

ANNUAL REPORT

1992



Holy Cross Armenian Church

UNION CITY, N. J.

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HOLY CROSS ARMENIAN CHURCH

UNION CITY, N.J.

AGENDA FOR PARISH ASSEMBLY

FEBRUARY 7, 1993

1. Prayer and Opening of Meeting
2. Election of Assembly Officers
3. Election of Parish Council, Auditing and Nominating Committee
4. Parish Council Report
5. Report of Church Organizations
6. Report of Auditing Committee
7. 1993 Budget
8. Old Business
9. New Business
10. Closing Prayer

HOLY CROSS ARMENIAN CHURCH
1991 ANNUAL PARISH ASSEMBLY MEETING
FEBRUARY 2, 1992

The Annual Parish Meeting was called to order by Acting President Rev. Fr. Carnig Hallajian at 12 Noon who turned the chair over to the Mr. Nubar Dorian, Chairman of the Parish Council, for the election of Assembly Chairman and Secretary. Dr. Edward Sahagian and Mrs. Alice Yigitkurt were elected Chairman and Secretary, respectively.

Mr. Nubar Dorian adjourned the meeting which was to be reconvened at the Church Center after lunch.

The meeting was reconvened at 1:30PM by the Chairman, presided over by Acting President Rev. Fr. Carnig Hallajian. Motion made and passed to close the balloting at 1:35PM.

Dr. Sahagian, Chairman, expressed the thanks and appreciation of the Assembly to the Women's Guild, and especially to Diane Burggraf for the delicious luncheon.

The Holy Cross Church was privileged to have present at our meeting the Rt. Rev. Bishop Karekin Nersisian, Primate of the Diocese in Yerevan, Armenia. Also present were Mrs. Louise Simone, President of the AGBU, who was named an honorary member of the Holy Cross Church by Nubar Dorian, Chairman of the Parish Council. Another guest present at our meeting was Mr. Sarkis Gabrellian.

PARISH COUNCIL REPORT

Mr. Philip Arpiarian, Secretary of the Parish Council, presented the report and commented on the actions taken by the Parish Council regarding the motions passed at last year's Annual Meeting.

A motion was made and passed to accept the Parish Council Report and the Minutes of the 1990 Parish Assembly.

Mr. Harold Azmelian, Treasurer of the Parish Council, presented the Treasurer's Report, discussing each item line by line. A motion was passed to donate the remaining \$13,500.00 allocated for Missionary Work (\$15,000 was budgeted in 1991) to Bishop Nersisian for his Fund. The other \$1,500.00 had been given to him previously. A motion was passed to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented along with the thanks and gratitude of the Parish to Mr. Harold Azmelian for his outstanding and dedicated work in his record keeping of the books.

AUDITING COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Armen Kalbian, Chairman of the Auditing Committee, reported that the treasurer's books of all the organizations were examined and found to be in order. On behalf of the committee he thanked the treasurers of all the organizations for their good work.

ANCILLARY ORGANIZATION REPORTS

WOMEN'S GUILD - Ms. Arpena Sbarbaro, Chairperson, reviewed the report and closed by announcing a donation of ~~\$5,000~~^{10,000} on behalf of the Guild to the Parish Treasury. The Guild also pledged a donation of \$5,000.00 to Bishop Karekin Nersisian.

ARMENIAN SCHOOL - A report in Armenian was presented by Mrs. Alice Yigitkurt, Chairperson. She announced that there will be a fund-raising dinner-dance (for the first time) on Saturday, February 22, 1992 in our Church Center. The goal of the school is to raise \$10,000.00.

SUNDAY SCHOOL - Parishioners reviewed the report. There were no comments.

CHOIR - Parishioners reviewed the report. Ms. Ann Dadaian on behalf of the Choir donated \$500.00 to Bishop Nersisan earmarked for the Diocese of Yerevan.

SENIOR CITIZENS CLUB - Parishioners reviewed the report.

Motion made and passed accepting all the Ancillary Organization reports as presented.

1992 BUDGET

Mr. Harold Azmelian, Treasurer of the Parish Council, presented the 1992 Proposed Budget, discussing each item line by line. Upon the recommendation of Father Carnig, this year also a motion was made and passed that a \$15,000 item be added to be used for missionary purposes. With this addition, the budget went up from \$101,000.00 to \$116,000.00. A motion was passed to accept the 1992 Proposed Budget as amended.

PERMANENT ENDOWMENT FUND

Mr. Harold Azmelian, Chairman of the Endowment Fund, presented the report which was accepted as presented. Our thanks and appreciation to Mr. Azmelian and his committee members, Philip Arpiarian and Armen Kalbian for their conscientious work in maintaining and caring for the Fund.

