

# ANNUAL REPORT

## 1993



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 6, 1994**

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. 1994 Budget
8. Old Business
9. New Business
10. Closing Prayer

**HOLY CROSS ARMENIAN CHURCH  
UNION CITY, N.J.**

**1992 ANNUAL PARISH ASSEMBLY MEETING  
FEBRUARY 7, 1993**

The Annual Parish Assembly Meeting was called to order by Chairman of the Parish Council, Nubar Dorian, with sixty members present and presided over by Father Carnig Hallajian. Also present was Father Arnak Kasparian. Mr. Dorian asked for nominees for the election of officers of the Assembly. Mr. Armen Kalbian and Ms. Satenig Karagosian were elected Chairman and Secretary respectively.

Following a delicious luncheon prepared and served by members of the Women's Guild, the meeting proceeded.

**PARISH COUNCIL REPORT**

Chairman Nubar Dorian presented the report. He stated that all business assigned to it by the 1992 Assembly was successfully concluded.

On the subject of parish priest, he acknowledged that while there is a shortage of clergy, the parish council is working diligently looking for potential candidates to be assigned as our pastor. The Search Committee hopes to accomplish this within the next year.

The exterior of the church was painted, windows were replaced in the parish house and a new copy machine was purchased for the office.

Last year's picnic, which was held jointly with the St. Leon Church in Fair Lawn, was a success. It will be held jointly again this year.

The bazaar was also a success thanks to the efforts of Gary Burggraf and Ed Sahagian, Co-Chairmen.

This year's main raffle was cancelled because of the 90th Anniversary Celebration.

The VISION is printed regularly and the Bulletins are made available to parishioners every Sunday.

The Armenian School is progressing nicely, and has tripled in enrollment. The Sunday School, however, is lacking in students and more emphasis must be placed to enroll them.

The 90th Anniversary Banquet was as huge success. It was presided over by both Primate of the Eastern and Western Dioceses, Abp. Khajag Barsamian and Abp. Vatche Hovsepian, respectively. We were also honored by having one of our dedicated and hard working parishioners, Harold Azmelian, receive the St. Nersess Shnorhali medal and an encyclical from His Holiness Vazken I.

### REPORTS OF CHURCH ORGANIZATIONS

Arpena Sbarbaro, Chairperson of the Guild, thanked the Executive Committee for its excellent work during the year. She also thanked Nector Kalustian, Isabel Keshguerian and Mary Kharpertian for running the flea markets.

The Women's Guild presented the Parish Council with a \$10,000 donation. A correction was made in last year's Assembly minutes: The Women's Guild donation to the Parish Council was \$10,000 not \$5,000. Motion was made and passed to amend the minutes.

On behalf of the Women's Guild, Arpena Sbarbaro stated that the Women's Guild had donated \$5,000 to the Armenia Missionary Fund at last year's meeting. This amount was given with the intention that it be an addition to the \$15,000 pledge made by the Parish. After discussion, the Assembly voted that this \$5,000 be considered part of the \$15,000. Arpena Sbarbaro asked that her dissent on behalf of the Guild be recorded.

The Senior Citizens presented the Parish Council with a \$500. donation.

A motion was made and passed to accept the organization reports as presented.

### AUDITING COMMITTEE

Armen Kalbian stated that the Auditing Committee examined the books and records of all the organizations. He thanked them for their outstanding record keeping; especially citing Harold Azmelian for the church records and Artemis Koundakjian for the Women's Guild. It was announced that Artemis Koundakjian was retiring as treasurer of the Guild and Mr. Kalbian commented that it was going to be very difficult to fill her shoes. The Assembly commended her for her fine work during the many years that she held the position and gave her a standing ovation.

Harold Azmelian went over the Financial Report for the Church. The missionary fund in 1992 was over \$21,000. and the donation to St. Nersess was \$3,000.

The amount of \$15,000 in the 1993 budget for missionary work was questioned by Philip Arpiarian. He wondered where this was coming from. He said we would have to run more affairs and our parishioners would have to donate more in order for us to give this amount. The Assembly passed a motion to raise \$15,000 for Missionary work. Any short fall will be covered by Church funds.

