

SUMMARY  
OF  
1990 ORGANIZATIONAL REPORTS OF ST. JAMES ARMENIAN CHURCH

CHOIR

Chairperson of the choir organization, Donna Soghoian, reported that there are ten members in the choir. Rehearsals as well as meetings of the choir organization are held weekly. Robert Thomas has returned as the Choirmaster. In addition to participating in the celebration of the Holy Badarak, the choir performs during special holy day celebrations.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sunday School classes are held between the hours of 10:30 and 11:30 a.m. There are three regularly scheduled classes. Judy Boyajian teaches the four year old - first grade class. Anahid Deese teaches the second - fourth grade class and Steven Barsamian teaches the fifth - eight grade class. Average attendance is usually five to six pupils. Occasionally, attendance reaches as high as twelve pupils. Sunday School is held on a twice monthly basis. There are not enough persons willing to teach to enable Sunday School to be held weekly. The Sunday School board reports that even when weekly Sunday School has been offered, very few children attend regularly. It is difficult to expect a teacher to take the time to prepare a lesson and often a craft to then be faced with poor attendance i.e. one or two children in the class. There are obviously many more school age children in the Richmond Armenian community as evidenced by the large numbers who attend the Halloween party, the Christmas party and the Easter egg hunt. Becky Greene, Roxie Kricorian, Anne Norris and Linda Sharigian are on the Sunday School board.

ACYOA

Chairwoman Arpi Bouroujian reported that there are fifteen members in the ACYOA. The organization held twelve meetings during 1990. Its major annual functions included the children's Halloween party held on October 28, 1990; the First Annual Appreciation Dinner-Dance held on November 25, 1990 and the New Year's Eve Dinner-Dance held on December 31, 1990.

WOMEN'S GUILD

Chairwoman Elizabeth Tootelian reported that the organization has thirty-six members and conducted nine meetings during the year. Its major annual functions included the Armenian Christmas dinner, the Mid-Lenten dinner, the Easter dinner and the annual food festival.

ARMENIAN SCHOOL

Chairwoman Maral Haboush reported that Armenian school classes are held on Sunday mornings from 9:45 a.m. until 10:30 a.m. or 11:15 a.m. (if there is no Sunday School on that particular Sunday). There are three classrooms, four teachers and an average of twenty pupils. The board of the Armenian School conducted three meetings during the year. The Armenian School's major annual function was the Mother's Day Hantes.