

1994

REPORTS OF ALL CHURCH ORGANIZATIONS



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Dear Church Members:

According to the wishes of our 1987 Parish Assembly, we are mailing the 1994 reports of all the organizations and committees.

Please read them all and if you have any questions, feel free to ask them on Feb. 5, 1995 when the Annual Parish Assembly will be held.

I also wish to inform you that the Pastor's, Parish Council Chairman's, Treasurer's and Auditing Committee's reports will be given at the Parish Assembly.

I hope to see you all on Feb. 5th. We need your participation and input in our and your church matters.

Also, please encourage others to attend the Annual Assembly.

Prayerfully,

Fr. Untzag Nalbandian

Pastor

1995 YEAR OF THE BIBLE

1995 is declared to be the Year of the Bible by our Primate. A new Armenian Church edition of the English Bible was published recently by the American Bible Society, through the efforts of our Diocese.

Let us all buy a copy for our family. Let us make 1995 the year of the Bible by opening and reading from it on a daily basis, by attending Bible Study (which we plan to start in Feb. 95) and by an active participation in the life and mission of our church for the spiritual revitalization of our families and Holy Ascension Parish and for the glory of God.

Prayerfully,

Fr. Untzag Nalbandian

Pastor

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH ASSEMBLY

The 1994 Parish Assembly was held in the Agahigian-Sherinian Church Hall on January 30, 1994. The meeting opened at 12:45 P.M. with an invocation led by Fr. Untzag Nalbandian.

Mr. Richard Kalfaian, of the Parish Council chaired the meeting until a chairperson was elected from those assembled. The 1993 Parish Assembly Secretary Sharyn N. D'Urso was present to record the opening business until a secretary would be elected for this annual meeting.

Verification of dues-paying members was made by Richard Kalfaian and Sharyn D'Urso as Nicky Taraian read the names. Acting Chairman Richard Kalfaian reported that there are one hundred twenty-four dues paying members of the church. A quorum of forty-seven members were present for the Parish Assembly.

Voting ballots were distributed to all eligible members as their presence at the assembly was determined by roll call. The meeting proceeded with the election of Lionel Ketchian as chairman of the Annual Parish Assembly; Sharyn N. D'Urso was re-elected as the Secretary for the annual meeting.

Salpi Tokatlian from the 1993 Nominating Committee conducted the voting for the 1994 elections. The voting was done by secret ballots.

Having elected the officers for the Annual Parish Assembly, the business of the meeting was undertaken. The 1993 Minutes of the Annual Parish Assembly were presented by Chairman Lionel Ketchian. A reading of the minutes was waived by voice vote. The minutes were accepted as presented. The minutes were distributed to the members prior to the assembly.

Chairman Lionel Ketchian called upon Salpi Tokatlian of the 1993 Nominating Committee to assist with conducting the 1994 election of members for Parish Council, Nominating Committee, and Auditing Committee. A sample ballot is attached to this report as Appendix I.

The first election was the Office of Parish Council. There were seven parish members on the ballot for this position. Three additional members were added by nomination from the floor: Rose Avakian, Virginia Kalfaian and Leo Malkasian. The assembly was directed to vote for only five of the ten nominees. The voters were cautioned that voting for more than five would invalidate the ballot as to the election of parish council members.

The annual assembly next voted for Nominating Committee members. There were six candidates on the ballot; the assembly was directed to vote for only three.

The last voting was conducted for the office of auditing committee. There were six nominees presented on the ballot. Once again, the assembly was directed to vote for only three.

Since two members of the nominating committee were absent from the assembly, Salpi Tokatlian, Connie Kasparian and Vrej Yapoujian joined the auditing committee to count the votes.

The auditing committee adjourned at 1:15 p.m. to tally the votes. The voting was done by secret ballot.

REPORT OF THE PARISH PRIEST

While the Auditing Committee retired to the conference room Fr. Untzag Nalbandian presented his report to the Annual Parish Assembly. Der Hyre addressed the Assembly first in Armenian.

