

THE ARMENIAN CHURCH OF HOLY RESURRECTION

11 Erwin Place, New Britain, Connecticut

The Annual Parish Assembly was held on Sunday, January 24, <sup>28</sup> 1979, at 11 Erwin Place, New Britain Connecticut.

Fr. Vartan Der Assadourian opened the meeting at 1:30 P.M. with a prayer. Mr. Given Hoosigian, chairman of the Parish Council called the meeting to order, after which a moment of silence was held in memory of the deceased.

After a recess of one half hour, the meeting reconvened, with Fr. Vartan Der Assadourian presiding, Mr. Harry Hougas, newly elected Chairman, and Mrs. Gail Gregory, assisting as Secretary.

In the absence of the 1978 Assembly's Secretary, Mrs. Beverly Hoosigian, Mr. Charles Hovsepian read the minutes of the January 29, 1978 meeting. The minutes were accepted as read.

A recommendation was made, at this time, by Mrs. Lucy Simonian, to read the names of the deceased at future Parish Assemblies.

Old Business

Fr. Vartan Der Assadourian gave his pastoral report, followed by Mr. Given Hoosigian, who presented the Parish Council report. Mr. Berj Kallajian presented the Auditors' report

Organizational reports were given as follows:

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| 1) Women's Guild      | Mrs. Susan Der Margosian                        |
| 2) A.C.Y.O.A.         | Mr. Gary Hovhanessian                           |
| 3) Choir              | Ms. Sarah Yagoobian                             |
| 4) Mr. & Mrs. Club    | Mr. Harry Badrigian                             |
| 5) Sunday School      | Mrs. Henrietta Kallajian                        |
| 6) Armenian School    | Mrs. Vartouhi Yessian, For Ms. Esgoohi Simonian |
| 7) Special Membership | Mr. Harry Berberian, for Mr. Allan Waite        |
| 8) Building Committee | Mr. Steve Der Margosian                         |

All reports were accepted as read, and the following comments were made in reference to the Building Committee Report:

- a) That approximately \$8,000.00 was saved by breaking ground, and pouring the foundation in December, rather than in early spring.
- b) The entrance tower, which is part of the final drawings of our new church, will be a Myrtrs' Tower, thus being a permanent memorial to all Armenian Myrtrs.

Regarding the Treasurer's Report, Mrs. Rose Badrigian commended the Parish Council for saving over \$300.00 on gas and oil during 1978.

Mr. Charles Takesian commended Mrs. Mary Abrahamian, Editor, Mrs. Roxie Maljanian, Typist, and all involved, for a job well done,

in the preparing, and mailing of the new Looy's.

A motion was made by Mr. Garabed Hovsepian, to list the names of donors, and the amounts donated, for In Lieu of Flowers, to be publicized and included with the Looy's. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Arshal Hoosigian. Motion Carried.

Mrs. Violet Galazan suggested an increase in charges be made from 50¢ to \$1.00 each. This suggestion was handed over to the Parish Council for advisement.

#### New Business

A motion was made by Mr. Steve Der Margosian that In Lieu of Flower collections in our church, must have the church as the recipient of at least 50% of the collection. This was seconded by Mr. Harry Berberian. Motion passed with a vote of 23 in favor, 16 opposed, and 6 abstentions.

Mr. Steve Der Margosian made another motion that In Lieu of Flowers collections for the church programs can be made only for the general fund of the church program. No In Lieu of Flowers collections can specify nor limit the funds for specific items, nor as memorials for any individual. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Queenie Hovhannessian, and was passed with a vote tally of 39 in favor, 2 against and 4 abstentions.

Mr. Berj Kallajian made a motion that our parish submit a resolution to the Diocese to amend its present parish voting rules, to allow absentee voting for dues paying members living and working out of state, sick members, those who are working, and shut-ins. This was seconded by Mrs. Margaret Bagdikian. Motion carried with a unanimous vote.

Mr. John Maljanian gave a report on the to date plans for our Annual Banquet to be held on Sunday, April 1, 1979, at the Howard Johnson's Banquet Room, New Britain, Connecticut, at 1:30 P.M.. He explained that the tentative plans are for a parish gathering on Saturday evening, March 31, 1979, with our Primate as Honored Guest. On Sunday, plans are now for an early Bardarak, followed by a brief, but formal ground breaking ceremony at the building site, then going as a group to the banquet immediately thereafter.

Mr. B. J. Hovhannessian explained to the Assembly, that this year's Godfathers will be those donating a minimum of \$50.00 and that 5 Godfathers have already been committed at \$100.00 each.

Mr. John Chiloyan stated that a booklet will be printed for the banquet, and asked everyone's cooperation in supplying names of businessmen that they have affiliation with, who can be approached for contributions toward the booklet.

A motion was made by Mr. Gregory Abrahamian, that the pledge custodian publish in the church newsletter, the members of this church, and the amount of their pledges. This was seconded by Mr. Harry Badrigian, and the motion was passed with a vote of 23 in favor,

15 opposed and 7 abstentions.

Results of the Parish balloting is as follows. \* Elected.

PARISH COUNCIL

Gregory Abrahamian	29 *	John Hovhanessian	23
John Chiloyan	25	Charles Hovsepian, Jr.	48 *
Thomas Hoosigian	26	Harold Onanian	14
Harry Hougas	35 *	George Simonian	32 *

AUDITING COMMITTEE

Harry Berberian	22	Wilford Swisher	24
Vatche Der Assadourian	17	Charles Vartanian	35 *
Berj Kallajian	49 *	Ruth Waite	30 *

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Lillian Azarigian	27	Violet Galazan	40 *
Rose Badrigian	31 *	Rita Hovhanessian	30 *
Alice Bagdigian	21	Roxie Maljanian	28

An expression of thanks was extended to the A.C.Y.O.A. for its presentation of a delicious luncheon served prior to the meeting.

On behalf of the entire assembly, Mr. Hourach Azarigian commended the Chairman and Secretary for a job well done.

Fr. Vartan Der Assadourian lead the assembly into a closing prayer. The meeting was adjourned at 5:24 P.M..

Respectfully submitted,

*Gail A. Gregory*

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Secretary