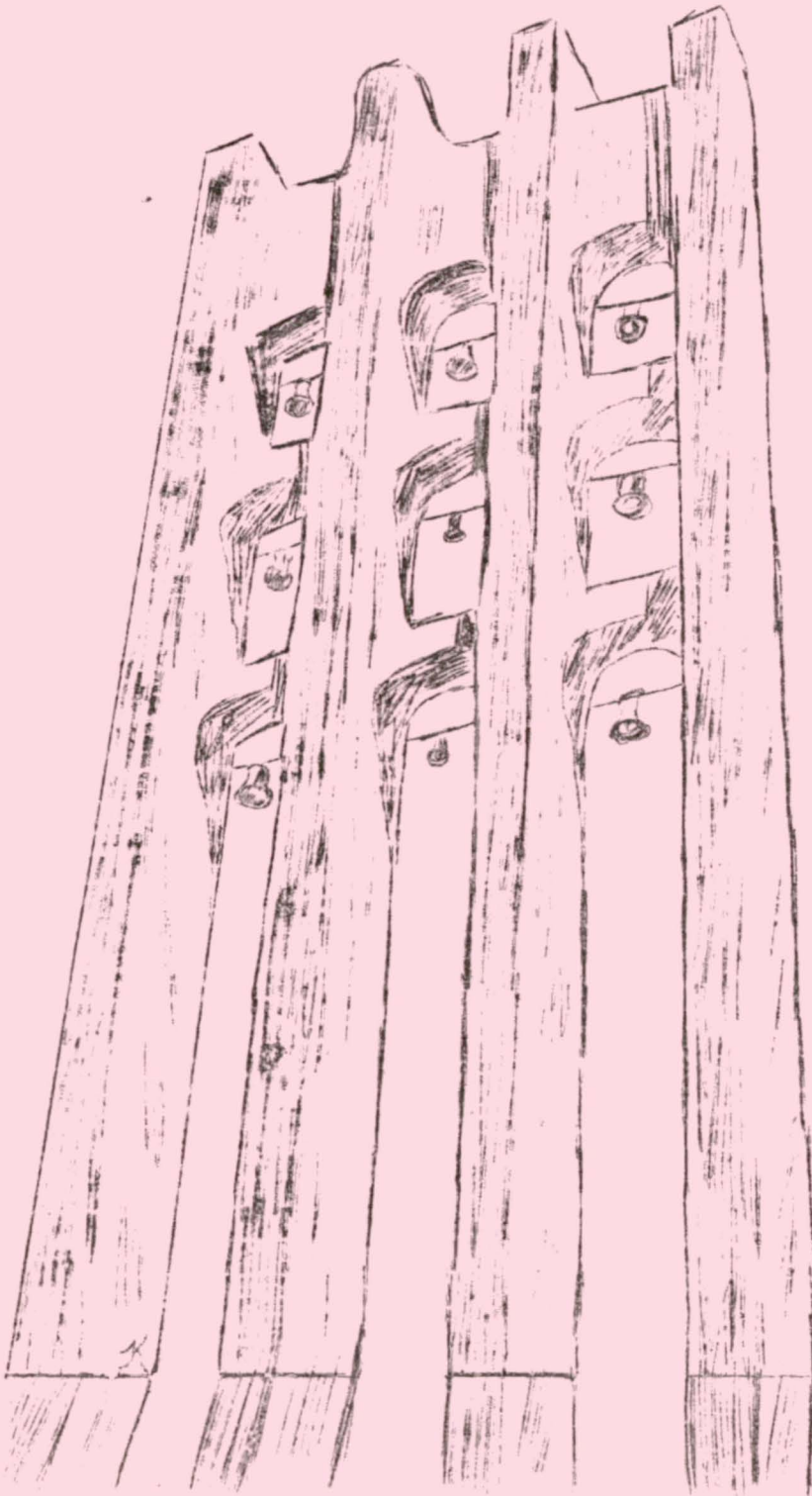


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HOLY RESURRECTION ARMENIAN APOSTOLIC CHURCH
909 Michigan Avenue
South Milwaukee, Wisconsin

February 13, 1977

Dear Member:

The annual Parish Assembly meeting has been scheduled to be held on Sunday, February 20, 1977 at 1:00 P.M. in the Church hall. (There will be a Pot Luck Luncheon immediately following Church Services at Noon, with the General Meeting promptly at 1:00 P.M.)

The following is the Agenda for the meeting which has been prepared by Father Arshag and the Parish Council:

1. Opening Prayer
2. Roll Call and Verification of eligible voters
3. Election of 1977 Parish Assembly Officers i.e.,
 - A. Chairman
 - B. Secretary
4. Minutes of 1976 Parish Assembly
5. Reports:
 - A. Pastor's Annual Report
 - B. Parish Council's Annual Report
 - C. Parish Council's Financial Report
 - D. Auditors' Report
 - E. Cemetery Committee's Report
 - F. Annual Report of Parish Organizations
 - G. Report on Midwest Regional Council of Armenian Churches
6. New Business:
 - Elections -- Parish Council
 - Auditing Committee
 - Nominating Committee
 - Approval of 1977 Budget
 - Formation of Officers for Coordinating Committees,
(see attached sheet)
 - Any Proposals to be submitted for the Diocesan Assembly
7. Benediction and adjournment.

Very Reverend Arshag Khatchadourian
Pastor and President

Parish Council

Herbert Barsamian, Chairman
Esahag Haidarian, Secretary

1976 PARISH COUNCIL OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES

VERY REV. ARSHAG DZ.V. KHATCHADOURIAN, PRESIDENT AND PASTOR

PARISH COUNCIL OFFICERS

Herbert Barsamian - Chairman
Russell Kaishian - Vice-Chairman
Grace Hadjinian - Treasurer
Kappy Kaprelian - Assistant Treasurer
Esahag Haidarian - Recording Secretary
George Balian - Assistant Recording Secretary
Matt Kademian - Custodian
Peter Tamuzian - Advisor
John Sahagian - Advisor

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DIOCESAN DELEGATES - (1976 to 1980)

Gilbert Jandegian
Charley Kademian

AUDITING COMMITTEE

Mary Ambrookian
Mary Lewis
Mary Haidarian

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Kathy Kaishian
Kaiser Boyajian
Meyer Jandegian

OFFICE SECRETARY

Margaret Kademian

ANNUAL REPORT BOOKLET

Marian Barsamian
Mary Haidarian
Kathy Kaishian

PASTOR'S ANNUAL REPORT FOR 1976

Dear Parishioners:

Once again I have compiled a report concerning my activities as your spiritual Father and leader of the community of South Milwaukee. My Parish Council Chairman, Mr. Herbert Barsamian, along with the aid of the other members of the Parish Council, have labored, prayed and maintained our beloved Church, and we have thus had another successful year.

