

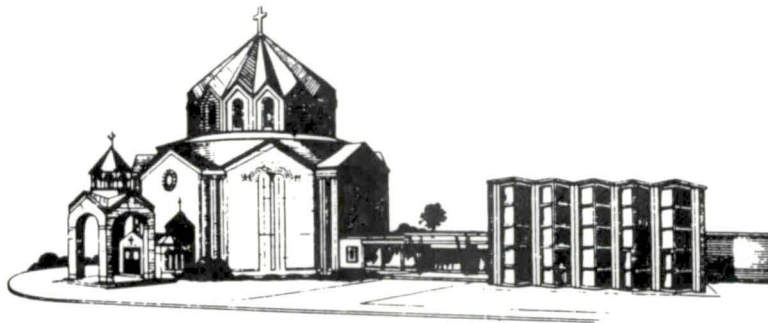


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ST. JOHN'S ARMENIAN CHURCH
OF GREATER DETROIT

22001 Northwestern Highway
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INVITATION
TO THE ANNUAL PARISH ASSEMBLY
OF ST. JOHN'S ARMENIAN CHURCH OF GREATER DETROIT

Southfield, Michigan

Friday

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8:00 P.M.

AT THE ARMENIAN CULTURAL BUILDING
22001 Northwestern Highway, Southfield, Michigan

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PASTOR'S ANNUAL REPORT
FOR THE YEAR 1970

Dear Parishioners,

One of the duties of the parish priest according to our By-Laws is to present annually a report of his activities to the parish assembly and to the Ordinary of the Diocese. For the past many years, I have given a comprehensive annual report which has covered the major areas of my pastoral activities.

After much thought, this year I have planned to deviate from this procedure. On one hand I intend to present a resume of my pastoral activities so that everyone will be aware of the scope of my church work. In addition I would like to submit orally my evaluation, recommendations and a message.

With the close of 1970 I completed 13 years in the service of Christ as the Pastor of this Great Metropolitan Church.

The Church properly filled its role as a sacramental body and exercised its historic role of leadership in the Armenian community of Metropolitan Detroit. We are all happy that FR. PAREN VARTABED AVEDIKIAN who was transferred to our parish last year for one year, rearranged his plans so that he could remain with us, with the approval of the Primate. Fr. Paren assumed the post of Superintendent of the Church School and became the Director of youth activities. In addition to his full-time job with the church school and youth, he alternates Sunday Badarak and sermon and assists in the performances of church ceremonies, sacraments and rites whenever there is a need. With these duties and with plans for resuming his studies, Fr. Paren will be unable to give much attention to pastoral duties. However his stay in our parish fulfills, for the time being, the need of a second clergyman.

We are also fortunate to have in our midst ARCHBISHOP SION MANOOGIAN, as Bishop in Residence, whose help is invaluable. He preaches monthly and officiates on major feast days with solemn High Mass. He attends Church for Sunday worship, presides at special ceremonies and other gatherings. His presence enhances the prestige of our Church functions.

We are also indebted to DEACON LEVON N. ZENIAN for his willing contribution as preacher. His dynamic monthly sermons both in Armenian and English on Sundays and sometimes on other occasions are greatly appreciated. By his own wish he does not receive compensation for his service. He does this for the love of God and it may be considered truly a labor of love.

In connection with the Sunday worship services, mention should be made of our own KOMITAS CHOIR, their CHOIRMASTER DEACON ARA HAIG and ORGANIST, and DEACONS who performed their duties. By doing so they have beautified our Liturgy.

In connection with sacraments and rites DEACON HARRY EKIZIAN'S services are invaluable.

Another phase of our parish work is the operation of our Calouste Gulbenkian Armenian School. We are much indebted to MR. ZAREH MELKONIAN who helped the normal operation of Saturday and Sunday classes of the Armenian School, following the resignation of MR. NURHAN AKARAKJIAN as principal of the School. After the re-organization of the School with concerned parents as members of the Board of Administration, Mr. Souren Shovroghlian was appointed to the post of principal of the School. The school is operating smoothly. Also in connection with Armenian language teaching, it is important to mention that Mr. Zareh Melkonian offers Armenian adult classes throughout the week.

HIGHLIGHTS OF PASTORAL ACTIVITIES

Throughout the year most of the phases of the pastoral activities are covered through the medium of the Torch Bearer as they occur.

Herewith, I submit to our Parish Assembly for review a summation of some phases of our pastoral activities, in an overall manner, which should be a part of any Annual Report.

Pastoral work covers varied and multiple phases. For convenience, I have categorized them.

A. WORSHIP AND CEREMONIES

Divine Liturgy is celebrated every Sunday without exception. Divine Liturgy and various church ceremonies were also conducted on special occasions according to the liturgical season and to the requirements of our liturgical tradition and rubrics of our church calendar. The directives of our Diocese were also closely adhered to.

Mention should be made of Armenian Christmas which was celebrated on its canonical day, January 6, with the participation of CSAI (Bolsetzies cultural group) who sang in four part harmony in the Gomidasian version of Badarak.

During the Lenten period, besides the closed Divine Liturgy, Sunrise Services were performed on Sunday mornings, (during the five Sundays of Lent) and Vigil Services were conducted on Wednesday nights (during the six week Lenten period).

"Trunpatzek" Ceremony on Palm Sunday, this year was performed immediately after Badarak rather than in the evening as it usually was.

Holy Week was observed with all the proper services and ceremonies.

Commemoration of the "Last Supper" at noon services on Maundy Thursday, which we began in recent years as a Holy Communion day for our Ladies' Auxiliary worked out very successfully again this year.

Feet-washing ceremony remains one of our most popular ceremonies. Twelve boys from our Church School participate in this. They later submit an essay to the Church School and awards are given for the best papers. For this purpose this year the Flora Thomasian Memorial Fund was established by Mr. Khoren Thomasian in loving memory of his wife.

Tre-ore service on Good Friday noon, completely in English, has been established as a youth oriented service with their participation.

Holy Communion services on Christmas and Easter for our parish children are administered with Communion breakfast following.

Theophany Eve and Easter Eve celebrations with evening ceremonies and Badarak were conducted ceremoniously.

"Madagh" was blessed on Armenian Martyrs' Day following Badarak and was distributed to the faithful, in tribute to the 55th Anniversary of the massacre. The ceremony of Madagh Blessing took place in the Cultural Building.

Christmas Eve Service was again conducted entirely in English, as a youth oriented service, with a throng of youth in attendance and with their participation.

In the Church we have performed all the special ceremonies whenever the occasion called for it. These ceremonies are Blessing of Water on Armenian Christmas in commemoration of Christ's Baptism, Blessing of Grapes on the Feast of Assumption, "Antasdan" on Five Major Feast days, festive processional Antasdan on the Feast of Exaltation of the Holy Cross, Pontifical Prayer Service (Hayrabadagan Maghtank) on the first Sunday of New Year, Name Day of the Catholicos, Feast of Holy Etchmiadzin, and the Anniversary of the Consecration of His Holiness the Catholicos.

Hokehankist (Requiem Service) was performed almost every Sunday as requested by parishioners and also special Hokehankist was conducted on special occasions.

Noon church services were also conducted on every monthly meeting day of the Ladies' Auxiliary (the first Wednesday of each month).

Outside the church, Memorial services were conducted on Memorial Day at Woodlawn Cemetery (Armenian Section) and blessing of graves in satisfaction of faithful on fortieth day and first anniversary of the blessing of their loved ones and also on Memorial Day.

All of these ceremonies are successful through the planning and coordination of the Pastor and the organizations involved.

B. CHURCH PULPIT

Sermons were delivered to worshipers in both Armenian and English every Sunday of the year. Our clergy with regular guest preachers, and on occasions guest clergy, fulfilled this need of the church.

C. SACRAMENTS AND RITES

The sacraments and rites are performed with detail and conscientiously since they are intended as services for the individual needs of the families involved.

The following services have been duly recorded in our Parish Registry during the year 1970.

Baptisms and confirmations, including adult baptisms and sometimes only confirmations, totaled 65. Weddings totaled 28; betrothals 8; and funerals 75.

The performance of these 176 services were occasions for the pastor to counsel and teach and each performance of any sacrament and rite took considerable time. The Burial Services were always accompanied by a eulogy and the matrimonial services with interpretive sermons.

An honest appraisal of these pastoral performances which were carried out with utmost care will reveal that only this phase of pastoral work is enough to keep any one busy full time; and yet, in our church, that is only one small phase of the total gigantic picture.

D. PASTORAL CALLS AND COUNSELING

The pastoral calls include sick calls in hospitals, consolation visits to bereaved families, Christian fellowship visitations to families, family counseling in case of request and spiritual guidance and pastoral counseling to young couples before marriage. Some of the counseling conferences obviously were conducted in relation with performance of sacraments and rites, especially funerals and weddings.

Although we lacked home visitations on a regular basis, such as home blessings during Christmastide and Eastertide and regular

calls, somewhat, these visitations were given in most cases in connection with sacraments and rites. Besides, requests for special visits were fulfilled. Whenever the clergy were notified, the hospitalized were called upon without fail. Emergency cases were met at any hour during day or night. Also visitations were given to shut-ins, at the Michigan Home for the Armenian Aged, Eloise, Northville and other nursing homes.

E. CHURCH CARE

Church care for the proper upkeep of vestments and vessels, altar care, candles, cleaning of the Church, is somewhat carried by help of Church custodians, Altar Guild, and the SACRISTAN MR. HAYRABED MIKAE LIAN. However because of existing circumstances, thought should be given to train another sacristan to assist the clergy in the performance of their religious duties, thereby relieving them of preparatory matters.

F. ADMINISTRATIVE DUTIES

Administrative duties encompasses particularly the Church office management related with the management of our entire complex. Because of the lack of an administrator or a general manager or an executive director, the responsibility of this phase of our operation also is left on the shoulders of the pastor, particularly the part which is strictly church related.

In view of the immensity of the administrative responsibilities of a church this size which is at least five times the size of an average church, thought should be given to the acquisition of an administrator.

G. ORGANIZATIONAL MATTERS

The clergy presided over the numerous meetings of the Parish Council and Church affiliated auxiliary organizations, including some executive body meetings, standing committees and special project meetings. They closely supervised their activities, offered prayers and gave their help, advice and guidance whenever needed. The clergy attended their annual functions and other performances.