OLD BUSINESS

Mr. Nubar Dorian stated that we are still actively searching for a permanent pastor, and he is in touch with the Primate on a regular basis about this situation. Once again this year we are grateful to Rev. Fr. Carnig Hallajian for helping us serve the needs of our parish for at least 26 weeks of the year as well as the duties relating to the VISION, Sunday Bulletins and all other activities of the parish. Mr. Nubar Dorian also expressed his appreciation to Rev. Fr. Arnak Kasparian who has accepted our offer to serve our parish for the remaining 26 weeks of the year.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Philip Arpiarian discussed the Parking Lot issue. He reported that we have been actively looking for parking lot property but nothing has happened. Several ideas have been suggested:

1. That we look into possibility of renovating center by raising existing building and putting parking space below. This project would only accommodate 15 cars and the cost would run from \$800,000 to \$1,100,000. Motion was passed not to pursue this idea.
2. Use of Daniel Webster School parking facilities in Weehawken. Mr. Azmelian has been in touch with the Board of Education, and we are still awaiting word.
3. Some kind of agreement with the Public Service.
4. Some kind of agreement with the Mormon Church which now has approval to start building.

Mr. Nubar Dorian announced that Holy Cross would be celebrating its 90th Anniversary on Sunday, October 18, 1992. The Primate has already accepted the invitation to preside over the festivities. Mr. John Malool has been appointed Chairman of the affair, and he and his committee are making plans for this banquet. Details will be announced as they become available.

ELECTION RESULTS

Zaven Hovsepien provided the results of the balloting. A total of 67 parishioners voted:

PARISH COUNCIL

Anita Berberoglu
Apo Boghossian
Nubar Dorian

Zaven Hovsepien
John Malool
Alice Yigitkurt

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Philip Arpiarian
Diane Burggraf
Arax Karagosian

AUDITING COMMITTEE

Ann Dadaian
Dawn Donofrio
Armen Kalbian

The Chairman of the Assembly invited Bishop Karekin to say a few words. Bishop Karekin expressed his thanks and appreciation to Holy Cross for its generous donation to the Yerevan Fund and asked for our continuous support.

The meeting was closed with a prayer by Bishop Karekin and the Hayr Mer by the Assembly participants.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:15PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Alice Yigitkurt
Secretary

HOLY CROSS ARMENIAN CHURCH

UNION CITY, NJ

PARISH COUNCIL REPORT

1992

During the calendar year 1992 the Parish Council met 10 times with a quorum present.

During the March meeting the following Parish Council members were elected to the Executive Committee:

Chairman	Nubar Dorian
Vice Chairman	Zaven Hovsepian
Treasurer	Harold Azmelian
Asst. Treasurer	Zack Apkarian
Secretary	Sylvia Bozoyan

The following committee chairpersons appointments were made by the Chairman of the Parish Council:

VISION	A. Sbarbaro / A. Dadaian
Sunday School	Zaven Hovsepian
Maintenance	Harold Azmelian
Bazaar	E. Sahagian / G. Burggraf
Picnic	Z. Hovsepian / H. Sariminassian
Armenian School	Alice Yigitkurt
Christmas Party	Zaven Hovsepian
90 th Anniversary	John Malool

1991 PARISH ASSEMBLY - The Minutes of the Parish Assembly held on February 2, 1992 are included in the Annual Report booklet. Four new business issues discussed at the Assembly requiring action by the Parish Council were carried out as follows:

- a. Endowment Fund Prayers for donors - Hokehankisd prayers for the deceased donors and prayers of thanksgiving for the living donors will be offered as usual during a Sunday in February after the Annual Assembly.

- b. Armenian School - In line with the Assembly decision the Parish Council as a whole acted as the administrator of the Armenian School and appointed Alice Yigitkurt to act as liaison in addition to her being Superintendent of the Armenian School.
- c. Annual Christmas Party - Following the dictates of the Parish Assembly the Parish Council re-inaugurated the Christmas Party in memory of Mrs. Betty Nalband. Zaven Hovsepian acted as Chairman and did a magnificent job. This party was held on Friday, December 18.
- d. Armenian Missionary Work - Parish Council, in line with the motion passed at the 1991 Parish Assembly, began to make contributions to Armenian Missionary Work and has to date spent \$8,000. of the \$15,000. authorized by the Assembly and underwrote Father Carnig's expenses for travel to Armenia.

