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# ANNUAL REPORT of the ST. LEON PARISH ASSEMBLY

## Sunday, January 29, 1995



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## MINUTES OF THE PARISH ASSEMBLY ST. LEON ARMENIAN CHURCH 12-61 SADDLE RIVER ROAD FAIR LAWN, NEW JERSEY 07410 SUNDAY, JANUARY 30, 1994

The meeting was called to order at 12:30 PM by Chairman Joseph Basralian, followed by an opening prayer by Fr. Vahan Hovhanessian.

The first order of business was the election of Assembly officers.

For Assembly Chairman, Rex Kachigian nominated Joseph Basralian. The nomination was seconded and accepted. Mr. Basralian assumed the Chairmanship.

For Assembly Secretary, Rex Kachigian nominated Arda Kiljian. The nomination was seconded and accepted. Mrs. Kiljian assumed the position of Recording Secretary.

For Assembly Parliamentarian, the Chairman appointed Sarkis Bedevian.

#### NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Rex Kachigian, Chairman of Parish Council, introduced the candidates selected by the Nominating Committee. The following persons were nominated for Parish Council for a term of two years:

Thomas Ashbahian Bert Bedrosian Ara Hourdajian Gabriel Kaprelian Gregg Najarian Kevork Ohannessian Ted Takvorian, Jr Patricia Zengel

The following persons were nominated for Auditing Committee:

Amy Vartoukian

Leon Hovsepian

The following persons were nominated for Nominating Committee:

Dr. Knarig Khatchadurian-Meyer Mary Ann Mozian

Profiles of the candidates above were distributed to all parishioners attending the Assembly. The Chairman opened the nominations from the floor.

For Parish Council, Arthur Beylerian nominated Sarkis Gabrellian. The nomination was respectfully declined. Araxy Moumdjian nominated Arthur Beylerian. The nomination was respectfully declined. Since there were no further nominations from the floor, a motion was made to close the nominations for Parish Council. The motion was seconded and passed.

For Auditing Committee, there were no nominations from the floor. A motion was made to close the nominations for Auditing Committee. The motion was seconded and passed.

For Nominating Committee, there were no nominations from the floor. A motion was made to close the nominations for Nominating Committee. The motion was seconded and passed.

At this point ballots were passed, prior to the reading of the minutes.

A motion was made to accept the 1993 Assembly minutes. The motion was seconded and passed.

Rex Kachigian, Parish Council Chairman, stated that according to Section 17-B of our By-laws, he hereby declared the nomination of Very Reverend Father Vahan Hovhanessian to be ratified by the General Assembly. A motion was made, seconded and unanimously approved.

Father Vahan thanked everyone and expressed his happiness vis-a-vis the assignment to be the spiritual leader of this community and President of the Parish Council. As to a brief review of his term at St. Leon, the following were the focal points:

1. *LITURGICAL*. This is a very important aspect of the Church mission. The existence of this church is based upon the fact that we are Armenians who come here for the worship of God.

2. *PASTORAL*. Father Vahan stipulated how important it is for him to know the community, even each and every one of our families. He continued noting that even a simple hospital visit would be much more meaningful if he knew the person. So, in order to facilitate this type of personal interrelationships, Father Vahan has been emphasizing the importance of home visitations and active participation in the church services. The <u>Lradoo</u> and the Sunday bulletins have devoted numerous articles and announcements in regards to pastoral home visitations.

The second aspect would be the hospital visitations. Father Vahan pointed out that he has to be notified about an ailment or a hospitalization in order to provide the spiritual support. The third and last point of the pastoral services are the relations he has established with other Armenian organizations, especially with the Hovnanian Armenian School and the Armenian Home for the Aged in Emerson. Father Vahan mentioned his visits to both organizations on a timely basis. He also mentioned his role in the local Fair Lawn clergy organization.

3. COUNSELING SESSIONS: Father Vahan mentioned that families with either spiritual or other family oriented problems found refuge in the church and her teaching. He was satisfied that through biblical references and counseling these families were able to overcome their respective problems.

Father Vahan enumerated the various other programs he has started.

*Bible Study* - This group meets twice a month to discuss and study various topics related to the books of the Bible.

*Discussion Group* - Fifty to sixty people attend the meetings once a month. Discussion topics include liturgy, history and our faith as Armenian Christians.

*Deacon Training* - The church needs younger people to get involved in the choir or to become Deacons. Hayr Soorp noted he has 10 to 12 new members with whom he meets every Friday evening and for which he has prepared a set of new booklets to help them prepare for their services.

Armenian Conversational Classes - Classes are held every Friday to help parents and young adults learn more about the culture and language.

*Choral Group* - This group meets every other Tuesday and is a sister group of the Choir. The main theme of the Choral Group is to boost our Armenian heritage through Armenian folk and popular songs

Hayr Soorp also stated that he is also pursuing his doctorate at Fordham University. He had spent the last two weeks in Rome at the Biblicum to continue his research studies towards the Ph.D. in Biblical Studies.

The Sunday Bulletin is issued on a weekly basis and includes biblical readings, prayers in English and Armenian, as well as church announcements. Hayr Soorp pointed out that no public announcement gets inserted in the bulletin without his consent and approval.

*The <u>Lradoo</u>* is generally 10 to 12 pages, very didactic. Contents include articles about the Bible, Liturgy and Church traditions in both English and Armenian.

Administration: There was a communications problem between the organizations and the office at the beginning, but Hayr Soorp is very optimistic about the future. He noted the addition of another secretary who is also a parish member, Mrs. Mary Ann Mozian. The office also has a new computer. Hayr Soorp asked that all correspondence be addressed to him and to please feel free to call him in case of a question or any problems.

*Organizations:* Hayr Soorp thanked all the organizations, starting with Parish Council. He noted that the last six months were very fruitful, and thanked Parish Council Chairman, Rex Kachigian, and the other members for attending the meetings so diligently, despite the latest weather conditions.

He thanked the ACYOA Seniors for their determination to keep this organization strong and active. He thanked the Women's Guild, the Choir, the executive bodies of all organizations, the chairpersons, all the volunteers such as the Altar Guild members, the faithful women who prepare the Mahs, the Altar Servers, the senior Deacons, Charles Pinajian and Sarkis Soultanian, for their help. He thanked the choir director, George Paroonagian, and last but not least he thanked the custodian, Minas Arakelian, for his services, his devotion and concern.

Finally, Hayr Soorp thanked God for this beautiful family and prayed to God that he may lead us as one united Christian family.

Chairman Joseph Basralian thanked Hayr Soorp and reaffirmed how proud this parish is to have a Father Vahan as our priest and spiritual leader.

#### **REPORTS OF ORGANIZATIONS**

There were no questions in regards to organization reports.

#### **DIOCESAN ASSEMBLY REPORT**

There were no questions about the Diocesan Assembly Report.