Fr. Untzag Nalbandian thanked the pledge committee members Richard Kalfaian, Nicky Taraian and Vrej Yapoujian for their effort to secure pledges from the congregation. Pledging has been modest from parishioners. The result is ongoing requests for donations to fund programs and meet expenses for building and grounds maintenance. This creates a continuing anxiety for Parish Council members who are responsible for the budget, and the pastor as well.

Fr. Untzag Nalbandian remarked that we are a relatively small congregation, which in 1993 accomplished a varied agenda of major church activities with a laudable amount of success. Fr. Nalbandian highlighted some of the major activities of the parish:

- a. The first Mardi-Gras, a mini-bazaar, was held in February and resulted in a profit for the one day event.

Also in February, a group of more than twenty parishioners led by Fr. Untzag Nalbandian travelled to Washington, D.C. to demonstrate. The small but vocal group of parishioners joined many other parish groups in the event, bringing attention to and raising political support for the critical issues facing Armenia.

- b. Seta Toroyan was the keynote speaker at the Michink Dinner in March.

- c. Our Martyrs were remembered on Armenian Martyrs Day in April. A Madagh dinner was held. The guest speaker was Eva Medzorian of Boston, Massachusetts.

- d. In May, parishioners held a farewell reception for one of our Deacons, Thomas Dabakian and his family.

- e. In June 1993, Fr. Untzag Nalbandian received a Master's Degree in Religious Studies at the University of Sacred Heart. A graduation party was organized by members of the parish to celebrate the achievement and show support for the Der Hyre's continuing professional growth.

- f. Fr. Nalbandian made a pilgrimage to Jerusalem. This was his first visit to the Holy City. He thanked the Parish Assembly for supporting his desire to make the journey and expressed his gratitude to everyone for this personal and professional experience. Fr. Untzag Nalbandian also extended his thanks to the Primate for the opportunity to complete graduate study and

the Pilgrimage to Jerusalem. At a pre-bazaar dinner, the Der Hyre spoke about his experiences on the Pilgrimage and narrated a video about the visit.

- g. Also in October, Nazareth and Margaret Azarian shared a video and spoke about their experiences during their visit to Armenia.
- h. The Mt. Ararat Bazaar was held the first weekend in November. It was a successful bazaar and netted a profit of over \$16,000.00.
- i. The Women's Guild held their Annual Assembly and Elections on Dec. 5, 1993. This is a dedicated group of women. Der Hyre asked for a greater participation by the women in the church to increase the membership of this important group. The parish continues to sponsor and support a wide range of activities surround the religious, cultural, social and educational aspects of our parish community. A complete listing is attached to the minutes and incorporated by reference.

Fr. Untzag Nalbandian discussed the numerous and varied activities he presides over as parish priest, the details of which are in his 1993 report to the parish. One new activity that is likely to become an annual event was the Christmas Caroling. The demand for the ACYOA Jrs. was more than the group could accommodate. They have already committed to return engagement next year for this fund-raiser.

The church remains dedicated to help relieve the suffering of those in the Motherland. With the assistance of the "Help Armenia" Committee, the parish raised over \$11,000.00. With this money five orphans were adopted by our parish, twenty-five were adopted by the Norfield Congregational Parish and the rest of the money was sent to the Diocese to be used for Armenia. It is the desire and intent of the parish to continue to support these families while continuing to adopt more.

In addition, church members contributed to two containers of clothes and food which were sent to Armenia. Our parish and the extended community generously supported this humanitarian effort.

Discussing some of the business and administrative aspects in his report, Fr. Untzag Nalbandian remarked that over sixty families donated \$5,000.00 for the new parish car. The land survey is almost complete at a cost of \$7,500.00 and the mortgage payments will be reduced from \$1,040.00 to \$460.00 as a result of refinancing.

