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St. Mesrob Armenian Church of Racine, Wisconsin was the host, during the first weekend of May 1986, for the 84th Diocesan Assembly. The first sessions lasting all day were held on Friday and again on Saturday. Saturday evening the gala banquet was held at the Sheraton Racine and the "Friends of the Armenians" award for 1986 was presented to Senator William Proxmire (D-Wisc.) and Wisconsin Congressman Les Aspin.

Highlights from the agenda from the various sessions were as follows:

- A. Presentation of the proposed Diocesan budget for 1986 of 1.711 million dollars and for 1987 of 1.788 million dollars.
- B. Election of the Primate of the Eastern Diocese of the Armenian Church with an unprecedented reelection victory for Archbishop Torkom Manoogian to his sixth four-year term.
- C. The Election of one of our own delegates, Mr. Seth Bilazarian, to the Nominating Committee.
- D. Discussion concerning the lack of clergymen - at present time there are five parishes and numerous mission parishes without a pastor. Prospects for the future are dim for the simple reason that the Theological Seminary of the Jerusalem Armenian Patriarchate has been unable to train and educate young clergymen as of late. Coupled with the fact that the St. Nersess Seminary has been unable to fulfill the expectations of the community has led the Primate to announce in his opening message that "special classes will be created in Etchmiadzin for theological students who would be selected by us and the St. Nersess Seminary Board, and who would follow the curriculum specially devised for their education."
- E. The Unity issue created prolonged discussion where this is probably the foremost problem facing the Church in North America. Considerable time was spent on this issue particularly in the light of developments of the past years. The Assembly chose to delegate the Unity Committee and the Diocesan Council to continue their efforts towards finding a mutually acceptable formula that would eliminate the split in our Church and bring both together again under the spiritual leadership of the Mother See in Etchmiadzin.
- F. The Highrise Project was another issue that stirred considerable interest among the delegates. This project calls for the construction of an income-producing highrise building adjacent to St. Vartan Cathedral. In the past, the trustees of the Diocese had indicated their opposition to commercializing the headquarters of Diocese, but it appears such opposition is losing steam and there seems to be a growing consensus that the highrise building should be constructed and through it a steady and substantial revenue to the Diocesan operations would be ensured instead of continually taxing the Diocesan Churches. The Assembly chose to ask the Highrise Committee and the Trustees to further explore the issue.



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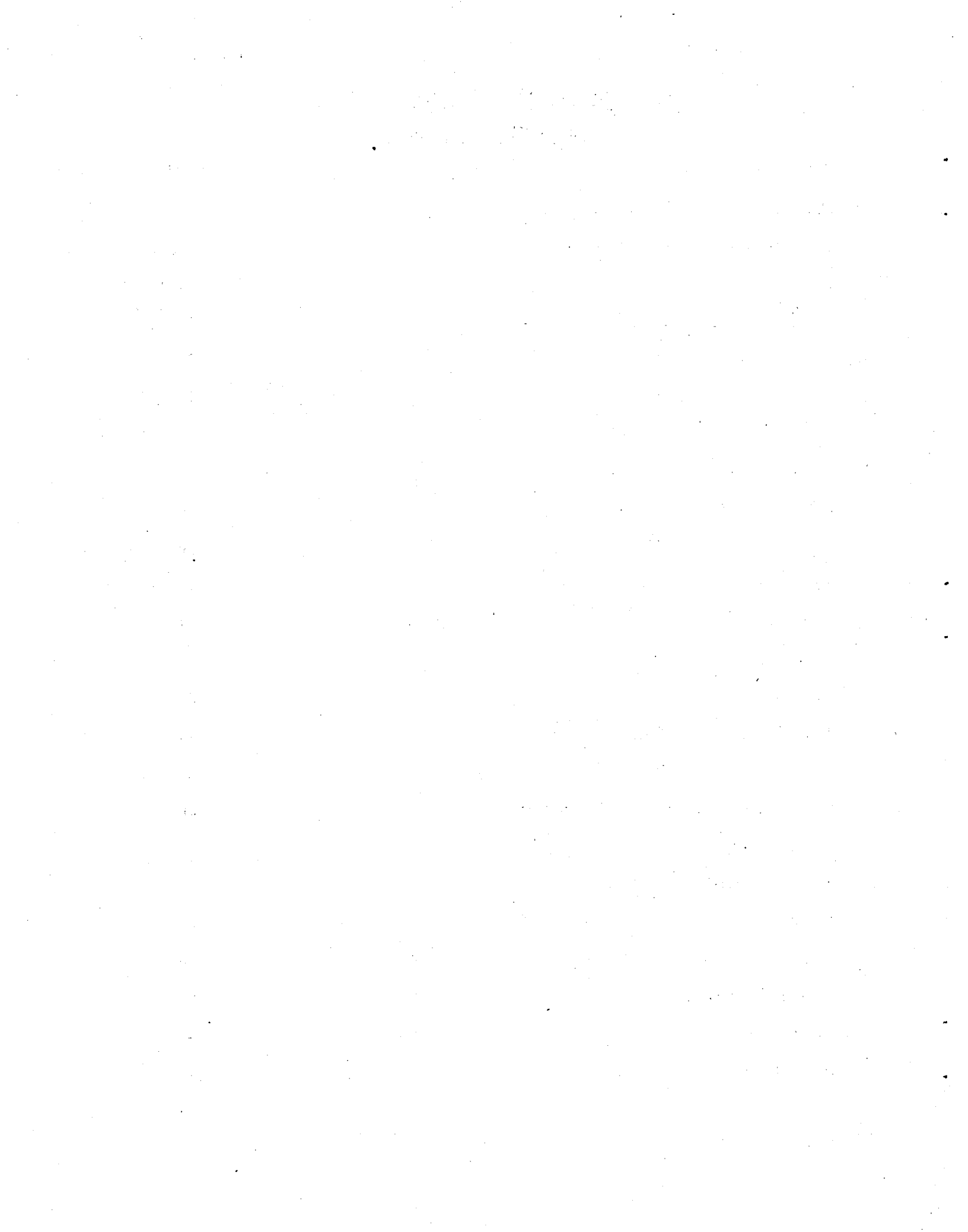
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The names of the candidates for the Auditing Committee were presented as follows:

Bart Bagdasarian, Jr.
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Chairman Bilzerian recognized Mrs. Marion Aharonian who nominated Mrs. Marjorie Mesrobian as a write-in candidate. There being no further nominations from the floor, Mr. Barry Bilzerian moved that we close nominations. Motion carried.

Chairman Bilzerian called for the adoption of the Agenda items, and New Business. There was no new business at this time. A motion was made and seconded to adopt the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

The chair announced that voting would commence at 11:20 a.m. and terminate at 12:30 p.m.

The second session of the Annual Assembly was called to order at 12:40 p.m. following voting period and lunch. Chairman Bilzerian thanked Mrs. Frances Elloian and her committee for the lunch preparation.

One hundred twenty-two (122) eligible members were present at this time.

A suggestion was made by the Chair, and the Assembly agreed to waive the reading of the Minutes of the 1985 Parish Assembly, and of the individual organizational reports. The Chairman called for discussions, and questions on a page by page review, since all in attendance had copies of "The Annual Report, 1985" in advance.

1. Minutes of the Annual Parish Assembly 1985

Miss Berjoohe Zakarian asked for an explanation as to the delay of the Annual Reports. It had been previously suggested that the completed reports be made available (2) two weeks prior to the Assembly for review by interested parishioners.

The Chair noted that this item be further discussed under New Business. A motion was made, seconded and carried to accept the Minutes of the Annual Parish Assembly - 1985.

2. Annual Report of the Pastor

Miss Berjoohe Zakarian made a recommendation to insert the names of the ordained Acolytes in 1985. Der Aved stated that they were: Stephen Krikorian, Abel Santoian, Mark Solitro and Michael Surabian.

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1985 Statement of Expenditures

1. Mr. Zarvin Kasparian requested that there be a change regarding the listing of Diocesan Assessment and Regionalization under the 1985 Statement of Expenditures to agree with the 1986 Proposed Budget. Mr. Kasparian made a motion to correct this statement to show a separate line item for showing Diocesan and Regionalization Assessment.
2. Mr. Arthur Elloian requested information regarding the S.B.A. Loan Interest. He was referred to Schedule "G" of the 1985 Statement of Financial Report which indicated the loan balance of \$32,729.36.
3. Mr. John Toromanian requested information regarding the cost of the Parish House remodeling project. Mr. Stepanian responded by stating that we are withholding \$715.45 for additional repairs on the Parish House steps. The original contract was for approximately \$46,100 -- this payment was made in 1985. An additional \$9,000 was paid in 1986 to include repairs to the Carriage House.
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Mr. Harry Sogigian stressed the importance of this program and would like to see continued effort to implement this much needed project.

Mr. Asbed Zakarian further stated that the omission of \$10,000 was an oversight, and that this correction will be amended in the 1986 Proposed Budget.

5. Mr. Vahan Pogharian questioned the amounts of the amended 1985 Budget of \$204,000 vs. \$206,000.

Mr. Zarvin Kasparian moved that the Parish Council review the actual expenses, and balance the budget to \$204,000.

The Assembly directed the Parish Council to correct the amounts in the next report.