The following is my annual report as the President of the Parish Assembly:

RELIGIOUS SERVICES AND SACRAMENTS

According to our Diocesan By-Laws, which reads under No. 42.A -- the Parish Priest shall... "...conduct religious services and administer the Sacraments in accordance with the Canons and the traditions of the Armenian Church."

I remained faithfully bound to my religious duties, and accordingly, performed the following religious services: I have conducted --

1. Three Baptisms in our Church.
2. Four Funeral Services in our Church.
3. 26 Requiem Services at our Church.
4. One Baptism in Waukegan at St. George Armenian Church.
5. One Funeral Service in Waukegan, at St. George's.
6. One Funeral Service in Racine at St. Mesrob Armenian Church.
7. One Funeral Service in Chicago at St. Gregory the Illuminator Church.
8. Twice Weddings in our Church.

MORNING SERVICES were conducted every Sunday, promptly at 9:30 A.M. (whether or not any parishioners were present). I began the DIVINE LITURGY at 10:00 A.M. I preached an appropriate sermon at 11:20 A.M. each Sunday in two languages -- Armenian and English. My sermons were always prepared according to our Church calendar regarding the correct manner of worship, with a spiritual meaning, how to perform all the good deeds prescribed in the Holy Scriptures, and how to prescribe ourselves to the Ecclesiastical Councils and the Holy Fathers of the Armenian Church for the advancement of the spiritual life and the good order in the parish.

During Lent, SUNRISE SERVICES were conducted on Sunday mornings and on each Wednesday evening at 7:30 P.M. In addition, the Divine Liturgy was conducted on VARTANANTZ DAY. MEMORIAL DAY SERVICES were held at our own cemetery. All services held during Lent, i.e., Sunrise and Lenten Evening Services -- were conducted in English with the exception of the hymns, which were sung in Armenian. Both Armenian and English sermons were

preached during every Service that I conducted in order to please both the younger and older generations.

HOSPITAL VISITATIONS

DIOCESAN BY-LAWS ARTICLE 42.B reads under the 'Parish Priest' -- "To visit the people of his parish, to comfort the sick, the needy, and the bereaved of his flock, and to perform all the good deeds prescribed by the Ecclesiastical Councils and the Holy Fathers of the Church for the advancement of spiritual life and good order in the parish." -- Accordingly, I visited the ill at Trinity Memorial hospital on a regular basis (especially on Fridays) and also during the weekdays, as the occasion arose. With the same spirit, I visited the following hospitals: St. Luke's and St. Mary's in Racine -- in Milwaukee County -- Mt. Sinai, St. Mary's, St. Luke's, St. Francis, County General, Veteran's, Cameo Nursing, South Milwaukee Nursing Homes and Columbia hospital. According to our weekly Church Bulletin records, my patient visitations came to approximately 150. This does not include the visits I paid to parishioners at their homes. Holy Communion was administered to many. Counseling and prayers of healing were given according to the needs of each patient.

HOME VISITATIONS

Home visitations were made by me, with Mr. Kerovpe Balian accompanying me as Jamgoch - Loosarar of our Church. I blessed the homes of our parishioners during the months of January and February in 1976. This proved once again to be an enjoyable and God-pleasing experience between Pastor and parishioners. This practice has taken place for five consecutive years since my arrival in South Milwaukee in 1972. The arrangements for each home visit were made either personally by myself or by phone. Very few evaded participation in this Church tradition, and I will not be deterred from attempting to visit them again next year. Entering the homes of the people is a symbolic expression of the Church to ask God's Divine Blessings and protection for the members of the family of each home. Thus, through the priest's help, God blesses each home and those who dwell therein. My home blessings could be more fruitful if a member of the Parish Council or the Women's Guild could join me in the home visitations, or at any other time during the year. Surely, this could be a gratifying experience for all of us. Therefore, I suggest that it would be most beneficial to have a home visitation committee.

VISIT OF SISTER CHURCH -AS DIRECTED BY THE PRIMATE

From July of 1975 through December, 1976, I visited St. George Armenian Church of Waukegan, Ill. A special arrangement had been made since 1973 between their Parish Council and our Parish Council that I visit St. George parish the last Sunday of each month. I have conducted the Divine Liturgy as well as Madagh and Grape Blessing Services for them. My religious services were also extended to pay visits to their hospitals and homes as often as there was a need.

ARMENIAN EDUCATION UNDER THE AGBU SOUTH MILWAUKEE CHAPTER, which consists of a majority of our Church members, once again sponsored the following organizations under my immediate supervision -- this is the third year.

1. Adult AGBU Armenian School - Wednesday night (1 hour)
2. Children's AGBU Armenian School - Saturday morning (2 hours)
3. AGBU Yerevan Dance School.
4. Holy Resurrection AGBU Library.

The Saturday AGBU Armenian School of South Milwaukee received \$1,000 from the Midwest AGBU District office. Keep in mind, that the above listed organizations are all self-supporting organizations.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION in our Church Services has always been my primary concern. I searched and was able to find a benefactor, who donated funds for a Digital Clock, which has been installed this year on the left front wall of the Church. The digital clock numbers make it much easier for all the parishioners to follow the sequences of the Divine Liturgy by referring to the numbers in the blue Soorp Badarak book and the corresponding numbers shown in the digital clock.

ACYOA JUNIORS -- Unfortunately, we do not have any seniors, but our junior youth were very active during the Easter season by reading the Epistles during Divine Liturgy. In many phases, they had a great deal of fun also. I attended their meetings and activities. (See ACYOA report)

SUNDAY SCHOOL -- Once again, the Sunday School children, through the labors of their Superintendent, Miss Terry Ann Hadjinian and her staff, along with my spiritual blessings and participation in their activities, have increased their knowledge of our Faith. The Sunday School students read and participated in the reading of the Book of Daniel, the Washing of the Feet Service, with the boys acting as acolytes while attending Divine Liturgy and participating in Holy Communion and they have contributed much to our Church by their participation in all Church Services. (See the Sunday School report).

SECRETARIAL OFFICE WORK -- I have special thanks and heartfelt prayers to Mrs. Mathew Kademian for all of our church typing and the assistance she has given me.

