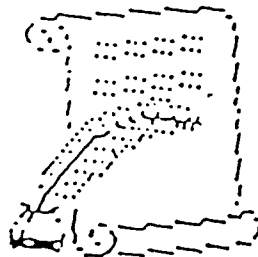




**1998**

**REPORTS OF ALL CHURCH  
ORGANIZATIONS**



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January 15, 1999

Dear Church Members,

According to the wishes of our 1987 Parish Assembly, we are mailing the 1998 reports of all our organizations.

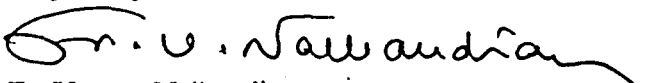
Please read them all and if you have any questions, feel free to ask them on January 31, 1999, when the Annual Parish Assembly will be held.

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 January 31, 1999. We need your participation and input in our and your church matters. Also, please encourage others to attend the Annual Assembly.

Together, we hope to make 1999 a very active year. I thank you for your continuing support and I wish you all a healthy, happy, and successful year.

Prayerfully,

  
Fr. Untzag Nalbandian  
Pastor

## MINUTES OF THE 1998 ANNUAL PARISH ASSEMBLY

*The Armenian Church of the Holy Ascension held its Annual Parish Assembly Sunday February 1, 1998. The meeting opened at 1:00 p.m. with an invocation by Fr. Untzag Nalbandian. Mark Gavoor, Chairman of the 1997 Parish Assembly, opened the business meeting.*

*Margaret Azarian read the roll resulting in 54 eligible voting members present out of 109 dues paid members representing a legal quorum for the assembly.*

**ELECTION OF OFFICERS OF THE DAY:** *Two nominations for Chairman of the Day came from the floor namely Mark Gavoor nominated by Maureen Najarian and seconded; Archie Misakian nominated by Mardy Azarian and seconded. A vote of hands resulted in Mark Gavoor being elected Chairman of the Day.*

*Two nominations for Secretary of the day came from the floor, namely Margaret Azarian and Heather Tarpinian, both seconded. A vote of hands resulted in Margaret Azarian being elected Secretary of the Day.*

*Mark Gavoor motioned that Der Hyre's report be given to the assembly prior to the election of the Parish Council, Nominating Committee and Auditing Committee members. Seconded and passed unanimously.*

*Archie Misakian motioned to dispense with reading the minutes. Seconded and passed unanimously.*

*Archie Misakian motioned that the minutes be approved as presented. Seconded and passed unanimously.*

**PASTOR'S REPORT:** *Der Hyre spoke briefly in Armenian then proceeded to give his report in English.*

*Fr. Nalbandian welcomed everyone to the 67th Annual Parish Assembly in the name of Our Lord Jesus Christ, the Mother See of Holy Etchmiadzin, our Diocese and the 1997 Parish Council.*

*He reported that he was starting his 15 th year of service at Holy Ascension and that 1997 was one of the most successful and busiest years for our church.*

*Der Hyre went through the calendar, month by month, explaining all the religious, cultural, educational and social activities that transpired during the year. These functions were exclusive of his 51 Badaraks (Liturgy) 49 of which were on Sundays, sermons as well as 6 baptisms, 2 weddings, 4 funerals in our church plus participating or attending 7 funerals and 4 weddings outside Holy Ascension.*

*Most of his administrative and pastoral paper work was done with his secretary through the church office twice a week.*

*In addition, Der Hyre, gathered information, edited and published the "ANI" newsletter bimonthly. He mentioned here that he is looking for an editor, who has the ability and time to do what he is doing to get the newsletter published on time.*

*Der Hyre stressed during the year he was so busy, at times not knowing to which to give priority.*

*He attended parish meetings, and regional meetings at the Diocese, St. Nersess Seminary in New York and New Jersey.*

*He also gave lectures at St. Vartan Camp and St. Nersess Seminary. He participated in the 82nd anniversary of the Armenian Genocide commemorative event at the State Capitol in Hartford. He attended Fr. Buttero's funeral in New Britain, a special conference and lecture series on Yeghishe' Charentz, a great Armenian poet and writer, at Columbia University.*

*Beside all the above, he was able to accept and attend most graduations, birthdays, anniversaries, parties whenever he or Yeretgin and him were invited, bringing the church blessings to them.*

*Some items were purchased for the church, namely:*

- ▶ *A new copying machine donated by Harry & Heather Tarpinian and the Women's Guild.*
- ▶ *A new scanner donated by Dr. & Mrs. Berdj Harabedian.*
- ▶ *The choir bought a new synthacizer, of which \$300.00 was donated by choir members, Gladys Jevarjian, Virginia Kalfaian and Eleanor Zysk.*