H. EDUCATIONAL - CULTURAL

Our community life became undoubtedly richer with varied Cultural and Educational programs which were presented throughout the year. Pastors actively engaged in the promotion of Armenian arts and culture in our community life. They presented lectures and addresses, and on occasions took part in the formation of programs. Public lectures, international festivals, commemorative "Hantes", observances of festive days are all part of our educational and cultural endeavors. They are all covered in our Torch Bearer.

I. CHURCH PUBLICATIONS

Jahagir

"Jahagir" Torch Bearer publication is our official parish

and was published with combined issues under most trying circumstances. Unfortunately, due to pressing duties of the pastor it was virtually impossible to publish it on a monthly basis contrary to our desire. It was further delayed because of the discussions concerning it being carried on by the Parish Council. However with the three volumes published in 1970, all the noteworthy and newsworthy events of our parish are recorded for posterity and nothing worthwhile is overlooked. Our history can be found only in this publication. In connection with the Torch Bearer publication, I must acknowledge the tremendous help of my wife Yeretzgin Rosalie who for almost twenty years has helped in its publication.

The Torch Bearer is mailed to 1800 addresses (including the Armenian Churches in our Diocese) and we believe that this publication alone enhanced greatly the prestige and image of our Church. It is the only link of communication between the Church and the Armenian Community of Greater Detroit.

Sunday Church Bulletins

The Sunday Church Bulletin is another service rendered to our faithful. It is prepared and distributed to church comers each Sunday and keeps everyone informed of important announcements for Hokehankist, etc.

Annual Reports Booklet

The Annual Reports Booklet was prepared for the last ten years. It is regrettable that this year by Parish Council decision we did not print these reports in a convenient booklet form.

Program and Souvenir Booklets

Program and Souvenir Booklets were prepared on special occasions. Christmas and Easter Bulletins with the schedule of church services were also prepared. Numerous fliers, advertisements with artistic designs, announcements for the Armenian Radio Hour both in Armenian and English were accomplished. In view of this tremendous work, the need of secretarial help is obvious.

J. CIVIC AND PUBLIC RELATIONS

We worked very hard in promoting Armenian neighborly relations within the community where our church is located. On many occasions we were recognized by Detroit and Southfield municipal authorities and other civic groups. Clergy sometimes were called upon to give invocations on memorable occasions. Area newspapers carried our publicity in article and picture forms. Due to these activities our church stands in the community with considerable respect and prestige. Some of our church auxiliary groups are to be commended for their promotion of public relations.

K. INTERCHURCH ACTIVITIES

Our church is an official member of MDCC (Metropolitan Detroit Council of Churches). The pastor was elected to the Board of Administrators and attended meetings in this capacity. MRS. ZABEL ATESIAN was appointed by the pastor as our representative and attended the meetings of the Executive Board. Also MR. ARDAVAZT EKIZIAN served on TV-Radio Department of the MDCC. We are happy that our Women's Guild shows interest in the activities of Church Women United which is another arm of MDCC.

The pastor is also a member of the Detroit Pastors' Union and Southfield Clergy Association. Pastor participated in some of the meetings and inter-denominational liturgical services, inter-faith actions, in which St. John's was represented most of the time by the active participation of the pastor in the spirit of true ecumenism. Whenever the opportunity was presented the pastor introduced the Armenian Church. These activities are represented in the Torch Bearer and with a glance through its pages, one may see the magnitude of the work.

L. SOCIAL FUNCTIONS

Clergy were on hand whenever invited for social functions such as wedding anniversary celebrations and offered prayers, blessings and gave messages.

M. PARISH PROJECTS AND PROGRAMS

Clergy actively were engaged in all the projects and programs that the church undertook. In most cases, pastors themselves were the promoters of such programs.

N. CHURCH TOURS

Our church continued to attract many groups throughout the year because of its unusual Armenian architectural style. From the Detroit Metropolitan area various organized groups from different churches and civic organizations visited the church in large or small groups and, on most occasions, the clergy gave these groups a comprehensive church tour lecturing on the Armenian Church in all its aspects. These groups are recorded in the Torch Bearer in chronological order.

O. CONFERENCES

Clergy attended conferences and assemblies both in our town and on occasions out-of-town. The clergy while out-of-town, besides attending meetings, also at times conducted church services.

P. VISITING CLERGY AND DISTINGUISHED VISITORS

This year we were again privileged by the visitation of Armenian clergymen throughout the Diocese and, on occasions from different parts of the world. In addition we were visited by distinguished Armenian dignitaries. Pastors gave considerable time to them particularly the visiting clergy; their names may be found in the Torch Bearer.

Q. OFFICIAL CORRESPONDENCE

Official correspondence of the church both in Armenian and English was carried by the pastor. Numerous letters were written or answered. Paper work and desk work connected with the sacraments and rites such as certificates, entry in the records book, letters of recommendation, etc. were written. Here also the need of additional secretarial help is obvious.

NOTEWORTHY ACCOMPLISHMENTS AND MEMORABLE EVENTS

A. CHURCH BAZAAR

Our two-day Bazaar in September was an outstanding and memorable success, under the chairmanship of MR. JACK KAZANJIAN with the whole-hearted cooperation of all church affiliated organizations. The full and rich program that assured something of interest for all those who visited the Bazaar was accounted by all as being one of the most exciting undertakings of the Church in many years.

Two other Church Bazaars have preceded this one. One in connection with the opening of our new Cultural Building and the other in connection with the dedication of our new Church. The former two Bazaars were done for us under MRS. ALEX MANOOGIAN'S leadership. Actually this was the first Bazaar ever undertaken by the initiation of Parish Council and this achievement was marvelous. It totaled a sum of \$20,000 and the magnificent spirit of cooperation which permeated throughout was incalculable. The clergy were personally involved in every phase of it and insured its success. This success shows that the Bazaar is a venture that should be undertaken every year or at least every other year under the leadership of the Parish Council.

B. PATRIARCH SHNORK'S VISITATION TO OUR COMMUNITY

His Beatitude the Patriarch of Constantinople, ARCHBISHOP SHNORK KALOUSTIAN, accompanied by ARSHEN VARTABED AYVAZIAN as his staff bearer and MR. YERVANT SEVAN, his secretary, arrived in Detroit in mid-November for a one week stay with us to raise funds to assist destitute Armenians who are still in the interiors of Turkey.

The active week may be regarded as a memorable event in the history of St. John's.

The Sunday activities of November 22nd, with Patriarchal Solemn High Mass in the morning and the Banquet given in honor of His Beatitude in the evening was the crowning climax of an entire week's busy schedule. Patriarch's humanitarian mission was successfully brought to a conclusion with the realization of contributions totaling \$20,000 from the Detroit Armenian Community.

This was the Patriarch's second visit to our community. The first one, a fund-raising mission again, was for Holy Cross Seminary in Istanbul and occurred 5 years ago, which was also successful. But,

this was the first opportunity for the Patriarch to celebrate Holy Badarak in our new Church. Five years ago our Church was not completed and he performed Badarak in our Cultural Building on the Altar of Holy Resurrection.

During this second visit our parishioners once again demonstrated their generosity towards a most worthy cause and are to be commended. The clergy did the utmost in their capacity to insure the success of the Patriarch's mission in the overall project, demonstrating their role of leadership.

C. ORGAN DEDICATION

The dedication of our newly installed pipe organ in memory of church benefactor, the late ARAM ABGARIAN, will undoubtedly go down as another noteworthy milestone in our church history. Though this happened the weekend of January 22, 1971, the project began early in September. This auspicious occasion was made truly memorable by the presence of HIS GRACE ARCHBISHOP TORKOM MANOOGIAN, Primate of our Diocese and MR. BERJ ZAMKOCHIAN, the renowned organist from Boston. The religious ceremony of the Blessing of the organ and the Dedicatory Organ Recital in the presence of 700 people was truly inspiring.

Solemn High Mass on Sunday, January 24th and the Special Memorial Requiem Service for the repose of the soul of Aram Abgarian was officiated by the Primate also presided by him at the Banquet on the same evening. On this occasion the Souvenir Program Booklet, prepared by the pastor, was a fitting tribute to the eventful and glorious weekend.

The Clergy gave their full support to the project and involved in the implementation and the execution of the minutest details of its many facets.

The organ concert opened the possibility of new avenues of religious expression in our Armenian Church. Annual organ concerts of a religious nature will certainly bring about the full utilization of our new pipe organ. Future Parish Councils should look into this and promote musical programs in our church as an inspiring innovation.

D. AGBU VAHAKN DANCE ENSEMBLE

AGBU dance ensemble which began in March, is a promising vigorous movement and certainly fills a gap in the life of a metropolitan community such as ours. We all look forward with eagerness to its Debut in May 1971 on the stage of the Ford Auditorium. We wish well to this group which invigorates the life of our youth in our community. The clergy encourage this movement within our parish and demonstrate their interest by often attending their rehearsals.

COMING EVENTS

1971 marks the Tenth Anniversary of our existence in Southfield. Incidentally, it coincides with the Fifth Anniversary of the Consecration of our New Church.

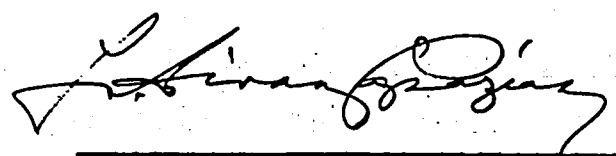
1971 furthermore marks the Fiftieth Golden Anniversary of our Ladies' Auxiliary who have proven many times over that they are the backbone of our church.

Both anniversaries should not pass unnoticed and should be observed in a dignified manner. Committees for careful planning should be appointed at once.

As we embark upon the second decade of our existence in Southfield, I ask your help, prayers and encouragement, so that your humble servant, with the Grace of God, may satisfactorily perform his tremendous tasks for the highest good of our Church and for the

greater glory of God.

May the blessings of God the Father and the guidance of God the Son and the inspiration of God the Holy Spirit be with you and with me now and evermore.



REV. FR. DIRAN PAPA ZIAN, PASTOR

Section B

Dear Parishioners:

As Chairman of the Parish Council for the second year, I have had the pleasure of working with a group of devoted and dedicated men who have performed the enormous task of governing St. John's Armenian Church. Their work has been performed so well that I can report to you that our church's financial position is in excellent condition.

