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ST. LEON'S ARMENIAN CHURCH

FAIR LAWN, NJ

ANNUAL REPORT

ANNUAL PARISH ASSEMBLY

FEBRUARY 17, 1991

MINUTES OF THE 1990 PARISH ASSEMBLY
ST. LEON ARMENIAN CHURCH
FAIR LAWN, NEW JERSEY

The Parish Assembly of St. Leon Armenian Church, 12-61 Saddle River Road, Fair Lawn, NJ, was called to order at 12:00 P.M., on Sunday, February 4, 1990 by Chairman of Parish Council, Charles Pinajian.

Opening prayer was offered by Fr. Arshen Aivazian.

There were 70 eligible voters present.

Elected from the floor were the following officers of the day:

Chairman	Joseph Basralian
Secretary	Florence Gulkasian
Parliamentarian	Ted Takvorian (Appointed by Chairman)

The 1989 minutes were accepted as presented.

REPORTS OF ORGANIZATIONS:

SENIORS - Manuk Capan reported he has been Chairman for 8 years. They are working hard to raise money and have \$3,671.00 in their treasury. He thanked the Pastor, Parish Council and the entire Parish for their support and urged all Senior Citizens in the parish to join the St. Leon's Seniors' organization.

PARISH COUNCIL - A correction was made by Charles Pinajian. There was only one chairman for the Food Festival this year, Leon Hovsepian. Charles also thanked everyone for working with him on Parish Council.

CHURCH SCHOOL - Barbara Hovsepian reported they had a covered dish supper this week. The children raised \$375.00 for UNICEF. She thanked Ruth and Sarkis Bedevian for supporting a party for this cause.

CHOIR - Berdj Feredjian encouraged people to join the choir. Vasken Ohanyan urged Parishioners to sing and pray with the choir during Badarak.

ARMENIAN SCHOOL - Mary Ann Mozian reported there will be a dance on February 10. Tickets are going well. Mr. Avedis Caparyan has sold 150 tickets for the dance. A question was raised for Armenian conversation language

lessons given for college students. Anyone interested, should call Mary Ann. There should be at least ten (10) students, with tuition set at \$100.00 each, in order to form such a class.

ACYOA JUNIORS - No questions were raised. Their report is included in the Annual Report booklet

ACYOA SENIORS - Lynda Chagachbanian reported this was their first year. They have been very active and doing well. A new executive committee was elected recently.

WOMEN'S GUILD - Helen Mazoujian encouraged new members to join; there are good programs this year. Dues are \$6.00 per year. A few more young members have joined. Attendance is better.

ENDOWMENT FUND - Barbara Hovsepian would like to see more monies donated for Scholarship Fund. The Lucy Tutunjian fund is used to send children to St. Nersess and St. Vartan Camp. Parish Council has allocated monies for St. Vartan. The Parish Council announces availability of scholarships through the Lradoo and all who wish to apply should do so in writing for consideration by Parish Council.

AUDITING COMMITTEE REPORT - Andrea Halejian reports all organizations books are in satisfactory order.

PASTOR'S REPORT - The report was accepted as presented. Der Hayr spoke about his hope to continue on with his Ph. D. degree. However, due to extraordinary demand on his time in his pastoral ministry, he lacks adequate time to pursue studies. He has taken a year's leave of absence to evaluate his situation and available options. He started his studies in 1984 and finished the required courses in 1986. Since then he has been unable to prepare for his comprehensive exams, and needs two (2) days per week for at least one (1) year to prepare. Sarkis Bedevian recommends to have Parish Council appoint a committee to seek a solution to the problem. This item will be considered under New Business.

1990 BUDGET

1. A question was raised on the 1990 Budget, i.e., not to have Clergy Stipend, Employee Salaries, Pensions and Insurance all bunched together. A motion was made to change this and break down each category. The motion was defeated.

2. Sarkis Bedevian questioned the Bazaar Account On the Financial Report. It shows a profit of \$37,000.00. This amount should be put into an Escrow Account, so St. Leon will be assessed correctly by the Diocese. The checking account amounts on the Financial Report and Money on Hand also should be corrected. A difference of \$3,000.00 is shown. It was also mentioned that the 1989 Budget is just a guideline, with only being off 5%. A motion to adopt the 1990 Budget as presented was seconded and passed.

OLD BUSINESS:

In the absence of Chairman Sarkis Gabrellian, Sarkis Bedevian presented the proposal of the Building Committee. Plans were changed this year due to the circumstances created in the aftermath of the earthquake in Armenia. It is recommended by the committee to go on with Phase I, to improve the front of the church only. This included expansion of the front with a bathroom and elevator.

Phase II will be on hold, with Phase III drastically modified and combined with Phase I. This project is estimated to cost about \$350,000.00. Last year it was approved by parishioners to go into Phase I and II if we had a pledge of 75% of the cost. Sarkis reported that \$250,000.00 has been pledged at the present time. It was moved, supported and passed that Parish Council call a Special Parish Assembly meeting as soon as possible with a detailed written report on this matter, for more proper consideration by the Parish Assembly.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Ted Takvorian proposed that Parish Council set up a Feasibility Study Committee of at least seven members, with a view to seek a solution in enabling Der Hayr to continue with his studies. The committee is to conclude its mandate in three months and present its proposal to the Assembly. This committee will consist of Parish Council Members and Parishioners-at-Large. A motion to this effect carried.
2. A motion was made by Jan Royland to propose a Diocesan By-Laws Amendment to allow absentee ballots at Parish Assembly's under special circumstances. Der Hayr read the article from the

Diocesan-By-Laws concerning the procedure to introduce amendments for consideration by the Diocesan Assembly. A motion was made, seconded and passed to have the proposal presented in writing and include it on the Agenda of the Special Assembly to be called by Parish Council.

3. It was recommended by Noubar Jessourian, and passed, to have the Church Secretary on hand at our Parish Assembly to run off any reports if needed.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE:

Chairman Leon Hovsepien presented the slate for Parish Council, Nominating and Auditing Committees. There are five vacancies to be filled on Parish Council, three each on the Nominating and Auditing Committees. The floor was opened for nominations. There being none, the current Nominating and Auditing Committees passed out the ballots.

The following elections results were presented:

PARISH COUNCIL

Thomas Ashbahian Ted Takvorian
Arda Kiljian Berdj Feredjian
Paul Pinajian

1st Alternate, Edward Pechdimaldji
2nd Alternate, Araxy Moundjian

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Sarkis Gabrellian
Andrea Halejian
Vicken Jessourian

Alternate - Dorothy Karamian

AUDITING COMMITTEE

Amy Vartoukian
Robert Ishkhanian
Florence Gulkasian

Alternate - William McMahon

Following the benediction by Fr. Arshen, the meeting adjourned at 2:45 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Florence Gulkasian
Assembly Secretary

Rev. Fr. Arshen Alvazian
Assembly President

Joseph Basralian
Assembly Chairman

FEBRUARY 4, 1990

PASTOR'S REPORT

(January 1 - December 31, 1990)

Greetings to all in the name of Our Lord Jesus Christ.

The year 1990 will go on record as a banner year in the history of our parish headlined by the 25th anniversary celebrations of the consecration of our church and the relocation of our parish to Fair Lawn. Personally also it was a most memorable year for me because it was the 25th anniversary of my ordination to the priesthood. Thus, it is with great pleasure and much spiritual satisfaction that I present to you this report of my activities as the Parish Priest and Pastor of St. Leon's Armenian Church.

I. LITURGICAL

1. Sunday Liturgies.

The central and most important aspect of Christian Community life is the common worship and offering of the Divine Liturgy, in the sharing of the Holy Body and Blood of Our Lord. My first and foremost function as a priest is to preside over this community worship service and through it to promote and proclaim the Good News of the Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ. It has been my effort to encourage the real participation of the congregation in the Liturgy in accordance with the customs and traditions of the Armenian Church. I have also tried, to the best of my abilities and with the help of God, to make my homilies as real and as relevant to our daily experiences of life as possible.

2. The Primate's Pastoral Visit and Ordinations

On the occasion of the 25th anniversary of the consecration of our church we were honored to have with us His Eminence Bishop Khajag Barsamian, our newly elected Diocesan Primate, who paid his first pastoral visit to our parish and celebrated the Divine Liturgy. During the course of the Eucharistic celebration His Eminence ordained Manuk Capan and Seminararian Vartan Ajamian to the diaconate, and at the end of the services a large group of liturgical servers received the Minor Orders of the Church. It is noteworthy to mention here that for the first time in the history of our Diocese among those ordained to the Minor Orders were a number of women, who now can officially and formally serve as acolytes. In connection to this, I would like to mention that also for the first time, The Service of Ordination to The Minor Orders was translated into modern Armenian and English by yours truly and printed copies were made available to the congregation.

3. Sacraments

During 1990 I administered a total of 52 sacraments with the following breakdowns: 24 infant and 1 adult baptisms, 14 weddings, and 13 funerals. In addition I participated in weddings and funeral services at the Cathedral and sister churches on 9 occasions.

