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MINUTES OF 1987 PARISH ASSEMBLY

The Annual Parish Assembly of the Armenian Church of Our Saviour, Worcester, Massachusetts convened on Sunday, February 22, 1987, in the Church Hall. The meeting was called to order at 11:20 a.m. with Rev. Fr. Aved Terzian presiding and chaired by holdover Chairman Edward S. Bilzerian.

Following a prayer by Der Aved, the Chairman called upon Mr. Barry Bilzerian, Chairperson of the Nominating Committee, to announce the Chairperson and Secretary for the current assembly.

The Nominating Committee placed the name of Mr. Edward S. Bilzerian for Chairman. Additional nominations were ordered from the floor. There being no further nominations from the floor, nominations were closed. The assembly cast (1) one vote for Mr. Bilzerian to serve as Chairman of this Assembly.

The Nominating Committee did not offer any candidates for the position of secretary, therefore called for nominations from the floor. Mrs. Elizabeth (Pilibosian) Sheehan was nominated. There being no other nominations, a motion was made by Mr. Barry Bilzerian, and seconded to elect Mrs. Sheehan as Secretary for the Assembly. Again, the assembly was asked to cast (1) vote for Mrs. Sheehan to serve as secretary.

Mr. Barry Bilzerian, Chairman of the Nominating Committee presented the following names as nominees for a seat on the Parish Council:

Dr. Robert Anusbigian
Barry Bilzerian
Edward Bilzerian, Jr.
Arthur Derderian
Marsha Hovenesian
Stephen Jorjorian
Gladys Nordigian
Charles Sharigian
Arthur Surabian

There being no additional nominations from the floor, a motion was made and seconded that the assembly accept the list as read.

The following names of candidates for the Nominating Committee were presented to the Assembly:

William Aslanian
Dr. Richard Bedrosian
Kay Garabedian
Michael Markarian
Marjorie Mesrobian
Louis Mikitarian
L. Jerry Stepanian
Berjoohie Zakarian

There being no further nominations from the floor, a motion was made and seconded to close nominations.

Nominees for Auditing Committee were:

Edward Bilzerian, Sr.
Bryan Davis
Richard Dodakian
Mark Mikitarian

There being no nominations from the floor, the nominations were closed and the list accepted as presented.

The Chairman presented the agenda as printed and asked for adoption by the Parish Assembly. It was so moved and voted.

The Assembly adjourned for lunch and elections.

Balloting was closed at 12:30 p.m. and the second session of the Assembly began.

The Chairman thanked the ladies who prepared the delicious luncheon.

Ground rules for the benefit of the secretary were that each person speaking identify themselves first before making motions.

The counting of hands of members in good standing showed 127 present.

Mr. Bilzerian, Chairman, dispensed with the reading of the Annual Report since the report had been available for over a week for review by the parishioners. The Chairman reviewed the report on a page by page basis and the following comments were made:

1. Minutes of the 1986 Parish Assembly stood with no corrections except that on page seven under New Business - Mrs. Zakarian was changed to read as Mr. Zakarian. A motion was made by Mr. Zareh Markarian and seconded by Miss Berjoohie Zakarian that page seven be passed as corrected.

- a. Berjoohie Zakarian commented that the report was out only one week prior to the assembly and should have been out two weeks prior. It was so noted.

2. The Diocesan Assembly Report was read and a motion was made by George Krikorian, which was seconded, to accept it as read.

3. The Pastor's Report - The Der Hayr noted that "Young" from title of the Women's Guild should be deleted. A correction on page eighteen should read, Dr. Richard Bedrosian. Mr. George Krikorian suggested that on page eleven where the visiting dignitaries were listed that the names of the baptized and married for the year should also be listed. although there was no vote on this matter, it was noted for future consideration.

A motion was made by Mr. Avedis Choolfaian which was seconded to accept the Pastor's Report.

4. The Parish Council Report was accepted as presented.

Referring back to page seventeen, (in appreciation) Mrs. Kay Garabedian mentioned

that Mr. Peter DerKazarian had removed the snow all winter from around the Church and that it should be added to the Pastor's Report. This comment was noted and added to Parish Council's Report as Item 26A.

Vahan Pogharian asked for clarification of investments under #19 on Page 20. He was asked to save question for later.

Page twenty-two - item #3 regarding computer data input. John Sagarian asked as to just who would be running the machines and what data would be stored. He was advised that this project was still in the adjustment stage and would be decided at a later date when they were more sure of what they were doing.

A motion was made by Berjoohe Zakarian and seconded by Barry Bilzerian to accept the Parish Council Report.

The Chairman asked for a report by the Auditing Committee. Vahan Pogharian noted that the 1985 budget was \$223,700.00 and that actual income in 1986 was \$323,271.54.

Budget	Actual Expenditures	Actual Expenditures
1986-\$205,900.00	\$190,608.04-1986	\$201,162.77-1985

On page twenty-five - Harry Sogigian asked what was meant by Memorial Biographies. Jerry Stepanian suggested they be called Memorial Pictures. Harry Sogigian said that the pictures always referred to Benefactors. Harry Sogigian moved that the phrase Memorial Biographies in Schedule A be changed to read Memorial Benefactors of Church of Our Saviour. The motion was defeated by the assembly.

Ms. Anne Hovenesian made a motion that the word pictures be changed to photographs in the pangal. It was asked by Scott Najarian as to just how the pictures get placed in the pangal. A discussion ensued. Der Hayr mentioned that those who wish to contribute a sum of \$100.00 or more can have a picture put there. Steve Migridichian stated that some people have no pictures available, namely those who came through the massacre and their families wished to have their memorial in the pangal, therefore, we should leave the word biographies. Ms. Anne Hovenesian modified her motion to read Pictorial Biographies. The motion was carried.

Under Expenditures - Mr. Arsen Haroian stated that onpage 27, Schedule H, should read Mr. and Mrs. Arsen Haroian and Lucine Haroian. The correction was noted.

Pages 28 through 31 gave a detailed financial picture thru various schedules. Goerge Krikorian stated that there was typographical error and that Schedule C should read Schedule D.

Berjoohe Zakarian questioned Schedule C regarding fund for cemetery plot. Der Hayr reported that these lots were donated to the church, and the lots are to be used to bury Armenians who otherwise would go to paupers field.

Referring to Schedule C, Louis Mikitarian requested that under ACYOA the words "Sports Weekend" be deleted from the report and the word Seniors should be added.

Again in Schedule C, Vahan Pogharian questioned the expense of the Ekmalian Choir for \$345.60. He was told that the donations from the Sunday plate collection were sent to the Choir Association.

On Schedule D - the cost of glass replacements was questioned. It was stated that the Sunday School windows get broken. Since they are double windows, they are therefore expensive to replace.

Nancy Hovhanesian questioned the \$150.00 listed as a donation under the transfer account. It was clarified that since it was donated money and was used for a plot therefore it was considered a donation.

Under Schedule E - Asbed Zakarian stated that the Treasurer was not here to make a clearer report. Berjoohe Zakarian questioned the amount of only \$10.00 for Easter flower donations. Total donated was stated as correct by Chairman Bilzerian as that is how it was recorded and audited by the auditing committee.

Under Schedule F - John Sagarian asked if a word processor was purchased or was it a computer? The question was postponed for later discussion under the systems update.

Page 30 - It was pointed out that \$402,016.58 available to the Church at the beginning of the year while a sum of \$534,680.08 is available at the end of the year. A growth of \$132,000.00.

Motion was made by Jerry Stepanian and seconded by Abraham Sivazlian to accept this portion of the report. So moved and voted.

At this point the assembly was referred to page 23 to review the Stained Glass Committee's Report. Gary Hovhanesian noted a correction to be made by eliminating the numbers 9-10-11 but leaving the statements. Pictures were shown to the assembly. Five windows are committed, one is questionable, and four are uncommitted. A question was asked by Anne Hovenesian as to the cupola windows. Gary said they were deferred at this time because of major structural work that will be required to be done. The cost of the stained glass is approximately \$250.00 per square foot. This was in response to a question by Mr. John Sagarian. Mr. Hovhanesian stated that here will be a Bronze Memorial in an appropriate place for donors. Each window will have the names of the donors clearly visible beneath them.

Committee Reports were then reviewed.

Mrs. Armenouhe Jardarian stated that since the Senior Ladies have lasted this year they will another year.

The Avaks Report had no correction or questions.

Hazel Eljanian and her choir members were complimented for their work. Hazel extended an invitation to all to join, both men and women.

The Sunday School reported 70 children now registered in the school. Asbed Zakarian commended the working staff of the Sunday School for increasing the membership from 30-35 over recent years to the present total.

The Cultural Organization was commended by Gary Hovhanesian for the fantastic programs presented and wished the committee the best of luck.

The Library Committee, namely Harry Sogigian, was asked by Edward S. Bilzerian if outside groups were aware of the fact that the books were available. Harry stated that books availability was known to the Public Library; also Der Hayr notifies students as he talks to them about the availability of the books. Edward S. Bilzerian suggested making a list of books available to the members.

The Report of the Women's Guild had no changes and their Liasion, Steve Krikorian, commended the members of the Guild for their efforts and for the time which they have given to the work of the Church.

ACYOA JRS. - Asbed Zakarian was encouraged by the efforts of the youth in re-activating the ACYOA Juniors.

Bingo - Asbed Zakarian said that Bart Bagdasarian and John Toromanian should get a big hand for their efforts.

Motion was made to accept this portion of the report by Steve Krikorian and seconded by Cecil Aslanian.

The Budget was then presented.

Income: \$234,100.00 Disbursements: \$234,10.00

Paul Andonian questioned the Special Fund-Raising Project total of \$35,000.00. Asbed Zakarian clarified the question by stating that it was for a project something on the scale of the rug sale.

Dorothy Yagjian questioned the Youth Ministry as to what it entailed. Asbed said that they are trying to get someone to act as part or full-time Director of Youth.

John Sagarian asked about the equipment purchase cost of \$20,000.00. Asbed Zakarian said that there are priorities and an alarm system is high on the list.

Edward J. Bilzerian wanted to know why pledges are down. Asbed stated that at the time the budgets were prepared the pledge number was developed on the basis of the actual results to date.