#### AUDITING COMMITTEE REPORT

There were no questions in regards to the Auditing Report. However, Rex Kachigian noted that some recommendations were to be made as to a uniformed record-keeping system. Due to the absence of Charles Pinajian, chairman of the Auditing Committee, no further details were available at this time.

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*Community Center Rental:* Revenues went down in 1993, and according to Grace Pinajian, people generally reserve a few months in advance and in this area we are not anticipating a substantial growth. Mr. Ishkanian noted that income from various affairs did not materialize despite the tremendous efforts of the organizations and the volunteers who tried their best.

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Our Diocesan dues decreased this year but as the number of sacraments increases, our dues will follow in the same direction and thus in turn will go up.

The administrative expenses also increased. These include the operating of copy machines, envelopes, office supplies, a fax machine, telephone expenses. We are not anticipating that these expenses will increase further in 1994.

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John Nakashian asked if there was a separate breakdown of utility costs. Robert Ishkanian referred him to page 38, line 6, which shows the specific expense.

Lucy Chagachbanian noted that under Saint Nersess Seminary the proposed 1993 and proposed 1994 remained at \$2,000.00 when a motion was made and passed in 1993 to increase this fund to \$2,200.00. Robert Ishkanian noted that this was an omission and will be rectified.

Sarkis Bedevian raised the issue of giving back 80% of any balance the organizations carry by the end of the fiscal year versus giving back to Parish Council 80% of the net income after expenses of a given fiscal year. Mr. Bedevian stated that the Parish Council had opted for the second option for 15 years and only two years ago the in-office Council members opted for this new resolution. He felt this took away the incentive for organizations to work since no funds would be left eventually. Mr. Bedevian wanted this to be a decision ratified by the Assembly and not by Parish Council alone.

Rex Kachigian answered that the Auditing Committee was responsible in the collection of the 80% of the balances and Parish Council had no say in this. Mr. Ishkanian felt that he basically agrees that organizations give 80% of the balance to Parish Council but, (1) there is no continuity among treasurers of organizations and, (2) various people could be handling large sums of money and after a certain number of years the 20% will add up to a substantial amount. Therefore if it is given to Parish Council, in turn when the organization needs any funds they should approach Parish Council and get the needed funds.

Mr. Bedevian reiterated that this came up two years ago when, Parish Council could not come with enough funds, they went ahead and decided to apply this new formula of getting 80% of the total balance.

Margaret Semonian confirmed that Parish Council asked for the Women's Guild savings account which was established some 40 years ago with the remaining 20% from each year.

John Nakashian stated that Women's Guild had this secret fund which ended up mushrooming into thousands of dollars.

Sarkis Soultanian answered that the organizations are not set up to play finances but instead those funds are for the welfare of the parish and that is exactly how they should be allocated.

Linda Paroonagian, Sunday School Superintendent, stated that this is going to create an immense problem. The school collects dues in September and in 1994 plans to have its major fund raiser which is the Christmas Pageant in December. Funds would be transferred to Parish Council at that time. This would create problems for the operation of the Sunday School. Mrs. Paroonagian asked if in such an instance an exception would be made and funds could be transferred to Parish Council in May by the end of the Sunday School year.

Robert Ishkanian replied that if need be, Parish Council would make an advance to the school.

Mrs. Paroonagian said that in this case the advance would be reflected in the budget.

Mr. Bedevian noted with more concrete examples that this percentage of the total balance would leave an organization with no working capital.

Chairman Joseph Basralian stated that the Parish Council will advise the organizations about this matter. Since the system has been working for such a number of years he did not see a reason to impose another policy.

Dr. Knarig Khatchadurian-Meyer noted this happened during her term as Parish Council Chairperson and at the time organizations had lots of funds and nothing was being done. There was an instance when a treasurer of one organization had passed away leaving no clarifications. Therefore, based upon these factors the Parish Council, at the time, decided to adopt the 80% of the total balance decision.

A motion was made to accept the budget. The motion was seconded and passed.

*Memorial Accounts:* Robert Ishkanian pointed out that these should have been broken down according to the families. This will be taken care of next year. Mr. Ishkanian thanked Dennis Tarzian for the excellent analysis job he did on the Endowment Fund.

Hayr Soorp wanted to clarify two aspects of the Memorial Fund:

1. The Pastor and the Church Office must be informed of the wishes of the family before the "In Lieu of Flowers" checks are received.

2. "In Lieu of Flowers" cannot be channeled to different organizations through the Church Office. The church will receive and process only the checks issued to St. Leon Armenian Church and her organizations.

*Church Expansion:* Sarkis Soultanian stated that this project was started some seven years ago. Plans were postponed, although Parish Council passed a resolution which provided that construction will not start until 75% of the required funds were pledged. Due to the extraordinary events in Armenia, mainly the earthquake, followed by the issue of Karabagh, things were postponed. Parish Council requested that Sarkis Gabrellian and he, Sarkis Soultanian, co-chair this committee and revive the project. Mr. Soultanian mentioned they just assumed their new responsibilities and there is a great deal to be done, starting with getting permits, etc. Thomas Ashbahian is also assisting them. The blueprints were available for all to see and inquire about after the Assembly. Mr. Soultanian noted that four members have already pledged \$180,000.00 and we have \$20,000.00 in funds.

John Demirdjian asked what was the total anticipated cost of this project.

Mr. Soultanian estimated the cost to be somewhere between \$400,000.00 and \$450,000.00, but is confidant the project will receive a positive response from the entire community. Mr. Soultanian said he would be glad to answer any questions and take pledges.

Linda Galgano noted that she is not familiar with the project and needed some information.

The expansion will include

- A new dome in the Narthex.

- A large dome in the center of the church (both sides of the church would be enlarged to accommodate the larger dome)
- There will be an elevator for the handicapped.
- Reorganization of Parish Council room, the offices,
- the attic as a conference room, etc.
- The ramp for handicapped will be eliminated.

Barbara Hovsepian noted the Narthex would also include a coat room.

Helen Mazoujian noted the efficiency of the ramp compared to an elevator.

Mr. Soultanian stated this elevator would have a large capacity and would be able to accommodate a wheel chair.

There was a question by Patti Toofangjian about the building of a youth center, to which Mr. Soultanian answered in the negative.

#### NEW BUSINESS

Capital Improvements: Thomas Ashbahian reported the need for two small projects.

1. The cottage - or Minas' house - needs improvements, mainly the addition of a bedroom and the renovation of the existing bathroom at a cost of \$14,000.00, or less if the Men's Fellowship help defray the expenses.

2. Community Center Storage. There is a proposition to add an area 10' x 75' (which is the width of the Community Center) to keep all the lawn maintenance equipment, records, extra chairs, tables, etc...and improve the attic area at an approximate cost of \$19,000.00.

There were no questions on this subject.

