

**30TH ANNUAL PARISH ASSEMBLY
ST. THOMAS ARMENIAN CHURCH
Sunday, February 5 1995, following Church Service**

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For the Parish Assembly
V. Rev. Fr. Papken Dz.V. Anoushian, Pastor & President
Leon Nigohosian, Chairman
Madlen Setian, Secretary

PASTOR'S REPORT

It is with a great sense of pride and accomplishment that I report to you today that our spiritual and financial aspects at St. Thomas Armenian Church are indeed very strong. We have so far \$47,850 in the building fund for any capital improvements of the existing complex; we also have \$27,285 in a Money Market account set aside for any emergency and during 1994 close to \$53,842 was acquired in surplus funds.

Undoubtedly it has been a pleasure and privilege for me to have served as Pastor of St. Thomas Armenian Church for more than three and a half years now. Ours is one of the largest parishes in the Diocese, with a multitude of programs and endeavors. As your shepherd, I have welcomed the tremendous challenge presented by such a growing and diversified flock, and thank God for the strength He has given me to carry out my pastoral and leadership duties. We owe a great debt of gratitude to Dr. Levon Capan, Parish Council Chairman, and to our very capable Parish Council members for all their dedicated and effective efforts.

My heartfelt thanks go to our Parish Council Chairman, Dr. Levon Capan, the Parish Council members, Board of Trustees and Diocesan Delegates, as well as to all our organization and event chairpeople for their devoted service to St. Thomas this past year. Also, I wish to express deep appreciation to the countless volunteers who assisted in all areas and made such a special contribution to our success.

Listed below are highlights of the activities, projects and efforts in which I was involved in 1994:

WORSHIP SERVICES: The Divine Liturgy was conducted regularly every Sunday, according to the traditions and canons of the Armenian Church. I am pleased to report that our deacons, altar servers and choir also participated weekly with me in Morning Services prior to the Divine Liturgy and have steadily been increasing their knowledge of church rituals. In addition, I am conducting Deacons' Training.

SACRAMENTAL SERVICES: All sacramental services were performed in accordance with the rites, rituals and canons of the Armenian Church. During this past year 20 baptisms, 13 marriages and 12 funerals took place.

SPECIAL SERVICES: Special services and feast days for the Nativity and Revelation of Christ our Lord (Armenian Christmas Eve and Day), Palm Sunday, Holy Week, Easter Eve and Day, Transfiguration, Assumption and Exaltation of the Holy Cross were all properly and conscientiously conducted as per our Church Calendar. On December 24, a special service was held on the occasion of St. Stepanos dedicated to all the Deacons of the Church. For the Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross a special service was held and was extremely well attended. On this occasion, as on Easter Sunday, the services were attended by overflow crowds. I am delighted that a capacity congregation filled the church on all the other feast days as well.

HOSPITAL & OLD AGE/NURSING HOME VISITATIONS: Hospital visitations to the sick were done regularly, whenever we had knowledge that someone was ill. I also visited the sick and elderly at the Emerson Old Age/Nursing Home a minimum of once a month. Services were held and Holy Communion was given there on Armenian Christmas and Holy Thursday.

PUBLICATIONS: The NOR TAR, our monthly St. Thomas publication, has been well received and contains parish news as well as educational and cultural material. Many thanks to all our writers for their contributions, and special appreciation to my capable Editorial Board: Madlen E. Setian, Managing Editor, and Seta Yavru-Sakuk, Graphic Arts/Illustrator. This year we realized approximately \$1,534 in income from the solicitation of advertisements in the NOR TAR, through the efforts of Seta Yavru-Sakuk. My heartfelt thanks to her for her dedicated service to our church newspaper, which partially offset its publication cost since 1992.

THE SUNDAY BULLETIN has been published weekly to inform our faithful of important events, meaningful scriptures and liturgical information.

SUNDAY SCHOOL: Our Sunday School continues to thrive under the leadership of Mrs. Shnorig Bashian, Director, and her dedicated staff of teachers. Their time and effort are truly appreciated. I was the lecturer at the Sunday School's religious education program on many occasions, and attend and support all their special events.

KIRIKIAN ARMENIAN SCHOOL: The Armenian School also continues to flourish under the leadership of Mrs. Ani Capan, Superintendent, and her excellent faculty members. Their time and effort are truly appreciated. I support and attend all their programs.

ECUMENICAL: I also serve as a member of the Tenafly Clergy Council, representing St. Thomas Armenian Church. A special interreligious, multi-faith ecumenical service was held at Thanksgiving time, in November at

the Roman Catholic Church in Tenafly. I participated along with other religious leaders and gave the benediction at that service. I feel it is important to know our neighbors and show our respect and appreciation, thus fostering knowledge and tolerance of one another.

COMMUNITY RELATIONS: I continue to promote and maintain good relations between government and our church. For our Palm Sunday Anniversary dinner, we invited N.J. Assembly Speaker, Garabed "Chuck" Haytaian as special guest. Speaker Haytaian attended and brought his entire family. We were also honored that day with the presence of our Primate, His Eminence Archbishop Khajag Barsamian, who celebrated the Divine Liturgy and presided over the banquet.

HOME BLESSINGS: I have personally blessed many homes, thus getting to know my wonderful, good and pious parishioners and their families.

COUNSELLING, RELIGIOUS EDUCATION & BIBLE STUDY: My pastoral activities this year have included family counselling and religious education. I am always eager and available to be of assistance to all members of our flock in times of personal need or misfortune.

CHURCH CLUBS & ORGANIZATIONS: All our church clubs and organizations are very important to St. Thomas. They have my unequivocal support, and I have attended their special functions. The Women's Guild, Men's Club, Family Auxiliary of St. Thomas, ACYOA, Avak Society, Choir, New Directions, Sunday School and Kirikian Armenian School are the pillars of our parish, and they are the key to uniting us all into one family. I applaud them and all their wonderful members.

YOUTH PROGRAMS: I am especially grateful for the sincere and hardworking young people we have in our parish. Our Sunday School and Armenian School students and ACYOA members are our future church leaders, so it is imperative that we provide them with the best possible Christian-Armenian training and foundation at St. Thomas. During the past year our youth have been a true credit to us, serving on the altar, assisting at important parish events such as the Anniversary Dinner, Memorial Day Picnic and Bazaar, participating in religious services at Easter and Christmas, and enthusiastically "pitching in" whenever called upon. How inspiring it was to see young people of all ages and from all our church groups participating together on December 24th, when we celebrated American Christmas Eve with special all-English church services! I have made it a priority to support and encourage them in every way possible and truly appreciate the enthusiasm with which they have responded. I am committed to promoting and expanding our youth programs in the future, both religious and recreational.

In conclusion, my past year at St. Thomas has been most gratifying. And I believe that there is tremendous potential here, as evidenced by the record-breaking crowds that have been present at our religious services and events the past year. Our 1994 fundraisers surpassed previous years' events in profits and attendance.

SPECIAL PROGRAMS: This year has been an especially successful year for St. Thomas Armenian Church both spiritually, morally and financially.

FALL DINNER-DANCE: The Fall Dinner-Dance which took place in October was a very successful fundraiser for St. Thomas. My heartfelt thanks to Mr. & Mrs. Jack & Sylva Torosian, and their committee, for all their efforts.

ARMENIAN HISTORY CLASSES: During this past year several lectures on the subject of Armenian history were presented at St. Thomas by Prof. Bournoutian. Special thanks to Mrs. Virginia Victoria for chairing this worthwhile program.

NEW YEAR'S EVE: 1994 came to a grand finale with a gala New Year's Eve Dinner-Dance on December 31st that glowed with fellowship and good cheer. What a magnificent occasion it was for our church family to usher in the New Year! Heartfelt thanks to Dr. & Mrs. Levon & Ani Capan, Dr. & Mrs. Bedros & Seta Yavru-Sakub and their Committees.

CULTURAL ARTS COMMITTEE: During the past year the Cultural Arts Committee chaired by Mrs. Lucy Piligian planned and carried out three events. The first was an April 24 Commemoration cultural performance by the ACYOA, the second was a lecture by Ms. Marjorie Hovsepian, and the third was a film presentation of the Armenian film "Chick Peas." All three events were very successful drawing large crowds. Special thanks to Mrs. Lucy Piligian, Chairman, for her wonderful work.

FR. PAPKEN SPECIAL PROJECT/CHURCH ARTIFACTS: The Fr. Papken Special Project/Church Artifacts Program involves obtaining donations from the faithful in our parish to be used towards the maintenance and

replacement of worn vestments, altar cloths or obtaining artifacts and other items which the church has lacked in its sacristy and other activities. Toward this end, a group of ladies has been formed for sewing and constructing the vestments, altar cloths etc., under the direction of Mrs. Ani Capan. Mrs. Capan and all the ladies serve voluntarily. They have worked continuously and regularly week after week to sew and complete the items needed. My sincere and heartfelt thanks go to them for their dedication and love for our church. I encourage our parishioners to contribute toward this program since there are still many items we need.

RUPEN SADDLER 90TH BIRTHDAY TRIBUTE

I am very glad to report that St. Thomas honored Rupen Saddler with a tribute on the occasion of his 90th birthday in recognition of all his many contributions. On this occasion a special ACEF fund was set up by Mr. Nazar Nazarian to benefit St. Thomas in the amount of \$5,000. My special thanks to Mr. Nazarian for his donation and to Mrs. Virginia Victoria for chairing the tribute dinner.

PALM SUNDAY ANNIVERSARY DINNER/MEMORIAL DAY PICNIC & CAR RAFFLE/FALL BAZAAR:

I am glad to report that all annual events have been maintained and successfully continued during 1994. My heartfelt thanks to: Dr. & Mrs. Bedros & Seta Yavru for chairing the 29th Anniversary Palm Sunday Dinner, to Dr. & Mrs. Harout & Shake Mekhjian for chairing the Memorial Day Picnic, to Mr. Jack Torosian for chairing the Car Raffle, and to Mr. & Mrs. Onnik and Ayda Bozyan for chairing the Annual Fall Bazaar. God Bless them!

SPECIAL THANKS: I would like to sincerely thank Dr. Levon Capan, Chairman of the Parish Council, for all of his help, guidance, experience, and steadfast support to me during this past year. His exemplary faith and dedication towards the Armenian Church and the Armenian Nation has strengthened me in my calling.

Prayerfully,
Very Rev. Fr. Papken Dz. V. Anoushian

PARISH COUNCIL REPORT

We completed 1994 as another successful year for the St. Thomas Armenian Church. Our financial status is better than what it has been past several years. This year the surplus was \$53,000 and we are beginning 1995 with an operating fund of \$163,000. We are also planning ahead. The restricted fund that has accumulated for building improvement, reached \$48,000; this figure was \$19,200 last year at this time. We should consider ourselves blessed, especially if we consider that many diocesan churches are having difficulty in balancing their budget and some have difficulty in paying their assessments. As I stated last year, our success is a direct result of the genuine interest, dedication and hard work of the members for whom this church is their home and, thus, they do not spare any effort to come forward with their contributions, financial or otherwise. We, as Parish Council members would like to thank and express our immense appreciation to all of you who have helped the church during the past year.

REPORT OF FUNCTIONS:

Anniversary Dinner: The traditional Anniversary Dinner was held on Sunday, March 27 (Palm Sunday). We were honored by the presence of our Primate, His Eminence Archbishop Khajag Barsamian. St. Thomas Award recipient was our choir director and organist Ms. Susan Shamamian, whose constant dedication to and support of this church is exemplary and unequivocal. This Anniversary Dinner was superbly organized by Dr. & Mrs. Bedros & Seta Yavru-Sakuk. A.C.Y.O.A. Juniors continued their tradition as the servers of the event and were commended by everyone present. The cake sale was organized by Mr. & Mrs. Krikor and Ani Hamparsumian and contributed \$6,500 to nearly \$11,500 raised by the event. Thanks to Seta and Bedros, Ani & Krikor and everyone on their committee.

Memorial Day Picnic: The Memorial Day Picnic was chaired by Dr. & Mrs. Haroutune & Shake Mekhjian and took place on May 30. As always, a concerted effort by the Chairmen and the members of the Picnic committee, made this affair a very enjoyable and successful event. The total profit, that included the cash and non-cash donations, was nearly \$15,500. Thanks to the Mekhjian and all those who helped them.

Car Raffle This year a Mercedes-Benz 280C was the car that attracted the attention of individuals from our and other parishes. This successful event was organized by Mr. & Mrs. Hagop and Silva Torosians. God Bless you,

Silva and Hagop.

Mr. Rupen Saddler 90th Birthday Event: How could one overlook the entry to the 90th year of life of our "still young" benefactor Mr. Rupen Saddler? This enjoyable and successful event was attended by more than 100 people. Many speeches were made emphasizing the importance of Mr. Saddler to our church and to the Armenian Community. The generosity of Mr. & Mrs. Nazar Nazarians was once more observed during this affair; they donated \$5,000 to be invested in the ACEF and the interest to be used for the upkeep of the Saddler Hall.

Bazaar: November 12th and 13th, 1994, marked an important traditional event for St. Thomas. The Bazaar this year was chaired by Mr. & Mrs. Onnig & Aida Bozian. Their hard work coupled with the cooperation and efforts of their committee members provided a profit of \$32,600. The cake sale for this event was undertaken by Mr. & Mrs. Krikor & Bertha Yigitkurt. Their hard work and dedication yielded more than \$5,000. Our sincere gratitude to the Bozians, Yigitkurts, and their committee members.