Fr. Untzag Nalbandian set out his goals for 1994 which include increasing membership, continuing involvement of the youth, and increasing the number and amount of pledges.

Fr. Untzag Nalbandian concluded this report by thanking everyone for their generous contribution of time, talent and financial support which kept all organizations alive, including the publication of the bi-monthly parish newsletter, the ANI.

PARISH COUNCIL REPORT

Richard Najarian made the report for the Parish Council. He noted the challenge to administer to the need of the church. Mr. Najarian cited his personal growth and development of his administrative skills. The most difficult task for the parish council is to meet the financial commitments of the church. He encouraged people to pay their pledges and increase pledging. A new card system is being inaugurated to assist accounting for dues paid members. Mr. Najarian stated that if the church and church programs were properly supported by pledging, the Der Hyre would be able to focus on the pastoral needs of the parish.

REPORT FROM THE TREASURER AND AUDITING COMMITTEE

Matthew okatljan, representing the auditing committee presented the committee's report. The report was accepted by the assembly as read. Treasurer, Shavarsh Papazian reported to the Parish Assembly. He remarked that the financial needs of the church over the years, but is not reflected in the amount of pledges. He called upon parishioners to consider pledging in recognition of today's financial obligations in order to operate the church and fund church programs. (Shavarsh Papazian and Richard Najarian worked with Fr. Untzag Nalbandian to refinance the mortgage, thereby reducing monthly payments from \$1,040.00 to \$460.00. The principle of the new mortgage is \$50,000.00 amortized over fifteen years at the commercial loan rate of seven and one-half percent. The 1994 budget was presented to the assembly and passed by unanimous vote.

Fr. Untzag Nalbandian commented about this parish's tradition of giving year-end donations from the individual church groups. At this meeting, the Women's Guild was thanked for presenting \$2,000 to the church and the Church Choir donated \$1,000.00 which was received with gratitude by the Der Hyre, and the ACYOA Jrs. \$300.00.

ELECTION RESULTS

Parish Council

| | | |
|----------------------|----------|-----------|
| Garo Garabedian | 44 votes | elected |
| Nikki Taraian | 40 votes | elected |
| Margaret Azarian | 34 votes | elected |
| Darwin Jamgochian | 33 votes | elected |
| Elsie Chaghatzbanian | 31 votes | elected |
| Richard Kalfaian | 29 votes | alternate |

Nominating Committee

| | | |
|------------------|----------|-----------|
| Malanie Donoian | 32 votes | elected |
| Elenor Zysk | 29 votes | elected |
| Harry Tashjian | 27 votes | elected |
| Sharyn N. D'Urso | 26 votes | alternate |

Auditing Committee

| | | |
|-------------------|----------|---------|
| Matthew Tokatlian | 31 votes | elected |
| Archie Misakian | 30 votes | elected |
| Leo Krikorian | 22 votes | Alt. |
| Ralph Trapasso | 22 votes | Elected |

OLD BUSINESS

Nothing was added at the call for old business, these issues having been covered in prior reports.

NEW BUSINESS

REPORT OF KHACHKAR MONUMENT

A memorial in memory of the martyrs and survivors will be erected on the small "green" in the parking lot. The proposed location has high visibility. Dr. Berdj Harabedian and Berch Khachadourian are the co-chairmen of this committee. Berch Khachadourian, was asked to make a personal request to the Parish Assembly for donations for this important project. Mr. Khachadourian spoke about the project. A plaque will be placed in the church hall to recognize the donors. Funds will be raised in two categories: Benefactors who donate a minimum of at least \$1,000.00 and donors who donate at least \$100.00. The success of this project is anticipated. The monument will be approximately three feet wide and five feet high and ten inches thick.