6. Mrs. Eva Haroyan questioned the Secretary Auto Allowance Item. Mr. Stepanian clarified the actual 1985 amount of \$50.00, and the budgeted amount of \$2,800; the explanation being that we are not paying mileage for the present church secretary's car.
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1986 Proposed Budget

The following questions regarding the Proposed Budget were directed to the Chair:

1. Mr. Harry Sogigian questioned the decrease for budgeted pledges from \$57,000 actual to \$50,000. Mr. Asbed Zakarian stated that the funds received were greater than expected. At the time the budget was generated, pledges were running substantially below the final actual rate.
Mr. Sogigian moved to change the pledge increase from \$50,000 to \$60,000. Motion seconded and carried.
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4. A question was raised regarding Equipment Purchases -- Mr. Stepanian, Mr. Zakarian and Chairman Bilzerian stated that this money would be used for computers and a snowblower.
5. A question was raised regarding the Church Car Replacement item. Mr. Stepanian noted that the current car is donated by Atamian Motors. The Council cannot anticipate that this will always occur, and is looking down the road for replacement monies, therefore, funds are set aside for this purpose.

A motion was made, seconded and carried to accept the budget.

General Information

A. Youth Ministry

Miss Tara Stepanian gave a report stressing the importance of our youths' involvement in the community. She emphasized the need for Religious and Cultural Programs, as well as volunteers who are willing to participate in various projects. Her recommendation was to search for an outside leader to instruct us to set up appropriate programs.

B. Commitment

Mr. Asbed Zakarian reiterated the need for our people to commit themselves, by becoming more involved in the church's mission.

C. Social Services

Miss Marilyn Markarian, representing the Parish Council, reported a need to provide services for the elderly and indigent of our community. Ms. Sona Hargrove and Ms. Sonia Gabeshian, presently working as professionals in this field, were invited to assist us with this project. Der Aved and the Parish Council are continuing to work on this project.

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6. Mr. Stepanian expressed a necessity to establish a Needs Committee to look ahead for improvements/changes.
7. Mrs. Dorothy Yagjian brought to the attention of the Assembly that the interior of the church is peeling and needs to be painted.

At this time, the Chair received the tabulated report from the Nominating Committee. Mrs. Marion Aharonian, Chairperson, read the results as follows:

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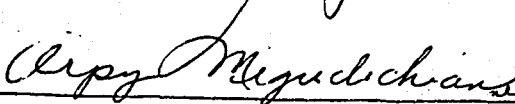
There being no further business before the Assembly, Chairman Bilzerian asked for a motion to adjourn. It was moved, seconded, and carried to adjourn the meeting.

Der Aved Terzian closed the meeting with a prayer at 3:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Rev. Fr. Aved Terzian, Pastor


Edward S. Bilzerian, Assembly Chairman


Arov Migridichian, Secretary

THE 84TH DIOCESAN ASSEMBLY REPORT

St. Mesrob Armenian Church of Racine, Wisconsin was the host, during the first weekend of May 1986, for the 84th Diocesan Assembly. The first sessions lasting all day were held on Friday and again on Saturday. Saturday evening the gala banquet was held at the Sheraton Racine and the "Friends of the Armenians" award for 1986 was presented to Senator William Proxmire (D-Wisc.) and Wisconsin Congressman Les Aspin.

Highlights from the agenda from the various sessions were as follows:

- A. Presentation of the proposed Diocesan budget for 1986 of 1.711 million dollars and for 1987 of 1.788 million dollars.
- B. Election of the Primate of the Eastern Diocese of the Armenian Church with an unprecedented reelection victory for Archbishop Torkom Manoogian to his sixth four-year term.
- C. The Election of one of our own delegates, Mr. Seth Bilazarian, to the Nominating Committee.
- D. Discussion concerning the lack of clergymen - at present time there are five parishes and numerous mission parishes without a pastor. Prospects for the future are dim for the simple reason that the Theological Seminary of the Jerusalem Armenian Patriarchate has been unable to train and educate young clergymen as of late. Coupled with the fact that the St. Nersess Seminary has been unable to fulfill the expectations of the community has led the Primate to announce in his opening message that "special classes will be created in Etchmiadzin for theological students who would be selected by us and the St. Nersess Seminary Board, and who would follow the curriculum specially devised for their education."
- E. The Unity issue created prolonged discussion where this is probably the foremost problem facing the Church in North America. Considerable time was spent on this issue particularly in the light of developments of the past years. The Assembly chose to delegate the Unity Committee and the Diocesan Council to continue their efforts towards finding a mutually acceptable formula that would eliminate the split in our Church and bring both together again under the spiritual leadership of the Mother See in Etchmiadzin.
- F. The Highrise Project was another issue that stirred considerable interest among the delegates. This project calls for the construction of an income-producing highrise building adjacent to St. Vartan Cathedral. In the past, the trustees of the Diocese had indicated their opposition to commercializing the headquarters of Diocese, but it appears such opposition is losing steam and there seems to be a growing consensus that the highrise building should be constructed and through it a steady and substantial revenue to the Diocesan operations would be ensured instead of continually taxing the Diocesan Churches. The Assembly chose to ask the Highrise Committee and the Trustees to further explore the issue.

- G. **New England Regionalization:** A printed program report distributed to each delegate, outlined the major areas of activity in 1985, including a financial statement and an operating budget of \$35,000.00 for 1986. Of particular note were the short and long range plans now being implemented by the Regional Youth Development and Religious Education Departments; and current plans to organize the Regional Programming and Social Services Departments. As part of the Diocesan budget the Assembly approved a subsidy of \$17,500.00 for the Regional budget. The balance of the Regional budget to be realized from the New England parishes and from Regional activities.
- H. **Sites of future Assemblies:** 1987-Springfield, Massachusetts; 1988-Cambridge, Massachusetts; 1989-Belville, Illinois; 1990-Worcester, Massachusetts.

Respectfully
Delegates of the Church of
Our Saviour

Seth Bilazarian

Jacob Hagopian (alt)

Suney Kachadoorian

John Merzigian

George Mgridichian

Francis Najarian

PASTOR'S REPORT - 1986

We are thankful that with God's blessings and the dedication of our faithful parishioners, we have completed another fruitful year. We have witnessed an increase in attendance at Worship Services, and special programs and functions. And, we are further encouraged by the willingness and participation of many more parishioners. We pray that many more members of our Church family will join us in worship, in service and in fellowship; and that the fruits of our labor be: the nourishment of the youth, comfort of the sick, the bereaved and the needy, and reconfirmation of faith for all.

I submit my Pastor's Report to His Eminence the Primate and to our beloved parishioners.

WORSHIP

Divine Liturgy (Soorp Badarak) is celebrated every Sunday, following morning service, with the assistance of the Deacons, Sub-deacons and Church Choir. May God continue to bless them all for their dedication.

The following clergy have visited our parish and have served as guest celebrants and preachers this year:

The Very Reverend Father Khajag Barsamian
The Very Reverend Father Nourhan Manougian
The Reverend Father Karekin Kasparian
The Reverend Father Krikor Maksoudian

Our sermons are delivered in both Armenian and English, but more often in English alone. Aside from our Sunday morning liturgies, several special services were offered, such as the following:

Special Communion for children (Christmas and Easter)
Holy Thursday Eucharist
Lenten Services on Wednesday Evenings
Holy Week (Full cycle of Services)
Women Saints' Day (Providence)
Martyrs' Day
Feast of St. Stephen (Christmas Eve)
Ascension Thursday Eucharist

SACRAMENTS AND RITES

We have shared the joys and sorrows of the families on these occasions:

Baptisms and Confirmations	10
Adult Baptisms	1
Adult Confirmations	2
Engagements	1
Weddings	13
Funerals	23
Committal	1

VISITING CLERGY

The following clergy have visited our parish:

The Very Reverend Father Khajag Barsamian
The Very Reverend Father Nourhan Manougian
The Very Reverend Father Yeznig Balian
The Reverend Father Carnig Hallajian
The Reverend Father Karekin Kasparian
The Reverend Father Krikor Maksoudian

PRIMATE'S VISITATION

His Eminence visited our parish on one occasion in August this year. His visit was to attend a meeting regarding the Armenian Church Centennial Celebration and the 1990 Diocesan Assembly.

We are always thankful to our beloved Primate for his fatherly love and concern he continues to show us. We pray for his continued good health and steadfastness.

VISITATIONS

As part of our ministry, I have made regular weekly visitations to all Worcester area hospitals. Although special effort is made to find out when a parishioner is hospitalized, we are not always informed on a timely basis. Also the hospitals are not as helpful as they were in the past. We are presently working with each of the area hospitals on a new system wherupon registration into the hospital, the patient will provide the hospital with a computer number which will immediately identify him with our parish. It is my hope that this new system will be implemented in the coming year. Each parishioner will be informed of the details when it is finalized. At this time, we wish to remind our parishioners to inform the Church office when a member of your family has been hospitalized.

I have visited the parishioners in all eight of the area nursing homes during the Christmas and Easter seasons to offer them Holy Communion. On many occasions, I have been accompanied by Frances Elloian whose company I always welcome on these visitations. Mrs. Elloian also takes my regards to the nursing homes' inhabitants when she visits them on occasions that I cannot join her. We thank her for her concern for the elderly and pray that she be blessed with the same love she has shown.

On October 9 of this year, The Very Reverend Father Nourhan Manougian celebrated Divine Liturgy at the Jamaica Plains Armenian Nursing Home. He and I were accompanied by Hazel Eljanian, Irene Shooshan and members of the Church Choir. The nursing home guests were truly touched by our visit and asked us to please visit them every year.

I have also visited area cemeteries to bless the graves of departed loved ones, on Memorial Day, following hokehankist services, and at the special request of bereaved families.

In addition, I shared joyous evenings in the homes of many of our parishioners.

COUNSELING

On various occasions, I offered counseling assistance to individuals and families who were facing difficulties, including youths and college students. I consider this as an integral part of our ministry. I pray that with God's help they are comforted.