Kef Night/Dinner Dance: A very successful Kef Night/Dinner Dance was held in October, chaired by Mr. & Mrs. Hagop & Silva Torosian. This event was again a sell-out and provided a profit of nearly \$15,500 to the Church. Our heartfelt thanks to the Torosians and to all contributors of this event.

New Year's Eve: New Year's Eve was a major success with more than 400 attendees. The evening was organized by sisters Ani Capan and Seta Yavru-Sakuk. The net profit for the Church was more than \$15,000. Thanks to Ani and Seta for their continued support.

ADMINISTRATIVE EVENTS:

Accounting: Our efforts in having a workable computer program started to be fruitful. This year our accounting was done both by conventional and computerized manner. Our heartfelt thanks to Mr. Michael Halajian, CPA, for his efforts in realization of this project, Mrs. Grace Hagopian (Treasurer) who for many years without complaining managed our complex treasury and accounting and Mrs. Mary Tashjian (Secretary) who for several years entered data into the computer without exhausting her patience.

Custodian: Our custodians, Mr. & Mrs. Haroon Yang, resigned in December 1994. A replacement has been hired.

Facility Rentals: A significant increase in hall rentals was noted during 1994. The revenue for this year was \$47,000. Mrs. Virginia Victoria and Mrs. Grace Hagopian reviewed and revised hall rental policies and guidelines. A new set of guidelines has been prepared and put into application. An additional affair to further improve our hall rental was held in October in the form of "Wedding Expo" involving more than 12 vendors exhibiting their products. The affair was organized by Mrs. Ani Capan with significant help from Ms. Gasia Gabonian. Thanks to all involved in this project.

BUILDING IMPROVEMENT: The Architectural and Facilities Management Committee was reactivated in September. The Committee is chaired by Mr. Albert Victoria; other members are Mr. Andy Ouzoonian, Mr. Jack Charshafian, Mr. Raffi Arslanian and Mr. Hagop Torosian (liaison to Parish Council). The committee attended one of the Parish Council meetings and discussed the status of the building, existing funds, etc. A repair work was done on the roof covering the Saddler and Mekhjian Halls. Our building fund grew faster than expected. It was \$19,200 last year at this time; it is \$47,850 now.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Diocesan Assembly 1994 This year the Diocesan Assembly was held in Houston, Texas. Delegates in attendance were: Dr. Harout Mekhjian, Mr. Levon Nazarian, Mr. Varoujan Arslanian, Mr. Albert Victoria, Mr. Greg Saraydarian, Mr. Ara Martaian, Dr. Bedros Yavru-Sakuk and Dr. Levon Capan (P.C. Chairman). Reelection of our Primate, His Eminence Khajag Barsamian, with unanimous voting was one of the prominent events of the meeting. The Parish Council would like to extend its sincere thanks to all delegates who attended this meeting at their own expense.

BOOKSTORE: Mrs. Dikris Malool, who did a superb job in running our bookstore for several years, resigned in June. We thank Mrs. Malool for her devoted job in the bookstore all these years. Mrs. Sirvart Demirjian is replacing Mrs. Malool.

Overall we can consider 1995 a good year. We wish that 1995 will be at least as good as 1994 bringing St. Thomas strength, harmony and friendship.

Levon M. Capan, M.D.
Parish Council Chairman

The following represent your 1994 Parish Council:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>ASSIGNMENT</u>	<u>LIAISON</u>
V.Rev.Fr. P.Dzv.Anoushian	President	ACYOA Jrs.
Dr. Levon Capan	Chairman	
Virginia Victoria	Vice-Chairman	Sunday School
Grace Hagopian	Treasurer & Purchasing	
Susan Shamamian	Corr. Secretary,	Choir
Arpi Arslanian	Assist. Treasurer	
Ann Ajemian	Rec. Sec.,	Women's Guild
Frank Avakian/Stoneson		
Eileen Barsamian	Recording Sec.	Avaks
Leon Nigogosian	Recording Sec.	Armenian School
Richard Saraydarian		Men's Club
Jack Torosian	Maintenance/Technical	
<u>DIOCESAN DELEGATES:</u>		
Varoujan Arslanian	Dr. Harout Mekhjian	Dr. Bedros Yavru-Sakuk
Dr. Levon Capan	Levon Nazarian	
Albert Victoria		
Ara Martaian	Gregory Saraydarian	

**CALENDAR OF EVENTS
1994**

Jan.	5-	Badarak & Christmas Services at Armenian Home for the Aged in Emerson organized by Women's Guild with Choir participating
	6-	Armenian Christmas Services.
	8-	Armenian Christmas Eve Services - Bible Reading by children.
	9-	Armenian Christmas & Blessing of Water
	9-	Kirikian Armenian School Christmas Annual Dinner chaired by Madlen Setian. Guest Speaker
		Dr. Vrej Nersessian.
	21-	Joint Men's Club & Women's Guild dinner-meeting
	22-	27th Annual A.C.S.S.A. Sports Dance.
	30-	First Session Parish Assembly.
Feb.	6-	Second Session Parish Assembly & Election.
	11-	St. Thomas Women's Guild dinner "Feast before the Fast".
	12-	Poon Paregentan Party & Fair sponsored by the St. Thomas Kirikian Armenian School with the Sunday School.
March	10-	"Bible Study" by Very Rev. Fr. Papken Dz.V. Anoushian, Armenian in the morning and English at night, every Thursday until Palm Sunday.
	11-	An evening with author Marjorie Housepian Dobkin, lecture on Smyrna 1922.
	12	Women Saints Day celebration at St. Stepanos Church, Elberon.
	18-	Women's Guild Lenten Dinner.
	25-	An evening with noted Armenian Historian Dr. George Bournoutian.
	27-	Palm Sunday Anniversary Dinner - Chaired by Dr. & Mrs. Bedros & Seta Yavru-Sakuk.
		Cake Sale chaired by Mr. & Mrs. Krikor & Ani Hamparsoumian.
	31-	Maundy Thursday Badarak & Breakfast at Emerson Home for the Armenian Aged organized by Women's Guild with Choir participating.
	-	Holy Thursday "Vodunlvah" and "Khavaroom" Services.

- April 1- Good Friday - Burial Service - Taghoom.
 2- Easter Communion & Breakfast for Children sponsored by Kirikian Armenian School & Sunday School.
 Easter Eve Service followed by fellowship.
 3- Easter Badarak.
 9- 37th Annual St. Thomas Cotillion sponsored by Women's Guild.
 15- "Sports' Dinner" organized by Men's Club.
 22- "Family Nite Spaghetti Dinner" by ACYOA Jrs.
 23- Cultural Evening-"We Won't Let Them Forget"-sponsored by Young Adults.
 24- Special Service of initiation for the members of Parish Council.
 27- Women's Guild Spring Luncheon & Fashion Show.
- May 6- Family Auxiliary First Pot Luck Dinner.
 7- A.C.Y.O.A. Jrs. Spring Dance.
 15- Car Wash sponsored by A.C.Y.O.A. Jrs.
 22- Cake Sale sponsored by the St. Thomas Choir.
 25- Kirikian Armenian School Spring Brunch at Mekhjian Atrium.
 30- Memorial Day Picnic Chaired by Dr. & Mrs. Harout Mekhjian & coordinated by Michel Izmirly. Car Raffle Chaired by Mr. & Mrs. Hagop & Silva Torosian.
- June 5- Sunday School Graduation Ceremony followed by reception at the Mekhjian Atrium.
- July 12- Kirikian Armenian School Annual Hantes followed by a reception in Mekhjian Atrium.
- August 10- Celebration of Holy Transfiguration - Vartavar
 19- Women's Guild Blood Drive organized by Queenie Tashjian.
 14- Feast of the Assumption of the Mother of God & Blessing of the Grapes.
 25- Women's Guild visited the Armenian Old Aged Home to celebrate the birthday of residents born in August.
- Sept. 10- Celebration & Cocktail Reception honoring Mr. Rupen Saddler on his 90th birthday.
 11- Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross-Pilgrimage to St. Thomas Armenian Church.
 17- Registration & Opening Day of Kirikian Armenian School.
 18- Sunday School Registration & Opening Day.
- October 8- Men's Club annual "Night at the Races" organized by Col. Victor Arzoomanian.
 9-11 ACYOA Jr. Sports Weekend, Wynnewood, Pa.
 17- St. Thomas Sunday School students organized a "Crop Walk for Hunger".
 19- Bridal Expo
 22- St. Thomas Fall Dinner Dance Chaired by Mr. & Mrs. Jack Torosian.
 26- Women's Guild Membership Tea.
- November 12-13 Annual Bazaar - Chaired by Mr. & Mrs. Onnig & Ida Bozian, Cake Sale by Mr. & Mrs. Krikor & Bertha Yigitkurt and raffle by Mr. & Mrs. Krikor & Arpi Arslanian.
 17- Blood Drive - Directed by Mrs. Mari Camcikyan.
 30- Parish Bus Ride to Showboat Casino, Atlantic City, NJ.
- December 2- ACYOA Jrs Christmas Dance.
 5- Lecture & Slide presentation on "The Image of the Armenian Woman in Arts" by Dr. Levon Chookaszian from Yerevan.
 6- Women's Guild Annual Christmas Luncheon.
 6- Open Lecture on "The Birth of the Modern Armenian Republic" by Dr. George Bournoutian.
 11- Sunday School Christmas Dinner
 23- Christmas Party sponsored by Knights of Vartan.

- 24- American Christmas Eve & St. Stepanos Services & Fellowship.
- 31- New Year's Eve Celebration Co-chaired by Dr. & Mrs. Levon & Ani Capan and Dr. & Mrs. Bedros & Seta Yavru-Sakuk.

The Parish Council would like to take this opportunity to thank the Parish Organizations for their efforts in service, leadership and fund-raising for the benefit of St. Thomas Church in 1993:

- ACYOA Jrs. - Nadine Yavru-Sakuk & Karen Khatchadourian
- Architectural & Facilities Management Committee - Mr. Albert Victoria
- Armenian Churches Sports Association - Douglas Martaian, Vice Chairman
Sports Reps.: Douglas Martaian & Levon Altiparmakian
Girls' Coaches: Andrew Martaian, Susan Chagachbanian, Levon Altiparmakian
Jr. Boys: Douglas Martaian
Sr. Boys: Douglas Martaian and Andrew Martaian
Men's Team: Robert Sarajian
- Armenian School - Ani Capan, Superintendent
- Avak Society - Jack Hajinlian, Chairman
- Board of Trustees - Dr. Harout Mekhjian, Chairman; Edward Bashian, Vice Chairman
- Book Store - Dikris Malool & Sirvart Demirjian
- Choir Director & Organist - Susan Shamamian
- Choir Chairman - Eugenie Amerkanian
- Family Auxiliary of St. Thomas - Mrs. Ani Capan and Mrs. Silva Torosian
- Women's Guild - Mrs. MaryAnn Saraydarian
- Men's Club - Mr. Ara Babigian
- Anniversary Dinner - Dr. & Mrs. Bedros & Seta Yavru-Sakuk. Cake Sale chaired by Krikor & Ani Hamparsumian
- Car Raffle - Mr. Hagop Torosian
- Picnic Chairmen - Dr. & Mrs. Harout Mekhjian
- 1994 Bazaar Chairmen - Mr. & Mrs. Onnig Bozian
- Bazaar Cake Sale - Mr. & Mrs. Krikor & Bertha Yigitkurt

BOARD OF TRUSTEES REPORT

In 1994 the Board of Trustees was basically inactive as a group for church related activities. But individually, some of the Board's members were involved and contributed to functions to the best of their abilities.

There were no special memorials or funds or major construction work to keep the Board busy.

I do not foresee flurry of activities involving the Board of Trustees next year either.

Respectfully submitted,
H. Mekhjian, Md
Chairman of the Board of Trustees

BOARD OF TRUSTEES FINANCIAL REPORT - 1994

Opening Balance - January 1, 1994	\$5,001.04
Closing Balance - December 31, 1994	\$5,001.04

A.C.E.F. FUND , DECEMBER 31, 1994

Ajemian, Peter & Ann Fund	5,000.00
Barsamian, Vahan Memorial Fund	6,000.00
Bashian, Edward & Family Fund	2,000.00
Ganan, Serge & Vickie Memorial Fund	1,745.00
Goshgarian, Zakar & Vartoohe Memorial	1,100.00
Kasparian, Fr. Arnak & Yeretsgin Fund	5,000.00
Kasparian, Caspar Memorial Fund	61,434.51
Kavazanjian/Kassabian, Annoush Memorial	1,035.00
Mekhjian, Dr. Haroutune & Shake Fund	5,000.00
Otchy, Arthur & Dorothy Fund	1,200.00
Saddler, Rupen Fund	6,500.00
St. Thomas Armenian Church A.C.E.F	2,875.00
Shahinian, George Memorial Fund	20,586.00
Tashjian, Martin (Sonny)Memorial Fund	8,135.00
Tekirian, Ardashes & Siranoush Fund	2,595.00
Total	<u>\$130,205.51</u>

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MEMORIAL DONOR - 1994

Michael Fuhrman

\$100

ARCHITECTURAL & FACILITIES MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE :

In September the Architectural & Facilities Management Committee was reinstated with Raffi Arslanian, Jack Charshafian, Andy Ouzoonian, Jack Torosian and Al Victoria as members.