MEETINGS AND PROVISIONS -- Article 42.D reads: -- The Parish Priest should... "...To ensure, by careful supervision, the proper observance of the provisions of these By-Laws (of the Diocese of the Armenian Church of America, N.Y.) and the proper execution of the decisions of the Parish Assembly and the instructions of the Primate and the Diocesan Council.

I presided, guided and supported almost all the Church-affiliated organizations. I attended all the meetings, except when I was unavailable due to unforeseen circumstances, or during my vacation.

PARISH COUNCIL -- This year, we had nine Parish Council members. The achievements this year were similar as they were in the past. (See the Parish Council Chairman's report and projects that were accomplished). There were some important decisions, such as to elect Non-Parish Council members at the General Assembly as coordinators for: (1) the Picnic, (2) the Madagh, (3) the New Year's Eve Party, (4) Membership, (5) the Name Day of the Church, and (6) Public Relations. Yet, the list can be lengthend. Why did I propose these functions? Some of us will ask the question -- "What will the Parish Council do?" In two parts, let me explain --

PART ONE: I am proposing this with a positive intention. We have to involve and distribute the work of our Church which has too many facets as we all know. It is like a golden chain once you start counting them they are all attached to one another. The Parish Council has a load in hand, as it is true to the other Church organizations. After all Parish Council with the Pastor are aids and leaders in charge of the entire parish.

I often wonder what has happened to the former and all the previous Parish Council members. Even to an extent that we don't see them, they don't see us. Why? Because we have not learned how to create in our office terms the job for them.

PART TWO: It is time that we meet with our Church family on a regular basis to determine what our mutual needs are. Advisors do not always do their jobs. Each group needs more active members compared to the potential number of parishioners we have. Many are not active except for the picnic or the bake sale. Let us utilize our potentials in other areas fulfilling the needs of the Church.

What I am saying, is that we have to have a purpose to use modern social techniques; to organize the separate, but able members of the body of the Church within the Parish; and the serving of all members for a LOVING, united effort on the part of the parish, each doing his part; and to involve representative of the members directly, and the parishioners, generally, in an organized effort for the survival.

In conclusion, in all human organizations, we are working with people who have a great number of potential abilities and experiences to share with each other and the projects which will arise should be a challenge to the Parish Council. This could really be an extension of how much we have helped them in their education and experience. I wish that each one of you could work in a small but effective way with other people on either moneymaking decisions or on religious matters that we often have. Believe me, look around -- some do and some don't put the knowledge into practice for the good of all. Let's take a look into our past practices -- maybe we can still learn.

WOMEN'S GUILD -- This year too, our ladies did a lot of work and really produced. I have to give much, much credit to our Chairman, Mrs. Arshaloos Boyajian and her staff for their heroic, continuous work. I have to thank all the ladies who put the kitchen to use -- without whose diligent labors, we were going to miss a lot. (See Women's Guild report).

SOCIAL MEETINGS -- I personally entertained and provided transportation and 50 cent luncheon gatherings for the social meetings with our Golden Agers this year, during the months of June and July. We had 13 to 25 in attendance.

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

- a. There was a Kitchen Banquet held on February 28.
- b. I gave a lecture to Kiwanis Club about brotherhood.
- c. I served at the Kiwanis Club Pancake Festival to show that I am a part of the Non-Armenian local community.
- d. I gave a lecture at Masonic Temple in Evanston, Ill.
- e. I participated and preached in neighborhood church services on three occasions -- Good Friday, Thanksgiving Day and World Day of Prayer.
- f. I conducted services at South Milwaukee Nursing Home.
- g. I am a member of the South Milwaukee Clergy Association which meets once a month.
- h. Once again, I attended the South Milwaukee City Commissioner's Banquet where I offered the Invocation and Benediction -- this is my fourth consecutive invitation by Mayor Grobschmidt. On Memorial Day, I was on the official platform, along with the South Milwaukee City officials, -- I gave a talk while Senator Proxmire was presiding.
- i. I conducted Services and preached a sermon at our Church on the occasion of the Armenian Women's Saints Day.

CONVENTIONS AND MEETINGS

- a. I attended the Diocesan Assembly with our delegates in Philadelphia, Pa. at St. Sahag & St. Mesrob Armenian Church. During the two-day proceedings, I was elected to act in the capacity of Secretary.
- b. I attended the Diocesan Parish Council Regional meeting on December 12 in Evanston, Ill.

- c. I attended the Choir convention in Detroit, Mich. on November 5, 6 and 7 with two of our choir members. (See Choir report).
- d. I participated in activities and attended meetings, as well as the Hye Kamp. I celebrated Divine Liturgy and blessed grapes with His Grace, the Primate, Archbishop Torkom Manoogian.
- e. I attended the Proposals Committee meetings held in Racine and in Waukegan.
- f. I attended the Youth Retreat at Hye Kamp in Elkhorn, Wis. on July 31. (See Report page)

SPECIAL PARISH ASSEMBLY

I presided at the re-election of the Auditing and Nominating Committees on August 1, 1976, because we were told by the Primate that our former Assembly did not follow the By-Laws.

I attended a special assembly between the Diocesan Primate and the St. John's Armenian Church Greenfield, Wis. Parish Council to discuss the need of a parish priest.

VISITING CLERGYMEN

- a. Father Finian from the Religious Department of Marquette University on February 8.
- b. Upon my ordination on August 14, Archbishop Torkom Manoogian bestowed upon me the degree of Dzayrakooy'n Vartabedootiune. Participating in the ordination were:
 1. Rev. Arten Ashjian, pastor of St. Mesrob's, Racine, Wis.
 2. Very Rev. Varoujan Dz. V. Kabaradjian, pastor of St. James, Evanston, Ill.
 3. Very Rev. Vazken Tatoian of Etchmiadzin, Armenia.

My ordination was followed by a very successful banquet, which I will never forget. I want to thank my Parish Council.

DONATIONS were made by:

1. Mrs. John Banerian -- (Two Crosses -- typical Armenian design - gold plated)
2. Anonymous donor -- (One Cross - Armenian Architectural design - gold-plated)
3. Mrs. Rebecca Mouradian -- (a Digital Clock, paid in full)
4. I believe there are more than four other donations to our Church, which will be realized in the near future after some further contacts.

Pastor's Report
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In concluding my annual report, I thank God for another peaceful year in our parish, which we need so much. Because God blesses those who make peace, for He said, "They shall be called children of God." The time and the effort which you put into our Church has its rewards, because there is Godliness in content. I want to thank each one of you, especially the heads of our Church-affiliated organizations, the chairmen and chairwomen.