Vahe Kiljian, treasurer of the Choir, asked about the purchase of robes and books for the Choir. Rex Kachigian said there was \$3,000.00 allocated to the purchase of the robes. Parish Council is comparing price quotations in order to get the best deal. As for the books, it was noted that some are not published. The small books are being ordered through donations. For the robes, a donation was already received for 12 robes for the deacons and acolytes as well as the choir. Parish Council will take care of this matter

Sarkis Gabrellian wanted to know the number of dues paying members. The number of dues paying members, according to the Treasurer's Report, stands at 199 members.

Leon Hovsepian asked how many of these 199 are current or eligible to vote. Dovie Tilbian did not have the answer to this question.

Dennis Tarzian noted that Parish Council is discussing the purchase of land adjacent to the church property, to which both Sarkis Bedevian and Rex Kachigian pointed out no such immediate plans, since no one is ready to sell or buy. Also no purchase can be finalized without the approval of the Assembly and the Diocese.

Rex Kachigian noted that the envelope system is not functioning well and to expect a call from Mary Ann Mozian to confirm envelope numbers. Mr. Kachigian asked everyone to please be patient and cooperate. Also he noted that one secretary works from 9:00 AM until 1:00 PM, while the other works from 11:00 AM until 3:00 PM. That is, we do not have two full time secretaries.

Chairman Joseph Basralian read the results of the elections. They are -

For Parish Council - Thomas Ashbahian, Bert Bedrosian, Ara Hourdajian, Gregg Najarian, Gabriel Kaprelian, Patricia Zengel, Alternate

For Nominating Committee - Mary Ann Mozian

For Auditing Committee - Leon Hovsepian

The Chairman congratulated the newly elected and proposed a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded and accepted.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:00 PM, following Hayr Soorp's closing prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Arda Kiljian, Assembly Secretary

Joseph Basralian, Esquire Assembly Chairman

Sarkis (Rex) Kachigian Parish Council Chairman

Very Reverent Father Vahan Hovhanessian Pastor and Parish Council President



## PASTOR'S REPORT

(January 1 - December 31, 1994)

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«Հացը զոր կը կտրենք՝ արդարեւ, հաղորդութիւն չէ՝ Քրիստոսի մարմնին. որովհետեւ մէկ հաց, մէկ մարմին ենք ամէնքս, քանի որ ամէնքս ալ այդ միակ հացէն կը վայելենք» (Ա Կոր. Ժ 16-17)

In the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. "The bread which we break, is it not the communion of the body of Christ? For we being many are one bread, and one body: for we are all partakers of that one bread."

(1 Cor. 10:16b-17)

"We," the members of St. Leon Armenian Church, "are all partakers of that one bread." Indeed the central mission of any parish with all its organizations MUST be the Holy Communion of the Life-giving body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. ALL the programs and activities of the Church MUST be geared to focus on this central theme in the mission of the Church. It is through and around the Chalice of our Lord that Christians all around the world come together as one family partaking from the one and same body and blood of the Savior. All the other liturgical and social activities of the Church are consequences, celebrations, results and outcomes of the coming together of the one worshipping family of God. It was the above quoted saying of the apostle Paul that came to my mind as I was reflecting upon the blessed and successful year we enjoyed in 1994. Above all, I believe, our community grew up to understand the purpose of its existence as a worshipping family of God, enriched with a common religious and ethnic tradition. A better understanding of the meaning of the Divine Liturgy made us also understand and accept each other better. Despite the various differences among our families and members, we strived to come together every Sunday as one worshipping family and to partake from the same bread and wine. Indeed, it would make no sense to call God "Our Father" if the members of the same worshipping family, i.e. parish, do not accept their fellow Christians and members as their brothers and sisters.

Christianity is a life long journey. Every day we grow and mature more and more in our faith. As the pastor of this community I am convinced that we have already taken serious steps in the path of this inspiring journey. Our Church services and various activities are indications and revelations of the consequence of the spiritual growth that our community enjoyed during 1994. It is, therefore, with words of Thanksgiving to my Lord, and with great spiritual satisfaction that I present to you this report of our Church activities during the past year.

#### **D** Liturgical:

1. Church Services: We continued our Sunday morning services and Divine Liturgies according to the tradition of the Armenian Orthodox Apostolic Church. We extended our Morning Service to 45 minutes, which started at 9:45. A typical Sunday service in our church began with parts from the Armenian Nocturn followed by parts from the Matins. This was followed by *Badarak*, Divine Liturgy. In addition to the Sunday services, the liturgical activities included also other services such as the Rest and Peace Services during Great Lent, the services during Holy Week, Blessing of the Field (*Antasdan*), Blessing of Grapes, Sunday School Communion Breakfast, Christmas Eve & Day Service.

2. Sacraments: Sacraments would have no meaning if the person or family requesting it has no idea what it is about and what it means. I made sure that those who requested sacraments had a counseling session with me to discuss the sacrament, its Biblical foundation and its liturgical meaning as practiced in the Armenian Church. These Life-giving sacraments should NOT be reduced to mere rituals that people purchase whenever they want to! The total number of sacraments performed in St. Leon Church for the year 1994 was 40 with the following breakdown: 30 Baptisms and 10 Weddings. There were also 19 funeral services.

3. Special Services: Our community witnessed two very inspiring elevation and ordination services. The first one was my elevation to the rank of *Vartabed* on March 20, 1994. And the second one was the consecration of six of our youth as Sub-Deacons on July 10, 1994. Both services were presided over by His Eminence Abp. Khajag Barsamian, the Primate of our Diocese.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Rev. Fr. Carnig Hallajian and Rev. Fr. Arnak Kasparian who frequently joined and helped in our liturgical celebrations. I would like to also thank our two senior Deacons Charles Pinajian and Sarkis Soultanian for their devoted services to the Church. Thanks to our Choir, its director Mr. George Paroonagian, and its dedicated members. Many thanks to Lucy Dabagian for making herself available for the Church services whenever needed. My special thanks to our altar servers, acolytes and their parents.

#### II) Pastoral:

This aspect of my ministry included home visitations which gave me the opportunity to better know the community of St. Leon. It allowed us also to share our concerns and questions about the ministry and future of the Armenian Church. My pastoral ministry also included counseling sessions for members or families of our Church who were experiencing difficulties or problems, and who found refuge in the larger family of the Church and her teachings. Visiting the various neighboring Armenian institutions such as the Armenian Home for the Aged in Emerson and the Hovnanian School in New Milford, continued to be a part of my pastoral ministry. Another important aspect of this ministry was hospital visitations. The names of the hospitalized members are listed weekly in the bulletin so that the whole community is informed and may join the Church in praving for their speedy recovery and well being.

#### **III)** Education:

**1.** Bible Study: We continued our bi-monthly gathering. The group finished the introductory sessions and the Gospel of Mark. Currently we are reading the Book of Acts.