PARISH PRIEST - The Search Committee continues its activity. This Committee met with the Primate on several occasions and is hopeful that this coming year we will resolve this situation.

We are fortunate that in addition to Rev. Fr. Carnig Hallajian's continued support, interest, and assistance to the Parish, he gave us Divine Liturgy 26 Sundays. Parish Council was also happy to arrange to have former pastor of St. Thomas Church, Rev. Arnak Kasparian to celebrate Divine Liturgy the remaining 26 weeks. We are delighted to advise the community that this arrangement has worked well and hopefully will continue until the assignment of a permanent priest to our Church.

In addition, we had the privilege of having as celebrants the Primate of Yerevan and the Primate of Karabagh.

CHURCH PROPERTIES - Harold Azmelian and Pablo Taura, caretaker, continually monitored the condition of the Church, the Church Center, the Parish House and the Church Center. During the year the following repairs were made:

1. Church - The exterior was painted.
2. Parish House - A new copy machine was purchased.
All the windows were replaced.

PICNIC - For the first time we had our picnic jointly with St. Leon Armenian Church in Fair Lawn on Sunday, June 7. The parishioners owe a debt of gratitude to the Chairperson and all the workers who helped tirelessly to make this event enjoyable. Next year's picnic will once again be conducted jointly with St. Leon Armenian Church.

BAZAAR - Once again, the Bazaar, held on November 6 and 7, was successful socially as well as financially. The parishioners owe a debt of gratitude to the Chairpersons and all the workers who helped tirelessly to make the Bazaar both enjoyable and profitable.

RAFFLE - Parish Council decided to forego the raffle this year to concentrate its full activities for the success of the 90th Anniversary celebration of our Church. It is the full intent of the Parish Council to resume the raffle in 1993.

VISION - Arpena Sbarbaro and Ann Dadaian as co-editors of the VISION once again did a magnificent job in making sure that regular issues of the VISION were distributed to the community.

Fr. Carnig was a great help in taking care of the Armenian language portion of the VISION as well as the lay-out of the VISION.

SUNDAY BULLETIN - As in former years, the Sunday Bulletin was distributed every Sunday to those attending Church services. Each issue was replete with current information on Church activities, simple explanation of the meaning of each Sunday and other pertinent matters of interest such as listings of hokehankisd to our Church members. Ann Dadaian deserves special thanks for undertaking this important task.

ARMENIAN SCHOOL - The Armenian School has prospered greatly during the year. In addition to the Superintendent and the 2 teachers, we added 2 assistant teachers due to the increase of the enrollment. The underwriting of the weekly bus service expense by the Parish Council has been extremely well received and Parish Council has every reason to believe that the number of enrolled students will increase.

SUNDAY SCHOOL - The lack of Sunday School students have been one of the great disappointments of the Parish Council. In spite of our Superintendent and the Parish Council efforts, we have been unable to increase the number of enrolled students which remains at 10 with regular attendance at 4. Parish Council is immensely thankful to Sylvia Bozoyan for not giving up and being available every Sunday to conduct Sunday School activities. It is the belief of Parish Council that only a full time Parish priest, with home visitations and follow through can make our Sunday School a viable one.

90th ANNIVERSARY BANQUET - Due to John Malool's inability to chair this affair, the Parish Council took upon itself to act as the committee in organizing this milestone on Sunday, October 18. To celebrate this occasion with us the Primate of the Eastern Diocese Archbishop Khajag Barsamian acted as honorary Chairperson and presided over Divine Liturgy. We were privileged to have Archbishop Vatche Hovsepian, Primate of the Western Diocese accept our invitation to attend this affair as well. He celebrated Divine Liturgy and gave the proper sermon.

Immediately following services, the more than 300 Church members and friends attended the banquet at Schuetzen Park in North Bergen. Chairman of Parish Council, Nubar Dorian, acted as toastmaster.

One of the highlights of the banquet was the granting of the St. Nersess Shnorhali medal along with the encyclical from His Holiness Catholicos Vasken I to Harold Azmelian who had served the Holy Cross Church with exemplary dedication and continues to be active in all phases of our Church life.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS:

The Parish Council would like to acknowledge the dedication and services performed by all its parishioners for the betterment of the Holy Cross Armenian Church and would like special mention to the following:

Fr. Carnig Hallajian who conducts the Badarak for 26 Sundays and for his efforts and work in providing the Armenian text for the VISION, Sunday Belletin and other Parish administrative matters that occur and for his wise counsel and guidance. He makes the absence of a permanent priest less painful.

Fr. Arnak Kasparian for his celebrating Divine Liturgy 26 weeks during the year and for his assistance in hospital visitations, attending funeral services, and sundry other clerical functions.