As in the past five years I continued to impliment the well received pre-sacramental counseling programs occasioned by baptisms and weddings. By now these programs are well established in our parish and they are indeed an integral part of the process of preparation for the administration of the sacraments of baptism and marriage. I continue to stay

informed of the latest developments and advanced methods in the field to introduce any necessary changes in our programs.

In the case of funeral liturgies, cognizant of the fact that the death of a loved one is a time of grief and bereavement for the family of the deceased, I make myself available to the family in an effort to be present to them in their time of special need. I make an effort also to make the liturgy and my funeral homilies a source of comfort and strength, an opportunity for growth in the Christian faith for all involved.

4. Sacramentals

Sacramentals are liturgical services performed usually either at church or in the home, sanctifying special moments and occasions in one's life. The Betrothal Service (Blessing of the Engagement Ring), Grave Blessings, "Giragmoodk" services (a brief memorial service performed on the first Saturday evening after a funeral at the home of a deceased person), wedding anniversaries etc. fall under this category. The occasion turns into a pastoral home visitation as well. During the past year I have officiated at 49 such occasions.

5. Feast Day and Special Occasion Liturgies

Feast days or designated periods during the calendar year are enriched by our Church Fathers with special liturgies. While we are somewhat limited in our resources and social circumstances to do all that is prescribed in our traditions, it has been my effort to do as much as possible and practical. Thus, The Feast of the Nativity of Our Lord, starting with the Advent Season and ending with the Nativity Octave, The Lenten Season with its special liturgies, The Liturgies of Holy Week culminating in the celebration of Our Lord's glorious Resurrection and continuing into the post-Easter season of Pentecost, The Feasts of Transfiguration, Assumption and Exaltation of the Cross are occasions of liturgical celebration and spiritual growth. With that in mind, on such occasions and whenever possible, the English translations of special liturgies (many of them my own) along with the Armenian text are made available to the congregation. Before closing this segment of my report, I am very gratified to note that those who do attend our worship services affirm that they do leave spiritually uplifted and nourished.

I wish here to thank our deacons, our choir director George Paroonagian, organist Sirvart Galstian, choir members, acolytes and altar servers for their devoted participation in our liturgies. My special thanks also to Dr. Berdj Feredjian, Wayne Rallo and Vasken Ohanyan for training new acolytes and censors. Thanks also to their parents for their cooperation. We will repeat our training programs whenever there are enough candidates again. The list of people I need to thank will not be complete without Grace Pinajian and her team of workers who regularly make the "Mahs", and Noubar Jessourian who donates our sacramental wine. To all of them my special thanks.

II. PASTORAL - SPIRITUAL

1. Visitations

Visitations are occasions for a pastor to meet the people and to get acquainted with their daily life. Most visitations are made

in the evening, although there are cases when a daytime visit may also be feasible. During a pastoral visit I try to observe the particular needs of a family/person and attempt to respond to those needs. In some instances the visit may well turn into a sort of a counseling opportunity with the discussion concentrating on interpersonal/interfamily relations and dynamics. Almost always a pastoral visit includes the blessing of the home. During the past year I have been able to make 35 home visitations.

2. Visitations to the sick

The great majority of visitations to the sick are in the hospital, and occasionally at home. The purpose of a pastoral call to the sick is to try to be present to the person by reflecting the healing presence of Christ in his/her time of need. In some cases the emotional stress experienced by the family of the patient needs as much pastoral attention as the condition of the patient him/herself. When the need calls for it follow up contact is maintained after the patient is discharged from the hospital. During 1990 I have made 52 pastoral calls to the sick.

As part of my continuing education, I participated in an eight week Clinical Training for Pastoral Care at Valley Hospital in Ridgewood, NJ. I will continue to seek ways and means for further opportunities of growth in my ministry.

3. Pre-Sacramental Consultations and Counseling

As I mentioned above, the pre-baptismal and pre-matrimonial (a.k.a. pre-Cana) counselings are well established components in the process of preparations for the sacramental life of the Church. Let me only add here that while the full benefits resulting from these worthwhile efforts will be reaped in the years to come, some positive results can already be seen in the increased presence of young families in our parish. Ultimately, these programs are intended to raise the level of consciousness among people concerning their relations with God and their place within the Church. The programs only sow the seeds in individuals, and we who are already in the church, must also be more aware of our call to become the soil in which the planted seeds will grow and bear fruit. I am confident that with our collective efforts on a continuous basis will further bear fruit for our parish in the future. In the 12 month period covered by this report I had 32 marital and 18 baptismal counselings.

4. Pastoral Counseling

Pastoral Counseling is one of the most important and highly developed fields in Christian Ministry today. In my capacity as the Pastor of St. Leon's I have involved myself in pastoral counseling either by initiating a session when I have seen the need and evaluated the readiness of the person to face a certain situation, or when a person has him/herself come forward with a particular situation that he/she wished to discuss. The subject matters may vary from a personal emotional/spiritual problem to family situations, or anything that could cause undue pressure and stress on a person. Occasionally the situation may include some aspect of social work as well. Most cases handled by individual pastors require short-term counseling. However, if and when long-term attention is needed I help the person establish contact

and make arrangements with a professional pastoral counselor. For that purpose I maintain contact with a few professional individuals and referral services in the general area where our parish families are located. During 1990 I have provided pastoral counseling services in more than 14 cases.

Before concluding this segment of my report I would like to bring to your attention a very important ministry in which our parish is actively involved, that of caring for the evergrowing needs of the homeless and the needy in our society. Through your donations to our charity fund we have been able to provide regular meals to a men's and a family shelter in Paterson. Also, in association with the churches of Fair Lawn we shared the responsibility of providing meals and served them in an emergency family shelter in Englewood for two separate weeks. It is extremely gratifying for me to see that many of our parishioners are gradually taking part in such endeavors. I believe more of us will be involved in the future as our awareness of the problem is increased. In the meantime, however, I would like to thank all those who have anonymously contributed to our Charity Fund, to those who have helped in the preparation and serving of the meals.

III. ADMINISTRATIVE

1. Church office

The church office is running quite smoothly due to the organization and supervision of the work that is handled routinely by the office. The nature and the amount of the work is evaluated whenever necessary and in consultation with the secretary changes are introduced for continued smooth operation. Our secretary for the last three years, Mrs. Natalie Merten, left us in August and moved to Florida. Our new secretary, Mrs. Patricia Trommelen assumed her new position as of August 1. I would like to express my thanks and appreciation to both for their dedicated work.

2. Custodial Work

The custodial work is also running efficiently and is responsive to our parish needs due to occasional reevaluation and necessary adjustments that are made according to the changing character of the work load. Our buildings and equipment are kept clean and orderly and our grounds are sufficiently well cared for. I would like to express my thanks and appreciation to our custodian Mr. Minas Arakelian who continues to serve with much dedication.

3. Parish Business and Related Work

The conduct of the official business of the church, be it on pastoral, parish, diocesan, or business level is processed through the church office. Most of the official correspondence is also handled by the office under my administrative supervision.

4. Organizations, Functions, Committees

a. On The Parish Level

In my capacity as the ex-officio president of all church organizations and committees I attend meetings and functions whenever the need arises and when such a meeting/function does not conflict with a more overriding need. I try to also attend key

Executive Committee meetings, and in general maintain contact with an organization for the purpose of both staying informed and providing the necessary leadership and guidance.

b. On The Diocesan Level

There are occasions when I am called upon by the Primate to perform a particular task or serve on a committee. Currently, I serve on the Diocesan Commission of Oriental Orthodox Churches, The Diocesan Spiritual Committee, and since October on the Committee for the Propagation of our Apostolic and Orthodox faith in Armenia. I have been assigned to these committees by the Primate and I try to fulfill my responsibilities to the best of my abilities.

c. On The Community Level

There are occasions when invitations are extended to me to attend a function or an affair in the Armenian Community at large. These may be invitations to lecture, to serve on a committee or to attend a certain program. I try to respond positively to such invitations time and circumstances permitting.

d. Ecumenical Affairs

The Fellowship of Christian Ministers of Fair Lawn continued to hold monthly meetings to discuss issues of common concern and interest, and to implement programs that will benefit the whole community. We have now jointly sponsored ecumenical services on occasions that are common to all churches and which are in compliance with each denomination's established policies. The Community Vacation Bible School, The Prayer for Christian Unity and The Good Friday Service are already established traditions in our community. This year we started the Interfaith Thanksgiving Service which was very well received. I must say that the participation of our parishioners in these joint services are not at a desirable level, and I take this opportunity to urge everyone to participate more fully in these ecumenical liturgies.

During the course of the year I have attended altogether 110 functions, events, meetings etc. in my capacity as pastor of St. Leon's.