Realizing that this could not be accomplished without the complete cooperation and support of all the auxiliary church organizations, I, as chairman, on behalf of the pastors and parish council, wish to extend our heartfelt thanks and express our deepest feeling of appreciation to all the church auxiliary organizations, and to Mr. Mike Dorian for his donation of a station wagon for the use of our pastor.

A special thanks to the Men's Society for sponsoring the Blood Bank and Usher Corp. To the Ladies Auxiliary and the Women's Guild for their complete support of our parish activities, particularly for the many times they have been called upon to bake, cook and serve at our many functions and for their overwhelming support of the Church Bazaar.

I would also like to acknowledge the Ladies' Auxiliary for completing the project that has been so dear to the hearts of our Pastors (the Vestment Enclosure built under the Altar), and to the Women's Guild for purchasing and installing the new drapes that have beautified and revitalized the appearance of our lobby.

Thanks again to the Armenian-American Veterans for their generosity in allowing us to use their building for the many projects and events that have taken place particularly when the Cultural Building was being used.

The Pastors and Parish Council certainly wish to express their feeling of appreciation to the Komitas Choir, the Deacons, Sub Deacons for their

service and devotion Sunday after Sunday.

To the Youth Organizations (ACYOA Senior and Project Youth) for their assistance whenever they were called upon by the Pastors and Parish Council. And to the Altar and Library Guild for their continuous support and assistance throughout the year.

Acknowledgement and expression of appreciation should also be extended to the Very Rev. Father Paren and the Church School supervisors and teachers for providing the Christian training and teaching each Sunday to our Parish children. This acknowledge should be extended to the supervisors and teachers of the Armenian School.

An expression of appreciation would not be complete without acknowledging the service performed by Mr. Jack Kazanjian as chairman of our Bazaar. I am sure that without his enthusiasm and leadership the Bazaar would not have been the overwhelming success it was.

Without a doubt St. John's Armenian Church could not acheive the success it has over the many years without the complete support, encouragement and cooperation and envolvment of the parishioners.

Sincerely,
Michael Megregian
Chairman, Parish Council

PARISH COUNCIL REPORT
1970

EXECUTIVE BODY ELECTION

The outgoing and incoming members of the Parish Council held a joint meeting on March 10, 1970, under the presidency of Rev. Fr. Diran Papazian in the Armenian Cultural Building to transfer duties following the ratification and blessing of the newly constituted Parish Council. The following were elected to serve as the 1970-71 officers:

Chairman:	Michael Megregian *
Vice-chairman:	Edward B. Korkoian
Secretary:	Jack Margosian *
Treasurer:	Harry A. Kezelian
Advisors:	Souren Aprahamian
	Stephen Boyajian
	Narses Gedigian *
	John M. Noraian *
	Albert P. Semonian *
	Simon Tashjian *
	Archie Yeghissian
	Leo Zamanigian

* Term Expiring February 1971

Appointments and Committees

The following members of the Parish Council were appointed to serve as the 1970-71 liaison officers to our respective church auxiliaries and as members of standing committees:

Liaison Officers

Armenian Apostolic Society	Michael Megregian
St. John's Armenian Church School	Michael Megregian
Calouste Gulbenkian Armenian School	Archie Yeghissian
Calouste Gulbenkian Kindergarten	Michael Megregian
Armenian Co-operative Nursery School	Michael Megregian
Ladies' Auxiliary	Edward B. Korkoian
Women's Guild	Simon Tashjian
Men's Society	Albert P. Semonian
Komitas Choir	Narses Gedigian
ACYOA Seniors	John M. Noraian
ACYOA Project Youth	Stephen Boyajian
Library Guild	Souren Aprahamian
Mr. & Mrs. Society	Edward B. Korkoian

Standing Committees

Pledge and Membership	Simon Tashjian
Building Management	Albert Semonian
Building Projects	John Noraian
Sacraments and In Lieu of Flowers	Leo Zamanigian
Books, Plates, Candles	Hairabed Mikaelian

Cemetery and Bequests
Calendar
Hospitality and Friendship
Visitation
Education
Cultural
Public Relations
Budget and Finance

Edward Korkoian
Albert Semonian
Harry Kezelian
Archie Yeghissian
Michael Megregian
Souren Aprahamian
Jack Margosian
Stephen Boyajian

Honorary Positions

Honorary Chairman
Honorary Member

Peter Manoogian
Hairabed Mikaelian

REGULAR AND SPECIAL MEETINGS DURING 1970

A total of twenty-seven regular Parish Council meetings and twenty-five Tivan meetings were held during 1970. Special meetings with Diocesan Delegates, church auxiliary organizations and Church Schools were also held during the year.

CULTURAL BUILDING REPORT FOR THE YEAR 1970

Meetings held by the following organizations: Parish Council, Ladies' Auxiliary, Women's Guild, ACYOA Seniors, ACYOA Project Youth, Men's Society, Church School Teachers, Armenian School Teachers, Nursery School Teachers, AGBU Men, AGBU Women, AGBU Intermediate, AGBU Midwest, Apostolic Society, Michigan Home for the Armenian Aged, K of V Shavarshan Lodge, K of V Nareg Lodge, and D of V Zabelle Otyag Lodge. The Detroit Bible Students meet every Monday and Wednesday, AGBU Day School held five days a week, September-June. Nursery School is held three days a week from October-May. Sunday School classes every Sunday from the latter part of September to the first of June. Armenian School classes held every Saturday and Sunday from September-June. Coffee Hour was held occasionally. Easter and Christmas breakfasts were held for the children. A total of 57 paid rentals for the year. Thirty-six church and affiliated group affairs were held. Nord Bar Review Courses were held three days a week during the summer, for a total of eight weeks. A total of approximately 611 meetings were held in the building during the year. AGBU Dance classes were held three days a week.

The Parish Council would like to thank Mr. Frank Bartholomew and his staff for maintaining the building and equipment in excellent condition.

Following are listed the major improvements and additions that were made to the facilities in the 1970 budget year.

1. Vestments Enclosure completed in Church.
2. Redecorating of kitchen completed.
3. Wall removed between rooms 12 and 13 to enlarge school facilities.
4. Carpeting of lobby and hallways.
5. Replaced two hot water tanks.
6. Replaced 2 garbage disposals in kitchen.
7. Replaced 2 sump pumps in hall basement.
8. Lighting of church signs on timer circuit.

9. Repaired ceiling in chapel.
10. New drapes in lobby.
11. Painted lobby ceiling.
12. Installation of Church organ.
13. Lights on paintings on side altars.
14. Spot lights installed in hall.
15. Purchase of vacuum and rug cleaning machine.
16. Installed spot lights in church.

PLEDGE AND MEMBERSHIP

The Pledge and Membership Committee has employed all means of communication, short of personal visits to parishioners homes, to engender interest and cooperation towards increasing the number of pledges as well as dues paying members (without pledges). Letters of gratitude and appreciation for prompt response for dues and pledge payments have had a beneficial effect.

The committee embarked on an intensified campaign to have ALL parishioners sign a pledge card which will require no annual renewal except for changes the signer wants to make. This concerted effort has proven successful in that, as of this date, more pledge cards have been received than in any of the previous years. Encouraging as this is, it is far - far short of the goal of the committee, that is, 100%. Cooperation of other church organizations have been solicited towards the accomplishment of this goal. All parishioners are urged to cooperate by promptly returning their pledge card.

ARMENIAN COMMUNITY MEMORIAL-WOODLAWM CEMETERY

The dedication of the Armenian Martyrs Shrine in Section 28B on November 9, 1969, the second phase of our Armenian Community Memorial in Woodlawn Cemetery was brought to a successful conclusion. This memorial project was initiated by the Parish Council of St. John's Armenian Church on December 22, 1958. It is a historic accomplishment for our parish and it is the first and only memorial project of its kind in America. We now have two beautiful memorial shrines in Woodlawn Cemetery. Our parish is justifiably proud of this magnificent project.

With the completion of the project St. John's Armenian Church received the sum of \$31,000 from the Woodlawn Cemetery Association. This sum was accrued over the ten year span of the project.

NEW YEAR'S EVE DINNER-DANCE

The Parish Council wishes to extend its thanks to the many parishioners and their guests in helping to chalk up another memorable New Year's Eve affair. The major desire of the Committee, Mrs. Helen Armoudlian and John Noraian, chairman was to provide the guests with the necessary blend of company, food, music and fun. The enjoyment of the guests was evidenced by the spirit of those who attended the 11th annual dinner-dance.

11TH ANNUAL CHURCH PICNIC

St. John's Armenian Church of Greater Detroit held its 11th Annual Picnic at the State Fair on Sunday, July 26, 1970. Due to the fine support of the parishioners the annual picnic was a huge success. The Committee members, under the chairmanship of Leo Zamanigian, prepared and served a delicious shish kebab dinner.

The Pastors and the Parish Council of St. John's Armenian Church wish to express their sincere appreciation to the picnic committee members for a successful picnic and extend appreciation to the parishioners for their continued support.

CHURCH BAZAAR

The most rewarding undertaking of the Parish Council for 1970 was the Church Bazaar held on September 26 and 27.

The success of our 1970 Church Bazaar not only realized, but actually exceeded, our fondest expectations. The full and rich program that insured something of interest for all those who visited the Bazaar was accounted by all as being the most exciting in many years. Under the able direction of Mr. Jack Kazanjian, and the generous cooperation of the Church organizations, the Parish Council members' wives, and other individual members of our Church, a sum of nearly \$20,000 was realized.

The Pastors and Parish Council of St. John's Armenian Church would like to sincerely thank Mr. Jack Kazanjian, general chairman of the Bazaar Committee, and all those who so generously donated their time, energy and money in making the 1970 Bazaar such an outstanding and memorable success.

68TH ANNUAL DIOCESAN ASSEMBLY

The 68th Annual Diocesan Assembly and Clergymen's Conference of the Diocese of the Armenian Church of America took place in Holy Trinity Armenian Church, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, on April 28 - May 3, 1970, with Primate Archbishop Torkom Manoogian presiding.

Diocesan Delegates from our parish attended along with our pastors. The Most Rev. Archbishop Torkom Manoogian was re-elected Primate of the Eastern Diocese of the Armenian Church of America. The Assembly approved the creation of two positions, namely, an administrative assistant to the Primate and an administrator for the Diocesan complex in New York.