We have also provided pre-nuptial and marital counseling, pre-confirmation counseling, counseling of bereaved families, pre-baptismal counseling of the godparents, and counseling of the sick, the needy and the elderly. We pray that the Holy Spirit grant them all comfort and peace.

PUBLICATIONS

Our Church monthly publication "The Messenger" is mailed to all members of our parish. Our sincere thanks and congratulations once again to Harold Gregory and his staff who work diligently on the quality of the material entered into each issue. It is not unusual to see Harold as "the editor", "the reporter", and "the photographer" at many of our Church functions. He is a welcome sight at any function. Our gratitude again, to Harold for his dedication.

The Sunday Bulletins are prepared in our office by our Church Secretary Norma Hohne and distributed each Sunday to our congregation, informing them of the day's requiem services, Bible readings and coming events. We have continued to include the English translation of the day's Gospel reading which has been well-received. Also, special fliers and announcements for various occasions are sent to our parishioners to inform them of parish activities.

ECUMENICAL RELATIONS

Our relations with all non-Armenian Churches throughout the Worcester area are mainly through the Ecumenical Council of Churches, in which we continue our membership. We attended the Annual Assembly of the Council of Churches in November and were encouraged by the general warmth of the group.

On several occasions, we have performed weddings with non-Armenian clergy, giving us the opportunity to share the richness of our service with them, and theirs with us.

NEW ENGLAND REGIONALIZATION

We participated in the New England Regional meetings which were held throughout the year.

Our parishioners are represented by the following individuals in their respective capacities:

Christian Education
Youth Development
Publicity
Department of Finance
Regional Councilman
Regional Councilman
Regional Councilman
Ex-Officio Member
Programs
Social Services

Tara Stepanian
Robert Shamgochian
Harold Gregory
John Toromanian
John Merzigian
John Sagarian
Bartev Der Bagdasarian
Asbed Zakarian *
Marilyn Markarian
Elizabeth Ajamian

*As Parish Council Chairman

ARMENIAN LANGUAGE CLASSES

Armenian Language classes were held for the children on Saturday mornings at 10:00 a.m. Students were divided into three grade levels. Classes were taught by Ani Donikian, Anahid Bogosian and Herman Purut, assisted by myself. Less than ten students came on a regular basis which discouraged the teachers and caused us to think of a new method of teaching the language to our children.

One such method is under consideration at this time. It is the possibility of buying air time for a one-half hour television program on a local Worcester cable TV channel. There is much to be considered if such an endeavor is to be undertaken.

During the summer of 1987, however, we intend to introduce a two-week "crash-course" for children to learn the Armenian language. The program was developed at the Diocese and we hope to put it to good use.

In January of 1986, a 10-week adult language class was offered. The teachers were Herman Purut and Arpi Aprahamian for the beginners and I taught the advanced class.

DEACONS' TRAINING

This year, we continued to prepare our Sub-deacons for the ordination to the diaconate. Under the direction of Deacon Suney Kachadoorian, the Sub-deacons practiced reading the Gospel and parts of the morning service. The time that Suney and I have spent with them has been rewarding as each of their participation in our liturgy has increased. We are grateful for their dedication and zeal.

LENTEN PROGRAMS

During the Lenten Season, we enjoyed a very good attendance at special educational lectures which were held following a Lenten meal on Wednesday evenings after Church Services. The guest speakers were well versed in their respective fields and held the interest of all. The average attendance at each dinner was 100 people. It was encouraging to see an increase over last year's attendance and pray that it will continue.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Under the direction of Tara Stepanian, the Sunday School has made strides in improving its quality of education and increasing enrollment. I have also increased my contact with the Sunday School teachers by attending their meetings and visiting the classes in progress when possible.

To further involve the Sunday School students in Church activities: students joined the ACYOA in escorting the survivors in our Martyrs' Day Observance; twelve young boys participated in the Washing of the Feet Service on Holy Thursday; and ten young girls participated in the service of the Ten Wise and Foolish Virgins on the Tuesday preceding Easter. Also, we were very pleased with the enthusiasm of the Sunday School's Food Drive Donation which we presented to the Mustard Seed.

The Christian Education of our children is of utmost importance, as is the involvement of all our youth. They are our future Church leaders and it is imperative that they are guided in the ways of the Lord. We urge the parents of these children to get involved with the Sunday Church School and naturally, continue to provide a good example at home.

Our gratitude to Tara, the Sunday School teachers and staff who give of themselves tirelessly each week. May God grant you strength, patience and pleasure as you watch "your children" grow into adults.

YOUTH GROUPS

Through the concern and efforts of Tara Stepanian, Parish Council Chairman Asbed Zakarian, we have been able to reactivate the A.C.Y.O.A. Juniors. Under the advisorship of Mark Mikitarian and the Chairmanship of Glenn Pogharian, the group is once again offering a social and service organization for youths aged 13 to 16. Please show your encouragement by your support of their activities.

Once again the A.C.Y.O.A. Seniors hosted a lovely Palm Sunday Dinner which coincided with the organization's 40th Anniversary Celebration. The event was very enjoyable with a slide presentation and special guest, Speaker of the House George Keverian. Berjoohe Zakarian and Lucine Haroian were honored for their many years of support and advice to the group.

On a regional level, the ACYOA honored Arthur Yagjian at their 40th Anniversary Celebration hosted by the Providence Church.

Many of our Seniors also participated in the meetings and events of the Annual Sports Weekend in Philadelphia. It was wonderful to see so many of our young people there.

The Church Basketball Juniors Team, boys under the supervision of Gary Dodakian had a very fun-filled year. The team provides another way for the boys to get together, to learn the values of working and being on a team and to exercise. Due to other obligations, Gary retired as the team's coach this year. We thank Gary for his tireless efforts and for bringing the team to a notable status. We welcome the new coach Peter Der Kazarian, assisted by Paul Krikorian, and wish them and this year's team much success.

Our aim is to involve our youth in all aspects of the Church life: worship - many of them serve as acolytes; will become deacons, choir members - in the future they will be the council, guild and workers - the friends they make now can last forever.

So, let us all continue to support all youth programs. Let us set a good example for our youth and begin to involve them in more aspects of Church Family Life!

MARTYRS' DAY

The solemn celebration of Armenian Martyrs' Day was enhanced by the participation of members of the ACYOA and several Sunday School children. The Ecumenical Church Service, at which dignitaries and non-Armenian clergy

participated, culminated with a procession of the survivors of the Massacre, holding white cardboard crosses, escorted by the youth, to the Holy Altar. Many tears were shed during this moving procession as those that survived thanked God that they did, and as the youth watched - and learned, lest they never forget! A Proclamation from the Mayor was read and the procession continued outside the Church, past the commemorative tree that was planted in the Martyrs' honor last year, to the Cultural Center where a madagh (memorial meal) was offered. Our appreciation to all those who hosted the fellowship, and to all those that participated.

In another effort to raise the awareness of the non-Armenian public, regarding Martyrs' Day and the Armenian Genocide, Stanford Gerber, a professor at Clark University, arranged for he and I to be interviewed on a local Worcester cable TV channel. The interviewer was an Episcopalian priest. Many Armenians and non-Armenians watched the program and enjoyed its frankness and informative nature.

CLARK UNIVERSITY

I made myself available to the Armenian students and the Dean of Students (Stanford Gerber) at Clark University for counseling. In informal and formal discussions I offer my advice and spiritual guidance. They are presently reorganizing an Armenian Club.

ANNUAL ASSEMBLIES

I attended the annual Clergy Conference and Diocesan Assembly which was held April 20 through May 3, 1986, in Racine, Wisconsin.

I also attended the Annual A.C.Y.O.A. Assembly and Sports Weekend August 29 through September 1, 1986, in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

I am glad that I had the opportunity to be a part of both these Assemblies.

ORGANIZATIONS

The Church Organizations and Special Committees are the backbones of the Church. Their success and stability are vital to our Church's future. I take a personal interest in each organization, and when my schedule allows, I try to attend each group's regular meetings and functions. When time does not allow, I try to meet with the group's chairperson from time to time to keep abreast with their activities and concerns.

My sincere appreciation to the Young Women's Guild and the Senior Ladies Auxiliary for undertaking the many projects and hosting the many events that they did. Both groups are in a period of transition now, and we pray that each remain strong in numbers and spirit.

My gratitude also to the Cultural Committee for their efforts to promote Armenian Culture and for providing interesting programs such as this year's Antranig Dance Group performance.

My heartfelt thanks, on behalf of the entire parish, to the Beano Executive Committee and volunteers for their consistent efforts as a result of which we have been financially rewarded each year.

We thank also those who worked on the annual events of the Parish, the Bazaar, the Picnic and the Rug Sale. Their tireless efforts are rewarded by the success of each event. Although grouped together here, each event was a huge undertaking and the committees involved worked diligently. May God bless each of them for their devotion.

OTHER

This year we held a very interesting and informative organizational meeting to enable representatives of all the Church groups to meet to discuss their plans. This meeting was very beneficial for scheduling for the year.

We also attended most of the Regional Meetings held along with representatives from our parish. These meetings are the groundwork for the many events and services that will be held on a Regional basis, hopefully in the near future.

When my schedule allowed, I attended the meetings and events of the Avak Group, the Church Choir, the Library Committee and the Armenian Welfare Association.

Along with other area clergy, we were invited and attended a dinner for the Patriarch of Istanbul hosted by the Diocese in New York. It was enjoyable as well as informative. The Patriarch spoke about the Armenians in Istanbul and their dedication to their Churches in spite of the existing difficulties.