The Committee shall continue to be governed by the original rules as adopted by the Assembly.

The AFMC(Architectural Facilities Management Committee) is essentially a capital improvements operation but fully involved in many facets of the ongoing maintenance of the entire complex.

The funding is essentially from funds that were redirected from the mortgage payments and such additional funding as budgeted by the Parish Council in order to meet the projective long term needs of the Building Complex.

Some of the work that involved the AFMC in 1994 was the ongoing needs of the roof, the selection of a stained glass contractor to build and install over the center arch of the Narthex of the Church a window donated by Ann Ajemian and family; compilation and identification of the work that should be attended to in 1995; and plans for the work of preventive maintenance in the future.

Much other work was accomplished at the direction of Jack Torosian in his role as the Parish Council member responsible for maintenance. Ongoing repairs were made to the marble floors in the Atrium, the repair and maintenance of the heating units in the classrooms were attended to, and concrete slab was created in the rear of the kitchen for cleanliness. Many hours were provided by Jack Torosian in overseeing the small and large jobs of caring for the building complex.

If members of the congregation will help the AFMC by identifying maintenance and repair needs by reporting items needing attention the Church office, it may help reduce our costs and efforts by early care.

Al Victoria - Chairman

ARCHITECTURAL & FACILITIES MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE :

Members: Raffi Arslanian
Jack Charshafian
Andy Ouzoonian
Jack H. Torosian, Parish Council Liaison
Albert Victoria, Chairman

The following projects were undertaken by the Committee:

Steam clean all wall to wall carpeting in Church Complex.

New concrete work done at kitchen entry sidewalk and garbage room floor. Also reset slate steps at side entrance.

- Termite treatment second stage was done at kitchen and storage room areas.
- Remove and replace damaged marble tiles in Atrium.
- Install motion detectors around church complex.
- Treated and sealed exterior wood surfaces of the complex.
- Due to severe snow storm in January-February 1994, various damages were reported to Insurance Co. In November of 1994 a settlement was reached between the Insurance Co. and St. Thomas Armenian Church.

The following are some projects that the Committee feels should be completed in 1995:

- Repair of cracks in the Plaster ceiling.
- Complete the repairs of Atrium marble floor.
- Repair or replace wall paper throughout the church complex.
- Folding door needs repair in classroom #2.
- Main church entrance slate floor and concrete sidewalk needs major repair or replacement.

Thanks to Parish Council Chairman Dr. Levon Capan and all members of the Parish Council for putting aside \$2,000 each month in 1994 for building maintenance reserve and their promise to continue to do so in 1995.

ARCHITECTURAL & FACILITIES MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE FINANCIAL REPORT

Opening Balance - 1/1/94	19,200
Additional Transfer per Assembly(2/5/94) Directive	<u>6,000</u>
	25,000
Capital Expenses charged against Reserve	
Concrete work & alarm of Parish House	<u>1,350</u>
	23,850
\$2,000 x 12 - 1994 allocation	<u>24,000</u>
Balance	47,850

Jack Torosian - Parish Council Liaison

CHURCH GROUNDS - LANDSCAPING

Our Church grounds have been cared for by Lubrano Landscaping Co. this past year. During the cold, snowy months of last winter, they diligently cleared our property and enabled us to continue with all our Church activities with very few exceptions. During the spring and through the summer, our lawn was cut, bushes were trimmed and general clean-up was done. Their service was very satisfactory.

In addition, several new trees were planted on the west side of our property. Flowers were planted in various locations as well.

On the occasion of Rupen Saddler's 90th birthday celebration, a blue spruce tree was planted on the north side of the Church.

Grounds Chairman - Virginia Victoria

CASPAR M. KASPARIAN MEMORIAL FUND

The St. Thomas Armenian Church Caspar M. Kasparian Memorial Fund was established in 1979. The Charter approved by the Annual Parish Assembly stated that the purpose of this fund is "To provide full or partial scholarships to primarily further the religious education for the youth of St. Thomas, and in exceptional cases full time seminary students of the Diocese of the Armenian Church or youth of Holy Cross Parish of New York and St. Mary Parish of Washington, D.C." In addition the Fund also provides financial assistance to the St. Thomas Christian Education Department, sponsors retreats for Sunday School teachers and provides full or partial scholarships for St. Thomas children to attend the Diocesan St. Vartan Summer Camp.

Since its inception over 170 scholarships have been awarded to young people of this parish. During the Summer of 1994, three St. Thomas Sunday School students were awarded scholarship assistance to St. Vartan Camp and St. Nersess Seminars.

A proposed project for 1995 is a closed circuit television system for instructional use by the Sunday School.

Through activities and projects such as St. Vartan Camp, St. Nersess Seminars, support of Seminarians and the Sunday School, the Fund seeks to encourage the religious education of St. Thomas youngsters and encourage them to grow in the Armenian Christian faith.

The current members of the Board of Directors are:

Very Rev. Fr. Papken Anoushian	- President Ex-Officio
Lillian Chapien	- Chairperson
Dr. Levon Capan	- Vice-Chairperson
Henry Hagopian Jr.	- Treasurer
Albert Victoria	- Secretary
Leon Nigohosian	
Michael Kasparian	
David Kasparian	

**CASPAR M. KASPARIAN MEMORIAL FUND
FINANCIAL REPORT - 1994**

January 1, 1994 - Opening Balance		2,512.29
<u>Revenue:</u>		
Donation: Manoog Tatosian	\$ 40.00	
ACEF Income	\$3,993.24	<u>4,033.24</u>
		6,545.53
<u>Disbursements:</u>		
Alice Avanian for Shant*	\$ 195.00	
Seta Jebejian for Diran**	\$ 180.00	
Lorraine Khatchadourian for Karen**	<u>\$ 180.00</u>	<u>555.00</u>
December 31, 1994 Closing Balance	- \$5,990.53	

* Attended St. Nersess Summer Program

** Attended St. Vartan Camp

**GEORGE SHAHINIAN MEMORIAL FUND
1994**

Principal at ACEF	\$20,586.00	
	<u>INCOME</u>	<u>DISBURSEMENT</u>
ACEF Interest - 1994	\$1,338.09	
Balance on Hand - Dec. 31, 1994	800.77	
March, 1994 - CASP		\$ 400.00
June, 1994 - Kirikian Armenian School		500.00
	<u>\$2,138.86</u>	<u>\$ 900.00</u>
Balance on Hand - Dec. 31, 1994	\$1,238.86	

MARTIN SONNY TASHJIAN MEMORIAL FUND

Upon the death of Martin Sonny Tashjian on August 11, 1981, donations in the amount of \$5,624 in lieu of flowers were given to St. Thomas to be set up into an endowment fund with the Armenian Church Endowment Fund of our Diocese. The purpose of the fund is to provide funding for sports activities and towards the needs of the youth at St. Thomas Armenian Church.

The fund was established on December 29, 1982 for \$5,000 with the stipulation that all interest accrued be given to St. Thomas. As of November 25, 1994 the balance in the account is \$8,135.

For the past seven years, the interest accrued has been given to the St. Thomas Basketball Team to pay for the rental of our hall for their annual Sports Dance. The Board of Directors of the Fund is comprised of members of the Tashjian Family and Parish Council appointees.

A.C.Y.O.A. JRS - 1994

Co- Chairperson: Karen Khatchadourian
Nadine Yavru-Sakuk
Vice Chairman: Andrew Karalian
Secretaries: Maral Kechoglu
Hourig Kherlopian
Treasurer: Raffi Yacoubian

A.C.Y.O.A. Jrs. have regular meetings on the third Friday of the month. We meet at the church complex. During these meetings we discuss up-coming events and activities. We had several guest speakers during these meetings, each one lecturing on different topics which has greatly influenced and strengthened us spiritually to do our jobs more conscientiously.

A.C.Y.O.A. Jrs. get together and learn about our culture and heritage, while we are having fun by just being together. We are here to help the church as much as we can. Over the course of the year we participated in the Palm Sunday Dinner, Memorial Day Picnic, Annual Bazaar, Christmas Eve Program and many other events. For the Joint Women's Guild and Men's Club End of the Season Dinner we also put an entertainment program together.

Our aim is to be informed of our Armenian Heritage and identity, so that we can help and support any Armenian Cause in any way possible.

Calendar of Events:

January 7 Meeting / Friendly's
February 4 Meeting / Pot Luck Dinner/ Movie
February 6 Bake Sale
February 18 Meeting / Lecture:Armenian Art
February 19 Ski Trip
March 18 Meeting / Banner for Armenian Genocide
March 27 Serving at Palm Sunday Dinner
April 15 Meeting / Spaghetti Dinner
April 30 Spring Dance
May 13 Lock-In / Movie
May 31 Helped at the Picnic
June 18 Great Adventure
June 24 Elections
Sept. 11 Church Duty Day
Sept. 16 1st meeting of the season
October 21 2nd meeting of the season

October 29 Halloween Dance
 Nov. 12,13 Helped at the Annual Bazaar
 Nov. 18 Meeting and Guest speaker. Topic: DRUGS
 Nov. 20 Bake Sale
 Dec. 9 Meeting and Movie Night
 Dec. 24 Christmas Eve Program

A.C.Y.O.A. Jrs. TREASURERS REPORT 1994

Balance as of Jan. 1994 - 2,128.67

	<u>Income</u>	<u>Expense</u>
Christmas gift to Hayr Soorp		132.50
Bus rental for ski trip		419.00
Ski trip	530.00	
Nets tickets and stamps	404.00	420.59
Stamps / Snacks		132.82
Palm Sunday Church Donation		750.00
Palm Sunday Church collection	367.00	
D.J. for Dance		400.00
Band for Spring Dance		450.00
Spring Dance	1,133.00	
Spaghetti Dinner	133.00	
Banner paint		23.32
Pizza for lock-in		80.00
Sports weekend team dues		100.00
Taranto Bus Co. for canceling		50.00
Dues	108.00	
Car wash	125.00	
Bake Sale	115.10	
Halloween Dance	841.00	340.00
Patty Cash, on hand		153.18
Total	<u>3,756.10</u>	<u>3,451.41</u>

Balance as of December 31, 1994 - 2,433.36

AVAK SOCIETY - SENIOR CITIZENS - 1994

Officers:

Chairman	Jack Hajinlian
Treasurer	Helen Avedisian
Secretary	Arax Berberian
Asst. Treasurer	Sonia Darakjian
Advisors	Bertha Poosikian
	Betty Papazian

Balance as of 12/2/93 - \$2,431.40
 Membership as of 10/15/94 61

	<u>INCOME</u>	<u>EXPENSES</u>
Weekly Admission	1,773.50	
Membership Dues	183.00	
Profit on Mothers' Day & Fathers' Day Luncheon	73.75	
Interest on Savings Acct	53.70	
Profit from Lahmajoun Sale	33.75	
Refreshments		393.37
Donations		45.00
St. Thomas Church		1,551.69
Custodian		50.00
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	2,117.70	2,040.06
Midatlantic Bank Checking Account -	\$ 175.08	
Midatlantic Bank Savings Account-	\$2,333.96	
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	\$2,509.04	

CHOIR

Chairperson: - Eugenie Amerkanian
Vice-Chairperson: - Marie Zokian
Treasurer: - Levon Altiparmakian
Secretary: - Mary Sanossian
Advisors: - Ara Martaian
Choir Dir./Organist - Susan Shamamian
- Dr. Bedros Yavru-Sakuk
Parish Council Liaison - Susan Shamamian

The St. Thomas Choir had a very busy year once again. Susan Shamamian, Our Director and Organist enthusiastically leads us every Sunday as well as holding a minimum of 2 rehearsals a month, including the summer months. Our choir members are faithfully attentive for Badarak and rehearsals and are always willing and ready to sing for any occasion. Serving on the altar during this year were Deacon Bedros Sarkissian and Altar Servers Levon Altiparmakian, Vicken Ezgilioglu, Andrew Martaian and Dr. Bedros Yavru-Sakuk.

Calendar of Events:

January: Participation in Armenian Christmas Badarak at Home for the Aged, in Emerson, NJ.
Preparation of meal for the homeless - Araxie Diratzouian, Bertha Vaniskhian and Jeanie Amerkanian.

February: Gomidas Window Dedication with reception following. St. Thomas Choir participated in Vartanantz Day Celebration Program at the Cathedral.

March: 10 Deacon Shabigs are sewn by the Altar Guild.
Participation in Easter Badarak at Home for the Aged, Emerson, NJ.

April: Easter Plate collection.

May: Our annual Bake sale - Proceeds went to forthcoming Badarak Books.

September: Our choir purchased new Badarak Books from the Choir Association of our Diocese. St. Thomas Choir participated in special service for Anniversary of Armenian Independence at St. Vartan Cathedral.

November: Choir Assembly held in Richmond, Virginia was attended by members Mary and Harry Sanossian.
Choir Ice Cream Booth at Bazaar: Toppings donated by Yum-Yum and 80% of Ice cream donated by Van Dyke's. Mary and Harry Sanossian were our managers.

December: Participation in Christmas Eve Service.