Der Carnig spoke about his raising funds in this area for Armenia. It can be done either independently or through the Holy Cross Church. Philip Arpiarian stated that you can make checks payable to Holy Cross and designate for "Armenia Fund".

A motion was made and passed to donate \$3,000 to St. Nersess Seminary.



The 1993 Budget was presented with a \$10,000 shortfall which will be covered through the interest of the Endowment Fund. Motion made and passed to accept the 1993 Budget. If we get a permanent pastor, the 1993 budget would have to amended to reflect the new situation.

A question was raised by Mary Kharpertian regarding late distribution of the collection envelopes for 1993. Zaven Hovsepian suggested that a note be included by each parishioner in the envelope stating their year-to-date contribution so that the amount may be properly recorded.

### NEW BUSINESS

The idea of having a soup kitchen for the needy in Erevan was discussed by Der Carnig. He said our church should sponsor a soup kitchen and this could eventually be extended to other cities later.

After some discussion on this subject, a motion was made and passed to have a special soup kitchen fund sponsored by our church so that we could get credit. even though there are several committees formed by the Primate.

### ENDOWMENT FUND

For clarification purposes, it was again stated that this Fund is for the sole purpose of perpetuating our church as a religious and historic site and was not to be touched. The interest from this Fund can be used. Harold Azmelian was commended for doing an outstanding job as Chairman and Treasurer along with his committee, Armen Kalbian and Philip Arpiarian.

### ELECTION RESULTS

Forty-three ballots were cast and results are as follows:

#### PARISH COUNCIL

Philip Arpiarian  
Harold Azmelian  
Robert Borgersen

Gary Burggraf  
Edward Sahagian  
Arpena Sbarbaro

#### NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Diana Burggraf  
Armen Kalbian  
Arax Karagosian

#### AUDITING COMMITTEE

Lucy Bozoian  
Dawn Donofrio  
Satenig Karagosian

Philip Arpiarian thanked both Der Arnak Kasparian and Der Carnig Hallajian for supporting our parish during the past year.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:30PM with a closing prayer by Rev. Fr. Arnak Kasparian.

Respectfully submitted,

Satenig Karagosian  
Secretary

HOLY CROSS ARMENIAN CHURCH  
UNION CITY, NJ

PARISH COUNCIL REPORT  
1993

During the calendar year 1993 Parish Council met 10 times with a quorum present.

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

Chairman	Zaven Hovsepian
Vice Chairman	Gary Burggraf
Treasurer	Harold Azmelian
Secretary	Sylvia Bozoyan

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

VISION	A. Dadaian / A. Sbarbaro
Maintenance	Harold Azmelian
Bazaar	G. Burggraf / E. Sahagian
Picnic	B. Borgerson / Z. Hovsepian
Armenian School	Alice Yigitkurt
Christmas Pary / Raffle	Phil Arpiarian

1992 PARISH ASSEMBLY - The minutes of the Parish Assembly held on February 7, 1993 are included in the Annual report. Four business issues discussed at the Assembly requiring action by 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 Parish Council as a whole acted as the administrator of the Armenian School and has appointed Alice Yigitkurt to act as liaison in addition to being appointed superintendent.
- c. Annual Christmas Party - Following the dictates of the Parish Assembly, Parish Council re-inaugurated the Christmas Party in memory of Mrs. Betty Nalband. Phil Arpiarian acted as Chairman and did a magnificent job. This party was held on Friday, December 3rd.
- d. Armenian Missionary Work - Parish Council, in line with the motion passed at the 1992 Parish Assembly, began a campaign headed by Phil Arpiarian to raise funds for Armenia Missionary Work. Based on Assembly decision, our Church's obligation will be once again \$15,000. and then any shortfall from donation through this campaign would be underwritten by the Parish. Mr. Arpiarian did a superb job in launching this campaign and raised \$11,368. This means our own Church's contribution will be only \$3,632.