IV. EDUCATIONAL

The educational needs of the church-going Armenian public is a recognized fact. Cognizant of this reality and in an effort to respond to the particular needs in our parish, I continue my efforts to create opportunities and to provide the means to educate our people. Here are some of them.

a. Weekly Bulletins

Our weekly bilingual bulletins include not only the announcements but also appropriate lessons, informations and reading material for that particular Sunday. During 1990 48 issues of the bulletin were published.

b. Lradoo

10 issues of the Lradoo were prepared and mailed during 1990. The editorial responsibilities of the Lradoo were carried capably by Mr. Leon Varjian, who resigned as of September. In the absence

of a new editor, I edited the last four issues, and now I am happy to report that Mrs. Barbara Hovsepian has assumed the editorial responsibilities of the Lradoo as of January 1991. To Mr. Varjian and Mrs. Hovsepian I express my thanks and appreciation.

c. The Church and Armenian Schools

The Church School is the main vehicle of Christian education for our children. As such it must receive our continuous attention and care. The same is true of the Armenian School where our children learn their ancestral language, history and culture. I am available to both schools for advice and guidance. In the case of the Church School I maintain close contact with the Superintendent to insure maximum benefit for our students. For the fifth year in a row I continued to teach the high school grades in a course designed with the particular needs of our teenagers in mind. The course, which is taught over a period of three years (6 semesters) covers Bible; Doctrine; Sacraments; Ethics; Liturgy and Church History.

I take this opportunity to thank Mrs. Maryanne Mozian, the Chairperson of the Armenian School and her Committee of dedicated members. My deep gratitude goes also to Mrs. Barbara Hovsepian, our Church School Superintendent, for their untiring efforts. My appreciation also goes to the staff and faculty of both Schools for their dedication to the noble cause of educating our children.

d. Handbook for Parishioners

In an effort to meet a growing need in the adult population of our church, I prepared a "Handbook for Parishioners", which contains both practical and educational information about parish and church life. The response to this endeavor has been overwhelmingly positive. I would like to thank Mr. & Mrs. George Paroonagian and Quality House of Graphics for donating the printing of the booklet. Copies are available to anyone free of charge.

e. Lectures and Seminars

Occasionally I am invited to deliver a lecture or participate in a seminar. In the early part of last year I delivered a paper on "Ritual and Ethnicity In The Orthodox Christian Community As A Source of Comfort and Support" at a Seminar sponsored by The Foundation of Thanatology and attended by health care professionals. In the summer, I lectured on Armenian Church History at three St. Nersess Summer Study Conferences.

I mentioned in the opening paragraph of this report that 1990 was a significant year for me as a priest because it was the 25th anniversary of my ordination to the priesthood. This milestone in my life was marked on September 30 and I would like to express my thanks to all those who shared my joy on this occasion. My special thanks to the Parish Council for the gift on your behalf.

Before ending my report I take this opportunity to offer my thanks and appreciation to Mr. Charles Pinajian, for his dedicated work as Chairman of the Parish Council and to all the members of the Parish Council. My thanks and appreciation also go to the chairpersons of all church organizations, committees and the members of the executive bodies. Allow me also to express my

sincerest thanks and appreciation to my wife Yeretzgin Sirarpi for her constant support and encouragement, and for her genuine sharing in my ministry. Last but not least my deep gratitude to all of you, the members of St. Leon's parish. With whose understanding, cooperation and support 1990 turned out to be a rewarding and memorable year.

Father Arshen Aivazian
St. Leon's Armenian Church
Annual Parish Assembly
February 17, 1991

SUMMARY OF PASTOR'S REPORT
(January 1 - December 31, 1990)

I. LITURGICAL

1. Regular Sunday Liturgies
2. Preparation of sermons
3. Sacraments: 25 baptisms (24 infant, 1 adult)
14 weddings 13 funerals
4. Sacramentals: 49 occasions
5. Special Liturgies: Christmas Season, Lenten Services, Holy Week and Easter Season, Parish Council Installation, Blessing of Grapes, Wedding Anniversaries, Community Ecumenical Services, Ordinations to the Diaconate and the Minor Orders.
6. Special Project: Translated and published Rest Service and Ordination to the Minor Orders.

II. PASTORAL-SPIRITUAL

1. Home visitations: 35
2. Visitations to the sick: 52
3. Wedding consultations: 15
4. Pre-Cana counselings: 17
5. Baptismal consultations and counselings: 18
6. General Pastoral Counseling cases: 14
7. Actively participated in the care of the homeless.

III. ADMINISTRATIVE

1. Administered and supervised church office work.
2. Administered and supervised custodial work.
3. Conducted church related business administration, correspondance, phone contacts, interviews, fundraising etc.
4. Participated in ecumenical activities locally and on the Diocesan level.
5. Attended and participated in parish, diocesan and community meetings, programs and projects on 110 seperate occasions.

IV. EDUCATIONAL

1. 48 issues of weekly bulletins
2. 10 issues of Lradoo (6 edited by Leon Varjian)
3. Continued to teach a combined class of 10, 11 and 12th graders.
4. Supervised and guided the Church School program; assisted the Armenian School, lectured to students and community and civic organizations, delivered a paper at Thanatology Seminar, lectured at St. Nersess Summer Study Seminars.
5. Eight week Clinical Training for Pastoral Care at Valley Hospital.
6. Prepared and published "Handbook for Parishioners".

SOME INFORMATIONAL DATA

- * Average time spent on church work each week: 60-65 hours.
- * Average nights per week spent for church work: 4-5 nights.
- * Average time to prepare a sermon: 6-7 hours.
- * Average time it takes to prepare a bulletin: 4-5 hours.
- * Average time per counseling session: 1 1/2 hours.
- * Average time to prepare for one class session: 3-4 hours.

DIOCESAN ASSEMBLY REPORT

May 3, 4, 5, 1990

Presented to St. Leon Parish Council
by Ruth Bedevian, Diocesan Delegate
May 17, 1990

The 88th Annual Diocesan Assembly convened on Thursday, May 3, through Saturday, May 5, at the Armenian Church of Our Savior, Worcester, Massachusetts. It was the 100th Anniversary of the hose parish, the oldest Armenian Church in America. Representing St. Leon parish were its three Delegates, Sarkis Soultanian, Rex Kachigian and Ruth Bedevian. Reverend Father Arshen Aivazian and Parish Council Chairman, Charles Pinajian also attended and participated in the deliberations and elections. There was guest representation from the Canadian and Western Dioceses and the Prelacy.

The Diocese is comprised of parishes located throughout 13 states, plus Washington, DC. In addition there are 14 mission parishes which have assigned visiting clergy (9 states). The total number of clergy now serving the Diocese, including the newly elected Primate, the Very Rev. Father Khajag Barsamian, is 47.

ARMENIAN CHURCH ENDOWMENT FUND (ACEF)

Victor Arzoomanian, Executive Director of the ACEF, delivered a brief report. Over \$11,000,000.00 is invested in the fund, which has been established since 1973. It earns an average of 8.5 percent interest income. A sum of \$711,000 was distributed to various designated charities in April of this year. St. Leon Church ranks FIRST among churches in total amount invested in the ACEF, with \$191,542.00 earning interest income in 1989 of \$15,240.05.

EARTHQUAKE PROGRESS REPORT

Ared. A. Bulbuljian, General Manager of the Diocesan Fund for Armenia's Recovery, gave an update and distributed a financial report. He took over from Jack Antreassian, who was in charge for most of 1989. Approximately \$7.7 million has been donated thus far, of which \$4.5 million has been collected from parishes throughout the Diocese. The reconstruction of Stepanaven - one facet of the recovery effort - is expected to exceed \$30,000. Stepanaven is designed as a self-contained community. Reverend Father Tateos Abdalian of St. Peter's, (Watervliet, NY), recommended that a church be included among the plans for community buildings and it was so noted. The Diocese continues to participate in United Armenian Fund (UAF) airlifts. Items which will help with long-term reconstruction and economic rehabilitation are priority now, rather than food and

clothing. The goal is to make the Armenians as self-sufficient as possible.

UNITY REPORT

Proposed By-laws prepared by the Joint Diocesan-Prelacy Unity Committee were presented to the Delegates for perusal and opinions, suggestions, revisions. There are seventeen (17) articles that involve change from our (Diocesan) By-laws; three (3) are brand new and nine (9) of ours (Diocesan) are eliminated. It has been suggested that area delegates and Clergy and Parish Council Chairmen meet to review each article under question and report back to the Unity Committee within 90 days. Considerable time was spent reporting and discussing the joint April 24 commemoration.

NEW ENGLAND REGIONAL REPORT

Zarvin Kasparian, Chairman of the Regional Council, gave a brief report. "The New England Region was created as a sample to see the positive and negative aspects of regionalization." A proposal to eliminate the New England Region was on the agenda and did NOT pass. The New England Region represents 20 percent of parishes in the Diocese and 35 percent of its membership.