- ▶ *A used display case was purchased by the Women's Guild to exhibit and sell Armenian souvenirs.*
- ▶ *New Badarak books will be purchased in April. Donors are Archie Misakian & Lisa Misakian in memory of their wife and mother Helen Misakian. Salpi Tokatlian is making a similar gift in memory of her parents Arousiag and Yervant Barsoumian.*
- ▶ *A new religious painting donated by Andrew Taraian and Nicky Taraian, in memory of their son and nephew Mark Taraian as well as their parents Sarkis and Marisa Taraian will be hung and consecrated soon*
- ▶ *Another painting donated by Andrew Topalian, in memory of his mother Aghavni Topalian, will be commissioned soon .*
- ▶ *"Endowment Funds" of a minimum of \$5,000.00 each were established in our church. The first donor was Sara DerMegerdichian and her family established in the name of "Kevork & Zarouhy Der Magrdichian."*
- ▶ *Sharyn D'Urso is donating a new hand cross to our church in memory of her mother Aroxie Margossian D'Urso.*
- ▶ *Elisa and Paul Marottolo promising to donate the construction and installation of a new front sign for our church in memory of Aghavni Topalian.*
- ▶ *Leo and Mary Krikorian for donating their Bazaar Raffle Prize, a CD/Cassette recorder to the church.*

*Thanks went to Mardy Azarian and Richard Khachian for donating their services through their companies for the church when called upon. Richard Kalfaian, taking and donating pictures for publication. Also, to all involved in helping purchase new & used items.*

*The pledge system is a success. The church surpassed itself in pledges. For the first time its history, \$45,000.00 was pledged of which \$43,000.00 has been collected to date. Approximately one hundred - twenty five families pledged in 1997. This pledge system is the solution to our financial needs.*

*Some renovations costing \$15,000.00 was done without outside fund-raising as promised.*

*Der Hyre spoke about all the regular committees as well as the temporary committees doing a great job.*

*Fr. Untzag spoke about our latest teen organist, John McGann, Jr. and how pleased he was and how blessed our church was in having his services; our new Choir Conductor, Elisa Griego and the new Armenian Village dance teacher, Judy Gavor.*

*Special mention was made today about Margaret Azarian resigning from the position of Church Secretary as of April 1, 1998. Her tenure was approximately 7 years. Heather Tarpinian from the parish council will fill in during April and May and in September will become a paid secretary. Her work days will be announced later.*

**LAND SALE:** *The money is not in yet. When received, the interest from the investment alone will be used.*

**NEEDY FUND:** *Money was used from this fund to adopt 2 orphans in Armenia affiliated with CASP. Also, a cancer patient in St. Petersburg, Russia was helped. This is an ongoing fund and Der Hyre urged people to donate so this type of help can continue.*

**SCHOLARSHIPS:** *Holy Ascension awarded \$1,000.00 in scholarships.*

**TIME CAPSULE:** *The Town of Trumbull, for its 1997 Bicentennial celebration requested a written statement from Fr. Untzag about Holy Ascension to be placed in the time capsule. He submitted a report and it was buried in the Time Capsule that will be opened in 100 years.*

*Those interested in visiting the site of the commemorative monument, it is located next to the Trumbull Library.*

*Der Hyre also talked briefly about the Ecumenical Thanksgiving Eve service we participate in every year, the Trumbull Interfaith Committee of which we are a member and their blood drive. Richard and*

*Maureen Najarian helped by donating sandwiches in the name of our church. We hope to host a blood drive in our church.*

**1997 SPECIAL PARISH ASSEMBLY:** *One issue was discussed. The leveling part of the back land for playground, picnics and other events. The Parish Council requested that the assembly approve this project. After a lengthy discussion, it was approved almost unanimously. Funds were not to come from the parish treasury or from fund raising projects as promised. It was decided that the Parish Council will work on securing the necessary funds.*

*Der Hyre reported happily that someone did come forward. He said "God has taken care of us."*

**PARKING LOT REPAIR:** *The approximate cost will be \$50,000.00. Der Hyre solicited funds from the Lindy Foundation. They replied in the negative. He informed the assembly that sewers will be coming to our area soon, therefore, it will be practical to wait until they are installed to repave the parking lot.*

*The year promises to be full of special events including the celebration of the 100th Anniversary of our Diocese and the visitation of Karekin Catholicos I.*

*Speaking of anniversaries, he mentioned this year is the 20th anniversary of his ordination to the Holy Order of Priesthood.*

*Der Hyre gives thanks to God to all who supported our church through their generosity and service. He concluded with special thanks to the Parish Council members and especially to Maureen Najarian for her support, hardworking, positive chairmanship. Also, to Darwin Jamgochian, the church treasurer, for excellent record keeping.*