PARISH PRIEST - We were once again fortunate to have Rev. Fr. Carnig Hallajian's continued support, interest, and assistance to our Church. Parish Council was also grateful to have Rev. Fr. Arnak Kasparian, former pastor of St. Thomas Church to celebrate Divine Liturgy. Between Fr. Hallajian and Fr. Kasparian, we had Divine Liturgy celebration every Sunday until the appointed by His Eminence Khajag Barsamian of the Very Rev. Vazken Karayan as the pastor of our Church on December 19th when he celebrated his initial Divine Liturgy following which Parish Council arranged a reception in his honor. We now have a full time pastor and Parish hope is that our Church community will be re-vitalized.

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

1. Church Center - new roof and new water cooler
2. Parish House - painted hall and replaced floor covering

PICNIC - For the second time our picnic was held jointly with St. Leon Armenian Church in Fair Lawn on Sunday, June 6th. The parishioners owe a debt of gratitude to chairmen, Bob Borgeson and Zaven Hovsepian and all the workers who helped tirelessly to make this event enjoyable. As of yet, no decision for next year's picnic has been made.

BAZAAR - Once again the Bazaar, held on October 29 and 30, was successful socially as well as financially. The parishioners owe a debt of gratitude to the Chairpersons, Gary Burggraf and Ed Sahagian and all those who contributed to help make the Bazaar both enjoyable and profitable.

VISION - Ann Dadaian and Arpena Sbarbaro as co-editors of the VISION once again sacrificed a great deal of time and effort to ensure the printing of the VISION on a regular basis.

Fr. Carnig was a great help in taking care of the Armenian language portion 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 same Superintendent, teachers, and assistant teacher made this year's Armenian School a truly a successful one. Parish Council continued to underwrite the expenses of salaries and the weekly bus service cost.



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 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 with our pastor Very Rev. Vazken Karayan at the helm, this sad situation will change and our Church will have a viable Sunday School.

RAFFLE - Unlike last year, Parish Council decided to have a 50/50 Raffle this year and was thankful to Phil Arpiarian who once again accepted the responsibility of acting as chairman. As usual with great effort, all tickets were sold and the Church made \$12,000. This event was held jointly with the Christmas Party on December 3rd.

ENDOWMENT FUND - As the annual report of the Endowment Fund indicates, we had excellent results with our Endowment Fund. This is due to the Endowment Fund committee and specially to the efforts of Harold Azmelian who as usual is acting as chairman.

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:

Parish Council thanks and extends its gratitude to His Eminence Khajag Barsamian, Primate, for his appointing Very Rev. Vazken Karayan our full time pastor.

Fr. Carnig Hallajian, who prior to our having been assigned a new pastor, celebrated the Badarak and for his efforts and work in providing the Armenian text for the VISION, Sunday Bulletin, and other Parish administrative matters that occur and for his wise counsel and guidance.

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

Our Church community welcomes Very Rev. Vazken Karayan and extends to him its willingness to cooperate with him to ensure the welfare and betterment of our Church. His youth, energy, and knowledge will be extremely in his sacred mission.

The Deacons: Hagop Hovsepian for his leadership and diligence; Mardiros Barsamian, Hacik Sariminassian, John Hovsepian, and Hagop Kradjian.

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

Richard Assoian who undertook the printing of the annual Christmas Card in memory of Anne Hachadoorian.

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

Arax Chirkinian and Virginia Hajeian for their helping in the Church office whenever called upon.

Harold Azmelian for his continuous hard work with the Endowment Fund as well as being Parish Treasurer.

Sylvia Bozoyan for her dedication to the Sunday School.

Takouhie (Sultan) Can and Aghavni Pashalian for donating and making the Mahs.

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.

Zaven Hovsepien, Chairman of the Parish Council, for his leadership.

Philip Arpiarian for his organizing the Armenian Missionary Work so successfully.