VISIT OF THE PATRIARCH OF ISTANBUL

During the past year our Parish had the honor and pleasure of a visit by His Beatitude Archbishop Shnork Kaloustian, Patriarch of Istanbul. The Patriarch, one of the most dedicated high ranking clergymen of the Armenian Church and a former Primate of the Diocese of California, has had to appeal, on more than one occasion, to the generosity of the Armenians in the United States in the performance of the very difficult duties of his office.

The purpose of his latest mission was to raise funds with which to relocate thousands of destitute Armenians from the interior regions of Turkey in Istanbul and help them become self sufficient. The Patriarch, with his entourage, spent an entire week in our community meeting with individuals and organizations to acquaint them with the scope and urgency of his mission.

The highlight of the Patriarch's visit was a banquet given in his honor by the Parish Council on November 22, 1970, attended by over 400 parishioners. At the banquet a very appropriate cultural program was presented by the CSAI. The Patriarch gave his message to a sympathetic audience who enthusiastically responded with donations which nearly totaled \$20,000 towards this most worthy project.

NEW ORGAN DEDICATION

The weekend of January 22, 1971, will undoubtedly go down as another milestone on the road of progress for St. John's Armenian Church. For on that day the newly installed pipe organ of our Church was dedicated in memory of the late Aram Abgarian who had donated the entire cost of the organ prior to his untimely death.

This auspicious occasion was made truly memorable by the presence of His Grace Archbishop Torkom Manoogian, Primate of the Eastern Diocese of North America and the renowned Armenian musician Berj Zamkochian, organist of the Boston Symphony and the Boston Pops Orchestras. Following a brief and impressive religious service conducted by Archbishops Torkom and Sion Manoogian and our two pastors, Berj Zamkochian gave a Dedicatory Recital to an audience of well over 600 people. The talented musician captivated his listeners as much by his unexcelled performance on the organ as by his low key oratory both in English and Armenian while explaining the themes of the various numbers on his program. He was truly a revelation to the majority of the audience who saw and heard him for the first time.

On Sunday, January 24, Archbishop Torkom Manoogian was the celebrant and preacher at the morning worship services, with Berj Zamkochian as guest organist accompanying the Komitas Choir. A Special Requiem Service (Hokehankist) was performed following Holy Badarak in memory of Aram Abgarian.

The activities of the day were concluded with a banquet in the evening given by the Parish Council in honor of Archbishop Torkom Manoogian who was on his first visit to our Parish since his re-election as Primate of the Eastern Diocese. Mr. Berj Zamkochian was a special guest at the banquet. A concise program included musical contributions by Stepan Karoogian and young Arpie Demirjian (cello), appropriate messages from the Primate and Archbishop Sion Manoogian and a moving talk by Berj Zamkochian. For some 300 parishioners the evening was a fitting climax to an impressive weekend long to be remembered.

SAM KARABATIAN WILL

Sam Karabatian, who passed away on September 7, 1966, remembered our Church in his Will, wherein he directed that the balance of his estate, after certain bequests were paid, be given to St. John's Armenian Church. The sum of \$10,660.41 was paid to our Church.

We are especially indebted to Attorney Royden Jones, who handled the estate and protected St. John's interests. We were not aware of this unexpected legacy until Mr. Jones informed us of its existence and he very generously followed through on the matter for our Church.

WAYNE STATE UNIVERSITY ARMENIAN STUDIES

Our Church has been one of the original member organizations of a committee which was formed some fifteen years ago to provide Wayne State University with partial financial support thus enabling the University to offer courses in Armenian studies for credit. The program has been strengthened and enlarged through the years with the University assuming the increased cost of the expanded curriculum. The Church will continue to support this worthwhile program until such time when greater interest and larger enrollments in these courses will remove the need for community subsidy.

ARMENIAN APOSTOLIC SOCIETY, INC.

22001 NORTHWESTERN HIGHWAY
SOUTHFIELD, MICHIGAN

January 15, 1971

Dear Parishioners:

Although there have been very few obvious changes in 1970, improvements are continuing on many items including the public address system, which has been a major problem. To this date, we are still working on it without too much success. We realize the importance of this, however, and shall continue until we find the solution.

During 1970, we were able to purchase the additional one and one-half acres north of our parking lot from the State of Michigan. It is now officially part of our property. We bought it for \$29,000.00 with a small down payment and the balance to be paid in ten years or less.


The progress of our consecration book that Dr. Dennis Papazian is working on has been rather slow, but I believe when it is completed, it will be a book that everyone will want. Though I am reluctant to give you a date for publication and distribution, we hope it will be sometime before fall.

Mr. Richard Simonian, our accountant for many years, is keeping our books up to date, and we will have a final statement distributed to all members with financial figures, and the contributors and the amounts will also be published in the consecration book.

With the money still coming in to the Apostolic Society, some old and some new contributions, plus monies received in lieu of flowers, we are investigating the possibility and the costs of redecorating our cultural hall to create a new and warmer atmosphere.

Again, I want to thank all of you members and contributors and ask each of you to consider the Apostolic Society in your contributions, as we have many things to do to improve our facilities, and we can do this nicely without a campaign of any sort if sufficient funds are forthcoming.

Sincerely,



Edward Mardigian, President
Armenian Apostolic Society, Inc.

SECTION D

LADIES' AUXILIARY

Chairman: Mrs. Alice Melkonian
Membership: 230
No. of Meetings: 10
Main Activities: Vartanantz Celebration, Michink (Topic Luncheon).
Hampartzoum, Bake Sale, International Bazaar,
"Mas Preparation", Armenian Christmas
Luncheon, and Maunday Thursday Luncheon

1970 Highlights

The Ladies' Auxiliary has donated the entire cost of the Vestment Enclosures under the Altar made by Mr. Harry Unjian, Wood Specialist. The cost was approximately \$3,000.

A copper plaque was made with Armenian inscription, in Armenia, in the name of the Ladies' Auxiliary, who with their donations throughout several years, made the Holy Altar possible.

A chopping machine was purchased for the kitchen in conjunction with the Women's Guild at an approximate price of \$500.

WOMEN'S GUILD

Chairman: Mrs. Victoria Zamanigian
Membership: 159
No. of Meetings: 12
Main Activities: Church School Communion Breakfast, Lenten Luncheon,
Mother-Daughter Banquet, December Dinner Dance,
Southland and Westland Festivals.
Future Projects:

1970 Highlights

The Women's Guild has completed another year with a series of successful affairs. Some of the highlights were: Membership Dinner, Church Bazaar, Honored Ladies' Auxiliary with a luncheon, food prepared for Patriarch's Fund Raising Dinner, Christmas dinner, Luncheon served at meeting of Southfield Clergymen Association, Christmas Luncheon at the Armenian Old Age Home, Bake sale at Southland and Westland Festivals, activities planned with United Church Women of Southfield, money provided for two Church School students to attend St. Nerses Theological Seminary Summer Program, shared expenses with the Ladies' Auxiliary for the purchase of a Chopping Machine, and purchased the new drapes in the lobby. The Guild packages mas every week.

We hope with the Grace of God we may continue to serve our Church.

KOMITAS CHOIR

Chairman: Miss Shakey Godoshian (January-May)
Miss Louise Sarkissian (June-September)
Mrs. Violet Cholakian (October-December)

Membership: 34

No. of Meetings: 4

No. of Rehearsals: 24

Main Activities: Martyr's Day Program, Church Bazaar, Khunjoouk,
Reception Tea for Patriarch Shnork Kaloustian

Future Projects:

1970 Highlights

Every Sunday and at various special services throughout the year, our Komitas Choir, under the direction of Deacon Ara Haig, has sung the inspiring music of our divine liturgy.

Not only have our choir members served the church by their participation in the Holy Badarak, but they took an active part in various church functions such as performing in the Martyr's Day program, handling the outdoor rides at the bazaar, holding an old-fashioned khunjoouk, and assuming the responsibility for a reception tea in honor of His Beatitude, Archbishop Shnork Kaloustian, Patriarch of Istanbul.

The choir membership is not complete without an acknowledgment of our Altar servers. They perform their duties with the confidence that comes only from many years of training and a complete understanding of the liturgy.

This year saw the promotion of Mrs. Violet Cholakian to the position of Assistant Choir Director while organist, Mrs. Louise Yardumian, undertook the task of teaching four young ladies the intricacies of playing our beautiful liturgical music.

MEN'S SOCIETY

Chairman: Mr. Jack Kazanjian
Membership: 85
No. of Meetings: 24
Main Activities: Usher Corps, Church School Christmas Communion Breakfast, Trip to London, Church Bazaar, Church Picnic, New Year's Eve Drawing and Blood Bank.
Future Projects: Armenia and other trips, special meetings with various church affiliated groups including dinners and socials.

1970 Highlights

The Men's Society will be celebrating their 10th anniversary in 1971. We have always been ready and willing to assist the church in any capacity when called upon. We encourage all men to take an active part in the church. The Men's Society offers you this opportunity.

Blood Bank

The continuation of the Blood Bank since 1963 has continually been supported by our parishioners who participate once a year at the Blood Bank Drive. The next drive will be held on Monday, April 5, 1971, under the chairmanship of Mr. Jack Kazanjian.

Ushers Corps

Mr. Mickey Amboyan, captain, expresses his appreciation to the ushers who direct the worshippers on Sunday mornings and other occasions when services are conducted. The ushers for 1970 were as follows: Messrs Sam Argnian, Jim Baharozian, Art Boudakian, David Darakjian, George Elian, Harry Kaloustian, Jack Kezelian, Berj Kurkechian, Nick Mikaelian, Ed Sarkisian, Charles Takessian, Andrew Tarpinian, and George Teberian.

ST. JOHN'S. ARMENIAN CHURCH SCHOOL

Superintendent: Fr. Paren Avedikian
Enrollment: 650
Board and Staff Members: 70
Classrooms: 35
School Hours: 11:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Sundays
Annual Affairs; Rally Day, Annual Christmas Program,
Theophany Divine Liturgy and Communion,
Staff Christmas Dinner, Lenten Offering,
Easter Divine Liturgy and Communion,
Commencement, and Annual Picnic.
Curriculum: The Holy Scripture, The Faith and Practice
of the Armenian Church, The Divine Liturgy
and Armenian Church History.

