## Saint Mesrob Urmenian Church

Racine, Wisconsin

Unnual Parish Ussembly & 1990 Unnual Reports

> Sunday February 17, 1991

The Reverend Father Garabed Kochakian
Parish Priest

### 1990 ANNUAL REPORTS

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Reverend Father Garabed Kochakian, Pastor

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February 1, 1990

Dear Member,

The Annual Parish Elections and Assembly of the St. Mesrob Armenian Church will be held on Sunday, February 17, 1991 at 12:30 p.m.

The meeting, to convene in the Church Hall, will present the annual reports of the Pastor, Parish Council and all church auxiliary bodies. The Nominating Committee, during the course of the meeting, will conduct elections for the 1991 Parish Council, Nominating, Auditing and Permanent Trust Fund Committees.

Enclosed in the proposed agenda. Should any member wish to add additional "new business", you may do so. Also enclosed are the minutes of the most recent Parish Assembly, which we ask you to read prior to the upcoming assembly. We shall call for their approval and acceptance before moving on to other agenda items.

In the event of inclement weather, Tuesday, February 19th will be the date of the Annual Assembly at 7:00 p.m.

Pastor & Parish Council



Encl.

#### ANNUAL PARISH ASSEMBLY

February 17, 1991

## St. Mesrob Armenian Church Racine, WI

#### **AGENDA**

1. Opening Prayer

2. Verification of Eligible Voters

- 3. Election of Chairman of the Day and Secretary of the Day
- 4. Approval of Minutes of Previous Parish Assembly

5. Adoption of Agenda

6. Pastor's Annual Report and Message

7. Parish Council Report

8. Parish Treasurer's Report

9. Review and Adoption of 1991 Budget

10. Reading, Review and Acceptance of Organizational Reports

11. Nominating Committee Report and Elections

12. Auditing Committee Report

13. Permanent Trust Committee Report

14. Proposals to 89th Annual Diocesan Assembly, May 9th - 12th

15. Proposals to our Annual Parish Assembly today:

- To increase service fee for weddings from \$25.00 to \$35.00 for Organist, Deacons and Soloist.
- b. Change opening balance for the new year of the Parish Council Treasury from \$5,000.00 to \$7,500.00. (effective 1/1/92)
- c. Increase dues for regular members from \$100.00 to \$105.00; seniors from \$50.00 to \$52.50 and students from \$25.00 to \$26.50. (effective 1/1/92)
- d. Age category of senior members be changed from 70 to 80. (effective 1/1/92)
- e. Sunday School fiscal year to begin August 1st and end July 31st.
- 16. New Business
- 17. Benediction

IMPORTANT - In accordance with the By-Laws, those who are paid-up members through 1990, are eligible to vote. BALLOTS MUST BE CAST IN PERSON! Voting will start after the meeting is officially opened.

#### SPECIAL PARISH ASSEMBLY MEETING

Sunday, May 20, 1990

Parish Council Chairman George Stevoff called the Special Parish Assembly to order at 12:30 p.m. Father Garabed opened the meeting with a prayer.

A motion was made by Mikael Garoukian, seconded by Murad Gengozian, that those members present constitute a quorum. Motion passed. There were 27 members present at this time.

The Secretary's Report was read. Myron Chordegian moved that they be accepted as read, seconded by Todd Mikaelian. Approved.

All five delegates were present for this Special Parish Assembly. They are as follows: Der Hayr, George Stevoff, Sam Akgulian, Murad Gengozian and Kai Kazarian.

Der Hayr reported on the Clergy Conference, which was held in the San Alphonso Retreat House, Shrewsbury, New Jersey, from April 30th through May 3rd. Guests attending were Very Rev. Fr. Hagop Kelegian, Locum Tenens of the Armenian Diocese of Uraguary and Rev. Fr. Mesrob Sarafian, representing the California (Western) Diocese. Also attending were Bishop Avak Asadoorian, Primate of the Armenian Church of Iraq and Archbishop Nersess Bozabalian, Chancellor of the Holy Apostolic Mother See in Etchmiadzin.

Prayers were offered for the deceased clergy.

A greeting was read from the Catholicos, His Holiness Vasken I, Supreme Patriarch and Catholicos of All Armenians.

Letters were sent to the Catholicos thanking him and expressing our love and support, and to His Beatitude Torkom Manoogian thanking him for his years as our Archbishop and sending our love and friendship.

Educational lectures were suspended as Unity took precedence. Unity By-Laws were read and discussed. They were the main focal point. They were passed back to the By-Laws Committee after corrections.

Clergy Educational Committee meets occasionally. Next meeting will be February 1991 in New Jersey.

The guests at the conference were invited to tell of the life of the Armenian Church in their countries.

Kai Kazarian reported on the First Session held Thursday, May 3, 1990 at 2:00 p.m.

He reported that Father Khajag Barsamian gave the invocation.

Guest Speaker giving the welcoming address was Rev. Father Mesrob Serafian.

A booklet on the 100th Anniversary of the Armenian Church in America was passed out to delegates.

Kai participated in the Panel Session entitled: Identifying and Meeting People's Needs. He said that it centered on Youth of the Church. How can we keep them in the Church? Many things that they can do in and for the Church were discussed, as was the ACYOA.

Murad Gengozian reported on the Second Session held Friday, May 4, 1990 at 9:00 a.m.