. . . 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  
DECEMBER 31, 1993

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STATEMENT OF CASH:

Receipts 1993	\$110,845.42	
Disbursements 1993	\$118,031.70	
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Disbursements over receipts	\$ -7,186.28	
Balance Dec. 31, 1992	\$ 41,753.80	
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BALANCE DECEMBER 31, 1993		\$34,567.52

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CASH POSITION

Union City Savings Bank		
Account No. 01200334		\$34,567.52
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Unrestricted cash	\$ 17,142.52	
Parking lot fund	\$ 17,425.00	
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NOTE:  
1ST PRIZE OF \$10,000.00 FOR GOLD RAFFLE  
HAD NOT BEEN DISBURSED TO WINNER AS  
OF DEC. 31, 1993, REDUCING UNRESTRICTED  
CASH TO \$7,142

HOLY CROSS ARMENIAN CHURCH  
STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS FOR THE YEARS ENDING 12/31/92-93

	1993	1992
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RECEIPTS:		
Membership Dues, Pledges & Envelopes, Plate Collections	\$ 12,846.00	\$13,779.00
Donations:		
Christmas	\$ 4,490.00	\$ 4,570.00
Easter	\$ 5,035.00	\$ 4,485.00
Christmas Card	\$ 1,630.00	\$ 1,790.00
Women's Guild	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 0.00
Senior Citizens	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00
Other Donations	\$ 606.71	\$ 548.00
Affairs:		
Bazaar		
(1992 Net Profit)	\$6,169.79	
(1993 Net Profit)	5,003.72	
Picnic		
(1992 Net Profit)	1,908.40	
(1993 Net Profit)	\$1,758.80	
Gold Raffle		
(1991 Net Profit)	\$13,431.87	
& Party		
(1993 Net Profit)	\$10,619.59	
90th Anniversary (Net Profit)	\$16,928.35	
Communion Breakfast	\$ 343.25	\$ 289.00
In Lieu of Flowers	\$ 6,440.00	\$ 2,950.00
Hokehandkists & Prayers	\$ 5,975.00	\$ 4,310.00
Candles & Candelabra	\$ 3,072.00	\$ 2,948.85
Christenings	\$ 300.00	\$ 450.00
Weddings	\$ 300.00	\$ 300.00
Funerals	\$ 1,600.00	\$ 2,050.00
Interest & Dividends	\$ 1,218.66	\$ 4,490.81
Center Rental	\$ 560.00	\$ 1,280.00
Organ Fund	\$ 0.00	\$ 615.00
Altar Flowers	\$ 385.00	\$ 395.00
Vision	\$ 135.00	\$ 275.00
Missionary Fund	\$ 11,368.00	\$ 0.00
Miscellaneous	\$ 267.50	\$ 29.95
	\$110,845.42	\$84,464.01
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HOLY CROSS ARMENIAN CHURCH  
STATEMENT OF DISBURSEMENTS FOR THE YEARS ENDING 12/31/92-93

	1993	1992
DISBURSEMENTS:		
Salaries, Travel & Housing	\$ 7,658.40	\$ 13,867.99
Social Security Tax	\$ 277.80	\$ 277.80
Diocesan Dues & Looma	\$ 7,284.00	\$ 7,550.00
Youth Ministry	\$ 791.00	\$ 1,150.00
Insurance (including Clergy Medical)	\$ 5,843.00	\$ 8,433.36
Gas, Electric & Water Church/Parish House	\$ 8,633.97	\$ 9,138.17
Church Center Expense (excluding insurance)	\$ 14,681.69	\$ 9,517.42
Building Maintenance & Improvements	\$ 6,240.89	\$ 11,906.66
Office supplies, postage	\$ 2,892.55	\$ 2,236.45
Purchase of Copy Machine	\$ 0.00	\$ 4,900.00
Purchase of Car	\$ 11,500.00	\$ 0.00
Telephone	\$ 457.74	\$ 572.72
Church Supplies	\$ 192.33	\$ 461.25
Honorariums & Gifts	\$ 9,780.00	\$ 8,055.00
Flowers, altar, Palm, Easter Christmas Etc.	\$ 1,074.15	\$ 1,071.75
Donation to St. Nersess Seminary	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 3,000.00
Expense of Affairs:		
Bazaar	\$ 3,160.78	\$ 2,785.21
50/50 Raffle & Christmas Party	\$ 8,195.41	\$ 1,845.28
Church Socials	\$ 584.00	\$ 441.00
Communion Breakfast	\$ 300.00	\$ 283.47
90th Anniversary	\$ 0.00	\$ 10,616.65
Armenian School	\$ 10,135.00	\$ 9,502.12
Youth Sports Programs	\$ 300.00	\$ 425.00
Missionary Endeavor	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 21,650.00
Miscellaneous	\$ 809.31	\$ 707.86
	<u>\$118,031.70</u>	<u>\$130,425.11</u>
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Miscellaneous Account:		
Bank Charge	\$ 50.00	
Cross Der Diran	\$250.00	
Annual Meeting	\$156.31	
AirFare 1991	\$353.00	
Fr. Schnork	<u>          </u>	
	\$809.31	