The Deacons: Hagop Hovsepian, Mardiros Barsamian, Hacik Sariminassian, John Hovsepian, and Hagop Kradjian.

The Choir Members and Organists: Ann Dadaian, Choirmaster; Arpena Sbarbaro, Mary Shalakian, Dawn Donofrio, Arthur Manoukian, Sr., Lucy Ganguzza, Victoria Sariminassian, Paul Bogosian, Charles Genjian, Marie Can, and Jeanette Garabedian.

Richard Assoian who donated the printing of the 90th Anniversary booklet and the annual Christmas Card in memory of A. Hachadoorian.

Richard Tarzian who donates the printing of our monthly Church publication the VISION.

Sylvia Bozoyan for dedication to the Sunday School.

Takouhie Can and Aghavni Pashalian for donating and making the Mahs.

Ann Chopoorian assisted by Diana Burggraf for handling reservations and table arrangements for the 90th Anniversary Banquet.

Ann Dadaian who tirelessly serves as the Parish secretary in addition to her responsibility as Choir Master.

The Women's Guild Chairlady Arpena Sbarbaro and all Guild members who have consistently provided their services to make the Picnic and Bazaar successful and also for their generous financial contributions.

Nubar Dorian, Chairman of the Parish Council, for his leadership.

Pablo Taura and his family for their dedicated caring for the Church and its properties.

. . . And to all the Parishioners who faithfully serve the Holy Cross Armenian Church by their support and confidence in the Parish Council.

Respectfully submitted,

PARISH COUNCIL

HOLY CROSS ARMENIAN CHURCH
STATEMENT DECEMBER 31, 1992

UNRESTRICTED CASH:

Receipts 1992	\$ 84,464.01	
Disbursements 1992	\$130,425.11	
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Disbursements over receipts	\$-45,961.10	
Unrestricted Cash Balance Dec. 31, 1991	\$ 88,806.40	
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	\$ 42,845.30	
Transfer & Exchange Account Balance Dec. 31, 1991	\$ 1,091.50	
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Unrestricted Cash 12/31/92		\$41,753.80
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Cash Position: Union City Savings Account #0101200334		\$41,753.80
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Unrestricted cash	\$ 24,328.80	
Parking lot fund	\$ 17,425.00	
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HOLY CROSS ARMENIAN CHURCH RECEIPTS 1991-92

	1992	1991
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RECEIPTS		
Membership Dues, Pledges & Envelopes, Plate Collections	\$13,779.00	\$15,891.00
Donations:		
Christmas	\$ 4,570.00	\$ 4,300.00
Easter	\$ 4,485.00	\$ 4,856.00
Christmas Card	\$ 1,790.00	\$ 1,730.00
Women's Guild		\$ 5,000.00
Senior Citizens	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00
Other Donations	\$ 548.00	\$ 521.00
Affairs:		
Bazaar	(1991 Net Profit) \$6,256.61	\$ 8,944.18
	(1992 Net Profit) \$6,169.79	\$ 8,955.00
Picnic	(1991 Net Profit) 1,503.86	\$ 3,613.25
	(1992 Net Profit) \$1,908.40	\$ 1,908.40
Gold Raffle	(1991 Net Profit)\$13,431.87	\$28,300.00
90th Anniversary (Net Profit)	\$16,928.35	\$27,545.00
Communion Breakfast	\$ 289.00	\$ 256.00
In Lieu of Flowers	\$ 2,950.00	\$ 5,840.00
Hokehandkists & Prayers	\$ 4,310.00	\$ 5,245.00
Candles & Candelabra	\$ 2,948.85	\$ 3,014.46
Christenings	\$ 450.00	\$ 200.00
Weddings	\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00
Funerals	\$ 2,050.00	\$ 1,800.00
Interest & Dividends	\$ 4,490.81	\$ 5,237.78
Center Rental	\$ 1,280.00	\$ 1,050.00
Organ Fund	\$ 615.00	\$ 1,325.00
Armenian School		\$ 1,184.00
Altar Flowers	\$ 395.00	
Vision	\$ 275.00	
Miscellaneous*	\$ 29.95	\$ 465.00
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	\$84,464.01	\$99,572.67
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* Cost of Xmas Card Envelopes
Donated by Chirkinian/Haejian