He reported that the Endowment Fund had received approximately \$3,464,000.00. Total in the Fund is about \$11,000,000.00. \$711,000.00 was turned back to the parishes. Delegates were told of specific funds that would welcome donations and how to do so in your will.

Report given on candidates and nominations from the floor for: Board of Trustees, Nominating Committee, Proposals (Der Hayr nominated) and Auditing Committee.

The Earthquake Committee gave an up-to-the-minute report. Things are on schedule. Special equipment is needed for problems that have arisen and new routes for getting supplies in are needed.

Sam Akgulian reported on the third session held Friday, May 4, 1990 at 2:00 p.m.

Voting took place during this session. Ed Chapian, replaces John Najarian, who passed away, as head of the Unity Committee. Harry Terzian was elected as a member of this committee.

Proposal #1, which dealt with dissolution of the New England Regional Council was defeated.

Proposal #2, which proposed the creation of a Diocesan Youth Ministry Department was passed.

Proposal #3, which proposed that an Archbishop Tiran Nersoyan Memorial Publication Committee be created was passed.

Proposal #4, which proposed that the Diocese take appropriate action to form a Conference of Major Armenian Organizations in America to create a standing committee to deal with emergency situations was passed.

Proposal #5, which asked Pastors of Churches in our Diocese toform membership committees to enroll paying membership in our church and to urge new members to take an active part in our church. Defeated.

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Proposed By-Law Amendments were next. Amendment to Article 22 which dealt with absentee ballots for members was defeated.

Amendment to Article #79 deleting the word "high-ranking" and inserting the word "kahana" was passed.

Amendment to Article 72 which was in regard to the term of office for members of the Diocesan Board of Trustees. The Amendment was defeated.

Other reports were given also.

Sam Akgulian also reported briefly on the Fifth Session, which was held May 5, 1990 at 2:00 p.m., Saturday.

Thanks were given to delegates and Ed Chapian gave a Unity report.

George Stevoff reported on the Fourth Session, which was held on Saturday, May 5, 1990 at 9:00 a.m.

The Revised By-Laws of the Unity Committee were handed out to delegates. They are to be taken back to respective parishes, reviewed and within 90 days be sent back to the Unity Committee. The finished By-Laws should be ready by 1991.

Clergy presently are allowed a vote. It was propsed that the delegates each have a vote, but clergy only one to seven delegates. No reason was given for this proposal.

The 75th Anniversary of the Commemoration of the Armenian Martyrs was marred by a political faction, which displayed the tri-colored flag, thereby causing quite a controversy.

Several questions were asked of our delegates and answered by them.

Der Hayr reported that on June 5, 1990, there will be a meeting of the Midwest Regional Council to review the Revised Unity By-Laws.

Mel Hagopian moved that the meeting be adjourned, seconded by Martha Kargenian. Meeting adjourned at 1:40 p.m. Der Hayr led us in a closing prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Clarie & Ladamian

Claire E. Kadamian,

Parish Council Secretary

#### PASTOR'S ANNUAL REPORT

In the ministry of our Lord Jesus Christ, we bring to you our dear faithful of St. Mesrob Armenian Church, a review of our pastoral work and activity during this past year. As your shepherd, I have endeavored by the Grace of God, to lead you into all good works of faith, to bring you the message of salvation and through the Holy Eucharistic celebration call you into the Kingdom of God on this earth, wherein we all receive a foretaste of His Heavenly Kingdom.

At the end of every year, we collectively assess our accomplishments with the intention of improving the quality, success and good that our works have wrought. It is our hope to "build anew" in the year ahead, greater works that enable us to grow closer to God and to each other, by demonstrating the Christ-like life to which we all have been called from the font of Holy Baptism. Let us ever be mindful that in pursuit of this heavenly hope, we shall never be restful, satisfied and pleased, because to accomplish heavenly works, much sacrifice, struggle and compassion is necessary. Our Heavenly Father will provide, indeed, all that we desire as we attempt to 'Do His Will' on this earth.

1990 was an eventful vear for our Parish, as well as the Armenian Church throughout the world, filled with many occasions of joy, celebration, sorrow and pain. During this vear, three princes of our church fell asleep in the Lord after years of dedicated service as Shepherds and Bishops. His Beautitude Yeghishe Derderian, Armenian Orthodox Patriarch of Jerusalem, His Beautitude Shnork Kalousdian, Armenian Patriarch of Constantinople and His Eminence Archbishop Vasken Keshishian, Primate of Canada, all entered their eternal rest. During these days of mourning and prayer-filled hope, God provided successors to their posts. Elected as the new Patriarchs were: for Jerusalem - His Beautitude Torkom Manoogian (Former Primate of America), for Constantinople - His Beautitude Karekin Kazanjian (former Grand Sacristan of the St. James Monastery of Jerusalem) and to the Canadian Primacy - His Grace Bishop Hovnan Derderian.

Likewise, it was our joy to receive and elect a new Primate of the Diocese of the Armenian Church of America. The Right Reverend Bishop Khajag Barsamian (former Vicar-General). Khajag Srpazan was elected at the Annual Diocesan Assembly held in Wocester, MA in May.

With such changes besetting our church, an era of new life, vitality and activity ensued and a new chapter in the Armenian Church commenced.