# **HOLY CROSS ARMENIAN CHURCH** **PROPOSED PARISH COUNCIL BUDGET 1994**

## **ANTICIPATED INCOME:**

Membership, Dues, Plate Collection & Pledges	\$13,000.00
Holiday Donations	10,000.00
Christenings, Weddings & Funerals	2,500.00
In Lieu of Flowers	6,500.00
Hokehankisds and Prayers	6,000.00
Dividends & Interest	1,200.00
Net Proceeds form affairs (Bazaar, Picnic, Etc.)	20,000.00
Other Donations ( Auxillary Organizations)	16,500.00
Candles & Candelabra	4,000.00
Christmas Greetings	1,700.00
Center Rental	1,000.00
Missionary Endeavor	15,000.00
Miscellaneous	<u>10,000.00</u>
	<b>\$107,400.00</b>

## **ANTICIPATED EXPENSES**

Diocesan Dues & Looma	\$ 7,500.00
Salaries, Travel, Housing & Honorariums	46,000.00
Insurance	6,000.00
Armenian School	12,000.00
Building Expense:	
Church/Parish House	15,000.00
Church Center	15,000.00
Building Improvments	22,000.00
Office Supplies, Postage, Etc.	3,000.00
Office Machine Repair/Replacement	5,000.00
Telephone	1,000.00
Church Supplies	2,500.00
St. Nersess Seminary	1,500.00
St. James Seminary	1,000.00
Missionary Endeavor	15,000.00
Miscellaneous	<u>4,000.00</u>
	<b>\$156,500.00</b>

**\*PROJECTED SHORT FALL OF \$49,100.00 TO BE DRAWN FROM  
ENDOWMENT FUND INTEREST**

## **HOLY CROSS ARMENIAN CHURCH**

**UNION CITY, N.J.**

### **WOMEN'S GUILD ANNUAL REPORT**

**1993**

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	Lucy Joseph
Recording Secretary	Satenig Karagosian
Co-Treasurers	Diana Burggraf
	Arax Karagosian
Publicity	Mary Kharpertian
Advisors:	Victoria Bohajian
	Ann Chopoorian
	Grace Genjian

#### **Standing Committees:**

Flea Markets	Nector Kalustian
	Diana Burggraf
	Mary Shalakian
Sunshine/Hospitality	Arax Karagosian
Membership	Ann Chopoorian
Rummage Sales	Rose Sahagian

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 help of Alice Muhibian, Gladys Bagdasarian, Arax Chirkinian and Virginia Hajeian sees to the preparation and serving dealers and workers. 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 SALE was ably chaired by Rose Sahagian. 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.

The Guild, once again, played Santa Claus and donated \$100.00 to the Division of Youth and Family Services to purchase toys for needy children in the Hudson County Area.

In February of this year, the Guild donated a total of \$15,000 to the Parish Council. Another \$5,000 is being given today with the request that all these monies be used towards refurbishing, replacing and purchasing new items needed in the Center and other areas of our Church.

Under the auspices of the Women's Guild Central Council and the approval of the Parish Council, our Guild sponsored a child, namely TIGRAN HOVHANNISIAN, through the CASP (Children of Armenia Sponsorship Program). Tigran is 8 years old. He lives with his father and brother in Yerevan (his mother is deceased). He will be sponsored by us until he reaches 18 years of age.

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 Memories. Our thanks to Diana Burggraf and Satenig Karagosian 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.