VINYL SIDING

Richard Najarian reported that the exterior of the building is in need of maintenance. Quotes have been received for both painting and vinyl siding. It has been decided by the Parish Council that the wood clapboard siding is not in good condition for painting. This decision was based upon information considered by parish council members relying upon the opinion of those contractors who assessed the needs of the church building. Although painting is less expensive for a short term solution, it was decided that the cost effective approach in terms of both time and money was to have the building vinyl sided. Several quotes have been received for vinyl siding.

The quote from Godro Siding, Inc. was presented to the Parish Assembly as the recommended contractor for the work. The quoted

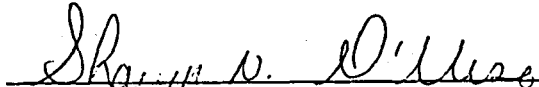
price to side the church is \$17,300.00. This price covers siding the wood clapboard with vinyl and includes gutters and leaders. It does not include either the steeple or the front columns. The brick front will not be disturbed. The payments would be made in equal one thirds.

A first motion to vinyl side the church using Godro Siding, Inc. was carried by a majority of those present, by hand count. A second motion was made requesting each family to contribute \$100.00 for this project, conditioned upon the fact that they could afford the donation. This motion also was carried by a hand vote. Donations were requested to be made by the end of February,

No other business being presented, Archie Misakian motioned that the meeting be adjourned.

The Assembly was closed by Fr. Untzag Nalbandian's prayer at around 3:30 P.M.

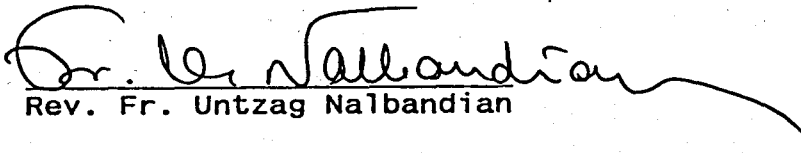
Respectfully submitted



Sharyn N. D'Urso, Assembly Secretary

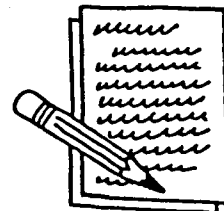


Lionel Ketchian, Assembly Chairman



Rev. Fr. Untzag Nalbandian

DELEGATE'S REPORT, 93rd ASSEMBLY
APRIL 28-30, 1994, HOUSTON, TEXAS



The Assembly opened on Thursday April 28th. Dr. Garo Garibian was elected chairman of the assembly. He did an exceptional job of handling the assembly and on a whole the assembly went well.

We remembered delegates who were deceased and among those remembered were Martin Cholakian from St. John's in Southfield, Michigan and Sara Dadourian from Holy Martrys, Bayside, New Jersey.

The assembly requested that condolences be sent to the family of Richard Nixon and the White House due to the recent death of former president Richard Nixon.

The United Nations has named this year as the year of the family and the Diocese has also named this year as the "Year of the American Family."

A video has been made and a work book has been designed for each church to set up workshops on the Armenian family theme and our relationship with our church. In the Spring I would love to moderate a few workshops for adults and children and have a panel discussion. The Diocese has set up departments to meet the needs of our people.

All churches are concerned with our young people attending church on a regular basis and the different departments are working on ideas to attract our youth back to the fold. Suggestions and work sessions were held to gather ideas on this theme. One suggestion was to try a Badarak in English to see if some of the youth would attend. Our Der Hyre is trying that now with the consent of the Primate and he will be reporting the results of this experiment. We have a Department of Social Services headed by Michael Guglielmo and he headed a workshop. The three topics discussed were:

- 1- Refugee Resettlement
- 2- "Keep in Touch."
- 3 -"Faith in Action."

Refugee Resettlement has to do with people coming from Baku, Azerbaijan.

"Keeping in touch" program is designed to help parishes monitor the well being of its frail elderly/and or disabled parishioners.

"Faith in Action" is an interdepartmental project between DSS and the Department of Youth Ministry. This department is in place to help families and parishes deal with social problems that are arising in all aspects of our lives.

