

St. Gregory Armenian Church
1986 Parish Assembly
Chairman's Report

The past year has been a very active one in regards to the functions and events that the church has sponsored.

In May we had our pledge dinner at the Apple Tree. This was a very enjoyable and fruitful event. I would like to again thank Harry and Jackie Kradjian who have annually donated this dinner. Our basturma breakfast in June, which has become an annual event, was also very successful as well as our church picnic in August. In September we had an unprecedented Oriental Rug Sale. It was very successful and we plan to do it again next year. I would like to thank John and Alice Bogdasarian who organized this affair and all of the people who so willingly helped them. In October, thanks to Pam Russell and Socie Kradjian who voluntarily chaired our dance, we had a successful and enjoyable church dance after several years of not having this event.

Throughout the past year we have also continued to enjoy regular church dinners, thanks again to Kevork Papazian, Mrs. Satinig Ketchoyian and all the other people who regularly help in the kitchen and in serving and cleaning up. The expenses of many of these dinners have been donated but the parish must understand that the intent of the donors is fellowship true; but also an intent that the church make a much needed profit.

Dr. Art Kachadourian was our delegate to the Diocesan Assembly in May.

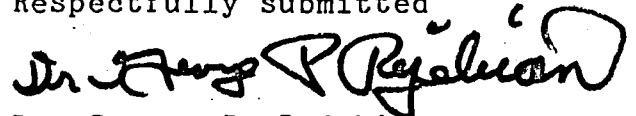
In addition to normal maintenance etc., this past year we have undertaken replacement of the entire church roof. The hall roof has been completed with the main sanctuary roof to be done in the Spring. Total cost for both roofs will be about \$13,000. We would hope that anyone who is able to do so will make a minimum \$500. one time contribution towards the roof.

Our Women's Guild has become more active under the leadership of Adrienne Kachadourian, Beatrice Injajikian, Rose Ketchoyian and Manoosh Serayderian. We hope that this positive trend will continue.

Finally, as all of you know, we last year made a mutual commitment with Hayr Soorp until the end of 1986. We hoped that during the past year an arrangement could be made with Syracuse to share our priest with them, since our finances were beginning to dictate a move in this direction. In March of 1985, your parish council met with Serpazan and the Parish Council of Syracuse and

Niagara Falls at the regional meeting. We were not able to resolve this matter and in fact, Syracuse, Rochester, and Niagara Falls made another arrangement so that we have not even obtained the financial relief of Hayr Soorp going to Syracuse once a month as he had done in previous years. The parish council and Hayr Soorp have mutually agreed to honor our committment to each other until the end of 1986. In a spirit of cooperation we will try to find a more economical alternative and Hayr Soorp will have the time to relocate. If he wishes to move before the end of the year, we will discuss this and work it out. We will, of course, establish a Search Committee and start working on this problem as soon as possible. The Diocese will of course be informed in writing. I would like to thank Hayr Soorp and the members of the parish council for their hard work and dedication during the past year and all of you for your support and cooperation.

Respectfully submitted



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Chairman