Motion to accept this portion of the report was presented by Abraham Sivazlian and seconded by Jerry Stepanian.

On the Agenda Sheet, Item #10 - under General Information handicap and elderly access, Jerry Stepanian reported on behalf of the Council that some type of equipment would be installed to aid the elderly and the handicap on the stairs. The investigation continues. A Chair-lift was discussed by Garaventa Industries. It has been suggested the Dean Street entrance was the best location for one. The cost being approximately \$14,000.00. Paul Andonian stated that the liability cost of such a piece of equipment could be enormous. Gary Hovhanesian suggested we keep the item on the agenda since something will eventually have to be done since the need is important. An elevator option is also being considered. Hands

were in agreement by the assembly to keep the project active. Avedis Choolfaian suggested a temporary solution of a ramp outside right into the Sanctuary then a ramp inside to church.

Second Item: Centennial Commemoration. Der Hayr stated that in 1990 the parish will host the Diocesan Assembly. The Assembly will coincide with the 100th Anniversary of the establishment of the Armenian Church in America. We are working on microfilming the existing documents of the Church for this event. The celebration of the Assembly in 1990 will last 6 months till January 1991.

Item #3 - Gary Hovhanesian said that the computer program must first have bits an pieces fed into it before it can be fully used. Right now it is being used by the secretary and eventually it will be used for bookkeeping and accounting purposes. Other systems will be initiated this year. Der Hayr noted that a Radio Shack computer has been donated from John Sagarian. Gary Hovhanesian said that Herb Alexander donated the accounting software for the Computer system. Robert Shamgochian asked if various organizations will have access to the computer. Gary stated that right now all programs are processed by 1 or 2 persons. The rules for usage are indefinite at this time.

A Report on the Endowment Fund was made by Asbed Zakarian. On behalf of the Council, Asbed read the report and made the following motion: On December 10, 1986, the Parish Council voted to establish the Armenian Church of Our Saviour Memorial Endowment Fund for the purpose of administering all bequests. To execute this action a set of by-laws is being prepared by our legal counsel patterned after the Diocesan Endowment Fund. Therefore, the Parish Council moves that the creation of the Memorial Endowment Fund be approved by the parish assembly. The motion was seconded. George Krikorian wanted to know who had been handling the fund up till now. Arthur Yagjian reported that the Parish Council had been. Charlotte Calfaian asked for the difference in the Memorial Fund and In Lieu of Flowers. There was a general discussion about the fund and it was brought out that the Memorial Fund had nothing to do with In Lieu of Flowers. The motion was carried.

New Business: Vahan Pogharian stated that money is being invested in the stock market rather than in a savings account. He was advised that 80% of the portfolio is in Government Bonded Securities. He also stated that all church monies (including those in the treasury of the various Church organizations) should be listed under funds available. Mr. Pogharian moved that the Parish Assembly Church Treasurer's Report add an item under funds available of organizations and bingo funds available. Seconded. Der Hayr stated that bingo money becomes church money only when it is turned over to the Church. Vahan withdrew the bingo portion from the original motion. The motion was defeated.

Gary Hovhanesian noted that the Parish Council has created an investment committee consisting of three Parish Council members. These members are responsible, not a broker for investments.

Mark Mikitarian asked what efforts have been made in the search for a youth ministry person. He was told by Der Hayr that no one is available yet but he is working with the Parish Council on a possible candidate.

Update on Regionalization: Robert Shamgochian asked for an update on Regionalization. Der Hayr advised that they are continuing this work and the Regional Committee is meeting with the Primate on March 21st.

Arpi Migridichian made a recommendation to establish a social service committee to make some small gesture when a parishioner is ill such as flowers or basket of fruit. The Guild has one and the Senior Ladies have one and feels the Church should have one.

A question was raised as to the Church needs. Gary Hovhanesian stated that there is a list in the office showing the needs of the Church.

Berjoohie Zakarian asked where the projectors are and why the Annual Report was not ready two weeks in advance of the Assembly. Der Hayr said the projectors were found. Asbed Zakarian responded that the printing of the booklets was short by only 2 days.

Tony Barsamian wanted to know what could be done about the acoustics in the cultural hall. Gary Hovhanesian said they tried to get an acoustics specialist in to check it out and he himself did a study. If the assembly feels it is a high priority, it can be moved up on the list. It will require a long study.

Steve Krikorian said that in light of the break-ins we have had the

- 1st priority is - Securing church and the property
- 2nd priority is - Elderly access
- 3rd priority is - Painting Church
- 4th priority is - Information system

Asbed Zakarian said that the parish can speak out as to what the needs of the Church are and the council will follow through. However, the Parish Assembly should not set priorities for the Council. Zareh Markarian suggested that the parishioners do some of the leg work to help out the Parish Council.

Berjoohie Zakarian said the air-conditioning of the Church is important for the seniors of the parish.

Dorothy Yagjian said we should leave work of the priorities up to the Council.

Ann Najarian brought out the fact that the lower kitchen needs attention. Ovens take too long to heat and boil water. Arthur said kitchen was just painted and fixed up. Jean Merzigian asked how to go about refurbishing the kitchen. Asbed Zakarian responded that the Council will look into this.

The Chairman of the Assembly asked for a list of priorities with the estimated amount of time and costs per item. Arthur Yagjian asked not to burden the Council because much of the things requested are not practical. Asbed suggested that parishioners write on paper any requests and put them into the office. Elizabeth Sheehan suggested that the Council delegate some of the work to capable parishioners in the parish to relieve some of the burden.

Arsen Haroian requested that there be a no smoking sign posted in the hall at the Avaks meeting.

It was asked by Scott Najarian if the cultural center can be used for events that use liquor. Arthur Yagjian stated that it was high risk today and that only wine for a toast may be used at functions such as for dignitaries and weddings. Currently there will be no more liquor or beer sales on the premises.

At this point the Chair received the tabulated report from the Nominating Committee. Mr. Barry Bilzerian, Chairman of the Nominating Committee read the results.

New Parish Council Members are:

1. Dr. Robert Anusbigian
2. Barry Bilzerian
3. Edward J. Bilzerian
4. Charles Sharigian
5. Arthur Surabian
Marsha Hovenesian - First Alternate

New Nominating Committee Members are:

1. William Aslanian
2. L. Jerry Stepanian
3. Louis Mikitarian
4. Berjoohie Zakarian
5. Kay Garabedian
Dr. Richard Bedrosian - First Alternate

New Auditing Committee Members are:

1. Edward S. Bilzerian
2. Mark Mikitarian
Bryan Davis - First Alternate


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

Der Aved Terzian closed the meeting with a prayer at 3:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Rev. Fr. Aved Terzian, Pastor


Edward S. Bilzerian, Assembly Chairman


Elizabeth Sheehan, Secretary

DIOCESAN DELEGATES REPORT

The 85th Diocesan Assembly convened from May 7 through May 9, 1987, at St. Mark Armenian Church in Springfield, MA. His Eminence Archbishop Torkom Manoogian presided at the meeting and was chaired by Judge John Najarian of Providence, R I.

The item that presented the most discussion on the Agenda was the unity issue. The Delegates unanimously voted in favor of continuing Church unity negotiations with the Prelacy as soon as possible.

The latest developments for the High Rise Project (a building of many stories to be erected on the Cathedral property to generate income for the Diocese) was presented to the Delegates by the Diocesan Council. A platform type structure will be necessary since the New York zoning laws do not permit a footprint building. The new consultant hired by the Council does not agree with the previous consultant's plans. As soon as new plans are available they will be submitted to the Diocesan Council and Board of Trustees.

The Armenian Church Endowment Fund (ACEF) Report was presented to the Delegates by Col. Victor Arzooonian, Executive Director. The fund as 12/31/86 was in excess of \$5,700,000. and earned \$375,000 for the year. It was pointed out the fund has 350 donors presently and is gaining donors steadily.

A message from His Holiness Vazken I Catholicos of All Armenians was read and a letter of thanks and filial respect was sent to the Supreme Patriarch on behalf of the clergy. The Supreme Patriarch stated that through Holy Etchmiadzin and only through Holy Etchmiadzin the re-establishment of the unity of the Armenian Church can be possible.

Worcester's Tony Barsamian, as Acting Executive Secretary of The ACYOA, made an excellent case for the need to support the organization at the community and grass roots level. This call was also repeated by the Primate later. Tony's presentation was a mature, though provoking and challenging call for everyone in the parishes to understand that our future leaders will come from the ACYOA. Many delegates present were inculcated in our church leadership when they were young adults in the ACYOA. We therefore cannot relegate the nurturing of the ACYOA to a few hard working die-hards, the organization needs everyone's support. The Assembly lauded Tony for his efforts during the past year and delegates regretted the prospect of losing him to his law studies.

His Eminence Archbishop Torkom Manoogian reported on issues and problems currently facing the Armenian Church in America. The Primate discussed unity, clergy, education and the family. He emphasized the importance of family life and Armenian general education. Good family life is synonymous with the high Christian value savored by Armenians. Our young are taught through Armenian Schools, Sunday Schools and through the ACYOA. He is quite concerned by the decline in all of these activities and feels there is no other way to augment the knowledge of Armenian Church traditions learned at home.

The 86th Diocesan Assembly will be hosted by the Holy Trinity Armenian Church in Cambridge, MA convening on May 12, 1988.

The meeting was adjourned on Saturday, May 9 and followed that evening with a Banquet honoring Mrs. Kitty Dukakis. After attending services on Sunday, the remaining delegates parted with memories of another successful convention.