CENTENNIAL COMMITTEE

The year 1990 marks the 100th Anniversary of the Armenian Church in America. As Worcester was the site of the first Armenian Church in America, our Church, as directed by the Parish Assembly, will host the Annual Diocesan Assembly that year. A preliminary committee has been formed by former Parish Council Chairmen and Diocesan Delegates to help plan for the major event. The Assembly will be the beginning of a six-month celebration of the Anniversary, culminating with the actual anniversary of the consecration of the Church of Our Saviour in January of 1991. More volunteers are needed, many committees have yet to be formed. We thank the members of the present committee and encourage the support of each parishioner.

IN APPRECIATION

We sincerely appreciate the efforts of the following individuals, who have given selflessly of themselves for the enrichment of our Holy Church:

The Parish Council Chairman Mr. Asbed Zakarian and Members
Diocesan Delegates
Deacons and Altar Servers
Hazel Eljanian, the Choir Director
Irene Shooshan, the Church Organist
The entire Church Choir
Bartev Der Bagdasarian - for helping to maintain
the Church accounting records
Charlotte Calfaian, In Lieu of Flowers Coordinator

The Fellowship Committee

Jean Merzigian for the care of liturgical vestments every Sunday
Carnig Alexanderian, Avedis Mshooshian and Andrew Shadbegian
for tending doors for funerals

John Toromanian, for his special projects' bookkeeping

Asadoorian Family (Oscar Cleaners) for their services

Richard Bedrosian, for his professional assistance

The Mas Committee

The Beano Volunteers

The Avak Volunteer Staff

Edward Atamian and Margaret Zakarian, Co-chairpersons, and

Rug Sale Volunteers

Dr. Robert Anusbigian, Chairman and this year's Bazaar Committee

Marilyn Markarian, Chairperson, and Picnic Volunteers

We would also like to acknowledge the support and dedication of all Auxiliary Chairpersons and Committees who have served with joy and concern for their groups and their Church. May God bless each of you for your devotion.

Our appreciation to our Church Secretary Norma Hohne, who has given us a year of devoted service, loyalty and true concern for our Church office operation. We hope Norma is as happy to be a member of our Church Family as we are happy to have her. Our gratitude also to Gharib Ghambari and Michael Bellino for their expertise, dependability and dedication to our Church's facilities.

We are thankful to the Lord for granting us a fruitful year and for the opportunity to serve Him through this parish. We pray that with the continued cooperation and love of our parishioners we shall always develop a stronger Church Family and community. May God bless all our endeavors and guide our steps in the fulfillment of our goals. Amen.

Prayerfully,



Reverend Father Aved Terzian
Pastor

PARISH COUNCIL REPORT

As a result of the elections held in February 1986 at the Annual Parish Assembly the following were elected to the Parish Council:

Stephen Krikorian	Gary Hovhanesian
Marilyn Markarian	Gilbert Markarian
Madieros Mooshagian	Peter Naroian

After ratification of the Assembly Report by the Diocesan Council, an organizational meeting was held and the following officers elected:

Asbed B. Zakarian	Chairman
Lutwig Stepanian	Vice-Chairman
Stephen Krikorian	Secretary
Gary Hovhanesian	Corresponding Secretary
Gilbert Markarian	Treasurer
Madieros Mooshagian	Ass't. Treasurer

The following members of the Council served as advisors:

Dr. Robert Anusbigian	Marilyn Markarian
Peter Naroian	Charles Sharigian
Arthur Yagjian	

The Council met twenty-two (22) times during the year conducting such business as necessary for the administration of the Parish under the Presidency of the Pastor Rev. Aved Terzian and the Chairmanship of Mr. Asbed Zakarian. Some of the activities were as follows:

1. Appointment of Liason Advisors to the Parish Organizations.

Choir	Gary Hovhanesian
Senior Ladies Auxiliary	Lutwig Stepanian
Women's Guild	Stephen Krikorian
Avaks	Lutwig Stepanian
Sunday School	Lutwig Stepanian
ACYOA Seniors	Marilyn Markarian
ACYOA Juniors	Lutwig Stepanian

2. Completed the rehabilitation of the Parish & carriage house.
3. Purchased a new and larger snow blower.
4. Contracted for and commenced work on the rehabilitation of the Cultural Center exterior.
5. Contracted for and completed the repainting of the Church lower floor.

6. Purchased additional new Badarak Books.
7. Shampooed and cleaned all carpeting in the Classrooms.
8. Cleaned all Classroom windows.
9. Purchased a new refrigerator for the Church kitchen.
10. Contracted for and completed the engraving of Armenian lettering in the arch at the front entrance of the Church. This is a donation from Mr. & Mrs. Arsen Haroian.
11. Continued the installation of replacement doors to the Church.
12. Investigating the installation of an Alarm System for Parish properties.
13. Installed frames for stain glass in all windows at the front of the Church. A committee report on this activity is attached.
14. Sponsored Youth Basketball Team in the YMCA Church League
15. Held meetings with previous Parish Council Chairman and Diocesan Delegates regarding the 100th Anniversary of the Church with a follow-up meeting with the Primate in this regard.
16. Forwarded to the Diocese the sum of \$2,000.00 as an advance for the development and printing of Sunday School material.
17. Purchased a Computer, and had personnel participate in a training program to learn its operation. Data is being input and system should be fully operational by 1988.
18. Purchased a commercial size meat grinder for the Cultural Center kitchen. This is a donation from Mrs. Rose Kinosian.
19. Appointed an Investment Advisory Committee consisting of the Chairman Asbed Zakarian, Gary Hovhanesian and Gilbert Markarian. Working with Edward Bilzerian through Paine Webber, the committee has invested in various equities which are reflected in Schedule "K" of the Financial Report.
20. Continued its search for a person to serve our Youth and Adult Ministry Program.
21. Conducted the Annual Church Picnic
22. Conducted the Annual Church Bazaar.
23. Assisted a committee Co-Chaired by Edward Atamian and Mrs. Margaret Zakarian in conducting the second Annual Oriental Rug Sale.
24. Supported the Cultural Committee in their presentation of the Antranig Dance Group which was a sell-out success.
25. Conducted a fund-raising campaign for the Soorb Hovannes Reconstruction Fund. Proceeds were forwarded to the Diocese.

26. Prepared detailed work assignment sheets for the Custodian Gharib Ghambari and the Maintenance Man Michael Bellino.
27. Voted to establish a Memorial Endowment Fund as a result of the following donations.

Mrs. Helen Abounader and Mrs. Esther Bournazian, sisters, have donated \$5,000.00 each for a total of \$10,000.00 in memory of their parents, John and Nevart Bilzerian.

Mrs. Linda Poldoian has donated \$3,000.00 in memory of her mother, Mrs. Helen Bogosian.

In addition, upon approval of the Fund by the Annual Assembly in February 1987, it is the intent of the Parish Council to transfer to the Fund those monies presently shown in Schedule "H" in the Financial Report attached.

The Parish Council accepted and acknowledged with thanks many donations and contributions during the year. Some of these are as follows:

Cultural Committee	\$5,000.00
Mrs. Rose Kinosian	3,000.00
Estate of Hoogas Hoogioian-Whitinsville	1,451.79
Anne Paelian	1,000.00
John Sagarian	1,650.00
Senior Ladies Auxiliary	2,000.00
Stephen Jorjorian	400.00
Estate of John Zeroogian - Milford	100.00
Daughters of Vartan - Grand Council	100.00
Educational Society of Malatia	150.00
Armenian Women's Welfare	100.00
Mr. & Mrs. Arsen Haroian	800.00
Anonymous	1,500.00
Shadbegian Family	400.00
Estate of Anonymous	1,200.00

Mr. Charles Markarian donated and installed a new hot water tank and heater for the Church.

In addition, the following donations for Memorial items were received during the year.

Mr. & Mrs. Gary Hovhanesian and Mrs. Takouhi Sahagian	\$2,500.00
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Dr. Robert Anusbigian	\$2,500.00
Marjorie A. Sohigian	2,000.00
Dr. Harry Kavogian	1,200.00
Mrs. Dorothy Durkin	1,200.00
Ms. Marilyn Markarian	1,050.00
Mr. Mark Markarian	1,050.00
Mrs. Zabelle Jorjorian and Daughters	500.00

The following is a list of some of the projects that face the Parish Council this year:

1. Continue preparations for the observance of the 100th Anniversary of the Church.
2. Continue the search for a person to serve our Youth and Adult Ministry Program
3. Continue the input of data into the computer. System to be fully operational by 1988.
4. Purchase Video Equipment for Church and Sunday School use.
5. Complete the rehabilitation of the Cultural Center Exterior.
6. Install a complete Alarm System covering all Church Properties.

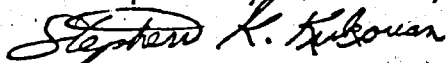
This report is a summary of the hours of dedicated and cooperative effort of all who have served this year on the Parish Council.

The Council wishes to take this opportunity to again express its appreciation to all Church organizations whose members have contributed so much to all of our success this year. Their activities are reflected in their reports which comprise a part of this Annual Report and are recommended reading to all.

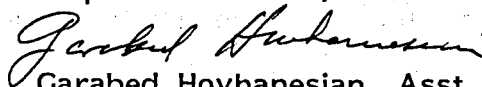
The Parish Council further extends its deep appreciation to our Pastor, the Rev. Father Aved Terzian for his leadership, direction, and spiritual guidance during the year.

Finally a word of thanks to our dedicated staff, Mrs. Norma Hohne, Charlotte Calfaian, Michael Bellino and Gharib Ghambari, all of whom help keep the operation running smoothly.