May God richly bless you all --

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|-----------------------------|---|
| 1. Parish Council | 12. Auditing Committee |
| 2. Women's Guild | 13. Nominating Committee |
| 3. Diocesan Delegates | 14. Altar Servers |
| 4. Choir | 15. Mas Committee |
| 5. Sunday School | 16. Special Care Committee of
Church Maintenance |
| 6. Altar Sacristy Committee | 17. Organist |
| 7. Altar Flower Committee | 18. Choir Director |
| 8. ACYOA and their Advisor | 19. Armenian School |
| 9. Deacon | 20. Jamgoch and Loosarar,
Mr. Kerovpe Balian |
| 10. Cemetery Committee | 21. Church Bulletin Typist |
| 11. Library Committee | 22. Picnic Committee |

DEAR BROTHERS AND SISTERS IN CHRIST, can you tell me which committee we can do without? I tell you, we need one another more in service for the good of our common goal, and that goal is your joy and happiness in our peaceful Church.

I pray and wish that Almighty God, who watches from above, fill your hearts with His abundant power to enrich you in His loving grace. For those of you that put so much time and love into our Church, and are terminating your offices and for those of you that will come into the office of Parish Council and for you that are in our other Church offices, I will continually pray for your health for many, many happy days ahead to come.

God bless you all,

Very Reverend Arshag Khatchadourian Dz. V.
Pastor of Holy Resurrection Armenian Church

PARISH COUNCIL -- CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

1976 - 1977

My passing as chairman is an experience which produces mixed feelings - pleasure over whatever accomplishments may have been achieved and regret that passage of time has not allowed completion of our other goals.

Efforts to create a constructive and meaningful program were greatly hindered by our late approval to office and caused problems which we had to resolve immediately. Many of our efforts were hampered, to some extent, by inside and outside pressures. Too many projects and goals had to be set aside to accommodate weekly events. We have made numerous efforts to establish committees to direct these operations, but with little success. If we expect to accomplish a constructive program, we better find the time and address ourselves to the needs of this Church and affiliated organizations. I hope you will give your new Parish Council the support it needs.

There were suggestions that we discontinue the Ladies Aid this year due to the lack of interest and volunteers. Therefore, a new Ladies Aid was formulated with the knowledge and consent of Father Arshag and the Parish Council. It was suggested that new direction and programming be pursued and/or altered to meet the need of our Church. The image that the Ladies Aid is strictly the "work detail" of the Church is mistaken. I hope this committee will create a new image for the future Ladies Aid, for they are a vital organization in this church.

As you will read to the pages which follow, the creating of a new budget will cause a new financial burden on every family and person associated with this Church. We must work toward removing the roadblocks which have made it increasingly difficult for us to operate profitably and the escalating costs we are going to face in the near future. We realize that only through efficiency and constant controlling of our costs can we maintain an effective Church for you. But with your help and support (so badly needed), we can overcome all our difficulties.

I would like to thank Father Arshag for his guidance and assistance this past year. A special thanks to the individuals listed below:

Grace Hadjinian and Kappy Kaprelian: For their handling of the Church's financial problems and pledges.

Peter Tamuzian: For his assistance and printing materials.

Matt Kademian: For his ingenuity in solving the custodial problems.

Esahag Haidarian and George Balian: For correspondences and recording of our minutes.

Russell Kaishian: Vice-Chairman for his assistance and guidance

A special thanks goes to the following Church organizations:

Ladies Aid: For your dedicated support throughout the year.

Sunday School: To our teachers, for the Christian faith they teach our children.

Choir: To our dedicated choir for a year of beautiful hymns and music.

A.C.Y.O.A.: To your advisor, a job well done.

Acolyte and Deacon: Thanks for a job well done.

And a special thanks to all you Parishioners for the loyal and faithful support you have given to me.

With a feeling of some satisfaction, and yet a realization that we still face a monumental task ahead, I relinquish the chairmanship to the new incoming Parish Council and wish them a successful term of office.

Submitted by,
Herbert Barsamian
Parish Council Chairman
Holy Resurrection Armenian Church

PROJECTS ACCOMPLISHED - 1976

PHYSICAL

1. Installed Locks on Door and Book Case in Office
2. Installed Air Conditioner in Office
3. Installed Electronic Digital Unit
4. Repaired Front Door Leaks
5. Projector Repaired
6. Printing Room Equipment Repaired
7. Printing Room Painted
8. Partial Roof Repaired
9. Painting of Storage Room (Kitchen)

PROJECTS RECOMMENDED FOR 1977

1. Altar Modification
2. Baptism Modification
3. Repairing Roof
4. Repairing of Wall - Back of the Altar
5. Painting and Redecorating Where Needed
6. Sewer Back Up - Problem (Flooding of Basement)
7. Make and Fix a Projector Room (With Keys)
8. Fix and Remodel Boiler Room Workshop
9. Install Hood over Kitchen Stove and Oven
10. New Tables and Chair (Purchase - Ladies Aid)
11. Printing of a Picnic Booklet
12. Refinish Church Doors (ALL) Outside
13. Install and Repair All Windows (Storm)
14. Fence Around Church
15. Purchased and Install Water Fountain (On Order)
16. Weather Stripping All Outside Doors

1976 FINANCIAL REPORT PARISH COUNCIL

Balance forward 12/31/75 13,254.85

INCOME 1976

Membership dues	7,167.50	
Plate collection	490.93	
Candles - Box and Altar	310.37	
Christmas, Easter, Vartanantz	749.50	
Sacraments	230.00	
Baptisms 130.00		
Weddings 100.00		
Requiem Service	350.00	
In lieu of flowers	1,481.00	
Misc. donations	147.00	
Fr. Arshag Visitations	750.00	(St. Geo., Waukegan)
Kitchen remodeling	605.00	
Interest	3,941.17	
bank account 178.67		
bonds 3762.50		
Initial offering	22.50	
Madagh	474.58	
Holy Resurrection-AGBU Library	70.41	
Picnic	5,309.59	
Gift - Altar Cross	300.00	
Activities	878.06	

23,277.61

TOTAL

36,532.46

DISBURSEMENTS

Stipend	7,392.00	
Parish Priest Rental	2,635.00	
Telephone	253.56	
Electric	903.10	
Gas	1,436.84	
Water	64.87	
Office supplies (postage)	698.35	
Church supplies	168.68	
Looma	25.00	
Clergy Insurance	725.40	
Church Insurance	440.00	
Repair & Maintenance	508.70	
Fixtures & Equipment	710.95	
Digital 420.67		
Air Conditioner 204.88		
Sump Pump 85.40		
Travel	274.00	
Convention	781.00	
Parish Priest Expense Allowance	1030.00	
Activities	1,108.64	
12/31/76 New Years Eve	732.12	(income not dep.)
Misc.	376.52	
Visiting Clergy	100.00	(14)