HOLY C. A. ARMENIAN CHURCH DISBURSEMENT. 1992

	1992	1991
DISBURSEMENTS:		
Salaries, Travel & Housing	\$ 13,867.99	\$ 12,311.18
Social Security Tax	\$ 277.80	\$ 277.80
Diocesan Dues & Looma	\$ 7,550.00	\$ 7,190.00
Insurance (including Clergy Medical)	\$ 8,433.36	\$ 7,904.85
Gas, Electric & Water Church/Parish House	\$ 9,138.17	\$ 7,954.44
Church Center Expense (excluding insurance)	\$ 9,517.42	\$ 6,838.21
Building Maintenance & Improvements:		
Parish House Renovations	\$ 7,367.74	\$ 977.00
Painting Church Exterior	\$ 1,880.00	
Plumbing repairs		\$ 1,220.00
Other maintenance	\$ 2,658.92	\$ 1,105.62
Office supplies, postage	\$ 2,236.45	\$ 2,475.60
Purchase of Folding Machine		\$ 2,495.00
Purchase of Copy Machine	\$ 4,900.00	
Telephone	\$ 572.72	\$ 566.67
Church Supplies	\$ 461.25	\$ 1,998.81
Honorariums & Visitations	\$ 6,805.00	\$ 7,095.00
Gifts	\$ 1,250.00	\$ 750.00
Flowers, altar, Palm, Easter Christmas Etc.	\$ 1,071.75	\$ 779.50
Donation to St. Nersess Seminary	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00
Expense of Affairs:		
Bazaar	\$ 2,785.21	\$ 2,687.57
Picnic		\$ 2,109.39
50/50 Raffle		\$ 14,868.13
Church Socials	\$ 441.00	\$ 581.08
Communion Breakfast	\$ 283.47	\$ 213.96
90th Anniversary	\$ 10,616.65	
Primate's Banquet		\$ 14.96
Der Carnig's Elevation		\$ 4,123.63
Christmas Card	\$ 29.95	\$ 85.00
Christmas Party	\$ 1,845.28	\$ 2,057.06
Armenian School	\$ 9,502.12	\$ 7,268.71
Youth Sports Programs	\$ 425.00	\$ 555.11
Missionary Endeavor	\$ 21,650.00	\$ 1,350.00
Youth Ministry	\$ 1,150.00	\$ 1,000.00
Miscellaneous	\$ 707.86	\$ 2,296.72
Miscellaneous Account:		
Bank Charge	\$ 50.00	
Convention Expense	\$407.51	
Health & Welfare	\$169.75	
Typewriter Purchase	\$ 80.60	
	<u>\$707.86</u>	
	<u>\$130,425.11</u>	<u>\$104,151.00</u>

HOLY CROSS ARMENIAN CHURCH
PROPOSED PARISH COUNCIL BUDGET 1993

ANTICIPATED INCOME:

Membership Dues, Plate Collection & Pledges	\$14,000.00
Holiday Donations	9,000.00
Christenings, Weddings & Funerals	3,000.00
In lieu of Flowers	3,000.00
Hokehankisds and Prayers	4,000.00
Dividends & Interest	1,200.00
Net Proceeds from affairs (Bazaar, Picnic, Etc.)	20,000.00
Other Donations (Auxillary Organizations)	10,000.00
Candles & Candelabra	3,000.00
Christmas Greetings	1,800.00
Center Rental	1,000.00
Missionary Endeavor	15,000.00
Miscellaneous	10,000.00
	<u>95,000.00</u>

ANTICIPATED EXPENSE:

Diocesan Dues & Looma	\$ 7,550.00
Salaries, Travel, Housing & Honorariums	21,000.00
Insurance (including Clergy Medical)	8,500.00
Armenian School	10,000.00
Building Expense:	
Church/Parish House	10,000.00
Church Center	10,000.00
Building Maintenance/Improvements	10,000.00
Office Supplies, Postage, Etc.	3,000.00
Office Machine Repair/Replacement	2,000.00
Telephone	750.00
Church Supplies	1,000.00
St. Nersess Seminary	3,000.00
Missionary Endeavor	15,000.00
Miscellaneous	3,000.00
	<u>\$104,800.00*</u>

*Projected short fall of \$9,800.00 to be paid from Endowment Fund Interest.

HOLY CROSS ARMENIAN CHURCH

UNION CITY, N.J.