2. Discussion Group: We continued our monthly gatherings on the last Thursday of almost every month. Topics covered included: the Creed, Church Ranks, Funeral Service in the Armenian Tradition, Divine Liturgy, Election of a Catholicos and other topics.

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3. Deacons Training program: This program entered its second year very successfully. Now, in addition to our two senior Deacons, we have six Sub-Deacons, and four new participants in the training program. The group continued meeting every Friday evening. Their presence and contribution to the church services made these services even more inspiring. Thank you guys. The group was honored by the end of the past year when they were invited to be the honored guests of His Eminence Abp. Khajag Barsamian in the Diocese. Following the dinner, the 10 altar servers enjoyed an inspiring evening Vespers which was presided over by His Eminence the . La berta transformer († 1997) Heren and the contract of the term Primate.

4. Badarak 101: This was a mini-course that we offered during the summer. It included five sessions which covered the following topics: the Biblical origins of Badarak, Badarak in the first centuries of Christianity, the Development of the Armenian Church Badarak, Priest, Deacon, Choir and Congregation and their function in the Badarak, and the meaning of Badarak as celebrated today. The course was coded 101 as an indication to its introductory level. It is our hope to offer Badarak 102 this summer for those who want to further expand their knowledge of this essential sacrament.

5. Lectures and Seminars: Our Church hosted many lectures during the past year which included topics such as: "Euthanasia" by Dr. Vigen Guroyan and myself, "The Armenian Poet" by Dr. Peter Cowe from Columbia University, a joint Prelacy-Diocese Sunday School Seminar, Bible Study Institute by the DRE, "The Role of Woman in the Church administration," which was held in the Dadekian Hall, with a committee representing the World Council of Churches, and "Post Earthquake Armenia," by Fr. Karekin Kasparian, hosted by our Men's Fellowship. 

6. St. Leon Educational Fund: Thanks to the generous donation of two of our younger couples of the Church, I am in the process of developing a new Scholarship program. This program will allow us to award up to four annual scholarship grants to students who are willing to take a college course in the Armenian language, history, religion and culture. Further information about this scholarship will be released through our publications as soon as the grant and application outlines are finalized. I would like to take this opportunity to thank these two couples who donated the money and who wished to remain anonymous. Unless we seriously invest our money. time, and efforts in teaching and promoting our language, culture, history and faith, it will be very

difficult for our children and grandchildren to know and live them. I would like to encourage all our members to strongly support this educational fund.

7. Armenian & Sunday Schools: Both schools continued their educational ministry with success and very satisfying results. I would like to thank the superintendent of the Armenian School Mrs. Verkin Minasian, the Chairperson Mary Ann Mozian and the members of the Board of the School. Many thanks to Araxi Moumdjian, the superintendent of the Sunday School, Barbara Hovsepian, Assembly coordinator, and Lucy Dabagian the music director. Especial thanks to Linda Paroonagian who devoted her time and efforts for the past many years to superintend the Sunday School. I am happy to report that she is still very closely involved in helping the Sunday school administration run their programs and curriculum smoothly and successfully.

#### IV) Publications:

This year witnessed the release of our new Pictorial Directory which included the pictures and names of the members of the church, followed by a roster of the names, addresses and telephone numbers of the members and friends of St. Leon Church. Thanks to all who volunteered to produce this directory, especially the committee members: Jack Loughead and Barbara & Jan Royland. Other important publications of the past year included the booklet for the "Elevation to the Rank of Vartabed," and the "Bestowal of the Fifth Order of Subdeacon."

We continued our monthly publication of the <u>Lradoo</u> which with the beginning of the past year had a new cover-page and format. Our mailing list increased to include more than 500 names. My thanks to the office staff and especially to the volunteer ladies who help in collating, stapling and labeling the Lradoo copies. Our publications also included the weekly bulletin, Deacon's Training Pamphlets, Women's Guild Directory, and Special Church Service Booklets.

#### V) Activities:

In addition to our annual activities including our Parish Picnic, Food Festival, Christmas Breakfast, Women's Guild's Fish & Chips and Military Bridge, ACYOA Day, Fashion Show by the Armenian School, ACYOA Wine & Cheese gatherings and Picnic, Parish New Year's Eve Dance, the parish activities also included the Armenian Medieval Concert hosted by our Choir and made possible by a generous donation by Mr. and Mrs. Sarkis and Siran Gabrellian.

1. General: In addition to the above mentioned Parish activities I participated in other Diocesan and religious programs, seminars and projects. This included lecturing at St. Nersess Armenian Seminary, Co-directing and planning the Diocesan Bible Study Institute, participating in the committee to publish the first Diocesan authorized version of the English Bible. I participated and lectured at the annual clergy retreat of our Diocese, and also in the Diocesan Assembly and the Assembly of the Choir Association. I attended our local Armenian Clergy meetings in the New York-New Jersey area. I also participated in the Society of Biblical Literature local meetings and its Annual meeting in Chicago.

2. Administrative: The church office remained open from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. Unless when engaged in a Church service or sacrament, I made sure to be in the

office during the regular office hours to respond to the questions and needs of our members. Thanks to the generous donation of Mr. and Mrs. Sarkis Gabrellian, the office now has a second PC 486DX/2 computer. We have purchased a new accounting software which has greatly helped in organizing our records. Thanks to the continuous supervision of our Parish Council Treasurer Jan Royland and his assistance Ara Hourdajian, our membership records and pledge contributions are up to date. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Mary Ann Mozian and Patricia Trommelen for all that they do to make the day-by-day operation of the parish office smooth and successful.

I would like to thank all our members who supported the church in the past year, and especially those who unceasingly joined us in our liturgical services, which is the *raison d'étre* of any Church. Many thanks to the Chairman Sarkis Rex Kachigian and members of our Parish Council who were actively involved in supervising and administering during our various Church services and activities. Thanks to all our Church organizations, their chairpersons, executive committees, members and volunteers. Special thanks to the volunteer members of the *Mahs* Committee and Altar Guild. Last, but definitely not least, my thanks to our beloved Custodian Minas Arakelian and his family for all that they do for the best of the Church.

May we be blessed by the grace of the Holy Spirit, remain firm in our faith and enjoy a year filled with happiness, health and success. Amen.

On the Tenth of January of the Year of our Lord 1995

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n Christ's Service

#### PARISH COUNCIL REPORT

#### Dear Fellow Parishioners:

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The Parish Council of St. Leon Armenian Church met on the first and third Wednesday of each month in 1994, (excepting for July and August), for a total of 22 meetings. All members were in attendance on a regular basis at the biweekly meetings, with a minimum number of absentees. The Council members faithfully carried out their duties and responsibilities of their offices in accordance with the By-laws of the Armenian Church of America.

#### **SPECIAL NOTES FOR 1994**

Renovation of the interior of our Church was completed. New carpeting was laid and the seat cushions were restuffed. We express our thanks to the committee, consisting of Leon Bedigian, Gabriel Kaprelian, John Nakashian, and Rose Najarian.