Under the Supreme Pontificate of His Holiness Lord Vasken I in Holy Etchmiadzin, we have continued our ministry to our faithful of the St. Mesrob Parish of Racine, Wisconsin. During these days of

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decision, question, uncertainty, hope, promise and celebration, we have been blessed to pray together and share in our journey a life of piety, respect, honor and dignity, as the faithful sons and daughters of God Our Father and as the Church of God.

As the elect of Christ, we continue to gather together, seeking His Divine Wisdom for peace on this earth and within our own house. We pray that His Holy Spirit forever remains that beacon and source of inspiration for us all.

As your pastor and local shepherd, in remaining ever faithful to my sacred call as a Priest, I have been called to guide you and spur you onward to live out a life of witness to the Charity, Faith, Hope and Love of Our Lord Jesus. I only pray that my own human frailities have not become obstacles or impediments to your own faith and your desire to become God pleasing servants. It always remains my greatest desire to bring you all some measure of spiritual satisfaction. If I have been irresponsive to you in any way, I ask for your forgiveness and indulgences, and likewise, offer prayers of forgiveness to you as well. Let us pray, that together we may go forth to see the light of Heaven.

I wish to thank you, all my dear faithful parishioners, who have willingly worked with me, lessening the burdens placed upon my shoulders; transforming that yoke of burden to one of joy.

To: Our Altar Servers and Choir
Parish Council and Diocesan Delegates
Secretarial Assistants and Office Volunteers
Educators
Projects Committee and Custodial Assistants
and members of all our auxiliary groups

I offer my words of appreciation and good wishes for health and happiness in this year that opens before us.

#### WORSHIP

Each week on Sundays, we have offered the celebration of the Holy Badarak (Divine Liturgy), as well as other Festal Commemorations. It is only through this sacred service that we have been fed the meal of Eternal Life, that is - Our Lord's Precious Body and Blood, which becomes for us all, The Mystical Presence of Christ With Us and In Us. Only fortified by His Grace, are we able to continue His Work.

#### **FUNERALS**

Jane Arzikovic Srpoohi Derderian Victoria Derderian Annig Hazarian Myda Malhasian (Greenfield) Sam Margosian

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Dirouhi Markarian (South Milwaukee)
Turvanda Nersesian (South Milwaukee)
Rose Pamboukjian (Greenfield)
Mary Tewagian numbering 10.

#### WEDDINGS

Armaganian - Flatley Akgulian, Keller Balian - McConnell Dadian - Mardigian Janikian - Krahajec Paragamian - Steltzer Tavagian - Horne Vidian - Alberts

numbering 8.

#### BAPTISMS AND CHRISMATIONS

Taylor Louise Azarian
Brianne Denyce Azarian
Stephanie Marie Derderian
Martha Margaret Horne
Elise Lauren Kadamian
Christopher Thomas Pappas
Maxine Rahanian
Christopher John Topalian

numbering 8.

Divine Liturgy in Madison - June 30th.

Weekly Vigil Services throughout the period of Great Lent.

Home Blessings at Easter and Christmas.

#### **VISITATIONS**

We continue to reach out to the faithful members of our congregation who are infirm and unable to attend weekly worship. We offer prayers, administer the Sacrament of Holy Communion to them, when requested, and extend our moral and spiritual support, guidance and charity to them each to their own needs.

We have continued our visitation to the Parish of the Holy Resurrection Church of South Milwaukee, celebrating the Divine Liturgy on Saturday evenings once a month. Along with the Eucharistic Services, we have also been available for other sacramental needs for both the South Milwaukee Parish and the Greenfield Parish of St. John the Baptist. This arrangement of intracommunal collaboration of pastoral services has been set by the Diocesan Primate. It is our fervant prayer that in the years ahead, these parishes be blessed with their own pastors, but until such times, we shall help them in their time of need, remembering the days of our own need.

#### ARCHIVE PROJECT

Over the years, through the efforts of Charles Dadian of blessed memory and Harry Boranian, the organizing and recording of all sacraments and funerals has been underway. This covers the years from 1922 until the present time and still is to be completed. We have resumed work on this project with Harry Boranian and have come closer to completion, yet much work remains to be done. It is our eventual hope to enter all this data into the new Macintosh Computer that our parish has recently acquired, in order that such statistical data be available and retrievable without difficulty. Our thanks to Harry for his time throughout this past summer and our prayers for the completion of this project.

#### EDUCATIONAL

We, as a parish, have provided specialized educational programs for our adults and children. Both the Sundav School and Armenian Language School programs for children were offered with a staff of dedicated teachers and assistants, for whom we are continuously thankful. Their volunteer service of love has set the seeds of the Christian Faith, values and its Armenian expression for the young of our parish. Our schools are viable institutions, which set the foundation of the parish's future. Without such education, the future would be in question.

The fall semester offered a specialized series of lectures for adults in Armenian Church History and Culture. This along with children's Armenian classes have provided yet another education opportunity for all parishioners.