WOMEN'S GUILD ANNUAL REPORT

1992

General Membership Meetings were held on the 3rd Wednesday of each month with the exception of July and August. Executive Committee meetings were held in the morning prior to the general membership meeting. This year's Executive Committee members were:

Chairperson	Arpena Sbarbaro
Vice Chairperson	Diana Burggraf
Recording Secretary	Satenig Karagosian
Corresponding Secretary	Arax Karagosian
Treasurer	Artemis Koundakjian
Assistant Treasurer	Ann Chopoorian
Advisors:	Victoria Bohajian
	Lucy Joseph
	Mary Kaprielian
Publicity	Mary Kharpertian

Standing Committees:

Flea Markets	Nector Kalustian
	Diana Burggraf
	Mary Shalakian
Sunshine/Hospitality	Arax Karagosian
Rummage Sales	Mary Kaprielian

The Women's Guild continues to actively participate in all phases of the annual CHURCH PICNIC and BAZAAR.

Our successful FLEA MARKETS are organized by Nector Kalustian with the assistance of Isabel Keshguerian and Mary Kharpertian. The Women's Guild tables are supervised by Mary Shalakian ably assisted by Diana Burggraf, Mary Kaprielian, Lucy Saradarian, Vickie Bohajian, Lucy Nalbandian and Rose Sahagian (all around helper). Bertha Najarian stocks our pantry with staples for the refreshment counter and with the hop of Alice Muhibian, Gladys Bagdasarian, Arax Chirkinian and Virginia Hajeian sees to the preparation and serving dealers and workers. Artemis Koundakjian is always there to oversee our treasury filling up at these Flea Markets, Rummage Sales and Bazaars. Let us not forget the ever ready Areknaz Sarajian who is always available for all our needs.

The MEMBERS ONLY FLEA MARKETS allow our own members to sell their items by renting tables at a nominal fee. Mary Shalakian has been handling the responsibilities of this phase of our operation.

Our RUMMAGE SALES are ably chaired by Mary Kaprielian. We would like to remind our parishioners that clothing left from these sales are picked up by the Deacon of the St. Francis Workshop and distributed via a network of homeless shelters to the needy in these environs, then shipped to various areas of the United States and ultimately to the needy in Africa.

In addition, the Guild, specifically Mary Shalakian, Diana Burggraf, Lucy Ganguzza and Gary Burggraf, came through to help alleviate the damages wrought by hurricane Andrew by packing up 29 boxes of useful garments and accessories to ship to Florida via Governor Florio's planes set up for this purpose.

These and all our other projects are successful because of the faithful devotion of our Women's Guild members who give of their time and energies to these projects.

We continue to support our PROJECT SHARE whereby members and parishioners are urged to fill food baskets which are then distributed through the Division of Youth and Family Services to needy families with children.

In June, Guild members gathered at the Loft Restaurant for a "Dutch Treat" closing luncheon. In December, in the spirit of the season, we met once again for a holiday luncheon at the Boulevard Cafe. Our thanks to Diana Burggraf for making the arrangements for both of these affairs.

We wish to thank Mary Kharpertian and Virginia Shenloogian for planning our BUS RIDES.

Members of the Guild also attended and supported the Women Saint's Day of the Armenian Church commemoration under the auspices of the Women's Guild Central Council which was held at the St. Vartan Cathedral, Diocesan Complex in New York. Tickets sales for this occasion were very ably handled by Arax and Satenig Karagosian. Bertha Najarian was responsible for ticket and bus reservations for our Guild.

On behalf of the Guild a donation in the amount of \$10,000 is being presented today to the Parish Council.

WOMEN'S GUILD CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES - 1992

January	6	Armenian Christmas - served breakfast
	15	General Membership Meeting - Rev. Carnig Hallajian addressed group regarding recent trip to Armenia
February	2	Parish Assembly - prepared lunch
	19	General Membership Meeting - Speaker from Christ Hospital spoke on nutrition and senior health issues
March	2	Cook for Lenten Luncheon
	4	Lenten Luncheon
	14	Flea Market
	18	General Membership Meeting - Rev. Carnig and Harold Azmelian spoke about parish in general
April	2	Women Saint's Day - sponsored by Women's Guild Central Council held at Diocesan Complex
	6	Chorag-making session for sale on Palm Sunday
	11	Flea Market
	16	Maundy Thursday - served lunch
	22	General Membership Meeting - Guest Speaker: Rev. Karekin Kasparian spoke on Understanding the Badarak Through Silent Movement (why we do what we do during the Divine Liturgy - lunch served to Guild members and guest
May	5	Bus Ride to Atlantic City
	9	Flea Market
	20	General Membership Meeting and setup for rummage sale
	22&	Rummage Sale
June	23	
	7	Church Picnic
	13	Flea Market
	17	Women's Guild Closing Luncheon
	26&	Members Only Flea Market
September	27	
	16	General Membership Meeting - Lunch served - Gary Assadourian spoke on his recent trip to Jerusalem: Jerusalem Past, Present and Future
	21&	Keufteh making session in preparation for Church Bazaar
	22	for Church Bazaar
	28	Choreg making session in preparation for Church Bazaar