ELECTIONS

The Very Rev. Father Khajag Barsamian was elected on the first ballot as our new Primate. Archbishop Nersess Bozabalian, Chancellor of the Holy See, Etchmiadzin, and Bishop Avak Asadourian, Primate of Iraq, were candidates also. There were 157 registered Delegates (including Parish Council Chairmen and Clergy). The following were elected to the respective committees:

Unity Committee: Harry Terzian Indefinite

This election took place to fill the vacancy created by the sudden death of Judge John Najarian. Other members of this committee are: Father Dajad Davidian, Crosby Goshgarian, Father Paren Avedikian, Ed Chapien, Zarvin Kasparian and Father Haigazoun Melkonian.

Diocesan Board of Trustees: Zarvin Kasparian 10 years

Proposal Committee: Dr. Raffi Hovanesian (IL)
Father Garabed Kochakian (WI)
George Nahabedian (IL)
Dr. Gary Zamanigian (MI)
Arthur Mardigian (MI)

Nominating Committee: Rev. Dajad Davidian (MA)
Dan Dorian (MA)

Father Yeprem Kelegian (CT)
John Merzigian (MA)
Asbed Zakarian (MA)

Auditing Committee:

Haig Dadourian (NY) 3 years
Shah Arslan (NY) 2 years
George Mekenian (NJ) 1 year

Diocesan Council:

No elections

BUDGET

A budget for 1990 was approved at \$2,415,000.00; a proposed budget for 1991 was presented at \$2,650,000.00.

PROPOSALS

Eight (8) proposals were submitted for vote; three (3) of which were proposed By-laws amendments. A proposal to allow absentee ballots at Parish Assemblies was overwhelmingly defeated. A proposal to allow married clergy to be candidates for the office of Primate was passed. This does not have "legal" or binding authority, but does demonstrate the wish of the Assembly for the Catholicos to seriously consider its merits. A proposal to establish a Youth Ministry Department was passed. This department would be funded by setting "no less than 1.0 percent of each parish's annual budget" and that these funds be designated the Youth Ministry Department Fund (YMDF) and will be included in the annual dues paid to the Diocese. Another proposal established the Archbishop Tiran Nersoyan Memorial Publications Committee, whose aim is to collect publications, articles, sermons, etc., of the late theologian, with intention to publish same, proceeds to be donated to St. Nersess Armenian Seminary in his memory. Expenses to be underwritten by solicited donations by the committee. Also passed was a proposal that the Diocese "form a conference of major Armenian organizations to create a standing committee to deal with emergency situations that require a coordinated response of the entire Aremian-American community," (e.g., Earthquake, Karabagh, etc).

Respectfully submitted

Ruth Bedevian
Diocesan Delegate

FEBRUARY 1991
ANNUAL PARISH ASSEMBLY

PARISH COUNCIL REPORT

Dear Fellow Parishioners:

In the third year since the "Earthquake of '88" in our motherland, our community continues to prosper and develop. In view of the severe shortages of food and clothing, and in view of the religious and economic turmoil they are encountering, our responsibilities to our Parish and people in the St. Leon community have been, and are being maintained by your Parish Council and Parish Priest.

Our Council has met on a regular basis, on a twice-a-month schedule. The primary goals have again been to promote a cohesive community life and to increase the dues-paying membership while carrying on other normal duties of our Council.

Last year's Assembly mandated the then new Parish Council to appoint a committee to look into the feasibility of Fr. Arshen's attaining his Ph. D. and report back to this Assembly in 90 days. This committee was appointed and performed its functions under the chairmanship of Council Member Theodore Takvorian. It became unnecessary to call a special meeting to report the committee's finding however, when Fr. Arshen was advised that the University had not allowed him the extension of time necessary to complete his project. All voting members were formally notified of this fact.

Our Building Project has "slowed to a walk" because of our current economy and, in order to keep costs to a minimum, no further architectural work has been authorized. Project Chairman Sarkis Gabrellian and his committee recommend waiting, possibly until next year.

Because of the previous success with past Luncheons, we again hosted our parishioners, this time with a spaghetti and meatball dinner after church services. The kitchen was under the capable supervision of Richard Tomasian. It was very well attended.

Dr. Knarig Khatchadourian-Meyer, our Corresponding Secretary, took over the added responsibility of overseeing a number of cultural events -

(1) The April 20th reception honoring our living survivors of the Massacre. This was a very meaningful affair, particularly to the survivors.

(2) Carol Der Boghosian of Hartford, Connecticut, who has been so dedicated to helping our people since the Earthquake, and after a number of trips to Hayasdan, presented her slides at our Community Center. As a result, close to \$13,000.00 was collected. A committee was formed consisting of Ann Kachigian, Grace Pinajian and Yeretzgin Sirarpi Aivazian, who used this money to obtain and sent to our needy mothers and babies in Armenia the following: 202 Layettees, 150 First Aid Kids and 1 "Jaundice" Light. The remainder of this money, approximately \$5,000.00, was given through "Armenian Health Alliance," for food and other necessary medical supplies. This project was well handled by the committee and deserves commendation.

(3) There was a very fine piano recital by Diane Tossounian in our Community Center, all proceeds being given to Earthquake Relief. The selections were certainly professionally performed and, with her family, we all were very proud.

(4) On another occasion, Dr. Shahan Khatchadourian, curator of the "Sarian" Museum in Armenia, gave a talk and showed slides of the works of Aivazovsky. This lecture was to some degree made possible because he is related to Dr. Knarig. The attendance was great.

(5) One evening we had a very interesting lecture by Dr. Ralph Meyer, Dr. Knarig's husband. His subject was USSR-Europe and the New World Order, with its positive effects on Armenia. This was fully attended. We look forward to future lectures.

Our Annual Picnic was again chaired by Antoine Moundjian and was most efficiently managed, with his entire family pitching in on this.

The Food Festival was once again a great success. The emphasis has been shifted to more concentration on the food rather than on merchandise sales; hence the reason for calling it a Food Festival rather than a Bazaar. The committee was headed by Bert Bedrosian and his assistant Robert Ishkanian. Our ladies baking and cooking was again, "Grade A".

The occasion of the Twenty-fifth Anniversary of our church's relocation from Paterson to Fair Lawn afforded us the opportunity to have a celebration banquet on

December 16, with an accompanying booklet. It was graced by our new Primate, Bishop Khajag Barsamian. This was also considered the ideal moment to officially recognize Andrew Tilbian, Zaven Marootian and Harotune Nakashian, posthumously, and also Lucy and George Dabagian for their service and contributions to St Leon. A plaque with all their name has been placed in the Narthex of our church.

This celebration was very capably run and well organized by Chairman Rex Kachigian, our Parish Council Vice-chairman. Rex's committee showed outstanding work by Tom Ashbahian on the ad booklet, and Margaret Ajamian in producing it. Ruth Bedevian's publicity, as usual, was top-rate.

Our December 24th Christmas Eve service was attended by a packed church, followed by a special reception in the Community Center.

This year's New Year's Eve celebration was overshadowed by our Anniversary Banquet. Although a very good time was had by all, the attendance was half of the previous year. Chairman Richard Tomasian and his committee consisting of Gail Soultanian and Gloria Tomasian put it all together in two weeks.

Our Membership Program seems to be interrupted continually by other seemingly more important matters and functions. This project should be one of the most important and urgent priorities in our parish life. Up until the present time, there are possibly 15 to 20 new members (voting members that is). The "shot-gun" approach which was intended has turned out to be an on-going project which a small group of members is working at on a spare-time basis. Our biggest single problem has been a lack of response by our parishioners to work on the committee and make visitations.

A healthy parish life requires a little more commitment than attending church on a sunny Sunday morning. Rex Kachigian and Ted Takvorian are always available to enroll new visiting members.

Our Annual Live Christmas Tree Sale was successful once more and was again managed most capably by Jan Royland and Vicken Jessourian.

With regard to our Church Organizations -

Junior ACYDA continues to thrive and grow under the new advisorship of Dawn Hourdajian and Jo-Ann Tashjian, both of whom assumed their duties in September of this year. Our outgoing advisors, Rose Najarian and Barbara

Boghosian well deserved the special recognition bestowed upon them by Fr. Arshen on behalf of our parish.

Senior ACYOA. These are our budding community adults. They continue to enjoy the privilege of participating in the youth activities and camaraderie as they come and go from college and as they embark on their various careers.

Sports Association. George Kechejian, Jr., is dedicated to this task of heading up the various basketball teams. With senior, junior and girls' teams and their participation over these many years in the local Armenian community, they have walked away with countless championship trophies. The Senior ACYOA members comprise the coaching staff.

This basketball group, which I believe is so important to our youth, does not seem to receive the recognition and publicity which it should. We are working at improving this.

Armenian School. This Wednesday evening school has been in existence since our relocation in Fair Lawn. It has been self-supporting for the most part due to the dedication of its Board members over these many years. Recently, however, we are experiencing a dwindling enrollment which may create a deficit in its budget. The reason for this decline in enrollment could possibly be that the "Americanization" of many of our families has eliminated the need to speak the Armenian language in their homes and therefore, the desire and need to learn is no longer so strong. This situation is currently being studied by our Council.