#### PORTRAITS OF FAITH

After four years of painstaking research and developments, our parish became proud parents of its first official publication and book, ARMENIAN PORTRAITS OF FAITH. This volume of 72 pages presents the Armenian Church's History of Faith, as presented in the replications of the stained glass windows of our sanctuary. The writing of the text, editing, photographic work, proofing and advertizing, as well as the typesetting and publishing were donated to the overall project. Our special thanks are extended to Emily Hill of Hill and Hill Publishers for her expertise and guidance in bringing this book of faith-history to light. Also to Ann Cherkinian, Peter Sherinian, Alice Hazarian, Marty Nersesian, Mike Stepanian, Ardis Cherkinian, Doris Ayers, Valerie Zahirsky and Yeretzgin Roberta Kochakian for all their time and patience in the completion of this endeavor of great magnitude.

In April, a special Press Reception announcing Armenian Portraits of Faith was held at which time all participants, including donors of the windows, were acknowledged and book sales commenced.

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We have received many favorable responses to this volume, including words from the Patriarch of Jerusalem, H. B. Archbishop Torkom II. Sales revenue have helped the financial gains of our parish treasury and will continue to do so until the supply of less than half is depleted.

We had the good pleasure of being recognized for our publication and efforts at a special breakfast reception by the Friends of the Racine Library, bring to a wider range of readers, our work and history. We thank all who joined us on that day where we were able again to tell our story and history.

#### BIBLE STUDY

Our bi-monthly Bible study sessions continued throughout the year, with approximately twelve members attending. By order of the Primate, these scriptual study sessions should be held in  $\underline{\text{All}}$  Armenian Churches. Our Parish in compliance with this directive and the long tradition of Bible study at St. Mesrob, continues to offer this educational opportunity to her faithful.

#### 75th ANNIVERSARY OF THE GENOCIDE

In remembrance of the 1.5 million Armenian men, women and children, who perished in the Genocide of 1915, special commemorative services were held throughout the Diocese on the 75th Anniversary.

In Racine, our Parish Council undertook the proper commemoration of this part of our history with a series of programs. By special permission of our Diocesan Primate, the Saint Mesrob and Saint Hagop Armenian Churches joined in prayer and gathered together in our Sanctuary on April 22nd to remember the souls of the departed in prayer and supplication. Rev. Fr. Smpad Der Meksian, former Pastor of St. Hagop, along with members of that choir and congregation joined in the celebration of the Divine Liturgy. Following the Badarak, Congressman Les Aspin joined us in the Blessing of the Madagh and delivered a most informative and encouraging message. It was, indeed, a privilege to have him with us.

On April 24th, the Racine Chorale, under the direction of Mr. Robert Gall, presented a concert of sacred music in our church sanctuary, including selections of hymns from the Armenian Liturgy. At the conclusion, requiem service was offered for the souls of the dearly departed. The members of the Chorale sang the responses in Armenian. Following the formal worship, a fellowship was held for all who attended, numbering about 300 persons.

The concluding program for the 75th Anniversary Commemoration was a concert given by the Racine Symphony Chamber Ensemble on Friday evening, April 27th. Through the Ardis and Ann Cherkinian Endowment Fund, the financing of this program was made possible. Also performing as guest artists were Hratch and Arpineh Berberian of Brookings,

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South Dakota, They added to the musical program with violin and vocal selections. With the hard-working and dedicated efforts of the Armenian Heritage Committee undertaking this part of the 75th Commemoration of the Armenian Genocide, a beautiful booklet was prepared as a remembrance of the concert and the occasion. On behalf of the Parish Council, I wish to thank the Cherkinian Family for making possible, through this endowment for Armenian Culture, this program; to the members of the Heritage Committee for their efforts in organizing the concert; to the Racine Chorale and specifically, Paul Minasian, whose assistance made possible their participation; to Mrs. Shake Yahnian and her committee for the fellowship after the Chorale Concert; Mrs. Janet Mrazek, Mr. Mark Akgulian and Mr. Mardy Nersesian for the beautiful graphics and designs of the posters and flyers, and, finally to our altar servers, choir members, ACYOA, Jrs., Guild members and Retirees, who helped prepare and serve the Madagh Dinner. Through all your efforts, blessed be the memory of the departed ones.

#### IN CONCLUSION

We wish to thank again, all parishioners who have gifted items to the Church Sanctuary to enhance the beauty of the dress of the altar and attire of the worshipping choir members and altar servers. Especially to the following donors for new robes:

#### Choir Robes Donors

Mr. & Mrs. Sarkis Cherkinian Mr. & Mrs. Ardis Cherkinian Miss Margaret Armeganian

#### Deacons Robes Donors

St. Mesrob Retirees
Elsie Kulafjian
Arthur Musurlian
Sam Kachichian
Mazzie Mazmanian
Vicki Hougasian
Matt & Oscar Kaprelian
Roger & Mary Rossman

These are but some of the many moments of life and activity at St. Mesrob that occurred during this past year. We are thankful to God that we produced them all for the Glory of His Holy Name.

1991 remains a year of mystery and the unknown; challenge and change; with new things resting on the horizon. We know not

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what the outcome of the days ahead hold for us, but we do know that Christ is the Beacon that will guide us and reveal all things finally to us and grant us peace in this world.

Through your continued service to your church, you will provide the answers to those great mysteries and with Divine Blessing, as God-pleasing servants, you will keep alive that flame of faith, ignited by Christ in 301 A.D. in the land 'Armenia' and passed down to us today from the Hand of our illustrious Sainted Gregory the Enlightener.