Respectively submitted,

Diocesan Delegates

Seth Bilazarian
Seth Bilazarian

Jacob Hagopian
Jacob Hagopian
Suney Kachadoorian
Suney Kachadoorian

John Merzigian
John Merzigian

George Migridichian
George Migridichian

Frances Najarian
Frances Najarian

PASTOR'S REPORT - 1987

We are thankful that with God's blessings and the dedication of our faithful parishioners, we have completed another fruitful year. This year marks the beginning of the sixth year that I have served the Worcester parish. And, I am pleased to say that the reputation of our parish is a good one. Although sometimes difficult to see from within, our parish gives a good impression to visitors, one of warmth and hospitality. We are seen as an active, energetic group - with increasing membership, participation at special programs and functions and especially Church Services. 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, the comfort of the sick, the bereaved and the needy, and spiritual growth 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 celebrant and preacher this year:

- The Reverend Father Garabed Kochakian
- 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
- Martyrs' Day
- Ascension Thursday Eucharist
- Feast of St. Stephen (Christmas Eve)

SACRAMENTS AND RITES

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

Baptisms and Confirmations	24
Engagements	3
Weddings	16
Funerals	23
Committals	2
Home Blessings	5

WEDDINGS

Robert Dobbs - Lori K. Yaylaian
Thomas J. Lyons - Jean A. Melikian
David Pappas - Susan Takvorian
Edward M. Agazarian - Jessica M. Haddad
Gregory C. Donoian - Linda S. Jorjorian
Michael Aghajanian - Elizabeth Hayward
Glen A. Damato - Georgette Arakelian
Mark A. Chestna - Michelle Kazarian
Victor Tereba - Cheryl Perno
Steven Migridichian - Deborah Annaian
Audwin J. Benton - Ann Kheboian
Carl Nergararian - Doreen Morgan
Eric Sunden - Susan Malkhassian
Karop Dirazonian, Jr. - Crystal-Lynn Kunz
Gley A. Yaylaian - Cheryl A. Bisceglia

BAPTISMS

Nicholas Stephen Barsamian son of Gregory & Suzanne Barsamian
Tiffany Haiganoush Barsamian daughter of Steven & Rhonda Barsamian
Jamie Elizabeth Mesrobian daughter of John & Christa Mesrobian
Alexis Catherine Babaian daughter of Peter & Valerie Babaian
Elizabeth Dianne Reddish daughter of Michael & Karen Reddish
Elise Geneve Durgarian daughter of Karnig & Karen Durgarian
Andrea Helen Poldoian daughter of John & Linda Poldoian
Gregory Victor Kasparian son of Vartkes & Gayle Kasparian
Seta Holland Derderian daughter of Seth & Ann Derderian
Alyssa Rose Dobbs daughter of Robert & Lori Dobbs
Michael Jon Bergeron son of Jon & Florence Bergeron
Marissa Elizabeth Markarian daughter of Charles & Linda Markarian
Lisa Ann Totaro daughter of Pasquale & Barbara Totaro

ADULT CONFIRMATION

Robert Dobbs, Jr.
Rhonda Anoush Lee Barsamian
David Pappas
Georgette Arakelian
Cheryl A. Perno
Victor Tereba
Doreen E. Morgan

ADULT BAPTISM AND CONFIRMATION

Eric H. Sunden
Carl M. Nergararian
David Nergararian
Crystal L. Kunz

FUNERALS

Maryanne Aslanian
Vagarsak Penbeyan
Leon Kachadorian
Eva Gulbankian
Hovsep Dzerigian
Mary Nordigian
Alice Minasian
Martha Boyajian
Ovsanna Gosdanian
Mike Tavshanjian
Alice Tarzian
Ohanes Djelalian

Hrayr Nalkranian
Archie Der Torosian
Efferan Aslanian
Oscar J. Bedigian
Sarah Mooradian
Mary Bedrosian
K. Alfred Zamanigian
John Shapazian
Samuel Belezarian
Aznev Der Bagdasarian
Harry Sarkisian

VISITING CLERGY

The following clergy have visited our parish this year:

- The Very Reverend Father Khajag Barsamian
- The Very Reverend Father Nourhan Manougian
- The Very Reverend Father Ghevont Samoorian
- The Very Reverend Father Baret Yeretizian
- The Reverend Father Arten Ashjian
- The Reverend Father Dajad Davidian
- The Reverend Father Garen Gdanian
- The Reverend Father Carnig Hallajian
- The Reverend Father Garabed Kochakian
- The Reverend Father Krikor Maksoudian
- The Reverend Father Zenob Nalbandian

PRIMATE'S VISITATION

Due to the visit of His Holiness the Catholicos, the Primate was not able to be with us as planned for Soorp Badarak and our Annual Parish Recognition Day celebration. So as not to disappoint the youths that looked forward to and prepared for his visit, His Eminence did make a special effort to visit our parish on Friday, December 11, to elevate five young men to the rank of Tbir. They are: Michael Arakelian, Malcolm Asadoorian, Ara Asadoorian, Marty Babaian and James Bogosian. Following the service His Eminence was the honored guest of the Women's Guild at their Christmas Party. The following day His Eminence met with the New England Regional Council members and made several special hospital visitations, before his return to New York.

We are always thankful to our beloved Primate for the fatherly love and concern he shows 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, and on several occasions, visitations to parishioners in Boston 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 cannot provide the name of a hospitalized parishioner unless they are registered as an Armenian and identify themselves with the Armenian Church of Our Saviour. Sometimes it is at the request of the patient that the Church is not notified. Under more extreme circumstances, in an emergency situation, one may not think to notify the Church or pastor. We sincerely regret hearing that a parishioner has been hospitalized and released without a visit from their pastor, and request the assistance of each of our parishioners to rectify that situation, so no one feels neglected in their time of need.

Over the past year we worked with several of the area hospitals on a new system whereupon registration into the hospital, the patient will provide the hospital with a computer number which will immediately identify him with our parish. Although not fully implemented, two hospitals have assigned codes for this purpose.

- They are: Worcester Hahnemann Hospital - Code #607
University of Massachusetts Medical Center - Code #0607

I have visited the parishioners in all area nursing homes during the Christmas and Easter seasons to offer them Holy Communion.

During the Christmas season, several Senior A.C.Y.O.A. members and I visited 15 residents in area nursing homes to sing Christmas carols and present pretty plants to their Armenian inhabitants. Both the youth and the elderly were enriched by the visit.

In April I was invited to Goddard House to conduct a worship service in English for its inhabitants.

In January, the Very Reverend Father Nourhan Manougian and I, accompanied by Hazel Eljanian, our Choir Director, and Irene Shooshan, our Organist, and several choir members went to the Jamaica Plain Armenian Nursing Home to celebrate the Divine Liturgy. This was a good opportunity to visit with some of our former Worcester residents.

On many occasions, I have gladly visited the homes of the sick or elderly (shut-ins) that are not able to come to Church, to offer comfort and Holy Communion. However, my schedule does not permit me to make these visitations unless they are requested. Please do not hesitate to make such requests known to me.

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

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

I feel strongly about the necessity for pre-nuptial and marital counseling, pre-confirmation counseling, counseling of bereaved families and pre-baptismal counseling of the godparents. And, to ensure that the participants are properly prepared, many of my evenings are spent helping to educate and bring these individuals closer to their Church in anticipation of these sacraments. We pray that the Holy Spirit grant them spiritual growth.

Further, I try to make myself available for the sick, the needy and the elderly as they are in spiritual as well as physical pain. I pray that my visits lighten their burdens and help ease their suffering.

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, his staff and contributors, for its increased distribution and interest in "The Messenger". It is not unusual to see Harold "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 are 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 Bi-Annual Assembly of the Council of Churches in March.

In October, Parish Council Chairman Garabed Hovhanesian and I attended the 25th Anniversary Dinner of the Ecumenical Council.

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 REGIONAL COUNCIL

This year, the Assembly of New England Churches, elected a New England Regional Council. Elected from our parish are: Zarvin Kasparian as Chairman, Asbed Zakarian, John Merzigian, and myself. As a member, I have attended many meetings this year. held in Boston, Providence and Worcester.

VEHAPAR'S VISIT

We thank God that we had the great fortune to host His Holiness the Catholicos in the United States, and the New England area. As members of the New England Regional Council, Zarvin Kasparian and I were assigned by the New England Region Vicar General, the Very Reverend Father Baret Yeretizian, to serve in addition on the Steering Committee for the visitation of His Holiness the Catholicos. Service on this committee meant my attendance at countless meetings in Boston and in New York in this regard. As members, John Merzigian and Gary Hovhanesian as Parish Council Chairman served as representatives of our parish.

ARMENIAN LANGUAGE CLASSES

Armenian Language classes for children, taught by Herman Purut and assisted by myself, began on Saturday, September 19 with one registrant. The parents of four children expressed an interest in attending and of those only two sisters came for more than one class. Understandably discouraged, after many appeals and phone calls, we dissolved the class once again. After re-evaluation and consideration and assistance from the Armenian Language Lab of the Diocese, we hope to reinstitute the Armenian School. Its success can only be accomplished with the encouragement of our children's parents.

In early 1987, however, we began offering a ten-week Armenian language course for young adults, on two levels, taught by Herman Purut and Herman Eknoian. Approximately 18 young adults registered, attended on a fairly regular basis, and benefited from the experience. We plan to offer this course again in 1988.

ALTAR SERVERS

This year, we prepared and trained five young men for Altar Service. Through the efforts and inspiration of Sub-Deacon Michael Findikyan, over the summer, and from September to December Sub-Deacon David Tateosian: Michael Arakelian, Malcolm Asadoorian, Ara Asadoorian, Marty Babaian and James Bogosian were elevated to the rank of Tbir.

With the assistance of Deacon Suney Kachadoorian and Sub-Deacon Michael Findikyan, we offered continued Deacon's Training to our sub-deacons, which was most beneficial for their knowledge and spiritual growth.

My appreciation and congratulations to the young men, who serve on the Holy Altar, their parents and their instructors. May the Holy Spirit lead them all to further service to His Holy Church.

LENTEN PROGRAMS

During the Lenten Season, we enjoyed very good attendance at special educational lectures which were held following a Lenten meal on Wednesday evenings after Church Services. The guest speakers included: Leon Hovsepian; The Very Reverend Father Mesrob Semerjian; The Very Reverend Father Vicken Aikazian, Pastor St. Hagop Armenian Church, Geneva; Harry Parsekian.

The average attendance at each dinner was 100 people. We have scheduled interesting and informative speakers for 1988 Lenten Season as we strive for continued success in this program.

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 personal contact with the Sunday School students and teachers by attending their meetings and visiting the classes in progress four times during the year. It gives me great pleasure to see the individual growth of many of our students and through these visits I find the bond strengthening between us.