The Altar Guild, Anne Kachigian, Rose Kirian and Takouhi Soultanian, completed fabrication of the beautiful new covers for the Holy Altar, Side Altars and Baptismal Font. Thank you ladies.

A second computer with higher capability was donated to the Church by Siran and Sarkis Gabrellian. We are now able to use the computer to keep our financial data current. Thank you Siran and Sarkis.

The Church purchased a "new" used automobile below its book wholesale value thanks to Takouhi and Sarkis Soultanian. Thank you Takouhi and Sarkis.

The Church's pictorial Directory was completed and distributed. Our thanks to Jan Royland, Jack Loughead and Hayr Soorp for coordinating the implementation and distribution. We also gratefully thank our voluntees who spent many hours of proofreading.

The Church property was improved by the removal of several dead trees and trimming of overgrown bushes. Our thanks to Gregg Najarian for coordinating this effort.

After many years of dedicataed and devoted service, Linda Paroonagian retired as our Church School Superintendent. We are grateful to her for helping in the Christian Educaton our children. Thank you, Linda!

For the past 14 years our Church and Community Center have been beautifully decorated during the Christmas season by Treasure Island. We express a special thank you to Lynn Beylerian for her generosity.

#### **MAJOR ACTIVITIES OF 1994**

On March 20, Father Vahan was elevated to the rank of Vartabed by His Eminence Archbishop Khajag Barsamian, Primate. The elevation service was followed by a luncheon which was attended by 368 guests. Our thanks to the entire luncheon committee.

On July 10, His Eminence Archbishop Khajag Barsamian, Primate, bestowed the ranks of Tbir and Sub-Deacon upon six of our Altar Servers. Our thanks to Gabriel Kaprelian, chairman, and the entire reception committee.

Our Annual Picnic was highly successful due to our two capable and dedicated co-chairmen. Our thanks to Antoine Moumdjian and Kevork Ohannessian and their committee for a job well done.

Our yearly Food Festival was again a success. We want to thank Thomas Ashbahian and Bert Bedrosian and their committee for an outstanding job.

The Annual 50/50 Raffle continues to be successful by bringing in much needed revenues for the operation of our Church. A special thanks is given to co-chairmen Richard Dabagian and Richard Noorigian, and their assistants Charles Pinajian and Noubar Jessourian, for their dedication to this annual fund raiser.

We concluded the year with a successful "Eve of the Eve" affair sponsored by our ACYOA Juniors and a New Year's Eve Gala, co-chaired by Noubar Jessourian and Kevork Ohannessian. Our thanks to them and their committee for a job well done.

#### CHURCH ORGANIZATIONS

Our Church organizations were active throughout the year, meeting on a regular schedule, fulfilling the mission of each organization. Their individual reports specify their activities for the year. Our thanks to the executive bodies and members who gave of their time and treasure for the success of their individual organizations and of our Church.

#### THANK YOU

I would like to thank all the Parish Council members and the Diocesan Delegates, who attended all our Council meetings, for their dedication and commitment toward performing the responsibilities of their office and contributing to the administrative success of our Church. To our outgoing Parish Council members, Sarkis Bedevian, Leon Bedigian, Arthur Ohnikian, Jan Royland and Dennis Tarzian, my best wishes and a grateful thank you from our parishioners.

A very special thank you is extended to Alice Yazmajian, Director of the Community Center, for her untiring efforts in renting the Hall for much needed revenues; a job little noticed but greatly appreciated.

I would like to thank Minas Arakelian and his family who work hard and are dedicated to keeping our facilities in good order.

I would like to thank Mary Ann Mozian and Patricia Trommelen, our Church Secretaries, for their efficiency and patience in administrating the needs of our office and for being available to complete those many last minute tasks.

Finally, I would like to close by thanking Father Vahan for being our pastor, for his dedication to his ministry, for his initiation of new programs and revitalizing of old programs, for his spiritual leadership and for being himself.

Jan Royland Treasurer

Dennis Tarzian Recording Secretary SRK/pnt Respectfully submitted,

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S. Rex Kachigian Parish Council Chairman

## **1994 PARISH COUNCIL**

### Father Vahan Hovhanessian

\*S. Rex Kachigian

Thomas Ashbahian

\*Dennis Tarzian

Gregg Najarian

\*Jan Royland

Ara Hourdajian

\*Sarkis Bedevian

\*Leon Bedigian

Bert Bedrosian

Gabriel Kaprelian

\*Arthur Ohnikian

President

Chairman

Vice Chairman

**Recording Secretary** 

**Corresponding Secretary** 

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**Assistant Treasurer** 

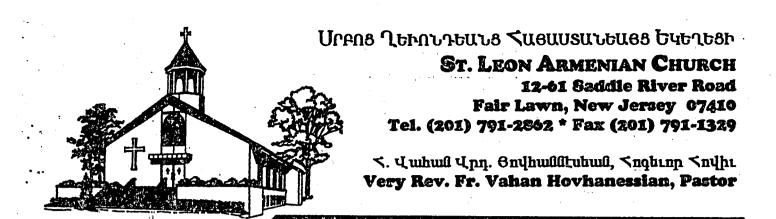
Member at Large

#### **DIOCESAN DELEGATES**

Rose Najarian

Sarkis Soultanian

\*Denotes Outgoing Member



January 10, 1995

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Dear Fellow Parishioners:

An examination of all financial reports for the Parish Council and various church organizations was conducted for the Fiscal Year 1994. Where necessary, corrections were made and brought to the attention of Parish Council and/or the Organizations.

The Auditing Committee, consisting of Jacques Tossounian, Leon Hovsepian and myself, found the books to be in satisfactory condition.

Respectfully submitted,

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Charles Pinajian, Chairman Auditing Committee

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#### **CHURCH ORGANIZATIONS**

ACYOA Juniors ACYOA Seniors Armenian School Care and Share Choir Church School Men's Fellowship Senior Citizens Women's Guild

## A.C.Y.O.A. JUNIORS ST. LEON ARMENIAN CHURCH 1994 ACTIVITIES REPORT

**OFFICERS** - Chairman, Jason Capizzi; Vice Chairman, Peter Ohanyan; Recording Secretary, Vanessa Hortian; Corresponding Secretary, Andrea Scicchitano; Treasurer, Haig Hovsepian; Historian, Gregory Basralian; Advisors, Glenn and Margaret Ajamian.

MEMBERSHIP 35

MAIN ACTIVITIES DURING 1994 - Valentines Dance; Ski Trip; Armenian Dance Lessons; ACYOA Day; Haunted Hay Ride; Bake Sale; "Eve of the Eve" Dance; Hiking Trip; Christmas Party.