DISBURSEMENTS 1976 (Continued) Parish Council

Diocese dues 11,440.51
1974-75 7,642.51
1976 3,798.00

Gifts: 1,755.31

Lebanon Relief Fund 50.00
Altar Cross 335.00
His Eminence Archbishop
T. Manoogian 100.00
His Beatitude Archbishop
S. Kaloustian 100.00
Misc. 70.00
Car repair-Fr.Arshag 866.17
Fr.Arshag Dz.V. Day 234.13

TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS 32,451.90

Balance in Parish Council Account 4,080.56

RECAP

12/31/76

Check Book Balance Marine Bank 1,796.05
Madagh Check Book " 5.00
Mariner Bank Account " 3,814.56
Bonds 10,545.90
Bonds 32,321.85

Total monies on hand 48,483.36

Ladies Aid Account 9,272.01
Cemetery Account 1,425.67
Sunday School Account 34.01
ACYOA account 618.07
Choir account 731.19
Parish Council Account (includes special grant of 1656.70) 4,080.56
Parish Council Bonds 32,321.85

Total monies on hand 48,483.36

1977 PROPOSED BUDGET

INCOME

Membership dues	7,500.00
Plate & Candles	900.00
Christmas, Easter, Vartanantz	800.00
Funerals, Weddings, Baptisms	500.00
Madagh	500.00
Other Church Donations	500.00
Interest	4,000.00
Picnic	5,000.00
Fr. Arshag Visiting Clergy to Waukegan	<u>1,000.00</u>
	20,700.00

DISBURSEMENTS

Clergy Salary	11,180.00
Visiting Clergy	500.00
Convention & Travel	800.00
Clergy Insurance	750.00
Telephone	300.00
Stationery, Printing, Postage	800.00
Candles	250.00
Diocesan dues	3,800.00
Gas, Electric, Water	3,000.00
Insurance on Church	500.00
Books for Library	100.00
Clergy Apartment Rental	2,580.00
Roof & Altar Repair	6,000.00
Building Repairs	<u>600.00</u>
	31,160.00

DEFICIT	10,460.00
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February 15, 1977

Very Rev. Dz. V. Arshag Khatchadourian, President
Herbert Barsamian, Parish Council Chairman
Parish Council Members

AUDITING COMMITTEE REPORT

The 1976 Auditing Committee is submitting this letter as official notice that all Church treasury books, for the period beginning January 1, 1976 through December 31, 1976, have been audited.

Accounts audited as follows:

General Ledger Treasury Books
Women's Guild Treasury Books
Cemetery Account
Choir Account
Sunday School Account
ACYOA Account

The Auditing Committee met with Father Arshag and Parish Council members to give their audit report finalization on Tuesday, February 15, 1977.

We reported that all Church treasury books are in good order to the best of our knowledge and reflects accurately the income and disbursements of the year ending December 31, 1976.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Ambrookian
Mary Lewis
Mary Haidarian

Auditing Committee - 1976

1976 WOMAN'S GUILD REPORT

OFFICERS:

Very Rev. Arshag Dz.V. Khatchadourian	- President
Arshalous Boyajian	Chairperson
Kay Kademian	Co-Chairperson
Marian Barsamian	Recording/Corresponding Sec'y.
Rose Esaian	Treasurer
Gullie Savagian	Advisor

Our year was a very full and a hard working one. The cooperation from the elderly ladies was great and they were there to help whenever asked. May God Bless all of them and give them good health in the years to come.

Our 1976 Activities were:

Fellowship:

Throughout the year, following Church Services, the women served refreshments and coffee. All the refreshments were made in our Church Kitchen.

Dinners & Luncheons:

Pot Luck was served following Church Service and was well received. Following the dinner, a General Membership meeting was held for our Parish members.

Woman's Saints was celebrated in our Church. Our Guild played host to the women from St. John's of Greenfield and St. Mesrob's of Racine. Over 90 women attended.

Mid-Lenten Fish Dinner a tradition of the Woman's Guild. Fish and Lenten meal was served.

Egg Rolling and Madagh sponsored by our Parish Council and prepared by the Guild.

Mother's Day Dinner sponsored annually. We honored the three eldest women of our Parish, Mrs. Aznif Shhagian, Mrs. Eghsa Kaishian, and Mrs. Makrouhi Panosian. Gold crosses were presented to our honored mothers.

Picnic -- an event in which all our Church organization worked together. Our duty was to take care of the Kebab and pastry booths. The ribbons were also our responsibility and was well taken care of by Kay Kademian and Rose Esaian. This year a record high was made on the ribbons.

Archbishop Torkom Manoogian honored us with his presence and a fellowship was held in his honor following Church Service and refreshments were served following a meeting.

Bishop Tiran Nersoyan was another guest in which fellowship was held on the evening of October 15 and October 17 following Church Service.

Women's Club of South Milwaukee Dessert Luncheon was served in December. The pastry served was enjoyed by all who attended. (18)

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Women's Guild Annual Christmas Party was held in December. There were games, singing, refreshments and exchanging of gifts. The women who attended were picked up and taken home by Kay Kademian and Rose Esaian.

Maas was prepared by our ladies and donations were received. The members were Mrs. Annig Vahradian, Mrs. Arshalous Boyajian, Mrs. Lucia Tertadian, and Mrs. Arshalous Hayalian.

Altar Committee. Our appreciation to Miss Namzar Kaprelian, who has taken care of the Altar for many years, trained Mrs. Mary Hayalian to take over the duties.

Altar Flowers has been another duty the Guild has been doing for many years.

Annual Bake Sale. This was a toughie. Other than the Executive board, only the elderly ladies came and helped with the baking and the work. Our hats go off to these unique women. We did have the younger women help sell.

Baking. This year was a year of baking. The kitchen was used throughout this past year. We kept the freezer filled with goodies to sell all year. We baked for the Madagh and for our Sunday Fellowship. We helped A.C.Y.O.A.

Funeral dinners were prepared by our Guild. This year we had three funerals and all three families requested Madagh dinner.

Cleaning the Church has always been a big question, although this year with the cooperation of our Executive board and members, we cleaned the Church, Hall, stairways, washrooms, and the Church Hall many times. A professional cleaning job was done twice. The Altar carpeting and the runner in the Church was also cleaned professionally. All cleaning supplies were purchased by the Guild.

Personal Phone Calls were made this year again by Mrs. Pat Green. Whenever an activity was planned, Mrs. Pat Green would call all our Church members informing them of the details.

