>

OPERATING INCOME	\$71,788.30
Transfer/Savings Account	<u>3,000.00</u>

1983 Interest	<u>11,195.58</u>
1983 TOTAL INCOME	<u>\$85,983.88</u>

*Audited & approved
1-24-84
Martha Hacherian
Jack Hacherian*

ST. GREGORY OF NAREK ARMENIAN CHURCHFINANCIAL REPORT - 1983 CHECKING ACCOUNTINCOME:In Lieu of Flowers

Mrs. Mary Aghajanian	\$ 2,075.00
Mr. Sam Panosian	1,070.00
Mr. Jack Shahinian	590.00
Mrs. Nuriza Hacherian	100.00
Others	70.00
Benefactor Donation	700.00
	<u>\$ 4,605.00</u>

Fund Raising

Reverse Raffle	\$ 8,290.80
Mr. Suit Sales	324.48
Picnic	2,052.00
Christmas Tree Sales	576.50
Martyrs' Day	1,032.00
Fr. Diran's 25th Anniversary Banquet	2,595.00
Fr. Diran's 25th Anniversary Donations	645.00
	<u>\$15,515.78</u>

Miscellaneous Income

Telephone Reimbursement	\$ 507.80
Donations made to organizations through Parish Council	300.00
Reverse Raffle Donations	238.00
Refund on Bingo License	100.00
Postage Refunds	50.03
Bank Errors	55.00
	<u>\$ 1,250.83</u>

ST. GREGORY OF NAREK ARMENIAN CHURCHFINANCIAL REPORT - 1983 CHECKING ACCOUNTDISBURSEMENTS:

Pastor's Stipend	\$16,250.00
Pastor's Insurance/Pension	527.63
Pastor's Car Allowance	2,000.00
Diocesan Payments	5,370.00
Insurance (Buildings/Furnishings)	1,963.50
Church Operation	1,847.27
Office Supplies	676.55
Paros Printing (Annual Report)	2,086.70
Diocesan Assembly Expense	826.60
Postage	717.83
Miscellaneous Expense	1,053.95
Property Repairs	1,950.87
Capital Improvements (Church Plexiglass Windows)	3,485.27
Water	230.32
Telephone	1,874.38
Electric	4,467.38
Gas	6,047.11
Property Maintenance	3,235.00
Secretary	686.00
Property Manager	1,050.00
Cultural Hall/Church Cleaning	5,360.00
Cultural Hall Operation	2,047.03
Fund Raising (Bazaar, Raffle, Dinners)	<u>9,807.28</u>
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	\$73,560.67
Transfer to Savings Account	<u>3,000.00</u>
	\$76,560.67

MISCELLANEOUS:

A.G.B.U. Martyrs' Day/Educational Soc. of Malatia	\$ 315.73
Ads: Arch Torkom, Churches, Fish, etc.	478.00
Bingo License	100.00
Gifts	140.25
Check Printing Charges	<u>19.97</u>
	\$ 1,053.95

PROPERTY MAINTENANCE:

Lawn Care/Snow Removal	\$ 2,155.00
Pest Control (Speed Extermination)	312.00
Rubbish Removal (B.F.I.)	<u>768.00</u>
	\$ 3,235.00

ST. GREGORY OF NAREK ARMENIAN CHURCH
FINANCIAL REPORT - 1983 CHECKING ACCOUNT

DISBURSEMENTS:FUND RAISING:

Reverse Raffle	\$ 5,068.00
Picnic	859.84
Martyrs' Day	538.74
Coffee Hours	36.85
Fr. Diran's 25th Anniversary Banquet	<u>3,303.85</u>
	\$ 9,807.28

CHURCH OPERATION:

Flowers	\$ 550.06
Candles	518.99
Holiday Bulletins	214.52
Altar Cloths	124.70
Visiting Clergy	<u>439.00</u>
	\$ 1,847.27

CULTURAL HALL OPERATION:

Paper Products	\$ 537.59
Kitchen Inventory (Up to Par)	<u>1,509.44</u>
	\$ 2,047.03

PROPERTY REPAIRS:

Emergency Lights (Fire)	\$ 174.75
Piano/Organ Repairs	108.00
Stove and Refrigerator Repairs	738.73
Parish House Plumbing	759.39
Furnace Repair	<u>170.00</u>
	\$ 1,950.87