Our Choir sang for 4 weddings and 2 funerals during the year and are always willing and ready to perform for whatever the occasion .. most importantly, we are proud to sing in our church.

CHOIR TREASURER'S REPORT

	<u>INCOME</u>	<u>EXPENSE</u>	<u>BALANCE</u>
Balance on Hand, January 1, 1994			1,368.74
Wedding Contributions	1,000.00		
Fr. Papken's Project		375.00	
Misc. Expenses		24.50	
Easter Plate Collection	917.00		
AACCA Easter Plate Donation		300.00	
St. Thomas Donation		365.00	
Wedding Contribution	100.00		
Annual Bake Sale	136.00		
Badarak Book Purchases	340.00		
Booklet Ad, St. James - VA		100.00	
AACCA/Badarak Books Purchased		1,334.00	
Binders for Choir		57.12	
Badarak Book Xeroxing		86.00	
In Lieu of Flower		<u>25.00</u>	
	<u>2,493.00</u>	<u>2,666.62</u>	<u>1,195.12</u>

Balance on Hand - December 31, 1994 - \$1,195.12

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

**I. ST. THOMAS ARMENIAN CHURCH
Sunday School Mission:**

The mission of our Sunday School is to help our students:

- a: Love God through increasing their knowledge of Him.
- b: Worship Him in Spirit and in Truth.
- c: Serve Him by serving their fellow men.
- d. Apply Biblical truths to their daily lives so that their lives will change.

II. THE STAFF:

- Miss Hourig Kherlopian & Miss Sevan Salbashian - Nursery
- Mrs. Diane Bairamian - Kindergarten
- Mrs. Christine Badach - First Grade
- Mrs. Sona Aris - Second Grade
- Mrs. Diane Markarian - Third Grade
- Mr. Douglas Martaian - Fourth & Fifth Grade
- Mrs. Sandra Alpino & Mrs. Alyce Leiby - Sixth Grade
- Mrs. Haigouhi Cefalu - Seventh Grade
- Mr. Jeff Martaian & Dr. George Piligian - Eighth Grade
- Mr. John Bashian - Ninth & Tenth Grade -
- Mrs. Jean Karagosian & Mrs. Shnorig Bashian - Eleventh Grade
- Mrs. Mania Tovmasian - Treasurer
- Mrs. Jean Karagosian - Records/Birthday Cards

- Mrs. Shnorig Bashian - Sunday School Superintendent

III. TIME & SCHEDULE:

Sunday School classes are held on Sunday mornings from 10:10-12:15. There are 12 classes. Nursery - 10th grade, plus the 11th graders who are the graduating class and they are in their year of service.

IV. CURRICULUM:

Sunday School is using the curriculum text published by the Diocesan Department of Religious Education.

V. HIGHLIGHTS OF SUNDAY SCHOOL - 1994 ACTIVITIES

- February 13 - We had our popular Valentine's Day Pizza Party with Hayr Soorp giving presents to our students.
- March 28 - Our Tenth Grade class with the assistance of Bertha Vaniskhian and their teacher John Bashian, prepared meal for St. Paul's Men's Shelter.
- April 2 - We had Easter Communion and breakfast with Kirikian Armenian School students and all the children of our Church.
- May 15 - Our Sunday School students went to St. Stepanos Armenian Church in Elberon, NJ, to participate in the Ascension Day Celebration organized by the DRE of the Diocese
- June 5 - 9 young men and women graduated from our Sunday School 11th Grade
- Summer of 1994 - 3 students from our Sunday School participated in St. Vartan Camp and 1994 St. Nersess Seminary Summer Program.
- October 16 - Our Sunday School participated in Crop Walk for hunger and collected \$320.00.
- Our Sunday School students with Armenian Kirikian School participated in UNICEF and collected \$240.48.
- Nov 12 & 13 - Sunday School booth at the Bazaar made \$1,000.00 for our church.
- December 11 - We had our annual Christmas Dinner & Program .

Our theme for 1994-95 academic year is Galatians 5:22-23 - The fruits of the Holy Spirit. "But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control". Every month, (during assembly) we are studying one fruit and trying to apply it to our daily lives.

The Diocese of the Armenian Church has designated the year 1995 as the year of the Bible. We are encouraging our students to have their own Bible and to read it every day.

VI. ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS:

Our thanks go first to God for giving us another year to serve Him. Next we thank our beloved Pastor, Very Rev. Fr. Papken Dz.V. Anoushian, for his spiritual guidance and advice. Then we thank our Parish Council members, the Caspar Kasparian Memorial Fund Committee, the parents of our Sunday School students and all the members of the Church for their support and encouragement. Special thanks to our devoted Sunday School Teachers for their willingness to teach our children about our faith. Our prayer is that God is pleased with our labor and that He is honored and glorified in all that we do for our Church and our children.

Respectfully submitted,
Shnorig Bashian
Sunday School Superintendent

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION - TREASURER'S REPORT

	<u>EXPENSES</u>	<u>INCOME</u>	<u>BALANCE</u>
Bal. on Hand 1/1/94			979.78
Sunday School Offering		382.60	
Sunday School Supplies	163.29		
Registration		1605.00	
Textbooks	1108.35		
Donation	275.00	1400.00	
Bake Sales		248.25	

Christmas Dinner	915.00	1093.00
Mscellaneous	1476.86	50.00
Telephones	162.61	
Postage	203.50	
Bibles	430.98	229.00
Event(Graduation)	217.04	
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	4953.05	5007.85

Balance ono Hand 12/31/94 - 1,342.98

FAMILY AUXILIARY OF ST. THOMAS

The Family Auxiliary of St. Thomas was founded in May 1994. It is an organization where every member of the family is welcome. The main objective is to regularly bring together all household members in a family atmosphere and at the same time to assist St. Thomas Armenian Church whenever help is needed. The spirit of friendship and belonging to St. Thomas is fostered on these occasions as the whole family is involved.

The family Auxiliary held the following activities during 1994: Bridal Expo, held in October 1994, promoted our rental facilities; The October 22 Fall Dinner-Dance and the December 31, New Year's Eve Celebration. Both were huge financial and social success. In addition there were 3 Pot Luck Dinners/Meetings held at Church for all the members of the Family Auxiliary of St. Thomas. The members of the Family Auxiliary also organized the Palm Sunday Dinner, the Memorial Day Picnic and the Annual Bazaar.

The organization is open to all parishioners. Everyone is welcome to attend. The officers are: Ani Capan - chairperson, Sylva Torosian - co-chairperson, Mari Camcikyan - treasurer, Ani Barsamian - secretary, Mari Kucukyan - publicity, Ayda Kilerciyen, Irma Saganda - advisors.

FAMILY AUXILIARY OF ST. THOMAS - TREASURER'S REPORT

	<u>Income</u>	<u>Dispersement</u>	<u>Balance</u>
Membership	385.77		
Bridal Expo	365.19		
Fall Dinner Dance	15,240.00		
New Year's Eve	15,675.00		
Total Amount turned over to St. Thomas		31,280.19	
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Total	31,665.96	31,280.19	385.77

KIRIKIAN ARMENIAN SCHOOL

Language is the ingredient which connects time past with time present and future. The knowledge of language is a vital link to keeping a proud and noble culture alive for generations to come. To that end, the Kirikian Armenian School strives to instill in its students a love and pride of knowledge in their ethnic heritage.

The enrollment this year is 85, due to the fact that several families have moved from this area. On the upside, however, is that there are nine new students in the nursery for a bright new beginning.

Classes range from nursery to seventh grade. Due to a growing need, there are now bilingual classes, one for English speaking students and another for bi-lingual students, in the 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th and 7th grades. All children must take a reading and spelling test at the end of each year. The seventh graders have to pass a comprehensive 3 hour test to graduate, and an optional Armenian History test of 100 questions to qualify for an award. Every grade must also take a standardized test from the Diocese to go on to the next level. Also, an incentive gift is given to encourage promptness.

Trophies or certificates are given at the annual Hantes and Graduation for the following achievements:

George Shahinian Award for Perfect Attendance, the Edward Bashian Award for Armenian History, the Rupen Saddler Award for Armenian Reading and the Dr. Harout and Shake Mekhjian Armenian Spelling Award.

The Kirikian Armenian School has a paid faculty and other expenses are as noted in our financial report. Funds are raised entirely by the School. Most of these monies are derived through tuition. However, the Mothers' Committee augments income through the Bazaar Booth, Annual Armenian Christmas Dinner, Luncheons, End of Year Hantes, the publications of our cookbook (750 cookbooks have already been printed with a 3rd printing ordered), and many other events. We are also deeply grateful for the help our benefactors continually give us.

The special events of the past year included: 1) A Paregentan Fair in February. 2. A trip to the Pierpont Morgan Library Illuminated Armenian Manuscripts Exhibition. 3. Celebration of Surpohts Tarkmanchats. 4. Hokehankisd and Fellowship commemorating the Anniversary of the Earthquake in Armenia. 5. Easter Communion. 6. Commemoration of Martyrs Day.

Executive Committee: Very Rev. Fr. Papken Dz.V. Anoushian, Martha Saraydarian, Ani Capan, Seta Yavru-Sakuk, Artemis Arslanian, Mary Ann Saraydarian.

Sam Demirjian and Marion Babigian resigned from the Board after many years of successful service to the school.

Faculty: Ani Capan, Hourig Broukian, Mari Kuruzian, Ani Kecoglu, Queenie Tashjian, Seta Yavru-Sakuk, Sossi Salbashian, Marie Zokian, Margaret Sinanian, Maro Hajakian, Siranus Gulbenkian, Nazig Sesetian, Araksi Diratzouian, Mari Camcikian, Sirvart Demirjian, Mary Tashjian, Shnorig Bashian, Nina Terzian.

KIRIKIAN ARMENIAN SCHOOL FINANCIAL REPORT

<u>INCOME</u>	<u>EXPENSES</u>	<u>BALANCE</u>	
Balance on Hand 12/31/93			28,786.50
Salaries 18 Teachers x 32 Wks		24,140.00	
Tuition 85/avg.x 180	14,640.00		
Taranto Bus (Kherimian)	1,575.00	1,760.00	
St. Vartan Bookstore		3,330.85	
Armenian Christmas Dinner	2,011.55		
Pierpont Morgan Library Bks	479.58		
Pierpont Morgan Tour	180.00	180.00	
Annual Bazaar	1,304.00		
Donations	1,350.00		
Scarves & Ties Uniform	90.00		
Class Pictures	217.00		
Spring Brunch	2,289.00		
Hantes	718.00	748.59	
Guardian Angel Pins	28.00		
Holiday Parties		518.73	
Cookbook	442.00		
Canceled Brunch		157.00	
Bergenfield Lighting		46.13	
American Academic Supplies		47.00	
Benjamin Brothers		16.71	
Xerox Cartridge		199.98	
Misc. Supplies/Postage		234.24	
Pete's Locksmith		33.00	
	<u>25,324.13</u>	<u>31,412.23</u>	<u>22,698.40</u>

These figures reflect activity from January 1 - December 31. The School year is from September 1 - June 30.

MEN'S CLUB - 1994

1994 activities of the Men's Club continued for a second year under the direction of the following

Executive Committee:

Chairman	Ara Babigian
Vice-Chairman	George Mekenian
Treasurer	Jack Ekizian
Secretary-Rec.	Charlie Sarajian
Secretary-Corr.	Armen Ajamian
Publicity	Matt Keshishian

Standing Committee Heads were as follows:

Dinner - Richie Papazian succeeded by Paul Kahumjian
Program - George Mekenian
Special Events - Zaven Poosikian
Sunshine - Ara Pekmezian
Membership - Ed Parseghian
Telephone Chain - Armen Ajamian
Beverage - Dick Keurajian
Nominating - Artie Azarik

Men's Club would like to pay special tribute to Richie Papazian, one of the original members of the Men's Club from the early 1960's. For his many years of tireless effort on behalf of the Men's Club, we would like to say "Thank you, Richie". Richie has moved to New Hampshire with his wife, Pennie, and his children, Sloane and Thomas, best of luck, Richie, from all the members of the Men's Club.

The highlight of 1994 was the Basketball Awards Dinner, jointly hosted with the Women's Guild and attended by 200 people. Team members, with their parents as guests, were awarded St. Thomas caps, the most valuable players from each team were given plaques and the three coaches were given gifts in recognition of their efforts. Forty seven children participated in this program. A special thank you to Vic Arzoomanian for serving as Master of Ceremonies and to Alyce Parseghian for taking photographs.

Two monthly meetings had to be canceled due to snow and outside rentals in February and September. Hearty dinners and interesting speakers highlighted the remaining meetings. The dinners were prepared by Richie Papazian, Paul Kahumjian, Ara Pakmezian and George Mekenian, each in his own distinctive culinary style.

Many other Men's Club members assisted in the preparation of the dinners. Interesting talks by Andy Ouzoonian and Greg Kazanjian were enjoyed by the Men's Club members. Other Men's Club gatherings were held in the spring and fall with an evening of dinner and races at the meadowlands both arranged by Charlie Sarajian, and weekends at Camp Nubar and Belmar which were arranged by Richie Papazian, Paul Kahumjian, Zaven Poosikian and Paul Pinajian. In July our annual picnic, chaired by Babe Parseghian, was held at Pascack Brook Park. The year concluded with a very festive Christmas party, chaired by Jack Ekizian, at the Colonial Manor.