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

WOMEN'S GUILD CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES - 1993

January	6	Armenian Christmas Badarak - served breakfast
	20	General Membership Meeting - Mr. Hovhannes Khosdeghian of our Diocese was guest speaker - Monasteries of Armenia.
February	7	Parish Assembly - served lunch
	11	Set-up for Members Only Flea Market - Mary Shalakian
	12,13 & 14	Sale Days
	17	General Membership Meeting - Speaker Rev. Fr. Arshen Aivazian of St. Mary (Livingston) - The Evolution of the Liturgy.
	18	Lunch and Play - High Spirits
	19	Sale Day - Members Only
March	20	Sale Day and Pack Up - Members Only
	23	Cooking Session in preparation of Lenten Luncheon
	24	Lenten Luncheon
	13	Flea Market
	16	Cook in preparation of Meeting
	17	General Membership Meeting - Lunch served. Talk and Slides by Dr. Ara Manookian, Robert Wood Johnson Medical School - Topic: Diseases of the G.I. System.
	20	Women Saints Day - Diocesan Complex
	31	Chorag-making Session for sale Palm Sunday. Benefit CASP.
	8	Maundy Thursday - Received Communion - Served lunch.
	14	General Membership Meeting
April	17	Flea Market
	3	Bus Ride to Atlantic City
May	8	Flea Market
	14,15,16	25th Anniversary - Consecration of St. Vartan Cathedral
	21	Set-up for Women of the Year Dinner
	22	Set-up for Women of the Year Dinner
	23	Women of the Year Dinner
June	26	Rummage Sale Set-up at 10AM. Noon Bring lunch
	28&29	Rummage Sale
	4	Preparation for Church Picnic
	6	Church Picnic
	16	Closing Luncheon at Loft Restaurant
	19	Flea Market
	25&26	Members-Only Flea Market
September	11	Flea Market
	15	General Membership Meeting
	22&29	Chorag-making Session

CALENDAR (continued)

October	4	Bus Ride to Atlantic City
	6-7	Keufteh Making Session - Bazaar
	9	Flea Market
	10	Women's Guild 59th Anniversary Celebration
	13	General Membership Meeting
	15	Toorshi-Making Session - Bazaar
	20&21	Keufteh Making Session - Bazaar
November	27	Yalanchi Making Session - Bazaar
	29&30	Annual Bazaar
	13	Flea Market
	17	General Membership Meeting
December	19&20	Members Only Flea Market
	13	Flea Market
	15	Closing Luncheon - Memories

Respectfully submitted,

ARPENA SBARBARO  
Chairperson

HOLY CROSS ARMENIAN CHURCH  
WOMEN'S GUILD - FINANCIAL REPORT  
1993

BALANCE - December 31, 1992 \$11,088.33

INCOME:

Dues	\$ 526.00	
Atlantic City Trips (2)	1,332.00	
Interest on Money Market Savings Acct	61.67	
Lenten Luncheon	544.01	
Rummage Sale (1)	588.60	
Flea Markets (8)	7,135.05	
Members only Flea Markets (3)	182.25	
Women of the Year Dinner	1,172.35	
59th Anniversary Donations	955.00	
Chorag Sale	306.46	
Miscellaneous	<u>190.75</u>	<u>\$12,994.14</u>

TOTAL INCOME AND OPENING BALANCE \$24,082.47

DISBURSEMENTS:

Transfer of funds to Parish Council	\$ 15,000.00	
Sponsorship of Child in Armenia (CASP)	200.00	
Printing and Postage Stamps	215.10	
Meeting Refreshments	132.34	
Floral Vases and In Lieu of Flowers	250.00	
Women's Guild Central Council - Dues	184.00	
Donation - Children's Volunteer Assn.	100.00	
Christmas Gift to Caretaker	100.00	
Miscellaneous	<u>114.80</u>	<u>\$16,296.24</u>

BALANCE - December 31, 1993 \$ 7,786.23

TOTAL ASSETS:

Checking Account - Hudson United Bank	7,591.05
Petty Cash	189.80
Bazaar Account	<u>5.38</u>
	\$ 7,786.23

Respectfully submitted,  
Arax Karagosian & Diana Burggraf  
Co-Treasurers

## **HOLY CROSS ARMENIAN CHURCH**

**UNION CITY, N.J.**

### **MESROBIAN ARMENIAN SCHOOL - 1993**

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 34 students, aged 4 to 14, composed of 4 classes. The teachers are Mrs. Sela Nazarian, Ms. Maggie Nazarian and assistant teacher, 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.
5. Year-End Hantess - Recitations, play, dancing and songs. Refreshments prepared by the parents.