One definite improvement in our method of teaching is due to the new Armenian Sunday School curriculum, prepared by the Department of Christian Education of the Diocese. Both teachers and students have shown an increased enthusiasm due to the more personalized texts.

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 in 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.

BABIES AND TODDLERS PROGRAM

Instituted in October of this year, through the efforts of Yeretzgin Vivian, the Babies and Toddlers Program, operating independently from any other organization, provides a place for the toddlers to experience their first sense of belonging within the Church structure. Thirteen students are presently enrolled in the "class." There is no doubt that the success of this program is due to the active support and participation of the parents. The general support of the program is shown by so many of our parishioners who have donated and expressed a desire to donate for the children's enjoyment and education. We look forward to seeing rapid growth and continued success in this wonderful program.

YOUTH GROUPS

A.C.Y.O.A. JUNIORS

Through the continued concern and efforts of Tara Stepanian, Sub-deacon Michael Findikyan and Mark Mikitarian we have enjoyed an eventful summer with the A.C.Y.O.A. Juniors. This is a young group that requires constant supervision and attention. With the proper motivation this group can continue to offer a social and service organization for youths aged 13 to 16. Presently, additional adult advisors are urgently needed to re-evaluate and re-activate this energetic group of individually-socially active youths.

A.C.Y.O.A. SENIORS

The A.C.Y.O.A. Seniors, under the capable chairmanships of Robert Shamgochian, followed by David Tateosian, had an active year with good membership attendance. Our sincere appreciation to Marilyn Markarian who served as the group's parish council liaison and advisor. The year's events were highlighted by the hosting of a well attended and much enjoyed Palm Sunday Dinner, with Dr. Robert Bedrosian as Guest Speaker, held in our Church Cultural Center, assisted by their parents.

For her many years of support and devotion and inspiration, the late Mrs. Elizabeth Kazarian was honored posthumously, with the organization's "Paregam" Award.

Many of our Seniors also participated in meetings and events of the Annual Sports Weekend held in Detroit, Michigan.

COLLEGIATE PROGRAM

Instituted this year, by the A.C.Y.O.A. Seniors, the Collegiate Program invited Armenians from all area colleges to participate in several dinners followed by a variety of sports in our Church Cultural Center. Attendance was very promising and we hope to increase interest in the coming year. My appreciation to the Executive Body and the members for their interest and hard work in this very valuable program.

WORCESTER POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE ARMENIAN CLUB

This year the Armenian students at WPI successfully began an Armenian Club and asked me to serve as their advisor. We prepared by-laws and they are becoming an active club.

CLARK UNIVERSITY

We continued to serve as spiritual advisor to the Armenian Students organization at Clark University, who are under the direction of Professor Stanford Gerber.

LECTURES

On two occasions we were visited by students of Clark University to whom we lectured and answered questions about our Church and heritage. The lectures were followed by a tour of the Church and an explanation of its symbolisms.

CHURCH BASKETBALL TEAM

The Church Basketball Juniors Team, boys under the supervision of Peter Der Kazarian, assisted by Paul Krikorian, had a fun-filled year. The team continues to provide a way for the boys to get together, to learn the values of working and being on a team and to exercise.

May God grant all our youth the desire to always support their Church.

MARTYRS' DAY

The solemn celebration of the 72nd Anniversary of Armenian Martyrs' Day this year was preceded by much planning and work by the committee. The Church service and traditional Madagh lunch (prepared by the Ladies Guild), was followed by a Commemorative Program held at Clark University. Guest speakers at the program were Rabbi Alexander M. Schindler, President Union of American Hebrew Congregations and Dr. Kevork Bardakjian of Harvard University. Others taking part in the program were: Dr. Stanford Hagopian-Gerber; Dr. Leonard Berry Provost; The Honorable Timothy J. Cooney, Jr. Mayor of Worcester; The Reverend Richard Hennigar, Executive Director Worcester Ecumenical Council; Mr. Hayg Boyadjian; The Most Reverend George E. Rueger, Auxiliary Bishop of Worcester and myself. There were musical selections by Robert Sullivan and Diann Pilafian. The emotional program culminated with a march of the survivors each holding red carnations and paper crosses. The day's only disappointment was that there were not more parishioners in attendance.

My sincere appreciation to all those that worked diligently to provide this program.

ANNUAL ASSEMBLIES

I attended the annual Clergy Conference and Diocesan Assembly which was held May 5th through 9th, in Springfield, Massachusetts.

I also attended the Annual A.C.Y.O.A. Assembly and Sports Weekend September 2 through 7, in Detroit, Michigan.

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

ORGANIZATIONS

The Church Organizations and Special Committees are among the fundamental necessities that sustain 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 of their activities and concerns.

WOMEN'S GUILD

I am very pleased with the increased activity and interest in the Women's Guild. A long standing vital Church organization which provides service and financial assistance to the Church, these women should be thanked. Representing a variety of age groups the wisdom and energy in this organization is to be admired.

SENIOR LADIES AUXILIARY

In a period of transition now, this group still strong in spirit, if not in body, plans to reorganize in early 1988. They seek new members to join them in this period of rejuvenation, to encourage new ideas and implement plans.

CULTURAL ORGANIZATION

An organization strong in both numbers and knowledge, this group strives to provide programs to both entertain and educate our parishioners. This year they sponsored a wonderfully successful musical dialogue with Diana Der Hovanessian, Michael Kermoyan and Tanya Barteveian, free of charge. Currently, they are preparing for a major concert featuring SinfoNova in March 1988.

MEN'S CLUB

This year a long-time void had been filled by the reorganization of the Men's Club. Working with Arthur Surabian and Dr. Robert Anusbigian we devised an updated set of By-laws and goals for the new group. Attendance at meetings has been most promising. We look forward to continued growth and expansion of this vital organization.

BEANO VOLUNTEERS

My heartfelt thanks, on behalf of the entire parish, to John Toromanian, Bart Bagdasarian and the many devoted Beano volunteers for their consistent efforts as a result of which our Church has been financially rewarded each year.

OTHER PARISH EVENTS

We also thank 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 long, hard and diligently. May God bless each of them for their devotion

OTHER

In June of this year, we met with representatives of each organization to discuss their plans for the year. It is hoped that informative meetings such as these could occur more frequently to coordinate the efforts of our organizations, and open the lines of communication amongst them.

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.

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, Gary Hovhanesian
The Parish Council Members
The Diocesan Delegates
The Deacons and Altar Servers
Hazel Eljanian, the Choir Director
Irene Shooshan, the Church Organist
The entire Church Choir
The Mas Committee
The Fellowship Committee
The Beano Volunteers
The Avak Volunteer Staff
Bartev Der Bagdasarian - for his accounting skills
Charlotte Calfaian, In Lieu of Flowers Coordinator
Jean Merzigian, for the care of liturgical vestments
Avedis Mshooshian and Andrew Shadbegian for tending doors at funerals
John Toromanian, for his special projects' bookkeeping
Asadoorian Family (Oscar Cleaners) for their services
Edward Atamian and Margaret Zakarian, Co-chairpersons and
The Rug Sale Committee
Marilyn Markarian - Picnic
Gary Hovhanesian and Parish Council for running the Bazaar
Arthur Surabian, for his numerous donations of time and artistic talent
Gilbert Markarian, for improvement on our Accounting System

We would also like to acknowledge the support and dedication of all Organizational and Committee Chairpersons and Board Members who have served with joy and concern for their groups and their Church. May God bless each of them and give them the strength to continue their service.

Our appreciation to our Church Secretary Norma Hohne, who has given us another year of fine devoted service, loyalty and true concern for our Church office operation. Our gratitude also to Gharib Ghambari and Michael Bellino for their expertise, dependability and dedication to our Church facilities. And to Charlotte Calfaian who makes herself available to assist in our Church Office whenever needed.

Most of all, we are thankful to the Lord for granting us another 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

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE PARISH COUNCIL

At the beginning of 1987 several projects had been undertaken and were in the process of completion. The status of these projects will be listed:

A. The stained glass window program had been started in September 1986 and was completed in October 1987.

B. The resurfacing of the Cultural Center had started in summer of 1986 and completed in the summer of 1987. After several problems were resolved, the work was completed at a final total cost of \$17,500. These surfaces must, repeat, must be maintained properly to preclude the tremendous cost of resurface.

C. The installation of new doors for the church had been an on going project for the past three years. This work was completed in the summer of 1987. The total cost including new bronze hardware and sealing the wood was \$11,786.65. These doors must, repeat, must be resealed on a regular basis to preserve them.

D. Installation of a total security system and fire alarm had been negotiated during 1986. Installation and operation was completed in September 1987. This system cost \$11,085.

E. Plans had been undertaken to repair or replace the typewriter and copying machine. This work was completed in 1987 with acquisition of an upgraded Mita copier and a new memory IBM typewriter. In addition to that work, an older IBM machine was repaired during the summer of 1987. The new typewriter cannot make the addressograph cards. The cost of new equipment was: Copier \$4,808.00, Typewriter \$1,295.00

F. The concept of a Memorial Endowment Fund was presented to the Annual Assembly. It was endorsed by the Assembly. Even though a first draft of by-laws patterned after the ACEF was completed, it was deemed more prudent to turn the project over to legal counsel.

During the Annual Assembly the following individuals were elected to the Parish Council:

Dr. Robert Anusbigian	Barry Bilzerian
Edward Bilzerian, Jr.	Charles Sharigian
Arthur Surabian	

After the ratification of the Assembly proceedings by the Diocesan Council, an organization meeting was held. The following officers were elected:

Gary Hovhanesian	Chairman
Dr. Robert Anusbigian	Vice Chairman
Stephen Krikorian	Secretary
Gilbert Markarian	Treasurer
Barry Bilzerian	Corresponding/Asst. Secretary
Arthur Surabian	Assistant Treasurer

During the course of the year, due to personal reasons, Stephen Krikorian resigned as Secretary and was replaced by Barry Bilzerian. Edward Bilzerian became Assistant Secretary/Corresponding Secretary.