One possible answer to this situation could be to find a benefactor who would underwrite the cost of the school budget so that the entire curriculum could be offered to our community for free. Mary Ann Mozian and her Board are hard at work and remain concerned.

Sunday School. Our Sunday School is at present enjoying a fairly high enrollment and is well staffed with committed teachers. Barbara Hovsepian, as Superintendent, is constantly busy on top of things, maintaining the status quo.

Accolytes. The acolytes program is continually training acolytes and censors under the guidance of Vasken Dhanyan and Wayne Rallo. We express our deepest gratitude to these dedicated gentlemen.

Senior Citizens. Our Seniors continue to meet weekly for their social gatherings, the group consisting of parish members as well as non-members. They "make the rounds," meeting at our various neighboring parishes on different days of the week. Mr. Manuk Capan, as Chairman, is doing a great job with them.

Women's Guild. Our ladies have continued to uphold their organization according to their traditions and as usual have served as the backbone of any and all functions and projects as they are needed. We look to an increase in their membership.

Care and Share. What started out as a small group of concerned mothers, with their babies, has blossomed into a full group of young adults who have taken on more responsibility in their parish. My personal expectations are being confirmed in that this group has grown into a viable working arm of our parish. I look forward to some very positive accomplishments. Certainly they have the talent and capability.

Community Center. Our Center is maintaining quite a busy schedule, providing revenues. We have made extensive improvements in the ladies room, men's room and kitchen drains. These have amounted to approximately \$10,000.00. After ten years of operation the Center itself is now beginning to show signs of wear. We can expect to have to make some major improvements in the near future such as carpeting, wall papering and ceiling tiles.

Our thanks to Andy Boyajian and later to John Voskian for managing the rentals.

Our office is now being capably managed by Mrs. Patricia Trommelen, as she has replaced Mrs. Natalie Merten, who retired, relocating to Florida. I wish to thank her for all her help and cooperation since she has joined our staff.

Our Church, Center and grounds are being well maintained by Mr. Minas Arakelian, our Custodian. His dedication is to be commended. Our Council appreciates all that he is doing.

I again thank Fr. Arshen for his spiritual guidance and dedication in enabling me to serve in this capacity.

Thank you, all those of you whose donations of time, talent and/or treasure have aided St. Leon in its progress, be it organization heads, church school

teachers, choir members, deacons, guidance counselors, basketball personnel or senior citizens. Each of you has contributed in your own way.

Finally, I extend my personal thanks and appreciation to outgoing Parish Council members -

~~Dr. Berdj Feredjian~~ John Demirdjian
Rex Kachigian
Martin Kapoian
Dr. Knarig Khatchadourian-Meyer
Jan Royland

All have served devotedly and unquestionably and deserve the gratitude of all.

I must give special recognition to Araxy Moundjian, as an Alternate Parish Council Member, for her work throughout the year, with her regular attendance at meetings and for the work which she accomplished.

In closing, I extend my best wishes for a successful, prosperous future for St. Leon and its entire family in this coming year.

Respectfully submitted,

Parish Council Chairman
Charles Pinajian

Parish Council - 1990

Fr. Arshen Aivazian, President
Charles Pinajian, Chairman
Rex Kachigian, Vice-Chairman/Delegate
Arda Kiljian, Recording Secretary
Dr. Knarig Khatchadourian-Meyer, Corresponding Secretary
John Demirdjian, Treasurer
Thomas Ashbahian, Assistant Treasurer
Jan Royland, Member
Martin Kapoian, Member
Ted Takvorian, Member
Dr. Berdj Feredjian, Member
Paul Pinajian, Member
Ruth Bedevian, Delegate
Sarkis Soutanian, Delegate
Araxy Moundjian, Alternate Member

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Միութեանս վարչութեան ժամանակաշրջանը վերջացաւ 1989 տարւոյ Ղեկ-տնաբերին եւ Յունուար 3, 1990-ին տեղի ունեցաւ մասնաւոր անդամական ժողով նոր վարչութիւն մը ընտրելու օրակարգով: Ընտրութեան արդիւնքը հետեւեալն էր. Մանուկ Չափան՝ ատենապետ, Ռօպ Չուզանըզեան՝ փոխ-ատենապետ, Նիքոլա Գուլտաքճեան՝ գանձապահ, Սիրվարդ Սիմոնեան՝ գանձիչ, եւ Մանուշակ Առաքելեան, Արշալոյս Վարժապետեան, Վարդիթեր Առաքելեան խորհրդատու անդամներ:

Անցեալ տարուայ ընթացքին վարչութիւնս ունեցաւ 8 ժողովներ, իսկ մեր Չորեքշաբթի օրերու հաւաքոյթները շարունակուեցան հերթական կանոնաւորութեամբ 40 առիթներով: Շաբաթական այս հանդիպումներուն ընթացքին հրամցուած անուշեղէնի եւ սուրճի ընդունելութենէն բացի՝ վարչութիւնս 2 առիթներով ճաշ սպասարկեց, իսկ եկեղեցասէր Տիկնանց Միութեան Վարչութիւնը այս տարի եւս մեզ պատուեց Մայրերու եւ Հայրերու Օրերու առիթով աւանդական դարձած ճաշով: Մի քանի այլ առիթներով միութեանս անհատ անդամներ ճաշով հիւրընկալեցին մեզ: Ամառուայ ընթացքին իմբական պտոյտ մըն ալ ըրինք դէպի Ապաէրի Բարք, ուր տեղւոյն Ս. Ստեփանոս եկեղեցւոյ Հոգեւոր Հովիւ՝ Հայկապոլն Վրդ. Նաճարեանի նախագահութեամբ ծիսական կարճ արարողութենէ մը վերջ ճաշով հիւրընկալուեցանք եկեղեցւոյ Տիկնանց Միութեան կողմէ: Ընդհանուր առմամբ հաճելի օրեր եւ յաջող տարի մը ունեցանք:

Այս առիթով կը փափաքիմ իմ շնորհակալութիւնս յայտնել իմ վարչական գործակիցներունս որոնց անխոնջ աշխատանքը կարելի դարձուց մեր յաջողութիւնը: Շնորհակալութիւն նաեւ եկեղեցւոյս Հոգեւոր Հովիւ Տ. Արշէն Զինյ. Այվազեանին, Ծիսական Խորհուրդին, եկեղեցւոյս բոլոր կազմակերպութիւններուն եւ վերջապէս միութեանս բոլոր անդամներուն մեր վրայ իրենց ունեցած վստահութեան եւ մեզի ընձեռած իրենց սատարին համար:

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Մանուկ Չափան, Ատենապետ

FINANCIAL REPORT
SENIOR CITIZENS

Cash on Hand January 1, 1990

Checking \$1,100.51

Savings 2,570.86

Total \$3,671.37

Add 1990 Receipts \$4,666.94

Deduct 1990 Disbursements 2,225.16

Net 1990 Income (1,431.44)

Cash on Hand 12/90 (Before Payment to Parish Council)