Zavin Kasparian, Unity Chairman, presented the Unity report and said that a document of understanding and acceptance was put together jointly with the Prelacy Unity Committee and will be presented together to both sets of delegates at the same time. It seems we are getting closer to Unity, and as soon as we are sent the document we will present them to you.

The Diocese has been running at an approximate \$300,000 deficit but expects certain funds will be made available to offset this deficit. Our Diocese as well as most of our parishes are finding it very difficult to balance their budgets. The diocese is implementing new ideas to raise funds and most parishes are doing the same. We are not alone!

Our Primate was elected for another term and the vote was unanimous.

The 1995 Diocesan Assembly will be held May 4-7 at St. Vartanantz Armenian Church in Chelmsford, MA. The 1996 Assembly will be held at Sts.Sahag & Mesrob Church in Wynnewood, PA.

A copy of the minutes of the assembly is available if any one wants to read them.

Respectfully submitted,
Connie Kasparian
Delegate

ARMENIAN CHURCH OF THE HOLY ASCENSION CHOIR REPORT 1994

CHECKBOOK BALANCE JANUARY 1, 1994 \$1,189.04

INCOME

| | |
|----------------------|-----------|
| PLATE COLLECTION | \$ 160.00 |
| PALM SUNDAY PROCEEDS | 895.36 |
| INTEREST INCOME | 15.58 |

TOTAL INCOME \$2,259.98

PAID OUT

| | |
|----------------------------|------------|
| 1994 CHURCH DONATION | \$1,000.00 |
| MUSIC BOOKS | 43.30 |
| ROBES | 160.00 |
| CHOIR ASSOCIATION DONATION | 50.00 |
| POSTAGE | 9.50 |

TOTAL EXPENSES \$1,162.80

CHECK BOOK BALANCE DECEMBER 31, 1994 \$ 997.18

SUBMITTED BY Nazareth Azarian TREASURER
NAZARETH AZARIAN

AUGUST 15, 1994 DEPOSIT TRANSFER FROM 1993
BAZAAR COMMITTEE \$ 1,162.45

THIS AMOUNT IS LESS \$600 PAID FOR
RAFFLE PRIZE BY 1993 COMMITTEE 600.00

PROFIT FROM 1994 BAZAAR 14,423.19

INTEREST EARNED 30.02

CHECK CHARGES - 19.90

CHECK #131 DECEMBER 1, 1994 TO CHURCH - 14,000.00

CHECK BOOK BALANCE DECEMBER 9, 1994 2,195.76

(AS OF 1/11/95)

Nazareth Azarian
Treasurer

1994 ARMENIAN CHURCH OF THE HOLY ASCENSION BAZAAR REPORT

| ACCOUNT | INCOME | EXPENSE | PROFIT |
|--|--------------------|-------------------|--------------------|
| ADD BOOK | \$ 7,415.00 | \$ 795.66 | \$ 6,619.34 |
| RAFFLE | 2,482.00 | 802.00 | 1,680.00 |
| DINNERS & FOOD SALES (INCLUDES SODA, BEER, WINE, AND FOOD PURCHASE FOR PRE BAZAAR DINNERS) | 6,194.77 | 3,502.86 | 2,691.91 |
| PASTRY (ELEANOR) | 1,086.76 | 95.00 | 991.76 |
| PRE-BAZAAR DINNER (FOOD COSTS INCLUDED IN FOOD FOR BAZAAR) | 864.00 | 142.00 | 722.00 |
| VENDORS | 400.00 | | 400.00 |
| RUGS | 3,940.41 | 3,109.29 | 831.12 |
| WHITE ELEPHANT | 268.20 | | 268.20 |
| MIDDLE EASTERN | 576.45 | 12.00 | 564.45 |
| CONEY ISLAND | 60.00 | 9.09 | 50.91 |
| CHILDREN'S ROOM | 27.00 | | 27.00 |
| DONATIONS | 510.00 | | 510.00 |
| A C Y O A DONATION | 150.00 | | 150.00 |
| LIQUOR LICENSE | | 60.00 | - 60.00 |
| ADVERTISING | 100.00 | 433.50 | -333.50 |
| BAND | | 400.00 | -400.00 |
| MAGICIAN | | 65.00 | - 65.00 |
| MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSE (DISHWASHER AND CASH REGISTER RENTAL) | | 225.00 | -225.00 |
| TOTALS | \$24,074.59 | \$9,651.40 | \$14,423.19 |