Money earned from Men's Club special events and other activities is used to pay all the expenses of the St. Thomas Basketball Teams in the Armenian Churches Sports Association. The expenses paid for by the Men's Club include the Church's and Players' fees, uniforms and equipment, gym rental fees for practice sessions and gifts given at the Awards Dinner. The revenue producing events were the Fruit Sales, chaired by Zaven Poosikian and assisted by Paul Pinajian, and a Night at the Races, chaired by Dick Keurajian and Vic Arzoomanian. Both these events were also made successful through the efforts of many Men's Club members.

The Chairman's job was greatly facilitated by the complete cooperation and help from every active member of the Men's Club whenever called upon. My hearty thanks to all.

MEN'S CLUB TREASURER'S REPORT - 1994

Balance on Hand - December 31,1994 -		3,534.53
	<u>DISBURSEMENTS</u>	<u>INCOME</u>
<u>A. Donations/Contributions:</u>		
1.- St. Thomas Youth Basketball		
Teams Armenian Churches		
Sports Association	2,230.00	
- Gymnasium Rentals	616.00	
- Awards for Participants	341.61	
- Basketball Uniforms	150.00	
- Gifts to Coaches	75.00	
- Sports Assn. Booklet	100.00	
- Gymnasium Rentals		
Estimated 94-95 Session	2,024.00	
2.- Women's Guild Cot. Booklet	100.00	
<u>B. Dues:</u>		490.00
<u>C. Donations Rec'd</u>		445.00
<u>D. Fund Raisers</u>		
- Fruit Sales - 1993	195.00	
- Fruit Sales - 1994-Spring	1,134.00	1,334.00
- Fruit Sales - 1994-Fall	3,022.95	5,021.50
- Night at the Races	927.85	1,693.00
<u>E. Functions</u>		
- Dinner Meetings	3,039.94	3,292.00
- Men's Club Picnic	25.00	65.00
- Christmas Party	2,018.00	2,018.00
<u>F. Miscellaneous</u>		
- Postage	124.66	
- Get well cards to members	<u>23.27</u>	
	16,147.28	
Balance on Hand-December 31,1994 - \$1,745.75		----- 14,358.50

WOMEN'S GUILD 1994 REPORT

EXECUTIVE BOARD (ELECTED):

Chairman/Programs:	Mary Ann Saraydarian
Vice Chairman	Sona Damergy
Treasurer:	Seta Izmirly
Recording Secretary:	Susan Avakian-Stoneson
Corr. Secretary/Mailings:	Marion Kahaumjian(1-6/94)*
	Marion Babigian (7-12/94)
	Mary Varteresian(1/6/94)*
Hospitality:	Yeretzgin V.Kasparian(7-12/94)
CWU Key woman:	Paula Keosayan
Devotionals:	Marion Babigian (1-6/94)*
Publicity:	Lorraine Khatchadourian (7-12/94)
Advisor:	Linda Karalian
Alternate:	Violet Ouzoonian(7-12/94)
Parish Council Liaison:	Ann Ajemian
*Term Ended 6/30/94	

STANDING COMMITTEES (APPOINTED):

Advisor:	Adrienne Tenbekjian (1-6/94)
Membership:	Sona Doudoukjian
Ways & Means:	Martha Saraydarian
Historian:	Pauline Pekmezian
Visitation/Sunshine	Celia Martaian
CWU Keywoman	Bertha Vaniskhian (1-6/94)
Photographer	Alyce Parseghian
Parliamentarian	Rose Mekenian
Social Services	Queenie Tashjian
Emerson Home	Violet Ouzoonian, Queenie Tashjian
Mahs Coordinator	Violet Ouzoonian
Telephone Chain	Joan Bogosian

NOMINATING COMMITTEE: Arax Parseghian, Queenie Tashjian, Ann Ajemian

1994 Calendar of Events:

The following is a chronological list of Women's Guild events for the past year. The Guild, however, is more than a chronological listing. As chairman, it was my wish to keep friends together in the service of their Church and Guild. If I have succeeded in any way, it was only through the cooperation and support of every one of you who said 'yes' when I asked you to help, attended meetings and contributed in any way to keeping the good name of the St. Thomas Women's Guild alive.

Respectfully submitted

Mary Ann Saraydarian - Chairman

January	5	Armenian Christmas Services & table at Emerson Old Age Home. Chair: Violet Ouzoonian.
	21	General Meeting/Dinner with Men's Club/ Drs. Levon Capan and Bedros Yavru-Sakuk speakers re: Armenia.
	23	Church Blanket Sunday for CWU.
February	11	General Meeting postponed - snowstorm.
	22	Mahs preparation for church.
	22	CWU Bible Study program.
	28	Guild prepares meal for St. Paul's Shelter.
March	4	CWU World Day of Prayer.
	12	Participation in Women Sts. Day - St. Stepanos Church - 23 members attend.
	18	Lenten Dinner
	31	Maundy Thursday Visit to Emerson Home.
April		Donated three food baskets for Easter to area families newly here from Yerevan.
	15	General Table/Dinner with Men's Club Sports awards/WG prepared dessert table.
	17	Volunteer Day at Emerson Home.
	19	Mahs preparation for church.
	27	Hats off to spring fashion show luncheon - Chair: Vesna Markarian.
	29	Cotillion - Woodcliff Lake Hilton - Chair: Berta Vanishkian.
April	28-May 2	Representation at Diocesan Assembly - WGCC by Mary Ann Saraydarian, Yeretzgin Kasparian and Ann Ajemian.
May	6	CWU - May Fellowship Luncheon.
	20	General meeting - Elections - Genocide Video.
June	17	Final General Meeting - Family Night - Dinner & Dessert by Men's Club & Women's Guild - Entertainment by ACYOA Jrs. - Presentation of \$12,000 from Guild to Parish.
July	8	Trip to New York to see Morgan Library Armenian Manuscripts Exhibit.
	19	Annual Blood Drive - Chair: Queenie Tashjian.

August 25 Emerson Old Age Home Birthday Celebrations.
 September 23 General Meeting/Installation of Officers
 Mahs preparation for parish.
 October Sold Tickets to support Emerson Home Fund Raising Raffle.
 26 Annual Membership Tea and Initiation of New Members. Bazaar Boutique Donations.
 Presentation by Julie Ashekian of CASP.
 Nov. 4 Participation in Pre-Bazaar Food Preparations.
 4 CWU Dickris Malool represented Guild.
 18 Gourmet Demonstration - Alyce Parseghian, Seta Jebejian, Virginia Victoria - Collection
 of Canned Goods for Center for Food Action. Mahs preparation for parish.
 Dec. 6 Christmas Luncheon - Season's Restaurant - Chair: Paula Keosayian.
 There were 5 Executive Board and Standing Committee meetings held at Mary Ann Saraydarian's home.

WOMEN'S GUILD TREASURER'S REPORT - 1994

	<u>INCOME</u>	<u>EXPENSES</u>	<u>BALANCE</u>
Balance on Hand 1/1/94			1,301.97
Cotillion - 1994	22,650.00	24,014.51	
Cotillion Booklet	9,160.00		
Cotillion 1994(Deposit for Band)		950.00	
January Dinner with Men's Club	192.00	82.64	
Sunshine		99.22	
Postage		486.28	
Dues	1,460.00		
Interest Income	80.86		
Homeless Shelter	75.00	75.00	
Emerson Home	155.00	80.00	
In Lieu of Flowers		75.00	
Church Women United		75.00	
Children of Armenia		400.00	
World Church Service Blankets	495.00	495.00	
Saints Day	250.00	250.00	
Miscellaneous	44.00	52.00	
Lenten Dinner	1,442.00	554.54	
1994 St. Thomas Pledge		12,000.00	
Women's Guild CC 1994 Dues		254.00	
Fashion Show	10,245.00	4,680.38	
Delegate Expenses		300.00	
Delegate Fees		36.00	
June Dinner with Men's Club	1,063.00	840.00	
Membership Tea	45.00	195.12	
Christmas Luncheon	3,198.00	2,526.75	
Pierpont Morgan Library Visit	41.00	38.00	
Paper Goods - Parish Council		200.00	
Sts. Tarkmanchatz		100.00	
Needy Families	25.00	85.00	
TOTALS	50,620.86	48,944.44	2,978.39

Balance on Hand 12/31/94 2,978.39

Respectfully submitted - Seta Izmirly

**29TH PARISH ASSEMBLY
ST. THOMAS ARMENIAN CHURCH
SESSION I - SUNDAY, JANUARY 30, 1994**

After establishing a quorum at least 50 qualified parishioners, the meeting was opened. The meeting opened with a prayer by Very Rev. Father Papken Dz.V. Anoushian, Pastor and President, and was called to order by Chairman Antranig Ouzoonian at 1:00 p.m. Chairman Ouzoonian then reviewed the agenda of the meeting, beginning with the reading of the minutes, introduction of candidates, nominations of candidates from the floor, and a review of the agenda for Session II.

Mr. Ara Babigian asked for permission to read New Jersey State Statute 15A 5-8 regarding this meeting. He read the following ".....". Chairman Ouzoonian asked if this statute applied to charitable organizations and Ara Babigian replied affirmatively, stating that, this applies to organizations and, non-profit corporations..

Chairman Ouzoonian paraphrased the statute which requires that a list of eligible members be available for review by any qualified member during a meeting or any subsequent meeting. Chairman Ouzoonian then asked Ara Babigian to come forward and read the statute again.

In response to a question by Rose Mekenian, Chairman Ouzoonian clarified that this was the 29th Annual Assembly of the St. Thomas Armenian Church, although Assemblies prior to 1965 had been held when the Parish was previously known as the Armenian Church of Bergen County.

Mr. Ara Babigian came forward, introduced himself and re-read the legislation in question. Chairman Ouzoonian stated that the list was available at the back of the Church in the custody of Seta Kantardjian and was there to be seen by anyone who wanted during the meeting. He explained that they could review it, but not make copies of it. However, Ara Babigian insisted on taking notes, although the statute 15A 5-8 did not allow.

Mr. Leon Nigohosian asked for the date of the legislation. When told it was October 1, 1983, he asked if there was a supplement to this legislation. Mr. Nigohosian stated that since it was a ten year old law, there might be a supplement that might have changed it. Dr. Levon Capan further stated that the St. Thomas Armenian Church operates under the jurisdiction of the Diocese, and accordingly, in 1988 a Diocesan directive stated that church membership lists could be reviewed only on church property and could not leave the premises.

Mr. Ara Babigian then read a letter from the attorney representing him and Mr. Edward Parseghian (a copy of this letter is attached to these minutes). Fr. Papken, responding to Mr. Babigian, stated that Mr. Babigian came to the church office monthly to request these records so that the Men's Club could review them to prepare a list of candidates. Fr. Papken reiterated the Diocesan directory of February 1988 stating that this list could be reviewed on church premises and not removed from there. Therefore, we declined to give the list to Mr. Babigian.

Fr. Papken continued to explain that he then received a letter from the lawyer representing Ara Babigian and Edward Parseghian threatening to sue the church. The Primate, Archbishop Khajag Barsamian confirmed that the list should not be given and that he would respond to the lawyer at this point. The lawyer agreed that the membership list could be reviewed on the premises of the church. Fr. Papken then sent a letter to both Ara Babigian and the lawyer confirming this decision.

At this point, Fr. Papken wrote Ara Babigian that all further communications should be through the lawyer and not with the client. However, in the spirit of Christianity, and in the spirit of brotherhood, he would allow the client to review the list of eligible members on Friday, February 4th, 1994. Also on January 27th, 1994, he mailed and faxed a copy of a letter to this effect to the lawyer and as of this moment, no reply has been received.

Chairman Ouzoonian asked that this subject be noted in the minutes and that it be tabled until next week. Puzant Torigian asked who the lawyer for the church was, and Fr. Papken answered Leon Nigohosian. Dr. Levon Capan moved that since this matter was in the hands of attorneys, it should not be discussed at this time (but at Session II, next Sunday).. It was seconded by Jack Charshafian with an objection by Edward Parseghian who asked if Ara Babigian could review the list. Chairman Ouzoonian stated that today's meeting should not be interrupted by this question, and that the list would be available next Friday.

Chairman Ouzoonian called for a vote on the motion. The motion was carried and this matter was tabled.

Chairman Ouzoonian then called for the Chairman of the Nominating Committee, Jeanie Amerkanian, to come forward. Mr. Ara Babigian read another letter from his lawyer asking for adjournment of this meeting since Fr. Anoushian did not comply with supplying a list of eligible voters, and therefore, anything happening at this meeting was void. Chairman Ouzoonian asked that this be noted in the record, sent to the President and forwarded to the Primate in 7 days. He added that if anyone felt that this was an illegal meeting, they had 7 days to notify the Pastor and he could send that complaint to the Primate. (This letter is attached as part of these minutes.) Chairman Ouzoonian then introduced the officers of the Assembly, with Fr. Papken as President, Sylva Torosian as Alternate Secretary to Mary Ann Saraydarian who was unable to serve, and himself as Chairman. He now asked for the minutes of last year's meeting. Seta Yavru-Sakuk made a motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes since they were in the annual report. Chairman Ouzoonian added that additions or corrections could be made at the next meeting. The motion was seconded by Dr. Bedros Yavru-Sakuk and passed.