**PROPOSED ACTIVITIES FOR 1995** - Retreat; Valentine's Dance; Sports Weekend; Ski Trip; ACYOA Day; Great Adventure; Poon-Paregentan Party; Pool Party; Dance-A-Thon; Car Wash.

**1994 FINANCIAL REPORT** 

#### Cash on Hand and in Banks as of December 1, 1993

Checking	\$4,934.21	
Savings	3,031.83	\$7,966.04
Add 1994 Receipts	\$3,739.90	

Deduct 1994 Disbursements <u>6,202.71</u> Net 1994 Deficit

#### <<u>2,462.81</u>> 5,503.23

\$4,402.58

#### Cash on Hand and in Banks on December 1, 1994 (Before Payment to Parish Council)

Checking	\$2,348.85	
Savings	3,154.38	\$ <u>5.503.23</u>

#### 80 % of Cash Balance to give Parish Council

Interest Income of \$122.55 Included Above

DASON. CAPIZZE Chairman

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## A.C.Y.O.A. SENIORS ST. LEON ARMENIAN CHURCH 1994 ACTIVITIES REPORT

**OFFICERS** - Chairman, Ted Takvorian, Jr., (January to June); Co-Chairpersons Patricia Toofangjian and Patrick Kaprelian, (August to End of Year); Recording Secretary, Allan Tossoonian; Treasurer, Patricia Toofangjian.

MEMBERSHIP 16

MAIN ACTIVITIES DURING 1994 - Hike; Wine 'n Cheese Gatherings; Dinner Series; Trip to New York City; Candy Sale; Bowling; T-shirt Sale.

**PROPOSED ACTIVITIES FOR 1995** - ACYOA National Sports Weekend; Retreats; Comedy Shows; Dinner Series; Visits to Homeless Shelters to Cook.

#### **1994 FINANCIAL REPORT**

Cash on Hand and in Banks as of December 1, 1993

Checking \$ 287.67 Savings 00.00

 Add 1994 Receipts
 \$1,135.08

 Deduct 1994 Disbursements
 1,332.13

 Net 1994 Income
 1

<<u>197.07</u>> \$ 90.63

\$ 287.67

#### Cash on Hand and in Banks on December 1, 1994 (Before Payment to Parish Council)

Checking	\$ 90.63	
Savings	 00.00	\$90.63

Interest Income of \$5.64 Included Above

Marylan Majin Chargerson

## ARMENIAN SCHOOL ST. LEON ARMENIAN CHURCH 1994 ACTIVITIES REPORT

**OFFICERS** - Chairperson, Mary Ann Mozian; Recording Secretary, Zabelle Kaprelian; Corresponding Secretary, Joanne Hidirsah; Treasurer, Arda Kiljian; Publicity Seta Boudoughian.

**MEMBERSHIP** 22 Students, 1 Principal, 5 Teachers, (1 Dance, 1 Music)

MAIN ACTIVITIES DURING 1994 - Open House; Food Festival; Pot Luck Dinner; Christmas Plant Sale; Armenian Christmas Program; Student Participation - Easter Services; Mother's Day Plant Sale; Fashion Show; Hantes.

**PROPOSED ACTIVITIES FOR 1995** - Food Festival; Pot Luck Dinner; Christmas Plant Sale; Armenian Christmas Program; Easter Services; Mother's Day Plant Sale; Fashion Show; Hantes

#### **1994 FINANCIAL REPORT**

#### Cash on Hand and in Banks as of December 1, 1993

Checking \$1,362.61 Savings \_\_00.00

 Add 1994 Receipts
 \$7,428.44

 Deduct 1994 Disbursements
 8,574.98

 Net 1994 Income
 8,574.98

<<u>1.146.54</u>> \$ 216.07

\$ 172.86

\$1.362.61

#### Cash on Hand and in Banks on December 1, 1994 (Before Payment to Parish Council)

Checking	\$ 216.07		
Savings	00.00	•	\$ <u>216.07</u>

#### 80% of Cash Balance to give Parish Council

Interest Income of \$29.64 Included Above

## CARE AND SHARE ST. LEON ARMENIAN CHURCH 1994 ACTIVITIES REPORT

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**OFFICERS** - Chairperson Andrea Halejian; Corresponding Secretary, Nancy Burdman; Treasurer, Andrea Halejian; Programs, Nancy Scicchitano, Barbara Royland; Advisor, Barbara Hovsepian.

#### MEMBERSHIP 25

MAIN ACTIVITIES DURING 1994 - Regular Meetings; Progressive Dinner with Husbands; Food Demonstrations; Theater Outing with Children; Presentation from Police on D.A.R.E.; Dinner at Woodcliff Hilton; Food Festival; Get Acquainted Supper; Parish Christmas Party; Play Group; Christmas Outing to Van Saun Park.

**PROPOSED ACTIVITIES FOR 1995** - Regular Meetings; Progressive Dinner; Family Roller Skating Party; Theater Outing with Children; Mom's Night Out; Pool Party.

#### **1994 FINANCIAL REPORT**

#### Cash on Hand and in Banks as of December 1, 1993

Checking	\$	54.38	
Savings	_	00,00	

Add 1994 Receipts\$ 275.63Deduct 1994 Disbursements\_00.00Net 1994 Income

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54.38

\$<u>275.63</u> 330.01

#### Cash on Hand and in Banks on December 1, 1994 (Before Payment to Parish Council)

Checking	\$ 330.01			· · · ·
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Savings	00.00		'n	\$ <u>330.01</u>
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#### 80% of Cash Balance to give Parish Council

\$ 00.00

## CHURCH CHOIR ST. LEON ARMENIAN CHURCH 1994 ACTIVITIES REPORT

**OFFICERS** - Chairman, George Paroonagian; Vice Chairperson, Emerald Noorigian; Secretary, Lynn Beylerian; Treasurer, Vahe Kiljian; Advisors, Lucy Dabagian and Leon Dourgarian.

#### MEMBERSHIP 35

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MAIN ACTIVITIES DURING 1994 - Leading the Congregation in singing Hymns on Sunday; Biweekly Rehearsals with Choir Director and Hayr Soorp; Hosted the "Armenian Medieval Songs" Concert by the Nercess Shnorhali Choir; Participated in Other Church Services; The Choir was Represented at the Choir Convention in Richmond, VA, and Received the "GOMIDAS" Award for Excellence.

**PROPOSED ACTIVITIES FOR 1995** - Biweekly Rehearsals; Recruit New Members; Cultural Programs.

#### **1994 FINANCIAL REPORT**

#### Cash on Hand and in Banks as of December 1, 1993

Checking	\$ 745.46	
Savings	00.00	

\$ 745.46

Add 1994 Receipts	\$2,143.77
Deduct 1994 Disbursements	<u>1,065,49</u>
Net 1994 Income	

\$<u>1,078.28</u> 1,823.74

#### Cash on Hand and in Banks on December 1, 1994 (Before Payment to Parish Council)

Checking	\$1,823.74	
Savings	00.00	\$ <u>1,823.74</u>

80% of Cash Balance to give Parish Council

\$1.458.99

Interest Income of \$117.77 Included Above.