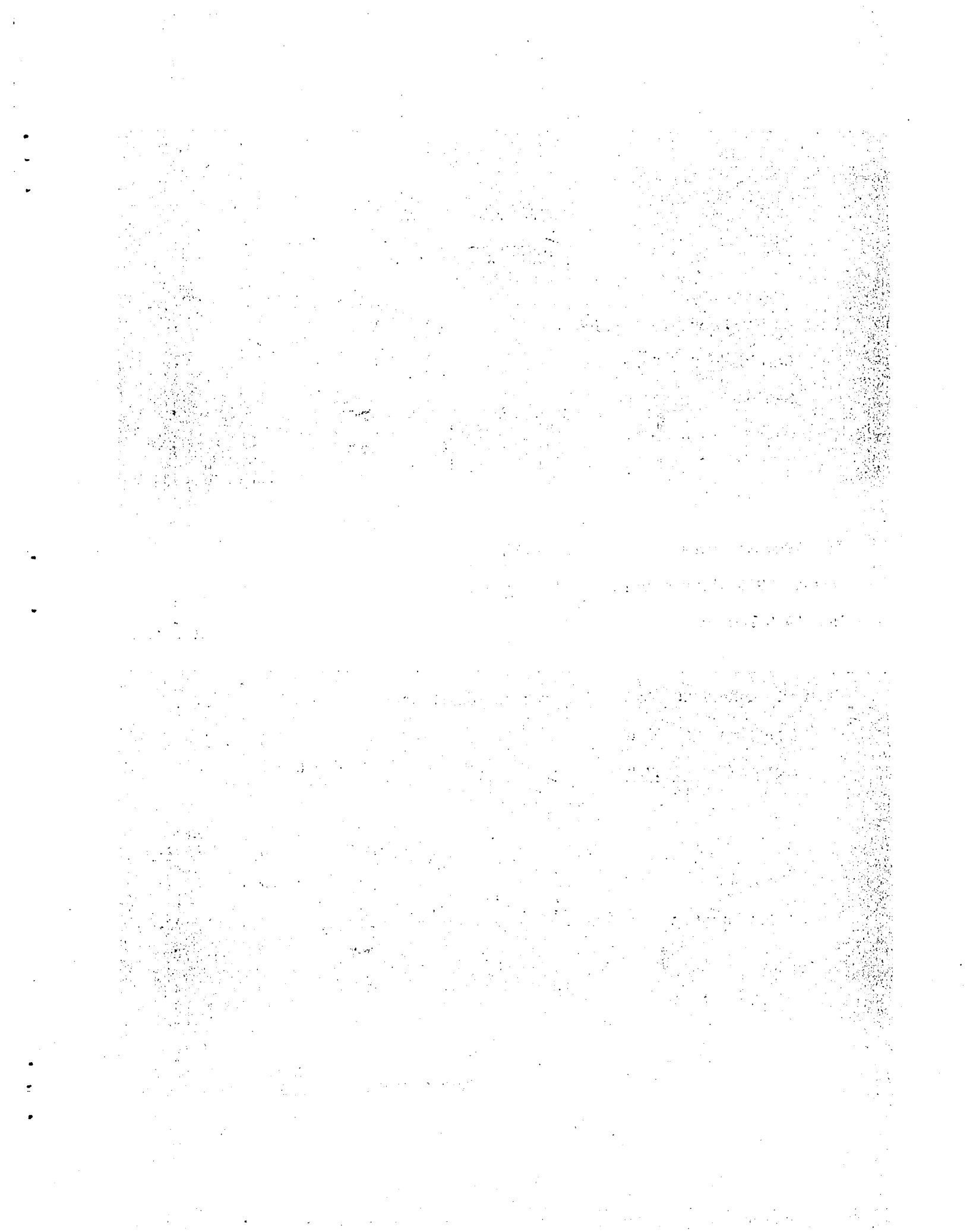
Checking \$1,100.51

Savings 2,570.86

Total \$3,671.37

80% of Net Income Turned over to Parish Council

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FINANCIAL STATEMENT

SENIOR CITIZENS

Cash on Hand January 1, 1990

Checking \$1,100.51

Savings 2,570.86

Total \$3,671.37

Add 1990 Receipts \$3,976.32

Deduct 1990 Disbursements 2,225.16

Net 1990 Income 1,751.16

Cash on Hand 12/90 (Before Payment to Parish Council)

Checking \$ 759.65

Savings 4,662.88

Total \$5,422.53

80% of Net Income to be Turned Over to Parish Council \$1,400.00

ST. LEON'S AUDIT COMMITTEE
AUDIT WORKSHEET 1990 CALENDAR YEAR

ST. LEON ARMENIAN CHURCH

A C Y O A JUNIORS

1990 ANNUAL REPORT

OFFICERS

Chairperson	Sylva Tossounian
Vice-chairperson	Jonathan Najarian
Recording Secretary	Joseph Basralian
Corresponding Secretary	Harout Moundjian
Treasurer	Diana Tossounian
Publicity	Jon Hovsepian
Advisor	Barbara Boghosian
Advisor	Rose Najarian

TOTAL MEMBERSHIP - 45

MAIN ACTIVITIES

Ski Trip
South Street Seaport Trip, twice
Barbeque
A C Y O A Day, Palm Sunday Dinner
Sports Weekend
Choreg Sale
Organizational Picnic Meeting, September
Meetings with St. Thomas Group
Food Festival

PROPOSED ACTIVITIES FOR 1991

Most of the Above
Trip to Great Adventure

FINANCIAL REPORT

A C Y O A JUNIORS

Cash on Hand January 1, 1990

Checking \$2,054.07

Savings 2,451.46

Total \$4,505.53

Add 1990 Receipts \$10,335.01

Deduct 1990 Disbursements 11,447.10

Net 1990 Income (1,112.09)

Cash on Hand 12/90 (Before Payment to Parish Council)

Checking \$ 737.42

Savings 2,656.02

Total \$3,393.44

80% of Net Income Turned over to Parish Council

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Interest Income of \$204.56 Included Above.

ST. LEON ARMENIAN CHURCH

A C Y O A SENIORS

1990 ANNUAL REPORT

OFFICERS

Chairperson	Nadine Aljian
Vice-President	Raffi Jessourian
Corresponding Secretary	Susan Chagachbanian
Treasurer	Peter Bedevian
Membership	Patti Toofanqian
Publicity	Linda Chagachbanian

TOTAL MEMBERSHIP - 40

MAIN ACTIVITIES

Bake Sale
Picnic
Shelter Dinner
Chocolate Sale
Archbishop's Tournament
ACYOA Day
Sports Weekend
Bowl-a-Thon
Food Festival

PROPOSED ACTIVITIES FOR 1991

Bake Sale	Archbishop's Tournament
Annual July Picnic	ACYOA Day
Road Rally	Sports Weekend
Shelter Dinner	

FINANCIAL REPORT

A C Y O A SENIORS

Cash on Hand January 1, 1990

Checking \$ 210.13

Savings -0-

Total \$ 210.13

Add 1990 Receipts \$1,761.24

Deduct 1990 Disbursements 1,606.91

Net 1990 Income

154.33

Cash on Hand 12/90 (Before Payment to Parish Council)

Checking \$ 364.46

Savings -0-

Total \$ 364.46

80% of Net Income Turned Over to Parish Council

\$ 123.74

Still Owe From 1989 Additional

\$ 72.10

ST. LEON ARMENIAN CHURCH

ARMENIAN SCHOOL

1990 ANNUAL REPORT

OFFICERS

Chairperson	Mary Ann Mozian
Secretary	Barbara Hovsepian
Treasurer	Arda Kiljian
Costumes and Properties	Zabelle Kaprelian
Board Member	Barbara Boghosian
Board Member	Rose Najarian
Principals	Hagop and Sirarpi Aram

TOTAL MEMBERSHIP - 30 Students, 7 Teachers, (1 Conversation, 1 Dance)

MAIN ACTIVITIES

Food Festival
Sunday School Christmas Program
St. Vartanantz Program
Winter Dance
Communion Breakfast
Spring Plant Sale
Covered Dish Dinner
Hantes

PROPOSED ACTIVITIES FOR 1991

All of the Above

FINANCIAL REPORT
ARMENIAN SCHOOL

Cash on Hand January 1, 1990

Checking \$ 245.38

Savings 1,436.42

Total \$1,681.80

Add 1990 Receipts \$17,718.98

Deduct 1990 Disbursements 12,094.85

Net 1990 Income

5,624.13

Cash on Hand 12/90 (Before Payment to Parish Council)

Checking \$5,685.83

Savings 1,620.10

Total \$7,305.93

80% of Net Income to be Turned Over to Parish Council

\$4,499.30

Interest Income of \$576.30 Included Above.

ST. LEON ARMENIAN CHURCH

CH O I R

1990 ANNUAL REPORT

OFFICERS

Chairperson	Dr. Berdj Feredjian
Vice chairperson	Emerald Noorigian
Corresponding Secretary	Florence Gulkasian
Treasurer	Rose Kirian
Director	George Paroonagian
Organist	Silvart Galstian

TOTAL MEMBERSHIP - 25, Including Der Hayr, Deacons

MAIN ACTIVITIES

Participation in Church Liturgies
Badarack and Holidays

Attendance of 44th Annual Assembly of the
Association of Armenian Church Choirs of America

Raised Funds for New Liturgical Choir Books

Held Picnic/Reorganization Meeting in August

PROPOSED ACTIVITIES FOR 1991

Participation in Church Liturgies
Badarack and Holidays

Cultural Events for the Parish

FINANCIAL REPORT

CHOIR

Cash on Hand J January 1, 1990

Checking \$ -0-

Savings 1,000.71

Total \$1,000.71

Add 1990 Receipts \$1,134.54

Deduct 1990 Disbursements 504.00

Net 1990 Income 626.54

Cash on Hand 12/90 (Before Payment to Parish Council):

Checking \$ -0-

Savings 1,627.25

Total \$1,627.25

80% of Net Income Turned Over to Parish Council \$ 185.50

(Excludes Liturgical Book Fundraiser)

Interest Income of \$127.54 Included Above.

ST. LEON ARMENIAN CHURCH

SUNDAY SCHOOL

1990 ANNUAL REPORT

OFFICERS

Superintendent	Barbara Hovsepian
Assistant Superintendent	Donna Siroonian
Secretary	Loren Medina
Treasurer	Linda Galgano/ Virginia Hachadourian

TOTAL MEMBERSHIP - 120 Students, 12 Teachers, 4 Executives

MAIN ACTIVITIES

Annual Christmas Dinner and Program

Abp. Torkom Manogian's 55th Anniversary of Ordination Celebration for Children

Covered Dish Dinner

Sunday School Teachers Retreat

Lenten Project/Religious Educational Materials for Armenia

Communion Breakfast

Classroom Painting Project

Pentacost Party

Halloween Party for UNICEF

Clothing and School Supplies for Armenia

Regional Superintendents Meetings.

Graduation and Closing.