Respectfully submitted,



Stephen Krikorian, Secretary



Garabed Hovhanesian, Asst. Secretary

STAINED GLASS COMMITTEE REPORT 1986 ACTIVITY


The Parish Council has had a standing committee to carry out the work of converting the remaining double hung windows to stained glass images as is the case in the main part of the Church. After the 1986 Assembly elections, the Parish Council asked Gary Hovhanesian to assume chairmanship of this committee. The other members of the committee were: Rev. Fr. Aved Terzian, Asbed Zakarian, Dr. Robert Anusbigian and Haroutune Kasparian who was an incumbent Parish Council Member and chairman of the committee up to that time. Haroutune served as liaison during the changeover. The previous committee also had the responsibility of creating and updating the "Needs and Wants" list of the Church. This was a list wherein the Parish Council tried to identify items which donors may wish to contribute as memorials and which the Council in its collective wisdom deemed proper and necessary.

On May 20, 1986, an organizing meeting was held and ground rules were laid for proceeding with the project on a timely basis. Leon Hovsepian was asked to serve on the committee, both as a member and art consultant. During the first organizing meeting the following was established:

1. No work would be done on the dome or cupola windows until such time as a donor for all of the windows would be available and that event would or could coincide with the projected painting of the inside of the Church.
2. Bids from four vendors would be sought for the 10 narthex or vestibule windows and Parish Council room.
3. A list of persons who had previously expressed a desire to donate windows was prioritized as best as documentation and other information would permit. Obviously, the purpose being to assure that no one who had expressed such a wish in the past had been overlooked.
4. The windows would have to reflect in image and artistry, (1) religiously relevant topics close to the Armenian Church history and culture; (2) the coloring and topical arrangement which would complement this requirement; (3) the work would be done by one vendor to assure that variances in style and color and quality would not mar the artistic unity and religious completeness.
5. While our resident artist researched topics and history line, the rest of the committee was to actively seek bids and interview vendors.
6. Once the topics were listed, assent for these topics was to be sought from Fr. Aved and Archbishop Manoogian.
7. Pursuant to this program, the committee met with 4 vendors assessing their past projects and the extent that they would be able to add artistic value to the topics suggested.
8. Burnham Studios was selected and a completion date of Easter (April) 1987 was agreed upon.

9. The work is progressing on schedule. The studio artist has submitted his first sketches and minor modifications will be made but, in general, the committee was very pleased with the effort.
10. Concurrently each identified prior potential donor has been contacted and each individual case has had to be resolved before succeeding donors could be approached. Prices were established to reflect size and location choices.
11. It was also decided that the names of all of the donors and their memorials would be available on a suitable plaque in the vestibule of the Church.

Respectfully submitted,



Garabed Hovhanesian, Chairman
Stained Glass Committee

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF INCOME

	1985 <u>ACTUAL</u>	1986 <u>ACTUAL</u>	1986 <u>BUDGET</u>
Pledges	\$57,651.55	\$60,530.20	\$60,000.
Plate	3,575.25	3,544.55	3,600.
Sunday Church School	318.03	349.88	300.
Youghakin	12,153.00	12,458.00	12,000.
Hokehankist	11,031.00	11,688.00	10,000.
Momakin	1,748.28	1,581.75	1,500.
Gifts	3,855.00	28,765.93	
Weddings	1,200.00	1,550.00	1,100.
Baptisms	150.00		
Altar Flowers	1,006.00	1,280.00	
Memorial Biographies (Schedule A)	688.00	500.00	
In Lieu of Flowers	27,041.00	34,373.00	20,000.
Church Functions (Schedule E)	51,256.41	60,527.55	15,000.
Hall & Center Receipts (Schedule B)	13,950.00	11,845.00	12,000.
Bequests (Schedule A)	200.00	2,751.79	
Church Organizations		See Schedule C	3,000.
N.E. Regional Office		See Schedule B	1,200.
Fund Raising Projects		See Schedule E	11,000.
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	\$185,823.52	\$231,745.65	
Interest Earned	11,684.53	11,115.80	23,000.
Transfer Account (Schedule C)	64,200.60	69,019.64	50,000.
Insurance Claims	595.58	11,390.45	
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TOTAL INCOME	\$262,304.23	\$323,271.54	\$223,700.

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES

	1985 <u>ACTUAL</u>	1986 <u>ACTUAL</u>	1986 <u>BUDGET</u>
Clergy Stipend	\$18,356.00	\$20,777.64	\$19,800.
Visiting Clergy	550.00	550.00	1,000.
Secretarial	11,060.00	14,176.00)	
Custodians	19,404.25	18,256.96)	
Choir Director	1,520.00	1,650.00)	35,000.
Organists	2,060.00	2,480.00)	
Deacons	625.00	925.00)	
Sunday Church School	2,351.48	2,828.61	1,000.
Armenian Language School	(140.00)	1,115.00	1,500.
General Insurance	4,571.00	6,693.00	4,000.
Auto Insurance & Expense	1,410.93	1,499.34	1,500.
Clergy Insurance/Retirement	1,982.35	3,447.54	4,000.
Church Auto Allowance	1,404.00	1,404.00	1,700.
Secretary Auto Allowance	50.00		
General Maintenance & Supplies	3,912.19	4,664.32	3,500.
Office & Printing Supplies	1,402.67	1,772.33	1,500.
Altar Supplies	1,415.93	1,050.90	1,500.
Printing	5,384.37	6,177.27	6,000.
Postage	2,292.41	1,587.31	2,000.
Telephone	2,552.98	2,527.83	2,500.
Fuel Oil	13,017.55	7,771.39	18,000.
Gas	1,389.96	1,554.11	1,800.
Electricity	5,220.72	4,052.57	5,000.
Water	400.70	612.19	500.
Diocesan Assessment includes Regional 1470.00	29,140.00	30,494.00	32,500.
Diocesan Assembly	772.80	1,808.23	3,000.
Etchmiadzin Looma	502.00		500.
Ecumenical Council	200.00	200.00	200.
Building Repairs & Maintenance (Schedule D)	53,594.28	19,754.60	25,000.
Equipment Purchases (Schedule F)	7,026.20	19,654.20	10,000.
Rental Allowance	6,432.00	9,507.00	6,900.
S.B.A. Loan Interest*	998.10	816.70	2,000.
Miscellaneous	302.90		2,000.
Choir Expense		800.00	
Church Car Replacement			2,000.
Youth and Adult Ministry			10,000.
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$201,162.77	\$190,608.04	\$205,900.

*Loan Principal Reduced by \$1845.20
In Addition To Interest Paid.

SCHEDULE "A"

GIFTS - BEQUESTS - MEMORIAL BIOGRAPHIES

Helen Abounader	For Endowment	\$5,000.00
Esther Bournazian	" "	5,000.00
Linda Poldoian	" "	3,000.00
Rose Kinonian		3,000.00
Gary Hovhanesian	Reserve For Window	2,500.00
Robert Anusbigian	" " "	2,500.00
Harry Kavogian	" " "	1,200.00
Marilyn Markarian	" " "	1,050.00
Mark Markarian	" " "	1,050.00
Dorothy Durkin	" " "	1,000.00
Anne Paelian		1,000.00
Mr. & Mrs. Arsen Haroian		800.00
Stephen Jorjorian		400.00
Nora Harootian		250.00
Mr. & Mrs. John Danielian		100.00
Daughters of Vartan - Grand Council		100.00
Educational Society of Malatia		150.00
Anonymous		125.00
Armenian Women's Welfare		100.00
Juskalian Fund		24.18
Donations - Miscellaneous		416.75

TOTAL GIFTS \$28,765.93

Estate of: Hoogas Hoogasian	\$1,451.79
Estate of: John Zeroogian	100.00
Anonymous	1,200.00

TOTAL BEQUESTS 2,751.79

Memorial Biographies - Total Contributions 500.00

TOTAL SCHEDULE "A" \$32,017.72

SCHEDULE "B"

HALL, CENTER & OFFICE SPACE RECEIPTS

Center	\$9,400.00
Church Hall & Other	1,245.00
Office Space	1,200.00
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TOTAL SCHEDULE "B"	\$11,845.00

SCHEDULE "C"

TRANSFER ACCOUNT

Cultural Committee	\$ 5,000.00
Senior Ladies Auxiliary	2,000.00
ACYOA - Sports Weekend	1,749.64
Choir Association - Collection	345.60
Soorp Hovhanness Restoration Fund	1,005.00
Fund For Cemetery Plot	220.00
Columbian Relief	50.00
Donation - Re. Donabedian Funeral	150.00
Beano Receipts	62,103.10
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TOTAL-IN	\$72,623.34

LESS:

Hope Cemetery - Re. Donabedian	\$ 150.00
Diocese - Re. Restoration Fund	1,005.00
Ekmalian Choir	345.60
Payments - Re. Beano Account	2,103.10
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TOTAL - OUT	3,603.70
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BALANCE SCHEDULE "C"	\$69,019.64

SCHEDULE "D"

REPAIRS TO BUILDINGS & EQUIPMENT

Rebuild Carriage House	\$ 9,285.00
Painting	3,588.40
Building Permits	200.00
Parish House Repair	1,215.00
Rugs - Parish House	250.11
Electrical Supplies & Repairs	2,104.14
Oil Burner Repair	681.24
Plumbing Repairs	190.92
Organ Repair	122.00
Office Equipment Maintenance	250.25
Glass Replacements	1,177.29
Smoke Eaters Maintenance	373.25
Fire Extinguisher Maintenance	317.00
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TOTAL SCHEDULE "C"	\$19,754.60

SCHEDULE "E"