1970 Highlights:

The 1969-70 academic year was our 22nd in providing for the Christian training and nurture of our parish children through the Church School. The Pastors and Parish Council would like to express their sincere appreciation to all those who made this possible. They would like to thank in particular Dr. Dennis Papazian, the former advisor and acting chairman of the Board; Miss Rose Samarian, advisor; Mr. Robert Sarkisian, Senior Department Supervisor; Mr. Martin Cholakian, Junior Department Supervisor; Miss Carol Nersessian, Primary Department Supervisor; Mr. Arshaloys Nersesian, Kindergarten Department Supervisor.

The present academic year began with Fr. Paren Avedikian as the Superintendent. The members of the well-qualified Board are as follows: Miss Maryanne Karakashian, Secretary; Mr. Varoujan Ohanian, Treasurer; Mr. Richard Vahratian, Senior Supervisor; Mr. Garry Javizian, Junior Supervisor; Mrs. Hermalene Kahayian, Primary Supervisor; Mrs. Arshaloys Nersesian, Kindergarten Supervisor; Mrs. Rosemary Hoplamazian, Junior Department Worship Director; Mrs. Victoria Zamanigian, Primary Department Worship

Director; Mr. Sam Krikorian, Reporter; Mr. Martin Cholakian, Dr. Dennis Papazian, Miss Carol Nersessian, Miss Rose Samarian, Advisors; Mr. Michael Megregian, Parish Council Liaison.

Having Senior students complete their study requirements for graduation and incorporating a year of internship into the graduation requirements is the single most important achievement of the present Board. We have also embarked on an intensive instruction of the Divine Liturgy, with the hope that audio-visual aids will, in the future, assist us to make our Church Services meaningful for our children. Presently plans are being devised for a Teacher Training Program, in order to have a more qualified staff. The first of such teachers conference-retreats will be held shortly.

The shortage of classroom facilities will be a thing of the past shortly because we have been officially promised the use of the AGBU Day School facilities to be completed on the Church grounds by September 1971. We extend our gratitude and blessings to the leaders of our community for their thoughtful provision to the youth of our Parish.

We thank each member of our staff for their dedicated service in the Church School. We also thank Mrs. Margaret Tehlirian for doing a fine job as the Organist for the Worship Services and Mrs. Sonia Kezelian for her able services at the Church School Office as secretary and coordinator.

CALOUSTE GULBENKIAN ARMENIAN SCHOOL

Principal: Mr. Souren Shorvoghlian
Enrollment: 142
Staff Members: 10
Classrooms: 10
School Hours: Saturday - 9:30 A.M. to 12:30 P.M.
Sunday - 10:00 A.M. to 11:00 A.M.
Annual Affairs: Hantes, Halloween, Christmas and Spring
parties for students.
Curriculum: Conversational Armenian, reading, writing, history,
dance and song.
Future Projects: School program will provide for graduation and trip
abroad for the validictorian of the graduating class.

1970 Highlights

The Armenian School was revitalized for the 1970-71 academic year with a new curriculum consisting of conversational Armenian, reading, writing, history, song and dance. Mr. Souren Shorvoghlian was appointed principal and Mrs. Alberta Godoshian is our advisor to the principal.

The Board of Administrators would like to perpetuate our rich Armenian Cultural heritage along with explaining its importance so that the child will understand its close relationship and apply it to the best ideals of his American way of life. This great responsibility has been assumed by Mrs. Nellie Boyajian, Mrs. Alberta Godoshian, Mr. Paul Kulhanjian, Mrs. Mary Nahigian and Mr. Robert Thomassian.

CALOUSTE GULBENKIAN KINDERGARTEN

Supervisor: Mrs. Arshaloys Nersesian
Enrollment: 85
Staff Members: 25
Classrooms: 9
School Hours: Sunday - 10:00 A.M. - 11:00 A.M. Armenian Session
11:00 A.M. - 12:30 P.M. Sunday School
Annual Affairs: Christmas Party, Bake Sale.
Curriculum: Bible and Armenian language teaching.

1970 Highlights

Calouste Gulbenkian Kindergarten, as a part of Saturday and Sunday Armenian School and Church School, participated in the Armenian School hantes and Church School Christmas program. Saturday, March 28th the children received Holy Communion with the Church School students. In May the graduating class attended a Worship Service with the primary grade students in the Chapel as part of their orientation to their new Church School environment in September. Thirty-eight six year olds graduated from Kindergarten to the first grades of Church School and Saturday and Sunday Armenian School. They were given complete Armenian books to review throughout the summer months.

Each month prizes were given to those who had perfect attendance for that month, perfect attendance pins were given to those who attended classes most Sundays of the year.

The children were very happy when we had the following visitors: Father Paren, Father Diran, Mr. Zareh Melkonian, Mr. S. Kughabedian, Mrs. Charles Astourian, Mr. H. Mikaelian. They sang "Jamgoach Yeghpire" for them.

Fire drill was practiced three times in order to instruct the children for orderly evacuation of the building.

A staff of 30 worked cooperatively to make our kindergarten a happy place for the children to come and learn to love God and get their Armenian Christian education.

ALTAR GUILD

Chairman: Mrs. Vartanoush Soultanian
Membership: 10
No. of Meetings: 4

1970 Highlights

The Altar Guild is responsible for the care and cleaning of the Altar. We also prepare the linens used on the altar and make sure that they are presentable. With the completion of the Vestments and Vessels enclosure under the altar, we have the added responsibility of seeing that these cabinets are kept in good order.

ARMENIAN COOPERATIVE NURSERY SCHOOL

Director:	Mrs. Pauline Wellfare
Enrollment:	20
Staff Members:	2
Classrooms:	2
School Hours:	Monday, Wednesday, Thursday 9:00 A.M. to 11:30 A.M.
Annual Affairs:	Christmas Cookie Bake Sale and Pot Luck Dinner
Curriculum:	Pre-school development, teaching Armenian

1970 Highlights

The Armenian Co-operative Nursery School opened on September 22, for its seventh year of operation. Mrs. Pauline Wellfare is the new director and Mrs. Mary Egigian, staff assistant.

LIBRARY GUILD

Chairman: Mrs. Rose Shahinian
Membership: 20
No. of Meetings: 10
Main Activities: Grosse Pointe International Festival,
Cultural Display for Church Bazaar
Future Projects: Membership Dinner,

1970 Highlights

The Library will be open on Sundays before and after Church School for anyone who would like to have books checked out.

RETIRED SENIOR MEMBERS

Organizer: Mr. George D. Baylerian
Membership: 65
Meeting Days: Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, 12-5 p.m.

1970 Highlights

Retired Senior Members meet three times a week, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday in the Armenian American Veterans Building. Thanks to Mr. George D. Baylerian, organizer, and the Armenian Veterans, our senior members are provided with pleasant surroundings for their afternoon gatherings. Light refreshments are available daily and occasionally Shish Kabob dinners are served for members to create a warm and close relationship among the members. This year a sum of \$100 was donated to the Veterans for their generosity in making the Veterans Building available to the Retired Senior members. All retirees of our community are welcome to join the group.

MR. AND MRS. SOCIETY

Chairman: Mr. Richard Baylerian
Membership: 24 Couples
No. of Meetings: 8
Main Activities: Easter Egg Hunt for Church School Children, Family Picnic, Pool Party (Deerfield Village), Football Game-Dinner, Pot Luck Dinner (Nomination Meeting), Wine Tasting and Snow Party with families

1970 Highlights

Club efforts have been concentrated on building up membership, therefore, the activities which were planned this past year have been designed to appeal to as many new couples as possible.

For the future, the Mr. and Mrs. Society would like to be beneficial to the Church as well as provide a social environment for married couples.

ACYOA SENIORS

Chairman: Mr. Garry Javizian
Membership: 90
No. of Meetings 12
Main Activities: Lamb Roast, Mission Week, November Dance, Sports
Weekend at Cape Cod, Christmas Eve Service,
Socials, Cultural Programs, Service Projects,
Publishing Hye Echoes.
Future Projects: Annual Sports Labor Day Weekend to be held in Detroit,
Lamb Roast, November Dance.

1970 Highlights

The year 1970 started out with an exciting and successful Rock and Roll Dance for the Detroit ACYOA. Cooking classes of various Armenian dishes made the year quite educational for our female members. As a serious note to our year the ACYOA Seniors sponsored "Mission Week" during the Lenten period which consisted of daily visitations and religious programs. One of the great highlights of 1970 was our "Lamb Roast" which was supported by many of our parishioners. Our Service Projects included helping needy families and taking members of the old age home to church and various other programs. In climax to this eventful year for the ACYOA our annual November Dance, Evening in Yerevan, was a financial and social success.

ACYOA JUNIORS - PROJECT YOUTH

Chairman: Mr. Gary Reizian
Membership: 41
No. of Meetings: 12
Main Activities: Camp Ararat Retreat, Christmas Party with Seniors, Halloween Party, Visit Armenian Old Age Home, and Lenten Fish Dinners.
Future Projects: Visit another Armenian community, Lafayette Clinic and Participation in Mid-West District Functions.

Comments

ACYOA Juniors - Project Youth acts on the premise that Christianity is a way of life encompassing all aspects of life; sacred and secular. Therefore, social activities are a vital part of the program as an instrument for Christian fellowship.