Assignments as liaisons to the Church organizations were made as follows:

Choir	Gary Hovhanesian
Senior Ladies Auxiliary	Gilbert Markarian
Women's Guild	Dr. Robert Anusbigian
Avaks	Charles Sharigian
Sunday School	Edward Bilzerian, Jr.
ACYOA Srs.	Marilyn Markarian
ACYOA Jrs.	
Mas Committee	Madieros Mooshagian

Activities, projects and programs were undertaken and carried out as described below:

1. With the end of the current insurance contract, a new contract was negotiated through a process of sealed bids. This procedure not only enabled the acquisition of more coverage at less cost, it has hopefully set a precedence for the future conduct in the acquisition of insurance and other services.

2. Maintenance service contractors were selected to provide on-call service as needed in emergencies. It was also agreed by the contractors that no work would be done without reviewing the problems and getting approval to proceed with the work to solve the problems. Within this frame work the following work was performed:

A. The main furnace was completely rebuilt, replacing a defective hot water leg and adding suitable safety valves. New insulation was added. All the main pipes have been identified and labelled as well as the switches in the boiler room.

B. The original church furnace was repaired and put in operating condition. This must be operated once each month until the shut off temperature of the boiler has been reached during a circulating cycle. The asbestos insulation on this unit was beginning to loosen and become free. An insulation contractor was called to encapsulate the asbestos. The total cost for the boiler room work was \$8,795.97.

C. The front steps of the Church were refitted and repointed. The cost for this work was \$1,305.00.

D. The PA system in the Church was replaced with updated equipment. The speakers were floated to minimize vibration of the floors and walls. The cost for this work was \$1,054.47.

E. The heat control system in the cultural center was repaired.

F. The kitchen fan motor was rewound and made operational.

G. All of the cooking facilities were checked and repaired and an auxilliary range was added in the church kitchen for "quick cooking".

H. The electrical contractor has been requested to add light switches for all the lights in the Church and in the cultural center so that circuit breakers cannot be used as switches.

Organizationally, a Men's Club was initiated by Art Surabian and Dr. Robert Anusbigian. This was deemed a major necessity in our grand community scheme of things.

Gil Markarian has proposed and put into effect a major re-organization of the financial operation of the Church. Concurrently an outside firm has been engaged to maintain our financial records and is in the process of computerizing the whole system. Gil has also implemented plans to bring our financial

operation in line with the current DOR of Massachusetts and IRS rulings and practices. All past discrepancies have been adjudicated.

The investment committee consists of Gary Hovhanesian, Gil Markarian and Dr. Robert Anusbigian. The Council confirmed this committee.

During the past year, the Council ran the annual picnic, bazaar, and supported the activities of all Church organizations including the basketball teams, rug sale committee, beano committee, a family day dinner, recognition dinner, and last but not least the tremendous effort during the visit of the Vehapar especially by our pastor Fr. Aved Terzian.

The roof leaks in the Church were found to be caused by corroded gutters. Barnard roofing has repaired the gutters and will replace the downspouts.

During the course of the year a request had been made to rent space to a pre-school organization. Permission was withheld until such a time as our custodial operation becomes more flexible and suitable for such service.

Serious consideration was given to air-condition the Church. It could not only not be justified on a cost-benefit basis, but it would render irreparable harm to the architecture and esthetics of the Church. The project was shelved.

The Parish Council as well as the Diocesan Delegates and the Worcester members of the New England Regional Council all collaborated with the steering committee in planning for the Vehapar's visit.

A New Year's Eve Party was sponsored by the Parish Council.

Guidelines were issued regarding the co-operative use of the Church facilities and services.

Similarly, guidelines were issued regarding the dispensation and use of alcoholic beverages on Church property both by Church organizations as well as by persons to whom space is rented.

A clergy crown was donated by the Chakemian family of Fitchburg.

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

Stained Glass Project:

John Sagarian	\$3100.00
John S. Keosian	\$2600.00
Elizabeth and Charlotte Calfaian	\$2000.00
Armenuhi Jardarian	\$2000.00
Haig and Mary Arakelian	\$2500.00
Zabelle Jorjorian and Daughters	\$2400.00

Endowment Fund:

Paelian Memorial	\$1000.00
Marjorie Sogigian	\$2000.00
N. Rose Baljian Gara	\$1500.00
Dr. Simon G. Harootian Memorial	\$1000.00

General:

Mrs. Hannah Kalajian for Bazaar	\$1000.00
Mr. Harold Kalashian for Messenger	\$1000.00
Women's Guild	\$2200.00
Senior Ladies	\$1000.00
ACYOA	\$ 750.00

The following are projects which have been deemed important for the future development of our Church facilities:

1. Installing thermal and acoustic insulation in the cultural center.
2. Installing a Baptismal font in the Church. The design concept has been completed.
3. Painting the Church interior.
4. Preparation for the 100th Anniversary, a Church wide project.
5. Provide shelter for the Parish house entry ways.
6. Provide handicap access for the whole facility, priorities have precluded aggressive follow through with a consultant.
7. Continue to search for a youth ministry counselor.
8. Complete the formatting of the computerized bookkeeping operation and implement its full time use.

The above summary represents many hours of co-operative effort on the part of the Parish Council and the Pastor.

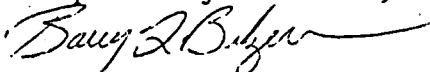
The Council wishes to take this opportunity to express its appreciation to all Church members and organizations who have contributed to another successful year.

The Council wishes to express its thanks and appreciation to our Pastor Fr. Aved Terzian for his leadership, direction and spiritual guidance.

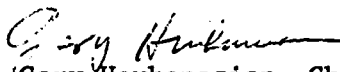
We want especially to than Bart Bagdasarian for his many years of unselfish devotion to our Church and especially to the orderly maintenance of the Church financial records and management.

Last, but not least, we want thank Mrs. Norma Hohne for her dedication to a complex administrative responsibility, Charlotte Calfaian for her assistance in the office and our reliable custodians, Gharib Ghambari and Mike Bellino without whose patient persistence there would surely be chaos in our facilities.

Respectfully submitted,



Barry Bilzerian, Secretary



Gary Hovhanesian, Chairman

COMPARITIVE STATEMENT OF INCOME

	<u>1986</u> <u>ACTUAL</u>	<u>1987</u> <u>ACTUAL</u>	<u>1987</u> <u>BUDGET</u>
Pledges	\$ 60,530.20	\$ 54,277.93	\$ 53,000.
Plate	3,544.55	3,575.10	4,000.
Sunday Church School	349.88	389.20	300.
Youghakin	12,458.00	13,658.75	12,000.
Hokehankist	11,688.00	13,398.00	10,000.
Momakin	1,581.75	1,818.25	1,500.
Gifts Schedule "A"	28,765.93	16,359.95	
Weddings	1,550.00	1,650.00	1,000.
Altar Flowers	1,280.00	(1,705.50)	
Memorial Biographies (Schedule "A")	500.00	300.00	
In Lieu of Flowers	34,373.00	26,925.00	25,000.
Church Functions (Schedule "E")	60,527.55	8,234.05	16,600.
Hall & Center Receipts (Schedule "B")	11,845.00	10,670.00	10,000.
Bequests	2,751.79		
Church Organizations (Schedule "C")		7,950.00	3,000.
N.E. Regional Office (Schedule "B")		1,200.00	1,200.
Fund Raising Projects (Schedule "E")		24,834.79	35,000.
Interest Earned		11,629.30	10,000.
Transfer Account (Schedule "C")		45,000.00	50,000.
Add: Line Item per Assembly			1,500.
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	\$323,271.54	\$240,164.82	\$234,100.

COMPARITIVE STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES

	<u>1986</u> <u>ACTUAL</u>	<u>1987</u> <u>ACTUAL</u>	<u>1987</u> <u>BUDGET</u>
Clergy Stipend	\$20,777.64	\$18,739.10	\$22,500.
Visiting Clergy	550.00	825.00	1,000.
Secretarial	14,176.00	11,968.89)	
Custodians	18,256.96	18,470.84)	
Choir Director	1,650.00	1,475.00)	42,500.
Organists	2,480.00	2,590.00)	
Deacons	925.00	975.00)	
Sunday Church School	2,828.61	1,805.35	2,500.
Armenian Language School	1,115.00	293.29	1,500.
General Insurance	6,693.00	4,109.99	
Auto Insurance & Expense	1,499.34	3,187.43	8,000.
Clergy Insurance/Retirement	3,447.54	3,343.51	4,000.
Church Auto Allowance	1,404.00	1,664.00	1,700.
General Maintenance & Supplies	4,664.32	6,634.39	4,000.
Office Supplies	1,772.33	2,638.78	2,500.
Altar Supplies	1,050.90	1,219.60	
Printing	6,177.27	6,623.12	6,500.
Postage	1,587.31	2,847.78	2,000.
Telephone	2,527.83	3,155.04	2,500.
Fuel Oil	7,771.39	7,382.42	10,000.
Gas	1,554.11	1,242.59	1,300.
Electricity	4,052.57	4,080.76	5,000.
Water	612.19	1,718.36	800.
Diocesan Assessment & Regional	30,494.00	30,630.00	30,000.
Diocesan Assembly	1,808.23	1,276.99	1,000.
Etchmiadzin Looma		1,039.00	500.
Ecumenical Council	200.00	250.00	300.
Building Repairs & Maintenance			
Schedule "D"	19,754.60	30,797.56	35,000.
Equipment Purchases (Sch. "F")	19,654.20	52,289.94	20,000.
Rental Allowance	9,507.00	7,200.00	9,600.
S.B.A. Loan Interest*	816.70	986.72	2,000.
Miscellaneous			300.
Choir Expense	800.00	200.00	1,000.
Church Car Replacement			1,600.
Youth & Adult Ministry			10,000.
Regionalization Budget			1,500.
Payroll Taxes		10,411.24	3,000.
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	\$190,608.04	\$242,071.69	\$234,100

SCHEDULE "A"