PROPOSED ACTIVITIES FOR 1991

Many of the Activities Listed Above

End-of-Term Sunday School Outing

FINANCIAL REPORT

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Cash on Hand January 1, 1990

Checking \$ -38.95

Savings 4,223.32

Total \$4,184.37

Add 1990 Receipts \$4,885.81

Deduct 1990 Disbursements 3,999.93

Net 1990 Income 885.88

Cash on Hand 12/90 (Before Payment to Parish Council)

Checking \$ -0-

Savings 5,070.25

Total \$5,070.25

80% of Net Income Turned Over to Parish Council \$ 708.70

Interest Income of \$298.27 Included Above.

ST. LEON ARMENIAN CHURCH

WOMEN'S GUILD

1990 ANNUAL REPORT

OFFICERS

Chairperson	Helen Mazoujian
Vice-chairperson	Lucille Varjian
Recording Secretary	Marge Semonian
Corresponding Secretary	Florence Gulkasian
Treasurer	Donna Sironian
Advisor	Barbara Hovsepian

TOTAL MEMBERSHIP - 94

MAIN ACTIVITIES

Fish and Chips Dinner
Military Bridge
Mother's and Father's Day Luncheons
Visits to Home for the Aged
Layettes for Armenian Babies
Homeless and Battered Women's Shelter

PROPOSED ACTIVITIES FOR 1991

Military Bridge
Fish and Chips Dinner
Many of our Previous Activities

FINANCIAL REPORT

WOMEN'S GUILD

Cash on Hand January 1, 1990

Checking \$2,063.69

Savings 1,718.60

Savings 3,389.00

Total \$7,171.29

Add 1990 Receipts \$8,197.94

Disbursements
Deduct 1990 Receipts 5,937.51

Net 1990 Income

2,260.43

Cash on Hand 12/90 (Before Payment to Parish Council)

Checking \$4,036.29

Savings 1,815.44

Savings 3,579.99

Total \$9,431.72

80% of Net Income to be Turned Over to Parish Council

\$1,808.34

ST. LEON ARMENIAN CHURCH

CARE AND SHARE

1990 ANNUAL REPORT

OFFICERS

Group Leader
Secretary/Treasurer
Programs
Refreshments

Linda Galgano
Barbara Royland
Carol Ashbahian
Andrea Halejian
Nancy Burdman
Jo-Ann Tashjian

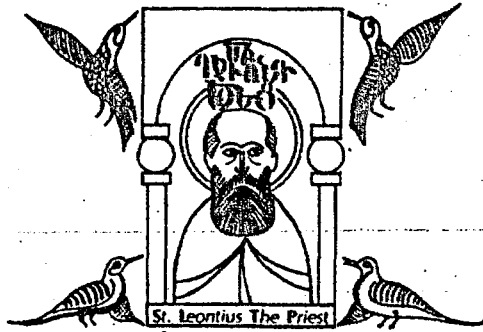
TOTAL MEMBERSHIP - 25

MAIN ACTIVITIES

June - Dinner
July - Picnic with the Children
April/May - Play with the Children
September - Bake Sale
December - Dinner
December - Breakfast with Santa

PROPOSED ACTIVITIES FOR 1991

All of the Above, and/or
Meetings/Speakers in
February, April, June, October



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The Rev. Father Arshen Aivazian
Parish Priest

January 31, 1991

Dear Parishioner,

An examination of all financial reports for the Parish Council and the various church organizations was conducted for the fiscal year of 1990. Where necessary, corrections were made and brought to the attention of the Parish Council and/or the organization.

The Auditing Committee, consisting of William McMahon, Amy Vartoukian, Florence Gulkasian and myself found the books to be in satisfactory condition.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Ishkanian
Robert Ishkanian
Chairperson
Auditing Committee

CHURCH ORGANIZATIONS AUDITED

A. C. Y. O. A. Juniors
A. C. Y. O. A. Seniors
Armenian School
Choir
Senior Citizens
Sunday School
Women's Guild

ST. LEON ARMENIAN CHURCH

ACCOUNTING OF FUNDS LISTED

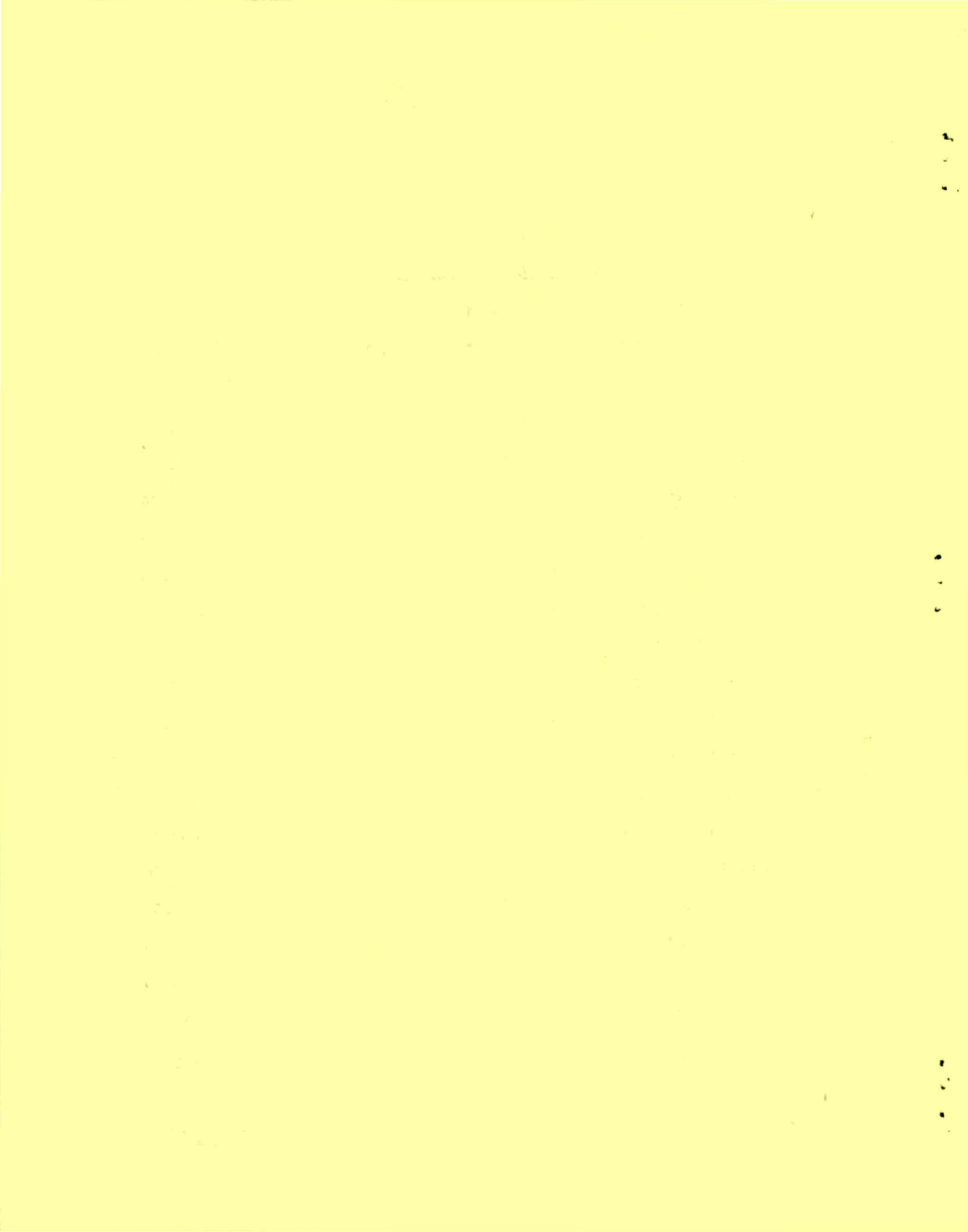
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THE ARMENIAN CHURCH ENDOWMENT FUND

Sarkis and Ruth Bedevian Fund	\$ 10,000.00
George Beshlian Fund	4,000.06
Harout Boyadjian Fund	3,129.36
Robert Buchakian Fund	100,000.00
E. George and Lucy Dabagian Fund	11,000.00
Zaven and Arlene Dadekian Fund	16,250.00
Andrew John Halejian Fund	11,460.00
Arpine Holopikian Fund	1,717.00
Fr. Vahan and Yr. Zarouhi Jelalian Fund	6,050.00
Peter Jesraly Fund	2,600.00
Noubar and Anita Jessourian Fund	9,000.00
Satenik Kazanjian Fund	25,000.00
Mirjan Kirian Fund	500.00
Janes and Emerald Noorigian Fund	1,667.00
Varsen Torosian Fund	1,920.00
Anthony Tunqrian Fund	1,740.00
Lucy Tutungian Fund	7,315.00
Lucille Varjian	200.00
Takvorian Fund	4,200.06
TOTAL	\$213,798.42