CHURCH FUNCTIONS & PROJECTS - INCOME & EXPENSE

New Year Eve (Dec. 31, 1985) NET	\$ 341.88
Church Picnic - NET	2,339.52
Feast of Assumption - NET	94.75
Bazaar - NET	17,036.00
Rug Sale - NET	42,246.87
Easter Flower Donations	10.00
Madagh Donations	90.00
Reimbursements - Dinners, etc.	539.05
Messenger Donations	15.00
Mother's Day Donations - Net from Flowers	39.00
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TOTAL INCOME	\$62,752.07

LESS:

Deposit for 1987 picnic & band	\$250.00
Church Dinner Functions & Fellowships	912.58
Martyrs' Day Expense	331.74
ACYOA Conference	460.20
Basketball League	245.00
Food Permit	25.00
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TOTAL EXPENSE	2,224.52
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BALANCE OF SCHEDULE "E"	\$60,527.55

SCHEDULE "F"

EQUIPMENT PURCHASES & REPAIRS (Permanent Inventory)

Kitchen Equipment (Hobart Dough Mixer)	\$ 2,969.00
Microphone System & Speaker	940.00
Word Processor & Computer Desk	4,323.95
Console & Flashboard (For Beano)	3,150.00
Refrigerator	619.00
Collection Plate	90.25
Inscription (Main Entrance)	800.00
Snow Plow	967.00
Enclose Windows in Connector	795.00
Aluminum Windows (Church Proper)	5,000.00
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TOTAL SCHEDULE "F"	\$19,654.20

1986 SUMMARY

FUNDS AVAILABLE AS OF JANUARY 1, 1986

Operating Cash:

Guaranty Bank, Checking Account	\$44,184.16	
Paine Webber, Money Market #1	29,324.16	
Paine Webber, Money Market #2	<u>65,819.42</u>	\$139,327.74

Restricted Cash:

Paine Webber, Money Market #2	\$29,595.32	
Guaranty Bank, Deposit	17,519.36	
Peoples Bank	8,778.67	
Zero Coupon Bond	<u>288,890.98</u>	<u>344,784.33</u>

TOTAL OPERATING & RESTRICTED CASH \$484,112.07

LESS: Transfer & Restricted 82,095.49

NET BALANCE FUNDS AVAILABLE BEGINNING OF YEAR
SEE BELOW FOR RECONCILIATION.....\$402,016.58

FUNDS AVAILABLE AS OF DECEMBER 31, 1986

Operating Cash:

Guaranty Bank, Checking Account	\$27,668.41	
Paine Webber Money Market #1	5,819.31	
Paine Webber Money Market #2	<u>67,781.96</u>	\$101,269.68

Restricted Cash:

Paine Webber Money Market #1	\$ 75,564.22	
Guaranty Bank Deposit	21,244.93	
Peoples Bank Deposit	31,414.57	
Peoples Bank Certificate	21,536.89	
Investment Account P.W (Schedule K)	<u>428,486.00</u>	

TOTAL RESTRICTED CASH (Schedule H) 578,246.61

TOTAL OPERATING & RESTRICTED CASH \$679,516.29

LESS: Transfer & Restricted (Schedule G) 144,836.21

NET BALANCE AVAILABLE FUNDS AT END OF YEAR
SEE BELOW FOR RECONCILIATION.....\$534,680.08

RECONCILIATION

CASH BALANCE OF FUNDS, JANUARY 1, 1986 (From Above)	\$402,016.58
ADD: INCOME FOR YEAR (See 1986 Actual)	<u>323,271.54</u>
	\$725,288.12
LESS: EXPENSE FOR YEAR (See 1986 Actual)	<u>190,608.04</u>
NET BALANCE, DECEMBER 31, 1986	\$534,680.08

SCHEDULE "G"

TRANSFER & RESTRICTED

Gain or Loss on Investment Account	\$ 61,892.02
S.B.A. Loan	31,878.06
Cultural Center Fund	22,484.48
Margaret Hagopian Memorial Fund	6,798.75
Mary Manoogian Outreach Fund	1,255.00
Automobile Fund	10,537.90
Pastor's Discretionary Fund	65.00
Memorials Pending Account	9,925.00
TOTAL SCHEDULE "G"	\$144,836.21

SCHEDULE "H"

RESTRICTED FUNDS & PROPOSED ENDOWMENT FUND

Church Reserve Fund	\$415,439.85
Charles & Elizabeth Nanigian Memorial Fund	15,000.00
Shapazian Memorial Fund	1,000.00
Owen Paelian Family Fund	3,000.00
Sarah Manooshian Estate	1,000.00
Margaret Thomasian Estate	36,525.00
Verkin Hoolian Estate	4,167.00
Margaret Hagopian Memorial Fund	6,798.75
Nevart Bilzerian Fund	2,000.00
Mary Bedrosian Fund	1,000.00
Nevart Hoogasian Estate	1,200.00
Hoogas Hoogasian Estate	1,451.79
John & Nevart Bilzerian (Designated Endowment)	10,000.00
Helen Bogosian (Designated Endowment)	3,000.00

TOTAL RESTRICTED FUNDS **\$501,582.39**

ADD: Accumulated Interest	1982	\$10,674.81	
	1983	17,544.68	
	1984	25,644.32	
	1985	11,684.61	
	1986	11,115.80	
			76,664.22

TOTAL SCHEDULE "H" **\$578,246.61**

SCHEDULE "K"

ARMENIAN CHURCH OF OUR SAVIOUR
 INVESTMENT ACCOUNT
HOLDINGS AND VALUES AS OF 12/31/86

<u>QUANTITY</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>VALUE</u>
100	Dow Chemical	\$ 5,850
100	Kraft Inc.	4,738
200	Morgan Stanley	12,975
1,000	Regional Financial	7,125
63,000	U.S.T.B. 9% due 5/15/87	60,400
70,000	U.S.T.B. 9% due 11/15/87	63,500
70,000	U.S.T.B. 0% due 5/15/88	60,200
77,000	U.S.T.B. 0% due 11/15/88	63,000
54,000	Columbia Savings CD 0% due 2/28/90	42,700
46,000	Columbia Savings CD 0% due 11/23/90	33,983
25,000	PW Equity Partners I	25,000
38,485	PW Cashfund	38,485
10,530	Cash	10,530
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		\$428,486

INVESTMENT PORTFOLIO

Equity	\$ 30,688
Fixed Income	323,783
Real Estate	25,000
Cash	49,015
TOTAL	<hr/>
	\$428,486

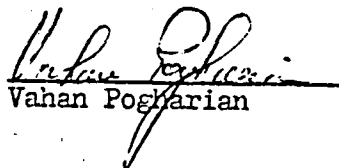
AUDITING REPORT

In accordance with the By-Laws of the Armenian Church of America (Eastern Diocese) the Auditing Committee of the Armenian Church of Our Saviour has examined the Treasurer's Reports and as a result of this examination we find these records to be a fair and reasonable representation of the financial position of the Church.

Examined and signed on Sunday, January 18, 1987, by the 1986 Auditors:


Elizabeth Naroian


Bartev Bagdasarian, Jr.


Vahan Pogharian

George Kirkorian

1987 PROPOSED BUDGET

INCOME:

Pledges	\$ 53,000
Plate	4,000
Sunday School	300
Youghakin	12,000
Hokehankist	10,000
Momakin	1,500
Weddings	1,000
In Lieu of Flowers	25,000
Church Functions (Net)	16,600
Hall Donations	10,000
Church Organizations	3,000
Regional Office	1,200
Special Fund Raising Projects	35,000
Interest	10,000
Transfer Account	50,000

DISBURSEMENTS:

Clergy Stipend	\$ 22,500
Salaries & Other Services	42,500
Visiting Clergy	1,000
Automobile Allowance	1,700
Rental Allowance	9,600
Sunday Church School	2,500
Armenian Language School	1,500
Diocesan Assessment	30,000
General Insurance & Car - Real Estate	7,500
Clergy Insurance-Retirement	4,000
Postage	2,000
Telephone	2,500
Printing & Supplies	6,500
Office & Church Supplies	2,500
Maintenance Supplies	4,000
Building Maintenance	35,000
Fuel Oil	10,000
Gas	1,300
Electric	5,000
Water	800
Parish Automobile Maintenance	500
Diocesan Assembly	1,000
Etchmiadzin Looma	500
Equipment Purchases	20,000
S.B.A. Loan (Second Mortgage)	2,000
Church Car Replacement	1,600
Regionalization Budget	1,500
Ecumenical Council	300
Youth Ministry	10,000
Choir	1,000
Payroll Taxes	3,000

\$234,100

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SENIOR LADIES AUXILIARY

EXECUTIVE BOARD FOR 1986

Chairperson	Derouhie Ishlemejian
Secretary	Armenouhe Jardarian
Treasurer	Agnes Tavajian
Assistant Treasurer	Mary Bedrosian
Advisors:	Heghine Minasian
	Agavni Bagdigian
	Agavni Belazarian
	Nevart Kinonian

There are 66 dues paid members.

ACTIVITIES FOR 1986

March	Annual Mid-Lenten Supper and Program
August	Annual Family Picnic on the Church grounds
October	Cultural Program - luncheon meeting
December	Memorial Dinner in memory of our departed members

The Senior Ladies Auxiliary actively took part in the preparation of the food for the Annual Church Picnic and Bazaar.