**ELECTIONS:** *Nominating Committee Members were Pearl Khachadourian, Nicky Taraian and Salpi Tokatlian. Nicky Taraian explained that the slate for Parish Council needed four more names. Nominations were taken from the floor and seconded. Nominations were closed. The following names were added to the parish council slate: Armand Dikranian, Haig Dikranian, Harry Tarpinian and Stanley Zysk. The voting proceeded according to the by-laws. The Nominating Committee and the Auditing Committee retired to a separate area to count the ballots.*

**PARISH COUNCIL CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:** *Maureen Najarian reported her pleasure in working with this council and Der Hyre. She stressed that council members were active in many areas of church work: Narthex area during Sunday Service, coffee hours, members of several committees, church anniversary banquet, representation at the Diocesan Assembly, representation at the State Capitol for the observation of the Armenian Genocide, church picnic, church bazaar, chairing many bazaar sub-committees, etc. Maureen organized a tea with a spiritual theme of "Renewal, Restoration and Revitalization."*

*The church waterproofing project was completed and hopefully will resolve the water problem.*

*She mentioned that the 1998 budget is ready for approval today. She thanked Darwin Jamgochian for doing his job well. Also, as of Jan. 28, 1998, 93% of the money pledged was collected. The remainder is expected to come in.*

*Other avenues of income are being looked into and suggestions are welcomed. She thanked all council members for making her job easier.*

*In conclusion, she encouraged all to help fulfill part of the Primate's four year plan to bring us into the new century by preaching the Word of God and news of salvation.*

**AUDITING REPORT:** *Committee members Mardy Azarian, Nazareth Azarian and Matthew Tokatlian. Mardy Azarian spoke for the committee stating that they audited the church books with Treasurer, Darwin Jamgochian. The members of the committee all agreed that the Treasurer properly recorded all transactions and that the report accurately reflects the 1997 financial transactions of the church. Motion to approve Auditing Committee's report by Heather Tarpinian, seconded by Herbert Avakian. Passed unanimously.*

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Darwin Jamgochian submitted a proposed budget for 1998. General budget discussions followed. Motion to approve 1998 budget as stated by Heather Tarpinian, seconded by Herbert Avakian, passed unanimously.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Maureen Najarian opened a discussion about installing new carpeting in the church hall. Discussion ensued regarding carpeting vs. tile. Archie Misakian motioned to gather a committee to detail it out then present it to the Parish Council to decide the outcome. Seconded by Harry Tarpinian. Passed unanimously.

Archie Misakian expressed his thanks to Der Hyre, Parish Council, Deacons, Acolytes, Altar Servers, Choir Director and organists for their dedicated service week after week. Archie feels it's the best in the Diocese.

Der Hyre announced that our church will be closed May 10, 1998 due to Catholicos Karekin I celebrating Badarak at St. Vartan's Cathedral that day.

**ELECTION RESULTS:**

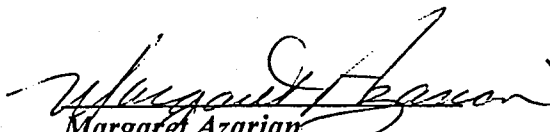
<u>PARISH COUNCIL</u>	<u>VOTES</u>
Richard Najarian	53
Maureen Najarian	52
Darwin Jamgochian	47
Heather Tarpinian	46
Scott Paklaian	41
Vartan Tarpinian	37
Sarkis Kaolian	33
Harry Magazian	26-Alt.
Elisa Griego	24-Alt.

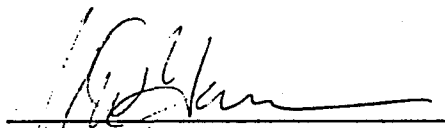
<u>NOMINATING COMMITTEE</u>	<u>VOTES</u>
Nicky Taraian	38
Pearl Khachadoorian	31
Sharyn D'Urso	25
Salpi Tokatlian	24-Alt


<u>AUDITING COMMITTEE</u>	<u>VOTES</u>
Mark Gavoor	31
Ralph Trapasso	24-Alt.

Mark Gavoor, Chairman of the Day, adjourned the meeting. Der Hyre gave the benediction at 3:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Margaret Azarian  
1998 Parish Assembly Secretary

  
Mark Gavoor  
1998 Parish Assembly Chairman

  
Fr. Untzag Nalbandian  
Pastor

## 1998 Sunday School Report

Our Sunday School program continues to thrive and serves as a place where our children come together to learn about our Lord. Twenty students regularly attend our classes on Sunday mornings from 10:00 to 10:45, beginning with a general assembly of prayer, biblical games, messages and fun. We divide into classrooms later to teach and learn our curriculum, We Believe. We are so thankful to have Michelle Kalfayan, assisted by Lauren DaSilva, teaching our little ones in Pre-School, with Karl Quinn directing our first through third grade class, Nancy Quinn teaching our active sixth graders, and Linda McGann guiding our grades 8-10 students.