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ST. LEON ARMENIAN CHURCH
COMPARATIVE OPERATING BUDGET SUMMARY

DECEMBER 31, 1990

DISBURSEMENTS

	<u>PROPOSED</u> <u>1990</u>	<u>ACTUAL</u> <u>1990</u>	<u>PERCENT</u> <u>TOTAL</u>	<u>PROPOSED</u> <u>1991</u>	<u>PERCENT</u> <u>TOTAL</u>
Clergy Stipend, Employee Salaries, Pensions, Insurance	\$75,500.00	\$78,124.00	35.33	\$81,100.00	34.96
Visiting Clergy	500.00	1,050.00	.47	1,000.00	.43
Diocesan Dues and Expenses	17,500.00	18,317.00	8.28	20,000.00	8.62
Sports Association, Basketball, etc.	1,000.00	2,149.00	.97	1,500.00	.65
General Administra- tiona Expenses	15,000.00	16,830.00	7.61	17,000.00	7.33
Utilities	33,000.00	29,513.00	13.34	30,000.00	12.93
Publications and Mailings	4,500.00	7,203.00	3.25	7,500.00	3.23
Repairs, Maintenance Church, Cottage	5,000.00	2,951.00	1.33	5,000.00	2.16
Insurance/Liability, Property Damage, Casualty	16,000.00	12,699.00	5.74	14,300.00	6.16
Armenian School	2,500.00	43.00	.00	2,000.00	.86
Sunday School	2,500.00	2,189.00	.99	2,500.00	1.08
Organist Stipend	2,000.00	1,710.00	.77	2,600.00	1.12
Van Expense	1,500.00	1,772.00	.80	1,500.00	.65
Community Center Expense	27,000.00	14,648.00	6.62	15,000.00	6.50

	<u>PROPOSED</u> <u>1990</u>	<u>ACTUAL</u> <u>1990</u>	<u>PERCENT</u> <u>TOTAL</u>	<u>PROPOSED</u> <u>1991</u>	<u>PERCENT</u> <u>TOTAL</u>
Community Center Capital Improvement Provision	\$ 9,000.00	\$ 4,500.00	2.03	\$13,500.00	5.82
Van Fund	2,000.00	2,000.00	.90	2,000.00	.86
Equipment Purchases	3,000.00	3,813.00	1.72	3,000.00	1.30
Capital Improvement	5,000.00	9,335.00	4.22	5,000.00	2.16
St. Nersess Seminary	2,000.00	2,625.00	1.18	2,000.00	.86
Cultural Activities	2,500.00	7,315.00	3.30	1,500.00	.65
Miscellaneous	<u>3,000.00</u>	<u>2,461.00</u>	<u>1.11</u>	<u>4,000.00</u>	<u>1.71</u>
TOTAL	<u>\$242,000.00</u>	<u>\$221,151.00</u>	<u>100.00</u>	<u>\$232,000.00</u>	<u>100.00</u>

ST. LEON ARMENIAN CHURCH
COMPARATIVE OPERATING BUDGET SUMMARY

DECEMBER 31, 1990

R E C E I P T S

	<u>PROPOSED</u> <u>1990</u>	<u>ACTUAL</u> <u>1990</u>	<u>PERCENT</u> <u>TOTAL</u>	<u>PROPOSED</u> <u>1991</u>	<u>PERCENT</u> <u>TOTAL</u>
Weekly Envelopes Plate Collections Special Donations	\$40,000.00	\$37,718.00	17.50	\$45,000.00	19.40
Weddings Hokehankisd In Lieu of Flowers	31,500.00	23,936.00	11.12	25,000.00	10.78
Sale of Books Lradoo	500.00	160.00	.07	500.00	.22
Christmas & Easter Yughakin	12,000.00	9,748.00	4.53	12,000.00	5.17
Occasional Donations	500.00	3,459.00	1.61	1,500.00	.64
Auxiliary Organizations	5,000.00	-0-	-0-	2,000.00	.86
Community Hall Rentals	90,000.00	68,593.00	31.86	75,000.00	32.34
Endowment Fund Income	12,500.00	15,240.00	7.08	15,000.00	6.80
Net Proceeds from Affairs	45,000.00	48,326.00	22/45	50,000.00	21.56
Investment Income	4,000.00	7,617.00	3.54	5,000.00	2.16
Miscellaneous	<u>1,000.00</u>	<u>546.00</u>	<u>.25</u>	<u>1,000.00</u>	<u>.43</u>
TOTAL	<u>\$242,000.00</u>	<u>\$215,343.00</u>	<u>100.00</u>	<u>\$232,000.00</u>	<u>100.00</u>

Date	Description	Amount	Balance
1912			
Jan 1	Balance		100.00
Jan 5	Income	50.00	150.00
Jan 10	Expenses	20.00	130.00
Jan 15	Income	30.00	160.00
Jan 20	Expenses	10.00	150.00
Jan 25	Income	40.00	190.00
Jan 30	Expenses	15.00	175.00
Feb 1	Income	60.00	235.00
Feb 5	Expenses	25.00	210.00
Feb 10	Income	35.00	245.00
Feb 15	Expenses	18.00	227.00
Feb 20	Income	55.00	282.00
Feb 25	Expenses	22.00	260.00
Feb 30	Income	45.00	305.00
Mar 1	Expenses	30.00	275.00
Mar 5	Income	50.00	325.00
Mar 10	Expenses	28.00	297.00
Mar 15	Income	40.00	337.00
Mar 20	Expenses	15.00	322.00
Mar 25	Income	65.00	387.00
Mar 30	Expenses	35.00	352.00
Apr 1	Income	70.00	422.00
Apr 5	Expenses	40.00	382.00
Apr 10	Income	55.00	437.00
Apr 15	Expenses	30.00	407.00
Apr 20	Income	60.00	467.00
Apr 25	Expenses	45.00	422.00
Apr 30	Income	75.00	497.00
May 1	Expenses	50.00	447.00
May 5	Income	65.00	512.00
May 10	Expenses	48.00	464.00
May 15	Income	58.00	522.00
May 20	Expenses	38.00	484.00
May 25	Income	70.00	554.00
May 30	Expenses	55.00	499.00
Jun 1	Income	80.00	579.00
Jun 5	Expenses	60.00	519.00
Jun 10	Income	68.00	587.00
Jun 15	Expenses	50.00	537.00
Jun 20	Income	78.00	615.00
Jun 25	Expenses	65.00	550.00
Jun 30	Income	85.00	635.00
Jul 1	Expenses	70.00	565.00
Jul 5	Income	90.00	655.00
Jul 10	Expenses	75.00	580.00
Jul 15	Income	80.00	660.00
Jul 20	Expenses	60.00	600.00
Jul 25	Income	95.00	695.00
Jul 30	Expenses	80.00	615.00
Aug 1	Income	100.00	715.00
Aug 5	Expenses	85.00	630.00
Aug 10	Income	90.00	720.00
Aug 15	Expenses	70.00	650.00
Aug 20	Income	105.00	755.00
Aug 25	Expenses	90.00	665.00
Aug 30	Income	110.00	775.00
Sep 1	Expenses	95.00	680.00
Sep 5	Income	115.00	795.00
Sep 10	Expenses	100.00	695.00
Sep 15	Income	120.00	815.00
Sep 20	Expenses	110.00	705.00
Sep 25	Income	125.00	830.00
Sep 30	Expenses	105.00	725.00
Oct 1	Income	130.00	855.00
Oct 5	Expenses	115.00	740.00
Oct 10	Income	125.00	865.00
Oct 15	Expenses	110.00	755.00
Oct 20	Income	135.00	890.00
Oct 25	Expenses	120.00	770.00
Oct 30	Income	140.00	910.00
Nov 1	Expenses	125.00	785.00
Nov 5	Income	145.00	930.00
Nov 10	Expenses	130.00	800.00
Nov 15	Income	150.00	950.00
Nov 20	Expenses	135.00	815.00
Nov 25	Income	155.00	970.00
Nov 30	Expenses	140.00	830.00
Dec 1	Income	160.00	990.00
Dec 5	Expenses	145.00	845.00
Dec 10	Income	155.00	1000.00
Dec 15	Expenses	140.00	860.00
Dec 20	Income	165.00	1025.00
Dec 25	Expenses	150.00	875.00
Dec 30	Income	170.00	1045.00
Total			1045.00

ST. LEON ARMENIAN CHURCH
SUMMARY OF ORGANIZATIONAL FUNDS ON HAND
DECEMBER 31, 1990

Parish Council Checking Account	\$ 7,508.00
Parish Council Special Events Account	13,318.00
Parish Council Bazaar Account	8,100.00
Parish Council Money Market Account	590.00
Parish Council Memorial (Money Market) Account	13,511.00
Parish Council Certificates of Deposit (3)	82,505.00
Senior Citizens	5,423.00
A. C. Y. O. A. Juniors	3,393.00
A. C. Y. O. A. Seniors	364.00
Armenian School	7,306.00
Choir	1,627.00
Sunday School	5,070.00
Women's Guild	<u>9,432.00</u>
 TOTAL	 <u>\$158,145.00</u>