Mrs. Amerkanian then introduced the following candidates for Parish Council: Ann Ajemian, Arpi Arslanian, Ayda Bozian, Dr. Levon Capan, Alice Gesar, Lusi Ezgilioglu, Grace Hagopian, Kevork Keskinian, Susan Shamamian, and Shake Torigian. Chairman Ouzoonian then asked for nominations from the floor for the position of Parish Council. Ara Martaian nominated Paul Kahaumjian; Edward Parseghian nominated Ara Babigian and Haig Varjian. Ara Babigian nominated Edward Parseghian and Mary Ann Saraydarian nominated Ara Martaian. Nominations were seconded and the nominees accepted the nominations. The nominees came forward to be introduced. Henry Hagopian made a motion to close nominations from the floor.

Chairman Ouzoonian requested that all new candidates for Parish Council send their biographies to the church office by 4:00 p.m. tomorrow so that they could be mailed to the membership.

The candidates for Diocesan Delegates were called in order as follows: Varoujan Aslanian, Victor Arzoumanian, Ayda Bozian, Dr. Levon Capan, Lusi Ezgilioglu, Alice Gesar, Levon Nazarian, Rita Keskinian, George Mekenian, Dr. Harout Mekhjian, Gregory Saraydarian, Shakaeh Shahinian, Al Victoria, Dr. Bedros Yavru-Sakuk.

Paul Kahaumjian nominated Ara Martaian from the floor for Diocesan Delegate. Mary Sanossian moved to close the nominations, seconded by Grace Hagopian. Rose Mekenian made a motion that all the Diocesan Delegate candidates submit biographies since it was an important position. The motion was seconded by May Simsarian. The motion was not carried.

Nominees for the Nominating Committee were presented as follows: Eugenie Amerkanian, Verken Berberian, Mary Camcikian, Natalie Capan, Viken Ezgilioglu, Ani Kecoglu, Irma Saganda, Arshalouys Shahinian, Marie Zokian. Nominations from the floor by Edward Parseghian were: Marion Kahaumjian, Shakaeh Shahinian, Mary Varteresian, and Susan Avakian/Stoneson. Ara Martaian nominated Martha Saraydarian who declined. Nominations were closed.

The Auditing Committee nominees were presented as follows: Greg Amerkanian, Sandra Alpino, Natalie Capan, Murad Halajian, Araxie Pichigian and Joseph Zokian. There were no further nominations from the floor. Nominations were closed. Rose Mekenian noted Diocesan By-law #7 states that candidates must be members at least for 6 months, but would not be eligible for office unless they were members for 1 year. Chairman Ouzoonian asked the Nominating Committee Chairperson, Eugenie Amerkanian, whether all candidates meet the requirements. The response was in the affirmative.

Nominating Committee Chairperson Mrs. Amerkanian announced 1995 Assembly Chairman candidates were Leon Nigohosian and Albert Victoria. Haig Varjian nominated Andy Ouzoonian from the floor. Madlen Setian was the only nominee for Secretary. Ani Capan, Seta Yavru and Martha Saraydarian declined nominations from the floor.

Mrs. Amerkanian then thanked her committee for their work: Verken Berberian, Aram Setian, Albert Victoria and Dr. Bedros Yavru-Sakuk. Chairman Ouzoonian then asked all the candidates for Parish Council to go to the Mekhjian Atrium after the meeting to have their pictures taken.

Leon Nigohosian then moved to have elections opened at 12:00 pm and end 2:30 pm next Sunday. Chairman Ouzoonian stated that balloting would have to start after church and the establishment of the quorum.

Balloting would close at 2:30 pm. Dr. Yavru-Sakuk seconded. The motion was carried. Chairman Ouzoonian entertained the motion to close the meeting. George Mekenian made the motion and Mary Sanossian seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 2:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sylva Torosian
Alternate Secretary
1994 Parish Assembly

Antranig Ouzoonian
Chairman
1994 Parish Assembly

V.Rev.Fr.Papken Dz.V.Anoushian
Pastor & President

**29TH PARISH ASSEMBLY
ST. THOMAS ARMENIAN CHURCH
SESSION II - SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 1994**

Chairman Ouzoonian asked Grace Hagopian, Treasurer of Parish Council, to ascertain that at least fifty paid members were present to establish a quorum.

Immediately after the Divine Liturgy, the meeting was called to order at 11:30 a.m. Very Rev. Fr. Papken Dz. V. Anoushian, Pastor and President, then led the Assembly in an opening prayer. Chairman Ouzoonian opened Session II. He then introduced Fr. Papken Anoushian as the presiding officer, Antranig Ouzoonian as Chairman, and Sylva Torosian as Alternate Secretary, elected Secretary Mary Ann Saraydarian being unable to perform, but thanked her for coming as a back-up secretary.

He then explained the procedure of the day: After taking care of certain items, we will recess and vote. Voting will terminate at 2:30 pm, and during the recess period members will be qualified for voting, they will vote, and have lunch, and will reconvene at 2:30. He then instructed them on the voting procedure, and he reminded everyone that if you are a member of two parishes within the same Diocese, you may only vote in one parish. Chairman Ouzoonian announced that the meeting would be conducted according to the By-Laws of the Eastern Diocese of the Armenian Church and Roberts Rules of Order.

Fr. Papken then announced that if anyone wishes to check the voting list, he/she may do so. The list will be available both at the meeting and in the Mekhjian Atrium.

Ara Babigian then took the floor and stated that the N.J. statute 15A 5-8 was checked by his attorney for its validity and that there were no amendments to the statute 15A 5-8 that was written in October 1, 1983. He then added that the list that was presented to them on Friday, February 4, was not the same as the one at the meeting because it did not contain the phone numbers and the membership numbers.

Fr. Papken responded to Ara Babigian with an explanation. Chairman Ouzoonian commented that the list may contain the names, addresses, and not necessarily the telephone numbers or membership numbers.

Chairman Ouzoonian then stated that the accounting for the balloting would be conducted by the Nominating and Auditing Committees. The slate for today's election has six of the candidates of the Nominating and Auditing Committees on it. Therefore, he requested that those individuals not get involved in counting the ballots, and the present alternates will do so. Then he announced the names of the candidates for the Nominating Committee who are running: Eugenie Amerkanian, Verken Berberian, Aram Setian. The

Alternates for Nominating Committee were: Rose Mekenian, who accepted the position, and Shakae Shahinian, who was the next alternate but was disqualified because she was running for Delegate. Third Alternate was Alicia Demirjian, but she was not present, so in the absence of those two Alternates Chairman Ouzoonian appointed Jack Ekizian and Tony Ajemian for the position, who later was disqualified because he was not a dues paying member. Mrs. Babigian volunteered for the position. For the candidates of the Auditing Committee, Greg Amerkanian, Sandra Alpino, and Araxie Pichigian were running for offices, so they were disqualified, and the Alternates were Seta Izmirly and Mary Sanossian. Sirvart Demirjian volunteered for the position.

A question was raised if there was a conflict of interest in appointing Mrs. Mekenian and Mrs. Babigian because their husbands were running for positions. Chairman Ouzoonian answered there was no conflict, because

they were individual people. Ani Capan asked for a vote on that matter. Chairman Ouzoonian answered it was the Chair's decision and there was no need for a vote. Ani Capan appealed to the Chair's decision. The appeal was seconded and the Chair making the decision on the appeal was defeated. Two new pollsters were appointed: Jack Ekizian, Shakae Artinian, Lucy Nakashian. New Auditing Committee members were: Seta Izmirly, Mary Sanossian, Sirvart Demirjian.

Chairman Ouzoonian entertained a motion to reconvene at 2:30 p.m. Seta Izmirly seconded, and the motion was carried at 11:55 a.m.

The meeting reconvened at 2:30 p.m. and a quorum was re-established. Chairman Ouzoonian thanked the luncheon committee of Ann Ajemian and her group.

Chairman Ouzoonian stated that the voting ballot did not coincide with the ballot approved by the Assembly at the First Session. He further added that some of the candidates that were running for particular offices had requested that their names should be withdrawn from the list. Eugenie Amerkian, Chairperson of the Nominating Committee stated that, the following candidates duly withdrew their candidacy during the week before the election. The names are: For Nominating Committee: Aida Bozian Alice Gesar, Luci Ezgilioglu, Shake Torigian, and Kevork Keskinian. For Delegates: Ida Bozian. For Auditing Committee: Natalie Capan, Vicken Ezgilioglu, Irma Saganda and Arshalouys Shahinian.

Chairman Ouzoonian entertained a motion that the names on the ballot at present be accepted. Motion seconded. Motion carried.

Dr. Yavru-Sakuk made a motion that all of the actions taken and decisions reached at the last Sunday's meeting are proper and legal. He moved that this meeting approve and ratify last Sunday's meeting and all of those actions and decisions. Motion was seconded by Leon Nigogosian. Motion was carried.

There were no more questions and the meeting proceeded to the correction of the minutes of 1993 Assembly.

It was noted that on page 49 the last word was spelled incorrectly it should be "alternate". Chairman Ouzoonian entertained a motion that the First Session minutes be approved. Virginia Victoria made the motion. Grace Hagopian seconded. Motion was carried.

Under the Second Session last page 56 a correction was made that the word Very should be added before Rev. Also same page second paragraph should be Nominating Committee. Page 54 Queenie Varjian should be added in front of the paragraph six. Rose Mekenian made a motion. From Caspar Kasparian Memorial Fund page 18 2nd paragraph at the end, add the words "and St. Nersses Seminars." Page 19 the ACEF fund balance should be \$61,434.51. Page 55 2nd Paragraph add the word "annually" into the sentence, "Building Committee and the Nazarian donation and recommended that the \$24,000 plus budgeted for mortgage payments be allocated annually to the..." Page 56 4th paragraph should read 1994 instead of 1993. Chairman Ouzoonian entertained a motion to accept the minutes as corrected. Paul Kahaumjian made the motion. Motion was seconded. Motion was carried.

Chairman invited Fr. Papken Anoushian to give his report.

Fr. Papken then took the floor and stated that he has put all his primary concerns in his report and that if he has forgotten anything he was ready to answer and entertain any question. He thanked Mr. & Mrs. Nerses Demirjian for donating a cross to the church.

Chairman Ouzoonian asked if there were any questions for Fr. Papken. A question was raised about the availability of a portable microphone for use during the meeting. Chairman Ouzoonian agreed and stated that we will have one next year.

Dr. Levon Capan then gave the Parish Council Chairman's report. He thanked Fr. Papken for being very instrumental in a financially very successful year. He also thanked the Parish Council members and the members of different organizations, and all individuals who helped and contributed so generously. He mentioned the names of Mr. & Mrs. Onnig Bozian for chairing the Cake Sale for the Anniversary Dinner. Also the name of Mr. & Mrs. Aram Setian for helping with the computer. He wished the Parish a very happy and profitable year and wished that God will bring us the love, respect and understanding of one another.

After a lengthy discussion between Yerezgin Kasparian and Dr. Levon Capan about the Library Funds, Yerezgin Kasparian stated that she had not handled any funds, that all the money was given to the Parish Council around 1988-1989 and most of that money was used towards the renovation of the Library. Dr. Capan

as Chairman of the Parish Council along with Virginia Victoria, Chairman of the Library Committee, stated that every effort was made to locate any financial report as to the funds, but they were unsuccessful. Furthermore Dr. Capan added that the present Parish Council would like to be waived of any responsibility for those missing funds. Chairman Ouzoonian entertained a motion that the new Auditing Committee review this matter. Motion was seconded. Motion was carried. Yeretgin Kasparian further said that, she will write a letter directing that the annual interest on \$5,000 from the Fr. Arnak and Yeretgin Kasparian Fund should go to the Library Fund.

There were no questions for Dr. Mekhjian on the Board of Trustees' Report.

There were some corrections on the Calendar of Events. Page 12 April 16 add St. Thomas Basketball Team Award Dinner sponsored by Men's Club and Women's Guild. Also June 18, honoring Gregory Doudoukjian as the first St. Thomas Graduate of St. Nerses Seminary, sponsored by Men's Club and Women's Guild, added to the list. Page 16 correction on George Shahinian Memorial Fund \$20,586.00. Question was raised on the interest of the Caspar Kasparian Memorial Fund. Grace Hagopian stated that, that was the figure that she had gotten. Furthermore she added that the Peter Ajemian Memorial Fund of \$5,000 should be added to the A.C.E.F. list.

On the Building Committee report Jack Torosian, being the Parish Council Liaison, took the floor. Question was raised about the current situation of the Church, as what is being done about the heating and leakage problems. Jack Torosian stated that every effort has been made to fix the problem. Another question was raised by Paul Kahaumjian about the insurance settlement on page 17. Mr. Jack Torosian explained the settlement. Mr. Leon Nigogosian commented and complimented Mr. Torosian on a job well done for the Building Committee.

Chairman Ouzoonian reminded the Assembly attendees that if you are not a dues paid member you cannot vote, nor participate in discussions, nor express opinions at the Assembly.

There were no questions on the Church Ground, or the Armenian History lectures.

No question on Caspar M. Kasparian Memorial Fund.

On George Shahinian Memorial Fund there was a correction by Mrs. Shakaie Shahinian on the name Alex Loris being one name.