## **CHURCH SCHOOL ST. LEON ARMENIAN CHURCH 1994 ACTIVITIES REPORT**

OFFICERS - Superintendent, Arax Moumdjian; Recording Secretary, Anita Sarkissians; Treasurer, Virginia Hachadourian; Publicity, Arax Moumdjian; Photographer, Donna Siroonian; Advisor, Linda Paroonagian.

#### **MEMBERSHIP** 130

MAIN ACTIVITIES DURING 1994 - Christmas Pageant and Dinner; Easter Communion Breakfast, Graduation Exercises; Participation in Various Activities of the Diocese.

**PROPOSED ACTIVITIES FOR 1995 - Christmas Pageant and Dinner; Easter Communion** Breakfast, Graduation Exercises; Participation in Various Activities of the Diocese.

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Cash on Hand and in Banks as of December 1, 1993

Checking \$3,770.17 Savings 00.00

Add 1994 Receipts \$4,981.80 Deduct 1994 Disbursements 7,252.76 Net 1994 Income

#### Cash on Hand and in Banks on December 1, 1994 (Before Payment to Parish Council)

Checking	\$1,499.21	<b>2 %</b> -	, ·
Savings	00.00		\$ <u>1,499,21</u>

#### 80% of Cash Balance to give Parish Council

\$1.199.36

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## MEN'S FELLOWSHIP ST. LEON ARMENIAN CHURCH 1994 ACTIVITIES REPORT

**OFFICERS** - Chairman, Dr. Barry Ard Halejian; Vice Chairman, Ara Hourdajian; Recording Secretary, Dr. Nahabet Kasabian; Corresponding Secretary, Arto Vartoukian; Treasurer, Vahe Kiljian; Publicity, Thomas Ashbahian; Advisor, Robert Ishkanian.

#### MEMBERSHIP 20

MAIN ACTIVITIES DURING 1994 - Monthly Meetings; Interesting, Informative Lectures; Sunday School Easter Communion Breakfast; Annual Church Picnic; Annual CPR Course; Food Festival; Parish Christmas Party.

PROPOSED ACTIVITIES FOR 1995 - All of the above, and possibly new activities.

#### **1994 FINANCIAL REPORT**

Cash on Hand and in Banks as of December 1, 1993

 Checking
 \$ 363.59

 Savings
 \_\_\_\_00.00

Add 1994 Receipts\$ 827.00Deduct 1994 Disbursements966.99Net 1994 Income

<<u>139.99</u>> 223.60

\$ 363.59

Cash on Hand and in Banks on December 1, 1994 (Before Payment to Parish Council)

 Checking
 \$ 223.60

 Savings
 \_\_\_\_00.00
 \$ 223.60

80% of Cash Balance to give Parish Council

\$ 178.88

## SENIOR CITIZENS CENTER ST. LEON ARMENIAN CHURCH 1994 ACTIVITIES REPORT

**OFFICERS** - Chairman, George Shahinian; Secretary, Helen Mazoujian, Treasurer, Leon E. Bedigian; Hospitality, Manoushag Arakelian, Vartir Arakelian, Grace Morookian, Arshalous Varjabedian.

#### MEMBERSHIP 66

MAIN ACTIVITIES DURING 1994 - Weekly Meetings Every Wednesday at 10:30 AM; Monthly Birthday Parties for Members; Bus Trip to Pierpont Morgan Library to see Ancient Manuscripts from Armenia; Hokehankisd Services for Martyr's Day; Combined Mothers and Fathers Day Luncheon hosted by Women's Guild; Christmas Party on Armenian Christmas Day; Three Trips to Atlantic City; Sponsorship of Seven Orphans in Armenia; Tavloo, Cards and Bingo.

PROPOSED ACTIVITIES FOR 1995 - Many of the Same Activities are Planned for 1995.

#### **1994 FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES**

#### Cash on Hand and in Banks as of December 1, 1993

Checking	\$2,168.98	
Savings	00.00	

#### \$2,168.98

 Add 1994 Receipts
 \$1,229.89

 Deduct 1994 Disbursements
 1,202.25

 Net 1994 Income
 1

\$<u>27.64</u> 2,196.62

#### Cash on Hand and in Banks on December 1, 1994 (Before Payment to Parish Council)

Checking	\$2,196.62
Savings	00.00

Cash to give Parish Council

\$<u>2,196.62</u>

\$ 843.91

## WOMEN'S GUILD ST. LEON ARMENIAN CHURCH 1994 ACTIVITIES REPORT

**OFFICERS** - Co-Chairpersons, Carol Ashbahian and Eliz Tossounian; Recording Secretary, Arlene Jessourian; Corresponding Secretary, Irma Altunyan; Treasurer, Linda Harutunian; Advisor, Katherine Ohnikian.

#### MEMBERSHIP 108

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MAIN ACTIVITIES FOR 1994 - Installation of New Officers; Christmas Party; Speaker from Eva's Shelter; Luncheon for Metropolitan Area Armenian Clergy in Metropolitan Area and Connecticut; Lecture by Father Vahan on Addressing Various Ranks of Clergy; Fish 'n Chips Dinner; Presentation by Regina Ohanyan on "Developing Western Approaches to Medicine in Armenia;" Mother's/Father's Day Luncheon for Seniors; Membership Drive - Buffet Dinner; Choreg Sale; Pot Luck Dinner with Friends; Madagh for Assumption Day; Lecture/Video by Professor Peter Cowe for Cultural Month; Armenian Dance Instruction; Cake Decorating; One Day Retreat; Visitation to Armenian Home for the Aged in Emerson.

**PROPOSED ACTIVITIES FOR 1995 -** Host Women's Saint's Day; Lecture by Dr. Nahabet Kasabian; Possibly a Trip to St. Nersess Seminary.