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED BY  TREASURER

M/AZARETH AZARIAN

JANUARY 10, 1995

1994 Women's Guild Treasurer's Report

Beginning Balance.....\$679.86

| | <u>DEBIT</u> | <u>CREDIT</u> |
|------------------|--------------|---------------|
| Bank Interest | | \$ 17.12 |
| Coffee Hours | | 652.88 |
| Membership Dues | | 520.00 |
| * Gifts To Guild | | 340.00 |
| ** Dinners | | 273.00 |
| Added Donations | | 400.00 |

Donations By Guild \$500.00
For Khachkar

EXPENSES

| | |
|-----------------------|--------|
| Dishwasher | 30.00 |
| Bank Checks | 11.95 |
| Cost of Supplies | |
| -food for dinners and | |
| coffee hours | 634.17 |

TOTAL EXPENSES.....1176.12

TOTAL INCOME.....2203.00

BALANCE.....\$1706.74

In 1994 the Women's Guild prepared and served 5 dinners and 2 luncheons, in addition to the Mini-Bazaar, Church Picnic and the Mt. Ararat Bazaar for three days.

Starting with a balance of \$679.86 in January the Guild is proud to report a balance of \$1706.74 at year end. From this total the Guild will donate \$1000.00 to the Parish Council plus the balance of \$500.00 for the Khachkar. This will bring the total donation to the Parish Council from the Women's Guild to \$2000.00 for the year 1994. The balance for January 1995 will be \$206.74.

**Ladies Guild received Income from only 2 of these Functions

Respectfully Submitted: Sara Der Megerdichian
CHAIRPERSON

Florence Chakmakjian
TREASURER

WOMENS' GUILD REPORT

As a member of the 1993-1994 Executive Board, I want to thank our Chairwoman, Sara DerMegerdichian; Treasurer, Florence Chakmakjian; Advisors, Elsie Chaghatzbanian and Margaret Manugian, for their encouragement and support throughout the year.

The Guild accomplished many worthwhile goals with the Executive Board's guidance and support. Some of them were: January 5, 1994, Armenian Christmas Eve Coffe; January 30, 1994, Parish Assembly Luncheon; February 6, 1994, St. Vartanantz Day Dinner (assisted Sunday School & Armenian School); February 19, 1994, Mt. Ararat Mardi Gras; March 16, 1994, Lenten Pot Luck Supper; March 27, 1994, Palm Sunday Dinner (assisted choir); April 3, 1994, Special Easter Sunday Coffee Hour; April 24, 1994, Madag Dinner; May 5, 1994, National Day of Prayer Meeting; August 14, 1994, Church Picnic (assisted in food preparation); November 4-6, 1994, Mt Ararat Bazaar (actively participated in planning, preparing, cooking and serving); 11/19/94, Womens' Guild Educational Meeting; November 23, 1994, Interfaith Meeting.

To assist in building up the church, the Guild sent representatives to visit parishioners in convalescent homes, made several visits to bereaved members, sent get well and sympathy cards and hosted many coffee hours.

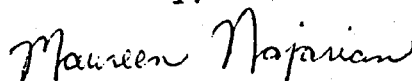
The Guild also donated \$2,000.00 to the church (\$1,000 for the Khachkar project, and \$1,000 donated at the Parish Assembly).

Looking back at the Guild's accomplishments, I can see that this was a very successful year. We had a terrific Executive Board, great support from the membership, and were able to enjoy, help, aid and assist our church members.