Meetings were held by the Executive board on the first Tuesday of the month. We had 12 board meetings, 3 special meetings and 2 Guild Membership meetings. All our activities were decided by all of us and not by one individual member.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Kay Kademian, Co-Shairperson
Holy Resurrection Armenian Apostolic
Church Woman's Guild - 1976

WOMAN'S GUILD

1976 ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT

1975 Balance \$ 500.00

1976 Income:

Dinners and Luncheons	835.35	
Annual Bake dSale	2210.45	
Fellowship	61.75	
Funerals	254.81	
Miscellaneous	23.80	
Bake Goods	866.05	
Membership Dues	94.00	
Altar Flowers	196.00	
Mas and Butter	<u>26.35</u>	
		\$ 4586.57

1976 Expense:

Annual Bake Sale	570.67	
Dinners & Luncheons	389.27	
Fellowship	6.31	
Miscellaneous	58.36	
Pantry Supplies	373.47	
Altar Flowers	153.25	
Cleaning Supplies	<u>386.54</u>	
		\$ <u>1937.86</u>

Net Profit \$ 2648.71

December 31, 1976, Balance \$ 3148.71

Respectfully submitted,

(Mrs.) Rose Esaian, Treasurer
Holy Resurrection Armenian
Apostolic Church Woman's Guild

HOLY RESURRECTION (SOORP HAROUTUNE) ARMENIAN CHURCH CHOIR

1976 ANNUAL REPORT

It was another interesting and enjoyable year for the Choir. We participated in the Divine Liturgy regularly starting with the Morning Services, Aravodian Jamerkootiune and the Divine Liturgy - Gomidasian version.

Monday evening, January 5, the Choir participated in the Armenian Christmas Eve Services and on Sunday, January 11th, celebrated Armenian Christmas.

As Chairman, Mary Ambrookian attended Parish Council Executive meeting for all Church organizations, on Thursday evening, January 15.

On Thursday evening, at 7:00 P.M. January 29, the Choir held its General Membership meeting, with Father Arshag present, at which time election of officers was held. Newly elected were:

Very Rev. Arshag Dz.V. Khatchadourian	- President & Choir-	
Mary Ambrookian	Chairman	Master
Hampar Kaishian	Vice-Chairman	
Marian Barsamian	Recording/Corresponding Sec'y.	
Mary Lewis	Treasurer	
Mary Ambrookian	Organist	
Harold Baylerian	Choir Director	

Vartanantz Services were held on Thursday evening, February 26, with the Choir participating in the services.

March 1st, the first day of Lent, and continuing throughout Easter, April 18, the choir assisted in the Lenten Services.

The Annual Women's Guild Saints Day Services were held at our Church with our Women's Guild as host. The choir, along with the guest Choirs of Racine and Greenfield, took part in the services. It was a beautiful program honoring the Women's Saints Day.

On Sunday, April 25, Martyrs Day Memorial Services were held with the choir participating.

This year, being the Bicentennial year, our Choir joined the local choirs of South Milwaukee with a Bicentennial Service held at St. John's Catholic Church, in South Milwaukee, on Sunday evening, at 7:00 P.M., May 2nd.

Memorial Day, May 31, the Choir assisted Father Arshag with the Requiem Service held at the Soorp Haroutune Cemetery.

An Executive meeting of all Church affiliated organizations was held in our Church hall on Tuesday, June 15, and was attended by Mary Ambrookian, Chairman, and Mary Lewis, Treasurer with regard to our annual church picnic.

Choir Report

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The choir held a special membership meeting on Thursday, July 8 to discuss Archbishop Torkom Manoogian's visit to South Milwaukee, planning of the movie "Tears of Happiness," and discussion of new choir robes.

On July 25, the choir participated in the annual Church picnic which was a great success.

Mary Ambrookian, Chairman and Mary Lewis, Treasurer, attended a meeting in regard to Hayr Soorp's ordination to Dzayrakooyan Vartabed on Tuesday, August 3. One of the highlights this year was Father Arshag's ordination to Dzayrakooyan Vartabed which was on Saturday evening, August 14. The choir, along with guest choir from Racine, assisted in the colorful and beautiful Service. His Eminence, Archbishop Torkom Manoogian, was celebrant.

Sunday afternoon, August 15, the choir had the honor of taking Archbishop Torkom Manoogian and our newly ordained Dzayrakooyan Vartabed Arshag Khatchadourian to Selen's for dinner.

Another highlight, and a first for the community, our choir sponsored the movie "Tears of Happiness" starring Manuel, which was shown at the Garden Theater on Sunday, September 15 at 2 P.M. It was an excellent movie and a success.

At the request of the Choir Central Council, a special plate collection was taken on Sunday, October 10. The amount of \$29.00 was forwarded to the Choir Central Council.

The choir members, along with our choir Godfather, Mr. Garabed Bagdassarian, celebrated Father Arshag's birthday at the Rafters Supper Club on Thursday, October 21. Mr. Bagdassarian presented Father Arshag with a Gomidasian version of Badarakamadootz book.

The 30th Annual Choir Assembly was held in Southfield, Mich. on November 5, 6 and 7. The Komitas choir of St. John Armenian Church was host. Those attending were Father Arshag, Mary Ambrookian, Delegate and Chairman and Marian Barsamian, Recording and Corresponding Secretary. It was a very interesting assembly with His Eminence, Archbishop Torkom Manoogian present. The 1977 Choir Assembly will be held in Toronto, Canada.

The Choir participated in the Divine Liturgy at St. Mesrob's Armenian Church in Racine on Sunday, November 14. The celebrant was His Beatitude, Shnork Kaloustian, Patriarch of Istanbul, Turkey.

The Choir presented its annual Christmas Eve Services. In conjunction with Christmas Eve, the first day of St. Stephen, the Proto-Deacon, was celebrated. Refreshments were served by the choir.

The choir met Thursday evenings, except for the months of July and August. We have had seven meetings, executive, special and informal meetings.

In closing, I would like to thank Father Arshag for his help and guidance, the executive officers who met with me whenever they were called upon, and for all the choir members who faithfully attended the rehearsals and Sunday Services to help make this year another successful one.

If anyone is interested in joining the choir, please feel free to join us. I am sure it will be a gratifying and most rewarding experience.