There are many struggles still ahead of us; the fears and anxieties of survival; yet through our collective efforts and work for our community of St. Mesrob, we all, in some measure can become the sparks that keep the flame of faith alive by aspiring to be God-pleasing servants and builders of hope for the future.

I continue to pray for openness, honesty and mutual respect between us. As your parish priest, I hope that whatever your physical and spiritual ills are, you yourselves share them with me directly, so that justly we together, through prayer and love, can witness the healing power of God to whatever wounds you bear. May the love of Christ Our Saviour be with you all and I pray that your future as a parish in the years ahead be bright, productive and fruitful and that the future clergy of our church, who shepherd and guide you, will do so with the Grace of the Holy Spirit.

With prayers,

Fr. Garabed Kochakian, Parish Pastor and Priest

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#### PARISH COUNCIL REPORT

As with other Parish Councils in the past, the current Parish Council was fortunate in having competent and cooperative Parish Organizations to assist us in our operations, both spiritually and financially. Our financially successful Armenian Fest, our beautiful choir, our dedicated Sunday School instructors, culturally-oriented Armenian Heritage Committee, spiritually committed deacons and altar servers, ever concerned Projects Committee, creative Ways and Means Committee, helpful Women's Guild, active Retirees and future Parish Council members consisting of the ACYOA, Jrs. All adjectives describe our various organizations, which are inter-changeable and applicable to all of our dedicated participants. Elsewhere in this report you will review the activities undertaken during the course of this past year, which have contributed to our active community. The names of the various officers are shown and to them, we, the Parish Council, thank for assisting us with their spirit of cooperation.

We also extend our appreciation to the Nominating Committee, Auditing Committee and Permanent Trust Committee, who along with our Diocesan Delegates, report directly to the Parish Assembly and most certainly work with the Parish Council in carrying out their respective responsibilities.

There is another group of individuals within the parish whose names do not appear as part of an organization to whom we would also like to extend our appreciation:

Harry Akgulian Claire Kadamian Tony Minasian Sarkis Cherkinian Sarkis Kazarian Alice Vartanian Sam Garabedian Jack Kirkorian Mike Vidian

Whether the duty consists of maintaining our heating equipment, clerical typing, carpet vacuuming, gymnasium floor stripping and polishing, cleaning of the vestry and choir rooms, maintenance of machinery, preparation of mas, stuffing of envelopes, maintenance of vestments and art work for our Sunday bulletin, we have always received total and complete cooperation from these individuals and they have done their function as regularly and with as much diligence as anyone. Without their constant service, our function as a Parish Council would surely be much more difficult.

This past year, the Parish Council met every other week, reviewed its agendas, met with various organizations and individuals, and conducted its business in a professional manner. As you will see elsewhere in this report, our finances have been attended to properly, and with the assistance of the various organizations and their fund raising projects, we were able to pay all our bills for 1990 and have funds left over for transfer to the Permanent Trust

Committee. We feel we are financially sound and will recommend to the Parish Assembly a proposal to increase membership dues very slightly for the year 1992 and also recommend that future Parish Assembly's adopt the concept of slight increases every year to offset inflationary factors. We are of the opinion if the dues structure is increased just slightly each year, it will not create hardships on our members and help preserve the economic well being of the parish.

With the consent of the Parish Assembly, we were able to purchase a new lawn mower, computer and burnishing machine. These additions to our assets lighten the workload of those who have taken on the responsibilities in the areas where the purchased equipment is being utilized. We do not see the need for other equipment needs at this time and therefore have not requested any funds outside of the normal budget. There are always needs for maintenance expenditures for the building and equiment, but none at this time that would require a special monetary consideration outside of our budget. If the occasion should arise that would exceed our budget allocation, then a special request to the Parish Assembly will be made.

You will note also the Parish Council is requesting the funds allocated to the Parish Council at the beginning of each year, be changed from the current \$5,000.00 to \$7,500.00. This will help with our cash flow needs which usually outstrip our revenues until such time as our Armenian Fest Committee is able to generate the large funds they do in mid-year. Although we did not require assistance from the Permanent Trust this year, we believe the addition \$2,500.00 is a reasonable and necessary increase.

In addition to our regular meetings, we sponsored programs and dinners, along with and in addition to organizational functions, that all lead to an active and healthy parish. In the process of conducting these functions comes the financial considerations which assist in making our parish financially sound in addition to providing opportunities for our membership to become involved.

We continue to be involved with the Midwest Regional Council of Churches and have been active participants in our Diocesan Assembly. Because of the changes that took place in the Patriarchate in Jerusalem, we had to cancel, or I should say postpone a banquet that would have honored our former Primate Archbishop Manoogian. The program was to be a sponsorship of the Midwest Regional Council of Churches and will be rescheduled to a future date with our former Primate appearing as the Patriarch of Jerusalem. We congratulate and wish him well in his new position. Our new Primate Bishop Khajag Barsamian is no stranger to our parish having visited us on many previous occasions. His youth and vigor is an inspiration to our Diocese and we look forward to honoring him in an upcoming reception in our parish.

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Unfortunately we were not successful in our endeavors to reconstitute an active ACYOA, Srs. organization, but by no stretch of the imagination have we given up. We continue to seek means to have a viable and active ACYOA, Srs., in order that our young people may enjoy the benefits that are derived from membership.