CALENDAR (continued)

November	4	Yalanchi making session in preparation for Church Bazaar
	6	Church Bazaar - 1992 - Luleh Kebob session
	7	Church Bazaar - 1992
	14	Flea Market
	18	General Membership Meeting - setup for Rummage Sale
	20& 21	Rummage Sale
December	12	Flea Market
	16	Closing Luncheon - The Loft

Respectfully submitted,

ARPENA SBARBARO
Chairperson

HOLY CROSS ARMENIAN CHURCH

WOMEN'S GUILD - FINANCIAL REPORT
1992

BALANCE - December 31, 1991 \$16,318.57

INCOME:

Lenten Luncheon	\$ 901.41	
Flea Markets (8)	7,696.70	
Members only Flea Market (1)	78.00	
Rummage Sales (2)	1,096.85	
58th Anniversary Luncheon	22.77	
Atlantic City Trips (2)	517.00	
Chorag and Easter Bread Sale	256.06	
Keufta Sold	212.85	
School Bags for Children in Armenia	525.00	
Dues	518.00	
Interest on Money Market Savings Acct	270.84	
Donations	40.00	
Miscellaneous	<u>95.38</u>	<u>\$12,230.86</u>

TOTAL INCOME AND OPENING BALANCE \$28,549.43

DISBURSEMENTS:

Transfer of funds to Parish Council	\$ 10,000.00	
Donation to Erevan Diocese	5,000.00	
Donation from members - School Bags to Children - Armenia	525.00	
Donation from Women's Guild - School Bags to Children - Armenia	300.00	
Donation - 90th Anniversary Holy Cross	500.00	
Donation - Children's Volunteer Assn.	200.00	
Women's Guild Central Council - Dues	98.00	
Cost printing tickets - Women Saint's Day	50.00	
Floral Crosses	153.00	
Postage, Cards, etc.	186.01	
Loss - Women Saint's Day	70.00	
Loss - Closing Luncheon	15.00	
Expenses - Parish Assembly Meeting 2/2/92	68.86	
Christmas Gift to Caretaker	100.00	
Miscellaneous	<u>195.23</u>	<u>\$17,461.10</u>

BALANCE - December 31, 1992 \$11,088.33

TOTAL ASSETS:

Money Market Savings Account - Hudson United Bank	\$ 7,547.90
Checking Account - Hudson United Bank	3,369.15
Petty Cash	165.90
Bazaar Account	<u>5.38</u>
	<u>\$11,088.33</u>

Respectfully submitted,
Artemis Koundakjian, Treasurer

HOLY CROSS ARMENIAN CHURCH
UNION CITY, N.J.
MESROBIAN ARMENIAN SCHOOL - 1992

It is a pleasure to report that the Mesrobian Armenian School had an extremely successful academic year due to the untiring efforts of its superintendent Alice Yigitkurt and the dedicated staff.

The School presently has 30 students, aged 4 to 14, composed of 4 classes. The teachers are Mrs. Sela Nazarian, Ms. Maggie Nazarian and assistant teachers Ms. Arus Hampartzumian and Ms. Berta Yigitkurt. Mrs. Alice Yigitkurt, in addition to acting as superintendent, also teaches the graduating class.

Regular weekly van service obviously helped increase the number of students and the hope is that the present number will increase in the coming year.

During the year we held the following affairs:

1. School Registration
2. Christmas Hantess/Luncheon/Party for the school
3. children, parents and friends. Songs were sung and poems recited by the children and gifts were distributed by "Santa Claus".
4. Vartanantz Day - recitations and songs by our school students at our Church.

Our thanks and gratitude to all those who support the Armenian School both financially and socially. Our thanks to all those who donate to the Armenian School in memory of their loved ones. Special thanks to all our friends and parents who so diligently work throughout the year. A special "thank you" to Alice Najarian for her help when called upon. Thanks to the teachers for their untiring efforts and hard work in teaching our children the Armenian language and culture. And finally, a huge debt of gratitude to the Parish Council and to Alice Yigitkurt.

Respectfully submitted,

MESROBIAN ARMENIAN SCHOOL

HOLY CROSS ARMENIAN CHURCH

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT

1992

The pupils attend Church services from 10:20 - 10:50 A.M. Assembly is conducted from 10:55 to 11:05 A.M. followed by class session from 11:05 to 12 Noon.