No question on Martin Sonny Tashjian Memorial Fund. No questions for the A.C.Y.O.A. Jrs. , or the A.C.Y.O.A. Srs. No questions for the Avak Society-Senior Citizens. No question for the Choir, but there was a clarification by the Chairperson Eugenie Amerkanian about the names of the Advisors, who were Ara Martaian, Susan Shamamian and Dr. Bedros Yavru-Sakuk.

Sunday School Superintendent Shnorhig Bashian stated that we now have about 132 students. Mr. Soukiassian congratulated Shnorhig Bashian for a job well done. Question was clarified that the expenses under donation, was a donation to a sister Church Sunday School in Armenia. Kirikian Armenian School Treasurer Mary Ann Saraydarian made a correction that this year the benefit Art Auction was their largest source of income. She also mentioned that they had 16 teachers. Leon Nigogosian praised both Mary Ann and Martha Saraydarian for volunteering their efforts for over 20 years.

Question was raised on the Men's Club Treasurer's Report of 1993, that the \$500 donation to St. Thomas from the Bowling League was not towards the rental of the hall. After a lengthy discussion over the expenses of the Men's Club Treasurer Report, and lack of their participation in certain church activities such as the Church Picnic and the Church Bazaar, Chairman Ouzoonian asked if there were any more questions. No questions, and the meeting proceeded to the Women's Guild report, where there were no questions.

Sandra Alpino stated that the Auditing Committee reviewed all organizational accounting ledgers, and found them in order. A suggestion was made to the Auditing Committee that all the books from the organizations should be checked semi-annually, and that a letter to this effect should be sent to the organizations by the Parish Council. It was noted that this procedure was approved by a previous Parish Assembly.

Parish Council Treasurer Grace Hagopian explained the 1993 Budget Report and entertained all questions. Question was raised as to why under Auxiliary Organizations, the Men's Club had no figures. Mrs. Hagopian explained that the \$500 was considered a rental, and was under hall rentals. Jack Ekizian, Treasurer of the Men's Club, stated that the Parish Council requested the Men's Club to pay for all expenses for the A.C.Y.O.A Basketball Team, that is why no donations to the Church was shown on the report. Suggestion was made by Chairman Ouzoonian that in the future all organizations, including the Men's Club, should give all

disbursements concerning Church matters to the Parish Council for transmittal.

After some discussion concerning clergy auto expense, Grace Hagopian clarified that according to the Diocesan Guidelines for, Parish owned vehicles, all expenses are assumed by the Parish. Question was raised by Chairman Ouzoonian regarding approximately how much is per membership dues to the Diocese. Grace Hagopian answered approx. \$60 per person.

Edward Parseghian made a motion to increase the St. Nersses Seminary Educational donation from \$1,000 to \$5,000 per year. Ara Babigian seconded. An amendment to the motion was made by Hagop Jebejian for \$2,500. Motion was seconded but defeated. Al Victoria suggested that with the increase of our future expenses we should increase the amount of architectural maint. fund from \$18,000 to \$24,000. The change was accepted. Furthermore Al Victoria moved to transfer \$6,000 from our 1993 surplus to Arch. Maint. Fund. Motion seconded. Motion carried.

Leon Nigogosian moved to approve the budget. Henry Hagopian seconded. Budget approved.

Leon Nigogosian moved that the Parish Council be authorized to adjust the numbers of the budget by plus or minus 10% in the upcoming year. Amendment to the motion was made by Jack Charshafian, that the budget can be adjusted up to plus or minus 5%. Motion was seconded. Paul Kahaumjian made an amendment to the amended motion, that it exclude the salaries and benefits. It was seconded by Violet Kasparian. Motion was defeated. The original motion that the budget can be adjusted up to or plus or minus 5% was put up to a vote. Motion was carried.

Under Old Business Puzant Torigian made a motion to reactivate the Parishioners Concern Committee. Motion was not seconded.

Under New Business Virginia Victoria made a motion that the Parish Council have the power to extend Fr. Papken's contract for 5 years. Motion was seconded by Dr. Yavru-Sakuk. After further discussion, the motion was re-stated by Virginia Victoria that the Parish Council be empowered to offer a 5 year contract to Fr. Anoushian, to be ratified, if necessary, by a special Parish Assembly. Dr. Yavru seconded. Chairman Ouzoonian stated that Fr. Papken was appointed by Primate and only He can extend Fr. Papken's tenure. Furthermore, as far as he knows, there are no contracts between Parish and Pastor in any other Parish of the Diocese. In response to the Chairman's comments, it was stated that this was not an election for the Pastor to the Parish for 5 years, but it was merely a contract. Chairman Ouzoonian called the motion. Motion was carried.

Mary Bozian made a motion that Parish Council review the By-Laws of the various organizations, to inform the assembly what is in there, as far as membership is concerned. After further discussion, the motion was changed to read that the Parish Council should review and adjust, if necessary, the By-Laws of all parish organizations that are not under the jurisdiction of By-Laws that are provided for them by the Diocese. If there are no By-Laws for an organization, the Parish Council should provide By-Laws for them. Dr. Capan seconded. Motion was carried.

Leon Nigogosian made a motion that the Parish Council have the Power of Attorney for all the accounts of the organizations. Dr. Capan seconded. After further discussion the motion was ruled out-of-order by Chairman Ouzoonian, because according to the By-Laws, Parish Council has the right to supervise and regulate the financial and administrative affairs of the organizations.

Ani Capan stated that a few months ago, a large name plate appeared on top of the Library door. Chairman Ouzoonian then stated that it was illegal, that it was done without permission, and therefore the Parish Council has the right to take it down.

Yeretzgin Kasparian clarified that a letter had been forwarded to Virginia Victoria, explaining that the plate was donation by Mr. Setrag Agonian, and that Movses Kazanjian had okayed it, as Chairman of the Arch. Committee.

Motion was made by Grace Hagopian, that for any affair, function, event or purpose, any St. Thomas organization, making an expenditure or disbursement exceeding \$500 must seek Parish Council's approval. The organization must also submit the limit of the total proposed expenditure at the time of request. Dr. Capan seconded. Motion was carried.

Motion was made by Susan Shamamian that in order to be considered an eligible voter for a given year, the balance of an individual's annual membership dues (including outstanding dues for the previous years), must be postmarked or delivered during normal business hours, to the Church office, no later than December 31st

of the previous calendar year. George Mekenian seconded. Motion was carried.

Ed Parseghian further added that if for any reason a check gets to the church office with a postmark later than December 31st, the office should show the envelope to that member and inform him/her that the postmark was overdue. Fr. Papken agreed with that statement and assured him that it will be done.

Motion was made by Ed Parseghian, that on the invitation to the next Parish Assembly, the time when the Second Session is starting should be indicated. Fr. Papken agreed and assured him that he will do it, and that there was no need for voting.

Edward Parseghian also made a motion that new members sign their own names their membership cards. Their names should be printed in the Nor Tar. Also, names and addresses of the new members must be presented to Parish Council. Motion was seconded. Motion was carried. New Business was closed.

The Auditing Committee returned to the Assembly. The Chair asked them to officially give their report. 270 votes were cast in the elections.

Election results: Eugenie Amerkanian announced the election results as follows;
Parish Council: Ann Ajemian, Arpi Arslanian, Dr. Levon Capan, Grace Hagopian, Susan Sh a m a m i a n .
Alternates are Ara Martaian and Ed Parseghian.

Nominating Committee: Eugenie Amerkanian, Aram Setian, Marie Zokian, Marie Camcikian, Ani Kecoglu. Alternates are Susan Stoneson and Shakae Shahinian.

Delegates: Varoujan Arslanian, Dr. Levon Capan, Dr. Harout Mekhjian, Gregory Saraydarian, Albert Victoria, Dr. Bedros Yavru-Sakuk, and Levon Nazarian. Alternates are Ara Martaian and Victor Arzoomanian.

Auditing: Greg Amerkanian, Murad Halajian, Araxie Pichigian. Alternate Sandra Alpino.

Parish Assembly Chairman 1995: Leon Nigogosian. Alternate Andy Ouzoonian.

Secretary: Madlen Setian.

Leon Nigogosian made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion was seconded by Bedros Yavru-Sakuk.

The meeting concluded with a prayer by Very Rev. Fr. Papken Anoushian at 7:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sylva Torosian
Alternate Secretary
1994 Parish Assembly

Antranig Ouzoonian
Chairman
1994 Parish Assembly

V. Rev. Fr. Papken Anoushian
Pastor & President

ST. THOMAS ARMENIAN CHURCH
BALANCE SHEET
DECEMBER 31, 1994

ASSETS:

Current Assets - Exhibit A -	\$190,514
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$190,514</u> =====

LIABILITIES & FUND BALANCES:

Current Liabilities - Exhibit B -	\$ 16,828
<u>FUND BALANCES</u> - Exhibit C -	<u>173,686</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES & FUND BALANCES	<u>\$190,514</u> =====

ST. THOMAS ARMENIAN CHURCH
STATEMENT OF REVENUES AND EXPENSES
&
FUND BALANCES
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1994

INCOME

Income from Operations - Exhibit D	\$ 82,707
Sacraments - Exhibit E	14,995
Auxiliary Organizations- Exhibit F	45,265
Church Affairs - Exhibit G	59,273
Donations - Exhibit H	7,483
Other Income - Exhibit I	<u>\$112,537</u>
TOTAL INCOME	\$322,259 =====

OPERATING EXPENSES:

Salaries & Benefits - Exhibit J	\$131,924
Operating Expenses - Exhibit K	30,800
Assessments - Exhibit L	38,270
Educational & Good Works-Exhibit M	1,200
Church Building Exp. - Exhibit N	63,202
Other Expenses - Exhibit P	3,012
Total Expenses	----- 268,417 -----
NET INCOME	\$ 53,842 =====

BEGINNING FUND BALANCE AS OF 1/1/94	\$119,844
ENDING FUND BALANCE AS OF 12/31/94	\$173,686

ST. THOMAS ARMENIAN CHURCH
EXHIBITS - 12/31/94

Current Assets - Exhibit A

Cash in Bank - Operating	\$163,228
- Money Market	27,286

Total Assets	\$190,514
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Current Liabilities - Exhibit B

Rental Security	\$ 4,500
Diocesan Dues Payable	11,040
Payroll Taxes	1,288

Total Current Liabilities	16,828
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FUND BALANCES: Exhibit C

Church Fund Balance	115,253
Reserve - Ajemian Fund	81
- Caspar Kasparian Fund	00
- Arch./Maintenance	47,850
- Religious Articles	1,760
- Sabounjian	2,925
- Shahinian	1,238
- Barsamian	776
- Cultural Affairs	2,463
- Markarian	650
- Kasparian Library	325
- Bridal Expo	<u>365</u>
Total Fund Balance	173,686
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ST. THOMAS ARMENIAN CHURCH
EXHIBITS - (Cont'd)

INCOME: Exhibit D

Pledges	\$61,328
Plate	7,913
Candles	3,812
Prayers	5,457
Yughakin - Christmas	1,440
Yughakin - Easter	2,757

TOTAL	82,707

SACRAMENTS: Exhibit E

Baptism	4,200
Weddings	3,100
Funerals	1,800
Requiems	5,895

TOTAL	\$14,995

AUXILIARY ORGANIZATIONS: Exhibit F

Women's Guild	12,000
Avak Society	1,600
Men's Club	00
Singles Club	00
Young Adults of St. Thomas (ACYOA SR)	00
ACYOA JRS	750
Family Auxiliary of St. Thomas	
Kef Night	15,240
New Year's Eve	15,675

TOTAL	45,265

CHURCH AFFAIRS: Exhibit G

Bazaar (actual 32,655)	30,770
Memorial Day Picnic	15,349
Palm Sunday Dinner	4,874
Palm Sunday Cake Sale	6,675
Other Affairs (Atlantic City)	840
Diocesan Raffle	00
Parish Council Special Event	765
Stewardship Program	00

TOTAL	\$59,273

ST. THOMAS ARMENIAN CHURCH
EXHIBITS - (Cont'd)

DONATIONS: Exhibit H

In-Lieu-Of-Flowers	\$5,005
Altar Flowers	1,350
Memorial Donors	100
Holiday Flowers	683
Greeting-Christmas	345

TOTAL	7,483

OTHER INCOME: Exhibit I

ACEF Interest	889
Bookstore	3,857
Car Raffle	17,645
Hall Rentals	52,060
Nor Tar	1,534
Investment Interest	1,610
Trustees	00
Armenian History Class	113
Insurance Settlement	31,659
Other Donations & Misc. Income	3,170

TOTAL	\$112,537

ST. THOMAS ARMENIAN CHURCH
EXHIBITS - (Cont'd)

OPERATING EXPENSES:

SALARIES & BENEFITS: Exhibit J

Clergy Salary	\$ 45,486
Clergy Benefits FICA	3,750
Clergy Benefits IRA	2,000
Parsonage Repairs & Maint.	102
Parsonage Water	129
Parsonage Telephone	1,000
Parsonage Gas & Electric	1,867
Clergy Auto Expenses	2,953
Clergy Auto Lease	3,948
Clergy Auto Insurance	1,821
Clergy Health Insurance	4,627
Salaries - Custodial	23,018
Salaries - Secretary	22,040
Salaries - Christian Education	5,000
Choir Director & Organist	5,000
Payroll Taxes	6,082
Workman's Comp.	1,501
Visiting Clergy	1,600