We, as a Parish Council are proud of our accomplishments during this past term and extend our appreciation to all of the members who have contributed to our success. We feel we are one of the premier parishes within the Diocese and can safely state that the feeling comes from having the support of organizations and individuals that we do. We thank you for helping us and affording us the opportunity to serve you.

On Behalf of the Parish Council,

Parish Council Chairman

#### ST. MESROB ARMENIAN APOSTOLIC CHURCH INCOME STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1990

	ACTU 1989	AL 1990		BUDGET 1990	OVER (UNDER)	PERCENT		BUDGET 1991
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RECEIPTS	•							
MEMBERSHIP DUES								
FUTURE YEARS	\$1,375.00	\$800.00						
CURRENT YEAR	15,700.00	15,200.00						
PRIOR YEARS	715.00	1,825.00						
	\$17,790.00	\$17,825.00		\$18,000.00	(\$175.00)	-0.97%		\$22,000.00
STEWARDSHIP	\$23,687.00	\$23,090.05		\$25,000.00	(\$1,909.95)	-7.64%		\$25,000.00
PLATE COLLECTIONS	\$3,184.63	\$3,600.40		\$3,400.00	\$200.40	5.89%		\$3,700.00
DONATIONS								
CHRISTMAS	\$1,251.00	\$432.00						
EASTER	936.00	981.00						
REQUIEM	515.00	340.00						
IN LIEU OF FLOWERS	3,900.00	3,637.00			•			•
CANDLES	247.00	132.00						
DESIGNATED GIFTS	202.00	1,025,00						
GRAPE/WATER BLESSING	248.00	292.58		•				
OTHER	65.00	252.00		•				
•								
	\$7,364.00	\$7,091.58		\$9,000.00	(\$1,908.42)	-21.20%		\$7,500.00
SPECIAL COLLECTIONS (3)								
SISYAN CHURCH FUND	\$10.00	\$0.00						
SACREMENTS AND CEREMONIES	\$430.00	\$325.00		\$600.00	(\$275.00)	-45.83%		\$600.00
	•							
AFFAIRS	*** *** **			404 000 00				424 000 00
FESTIVAL (NET)	\$25,139.61	\$22,031.49		\$26,000.00				\$24,000.00
MADAGH (NET)	928.32	533.46		1,000.00				1,000.00 \$1,200.00
KATAH SALES (NET) DINNERS (NET)	\$0.00 2,556.51	\$1,161.00 1,094.65		2,600.00				2,500.00
DINNERS (NEI)	2,330.31	1,094.05		2,000.00				2,300.00
	\$28,624.44	\$24,820.60		\$29,600.00	(\$4,779.40)	-16.15%		\$28,700.00
DENMAI C								
RENTALS CHURCH HALL	\$895.00	\$1,160.00		\$900.00				\$1,000.00
PARISH HOME	6,875.00	7,500.00		7,500.00				7,500.00
-		7,500.00				•		
	\$7,770.00	\$8,660.00		\$8,400.00	\$260.00	3.10%		\$8,500.00
OTHER RECEIPTS				<i>t</i>				
NOW ACCOUNT INTEREST	\$391.82	\$409.30		•				\$450.00
BOOK SALES	2,281.42	6,694.46						2,600.00
CHURCH ORGANIZATIONS	5,655.70	3,949.92						4,000.00
CLERGY SERVICES	725.00	675.00						.,
GIFTS, ESTATES	500.00	0.00						
(7)BURNISHING MACHINE	0.00	1,162.50				•		
CHERKINIAN END. FND	0.00	2,539.05	•					
(5) INSURANCE REIMBURSE.	0.00	1,378.99						•
ARMENIAN MUSICALE	0.00	670.95						
ESCROW-PARISH HOME	0.00	234.14						
•	\$9,553.94	\$17,714,31		\$5,850.00	\$11,864.31	202.817		\$7,050,00
MODAL DEGREENE	400 /1/ 01	4102 124 04		400 050 00	42.076.64	2 20=	,	4102 050 00
TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$98,414.01	\$103,126.94		\$99,850.00	\$3,276.94	3.28%		\$103,050.00