At this time I want to welcome our new Executive Board, Co-Chairwomen, Elena Amboyan and Kim Kasparian; Secretary, Melanie Donoian; Treasurer, Florence Chakmakjian; Advisors, Sharyn D'Urso, Sara DerMegerdichian and Margaret Manugian.

May God bless all your efforts and make 1995 a successful and fulfilling year!

Sincerely,



Maureen Najarian
Womens' Guild Secretary

ARMENIAN & SUNDAY SCHOOL **1994 ANNUAL REPORT**

The Sunday and Armenian Language School began 1994 providing the luncheon and program for Armenian Christmas on January 6th. The parishioners enjoyed a wonderful luncheon and the children received a visit from Santa Claus. It also marked the first time that we celebrated Christmas on the actual day and the majority of the school children did attend Badarak with their parents.

In February, a Vartanantz Day program and lunch was given. Lisa Misakian led the students in recitations and the dinner was served by the teachers, with the assistance of the Women's Guild. We sponsored a coffee hour in March, the proceeds given to the church's siding project. We also held a bake sale on Palm Sunday to support our Diocese Lenten Drive.

During Holy Week, the students participated in many aspects of the religious activities - scripture readings - acolytes and choir members. We ended our school year at the end of May with a hantes, under the direction of Rita Chaghatzbanian. We held graduation exercises and all the children received a certificate and a gift.

September brought far fewer children to our classrooms - only 15 children registered in both schools. Although disappointed with our enrollment, our capable staff provides quality education to our children. Armenian School has four levels of instruction, while the Sunday School has three regularly scheduled classes.

With the onset of the English Badarak, the schools have adjusted their schedule on those particular Sundays to provide their students with a choice to first attend services with their parents and then attend a special class.

In October, a special presentation about Mesrob Mashdots was given by Marie Yapoujian with an activity led by Lisa Misakian. We will continue this lecture format in the future, as long as the English Badaraks are held.

We continue to schedule our students to read the Sunday Bible reading during Badarak. We will also continue to seek out children who would like to learn the Armenian language and who wish to learn more about our Lord.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda McGann
Sunday School Principal
Armenian School Administrator

1994 Armenian School/Sunday School Financial Report

| | <u>Disbursements</u> | <u>Deposits</u> | <u>Balance</u> |
|--|----------------------|-------------------|------------------|
| <u>Beginning Balance 1/1/94</u> | | | \$ 365.00 |
| Jan. Christmas 1/6/94 food/gifts | \$ 175.31 | | |
| Feb. Proceeds from Vartanantz Dinner | | \$400.00 | |
| Vartanantz Food cost | 162.00 | | |
| Gave W.G. their share of Vartanantz | 100.00 | | |
| Mar. Coffee hour proceeds | | 135.00 | |
| Gave to church siding | 100.00 | | |
| Bake Sale (Easter) | | 221.50 | |
| Apr. Misc. expense | 19.98 | | |
| May Proceeds from Hantes Luncheon | | 200.00 | |
| Closed savings acc't & transferred to checking | | 785.33* | |
| Hantes luncheon food cost | 119.93 | | |
| Donation to church for Birthday | 500.00 | | |
| Re-imbusement for button machine, Bazaar. | 50.16 | | |
| June St. Vartan Camp (Two children) | 300.00 | | |
| Misc. Expense | 30.00 | | |
| July Gift to adopted Armenian Child | 17.00 | | |
| Dec. Deposit registration fees | | 150.00 | |
| Adopted child annual bill | 200.00 | | |
| Misc. Expense | 19.50 | | |
| Interest earned from Jan/Dec. | | 7.74 | |
| | <u>\$1,793.88</u> | <u>\$1,899.57</u> | <u>470.69</u> |

Balance as of 12/31/94 carried forward.

*The \$785.33 balance in savings acc't includes proceeds from Christmas Luncheon and previous functions.