Many activities took place during the course of the year, which involved staff, students and parents. The Sunday and Armenian Schools provided the luncheon for Christmas on January 6<sup>th</sup>, along with a festive visit from Gahank Baba. On Palm Sunday, the children conducted a bake sale, helping with all aspects of the project, including baking, set-up, selling and clean up. The proceeds benefited the Department of Religious Education's Lenten Drive for World Hunger. The students also fasted for a period of 30 hours and donated the dollar amount of the food they would have consumed to our collection for the hungry of the world. The students took part in all aspects of church life during Holy Week and Armenian Martyrs' Day in April. Graduation exercises were conducted in May, with certificates and gifts given to all students.

In September, a Rededication Service for the teachers marked our opening on Holy Translators Day, along with a ceremony around the Armenian Alphabet monument. The children and staff participated in the opening of the newly expanded church parking lot in October. In conjunction with the Parish Council, the students collected canned goods for the Thanksgiving Food Drive and helped deliver them to the local food bank. The Christmas season began with a special assembly to explain Advent calendars that each student received. Beautiful swan and cranberry wreath ornaments were made by the children to decorate the tree at St. Vartan's Cathedral. Der Hyre conducted two learning sessions with the school, instructing the student in many aspects of religion, the Armenian Church, and our local parish. We again sponsored our Armenian orphan this year.

The children continue to attend Badarak each Sunday, are learning how to receive Communion properly and act appropriately in God's House, and are growing in their understanding of how they might serve our Church in future years. We look forward to a successful 1999 and pray that our Lord blesses our staff members and helps them in their mission to teach our children His wonderful ways.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Linda S. McGann  
Sunday School Superintendent

**1998 Financial Report**  
**Sunday/Armenian Language Schools**

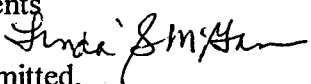
<b><u>Starting Balance</u></b>	(1/1/98)	907.74	
1998 Income		1563.98	See Schedule A
1998 Disbursements		1998.44	See Schedule B
<b><u>Ending Balance</u></b>	(12/31/98)	473.28	

**1998 Income (Schedule A)**

1/15/98	Christmas Luncheon	274.68
3/10/98	St. Vartanantz Day Luncheon	712.00
2/28/98	Poon Paregentan Dance	160.00
4/9/98	Palm Sunday Bake Sale	228.80
7/30/98	Graduation Luncheon	34.00
11/23/98	Donation	100.00
11/23/98	Reimbursement (materials)	<u>54.50</u>
Total Income		\$1563.98

**1998 Disbursements (Schedule B)**

1/8/98	Christmas Ornament Supplies	5.89
1/8/98	Plant for Staff Member	59.36
1/8/98	Armenian Orphan Sponsorship	200.00
1/25/98	Christmas Gifts	46.13
2/10/98	Supplies	37.66
2/14/98	St. Vartanantz Luncheon	425.00
2/27/98	Poon Paregentan Dance	72.10
2/27/98	Supplies	24.00
3/9/98	Textbooks, software, supplies	292.47
3/30/98	Armenian School ties	85.00
5/12/98	Graduation gifts, certificates	103.13
5/17/98	Supplies	32.00
5/17/98	Graduation Luncheon	140.00
6/29/98	DRE Lenten Offering	230.00
9/18/98	Textbooks	77.00
10/27/98	Advent Calendars	<u>56.25</u>
1998 Disbursements		\$1998.44

Respectfully submitted,  
  
Linda S. McGann (Acting Treasurer)



## Հայ դպրոցի լուրեր եւ տեղեկություններ

Աստուծոյ փառք ըլլայ ամէն ատեն ամէն բանի համար:

Ամէն տարուայ սովորութեան համաձայն, երկու վարժարանները, Կիրակօրեայ եւ Հայ դպրոցները, միասնաբար ունեցան իրենց բոլոր ձեռնարկները: Մեր անսաթերթը ստացողները արդէն տեղեակ են մեր դպրոցներու լուրերէն եւ կատարուած յայտաքիրներէն. այնպէս որ այս տողերը, պիտի ըլլան թէ՛ վերլիշում եւ թէ՛ ալ նոր տեղեկութիւն մեր քաջագործութիւններու մասին:

Հետեւեալ ձեռնարկները ունեցանք 1998 տարեշրջանին մէջ: Անշուշտ ամէն ձեռնարկ սկսաւ միշտ համեղ ճաշով, սուրճով ու առատ անուշներով, արի մեր Հայկական սովորութեան: Ուրեմն,