All proceeds raised from the Armenian School functions have been placed in the Holy Cross Endowment Fund.

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  
UNION CITY, NJ

SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT  
1993

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

<u>Grade</u>	<u>Enrollment</u>	<u>Teacher</u>
Nursery to Grade 10	10	Sylvia Bozoyan

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

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

1993 Events

January	Christmas Holy Communion & Breakfast
March / April	Lenten Offering Collection
April	Easter Holy Communion & Breakfast Easter plants & candy were presented to students.
June	Closing Day
September	Opening Day
December	Christmas Party for the students. Gifts were pre- sented to each student.

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  
1993

CASH BALANCE - January 1, 1993 \$ 892.26

RECEIPTS

Sunday Collections 250.00

Donation 100.00

(In memory of Edward Yervant Bozoyan)

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\$ 1,242.26

DISBURSEMENTS

Lenten Donation \$ 100.00

Christmas Gifts 34.58

Diocese 50.00

(Donation of flannel board to Armenia)

TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS \$ 184.58

CASH BALANCE - December 31, 1993 \$ 1,057.68

Respectfully submitted,

Alice Bozoyan  
Treasurer

**HOLY CROSS ARMENIAN CHURCH**

**UNION CITY, N.J.**

**SENIOR CITIZENS ANNUAL REPORT**

**1993**

The Executive Committee of the Senior Citizens consists of:

Chairperson	Bertha Najarian
Treasurer/Secretary	Satenig Karagosian
Advisor	Alice Najarian
Sunshine Girl	Alice Muhibian

The Senior Citizens group meets every Tuesday (weather permitting) to carry out their planned activities. A minimum fee is charged to cover the cost of refreshments.

Our organization wishes to thank our members for their continuing contributions and dedication.

The Committee serves coffee and cake every Tuesday.

Respectfully submitted,

SATENIG KARAGOSIAN  
Secretary

HOLY CROSS ARMENIAN CHURCH  
 SENIOR CITIZENS - FINANCIAL REPORT  
 FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1993

CASH BALANCE - January 1, 1993	\$1,119.47
Adjustment for prior year error	<u>23.15</u>
Adjusted new balance	\$1,142.62

INCOME:

Admissions	\$	599.75	
Dues		72.00	
Donations		2.00	
Sale of Food		15.50	
Interest on Savings Account		<u>22.15</u>	<u>711.40</u>
TOTAL RECEIPTS PLUS OPENING BALANCE			1,854.02

DISBURSEMENTS:

Donation to Church	\$	500.00	
Meeting Expenses & Miscellaneous		202.15	
Christmas Gift - Pablo Taura		<u>50.00</u>	<u>752.15</u>
CASH BALANCE - December 31, 1993			<u>1,101.87</u>

TOTAL ASSETS

Bank Savings Account	\$1,066.17	
Cash on Hand	<u>35.70</u>	
TOTAL	<u>\$1,101.87</u>	

Respectfully submitted,

Satenig Karagosian  
 Treasurer

**HOLY CROSS ARMENIAN CHURCH**

**UNION CITY, N.J**

**CHOIR ANNUAL REPORT**

**1993**

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 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, 1993

CASH BALANCE - January 1, 1993 \$1,000.21

INCOME:

Christmas Plate Collection	\$ 290.00	
Easter Plate Collection	<u>400.00</u>	<u>690.00</u>

TOTAL RECEIPTS PLUS OPENING BALANCE 1,690.21

DISBURSEMENTS:

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CASH BALANCE - December 31, 1992 1,690.21

Respectfully submitted,

Hacik Sariminasyan  
Treasurer