Submitted by:

Mary Ambrookian
Choir Chairman

HOLY RESURRECTION ARMENIAN CHURCH CHOIR

1976 ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT

December 31, 1975, Balance Forward

\$ 828.17

Cash Receipts:

Movie - Tears of Happiness	\$ 361.00
Pepsi Machine	160.55
Choir Plate	29.00
Donations:	
G. Bagdassarian (Special)	25.00
F. Markarian	10.00
Donations - Robes	
H. Hadjinian	5.00
C. Block	5.00
Eghsa Kaishian	10.00
Miscellaneous	1.00
	<u>\$ 606.55</u>

Cash Disbursements:

Pepsi Machine	\$ 98.90
Lake Cleaners (Robes)	44.00
Marian Barsamian	29.17
Father Arshag	18.64
Father Arshag (Special)	25.00
Choir Plate	29.00
Dinner (Selen's)	
Archbishop Torkom Manoogian	116.07
Dinner Rafters	16.50
Movie:	
Advance	100.00
Postage	29.25
Garden Theater	100.00
Armenian Reporter	87.00
Herbert Barsamian	10.00
(Postage Movie Return)	
	<u>\$ 703.53</u>

1975 Balance Forward	\$ 828.17
Net Income	<u>606.55</u>
	1434.72
Net Expense	<u>703.53</u>
Cash on Hand, 12/31/76	\$ 731.19

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Lewis, Treasurer

1976 SUNDAY SCHOOL REPORT

Sunday School began 1976 with their annual Christmas Program in early January. In observance of Armenian Christmas, the children read the Book of Daniel on Armenian Christmas Eve. During Lent, the children again were given mite boxes, the proceeds of which were divided equally between the Lebanon Relief Fund and the tuition for the Armenian child the Sunday School sponsors in Jerusalem.

On Easter Eve, the children gathered for Communion which was followed by the annual pancake breakfast. That evening, the children again read from the Book of Daniel during Church Services. In May, the children gave carnations to the mothers of the parish on Mother's Day. The semester concluded with a picnic in Grant Park in June.

School resumed in September. The children were again instructed in the Old Testament, a continuation of a course from last year. Recently, the children have begun instruction in the music of the Divine Liturgy with the hopes of forming a youth choir.

Sunday School thanks you for your support in the past year and hopes that your help will continue in the next.

STAFF:

Very Rev. Arshag Dz.V. Khatchadourian, President
Terry Ann Hadjinian, Superintendent
Grace Hadjinian, Assistant Superintendent
Georgia Gavric
Helene Holupka
Violet Halejak
Sharon Karian
Leif Peterson
Mary Hayalian

1976 A.C.Y.O.A. ANNUAL REPORT

OFFICERS:

Very Rev. Arshag Dz.V. Khatchadourian - President
Louise Esaian Chairman
Sharon Karian Vice-Chairman
Armen Hadjinian Recording Sec'y.
Georgia Gavric Corresponding Sec'y.
Mary Kademian Treasurer
Mrs. Rose Esaian Advisor

The 1976 A.C.Y.O.A. was a strong working group with very fine members. This A.C.Y.O.A. worked on a lot of fun raising activities. There were a series of paper drives and car washes. Again I'd like to thank the few members of the Church that came. That had to be the biggest disappointment, the lack of involvement, and mostly support from the Church members.

We held a Father's Day breakfast before Church with pancake and sausage prepared by the A.C.Y.O.A. members. Those who attended were sure to enjoy themselves.

We also cleaned the Church at Easter time and put up the palms in the Church for Palm Sunday. At this year's Madagh, we had four games and the moon walk which again, as years before, A.C.Y.O.A. was in charge.

There were two main activities put on which took a lot of planning, discussing and time. The first, was a joint meeting held at our Church. Present were the three area churches, with a following of 40 or more people. The meeting set up activities to follow in the next three months. We also discussed different ideas and approaches of the fellow A.C.Y.O.A.'s.

The second and biggest fulfillment of the A.C.Y.O.A. was a first put on by any A.C.Y.O.A. in our Church -- it was the First Armenian Dance held in the Church hall. We called it "Hye Train". It was hard work and took a lot of time to put together, but it was well worth it, for in my eyes, it was the best dance in the Midwest. We had a high attendance with the kids and adults dancing to Sarkis Antaramian and his band. During the breaks, it was highlighted with the great sound of disco. The floor was filled when both sounds were on. It was a dance well worth having.

In my closing words, I'd just like to say, we have the finest A.C.Y.O.A. around. We're a strong group. We have all this to contribute from having a fantabulous advisor, Rose Esaian. She's been with A.C.Y.O.A. for seven years and she's really held us together, through our easy endeavors as well as hard ones.

Respectfully submitted,

Louise Esaian
Chairman, A.C.Y.O.A. 1976

A.C.Y.O.A.

1976 ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT

Balance Forward, December 31, 1975	\$ 283.43
Cash on Hand	<u>15.61</u>
	\$ 299.04

INCOME:

Fellowship	\$ 13.42	
Paper Drive	22.75	
Father's Day Breakfast	14.00	
Car Wash	53.50	
Special Donations	7.00	
Dance	652.65	
Total Income	<u> </u>	<u>763.32</u>
		\$1062.36

EXPENSES:

Fellowship	\$ 4.42	
Parties & Socials	29.72	
Donations	25.00	
Breakfast	14.05	
Postage	5.00	
Dance	356.23	
Total Disbursements	<u> </u>	<u>\$ 434.42</u>
		\$ 618.17
December 31, 1976, Balance	\$ 618.17	
Cash on Hand	<u>9.77</u>	
December 31, 1976, Balance	\$ 627.94	

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Kademian
Treasurer

ST. HAROUTUNE ARMENIAN CEMETERY
 (HOLY RESURRECTION)
 13th & Rawson Avenue
 South Milwaukee, Wisconsin
 1976

INCOME

Funeral Services, 1975	\$ 100.00
Funeral Services, 1976	130.00
Sale of Cemetery Lot, Member	50.00
Home State Bank Interest	<u>116.30</u>
Total	\$ 396.30
12-31-75, Home State Bank Savings Account	\$2595.91
	<u>396.30</u>
	\$2992.21

EXPENSE

Funeral Services	\$ 100.00
Maintenance	75.00
Transfer of Monies to Church Account	<u>500.00</u>
Total	\$ 675.00
Home State Bank Savings Account	\$2317.21
Monies on Account, Church Cemetery Account (December 31, 1975 Balance \$925.67)	<u>1425.67</u>
Total	\$3742.88

Programs for 1977:

Marking of lots, roofing and painting buildings and fence.
 New entrance signs.