The Senior Ladies Auxiliary expresses its gratitude to the parishioners for their continued support and cooperation and extend sincerest thanks.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Cash on hand as of January 1, 1986	\$ 265.77	
Income - 1986	<u>2,631.94</u>	
Total		\$2,897.71
Expenditures	\$ 882.00	
Transfer - Parish Council	<u>2,000.00</u>	
Total Expenditures		<u>2,882.00</u>
Balance, December 31, 1986		\$ 15.71

Respectfully submitted,

Armenouhe Jardarian
 Armenouhe Jardarian
 Recording Secretary

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Միոլթեան վարչական կազմը հետեւեալն է, Տիկնայք

- Տիրուհի Իշլէմէճեան - Ատենապետուհի
- Արմենուհի Ճարտարեան - Ատենաղպրուհի
- Ազնիւ Թաւաճեան - Գանձապահուհի
- Մէրի Պետրոսեան - Հաշուապահուհի

Խորհրդականք՝

- Հեղինէ Մինասեան
- Աղաւնի Պաղտիկեան
- Աղաւնի Պիլէզէրեան
- Նուարդ Գինոսեան

Միոլթեան անդամներուն թիւն է 66: Այս տարուան շրջանին ունեցած ենք անդամական մաշ-ժողովներ պատշաճ յայտագրերով: Միոլթեան գլխաւոր հրապարակային ձեռնարկն է ՄԵԾ Պահոց Միջինքի ակնհայտ մաշկերոյթը գեղարուեստական մոխ յայտագրով:

Դեկտեմբեր ամսուան մէջ տեղի ունեցաւ Հոգեհանգստեան պաշտօն եւ յիշատակի-մաշ սպասարկուեցաւ յաւէտ բաժնուած անդամուհիներու յիշատակին: Միոլթիւնը իր գործօն բաժինը բերած է եկեղեցւոյ շուրջ կազմուած ձեռնարկներուն, ի մասնաւորի Տարեկան Դաշտահանդէսին եւ վաճառահանդէսի մաշեր պատրաստելով:

Եկեղեցասէր Երէց Տիկնանց Միոլթիւնը իր խորին շնորհակալութիւնները կը յայտնէ Արժ. Տ. Աւետ Բինյ. Թէրզեանի որ իր ներկայութեամբ եւ ներշնչից խօսքերով առաջնորդեց միոլթեան ժողովները:

Շնորհակալութիւն նաեւ ժխական խորհուրդին, կրտսեր Տիկնանց Միոլթեան եւ եկեղեցւոյս բոլոր կազմակերպութեանց, որոնք սիրայօժար մասնակցութիւնը բերած են Միոլթեան բոլոր ձեռնարկներուն:

Շնորհակալութիւն նաեւ Համայնքիս բարեպաշտ ազգայիններուն որոնք իրենց ներկայութեամբ եւ նիւթական օժանդակութեամբ քաջալերեցին Միոլթեան ջանքերը:

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AVAK GROUP

The AVAKS are more active than ever and we are happy to report that we had another successful year. We met every Monday (including most holidays) and aside from our regular luncheons and snacks, we had a very busy year as indicated by the schedule below.

- January 6th - Armenian Christmas - we hosted a luncheon for the entire parish.
- March 24th - Hearing tests were provided (free of charge) by the Massachusetts Rehabilitation Commission
- July 7th - Bus trip to Hampton Beach
- July 21st - Picnic held in Courtyard
- August 4th - Boston Harbor Cruise
- November 8th - Church Bazaar - raised \$541.00
- December 8th - Concert by Trinity Symphonette
- December 22nd - Christmas Party

Due to the generosity of certain benefactors (who shall remain nameless), both the Thanksgiving and Christmas parties were provided without charge to all of our members. Our Christmas party was particularly enjoyable due to the fact that Santa (Charles Sharigian) visited us with gifts for everyone, again provided by our benefactors. Both of these functions were very well attended, 80 at Thanksgiving and 91 at Christmas.

The work of the Volunteers is made ever so much easier by the thoughtful help and support of many people, and we take this opportunity to say "THANK YOU VERY MUCH!"


Lucy V. Kasparian, Chairman
Volunteers

THE EKMALIAN CHOIR

The Ekmalian Choir of the Armenian Church of Our Saviour has sung at each Badarak during the course of the year, both on Sunday mornings and on special weekday Divine Liturgies which totals about sixty-five services.

The Choir membership consists of approximately thirty members some of which serve on the altar.

In June, Norman and Joyce Noorjanian invited the Choir, Trustees, Deacons and Acolytes and their guests to a Choir picnic at their residence in Milford.

In October the fortieth Annual Assembly of the Association of Armenian Church Choirs of America which was hosted by the St. Gregory the Illuminator Armenian Church of Chicago, Illinois, was attended by our Choir Chairman, Norman Noorjanian and Robert Shamgochian as Central Council Members in the Association of Armenian Church Choirs of America. Also the two delegates elected from our Choir, who attended this assembly were Patricia Arakelian and George Avakian, Jr.

We wish to express our sincere thanks to Father Aved Terzian for his untiring and continued spiritual support of the Choir; to Hazel Eljanian, Choir Director Ann Mosessian and George Avakian, Assistant Choir Directors; Irene Shooshan, Organist, who have helped in each of their capacities to enhance the glorification of the Soorp Badarak.

We also wish to thank our Trustees for financial support on numerous occasions this past year.

We especially wish to thank Mr. & Mrs. Zarmair Shepherd for their many acts of kindness and for the many generous contributions bestowed to all our Choir members on an individual basis.

We sincerely thank our many generous parishioners who have so graciously donated sums of money to our Choir for books and other needs.

We welcome any new members to join us and any "old" members to rejoin us.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT:

ORGAN FUND

Opening Balance - 1/01/86-----	\$ 2015.09
Income: Interest-----	100.56
Closing Balance - 11/30/86-----	\$ 2115.65

SAVINGS ACCOUNT

Opening Balance - 1/01/86-----	\$ 871.22
Income: Donations, etc.-----	97.69
Interest-----	43.01
	\$1011.92
Expenditures:-----	345.00
Closing Balance - 11/30/86-----	\$ 666.92

Respectfully submitted,

Norman Noorjanian
Norman Noorjanian
Choir Chairman

SUNDAY CHURCH SCHOOL

The week-to-week impetus of the Sunday Church School is to teach Christian Religious Education and the Armenian culture and heritage to the children of our parish. While we are using a very good curriculum provided by the Armenian Diocese, we have been able to start integrating, in selected grades, the new Armenian curriculum that will be available to all Sunday Schools in the Fall, 1987.

Some of our activities in 1986 included:

- * Children's Christmas and Easter Communion Services. Held on Saturday mornings for children and their parents. Gives our young people the opportunity to have special services with sermons directed especially to them.
- * Martyrs' Day Commemoration on April 24th. Many of our young people aided the ACYOA Seniors as escorts for the survivors during the Martyr's Day Service.
- * Graduation of Grade 10 and special fellowship held by the parents of the graduates.
- * Sunday School Regional Meeting, held in Worcester on September 7th, provided a training seminar for all teachers in our region.
- * Opening Day Registration and Picnic - September 14, 1986. 70 students were registered for classes.
- * Halloween Party - Congratulations for Grades 8 and 10 for the spectacular Haunted House they put together for our annual Halloween Party.
- * Kid's Bazaar, held in conjunction with annual Fall Bazaar. Congratulations to our parents and students who helped make the Kid's Bazaar so much fun!
- * Thanksgiving Food Drive.
- * Children's Sermons and special seminars for upper grades.
- * Annual Christmas Party.

We were also very pleased that a number of our students were able to participate over the summer, in Diocesan sponsored summer camp programs or to attend St. Nersess.

Thank you to all of our students and parents for their gifts of time and dedication to the Sunday School. And, as always, my gratitude for the dedication of our Sunday School teachers and the care they show for their classes. It is the hope of the staff of the Sunday School that all of our fellow parishioners seize the opportunity to be a part of the education of our youth, and join us in this rewarding contribution to our Church.

Respectfully submitted,
Tara Stepanian

Tara Stepanian
Sunday Church School Superintendent

CULTURAL ORGANIZATION

EXECUTIVE BOARD

Chairman	Ann Kabian
Vice Chairman	Bizer Simonian
Treasurer	Marion Yagoobian
Recording Secretary	Rose Paloian
Corresponding Secretary	Lucy Hovenesian

The Cultural Organization meets on the third Monday evening of the month in the Church Hall. There are presently approximately thirty active members in the organization.

Soon after the beginning of the year, upon making inquiry and receiving confirmation from the Armenian General Benevolent Union, New York/ New Jersey Chapters, that The Antranig Dance Ensemble would be available to us, our organization excitedly began to get the wheels into motion for this event on May 17th. The ensuing months, from February through April and into May afforded us the needed time to formulate plans and to take care of all the various aspects involved in such a major presentation. Several committees were appointed, including one for a souvenir program booklet which contained numerous photographs of the dancers and listed the names of patrons, sponsors and friends. On May 17, 1986, we finally realized the fulfillment of our labor of love when this event became a huge success. Our organization feels immense pride and satisfaction in knowing that it afforded to the Worcester Community the opportunity to enjoy the excitement of the beautifully executed dances that this dynamic group and staff - 80 in all - brought to the stage of the Sullivan Auditorium at the Worcester State College. When the final curtain came down, the audience of approximately 750 rose to their feet with a standing ovation. It was a further source of pride to have received so many complimentary remarks from the performers themselves who had nothing but plaudits for the hospitality and warm reception given to them here in Worcester. Many of them took the time to write their remarks on a souvenir program for our file. We thank everyone who supported us by way of patronage and attendance, enabling us to realize the success we had.

In March of this year we participated in the Lenten Supper series with the preparation and serving of a delicious Vosp Kheyima dinner.