ST. GREGORY OF NAREK ARMENIAN CHURCHFINANCIAL REPORT - 1983

Actual Operating Income 1983	\$71,788.30
Actual Operating Disbursements	<u>73,560.67</u>
Net Gain or (Loss) 1983	(\$ 1,772.37)

SUMMARY OF BANK ACCOUNTSCHECKING ACCOUNT

Balance 12-31-83		\$ 4,157.14
Balance 12-31-82	\$5,928.91	
Bank Error (Oct. 82)	.60	
Adjusted Balance 1-1-83		<u>5,929.51</u>
Net Gain or (Loss) 1983		(\$ 1,772.37)

TRANSOHIO - BALANCE 12-31-83

Certificate of Deposit	\$43,332.78
Certificate of Deposit	17,000.00
Certificate of Deposit	10,017.30
Certificate of Deposit	40,000.00

TRANSOHIO - BALANCE 12-31-83

Savings Account	\$10,951.77
Memorial Account	5,279.17

INTEREST INCOME 12-31-83

Transohio - Savings Account Balance 1983 -	\$10,951.77	
Transfer to Checking	<u>3,000.00</u>	13,951.77
Balance 12-31-82		<u>4,547.01</u>
1983 Interest		\$ 9,404.76

MEMORIAL ACCOUNT

Balance 12-31-83	\$ 5,279.17
Balance 12-31-82	<u>3,488.35</u>
Total 1983 Interest	<u>1,790.82</u>
	\$11,195.58

Checking Account Decrease	(\$ 1,772.37)
Interest Income	<u>11,195.58</u>
Net Gain for 1983	\$ 9,423.21

Respectfully submitted,

Florence T. Karoghlanian

Florence T. Karoghlanian
Parish Council, Treasurer
St. Gregory of Narek
Armenian Church (1983)

ST. GREGORY OF NAREK ARMENIAN CHURCHPROPOSED BUDGET FOR 1984INCOME:

Membership Dues	\$ 14,000.00
Church Plate Collection	1,200.00
Christmas/Easter Offerings	2,700.00
Major Fund Raising (Net) (Bazaar, Picnic, Festival)	6,500.00
Requiem Service	750.00
Baptisms/Weddings/Funerals	600.00
Paros Donations (Greetings)	1,400.00
Church Donations/Special Offerings	750.00
In Lieu of Flowers	2,400.00
Cultural Hall Rental	25,000.00
Altar Flowers/Candles	200.00
Bingo	12,000.00
Misc.	500.00
1984 Operational Income	\$ 68,000.00
1984 Interest	

DISBURSEMENTS:

Pastor's Stipend	\$ 16,250.00
Pastor's Car Allowance	2,000.00
Pastor's Insurance/Pension/R.I.T.A.	2,600.00
Diocesan Payments	6,000.00
Building & Property Insurance	2,000.00
Office Supplies & Petty Cash	500.00
Church Supplies (Candles, Flowers, Envelopes)	2,000.00
Postage	800.00
Paros Printing/Annual Report	2,100.00
Diocesan Assembly	500.00
Water	250.00
Telephone	2,000.00
Gas	6,500.00
Electric	5,500.00
Property Maintenance (Pest Control, B.F.I., Lawn)	3,500.00
Cultural Hall & Church Cleaning/Supplies	7,500.00
Property Repairs	2,000.00
Misc. Expense	1,000.00
Capital Improvements	5,000.00
1984 Operational Disbursements	\$ 68,000.00

WOMEN'S GUILD - TREASURER'S REPORT

BALANCE 1/1/83 \$ 5,599.56

INCOME:

Parish Council Luncheon	\$ 85.04
Vartanantz Dinner	161.30
Lenten Dinner	77.63
Heritage Collection	6,478.00
Christmas Party	502.50
Photographs	151.00
Easter Lilies and Poinsettias	84.75
Dues	156.00
Bank Interest	468.22
Miscellaneous	42.00

TOTAL INCOME 8,206.44

TOTAL INCOME AND STARTING BALANCE 13,806.00

DISBURSEMENTS:

Heritage Collection	4,726.39
Christmas Party - 1982	15.50
Christmas Party - 1983	446.83
Gifts	161.00
Donations	255.00
St. Nerses Seminary - 2 Students	300.00
In Lieu of Flowers	20.00
Raffle Tickets	70.00
Photography	56.00
Easter Lilies and Poinsettias	134.00
Program Expense	75.00
Postage and Supplies	88.70
Sunshine Fund	22.35
Food Processor	269.99
Trays	52.90
Miscellaneous	50.66

TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS 6,744.32

BALANCE 12/31/83 \$ 7,061.68

Bank Accounts:

Checking	\$ 1,811.47
Savings	2,210.32
C.D. Certificate	<u>3,039.89</u>
Total	\$ 7,061.68

Respectfully submitted,
Grace Arslanian
Treasurer

Audited & approved 1-29-84
Mertha Hachikian
Cheryl Asadourian
Jack Hachikian

Grace Arslanian

ST. GREGORY OF NAREK CHURCH SCHOOL

BALANCE:	January 1, 1983		\$457.73
INCOME:	Offerings	\$105.87	
	Donations	566.00	
	Lenten Books	15.60	
	Easter Coffee Hour	64.31	
	Pumpkin Sale	40.00	
	Christmas Coffee Hour	31.00	
	Miscellaneous	72.00	
	Interest	26.00	<u>920.78</u>
TOTAL INCOME AND STARTING BALANCE:			\$1,378.51
DISBURSEMENTS:	Supplies, books, postage	\$270.97	
	Lenten Offering	15.60	
	Easter Coffee Hour	35.29	
	Martyr's Day	22.00	
	Closing Day Coffee	30.95	
	Halloween Party	50.07	
	Christmas Party & Coffee	106.49	
	Miscellaneous	55.95	<u>587.32</u>
BALANCE:	December 31, 1983		\$791.19
BANK ACCOUNTS:	Savings	\$761.44	
	Checking	29.75	

Respectfully submitted,

*Karyl Aghajanian*Karyl Aghajanian
Treasurer

Audited & approved 1/22/84
Martha Nacherian
Jack Nacherian

St. Gregory of Narek Armenian Church Choir
1983 Treasurer's Report

Balance as of 12/31/82		\$718.59
Income - 1983:		
Donations	\$100.00	
Savings Account Interest	\$41.56	
Choir Day Plate Collection	\$23.00	164.56
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Disbursements - 1983:		
Gift to Fr. Diran for 25th Anniversary	\$27.74	
Choir Day Donation to AACCA	\$23.00	
Donation for Archbishop's 20th Anniversary	\$25.00	
AACCA Assembly Delegate Expenses	\$50.00	125.74
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Balance as of 12/31/83		\$757.41

Respectfully Submitted,

Jeannette Aurslanian
Treasurer

Audited & approved 1-22-84
Martha Hachikian
Jock Hachikian

ARMENIAN CHURCH YOUTH ORGANIZATION OF AMERICA
SENIORS

TREASURER'S REPORT

BALANCE AS OF 12/31/82	\$ 814.46
PRIOR PERIOD ADJUSTMENT	85.00

INCOME:

Valentine's Dance	82.23	
Pancake Brunch	106.56	
Car Wash	111.19	
July 4th Picnic Raffle	87.00	
Christmas Eve Offerings	60.10	
Savings Interest	52.00	
Donations	20.00	
ACYOA Jrs. Reimbursement for Christmas Tree (1982)	7.00	526.08

DISBURSEMENTS:

Archbishop Manoogian Visit	25.00	
Reverse Raffle Ticket	35.00	
Basketball Hoop for Church School	53.92	
Martyrs' Day Flowers and Cake	30.50	
Membership Drive Expenses	35.26	
Net Dues to Central Council	1.50	
Sports Weekend Fees	110.00	
Heritage Collection Ad	25.00	
Miscellaneous Postage	34.59	
Fr. Papazian Gift	12.32	
ACYOA File Cabinet	31.94	
Bible Study Expenses	10.50	
Bank Fees	7.06	412.59

BALANCE AS OF 12/31/83	\$1012.95
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Checking Account: \$1012.95

Respectfully submitted,

Jay Bagdasarian
Jay Bagdasarian
Treasurer

Audited + Approved
1-29-84
Martha Hachikian
Jack Hachikian

A.C.Y.O.A. JUNIORS FINANCIAL REPORT

BALANCE - 1-1-83

SAVINGS	\$ 510.43
CHECKING	\$ 226.17
TOTAL	\$ 736.60

INCOME:

Spaghetti Dinner	\$ 238.28
Dues	23.00
Donations	60.00
Interest 4Q 82 New	25.43
Pancake Brunch	111.64
Van Collections	390.00
Srs. Reimbursements	51.50
Leftover Gas	20.00
Car Wash	54.80
Candy Money Collections	345.65
Candy Money Profit	<u>199.05</u>

TOTAL INCOME \$1,519.35

DISBURSEMENTS:

Postage	\$ 12.38
Spaghetti Dinner Items	153.97
Post Cards	13.00
Christmas Tree	7.00
One-half Delegate Trip	70.00
Flyers	10.17
Martyrs' Day Wreath	25.00
Martyrs' Day Cake	18.00
Basketball Equipment	108.23
Van	572.17
Sports Weekend Team Registration	60.00
Donation for Seminary	40.00
Fr. Diran's Gift	35.00
Candy Money Payment	<u>345.60</u>

TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS \$1,470.52

NET GAIN \$ 48.83

BALANCE 12-31-83 \$ 785.43

RECONCILIATION:

Checking 12-31-83	\$ 65.88
Savings 12-31-83	\$ 719.55
	<u>\$ 785.43</u>

Audited & Approved 1-29-84
Martha Nechorian
Jack Hochman
Chief Auditor

Respectfully submitted,

Cindy Aurslian
 Cindy Aurslian
 Treasurer

LADIES AUXILIARY

St. Gregory of Narek Armenian Church

Annual Treasurer's Report

Bank balance as of December 31, 1982	\$350.84
Donation - Mrs. S. Panosian - Illinois	10.00
Interest earned	<u>20.26</u>
Bank balance as of December 31, 1983	\$381.10

Respectfully submitted,

Lucy M. Nigosian

Lucy M. Nigosian
Treasurer

Meetings in 1983 - none

Audited & approved 1/22/84

Martha Hecherian

Jack Hockerian

ST. GREGORY OF NAREK ARMENIAN CHURCH1983 DUES PAYING MEMBERS

	<u>1983</u>	<u>*Paid After Closing 12-31-83</u>	<u>1982</u>
Mrs. Souren Abdalian & Robert	200.00		
Mrs. Souren Aghajanian	200.00		
Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Ahlegian	160.00		
Mr. and Mrs. David Andonian	165.00		92.00
Mr. Meshac Aurslanian	100.00		
Mr. and Mrs. Charles Arpajian	57.00	21.00	
Mr. and Mrs. Haig Arpajian		76.00	
Mr. and Mrs. Armen Arslanian	350.00		
Mr. and Mrs. Kevork Arslanian	150.00		
Mr. and Mrs. Henry Arslanian	390.00		
Mr. and Mrs. Nat Arslanian	160.00		
Mr. and Mrs. Paul Arslanian	153.00	3.00	
Mr. and Mrs. Ted Arslanian	450.00		
Mr. and Mrs. Harry Atkian	152.00		
Mr. and Mrs. Armen Asadourian	165.00		
Mrs. Meshac Aurslanian	100.00		
Mr. and Mrs. Harry Aurslanian	76.00		
Mr. and Mrs. Richard Aurslanian	200.00		
Mr. and Mrs. Alex Bagdasarian	217.00		
Mrs. Mary Bagdasarian	52.00		
Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bagdasarian	260.00	15.00	
Mr. Tom Bagdasarian	72.00		
Mrs. Osky Balderian	79.00		
Mr. Ara Bagdasarian	135.00		
Mr. and Mrs. Nick Baltayan	152.00		
Mr. Arshag Bedrosian and Rose	*		
Mr. and Mrs. John Benneian	152.00		
Mrs. Esqouhy Benneian	52.00		
Mr. and Mrs. John Borazanian	249.00		
Mr. and Mrs. Harry Chakamian	152.00		
Mr. and Mrs. Adour Chakerian	200.00		
Mrs. Arshagouhi Chakerian	*		
Mr. and Mrs. Hacher Chakerian	65.00		
Mr. Ralph Chakerian	1,200.00		
Mr. and Mrs. Tom Elloian	90.00	62.00	
Mrs. Oscar Elloian	55.00		
Mr. and Mrs. Krikor Ghazarian	152.00		
Mrs. Florence K. Goekjian	520.00		
Miss Alice Hacherian	350.00		
Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hacherian	500.00		
Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hatchadorian	245.00		
Miss Martha Hacherian	350.00		
Mrs. Vartan Bagdasarian	52.00		
Mrs. Jennie Kapoudjian	76.00		