TOTAL	\$131,924

OPERATING EXPENSES: Exhibit K

Telephone	3,158
Office Supplies	788
Candles	911
Flowers	880
Computer Supplies	400
Print Nor Tar	5,470
Print Annual Report	1,380
Print - Other & Office Stationary	1,555
Postage - Office	567
Postage - General Mailing	1,248
Postage Nor Tar	1,225
Bookstore Expense	2,495
Hospitality & Other	520
Lease Copy Machine	2,223
Supplies Copy Machine	2,671
Rental Expense	5,318

TOTAL	\$30,809

ST. THOMAS ARMENIAN CHURCH
EXHIBITS - (Cont'd)

ASSESSMENTS Exhibit L

Diocesan Dues	\$38,270
Youth Ministry	00

TOTAL	38,270

EDUCATIONAL & GOOD WORKS: Exhibit M

Sunday School	1,000
World Wide Charity	200
St. Nersess	00

TOTAL	1,200

CHURCH BUILDING EXPENSES: Exhibit N

Mortgage Expense	00
Architectural Maint. Fund	
Utilities - Gas & Electric	26,297
Utilities - Water	710
Insurance - Building	16,888
Repairs - Church & Halls	1,130
Repairs - Elec. & Plumbing	3,665
Repairs A/C & Heat	235
Maint. - Lawn	3,435
Maint. - Pest Control	2,107
Maint. - Snow Plowing	1,500
Ground Beautification	00
Furniture	00
Maint. - Building	710
Supplies - Garden	32
Supplies - Building	2,516
Supplies - Kitchen	3,518
Supplies - Church	459
Memorial - Window	00

TOTAL	\$63,202

OTHER EXPENSES: Exhibit P

Diocesan Assembly	751
Contingencies	00
Miscellaneous	1,121
Parish Assembly Exp.	1,140

TOTAL	3,012

NOTE: Bazaar Checking Account has a balance of \$3,972.65

ST. THOMAS ARMENIAN CHURCH
1995 BUDGET

<u>INCOME</u>	PROPOSED	ACTUAL	BUDGET	ACTUAL
<u>THROUGH 12/31/94</u>	1995	1994	1994	1993
Pledges	60,000	61,328	70,000	84,460
Plate	7,500	7,913	12,500	8,542
Candles	3,500	3,812	--	--
Prayers	5,000	5,457	2,500	7,534
Yughakin - X-Mas	1,500	1,440	3,200	3,172
Yughakin - Easter	3,000	2,757	2,300	2,265
<u>SACRAMENTS:</u>				
Baptism	4,000	4,200	4,000	4,000
Weddings	3,000	3,100	5,000	5,235
Funerals	1,200	1,800	1,200	1,975
Requiems	5,000	5,895	5,000	5,130
<u>AUXILIARY ORG.:</u>				
Women's Guild	12,000	12,000	10,000	10,000
Avak Society	2,500	1,600	3,500	3,043
Men's Club	00	00	00	00
Singles Club	00	00	100	250
Yng Adults	00	00	500	750
ACYOA JRS	600	750	500	00
Family Auxiliary				
Kef Night	15,000	15,240	21,000	21,627
New Year's Eve	17,000	15,675	16,000	16,158
<u>CHURCH AFFAIRS:</u>				
Bazaar(actual 32,655)	35,000	30,770	44,000	42,690
Memorial Day Picnic	17,500	15,349	12,000	11,315
Palm Sunday Dinner	5,000	4,874	6,000	4,913
Palm Sunday Cake Sale	6,000	6,675	6,500	7,810
Other Affairs(A.C.)	1,000	840	00	4,370
Diocesan Raffle	00	00	00	2,150
P. C. Special Event	1,000	765	15,000	00
Stewardship Program	10,000	00	00	00
<u>DONATIONS:</u>				
I-L-O-F	5,000	5,005	7,100	7,505
Altar Flower	1,200	1,350	1,200	1,960
Memorial Donors	500	100	1,000	900
Holiday Flowers	600	683	1,200	1,365
Greeting-Christmas	250	345	700	800

	PROPOSED 1995	ACTUAL 1994	BUDGET 1994	ACTUAL 1993
<u>OTHER INCOME:</u>				
ACEF Interest	1,000	889	1,200	1,228
Bookstore	3,000	3,857	1,600	-250
Car Raffle	16,000	17,645	15,000	14,958
Hall Rentals	50,000	52,060	36,000	32,374
Nor Tar	1,500	1,534	2,000	3,260
Investment Interest	1,500	1,610	1,000	1,707
Trustees	00	00	00	7,350
Armenian History Class	1,000	112	00	435
Insurance Settlement	00	31,659	00	16,186
Misc. Donations	2,000	3,170	200	4,063
<u>TOTAL INCOME</u>	299,850	322,259	309,000	341,230

OPERATING EXPENSES:

SALARIES & BENEFITS:

Clergy Salary	50,000	45,486	47,245	47,510
Clergy Benefits FICA	3,750	3,750	3,750	3,000
Clergy Benefits IRA	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000
Parsonage Repairs	500	102	1,000	240
Parsonage Water	150	129	100	109
Parsonage Telephone	1,000	1,000	1,000	00
Parsonage Gas & Elec.	2,000	1,867	1,500	1,455
Clergy Auto Expenses	3,000	2,953	3,000	3,597
Clergy Auto Lease	3,950	3,948	3,950	3,451
Clergy Auto Insurance	1,900	1,821	1,900	1,905
Clergy Health Insurance	3,200	4,627	3,500	4,548
Salaries - Custodial	20,000	23,018	24,910	24,858
Salaries - Secretary	22,500	22,040	21,840	21,080
Salaries - Christian Edu.	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,192
Choir Dir. & Organist	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000
Payroll Taxes	5,800	6,082	4,300	3,100
Workman's Comp.	1,500	1,501	1,500	1,516
Visiting Clergy	1,500	1,600	1,500	1,500

	PROPOSED 1995	ACTUAL 1994	BUDGET 1994	ACTUAL 1993
<u>OPERATING EXPENSES:</u>				
Telephone	3,000	3,158	3,500	3,772
Office Supplies	1,500	788	2,500	2,438
Candles	1,000	911	3,100	3,605
Flowers	1,000	880	-	-
Computer Supplies	1,000	400	1,000	254
Print Nor Tar	6,000	5,470	8,000	8,020
Print Annual Report	1,000	1,380	2,500	2,315
Print-Misc. Stationary	1,500	1,555	1,000	638
Postage - Office	600	567	330	290
Postage - Gen. Mailing	1,500	1,248	1,920	1,758
Postage Nor Tar	1,500	1,225	1,750	1,710
Bookstore Expense	2,300	2,495	-	-
Hospitality & Other	500	520	1,745	2,764
Lease Copy Machine	2,000	2,223	3,500	4,686
Supplies Copy Machine	1,500	2,671	-	-
Rental Expense	6,000	5,318	00	00
<u>ASSESSMENTS</u>				
Diocesan Dues	40,000	38,270	45,000	44,735
Youth Ministry	00	00	2,800	2,779
<u>EDUCATIONAL & GOOD WORKS:</u>				
Sunday School	500	1,000	1,000	00
World Wide Charity	200	200	1,000	1,000
St. Nersess	00	00	1,000	2,000
<u>CHURCH BUILDING EXPENSES:</u>				
Mortgage Expense	00	00	00	6,036
Arch. Maint. Fund	24,000		18,000	6,150
Utilities - Gas & Elec.	30,000	26,297	27,000	27,150
Utilities - Water	1,000	710	1,500	1,603
Insurance - Building	18,000	16,888	15,000	13,748
Repairs - Ch.& Halls	1,000	1,130	500	755
Repairs - Elec.& Plum	2,850	3,665	4,000	2,281
Repairs A/C & Heat	1,000	235	3,500	2,966
Maint. - Lawn	3,000	3,435	5,000	4,040
Maint. - Pest Control	1,000	2,107	500	450
Maint. - Snow Plowing	1,500	1,500	1,200	1,125
Ground Beautification	00	00	560	00
Furniture	00	00	1,000	2,415
Maint. - Building	1,000	710	500	00
Supplies - Garden	00	32	200	233
Supplies - Building	2,000	2,516	3,000	2,917
Supplies - Kitchen	4,000	3,518	5,000	4,411
Supplies - Church	500	459	500	627
Memorial - Window	00	00	00	4,840

	PROPOSED 1995	ACTUAL 1994	BUDGET 1994	ACTUAL 1993
<u>OTHER EXPENSES:</u>				
Diocesan Assembly	500	751	1,400	2,530
Contingencies	500	00	500	00
Miscellaneous	1,450	1,121	2,500	3,268
Parish Assembly Exp.	1,200	1,140	3,000	3,085
TOTAL EXPENSES	299,850	268,417	309,000	303,455
NET INCOME		53,842		37,775



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Saint Thomas Armenian Church

Very Rev. Fr. Papken Anoushian, Pastor

A G R E E M E N T

Agreement made this ----- day of May, 1994, by and between
Reverend Father Papken Dz.V. Anoushian ("Rev. Anoushian") and
The Parish Council of St. Thomas Armenian Church, Tenafly, NJ
("Council").

WHEREAS, the annual Parish Assembly of St. Thomas Church ("Church") did, during February, 1994, approve and accept the resolution calling for the entry of a five (5)-year contract of employment by and between the Church and Rev. Anoushian,

It is hereby understood and agreed as follows:

1. **TERM:** Rev. Anoushian shall continue for a period of five (5) years, from February 15, 1994, to February 14, 1999, as the Parish Priest of the Church.
2. **DUTIES:** Rev. Anoushian's duties and responsibilities shall be those customarily of a parish clergyman of an Armenian Apostolic church, including same as set forth in the "By-Laws of the Armenian Church of America (Eastern Diocese)", subject to the lawful authority of the hierarchy of said Eastern Diocese and of the Holy See of Etchmiadzin in Armenia.
3. **COMPENSATION:** Rev. Anoushian's compensation and benefits shall be determined by Church's annual Parish assembly, subject, however, to the guidelines and regulations promulgated by said Eastern Diocese. Rev. Anoushian shall, for the term hereof, have the continuing use of the Church's parish house as his place of residence and be provided an automobile, under the presently existing terms and conditions.



Rev. Fr. Papken Anoushian
Pastor

St. Thomas Armenian Church Parish Council

by: 

Dr. Levon Capan, Chairman



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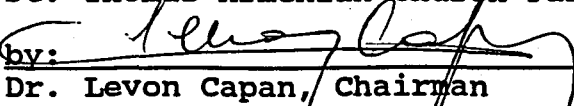
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Rev. Fr. Papken Anoushian
Pastor

St. Thomas Armenian Church Parish Council
by: 

Dr. Levon Capan, Chairman

**ST. THOMAS ARMENIAN CHURCH
FEBRUARY 5, 1995
30TH ANNUAL ASSEMBLY
AUDIT COMMITTEE REPORT**

We have examined the financial records, including balance sheet of the St. Thomas Armenian Church as of December 31, 1994, and the related statement of revenues, expenses, and changes in fund balances for the year then ended, in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.

Based on our review, no material discrepancies were found. In our opinion the financial statements as of December 31, 1994, present fairly the assets, liabilities and fund balances of the St. Thomas Armenian Church in a manner consistent with that of preceding year.

Respectfully submitted,
Araxie Pichigian
January 27, 1995

Gregory Amerkanian

Michael Halajian

**ST. THOMAS ARMENIAN CHURCH
FINDINGS BY THE AUDIT COMMITTEE**

In accordance with the decision of the St. Thomas Armenian Church 1994 Parish Assembly, we were asked to examine the financial records of the Fr. Arnak & Yerezgin Violet Kasparian Library Fund.

Based on information received from Yerezgin Kasparian, the Library Committee did not maintain separate bank accounts and treasurer. Receipts were recorded, and expenses were disbursed from church's regular account combined with other activities.

The auditing committee also examined prior years' annual reports of St. Thomas Armenian Church, but we were not able to locate any reports related to library funds.

In our opinion, prior year's annual reports which were approved at the assemblies of the St. Thomas Armenian Church with their auditor's report including Library Funds, present fairly financial reports.

Respectfully submitted,

Auditing Committee
January 27, 1995

January 27, 1995

Parish Council
St. Thomas Armenian Church
Tenafly, NJ

Re: Audit Committee Report

We have attached a copy of the audit Committee Report covering the audit of the St. Thomas Armenian Church's accounting records for calendar year ending at December 31, 1994. The committee, comprised of Araxie Pichigian, Gregory Amerkanian and Michael Halajian.

Auditing committee's objective was to determine the adequacy of the internal accounting controls. Accounting system of St. Thomas Armenian Church was computerized, utilizing BPI Accounting from Computer Associates, Inc. The committee feels satisfied that the accounting records covered in this period present fairly the financial of the St. Thomas Armenian Church.

During our audit process, the committee met with Grace Hagopian, treasurer of the church, and Mary Tashjian, Secretary of the church. We thank them for their time and cooperation with our audit process. We were able to enter budgeted amounts into computer so that any given time budget can be compared with actual expenditures, and we were able to introduce balance sheet, income statement and fund balances form of reporting.

Sincerely yours,

Audit Committee

Encl.