GIFTS - MEMORIAL BIOGRAPHIES

J. Keosian	Reserve for Window	\$ 2,600.00
Mrs. Arthur Jorjorian	Reserve for Window	2,400.00
Dorothy Durkin	Reserve for Window	200.00
Mrs. A. Jardarian	Reserve for Window	1,000.00
Charlotte & Elizabeth Calfaian	Reserve for Window	2,000.00
Marjorie Sogigian	For Memorial	2,000.00
N. Rose Baljian Gara	For Memorial	1,500.00
Owen Paelian Fund	For Memorial	1,000.00
Dr. Simon Harootian	For Memorial	1,000.00
Harold Kalashian	For Messenger	1,000.00
Mr. & Mrs. Steve Jorjorian	St. Nersess Camp	300.00
Educational Society of Malatia		150.00
Mary Danielian	For Endowment Fund	100.00
Ohanes Djelalian	For Armenian School	100.00
Mary & Beverly Bagdasarian		100.00
Howard Terzian		100.00
Mr. & Mrs. V. Kasparian		100.00
Mr. & Mrs. Poldoian		100.00
George Krikorian		100.00
Juskalian Fund		91.95
Miscellaneous Gifts		<u>543.00</u>
		\$16,484.95
Less: St. Stephen Consecration Gift		<u>125.00</u>
<u>Total Gifts</u>		\$16,359.95
Memorial Biographies - Total Contributions		<u>300.00</u>
Total Schedule "A"		\$16,659.95

SCHEDULE "B"

HALL, CENTER & OFFICE SPACE RECEIPTS

Center	\$9,400.00
Church Hall and Other	1,270.00
Office Space	1,200.00
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TOTAL SCHEDULE "B"	\$11,870.00

SCHEDULE "C"

TRANSFER ACCOUNT

Senior Ladies Auxiliary	\$3,000.00
Young Women's Guild	3,200.00
ACYOA	1,750.00
Transfer from Beano	46,842.60
Soorb Hovannes Restoration Fund	30.00
Receipts Vehapar Banquet	8,250.00
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TOTAL-IN	\$63,072.60

LESS: Diocese - Restoration Fund	\$ 30.00
Payments Re: Beano a/c	1,842.60
Refunds Vehapar Banquet	8,250.00
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TOTAL-OUT	<hr/> 10,122.60
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BALANCE SCHEDULE "C"	\$52,950.00
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SCHEDULE "D"

REPAIRS TO BUILDINGS & EQUIPMENT

Office Equipment Maintenance	\$ 514.72
Building Exterior Finish	12,725.00
General Maintenance	320.01
Insulate Boiler	650.00
Plumbing & Heating Repairs	8,145.97
Electrical Repairs	922.29
Smoke Eater Maintenance	70.00
Painting	6,080.00
Building Inspection	250.00
Communications & Telephone Systems	1,119.57
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TOTAL SCHEDULE "D"	\$30,797.56
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SCHEDULE "E"

CHURCH FUNCTIONS & PROJECTS - INCOME & EXPENSE

Rug Sale - Net	\$24,834.79
Bazaar - Net	15,363.28
Picnic - Net	2,051.83
Madagh Donations & Luncheons	183.00
Mother's Day Donation	107.75
Messenger Donations	60.00
Kitchen Services	70.00
Men's Club Activity	29.50
Feast of Assumption - Net	47.00
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TOTAL INCOME	\$42,747.15

LESS:

Bus Trip New York - Net Cost	\$ 319.00
Vehapar Visit Cancellation	100.00
Photos-Stained Glass	100.00
Recognition Dinner - Net Cost	696.00
Fellowship Expenses	424.64
ACYOA Convention	544.00
Ecumenical Booklet	150.00
Basketball Ball League	544.50
Summer Project	2,200.00
Martyrs' Day	109.70
Teacher's Conference	70.00
Family Day Expense	3,603.16
Rug Sale Tax 1986	118.40
New Year's Eve	100.00
St. Vartan Camp	200.00
St. Nersess	200.00
Accounting & Advertising	121.84
Guild Picnic	77.07
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TOTAL EXPENSE	9,678.31
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BALANCE OF SCHEDULE "E"	\$33,068.84

SCHEDULE "F"

EQUIPMENT PURCHASES (Permanent Inventory)

Stained Glass	\$18,000.00
Organ Chimes	4,034.29
Liturgy Books	500.00
Kitchen Range	229.00
Security System	11,355.00
Mita Copy Machine	5,090.00
IBM Typewriter	1,295.00
Replace Doors & Hardware	11,786.65
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TOTAL SCHEDULE "F"	\$52,289.94

SCHEDULE "G"

TRANSFER & RESTRICTED

Gain or Loss on Investment Account	\$22,458.72
S.B.A. Loan	30,828.03
Cultural Center Fund	22,484.48
Margaret Hagopian Memorial Fund	6,798.75
Mary Manoogian Outreach Fund	1,155.00
Automobile Fund	10,537.90
Pastor's Discretionary Fund	65.00
Memorial's Pending Account	10,525.00

TOTAL SCHEDULE "G" \$104,852.88

SCHEDULE "H"

RESTRICTED FUNDS & PROPOSED ENDOWMENT FUND

Church Reserve Fund	\$425,790.51
Charles & Elizabeth Nanigian Memorial Fund	15,000.00
Shapazian Memorial Fund	1,000.00
Owen Paelian Family Fund	4,000.00
Sarah Manooshian Estate	1,000.00
Margaret Thomasian Estate	36,525.00
Verkin Hooloian Estate	4,167.00
Nevart Bilzerian Fund	2,000.00
Mary Bedrosian Fund	1,000.00
Nevart Hoogasian Estate	1,200.00
Hoogas Hoogasian Estate	1,451.79
Marjorie Sogigian Memorial Fund	2,000.00
N. Rose Baljian Gara Memorial Fund	1,500.00
Dr. Simon Harootian Memorial Fund	1,000.00
John & Nevart Bilzerian (Designated Endowment)	10,000.00
Helen Bogosian (Designated Endowment)	3,000.00
Mary Danielian (Designated Endowment)	100.00

TOTAL RESTRICTED FUNDS \$510,734.30

ADD: Accumulated Interest

1982	\$10,674.81
1983	17,544.68
1984	25,644.32
1985	11,684.61
1986	11,115.80
1987	<u>11,629.30</u>
	<u>88,293.52</u>

TOTAL SCHEDULE "H" \$599,027.82

1987 SUMMARY

FUNDS AVAILABLE AS OF JANUARY 1, 1987

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	<u>428,486.00</u>	
Total Restricted Cash		<u>578,246.61</u>
TOTAL OPERATING & RESTRICTED CASH		\$679,516.29
LESS: Transfer & Restricted		<u>144,836.21</u>
NET BALANCE AVAILABLE FUNDS AT END OF YEAR		\$534,680.08

FUNDS AVAILABLE AS OF DECEMBER 31, 1987

Operating Cash:		
Guaranty Bank, Checking Account	\$ 38,448.27	
Security Deposit	<u>150.00</u>	\$ 38,598.27
Restricted Cash:		
Paine Webber	\$ 7,738.00	
Guaranty Bank	22,323.08	
Peoples Bank	58,314.74	
Investment Account Dean Witter Schedule "K"	<u>510,652.00</u>	
TOTAL RESTRICTED CASH (Schedule "H")		<u>599,027.82</u>
TOTAL OPERATING & RESTRICTED CASH		\$637,626.09
LESS: Transfer & Restricted (Schedule "G")		<u>104,852.88</u>
NET BALANCE AVAILABLE FUNDS DECEMBER 31, 1987		\$532,773.21

SEE RECONCILIATION BELOW

RECONCILIATION

CASH BALANCE OF FUNDS, JANUARY 1, 1987	\$534,680.08
ADD: INCOME FOR YEAR (See Actual 1987)	<u>240,164.82</u>
	\$774,844.90
LESS: EXPENSE FOR YEAR (See Actual 1987)	<u>242,071.69</u>
NET BALANCE, DECEMBER 31, 1987	\$532,773.21

SCHEDULE "K"

ARMENIAN CHURCH OF OUR SAVIOUR
 INVESTMENT ACCOUNT
HOLDINGS AND VALUES AS OF 12/31/87

<u>QUANTITY</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>VALUE</u>
100	AMERICAN EXPRESS	\$ 2,287
100	AMERICAN GENERAL	3,175
200	AMERICAN TELEPHONE	5,400
100	BORDEN	4,950
100	CRAY RESEARCH	7,075
100	I E INDUSTRIES	2,262
100	INTERSTATE POWER	1,987
100	IOWA SOUTHERN	2,700
200	MANUFACTURERS HANOVER	4,300
100	MOBIL CORP	3,912
300	PAINWEBBER GROUP	4,312
1,061	REGIONAL FINANCIAL	5,437
100	SALOMON INC.	1,962
100	USF&G	2,837
70,000	CUBES 0% DUE 5/15/88	67,900
77,000	CUBES 0% DUE 11/15/88	71,995
42,000	CUBES 0% DUE 5/15/89	37,537
30,000	CUBES 0% DUE 8/15/89	26,913
75,000	BANK OF AMERICA CD 0% DUE 11/15/90	64,309
54,000	COLUMBIA SAVINGS CD 0% DUE 2/28/90	46,015
46,000	COLUMBIA SAVINGS CD 0% DUE 11/23/90	36,641
110,000	CATS DUE 0% DUE 5/15/93	69,810
25,000	PAINWEBBER EQUITY PARTNERS 1	25,000
11,936	ILAF (MONEY MARKET)	11,936
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		\$510,652

INVESTMENT PORTFOLIO

EQUITY	\$ 52,596	10.3%
FIXED INCOME	421,120	82.4%
REAL ESTATE	25,000	5.0%
CASH	11,936	2.3%
	<u>\$510,652</u>	<u>100.0%</u>

RECAP

NET WORTH, DECEMBER 31, 1987	\$510,652.00
INVESTMENTS	<u>488,193.28</u>
NET GAIN 1987	\$ 22,458.72

1988 PROPOSED BUDGET

INCOME:

Pledges	\$ 54,000
Plate	4,800
Sunday School	300
Youghakin	12,000
Hokehankist	10,000
Momakin	1,500
Weddings	1,000
In Lieu of Flowers	25,000
Church Functions (Net)	15,000
Hall Donations	10,000
Church Organizations	3,000
Regional Office	1,200
Special Fund Raising Projects	25,000
Interest and Dividends	19,175
Transfer Account	50,000

DISBURSEMENTS:

Clergy Stipend	\$ 24,075
Salaries & Other Services	45,000
Visiting Clergy	1,000
Automobile Allowance	1,700
Rental Allowance	12,600
Sunday Church School	2,500
Armenian Language School	1,500
Diocesan Assessment	30,000
Insurance - Car - General- Real Estate	7,500
Insurance - Clergy	3,000
Postage	2,000
Telephone	2,500
Printing & Supplies	6,500
Office & Church Supplies	2,500
Maintenance Supplies	3,500
Building Maintenance	40,000
Fuel Oil	8,000
Gas	1,200
Electric	4,000
Water	1,000
Parish Automobile Maintenance	1,000
Diocesan Assembly	1,000
Etchmiadzin Looma	500
Equipment Purchases	10,000
S.B.A. Loan	2,000
Church Car Replacement	1,600
Regionalization Budget	1,500
Ecumenical Council	300
Youth Ministry	10,000
Choir	1,000
Payroll Taxes	4,000
Alarm System Maintenance	500

\$233,475

\$233,475

SENIOR LADIES AUXILIARY

EXECUTIVE BOARD FOR 1987

Chairman	Derouhe Ishlemejian
Secretary	Armenouhe Jardarian
Treasurer	Agnes Tavajian
Assistant Treasurer	Mary Bedrosian
Advisors:	Heghine Minasian
	Agavni Bagdigian
	Agavny Bilazarian
	Nevart Kinosian

ACTIVITIES FOR 1987

January 6th Celebration Armenian Christmas "Dznount" -- following the Church Service, dinner served in the Church hall

March 25th Annual Mid-Lenten Supper and Program in the Cultural Center. With the help of the Women's Guild members, the affair was a great success.

May 28th Celebration Feast of the Holy Ascension and "Vijag" program. Following the Church Service, dinner served by the Senior Ladies Auxiliary in the Church hall.

The Senior Ladies Auxiliary 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 support and cooperation and extend their sincerest thanks.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Cash on Hand January 1, 1987	\$ 15.71	
Income	<u>1,835.73</u>	
Total		\$1,851.44
Expenditures	415.96	
Transfer-Parish Council	<u>1,000.00</u>	
Total Expenditures		<u>1,415.96</u>
Balance, December 31, 1987		\$ 435.48

Respectfully submitted,

Armenouhe Jardarian
Recording Secretary

AVAK GROUP

The AVAK GROUP has had another successful year in continuing to focus on service and fellowship for the senior citizens of our Church. Except for one or two days of severe inclement weather, we met every Monday throughout the year.

Extra-curricular activities included an outdoor picnic in early July, a bus trip to Hampton Beach New Hampshire on July 27th, and on August 8th, another bus trip to Ma Glockner's in Bellingham, for dinner.

In November, we had a booth at our Church Bazaar and raised \$600. Our thanks to Anna Zakarian who graciously donated a beautifully framed needlepoint Christmas scene as the first prize of our raffle. Our thanks also to all the ladies who made and donated their lovely hand-crafted items.

We held our Thanksgiving Dinner on November 16th and our Christmas Party on December 21st. Due to the generosity of our benefactors, it was possible to have both these affairs free of charge to all AVAKS. Gifts were distributed followed by a very enjoyable Christmas concert provided by the Trinity Symphonette, a group of retired professional musicians. A reception was held for the group immediately after the concert with a sumptuous Christmas dessert buffet.

OUR THANKS TO: Our Benefactors - for their financial and moral support

Anna Zakarian - for making and donating 25 dozen
Christmas cookies

Zaven Pachanian - for making it possible to have the
Trinity Symphonette

And to all the volunteers for their continued
invaluable support.

Respectfully submitted,



Lucy V. Kasparian
Chairman

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 week day Divine Liturgies which totals about sixty-five services.

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

In August the Choir held their annual picnic at the home of Norman and Joyce Noorjanian along with the Trustees, Deacons, Acolytes and their guests.

In November the forty-first Annual Assembly of the Association of Armenian Church Choirs of America which was hosted by the St. John's Armenian Church of Greater Detroit, was attended by our Choir Chairman, Norman Noorjanian and Sub-Deacon Robert Shamgochian who are both AACCA Council Officers, Norman in the capacity as Treasurer and Robert as Advisor. Norman after serving three two year consecutive terms has been appointed Special Financial Advisor. Robert has been re-elected to a second two year term and is to serve in the capacity as Treasurer of the Association. This is indeed an honor for our Ekmalian Choir to have two of its members as Central Council Officers.

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.

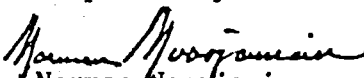
We also wish to thank our Trustees for their continued financial support on numerous occasions.

We especially wish to thank our Godfather of the Choir, Zarmair Shepherd, for his many kindnesses and financial support toward our Choir members.

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.

Respectfully submitted,


Norman Noorjanian
Choir Chairman

FINANCIAL STATEMENT:

ORGAN FUND

Opening Balance 12/1/86.....	\$2,115.65
Income: Interest.....	<u>113.32</u>
Closing Balance 12/31/87.....	\$2,228.97

SAVINGS ACCOUNT

Closing Balance 12/31/87.....	\$1,488.86
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SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT

With every passing year, it is a joy to see the Sunday Church School grow and become more vital from the caring and support of our children, parents and teaching staff.

It is only with the care of these individuals that the Sunday School can successfully teach our faith -- as well as events like Christmas and Easter Children's Communion, Closing Exercises and Graduation, Halloween, Christmas & Poon Paregentan parties, the Fall Bazaar, and participation in the services during Lenten Week.

Without question, the most exciting achievement has been the distribution this past fall of the brand new "WE BELIEVE" Sunday School curriculum from the Department of Religious Education of our Diocese. We are proud to have a religious and cultural curriculum that can easily match any in the country.

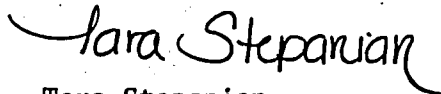
The "WE BELIEVE" curriculum was developed to project the Armenian character of the Christian faith through its liturgy, theology, spirituality, history, art and music. Because the Armenian Church represents the central community unit in the United States, these textbooks serve an additional purpose. Besides their primary function of teaching the faith, history, and doctrine of the Church, they serve to strengthen values and traditions in a bi-cultural environment.

The curriculum was designed for use in Armenian Sunday Schools over a period of 32-weeks, for 15 grades, pre-school through twelve. With the exception of Grades 11 and 12, all are divided into eight units of four lessons each: Bible, Feasts, Prayer, Sacraments, Special People of the Church, History, Badarak and Special Services, and the Life of Christ.

It is exciting to see this curriculum come to fruition after four years in the making.

There are many people to be thanked for the continued growth of the Sunday School. Our very special Sunday School children; their parents, who have continued to be extremely supportive of the Sunday School through participation in our activities; and especially to those of you who cared enough to become Sunday School Teachers and join in this very special part of the life of our Church.

Respectfully submitted,



Tara Stepanian
Sunday School Superintendent

CULTURAL ORGANIZATION

EXECUTIVE BOARD

Chairman	Van Aroian
Vice Chairman	Aaron Hovenesian
Treasurer	Marion Yagoobian
Recording Secretary	Rose Paloian
Corresponding Secretary	Lucy Hovenesian
Advisor	Bizer Simonian

The Cultural Organization, comprised of approximately 30 active members, meets in the Church Hall every third Monday of the month.

The activities of the organization for the year were as follows:

March 31st - Members and other parishioners, totalling 55 in number, attended a performance of the Hungarian Dancers and Singers at the Worcester Auditorium, which was presented by the Worcester County Music Association.

April 8th - Lenten Supper was prepared by us followed by a slide/talk presentation by Harry Parsekian of his climb to the peak of Mt. Ararat.

May 22nd - We arranged for tickets and transportation for 70 individuals who attended Harvard University's Sanders Theater in Cambridge for the presentation of the State Folk Ensemble of Armenia.

April 21st - Sponsored trip and arranged for bus transportation to the Martyrs' Day Observance at the State House in Boston where Gov. Dukakis and House Speaker George Keeverian were the main speakers.

Oct. 8th - Arranged for tickets and transportation to the performance of the Armenian State Choir at Symphony Hall, Boston, sponsored by the A.G.B.U. Approximately 50 people attended.

Nov. 15th - The Worcester County Poetry Association and our Organization presented a Musical Dialogue entitled "The Secret of Survival" featuring Diana Der Hovanessian and tenor, Vahan Khanzadian, accompanied by pianist Tanya Barteveyan - a most moving and inspiring experience for an audience of approximately 300 people who rose from their seats to give a standing ovation. This performance took place in Washburn Hall in the Mechanics Building.

At the present time we are planning an exciting program for March 5, 1988, in Mechanics Hall. The SinfoNova Chamber Orchestra under the baton of Aram Gharabekian, a brilliant conductor and composer, will give a premiere performance for the Worcester community.

As always, we extend a warm welcome to anyone who wishes to become a member of our organization.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Cash on hand as of January 2, 1987	\$2,286.15
Additional Receipts	<u>3,920.66</u>
	6,206.81
Expenditures in 1987	<u>4,757.73</u>
Balance as of December 31, 1987	\$1,449.08

Respectfully submitted,

Rose Paloian

Rose Paloian, Recording Secretary

LIBRARY COMMITTEE REPORT

As for the report of the Library Committee not much can be said. Some people and several students have made use of the materials available. Thanks to Der Hayr who has encouraged the students he contacted to make use of our library.

The famous American literary personality Henry David Thoreau writes, "books are the treasured wealth of the world and the fit inheritance of generations and nations."

Our books were written and translated into English for us and they speak silently to us. How do we respond? How much do we appreciate and treasure our culture?

To these questions Thoreau says, "we need to be provoked, goaded like oxen, as we are into a trot."

Can we be provoked into Armenian culture, language, art, literature history, etc.?

Think about it.