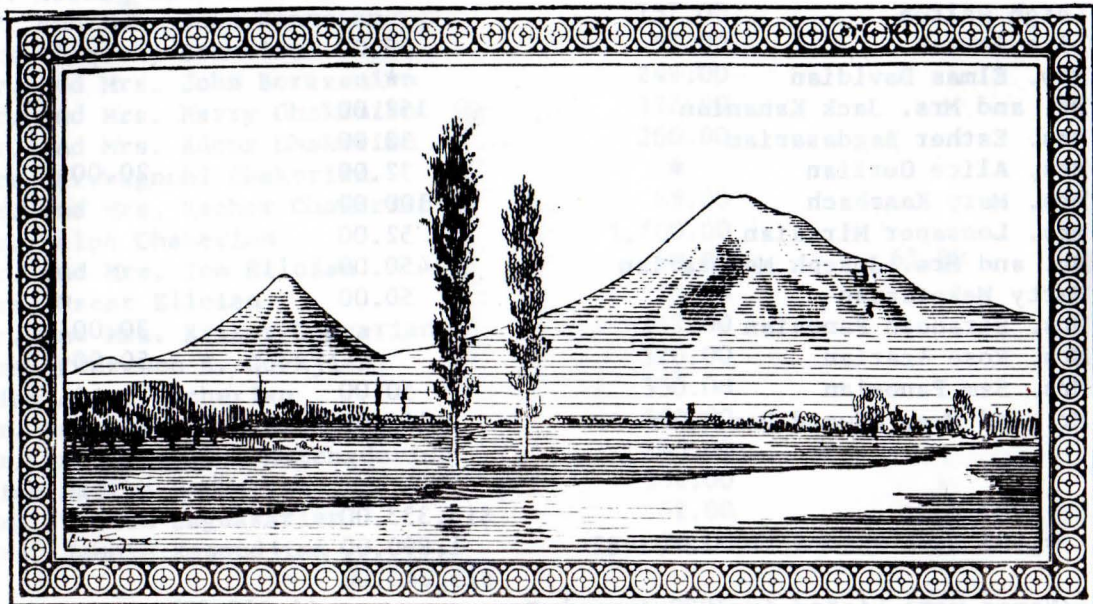
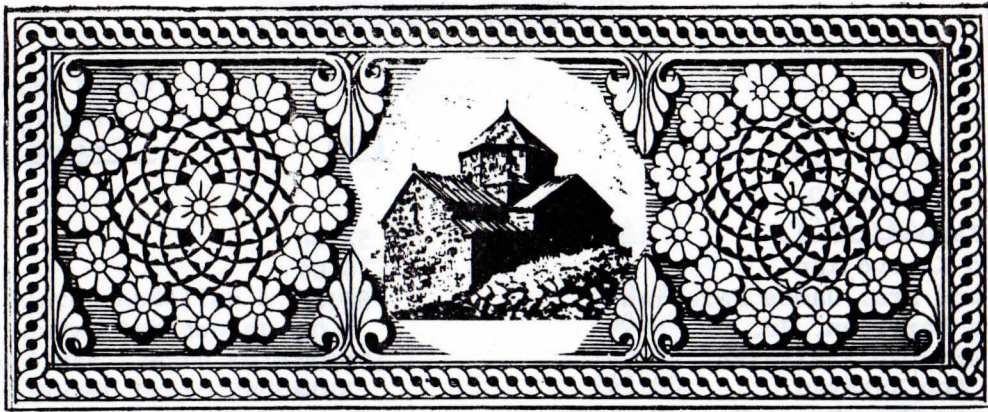
1983 DUES PAYING MEMBERS (continued)