<u>Grade</u>	<u>Enrollment</u>	<u>Teacher</u>
Kindergarten to Grade 9	10	Sylvia Bozoyan

The staff consists of teacher Sylvia Bozoyan and treasurer Alice Bozoyan.

Average weekly student attendance - 35%
Average weekly student offering - \$4.00

1992 Events

January	Christmas Holy Communion & Breakfast
March / April	Lenten Offering Collection
April	Easter Holy Communion & Breakfast Easter plants and candy were presented to students.
June	Closing Day
December	Christmas Party for the students. Gifts were presented to each student. Students participated in buying and assembling a "Learn & Play" pack for children in Armenia sponsored by the DRE.

Thanks and Appreciation

Our special thanks to all those who prepared and served the Christmas and Easter Communion breakfasts.

We would like to express our grateful appreciation to our dear parents for bringing their children for religious education.

Respectfully submitted,

SUNDAY SCHOOL STAFF

HOLY CROSS ARMENIAN CHURCH
SUNDAY SCHOOL - FINANCIAL REPORT
1992

CASH BALANCE - January 1, 1992 \$ 900.00

RECEIPTS:

Sunday Collections 200.00

TOTAL CASH BALANCE - December 31, 1992 \$1,100.00

DISBURSEMENTS:

Lenten Donation \$70.00

Christmas Gifts 30.00

Books 95.60

Acct. Supplies 12.14

TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS \$ 207.74

CASH BALANCE - December 31, 1992 \$ 892.26

Respectfully submitted,

Alice Bozoyan
Treasurer

HOLY CROSS ARMENIAN CHURCH

UNION CITY, N.J.

SENIOR CITIZENS ANNUAL REPORT

1992

The Executive Committee of the Senior Citizens consists of:

Chairperson	Mary Kaprielain
Treasurer	Mary Sahagian
Secretary	Lucy Bozoian
Sunshine Girl	Alice Muhibian

We would like to thank our members for their donation to our organization.

The Committee serves coffee and cake every Tuesday.

Respectfully submitted,

LUCY BOZOIAN
Secretary

HOLY CROSS ARMENIAN CHURCH
SENIOR CITIZENS - FINANCIAL REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1992

CASH BALANCE - January 1, 1992 \$1,298.16

INCOME:

Admissions	\$	709.75	
Dues		81.00	
Donations		40.00	
Sale of Food		42.05	
Interest on Savings Account		<u>21.05</u>	<u>893.85</u>

TOTAL RECEIPTS PLUS OPENING BALANCE 2,192.01

DISBURSEMENTS:

Donation to Church	\$	500.00	
Donations - 90th Anniversary Booklet		50.00	
Meeting Expenses & Miscellaneous		472.54	
Christmas Gift - Pablo Taura		<u>50.00</u>	<u>1,072.54</u>

CASH BALANCE - December 31, 1992 1,119.47

TOTAL ASSETS

Bank Savings Account	\$	1,068.77	
Cash on Hand		<u>50.70</u>	
TOTAL		<u>\$1,119.47</u>	

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Sahagian
 Treasurer

HOLY CROSS ARMENIAN CHURCH

UNION CITY, N.JL.

CHOIR ANNUAL REPORT

1992

The Church Choir continues to serve our Church faithfully throughout the year.

We wish to acknowledge and thank the services of our choirmasters, Ann Dadaian, Arpena Sbarbaro and Dawn Donofrio as well as our organists Mary Shalakian and Dawn Donofrio; our Deacons, Hagop Hovsepian and Mardiros Barsamian and Richard Bohajian; Stolebearers Hacik Sariminasyan, John Hovsepian and Hagop Kradjian; Acolyte Arthur Manoukian, Jr., and to all the choir members who serve our church every Sunday with dedication and love.

We encourage all those interested in singing in the choir to participate and join us.

Our thanks for the continued support of our Parish Council and all our parishioners.

Respectfully submitted,

CHOIR EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

HOLY CROSS ARMENIAN CHURCH
CHURCH CHOIR - FINANCIAL REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1992

CASH BALANCE - January 1, 1992 \$1,500.21

INCOME:

Easter Plate Collection	\$ 522.00	
Easter - Special Donation	<u>500.00</u>	<u>1,022.00</u>

TOTAL RECEIPTS PLUS OPENING BALANCE 2,522.21

DISBURSEMENTS:

Donations - Diocese of Erevan	\$ 500.00	
- AACCA (Choir Robes for Armenia)	<u>1,022.00</u>	<u>1,522.00</u>

CASH BALANCE - December 31, 1992 1,000.21

Respectfully submitted,

Hacik Sariminyan
Treasurer