Contact Church office or committee members listed for appointment to look over and take out books.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Library Committee Account

Balance December 31, 1986		\$1,503.41
Income:		
Sale of books and posters	\$111.00	
Interest Income	<u>99.94</u>	
		210.94
Total Income		<u>\$1,714.35</u>
Expenses:		
Purchase of books and posters	\$ 83.50	
Coffee fellowship	24.00	
Postage	<u>2.20</u>	
Total Expense		<u>109.70</u>
Balance as of December 31, 1987		<u>\$1,604.65</u>

Worcester Memories Account

Balance December 31, 1986		\$ 705.58
Income: Sale of Books	\$127.52	
Interest Income	<u>46.38</u>	
Total Income		\$ 173.90
Expenses: Postage and Handling		<u>3.71</u>
Balance as of December 31, 1987		\$ 875.77

Respectfully submitted,

Harry G. Sogigian
Harry G. Sogigian
Chairman
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
Berjoohe Zakarian	753-1917

WOMEN'S GUILD - 1987

Chairman	- Yeretzgin Vivian Terzian.
Vice Chairman	- Elizabeth Sheehan
Recording Secretary	- Rose Aslanian
Corresponding Secretary	- Harriet Krikorian
Treasurer	- Ardem Andonian
Assistant Treasurer	- Jennie Barsamian

The Women's Guild of the Armenian Church of Our Saviour held 10 membership meetings during 1987 with an average 35-40 of its 106 members in attendance. Three new members were initiated in September and there are several prospective new members to be initiated in 1988. We were saddened this year by the untimely death of 2 of our members. A fine monthly newsletter was sent out by Yeretzgin Vivian, who also secured interesting speakers and arranged programs to follow our business meetings.

Once again the Social Service and the Visitation Committees visited parishioners in area nursing homes as well as the Armenian Nursing Home in Jamaica Plain. Our ill, hospitalized and bereaved members were remembered with cards, plants and visits.

As in the past years our Guild was called upon by the Parish Council to assist in the preparations of Martyrs' Day Madagh in April, the Parish Picnic in June and the One Day Festival in November. Several other activities and events which the Women's Guild had the pleasure of undertaking and hosting were (1) one of the Lenten Suppers, (2) Women Saints' Day Luncheon and Program with the Providence Guild as guests, (3) June Mystery ride and dinner, (4) August picnic on Church grounds which was open to all parishioners and (5) Christmas Party in December.

Delegates of our Guild attended the Women's Conference of the Diocesan Assembly in Springfield, MA in May.

Our Guild has the pleasure of sponsoring the education of two students at St. Tarkmanchatz School.

We have had a busy and enjoyable year. Ladies, we invite you to join us - become a member.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Cash on Hand, January 1, 1987	\$2,364.26
Additional Receipts	<u>7,705.81</u>
Total Income	\$10,070.07
Total Expenses	<u>4,579.58</u>
	\$ 5,490.49
Total Allocations	<u>3,600.00</u>
Balance on Hand	\$ 1,890.49

WOMEN'S GUILD (continued)

EXPENSES		\$4579.58
Allocations		
Church of Our Saviour	'86 - \$1000.00	
	'87 - 2200.00	\$3200.00
St. Tarkmanchatz	'86 - 100.00	
Secondary School	'87 - 200.00	300.00
Worcester Foundation	'86 - 25.00	
Experiment.Biology	'87 - 25.00	50.00
Age Center of	'86 - 25.00	
Worcester Area	'87 - 25.00	<u>50.00</u>
Total Allocations		\$3600.00

Respectfully submitted,



Rose Aslanian
Recording Secretary

MEN'S CLUB

EXECUTIVE BOARD

Chairman	Arthur Surabian
Vice Chairman	Dr. Robert Anusbigian
Treasurer	Edward Atamian
Secretary	Richard Kazarian

The Men's Club held its first dinner meeting on October 13th and the support for this new organization has been tremendous thus far. By-laws, under which the Men's Club is currently operating, have been presented to the members and will be adopted in the near future.

The Men's Club finished the year with 75 paid members. Dinner meetings are held on the first Monday of the month, except during July and August, and feature a guest speaker. This year's meetings drew an average of 80 men per session. A speech from Steve Nelson of the New England Patriots and an informative tax seminar conducted by CPA Herb Alexander highlighted the first two meetings. A lively question and answer session was part of each program. Due to the popularity of this format, the Men's Club will strive to conduct its meetings during 1988 in a similar manner.

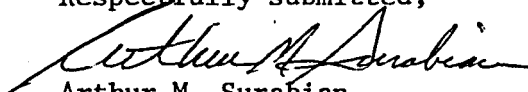
In addition to our monthly dinner meetings, the Men's Club plans to be very active in sponsoring special family events during the upcoming year. This past December, a great time was had by all at the Boston Pops Christmas Concert. In February, the world famous Harlem Globetrotter basketball team will be coming to town and the Men's Club has reserved seats for the event. Other family events which are on the drawing board include: an evening at Bishop's Restaurant, a trip to Quincy Market, a Red Sox game, a pre-season Celtic game plus much more. Through events like these, we hope to create close bonds of friendship amongst our members and their families. The Men's Club will also offer its support to the Parish Council and to the other organizations of the Church in any beneficial way that it can.

The Men's Club is off to a fine start and a special thanks is extended to Father Aved whose guidance and support helped make the formation of this club possible. We welcome all male parishioners, age 21 and over, to join us for the many activities that are planned for them and their families during the months to come.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Cash on hand as of January 1, 1987	-0-
Receipts from 1988 Dues	\$ 750.00
Additional Receipts	<u>1,414.87</u>
TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$2,164.87
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	<u>1,435.62</u>
BALANCE as of December 31, 1987	\$ 729.25

Respectfully submitted,


 Arthur M. Surabian
 Chairman

ACYOA JUNIORS

EXECUTIVE BOARD

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

During the 1987 year the ACYOA Juniors had their monthly meetings and a few social gatherings. In the summer we had a cook-out at Andrea Surabian's home. The company was good, the food was "shad, shad hamov!" and those who attended had a great time. We thank Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Surabian for the use of their home.

We have tried unsuccessfully to form an Agenda, however we do not have enough members attending our meetings and social gatherings to generate enthusiasm and interest.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Cash on hand, December 31, 1987

Savings Account	\$1,702.65
Checking	<u>62.30</u>
	\$1,764.95

Respectfully submitted,

Glenn R. Pogharian
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Chairman

WORCESTER ACYOA SENIOR CHAPTEREXECUTIVE BOARD

Chairman	- David Tateosian
Vice-Chairman	- Jay Kapur
Treasurer	- Michael Arakelian
Recording Secretary	- Melanie Mooshagian
Corresponding Secretary	- Mark Mikitarian
Activities Director	- Lisa Najarian

Increasing enthusiasm and membership activity highlighted by recognized honors and achievements describe this past year's fiscal affairs of the parish youth group.

As acting Executive Secretary, Anthony Barsamian ably took on the duties and responsibilities of coordinating, administrating, and encouraging each parish youth group to succeed in its mission charter.

At the Detroit General Assembly, Scott Najarian was elected to serve a second two-year term as ACYOA Central Council Chairman and the Worcester Chapter received the "Chapter A" Honorable Mention Award in recognition of its accomplishments as a model chapter.

In December, Archbishop Torkom Manoogian visited our parish to elevate five young men to the rank of tbir, symbolizing the commitment of our youth to continue its tradition of service to the community.

Our membership more than doubled to twenty-six young men and women, while our parish youth mailing list increased to one-hundred individuals and our college student list increased to sixty individuals.

The year's major sponsored programs included three collegiate dinners, a Lenten dinner, ACYOA "Palm Sunday", a summer cookout/picnic, and the Bazaar booth. Other activities included a day on the Cape and a Christmas concert with the Boston Pops.

A summary financial statement follows:

Account beginning balance		\$2,351.49
Net revenue:		
ACYOA "Palm Sunday"	\$1,137.39	
Other	<u>692.77</u>	
Total Net Revenue		\$1,830.16
Net expenses:		
Parish Donation	\$1,750.00	
General Assembly	406.60	
Collegiate dinners	492.01	
Mailings	303.86	
Other	<u>176.00</u>	
Total Net expenses		3,128.47
Loss		<u>1,298.31</u>
Account ending balance		\$1,053.18

A major critical assessment of the ACYOA on a national and local level is currently being undertaken by a special Blue Ribbon Committee commissioned by the Diocese.

We anxiously await the Commission's findings and we look forward to working with newly-appointed Executive Secretary Doug Tashjian, the Central Council and our sister parish youth groups to pursue Christian fellowship and service according to God's Word.

Respectfully submitted,

David Tateosian

David Tateosian

BEANO ACTIVITY REPORT

GROSS BEANO RECEIPTS \$280845.45

BEANO EXPENDITURES:

Prizes Paid	\$210692.46
Mass. Tax	14042.29
Rent	9400.00
Security	3790.33
Supplies	3465.40
Advertising	1056.00
License	50.00
Postage	<u>44.00</u>

TOTAL EXPENDITURES 242540.48

NET PROFIT FROM BEANO \$ 38304.97

NET PROFIT FROM CHARITY GAME 9388.30

TOTAL PROFIT FROM BEANO EVENTS \$ 47693.27

ADD: Bank Balance January 1, 1987 36324.76

Interest Earned on Deposits 2875.72

TOTAL FUNDS AVAILABLE FOR DISTRIBUTION \$ 86893.75

DISTRIBUTIONS:

Church of Our Saviour	\$ 46842.60
Avaks	500.00
Jimmy Fund	<u>200.00</u>

TOTAL DISTRIBUTIONS 47542.60

SURPLUS FUNDS IN BANK, December 31, 1987 \$ 39351.15

47 Events Held During The Year.
Average Attendance Each Event 260.
Volunteer Roster, 35 Members Of The Parish.

We extend deep appreciation and thanks to the Parish
Volunteers who supported with time and talent to
complete the thirteenth year of the project.

Respectfully submitted:

Bart Bagdasarian

Bart Bagdasarian, Member In Charge


John Toromanian

John Toromanian, Co-Chairman

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.

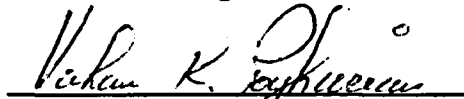
Examined and signed on Tuesday, January 19, 1988, by the 1987 Auditors:



Edward S. Bilzerian

Mark Mikitarian

Bart Bagdasarian, Jr.



Vahan Pogharian