1- Ս. Ծնունդը տօնեցինք ծնողներով եւ բարեկամներով, Կաղանդ Պապուկին այցելութեամբ: Երեխաներն ու ուսուցիչները ստացան համեստ նուէրներ եւ մեր Տէր հօր օրհնութիւնով բաժնուեցան ներկաները:

2- Ինչպէս ծանուցած էինք, Փետրուարին Վարդանանց տօնը մեծ յաջողութեամբ տօնեցինք: Հայ դպրոցի աշակերտները բացառիկ տաղանդ ցուցաբերեցին, Վարդանանց Պատերազմը նոր տեսակետով ներկայացնելով մեր գաղութին:

3- Բարեկենդանի առիթով յաճելի երեկոյ մը անցուցինք. թեթեւ ճաշով եւ մեր սրտի խիստ մօտիկ բարեկամ եւ վարպետ երաժիշտ, Մարք Կաւուրի եւ իր խումբի մասնակցութեամբ. Կրկին շնորհակալութիւն քեզ եւ քու բարեկամներուդ:

4- Մայիսին բակեցինք մեր զոյգ վարժարանները, խոստանալով վերահաւաքուիլ Սեպտեմբերին, որ փառք Տիրոջ իրականութիւն դարձաւ. Նոր տարեշրջանը սկսանք մեր նախկին երեխաներով ու քանի մը հատ ալ նորերով: Հայ դպրոցի միշտ հաւատարիմ ուսուցիչներու շարքին, այս տարի աւելցան Օրիորդներ, Հայկունի Պօզուքլու եւ Էլիզ Եաբուճեան: Երախտապարտ ենք երկուքիդ ալ:

5- Հոկտեմբերին, Թարգմանչաց տօնին առիթով, շատ ճոխ օր մը ունեցանք: Յայտաքիրը սկսաւ զոյգ վարժարանի ուսուցիչներու օրհնութիւնով: Ծատ իմաստալից արարողութիւն մըն էր այս մէկը: Մեր խոստումէն ետք, իրաքանչիւր տնօրէնուհի Ս. Մեսրոպի խորանի ճրագէն փոխանցեց «Ուսման ճրագը» իր յատուկ օգնականներուն: Այս արարողութենէն ետք բոլոր ներկաներով կանգնեցանք Հայ տառերու յուշարձանին առաջ եւ բարիգալուստ մաղթեցինք թէ մեր աշակերտներուն եւ թէ իրենց ծնողներուն:

Օրուայ յայտաքիրը շարունակուեցաւ ճաշէն ետք: Այս տարի Տէր հայրը հրաւիրած էր Տք. Հրանդ Մարգարեանը, որը իր Արեւմտահայաստանի այցելութեան բացառիկ սահիկները ցուցադրեց ներկաներուն եւ մեր տղաքը ցուցադրութեան ընթացքին իր գրած ոտանաւորները արտասանեցին պատշաճ ժամանակներուն: Մեր հիւրը իր խոսքին մէջ յիշեց իր հիացումը մեր տղոց կարողութեան վրայ. ան արտայայտուեցաւ թէ անկեղծօրէն կ'ակնկալէր որ մեր տղաքը իր յորինած ոտանաւորներու Անգլերէն թարգմանութիւնները պիտի կարդային: Իմ կարծիքով այս մէկը լաւագոյն գնահատական խօսքն է բոլոր ուսուցիչներուս:

6- Վերջին խօսք. Կ'ուզեմ կրկին շնորհակալութիւն յայտնել բոլոր մեր ուսուցիչներուն. շնորհակալութիւն մեր բարերարներուն եւ ծնողքներուն. եւ մասնաւոր շնորհակալութիւն մեր սիրելի Տէր հօր, իր զոհողութեան եւ հոգեկան օժանդակութեան համար. նամանաւանդ իր զօրաստր բազուկներուն, որուն վրայ կը յենինք անխտիր մեր բոլոր դժուարութիւններու առիթով: Յոյսով եմ որ բոլորդ անխտիր կը շարունակեք ձեր մասնակցութիւնը քերել մեր բոլոր ձեռնարկներուն ձեր ներկայութեամբ, ձեր օգնութեամբ եւ ձեր բարեխօսութեամբ:

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1998 ARMENIAN CHURCH BAZAAR REPORT