	<u>1983</u>	<u>*Paid After Closing 12-31-83</u>	<u>1982</u>
Sue Kapoudjian	52.00		
David Kapoudjian	76.00		
Mr. and Mrs. James Nazarian	760.00		
James Nazarian, Jr.	2.00		
Dr. Abraham Arslanian	100.00		
Mrs. Ann Karayan	7.00	69.00	
Mr. and Mrs. Harry Kananian		152.00	
Mr. and Mrs. Charles Semarjian	35.00	100.00	
Mrs. Hampar Chobanian	*		
Mrs. Florence Karoghlanian	126.00		
Mr. and Mrs. Elias Meketarian	120.00		
Mr. and Mrs. Nazar Mirakian	185.00		
Mr. and Mrs. Sam Mirakian	187.00	13.00	
Mrs. Satenig Odian	76.00		
Mr. and Mrs. Eric Ohanian	245.00		
Mr. and Mrs. Ohannes Ohanessian			
Mr. and Mrs. Vegan Ohanessian	160.00		
Mr. and Mrs. George Sakian	160.00		
Mrs. Koharig Vartevarian	14.00		
Mr. and Mrs. James Venditti	600.00		
Mr. and Mrs. Gus Vosgerichian	45.00		
Mr. and Mrs. Krikor Yeranian	128.00		
Mrs. Ann Zahigian	147.00		
Mr. and Mrs. Armand Aghajanian		160.00	
Mrs. Anne A. Tarkonian	76.00		76.00
Mr. and Mrs. Tatias Kashian			
Mr. Alan Borazanian	76.00		
Mr. and Mrs. Matthew Hatchadorian	200.00		
Leigh Walton			
Lisa Sakian	55.00		4.00
Mrs. Elmas Davidian	*		
Mr. and Mrs. Jack Kananian	152.00		
Mrs. Esther Bagdasarian	30.00		
Mrs. Alice Ourlian	32.00	20.00	
Mrs. Mary Kasabach	100.00		
Mrs. Loosaper Mirakian	52.00		
Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Meketarian	450.00		200.00
Marty Meketarian	50.00		
Mrs. Siranosh Panosian		30.00	
Mrs. Rose Azarian		50.00	
Mrs. Sam Panosian	50.00		
Mr. and Mrs. Edward Davidian	150.00		
			372.00
1983 Dues	\$13,353.00		
*1982 Dues Paid After 12-31-82	<u>1,890.00</u>		
	\$15,243.00		

(Names were Listed in 1982 Annual Report \$1,518.00)

("82" Received after 82 Annual Report Published 372.00)

*1983 Dues paid after 12-31-83 and will be accounted for in 1984 Report.



**RULES AND REGULATIONS GOVERNING CHURCH MEMBERS
IN GOOD STANDING**

**RULES AND REGULATIONS CONCERNING
CHURCH MEMBERSHIP**

"All persons who have been baptized and confirmed in the Armenian Church, who accept its doctrine, canons and rites, and who fulfill their obligations to the church and community, shall be members in good standing of the Parish Church and shall constitute the Parish Assembly".

Members in good standing of a Parish Church, who are 18 years of age or over, may participate in the assemblies of the same Parish and may vote, provided that at least six months have elapsed since the date of their registration as members of the parish and their dues have been paid. They may be eligible for office one year after becoming members provided they have attained the age of 21.

Every member of the Parish, 18 years of age or over, shall pay to his or her church an annual due, the amount of which shall be determined by the Diocesan Assembly. Such amount may be increased, but not decreased, by the Parish Assembly. Dues are payable in advance on January 1 of each year.

"Members who fail to pay their dues for one or more years, automatically forfeit their right to vote at Parish Assemblies, or to hold elective office within the Parish. Such members may reinstate these rights by payment of their dues in arrears for at least the previous two years".

Articles 5, 6, 7 and 8 respectively
BY-LAWS OF THE ARMENIAN CHURCH OF AMERICA

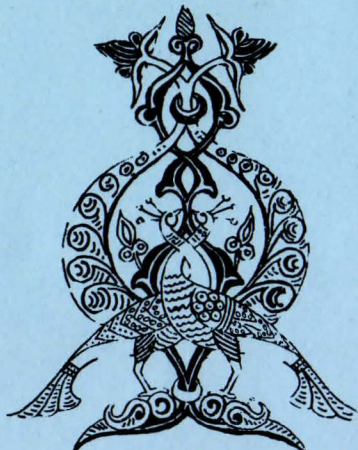
**RULES AND REGULATIONS GOVERNING
PARISH ASSEMBLY**

"The agenda of the Parish Assembly shall be prepared by the Parish Priest and the Parish Council. Other matters of new business may be added by majority vote of the Parish Assembly".

"At Parish Assemblies the presence of a minimum of one-third of the eligible voting membership or fifty members shall constitute a quorum. Decisions shall be rendered by majority vote of members present and voting".

"In a Parish Assembly each member shall be entitled to one vote which is not transferable and must be cast in person."

Articles 16, 17, 22
BY-LAWS OF THE ARMENIAN CHURCH OF AMERICA



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