#### **1994 FINANCIAL REPORT**

Cash on Hand and in Banks as of December 1, 1993

Checking	\$1,797.74
Checking	895.75
Savings	<u>2,328.42</u>

Add 1994 Receipts	\$12,180.91
Deduct 1994 Disbursements	12,618.89*
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Net 1994 Income	

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<\$<u>1,333.73</u>> 3.688.18

\$2,950.54

Cash On hand and in Banks on December 1, 1994 (Before giving to Parish Council)

Checking	\$1,638.28	· · ·	- - -
Savings	2,049.90		\$ <u>3,688.18</u>

#### 80% of Cash Balance to give Parish Council

Interest Income of \$49.90 Included Above. \*Closed Accounts

## PARISH COUNCIL FINANCIAL REPORTS

**ARMENIAN CHURCH ENDOWMENT FUNDS** 

## COMPARATIVE OPERATING BUDGET RECEIPTS

## COMPARATIVE OPERATING BUDGET DISBURSEMENTS

## SUMMARY OF ORGANIZATIONAL ACCOUNTS

## ST. LEON ARMENIAN CHURCH ACCOUNTING OF FUNDS LISTED WITH THE ARMENIAN CHURCH ENDOWMENT FUND

#### **GENERAL PURPOSES OF THE CHURCH**

Sarkis and Ruth Bedevian Fund	\$ 5,000.00
George Beshlian Fund	4.400.06
Harout Boyajian Memorial Fund	3,129.36
Robert Buchakian Memorial Fund	100,025.00
E. George and Lucy Dabagian Fund	11,000.00
Zaven and Arlene Dadekian Fund	16,250.00
Arpine Holopikian Memorial Fund	1,817.00
Noubar and Anita Jessourian Memorial Fund	9,500.00
Martin Kapoian Memorial Fund	1,780.00
Satenik Kazanjian Memorial Fund	25,000.00
Mirjan Kirian Fund	500.00
Angele Kouchoukians Memorial Fund	1,745.00
James and Emerald Noorigian Fund	2,267.00
Andrew and Florence Purpuse Memorial Fund	2,635.00
Karnig Shabazian Memorial Fund	5,000.00
Anthony Tungrian Memorial Fund	1,740.00
Lucille Varjian Fund	500.00
ARMENIAN SCHOOL	:
Peter Jesraly Memorial Fund	\$ 3,000.00
Pailak Khatchadourian Memorial Fund	4,000.00
CHURCH SCHOOL	

### **CHURCH SCHOOL**

Takvorian Fund	•	• •		\$ 3,418.94
Varsen Torosian Memo	orial Fund			1,920.00
Lucy Tutunjian Memor	ial Fund			7,315.00

### YOUTH CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Fr. Vahan and Yn. Zarouhi Jelalian Fund \$<u>6,050,00</u>

TOTAL

\$217,992.36

### ST. LEON ARMENIAN CHURCH - COMPARATIVE OPERATING BUDGET SUMMARY

#### **DECEMBER 31. 1994**

#### RECEIPTS

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Weekly Envelopes Plate Collections					<b>141</b> - 14
Special Donations	\$ 57,000	\$ 54,519.94	23.70	\$ 57,000	24.68
Sacraments, Hokehankisd					
In Lieu of Flowers	26,000	33,109	14.39	28,000	12.12
Lradoo	2,000	1,085	0.47	2,000	0.86
, Christmas & Easter Yughakin	13,000	11,077	4.82	14,000	6,06
Auxiliary Organizations	8,000	20,461.95	8.90	10,000	4.33
Community Center Rentals	50,000	54,012	23.48	56,000	24.24
Endowment Fund Income	14,000	15,067.44	6.55	15,000	6.49
Net Proceeds from Affairs	50,000	35,650	15.50	42,000	18.18
Investment Income	4,000	3,680.91	1.60	5,000	2.16
Miscellaneous Income	2,000	1,356.13	0.59	2,000	0.86
TOTALS	\$226,000	\$230,019.37	100.00	\$231,000	100.00

## ST. LEON ARMENIAN CHURCH - COMPARATIVE OPERATING BUDGET

## **DECEMBER 31, 1994**

#### DISBURSEMENTS

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Clergy Stipend Employee Salaries	\$ 80,000	\$ 75,852.96	36.83	\$ 84,000	36.36
Pensions, Health Insurance	*	1 <b>X</b> - 2 - 2 - 2 - 2 - 2 - 2 - 2 - 2 - 2 -			
Visiting Clergy	600	1,525	0.74	1,000	0.43
Diocesan Dues and Expenses	22,000	17,560.69	8.52	22,000	9.52
Sports Association	2,000	3,194.06	1.55	2,000	0.86
General Administration Expense	23,000	18,718.50	9.09	23,000	9.96
Utilities	25,000	33,160.60	16.10	34,000	14.72
Publications and Mailings	3,500	2,679.89	1.30	3,500	1.51
Repairs and Maintenance	15,000	8,599.74	4.18	10,000	4.32
Insurance (Property Damage,	• 				
Casualty and Liability)	12,000	10,664.12	5.18	11,000	4.76
Armenian School	1,000	00.00	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	1,000	0.43
Church School	1,000	00.00	-	1,000	0.43
Organist Stipend	3,300	3,135	1.52	3,500	1.42

## (Disbursements, Continued)

	PROPOSED 1994	ACTUAL 1994	PERCENT TOTAL %	PROPOSED 1995	PERCENT TOTAL <u>%</u>
Van and Auto Expense	3,000	4,045.45	1.96	3,000	1.30
Community Center Expense	\$ 14,000	\$ 11,650.91	5.66	\$ 14,000	6.06
Community Center Repair and Maintenanc	e 4,000	1,680.44	0.82	4,000	1.73
Van Fund Reserve	2,000	2,000 (1)	0.97	2,000	0.86
Equipment Purchase	2,000	00.00	-	1,000	0.43
Community Center Reserve Fund	5,000	5,401.20 (1)	2.62	5,000	2.16
St. Nersess Seminary	2,000	2,000	0.97	2,200	0.95
Parish Functions and Church Activities	3,000	1,351.53	0.66	3,000	1.30
Miscellaneous	2,600	228.94	0.11	1,000	0.43
Auto Purchase	00	2,500.00	1.21	00	<b>_</b>
TOTAL	\$226,000	\$205,949.03 10	00.00	\$231,000	100.00

Notes: Money Transferred January 1995

## 51. LEON ARMENIAN CHURCH SUMMARY OF ORGANIZATIONAL FUNDS ON HAND DECEMBER 31, 1994

Parish Council Checking A	Account		\$ 44,485.91
Parish Council Special Ev	1,147.17		
Parish Council Money Ma	rket Business Account	•.	17,356.73
Parish Council Money Ma	rket Memorial Account	· · · ·	20,167.33
Dreyfus Fund			47,031.33
Community Center Capita (\$5,401.20 to be added in	-	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	17,493.49
Building Fund		•	18,791.63
Van Reserve Fund (\$2,000 additional to be ad	lded in January 1955)		10,290.28
A.C.Y.O.A. Juniors	(11/30/94)		5,503.23
A.C.Y.O.A. Seniors	(11/30/94)		90.63
Armenian School	(11/30/94)	· · ·	216.07
Care and Share	(11/30/94)	· .	330.01
Church Choir	(11/30/94)		1,823.74
Church School	(11/30/94)		1,499.21
Men's Fellowship	(11/30/94)		223.60
Senior Citizens	(11/30/94)	· ·	1,141.73
Women's Guild	(11/30/94)		3,688.18
Total			\$191.280.27
Deduct " 80% Deposits'	' by Parish Council Includ	ed in 1994 Receipts	-3,675.12
Total Funds on Hand De	cember 31, 1994		\$187,605.15

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