<u>ACCOUNT</u>	<u>RECEIVED</u>	<u>SPENT</u>	<u>PROFIT</u>
ARM./M.E. BOOTH	1,661.75	1,318.00	343.75
AD BOOK	3,695.00	392.00	3,303.00
MAJOR RAFFLE	2,242.00	786.18	1,455.82
KITCHEN	5,335.75	766.37A	4,569.38
PASTRY BOOTH	1,178.00	150.00B	1,028.00
RENTALS	450.00	-	450.00
WHITE ELEPHANT	293.40	-	293.40
(A) GEN'L. EXPENSE	-	983.66	(-983.66)
<b>TOTALS</b>	<u>\$14,855.90</u>	<u>\$4,409.21</u>	<u>\$10,459.69</u>

(A) General Expenses

Magician	150.00
Advertising	208.66C
Band	500.00
Decorations	<u>125.00</u>
	\$983.66

<u>Starting Balance 1998</u>	\$1,657.07
Net Profit	+ <u>10,459.69</u>
Balance December 1998	12,116.76
Transferred to Church Treasurer	- <u>10,000.00</u>
Reserved for 1999 Bazaar	\$ 2,116.76

- A) \$2,336.37 - \$1,570.00 Donations
- B) \$185.00 - \$35.00 Donations
- C) \$258.66 - \$50.00 Donations

Respectfully submitted,

*Richard Najarian*

Richard Najarian, Bazaar Treasurer

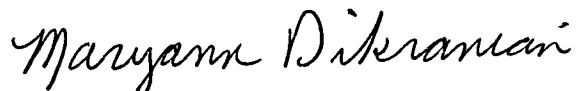
## WOMEN'S GUILD REPORT

The primary goals of the Women's Guild are to support the parish by hosting events that sponsor fellowship, raise funds to assist our parish, and provide an environment that fosters and builds on new and old relationships among our female members. Toward that end some of the highlights of 1998 of which we are proud to include a very successful Women's Saints Day that we hosted on behalf of the Women's Guild Central Council; 125 people attended and was emceed by our own Dottie Bengoian Ouligian. The Parish Assembly, Picnic and Bazaar are yearly events that we enjoy participating in and hosting. Another successful Women's Guild event, the afternoon Hyre Tea, was chaired by Sharyn D'Urso and was a great opportunity to enjoy a peaceful afternoon together. Additions and improvements to our church's kitchen facilities have been made possible by funds we've raised including a new freezer, new cooking equipment such as Farberware pots and griddles. We have also contributed funds toward the new chair project in the church hall. Who can forget our coffee hours, which we thank our sponsors, and this is a means to increase fellowship among our members following badarak.

We are proud to serve on the Women's Guild.

Chairman -	Maryann Dikranian
Vice-Chairman -	Sara Der Megerdichian
Treasurer -	Pearl Khachadoorian
Recording Secretary -	Elena Amboyan
Corresponding Secretary -	Virginia Kalfaian
Advisor/Membership -	Margaret Manugian
Advisor/Membership -	Sharyn D'Urso
Advisor -	Michele Kalfayan

Respectfully submitted,



Maryann Dikranian  
Women's Guild Chairman

# WOMEN'S GUILD TREASURER'S REPORT

JANUARY 1, 1998 - December 31, 1998

**OPENING BALANCE** **\$1428.63**

## INCOME

BANK INTEREST	\$ 20.21
COFFEE HOURS	1298.56
MEMBERSHIP DUES	530.
GIFTS TO WOMEN'S GUILD	468.
SHOWCASE	6.
LUNCHEONS	2100.50
WOMEN'S SAINTS DAY	1365.
FOOD SALES	121.

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**TOTAL INCOME** **\$5909.27**

## EXPENSES

FOOD	\$ 2064.89
POSTAGE & CARDS	118.60
SUPPLIES	809.86
GIFTS TO DER HAYR	25.
GIFTS TO CHURCH	1000.
CENTRAL COUNCIL DUES	106.
CENTRAL COUNCIL SAINTS DAY PROCEEDS	498.75
GIFTS	186.90
SPEAKERS	150.

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**TOTAL EXPENSES** **\$4960.00**

**CLOSING BALANCE** **\$2377.90**

*Peal Khachadourian*  
*Treasurer*

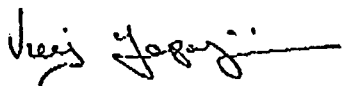
## 1998 CHOIR ANNUAL REPORT

This year, as in previous years, our choir participated in all of our church services which included the Sunday services, Christmas and Christmas eve as well as Easter week services.

My sincere thanks to our choir conductor, Elisa Griego, for her participation in our services every Sunday. Elisa held many rehearsals with our choir, our soloists, and our organists. Under Elisa's leadership, our choir has changed over from Sarkisian to Boyajjan revised edition of our liturgy.

I would also like to thank our organists: Hovig Nalbandian, Maral Nalbandian, Mary Day McGregor, and John McGaan. Our sub. deacon: Tom Dabakian and ecolytes and choir members for their service to our church.