SECTION E

FINANCIAL REPORT
 ST. JOHN'S ARMENIAN CHURCH OF GREATER DETROIT
 OPERATING FUND - PARISH COUNCIL
 STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
 December 31, 1970

ASSETS

Cash:		
Checking Accounts	\$ 15,841.27	
Savings Account	<u>40,433.73</u>	\$ 56,275.00
Accounts receivable		336.00
United States Treasury Bills-Cost		29,029.80
Investment:		
Vacant land in Sterling Township estimated value at 12-31-63		<u>10,000.00</u>
		<u>\$ 95,640.80</u>

LIABILITIES AND CHURCH EQUITY

Liabilities:		
Service funds	\$ 2,716.45	
Hall rental deposits	2,800.00	
State and Federal payroll taxes	834.71	
Clergy fund payable	108.96	
Holy Cross Fund	<u>9,385.94</u>	\$ 15,846.06
Church Equity		<u>\$ 79,794.74</u>
		<u>\$ 95,640.80</u>

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN CHURCH EQUITY
 OPERATING FUND

Year Ended December 31, 1970

Unappropriated Surplus		
Balance at January 1, 1970	\$ 21,155.49	
Add excess of receipts over disbursement	<u>41,491.00</u>	\$ 62,646.49
Building Maintenance Fund		
Balance at January 1, 1970	\$ 19,163.76	
Deduct expenditures	<u>2,015.51</u>	<u>\$ 17,148.25</u>
Church Equity		<u>\$ 79,794.74</u>

OPERATING FUND - PARISH COUNCIL
STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS
Year Ended December 31, 1970

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>
RECEIPTS		
Pledges:		
Current year	\$ 62,629.39	\$ 70,000.00
Prior years	14,630.00	10,000.00
In advance	1,066.04	-0-
Plates and candles	6,054.94	7,000.00
Gifts and requiem	6,508.00	8,000.00
Sacraments	2,870.00	2,000.00
Christmas and Easter offering	2,075.75	3,000.00
Annual and Special Activities:		
Picnic	2,982.62	2,000.00
New Year's Eve	1,301.58	2,000.00
Bazaar	20,191.12	7,000.00
Building Rentals:		
Church organizations	4,700.00	5,900.00
AGBU Armenian Day School	6,250.00	3,000.00
Others	28,170.00	29,000.00
Hall service	4,002.70	3,400.00
Cemetery Lots - profit	18,172.50	-0-
Wills and Bequests	10,660.41	-0-
Interest	1,067.30	2,000.00
Miscellaneous	4,530.13	612.00
Total Receipts	<u>\$ 197,862.48</u>	<u>\$ 154,912.00</u>

DISBURSEMENTS

Salaries and Stipends:		
Clergymen stipends and allowance	\$ 16,617.30	\$ 17,008.00
Other church salaries	4,390.00	4,880.00
Office salaries	13,423.50	14,167.00
Building maintenance salaries	30,325.18	28,432.00
Temporary help	4,504.00	2,500.00
Employee benefits	5,698.57	5,343.00
Payroll taxes	2,092.05	2,317.00
Utilities	14,988.37	14,000.00
Repairs and maintenance	12,770.75	13,000.00
Supplies:		
Church	2,332.09	2,500.00
Office	1,325.42	1,000.00
Building and grounds	2,312.75	5,000.00
Printing expense	3,744.44	5,000.00
Postage and freight	1,748.48	1,350.00
Telephone and telegraph	1,986.54	2,300.00
Advertising	327.48	1,000.00
Dues:		
Diocese	13,968.00	11,800.00
Etchmiadzin	400.00	400.00
Detroit Council of Churches	500.00	500.00
Wayne State University Armenian Studies	325.00	315.00
Insurance	4,124.61	4,000.00
Armenian School	2,043.34	1,000.00

ACYOA Project Youth	2,109.39	3,600.00
AGBU Dance Group	235.00	-0-
Miscellaneous expense	1,101.76	-0-
Travel expense-Church business	505.72	700.00
Visiting clergy expense	2,297.74	2,500.00
Auto leasing expense	1,185.00	-0-
Capital expenditures	8,989.00	5,300.00
Contingencies	-0-	5,000.00
Total Disbursements	\$ 156,371.48	\$ 154,912.00
Excess Receipts over Disbursements	41,491.00	

SECTION F

ST. JOHN'S ARMENIAN CHURCH OF GREATER DETROIT
IN-LIEU-OF-FLOWERS FUND
STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS, DISBURSEMENTS AND CHANGES IN BANK BALANCES

Year ended December 31, 1970

	<u>Total</u>	<u>Church</u>	<u>Others</u>	
CASH RECEIPTS (Contributions in memory of)				
Sarkis Kojamanian	\$ 264.00	\$ 132.00	\$ 132.00	a
Nazik Ayvazian	30.00	30.00		
Danny Apoian (California)	20.00	20.00		
Hripsime Gulian	113.00	113.00		
Krikor Mouradian	390.00	130.00	130.00	b
			130.00	c
Vardikas Apoian	163.00	163.00		
James Tamoor	15.00	15.00		
Sarah V. Matheson	663.00	663.00		
Mardig Demerjian	117.00	117.00		
Rose Gurunian	1,406.00	1,406.00		
Clara Nordoung	354.00	185.00	169.00	d
Sophia Hagopian	403.00	202.00	201.00	e
Adrenne Eremian	34.00	34.00		
Carl Kaloustian	546.00	273.00	273.00	f
Elizabeth Parsekian	35.00	35.00		
Apraham Apakian	296.00	296.00		
Mihran Giragosian	342.00	342.00		
Hamazasp Nalbandian	253.00	253.00		
Kirkor Kasbarian	1,002.00	1,002.00		
Vahan Kasparian (Jasper)	10.00	10.00		
David Giragosian	471.00	471.00		
Daisy Emastouie Apoian	164.00	87.00	77.00	g
Souren Kassarian	78.00	78.00		
Nicholas Pashigian	170.00	170.00		
Aghavni Nalbandian	310.50	310.50		
Nvart Kabakjian	740.00	740.00		
Arshalous Mouradian	772.00	396.00	376.00	h
Elizabeth Paul	102.00	102.00		
Haiganoush Boyian	357.00	179.00	178.00	i
Hodge Philiposian	1,319.00	1,319.00		
Haig Lafian	62.00	62.00		
Margaret Zoornajian	70.00	70.00		
Megerdich Jamgochian	76.00	76.00		
Garabed Zarzorian	80.00	80.00		
Elizabeth Derderian	1,814.00	1,814.00		
Avedis Berberian	5.00	5.00		
Shahnar Avagian	135.00	135.00		
Agavnie Melidosian	484.00	262.00	222.00	g
Marian Eloian	10.00	10.00		
Nartouhi Kemsuzian	448.00	448.00		
Shoushan Saroian	751.00	751.00		
Norman Jantamrian	329.00	329.00		
Sophie Jamal	1,738.00	892.00	846.00	j
Hermine Moorooian	112.50	58.75	53.75	k
Onnig Sarafian	1,193.00	1,193.00		
Tommy Keshishian	263.00	263.00		

Mary Barikian	69.00	69.00		
Malkon Gulian	200.00	200.00		
Adam Palulian	10.00	10.00		
Garabed Srabian	25.00	25.00		
Nishon G. Torigian	551.00	293.00	258.00	l
George Mardirosian	27.00	27.00		
Agnes A. Garabedian	698.00	698.00		
Mary Kachigian	1,265.00	1,265.00		
George Kalajian	501.00	501.00		
Harry Papazian	431.00	216.00	215.00	k
Cecil Nordoung	45.00	45.00		
Stefan Caprielian	177.50	177.50		
Anna Der Garabedian	363.00	91.00	136.00	j
			136.00	m
Sarkeis Margossian	140.00	140.00		
Mary V. Diratzouian	75.00	75.00		
Minas Kaysserian	2,585.00	1,292.00	1,293.00	n
Yerchanig Melkonian	377.00	188.50	188.50	o
Irene Hatzakordian	373.00	194.00	179.00	l
Sarkis Derderian	30.00	30.00		
Haji Semonian	1,011.00	505.50	505.50	n
John O. Ohanian	24.00	24.00		
Arshalous Lion	147.00	147.00		
Elizabeth Mesropian	115.00	57.50	57.50	n
Mirijan Bahadurian	1,436.00	718.00	718.00	n
Total of 70 Funerals	<u>\$29,185.50</u>	<u>\$22,711.25</u>	<u>\$6,474.25</u>	
Averages 1970	417.00	324.00	93.00	
1969	483.00	364.00	119.00	
1968	453.00	366.00	87.00	

CASH IN BANKS - DECEMBER 31, 1970

Checking Account	\$ 5,765.82
Savings Account	18,000.00
Interest Earned on Savings	<u>384.85</u>
	\$ 24,150.67

References:

- a Hunchakian Association
- b Sahagian School
- c Eritassart Hayastan
- d Hama Keghi Association
- e Istanbul Hospital
- f New Yozgat Relief Association
- g Erzinga Cultural Society
- h Michigan Cancer Society
- i Michigan Heart Association
- j AGBU Womens
- k AGBU Day School
- l St. Sarkis Armenian Church
- m Armenian Missionary Association
- n Armenian Old Age Home
- o Gulbenkian Armenian School

Note: The Flora Thomassian \$1000 Trust Fund, established in April 1970, has earned \$30.59 interest. These earnings will be awarded to 3 boys at Vodnaluva in April 1971 as a prize for the Essay Contest in accordance with the wishes of Mr. Khoren Thomassian.

SECTION G

LADIES' AUXILIARY

STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND CASH DISBURSEMENTS

Year ended December 31, 1970

CASH IN BANK AT DECEMBER 31, 1969

\$ 7,157.15

CASH RECEIPTS

Gifts	\$ 598.50
Dues	252.70
Mas Donations	519.00
Avak Thursday	96.00
Hampartzoom	375.58
International Affair	691.15
Cross Sales	36.00
Michink	895.25
Bake Sale	917.65
Altar Placard Gifts	101.00
Vartanantz	1,135.45
Interest on Savings	473.06
Total	<u>\$ 6,091.34</u>

CASH DISBURSEMENTS

Hall Rental	\$ 1,000.00
Printing	152.00
Vartanantz	326.82
Bake Sale	228.00
Avak Thursday	47.74
Flowers	55.00
Stamps	40.32
International Affair	239.78
Christmas Dinner	24.08
Christmas Dinner - Old Age Home	39.92
Michink	273.14
Gifts	320.00
Altar Placard	100.00
Church Bazaar Expense	244.61
Hampartzoom	158.86
Total	<u>\$ 3,250.27</u>

ADD: excess of cash receipts over disbursements

\$ 2,841.07

CASH IN BANK - DECEMBER 31, 1970

Savings Account	\$8,633.73
Checking Account	<u>1,364.49</u>

\$ 9,998.22

WOMEN'S GUILD

STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND CASH DISBURSEMENTS

Year ended December 31, 1970

CASH IN BANK AT DECEMBER 31, 1969		
Manufacturers National Bank	\$3,451.50	
Standard Federal Savings & Loan	<u>4,710.62</u>	\$ 8,162.12