Respectfully submitted,

Cemetery Committee
 Nerses N. Nersesian, Chairman
 Kerovpe Balian, Treasurer
 Ronald Lewis

1976 A.G.B.U. ARMENIAN SCHOOL
OF SOUTH MILWAUKEE
ANNUAL REPORT

Mr. Herbert Barsamian
Parish Council Chairman & Parish Council
Holy Resurrection Armenian Church
909 Michigan Avenue
South Milwaukee, Wis. 53172

Dear Mr. Barsamian & Parish Council Members:

The A.G.B.U. Armenian Saturday School as well as the Adult Armenian School of South Milwaukee uses the Holy Resurrection Church premises for educational purposes. We are indebted to your understanding and generosity for this. The Holy Resurrection and the A.G.B.U. Library at the Balcony of the Church once again enjoy your tremendous support. As you know the school and the library operates under the immediate supervision of Very Rev. Arshag Dz.V. Khatchadourian.

The 34 students that we have plus many volunteers are doing their utmost thus relieving the Armenian educational responsibility from the Holy Resurrection Parish Council.

The school budget is \$1,500.00 per year to operate. In the past the Parish Council of Holy Resurrection has supported the school financially. We are asking you to do so once again. Is it possible to consider our request in your 1977 Budget. WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT.

We are enclosing a flyer that has been mailed to over 200 individuals and organizations.

Sincerely,

John Hartunian
Superintendent

SOUTH MILWAUKEE A.G.B.U.

ARMENIAN & DANCE SCHOOL
(PARTIAL FINANCIAL REPORT FROM)
June 5, 1976 to January 31, 1977

June 5, 1976 Balance Forward \$ 183.07

INCOME

Donations	\$ 442.00	
Student Enrollment	170.00	
Activities (Sons of Sassoun)	435.10	
Total Income		<u>\$1047.10</u>
		<u>\$1230.17</u>

DISBURSEMENTS

Teacher's Salaries	\$ 690.00	
Postage	56.49	
Voice Printing	55.00	
Son's of Sassoun Movie	154.15	
Books	43.00	
Miscellaneous	41.44	
Total Disbursements		<u>\$1040.08</u>

January 31, 1977 Balance \$ 190.09

Respectfully submitted,

John Hartunian,
Superintendent

Mary Haidarian,
Treasurer

Approved by Father Arshag

1976 NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

The attached letter was mailed December 1, 1976 to various parishioners informing them of their nomination as candidates to the Parish Council, with election to take place at the General Assembly on Sunday, February 20, 1977.

There are four Parish Council members who will be leaving office -- they are: Herbert Barsamian, Chairman, Matt Kademian, Peter Tamuzian and John Sahagian -- therefore, there are four positions that will need to be filled for 1977 (said positions will be for a term of two years). Additional nominations will be accepted from the floor.

THE CANDIDATES FOR PARISH COUNCIL ARE:
*(Four to be elected)

Harold Baylerian	Nerses Nersesian
Hoyle Green	Mike Panosian
Mary Hayalian	Peter Sahagian
Harry Karian	Bedros Salbashian
Ronald Lewis	Tertad Tertadian
Mary Lewis	Hagop Zakian

THE CANDIDATES FOR THE AUDITING COMMITTEE ARE:
*(Three to be elected)

██████████	John Gurinian
Barsam Barsamian	Mary Haidarian
Kaiser Boyajian	Namzar Kaprelian

THE CANDIDATES FOR THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE ARE:
*(Three to be elected)

Hampar Kaishian	Herb Barsamian
██████████	Terry Hadjinian
Kathy Kaishian	Matt Kademian
Sam Hadjinian	Pete Tamuzian
Pat Hansen	

Very Reverend Arshag Khatchadourian
President and Pastor

Nominating Committee

Kathy Kaishian
Meyer Jandegian
Kaisher Boyajian

December 1, 1976

Dear

The Nominating committee is pleased to announce that you have been nominated as a candidate to the Parish Council. The elections to this office will be held at the General Membership meeting on Sunday, February 20, 1977.

We are certain you are concerned about your Church. Knowing this, we come to you with our main difficulty and concern. Every year, when some of our members are approached, we receive the same refusals or the same answers from the same people. "I don't want to be a Parish Council member this year." If everybody gives us the same answer, how are we going to find replacements? Therefore, we ask you to come join us and work for your Church. God's house needs not only your dues but also your presence and your efforts.

Keep these thoughts in mind when you give your answer. The Committee assumes that you will accept this nomination, unless we are advised to the contrary in writing by December 15, 1976.

Prayerfully yours,

Very Reverend Arshag Khatchadourian
President and Pastor

Nominating Committee:

Kathy Kaishian
Meyer Jandegian
Kaiser Boyajian

HOLY RESURRECTION ARMENIAN APOSTOLIC CHURCH

SOUTH MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN

TO: ALL MEMBERS OF HOLY RESURRECTION ARMENIAN CHURCH
 FROM: VERY REV. ARSHAG DZ.V. KHATCHADOURIAN . *PUBLIC RELATIONS*
 RE: QUESTIONNAIRE REGARDING PLACEMENT OF TALENTED CHURCH MEMBERS
 IN PROPOSED CHURCH FUNCTIONS

This attempt is really a talent hunt. We have so many skilled and talented people in our church and we feel we should and could tap our resources more effectively if we all tried to work together. Therefore, we have developed the following criteria to hopefully come up with some results.

We are searching for five /5/ individuals that would in your opinion qualify to head up the function proposed. For each function we would appreciate it if you could make your personal judgment known and name

- a) the best qualified person, and
- b) two more individuals that are also qualified

to best fit the shoe.

If you cannot at all come up with a name, mark it with an "X".

FUNCTIONS (CHOOSE ONLY 6)	BEST QUALIFIED (Name)	ALSO QUALIFIED (Name)	ALSO QUALIFIED (Name)
1. Picnic Co-ordinator			
2. Madagh Co-ordinator			
3. New Year's Eve Party			
4. Name Day of Church			
5. Membership			
6. Public Relations			
<u>FUTURE ORGANIZATIONAL HELP</u>			
7. Home Visitation			
8. Armenian Martyr's Day			
9. List of Future Donations			
10. Calendar of Events			
11. Education or Seminars			
12. Welcoming			
13. With Parish Council Meeting			
14. Building Fund Future Projects			
15. Envelope 2nd Asst. Treasurer			

We sincerely hope that one of the persons either described as "Best Qualified" or listed under "Also Qualified" will be able to accept to head up the function for which he or she was proposed by their fellow church members for the year of 1977. To work under jurisdiction of the Parish Council, for one year term. Each committee head after election will organize his or her own committee.

Prayerfully,

Very Rev. Arshag Khatchadourian, Dz.V.