#### ST. MESROB ARMENIAN APOSTOLIC CHURCH INCOME STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1990

	ACTU. 1989	AL 1990	BUDGET 1990	OVER (UNDER)	PERCENT		BUDGET 1991
DISBURSEMENTS			***************************************				
STIPENDS & SALARIES RESIDENT CLERGY							
STIPEND	\$23,985.00	\$25,700.00	\$25,700.00	\$0.00	0.00z		\$27,000.00
HOUSING	7,020.00	7,020.00	7,020.00	\$0.00	0.00%		7,020.00
MEDICAL INSURANCE	2,315.40	3,032.70	2,730.00	\$302.70	11.09%	•	3,400.00
IRA	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	\$0.00	0.00%		1,000.00
UTILITIES	2,181.36	1,904.08	2,400.00	(\$495.92)	-20.66%		2,400.00
	\$36,501.76	\$38,656.78	\$38,850.00	(\$193.22)	-0.50%	,	\$40,820.00
VISITING CLERGY	100.00	0.00	300.00	(300.00)	-100.00%		400.00
CUSTODIAN	2,105.00	2,080.00	2,080.00	0.00	0.00%		2,200.00
CLERICAL	2,752.50	2,709.50	2,800.00	(90.50)	-3.23%		3,000.00
	\$41,459.26	\$43,446.28	\$44,030.00	(\$583.72)	-1.33 <b>z</b>		\$46,420.00
DIOCESAN DUES (4)	\$15,260.00	\$17,510.00	\$18,000.00	(490.00)	-2.72%		\$18,500.00
ETCHMIADZIN LOOMA (5)	\$187.00	\$0.00	\$250.00	(250.00)	-100.00%		\$250.00
ORGANIZATIONS							
SUNDAY SCHOOL (6)	\$129.50	\$61.14	\$200.00	(138.86)	60 /25		****
HERITAGE COMMITTEE	4127130	644.43	200.00	444.43	-69.43X 222.21X		\$200.00
CHOIR			200.00	(200.00)	-100.00%		200.00 200.00
ACYOA JUNIORS			200.00	(200.00)	-100.00%		200.00
ACYOA SENIORS	•			(200.00)	1001004		200.00
SOFTBALL TEAM	207.40	252.15	220.00	32.15	14.61%		250.00
WOMEN'S GUILD		******	0.00	0.00			0.00
	\$336.90	\$957.72	\$1,020.00	(\$62.28)	-6.117		\$1,250.00
UTILITIES							, ,
GAS	\$4,258.35	\$3,549.81	#4 E00 no	(050 10)	21 12=	•	
ELECTRIC	3,418.47	3,272.92	\$4,500.00 3,700.00	(950.19)	-21.12%		\$4,000.00
WATER & SEWER	464,64	310.40	300.00	(427.08) 10.40	-11.54% 3.47%		3,500.00
-				10.40	3.47%		400.00 .
	\$8,141.46	\$7,133.13	\$8,500.00	(\$1,366.87)	-16.08%		\$7,900.00
ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES							
TELEPHONE	\$1,167.78	\$920.12	\$1,200.00	(279.88)	-23.32%		\$1,200.00
OFFICE SUPPLIES	1,105.95	1,534.09	1,200.00	334.09	27.84%		1,500.00
COPIER	3,419.66	3,316.00	3,600.00	(284.00)	-7.89Z		3,600.00
CHURCH SUPPLIES	1,649.20	3,220.01	2,000.00	1,220.01	61.00%		2,500.00
KITCHEN SUPPLIES	800.83	548.33	800.00	(251.67)	-31.46%	•	800.00
POSTAGE	938.68	1,064.79	1,000.00	64.79	6.48%		1.380.00
PRINTING	50.00	78.40	1,100.00	(1,021.60)	-92.87%		100.00
CHURCH INSURANCE	3,303.91.	3,377.10	3,500.00	(122.90)	-3.51%		3,600.00
PARISH AUTO	969.76	1,229.92	1,000.00	229.92	22.99%		1,500.00
COMPUTER (6)	0.00	3,655.40	0.00	3,655.40			500.00
BOOKKEEPER	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00			500.00
OTHER	212.69	162.14	250.00	(87.86)	-35.14%		300.00
•	\$13,618.46	\$19,106.30	\$15,650.00	\$3,456.30	22.08%		\$17,480.00

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#### ST. MESROB ARMENIAN APOSTOLIC CHURCH INCOME STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1990

	AC*	<b>TUAL</b>	BUDGET	OVER		BUDGET
	1989	1990	1990	(UNDER)	PERCENT	1991
BUILDING AND EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE		*************	***************************************			
BUILDING EXTERIOR NEW EQUIPMENT (7)	\$230.01 0.00	\$625.22 1.607.50	\$500.00 0.00	125.22 1,607.50	25.04%	\$800.00
BUILDING INTERIOR BUILDING SUPPLIES	2,004.93 526.93	808.63 170.39	500.00 700.00	308.63 (529.61)	61.73% -75.66%	700.00 700.00
RUBBISH PICKUP SNOW PLOWING	303.28 860.00	490.94 645.00	400.00 1,000.00	90.94 (355.00)	- 22.74% -35.50%	600.00 1,000.00
OUTDOOR EQUIP. MAIN.	241.60	321.02	300.00	21.02	7.01%	300.00
	\$4,166.75	\$4,668.70	\$3,400.00	\$1,268.70	37.31%	\$4,100.00
MISCELLANEOUS	A1 0// 15	42 07/ 10	<b>#3 200 00</b>	(125.01)	E 72#	*** *** ***
PARISH HOUSE BOOKS	\$1,944.35 199.56	\$2,074.19 354.86	\$2,200.00 200.00	(125.81) 154.86	-5.72% 77.43%	\$2,200.00 350.00
DIOCESAN ASSEMBLY	446.14	1,204,68	2,400.00	(1,195.32)	-49.81%	2,400.00
ST.NERSES CONFERENCE		0.00	500.00	(500.00)		500.00
OTHER	694.11	472.06	700.00	(227.94)	-32.56%	500.00
	\$3,684.16	\$4,105.79	\$6,000.00	(\$1,894.21)	-31.57%	\$5,950.00
TRANSFER-PERM. TRUST (8)	\$2,872.08	\$5,652.44	\$3,000.00			
CHOIR ASSEMBLY		\$546.58	0.00	546.58		\$600.00
REPAY '88 LOAN-P.TRUST(1)	\$9,301.00	\$0.00	*****	0.00		************
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	\$99,027.07	\$103,126.94	\$99,850.00	\$3,276.94	3.28%	\$103,050.00
			•			
NET INCOME (LOSS)	\$2,259.02	\$8,282.84	. \$0.00			\$0.00

