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This year has truly been a year of thanks.

I would like to begin by thanking the trustees who have worked to make this year a successful one. A chairman is only as productive as the trustees. Special thanks to the vice chairman, Mr. Babikian, who has made the hall rentals a success. He talked me into accepting the chairmanship, but he kept his word in helping me when I was not able to find time to get things done. Nishan was always there to keep things going and helped with his past experience with Church matters.

The following is a brief summary of the past year's events:

May 7.....We secured the acceptance of Der-Hayr Vahram Hazarian as parish priest by Archbishop Torkom Manoogian on a one year trial basis after a meeting with his eminence concerning Der-Hayr's stipend and other benefits.

May 14.....A testimonial dinner was given to honor Alderman George Hagopian. My thanks to George Nahabedian, chairman, and the Man of the Year Committee, who assisted the trustees to make this affair one of the finest St. Gregory has had.

June 19.....A welcome dinner for Der-Hayr was given to introduce and greet him into our parish.

August 14.....We held our annual church picnic. I again would like to thank Mr. Babikian for doing an outstanding job in chairing this affair. I would, at this time, like to thank Mr. Arnold Koresian for accepting this responsibility in 1984.

October 9.....The St. Gregory golf outing was held at Indian Hills Country Club. This outing was a success thanks to Mr. Garo Dadian, Jr. who really took charge of this affair. Thanks are also in order to Mat Palofian. Peter Bederosian and John Dadian, Sr. in helping with the golf outing.

October 23.....St. Gregory held its 19th annual Anniversary Dinner. I again would like to thank our generous parishioners for all of their donations and support.

January 9.....A light luncheon was served by the parish council, followed by a visit from Gaghand Baba and recognition was given to parishioners who gave much of themselves this year.

"SPECIAL THANKS"

We purchased a car for Der-Hayr through donations from individuals and people in our parish and also help from Palos Heights Church. Many thanks again to everyone who helped make this project a success.

To Linda Zekarian and my wife, for doing a wonderful job with our Sunday School. Hopefully this rejuvenation will be the nucleus to generate more of our youth participating in our Sunday School program.

Dr. Yazijian and the Nairi Choir for bringing meaning and beauty back to our services with song. This is a great sacrifice on everyone's part, Dr. Y., Georgette Mrofcza and each choir member who come every Tuesday night to practice and are here every Sunday.

Ann Arevian and the Womens Auxiliary for preparing the dinners when we needed their assistance. Thanks for never saying no and always being there to help.

Walter Baronian and his sister Libby for computerizing our mailing list, and organizing our membership list.

Gerabed Paloian for helping with our plumbing problems and helping with our dishwasher. Also, a thanks is in order to Garro Dadian, who suggested the Gas Company coming out to repair the gas controls on the dishwasher, at no charge.

I would also like to give special thanks to Sadie Markantonio and the Womens Guild for their help which is endless. They are always supporting every organization. We appreciate the great help at our annual picnic, all the help at special affairs and we don't want to take for granted the coffee they furnish every Sunday.

Our meetings were increased to two a month, besides special meetings when needed.

The increased attendance for church services and other activities has proven the acceptance of Father Hazarian by the parish and I am sure this growth will continue with his spiritual support and guidance.

In closing, it has been a pleasure and an honor to be chairman. I feel it was a very positive year. I feel that it has been a productive year and with continued respect for each other, as I have seen, we will flourish. Let's keep working together and appreciate one another, and we will continue to progress.

Respectfully submitted,

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