CASH RECEIPTS		
Dues	\$ 363.00	
Communion Breakfast	5.75	
Lenten Luncheon	371.14	
Westland Festival (1969)	2.00	
Southfield Clergy Luncheon	16.79	
Lenten Luncheon (Residue of Advance)	1.00	
Mother-Daughter Banquet	2,645.50	
Bazaar (Residue of Advance)	39.81	
Westland-Southland Festival	2,780.34	
Patriarch Dinner (Residue of Advance)	200.00	
December Christmas Dinner	405.10	
December Dinner Dance	3,542.25	
Interest Earned Savings	237.76	
Total	<u>\$10,610.44</u>	

CASH DISBURSEMENTS		
Secretarial Expense (Postage & Supplies)	\$ 212.26	
Old Age Home Christmas Lunch	203.17	
Baked Goods	25.00	
Lenten Luncheon	217.60	
Communion Breakfast	22.75	
Mother-Daughter Banquet	1,782.17	
Club Pins	63.25	
Clergy Luncheon	39.78	
Westland-Southland Festival	269.88	
December Christmas Dinner	377.50	
December Dinner Dance	3,161.64	
Draperies (Church Foyer)	1,166.36	
Rent-Building	1,000.00	
Film-Guild Affair Pictures	35.37	
Membership Dinner	80.55	
St. Nerses Scholarship	220.00	
Bibles	30.55	
Bazaar	255.71	
Women's Auxiliary Luncheon	96.00	
Flowers	10.40	
Patriarch Dinner	200.00	
Istanbul Orphanage Donation	250.00	
Southfield United Church Women	20.32	
Gifts	65.00	
Total	<u>\$ 9,805.26</u>	

ADD: excess of cash receipts over disbursements \$ 805.18

CASH IN BANK - DECEMBER 31, 1970		
Manufacturers National Bank	\$4,018.92	
Standard Federal Savings & Loan	<u>4,948.38</u>	<u>\$ 8,967.30</u>

MEN'S SOCIETY

STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND CASH DISBURSEMENTS

Year ended December 31, 1970

CASH IN BANK AT DECEMBER 31, 1969 \$ 266.60

CASH RECEIPTS

London Tour	\$ 3,375.00
Membership Dues	321.00
Meeting Dinners	769.55
New Year's Eve Raffle 1969	1,408.00
New Year's Eve Raffle 1970	554.00
50-50 Raffle	117.75
Key Chains	50.00
National Bank of Detroit (Interest)	27.03
Total	<u>\$ 6,622.33</u>

CASH DISBURSEMENTS

London Tour	\$ 3,267.05
Church Assessment	500.00
Meeting Dinner Expenses	846.58
New Year's Eve Raffle 1970	554.73
Pancake Breakfast	35.25
Postage	80.59
His Beatitude Archbishop Shnork Kaloustian	100.00
Miscellaneous	78.99
Photographic Services	17.68
Pinochle Tournament	17.00
Blood Bank Dinner	30.64
Total	<u>\$ 5,528.51</u>

ADD: excess of cash receipts over cash disbursements \$1,093.82

CASH IN BANK - DECEMBER 31, 1970

Checking Account	\$ 333.39	
Savings Account	<u>1,027.03</u>	
Total Cash in Bank		<u>\$1,360.42</u>

KOMITAS CHOIR

STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND CASH DISBURSEMENTS

Year Ended December 31, 1970

CASH IN BANK AT DECEMBER 31, 1969		
Checking Account	\$ 339.37	
Savings Account	<u>1,013.41</u>	\$ 1,352.78
CASH RECEIPTS		
Plate Collections & Donations	488.01	
Annual Affair - Khunjook	2,071.36	
Liturgy Book Sales	22.50	
Interest on Savings	<u>30.12</u>	
Total	<u>\$ 2,611.99</u>	
CASH DISBURSEMENTS		
Choir Day Plate Collections to Central Council	\$ 162.46	
Delegate Expense to Assembly	100.00	
Annual Affair-Khunjook	603.14	
Benches for Choir	400.00	
Donation-St. John's Armenian Church	600.00	
Bazaar Booklet	50.00	
Holy Cross Fund	100.00	
Choir Robes	72.98	
Liturgy Books	22.50	
Gifts and Flowers	45.10	
Miscellaneous	<u>33.16</u>	
	<u>\$ 2,189.34</u>	
ADD: excess receipts over disbursements		<u>\$ 422.65</u>
CASH IN BANK - DECEMBER 31, 1970		
Checking Account	\$1,731.90	
Savings Account	<u>43.53</u>	<u>\$ 1,775.43</u>

ST. JOHN'S ARMENIAN CHURCH SCHOOL
STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND CASH DISBURSEMENTS

Year Ended December 31, 1970

CASH IN BANK AT DECEMBER 31, 1969

Checking Account	\$ 2,233.10	
Savings Account	<u>6,148.87</u>	\$ 8,381.97

CASH RECEIPTS

Offerings-Primary	273.21	
Junior	458.41	
Senior	389.14	
Birthday Offering	173.67	
Lent Offering	357.10	
Christmas Offering	65.00	
Christmas Party	45.00	
Book Sale	34.00	
Interest on Savings	332.26	

	<u>\$ 2,127.79</u>	
Total		

CASH DISBURSEMENTS

Gifts & Awards	327.95	
Seminary Program-N.Y.	152.00	
Mailing & Postage	255.85	
Instruction Material	1,050.07	
Christmas Dinner, Picnics & Graduation Program	312.51	

	<u>\$ 2,098.38</u>	
Total		

ADD: excess receipts over disbursements		<u>\$ 29.41</u>
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CASH IN BANK - DECEMBER 31, 1970

Savings Account	\$ 317.10	
Savings Account	6,463.13	
Checking Account	<u>1,631.15</u>	<u>\$ 8,411.38</u>

CALOUSTE GULBENKIAN ARMENIAN SCHOOL

STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND CASH DISBURSEMENTS

Year ended December 31, 1970

CASH IN BANK AT DECEMBER 31, 1969		\$ 587.06
CASH RECEIPTS		
Parish Council Subsidy	\$ 968.00	
Saturday School Tuition	730.00	
Sunday School Tuition	6.00	
Text Book Sales - Sunday	32.00	
In Lieu of Flowers	188.50	
Total	<u>\$1,924.50</u>	
CASH DISBURSEMENTS		
Salary-Seta Demerjian	\$ 480.00	
Souren Shorvoghlian	920.00	
Sebouh Touchmanian	110.00	
Arlette Melkonian	410.00	
Ara Boyadjian	190.00	
Hayrabad Kazazian	50.00	
St. John's Armenian Church	188.50	
Petty Cash	50.00	
Storage Cabinet	52.00	
Stamps	33.00	
Christmas Party	22.20	
Special Handling (2 checks)	4.00	
Total	<u>\$2,509.70</u>	
LESS: excess of cash disbursements over cash receipts		<u>\$ 585.20</u>
CASH IN BANK - DECEMBER 31, 1970		<u><u>\$ 1.86</u></u>

CALOUSTE GULBENKIAN KINDERGARTEN

STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND CASH DISBURSEMENTS

Year ended December 31, 1970

CASH IN BANK, DECEMBER 31, 1969 \$ 345.25

CASH RECEIPTS

Offerings:	
Kindergarten	\$ 429.00
Birthday	6.75
Lenten	75.00
Book Sale	5.00
Bake Sale	80.00
Donation	5.00
	<u>5.00</u>
Total	<u>\$ 600.75</u>

CASH DISBURSEMENTS

Textbooks, teaching materials	\$ 98.04
Supplies	28.89
Juice, cookies, etc.	182.19
Postage	5.00
Staff Christmas Dinner	23.00
	<u>23.00</u>
Total	<u>\$ 337.12</u>

ADD: excess of cash receipts over cash disbursements \$ 263.63

CASH IN BANK - DECEMBER 31, 1970 \$ 608.88

ARMENIAN CO-OPERATIVE NURSERY SCHOOL

STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND CASH DISBURSEMENTS

Year ended December 31, 1970

CASH ON HAND ON DECEMBER 31, 1969

Checking Account	\$ 171.96	
Savings Account	306.67	
Cash on Hand	<u>36.00</u>	
	Total	\$ 514.63

CASH RECEIPTS:

Tuition	\$3,254.25
Registration Fee	125.00
Insurance Fee	44.00
Cookie Sale	327.00
Annual Dinner	55.68
Interest earned on Savings Account	<u>15.03</u>
	Total <u>\$3,820.96</u>

CASH DISBURSEMENTS:

Salaries	\$2,586.85
Groceries	127.75
New Equipment	330.95
Petty Cash	25.00
Postage	24.00
Dues and Subscriptions	47.00
Office Supplies	9.71
Repairs	7.64
Monthly Meeting	30.00
Insurance	32.60
Miscellaneous	58.80
Annual Dinner	91.19
Cookie Sale	<u>96.45</u>
	Total <u>\$3,467.94</u>

Add: excess of cash receipts over disbursements \$ 353.02

CASH IN BANK - DECEMBER 31, 1970

Checking Account	\$ 745.95	
Savings Account	<u>121.70</u>	
		<u>\$ 867.65</u>

ALTAR GUILD

STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND CASH DISBURSEMENTS

Year ended December 31, 1970

CASH IN BANK AT DECEMBER 31, 1969		\$22.79
CASH RECEIPTS:		
Anonymous Gift	\$120.00	
Total	<u>\$120.00</u>	
CASH DISBURSEMENTS:		
Hand Towels for Altar	\$ 5.79	
Altars (2) Bible Holders (2)		
Bible Stand and Cross Holder	<u>136.00</u>	
Total	<u>\$141.79</u>	
LESS: excess of cash disbursements over cash receipts		<u>\$21.79</u>
CASH IN BANK - DECEMBER 31, 1970		<u>\$ 1.00</u>