Vrej Yapoujian



Chairman

1998

## CHOIR ANNUAL REPORT

Check Book Balance December 31, 1998 \$1,235.85

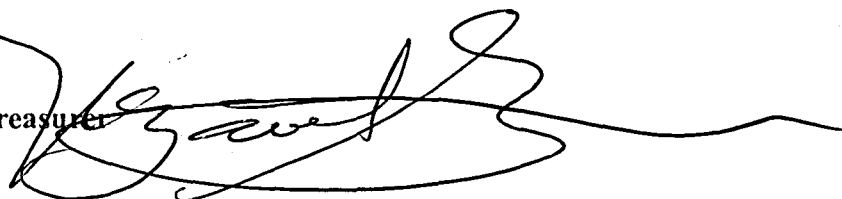
Profit from PALM SUNDAY Dinner \$1,427.50

### Expenses 1998

Church Donation	\$1,000.00
Ladies Guild Donation	25.00
Choir Robe	80.00
Gifts	50.00
Postage and Mailing	18.94

Respectfully Submitted

Nazareth Azarian Choir Treasurer



## A.C.Y.O.A. Report

Over the past year the A.C.Y.O.A. has done many positive things for the church and also looks forward to a positive and bright new year filled with events. Over the past year the A.C.Y.O.A. has helped out the church in many ways. A.C.Y.O.A. members have helped at various events such as the church picnic, bazaar, and constantly has members serving the church every Sunday by either serving on the altar or playing the organ. The A.C.Y.O.A. has also recently gone Christmas caroling to various nursing homes and about eight houses. This year, the A.C.Y.O.A. is looking for new members and is encouraging anyone twelve and older to come and join us for new upcoming meetings and events.