We have also taken the time to enrich our own lives by attending other cultural events in the City, namely the performance of the Tokyo String Quartet at Mechanics Hall in April.

Our social gatherings during the year include a Christmas Party and picnic preceding the summer recess.

Again, we encourage and welcome new members to join us and to come and experience the joy of keeping the Armenian heritage and culture alive.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT:

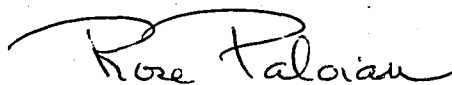
Cash on hand as of January 1, 1986	\$ 891.97
Additional Receipts	<u>12,636.17</u>
Total	\$13,528.14

EXPENDITURES:

Transfer to Parish Council	\$ 5,000.00
Donation to ACYOA	25.00
Other Expenses	<u>6,226.44</u>
Total Expenditures	\$11,251.44

BALANCE ON HAND AS OF DECEMBER 31, 1986 \$ 2,276.70

Respectfully submitted,



Rose Paloian
Recording Secretary

LIBRARY COMMITTEE REPORT

1986 was a year of lesser activities on the part of the Library Committee in our parish. Not much more can be written in this report than the fact we sponsored a fellowship hour and received contributions of books and periodicals from our parishioners. We will be content to say that 1986 was a year of respite after two years of full activities.

Our sales of Worcester Memories went over the 500 mark and we will continue our efforts to sell more copies.

The lending out of books was the only bright spot this year. Thanks to our Der Hayr who, through contacts with students, especially W.P.I., many books were loaned out and returned. Very few of our people have inquired or shown interest as to what is available in our bookcases.

A caption in a recent issue of the Mirror-Spectator read: "SHOULD WE CLOSE THE BOOK ON ARMENIANISM?"

A reply to this question would be interesting reading and a valuable guide. LET'S HAVE IT.

Contact anyone of the committee members listed at the end of this report to browse into our bookcases or to take out books.

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Library Committee Account

Balance December 31, 1985		\$2004.00
Income - Sale of books	\$124.50	
Interest	<u>55.51</u>	<u>180.01</u>
Total Income.....		\$2184.01
Expenses: Purchase of books	659.85	
Coffee Fellowship	<u>20.75</u>	
Total Expense.....		<u>680.60</u>
Balance as of December 31, 1986		\$1503.41

Worcester Memories Account

Balance December 31, 1985		\$ 500.10
Income Books & posters	210.03	
Interest	<u>26.59</u>	<u>245.62</u>
Total Income.....		\$ 745.72
Expenses: Publicity	35.00	
Postage & handling	<u>5.14</u>	<u>40.14</u>
Balance as of December 31, 1986		\$ 705.58

Respectfully submitted,

Harry G. Sogigian

Harry G. Sogigian
Chairman Pro-tem
755-2910

Committee Members

Charlotte Calfaian, Treas.	853-5699
Marcia Gazoorian	752-5271
Anna Janazian	757-3149
Lillian Kassabian	755-5604
Dianne Sahagian, Sec.	756-8432
Isabel Sahagian	756-8432
Berjoohie Zakarian	753-1917

WOMEN'S GUILD - 1986

Chairman	Ann Sharigian
Vice Chairman	Elizabeth Sheehan
Recording Secretary	Rose Aslanian
Corresponding Secretary	Harriet Krikorian
Treasurer	Elizabeth Titus
Assistant Treasurer	Elizabeth Naroian

The Women's Guild of the Armenian Church of Our Saviour held its meetings on the 2nd Tuesday of each month with the exception of March and May. Approximately 25-30 members attended each meeting. Interesting speakers and varied programs were presented following each meeting.

In March the Women's Guild hosted the Lenten Dinner. Once again our May Guest Nite was a success. Entertainment was provided by the newly formed "Gagatch Choralettes" which made its debut that evening.

Assistance was given to the Women's Auxiliary for their Mid-Lenten Supper and on other occasions, when requested. Martyrs' Day Madagh, Easter Sunday Fellowship, Annual Church Picnic and the Rug Sale were other events which our members extended their helping hands. The Guild members put in countless hours of thought and energy, and were one of the driving forces in making the Bazaar the success that it was.

Visitations were made and plants and cards were sent to our bereaved and sick members. Visits were also made to area nursing homes. Members of our Social Service Committee, together with Der Aved, visited the Armenian Nursing Home in Jamaica Plain.

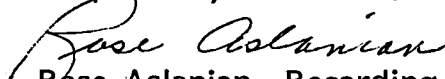
New furniture in the ladies' room of the Church Hall was purchased and donated by the Women's Guild:

The active members of the Women's Guild have worked tirelessly to continue the goals and to keep the spirit of the Women's Guild and of our Church ongoing.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Cash on Hand, January 1, 1986	\$2,445.25	
Additional Receipts	<u>4,268.81</u>	
Total		\$6,714.06
<u>Expenditures</u>		
Donations	\$ 105.00	
Other Expenses	<u>4,255.16</u>	
Total		<u>4,360.16</u>
Balance on Hand, December 31, 1986		\$2,353.90

Respectfully submitted,



Rose Aslanian, Recording Secretary

ACYOA JUNIORS

Executive Board

Glenn R. Pogharian	Chairperson
Lisa Hovsepian	Vice-Chairperson
Mark Solitro	Treasurer
Danielle Bajakian	Corresponding Secretary
Andrea Surabian	Recording Secretary

The newly formed ACYOA JUNIORS have had three meetings. The first get-together was to inform the people about the ACYOA and what it had to offer. The second meeting was on a more professional basis as we elected our Executive Board. The third meeting brought up some interesting activities that we could sponsor, including a dance and basketball tournament. We are a small group with only ten active people but I think we can be successful with the Church's support.

Present Financial Information

Savings	\$1,610.30
Checking	104.38

At this point I would also like to thank Tara Stepanian and Der Hayr for their help.

Respectfully submitted

Glenn R. Pogharian

Glenn R. Pogharian, Chairperson

ACYOA SRS. CHAPTER REPORT

During the past year, the newly appointed ACYOA Srs. Executive Board began to discuss some of the major problems facing the Worcester ACYOA Srs.: participation, lack of interest, recognition and publicity. We began our first meeting by discussing each other's goals and ideas which led to an eventual outline for the yearly agenda. For the first few months we concentrated on smaller social events so as to gain momentum for our special upcoming events. Some of the various activities included: two social get-togethers, lenten dinner, and a special Bible study program during Lent. This year's ACYOA Day, a special 40th Anniversary celebration was a tremendous success for our youth and our parish. Again on April 24, the Martyrs' Day program initiated by the ACYOA Srs. involving most parish organizations was a most memorable evening for all.

Continued publicity on a monthly basis through the Messenger has kept the parish up to date and very proud of the very busy ACYOA Srs.

During the summer, the Worcester chapter was able to send approximately 30 members to Philadelphia for this year's Sport Weekend. To add to this success, Worcester brought home the Chapter A Award (most outstanding chapter in the Diocese), the Sam Nersessian Award (presented to Beth Bilbilian for displaying most Christian virtues) and various individual medals for athletic events.

A membership drive was also begun during mid-year and is still increasing.

As our big Fall project, the ACYOA began planning their 1st ACYOA inter-collegiate dinner. This involved inviting all ACYOA and local Armenian college students to attend an informal dinner/social for an evening sponsored by the ACYOA Srs. The response has been a total success and plans are to continue it in the future.

Looking back on this year's accomplishments and shortcomings I must congratulate and thank all those individuals for their patience and unceasing devotion.

Plans are again under way for next year and we're still looking for new ideas and people to join, so don't hesitate to get involved.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Cash on Hand, January 1, 1986	\$2,454.98	
Additional Receipts	<u>3,423.66</u>	
Total		\$5,878.64
<u>Expenditures</u>		
Transfer to Parish Council	\$1,000.00	
Other Expenses	<u>3,900.52</u>	
Total		<u>4,900.52</u>
Balance on Hand as of December 31, 1986		\$ 978.12

Respectfully submitted,

Robert P. Shamgochian

Robert P. Shamgochian
Chairman

BEANO ACTIVITY REPORT

GROSS BEANO RECEIPTS		\$296126.50
Beano Expenditures:		
Prizes Paid	\$218412.44	
Mass. Tax	14806.43	
Rent	9400.00	
Security	3406.09	
Supplies	2820.91	
Advertising	1092.00	
License	50.00	
Postage	22.00	
Total Expenditures		<u>250009.87</u>
Net Profit From Beano		\$ 46116.63
Net Profit from Charity Game		<u>11051.00</u>
TOTAL PROFIT FROM BEANO EVENTS		\$ 57167.63
BANK BALANCE, JAN. 1, 1986		38255.78
INTEREST EARNED ON DEPOSITS		<u>3704.45</u>
TOTAL FUNDS AVAILABLE FOR DISTRIBUTION		\$ 99127.86
DISTRIBUTIONS:		
Church of Our Saviour	\$ 62103.10	
Avaks	500.00	
Jimmy Fund	200.00	
TOTAL DISTRIBUTIONS		<u>62803.10</u>
SURPLUS FUNDS IN BANK, DEC. 31, 1986		<u>\$ 36324.76</u>

48 Events Held During The Year
Average Attendance Each Event 286
Volunteer Roster 45 Members Of The Parish

We are deeply grateful and extend appreciative thanks to the Parish Volunteers who apportioned, most sincerely, over ten thousand of their precious hours to cap the twelfth year of this project.

Respectfully Submitted:

Bart Bagdasarian

Bart Bagdasarian, Member In Charge

John Toromanian

John Toromanian, Co-Chairman