LIBRARY GUILD

STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND CASH DISBURSEMENTS

Year ended December 31, 1970

CASH IN BANK AT DECEMBER 31, 1969			
Checking Account		\$ 273.32	
Savings Account		<u>2,713.97</u>	
Total Cash in Banks December 31, 1969			\$2,987.29
CASH RECEIPTS:			
Dues		\$ 34.00	
Zaratzian Concert		46.17	
Grosse Pointe Festival		623.77	
Interest Earned on Savings Account		<u>120.67</u>	
Total		<u>\$ 824.61</u>	
CASH DISBURSEMENTS:			
Books		\$ 26.26	
Office Supplies & Postage		7.85	
Bulletin Board		117.73	
Grosse Pointe Festival		126.56	
Lights for Showcase		<u>23.00</u>	
Total		<u>\$ 301.40</u>	
ADD: excess of cash receipts over disbursements			<u>\$ 523.21</u>
CASH IN BANK - DECEMBER 31, 1970			
Checking Account	\$ 675.86		
Savings Account	<u>2,834.64</u>		
			<u>\$3,510.50</u>

MR. & MRS. SOCIETY

STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND CASH DISBURSEMENTS

Year Ended December 31, 1970

CASH RECEIPTS

Dues	\$ 240.00
Square Dance	74.25
Bowling	132.00
Wine Tasting	-0-
Pool Party	95.00
Picnic	150.65
Halloween Party	109.00
Pot Luck	34.00
Total	<u>\$ 834.90</u>

CASH DISBURSEMENTS

Square Dance	\$ 79.81
Bowling	118.33
Wine Tasting	14.20
Pool Party	106.10
Picnic	132.20
Halloween Party	103.00
Election Night-Pot Luck	29.00
General Administrative Expenses	29.84
Total	<u>\$ 612.48</u>

Cash Balance - December 31, 1970 \$ 222.42

CASH IN BANK - DECEMBER 31, 1970

Checking Account	\$ 212.42	
Savings Account	<u>10.00</u>	<u>\$ 222.42</u>

ARMENIAN CHURCH YOUTH ORGANIZATION OF AMERICA

ACYOA PROJECT YOUTH

STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND CASH DISBURSEMENTS

Year Ending December 31, 1970

CASH BALANCE - DECEMBER 31, 1969

Checking Account	\$ 837.07	
Savings Account	<u>276.79</u>	\$ 1,113.86

CASH RECEIPTS

Membership Dues	\$ 50.00
Lenten Fish Dinners	852.45
Entertainment '70 Book Sale	571.00
Bake Sales (3)	215.10
Social Trips	349.50
Family Dinner	12.00
Retreat, 1970	880.00
Christmas Party, 1970	75.00
Interest Earned on Savings Account	<u>14.25</u>
Total	<u>\$ 3,019.30</u>

CASH DISBURSEMENTS

Membership Dues-Central Council	\$ 100.00
ACYOA District Committee	10.00
Camp Ararat Retreat, 1970	978.96
Lenten Fish Dinners	441.43
Christmas Party, 1969	22.55
Christmas Party, 1970	50.00
Hand Cross	400.00
Family Dinner	146.53
Postage	21.00
Tea (to honor guest)	45.64
Conference in Chicago	140.00
Activities & Trips	424.94
Luncheons	56.46
Gifts to Organizations & Clergyman	189.27
Bake Sale Expense	7.00
Camp Ararat Retreat, 1971 (Bus Deposit)	<u>40.00</u>
Total	<u>\$ 3,073.78</u>

LESS: excess of cash disbursements over cash receipts \$ 54.48

CASH BALANCE-DECEMBER 31, 1970

Checking Account	\$ 682.61	
Savings Account	291.04	
Cash on Hand	<u>85.73</u>	<u>\$1,059.38</u>

ARMENIAN CHURCH YOUTH ORGANIZATION OF AMERICA

SENIOR CHAPTER

STATEMENT OF CASH RECEIPTS AND CASH DISBURSEMENTS

Year Ending December 31, 1970

CASH IN BANK - DECEMBER 31, 1969 \$ 966.64

CASH RECEIPTS

Membership Dues	\$ 238.00
Ski Trip	296.93
Rock Dance	73.30
Donation	48.00
1st Annual Lamb Roast	1,526.50
Memorial Day Picnic	96.00
4th of July Picnic	178.30
ACYOA Day	44.75
Car Wash	128.00
Bake Sale	112.00
Masonic Temple Activity	126.00
Pre-Assembly Party	54.00
Edgewater Park Activity	225.00
November Dance	1,659.49
Halloween Party	92.55
Russian Folk Group-Cultural	14.00
Credit for Voided Check	<u>300.00</u>
Total	<u>\$ 5,212.82</u>

CASH DISBURSEMENT

Postage	\$ 181.17
4th of July Picnic	155.59
Membership Dues (CAC)	148.00
Delegate Money	282.00
Hall Rental	50.00
Rock Dance	31.60
Armenian Crosses	425.00
ACYOA Day	220.00
Ski Trip	290.00
Lamb Roast	638.13
Memorial Day Picnic	108.20
CAC Taxes	536.00
Pre-Assembly Party	30.00
Halloween Party	62.60
November Dance	997.82
Masonic Temple Activity	140.00
Edgewater Activity	250.00
Miscellaneous	<u>672.36</u>
Total	<u>\$ 5,218.47</u>

LESS: excess of cash disbursements over receipts \$ 5.65

CASH IN BANK - DECEMBER 31, 1970 \$ 960.99

SECTION H

PROPOSED BUDGET
FOR CALENDAR YEAR 1971

Estimated Revenue

Pledges:			
Current Year		\$ 68,000.00	
Prior Year		<u>11,000.00</u>	
	Total		\$79,000.00
Rentals:			
Church Organizations		3,000.00	
Other related Organizations		2,200.00	
AGBU School & Dance Group		7,000.00	
Hall		<u>28,000.00</u>	
	Total		40,200.00
Church Revenues:			
Plate & Candles		6,500.00	
Gifts & Requiems		6,500.00	
Christmas & Easter		2,000.00	
Sacraments		<u>3,000.00</u>	
	Total		18,000.00
Annual Activities:			
Picnic		2,000.00	
New Year's Eve		2,000.00	
Special Events		<u>11,135.00</u>	
	Total		15,135.00
Miscellaneous:			
Interest Savings Account		3,000.00	
Check Room		700.00	
Hall Income-Other		300.00	
Linen, Coffee, Kitchen Help		2,500.00	
Office Services		<u>500.00</u>	
			<u>7,000.00</u>
	Total		<u>\$159,335.00</u>

Salaries and Stipends:		
Clergymen (3)	\$ 5,000.00	
	9,100.00	
	7,500.00	
Clergymen's Fund	400.00	
Auto Expense & Reserve for Purchase	<u>2,400.00</u>	
Total		\$ 24,400.00
Church:		
Sexton	2,080.00	
Choir Director & Assistant	1,520.00	
Organist & Assistant	<u>1,560.00</u>	
Total		5,160.00
Maintenance:		
Superintendent	9,600.00	
Custodians (3)	20,400.00	
Extra Help-Contract Labor	<u>3,500.00</u>	
Total		33,500.00
Office Secretaries (2)	6,750.00	
	5,725.00	
Church School Secretary	<u>1,000.00</u>	
Total		13,475.00
Reserve for Salary & Fringe		
Benefit Increases	<u>3,500.00</u>	<u>3,500.00</u>
Total Salaries & Stipends		\$ 80,035.00
Payroll Tax Expense		2,500.00
Employee Benefits:		
Workmen's Compensation	500.00	
Hospitalization	3,800.00	
Life Insurance	<u>1,400.00</u>	
Total		<u>5,700.00</u> 5,700.00
Insurance Expense		4,500.00
Repair & Maintenance of Facilities:		
General Repair-Inside	5,000.00	
Outside Repair	<u>5,000.00</u>	
Total		<u>10,000.00</u> 10,000.00
Utilities		15,000.00
Supplies:		
Church	2,000.00	
Office	1,000.00	
Building	<u>6,000.00</u>	
Total		<u>9,000.00</u> 9,000.00
Freight & Postage		1,500.00
Telephone & Telegraph		2,000.00
Printing Torch Bearer & Other		
Publications		3,000.00
Advertising & Publicity		500.00
Armenian School		2,000.00
ACYOA Project Youth		2,000.00
Visiting Clergy		2,800.00
Travel Expense-Clergy & Delegates		700.00
Organ Dedication		1,000.00
Dues:		
Diocese	14,000.00	
Etchmiadzin	400.00	
Detroit Council of Churches	<u>400.00</u>	
Total		<u>14,800.00</u> 14,800.00
Wayne State University Armenian Studies		300.00
Contingencies		<u>2,000.00</u>
Total Estimated Expenditures		<u>\$159,335.00</u>

SECTION I

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Martin Apkarian, Chairman
Nerses Nersesian
Haigaz Yagoobian

CANDIDATES FOR NOMINATING COMMITTEE

(3 to be elected for 1-year term)

George P. Keurajian
Nerses Nersesian (Incumbent)
Vahe Papelian
Edward Sarkisian
Haigaz Yagoobian (Incumbent)
Harry Zartarian

CANDIDATES FOR PARISH COUNCIL

(5 to be elected for 2-year term)

Parnak Adamian
Martin Apkarian
Martin Cholakian
Jack Kazanjian
George Laktzian
Jack Margosian (Incumbent)
Michael Megregian (Incumbent)
John Semizian
Albert Semonian (Incumbent)
Charles Takessian

CANDIDATES FOR DIOCESAN DELEGATES

(7 to be elected for a 4-year term)

Martin Apkarian (Incumbent)
Hagop Asadurian
Harry Ekizian
Ara Haig (Incumbent)
Mihran Hoplamazian
Edward Korkoian (Incumbent)
Edward Mardigian (Incumbent)
Jack Margosian
Garbis Ohanian
Vahe Papelian
Dennis Papazian
John Semizian
Daniel Shahan (Incumbent)
Edward Sarkisian

CANDIDATES FOR AUDITING COMMITTEE

(1 to be elected for 3-year term)

John Samarian (Incumbent)
Richard Vahratian

AUDITING COMMITTEE

John Bahadurian
(elected in 1970 for 3-year term)
Albert Mardirosian
(elected in 1969 for 3-year term)
John Samarian
(elected in 1969 for 2-year term)

**RULES AND REGULATIONS CONCERNING
CHURCH MEMBERSHIP**

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

"Every Member of the Parish, 21 years of age or over, shall pay the church an annual due".

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

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

Articles 5, 6, 7 and 8 respectively
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**RULES AND REGULATIONS GOVERNING
PARISH ASSEMBLY**

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

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

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

Articles 16, 17, 22
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