Fred Dikranian

A.C.Y.O.A. Chairman

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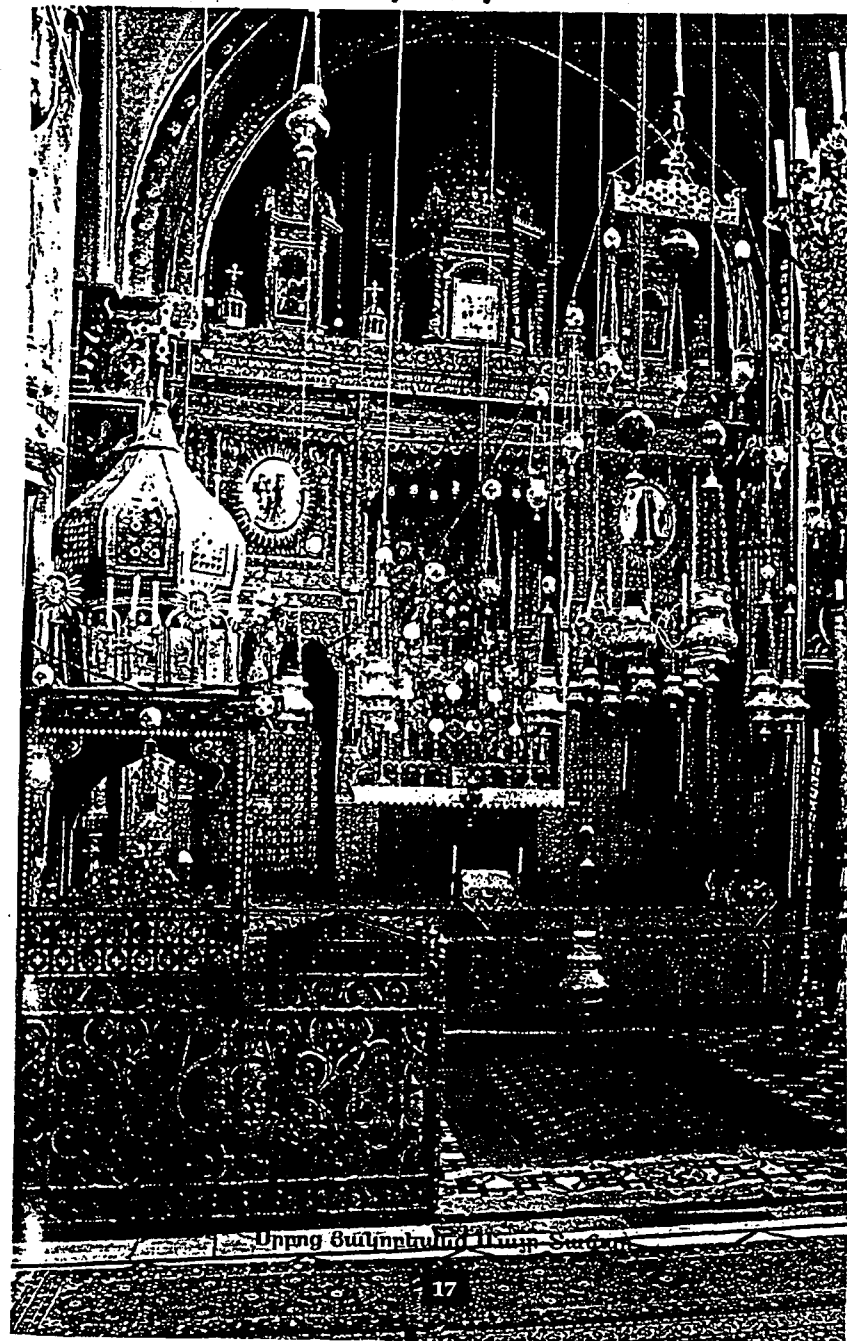
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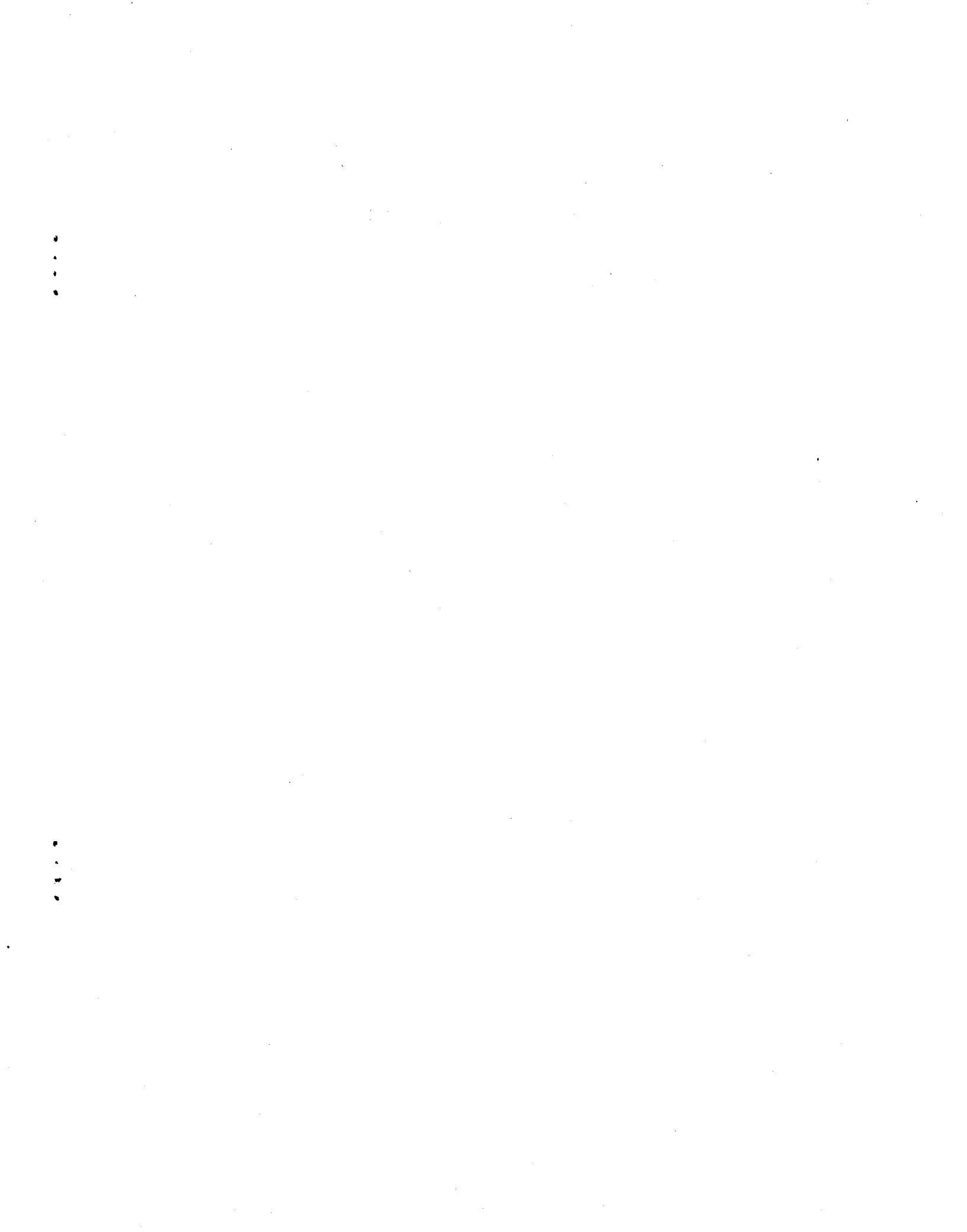
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