Respectfully submitted,

Yolanda Kane
Treasurer

1994 ACYOA JRS. FINANCIAL REPORT

| | | |
|--------------------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Beginning Balance | | \$ 699.00 |
| Disbursements: | | |
| Orphan fund | \$ 200.00 | |
| Church | 200.00 | |
| 94 Bazaar | 150.00 | |
| Total to Church in 1994 | \$ 550.00 | |
| Income : | | |
| Earnings/Bazaar | 400.00 | |
| Christmas Caroling | 305.00 | |
| Total Income | \$ 705.00 | |

Total Expenses : 220.63
(office supplies, frames , pens, computer paper, postage, pizza parties,
Christmas battery operated candles for caroling)

Ending Balance : \$ 634.37

Respectfully submitted, **Kim Kasparian**
Hovig Nalbandian **Advisor**
Treasurer

ACYOA JRS. ANNUAL REPORT

I am proud to tell you that we have the following nine active members in our A.C.Y.O.A. youth group: C. J. Cartiglia, Susan Cartiglia, Ani Gulbenk, Aram Gavor, Christina Garabedian, Hoving Nalbandian, Mary McGregor, Raffi Tokatlian and of course me!

I am very happy to share with you what we have accomplished as the ACYOA Jrs. of the Armenian Church of the Holy Ascension. So far we held a Mother's Day Brunch which was a success to us by your presence that day. We had a day where we went bowling and made a banner for the June 5th blessing of the monument, which also was a big success. Another day we went to the movies and then out to dinner afterwards. We held a booth for the 1994 Bazaar which was a great help for us. We made a total of \$400.00 but we gave \$150.00 to the church. We had a great time because of your support toward us.

We went on Dec. 23, 1994 at 5:00 p.m to midnight Christmas caroling. We visited close to 15 families.

We had a total of eight meetings this year. We have two great advisors who are Kim Kasparian and Jack Merdinoglu. I am very proud of the ACYOA Jrs. because they



work together and they do a job well done in anything.

On the weekend of Jan. 13-15 of 1995, three of our ACYOA members: Susan Cartiglia, Hovig Nalbandian and I went to St. Nersess for a winter conference for teenagers which was a fun experience. Without our great advisors, Kim Kasparian and Jack Merdinoglu, this active group of teenagers would not have accomplished this much or have met their goals.

The ACYOA members also sang in the choir, read scriptures from the bible and became acolytes whenever they could. As we enter the New Year of '95 I hope that the ACYOA members do just as well and even better by your support towards us and us serving you! Thank you.

Respectfully submitted,

Maral Nalbandian
Chairman

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ANNUAL REPORT OF THE CHOIR

As it is expected, our Church Choir had a very busy season. Besides serving every Sunday, We held special services during: Lent, Thanksgiving, Armenian Christmas Eve and Armenian Christmas.


Palm Sunday dinner and program was a success as usual. A check in the amount of \$1000.00 dollars was donated to the church from the proceeds of that day.

1994 was the beginning of a new event for our church. We were the hosts for the "Thanksgiving Interfaith Services", which allowed our parish and our choir a good exposure to the congregations of our sister Churches of other denominations.

Also past year, our choir was enriched with the additional voices of Mrs. Gladys Jevarjian and Mrs. Manoushag Samaan. We welcome them both and appreciate their voices and the support. Another addition to the choir, this time on the organ, was Miss. Maral Nalbandian. Her youthful exuberance is a breath of fresh air. We hope many more of her age group will join the choir in one aspect or another.

I would like to take this time to thank Der Hayr for all his support and direction, our organists: Hovig Nalbandian, Chuck Balian and Maral Nalbandian. Our Conductors: Virginia Kalfaian, Nazareth Azarian and Chuck Balian. Last and certainly not the least all our choir members for their voices and dedication.

Respectfully submitted,


Vrej Yapoujian
Choir Chairman

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