#### NOTES

- (1) The Parish Council borrowed \$9,300.00 from the Permanent Trust in 1988 which was paid back by December 31, 1989.
- (2) There was \$220.17 in unpaid bills relating to 1989 expenses at December 31, 1989. There was \$189.83 in unpaid bills relating to 1990 expenses at December 31, 1990.
- (3) During 1990, special collections were made and turned over to the following groups: St. Nerses \$375.00; Beruit Relief \$250.00; Iran Earthquake \$217.15.
- (4) The balance in the General Fund checking account at December 31, 1989 is \$5,000.00. The balance in the General Fund checking account at December 31, 1990 was \$5,000.00.
- (5) Heritage Insurance Company reimbursed the church \$1,379 in 1990 for pipe leak expenses.
- (6) Funds to purchase a computer were authorized by the Parish Assembly to be taken out of the Permanent Trust. The general treasury paid this bill and deducted its total from funds due the Permanent Trust at December 31, 1990.
- (7) Funds to purchase a burnishing machine were authorized by the Parish Assembly to be paid out of the Permanent Trust. The funds were turned over to the general treasury and the purchased machine is included on this statement in 'new equipment'.
- (8) Includes \$1,025.00 of contributions for Deacon robes to be held in the Permanent Turst for payment when purchased in 1991.
- (9) The Permanent Trust paid \$6,000 directly to the vendor for a new mower. Entered in the General Fund as memo item only.

ST. MESROB ARMENIAN APOSTOLIC CHURCH PERMANENT TRUST STATEMENT OF CONDITION FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1990.

The St. Mesrob Permanent Trust Fund continued to make earnings progress from last year, but at a much slower pace.

Last year's balance total was \$275,103.62, which was an increase of 15% over 1988. However, because of slowing revenues in 1990, primarily due to lower interest rates, a decrease in stock values, capital expenditures of \$6,000.00 for a new Jacobsen Lawn Tractor, and a floor burnishing machine for \$1,162.00. These were all contributing factors toward the slower growth.

The authorization of \$3,500.00 for the computer wasn't exercised from the Permanent Trust Fund, because there weren't any redeemable C.D. Notes available at the time. This money came directly from the Parish Council Treasury.

When reviewing the total balance sheet, please keep in mind that approximately \$58,000.00 shown on the report is known as "Restricted Funds". These restricted funds are better known as the Ardis and Ann Cherkinian Memorial Fund and the Sahag Akgulian Cultural Fund. Organizational C.D. Certificates also being held as separate units are the Sunday School and Choir Fund.

Interest from these named funds are available, however, they are governed by a set of By-Laws or Contractual Agreement. Details for obtaining interest monies from these funds are available from the Permanent Trust Committee. Contact Arthur Musurlian or any other committee member for guidelines.

Our results show that even though our growth factor has slowed, we must nevertheless continue to pursue and increase each year to strengthen our position for the future. An increase of a minimum of 7% is necessary to keep up with the current inflationary spiral.

We must intensify our efforts in every phase and with that spirit, the decade ahead could hold great promise. While we're disappointed with the rate of return, we're encouraged by the opportunities to improve our financial performance.

Respectfully,

St. Mesrob Church Permanent Trust Committee
Sam Akgulian Mary Akgulian

Arthur Musurlian

#### ST. MESROB ARMENIAN APOSTOLIC CHURCH PERMANENT TRUST STATEMENT OF CONDITION FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1990

BALANCE DECEMBER 31, 1989 INCOME - INTEREST	\$275,103.62 21,599.67
DIVIDENDS	1,533.86
STOCK MARKET VALUE CHANGE	<3,701.53
ADDITIONS (OTHER THAN INCOME)	5,652.44
DEDUCTIONS BALANCE DECEMBER 31, 1990	<9,931.55
BALANCE DECEMBER 31, 1990	\$290,256.51
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ADDITIONS:	AdMan Section
PARISH TREASURY	\$ 4,627.44
PARISH TREASURY - DEACON ROBES	1,025.00
	\$ 5,652.44
	=========
DEDUCTIONS:	
SERVICE CHARGE	\$ 10.00
SAFE DEPOSIT BOX RENT	20.00
ST. NERSES STUDENTS (SAHAG AKGULIAN MEMORIAL)	200.00
PARISH TREASURY - BURNISHING MACHINE	1,162.50
PARISH TREASURY - ARDIS CHERKINIAN FAMILY	
CULTURAL FUND	2,539.05
TRACTOR PURCHASE	6,000.00
	\$ 9,931.55
	========
ASSET COMPOSITION:	
STOCKS:	\$ 30,255.63
ATT \$ 4,653.38	
WISCONSIN ENERGY \$ 12,523.50	
AMERITECH \$ 2,002.50	
BELL SOUTH \$ 2,463.75	
BELL ATLANTIC \$ 2,145.00	
SOUTHWEST BELL \$ 1,680.00	
US WEST \$ 1,555.00	
NYNEX \$ 1,422.50	
PACIFIC TELESIS \$ 1,810.00	A 1 150 01
PASSBOOK SAVINGS:	\$ 1,150.01
CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSIT:	\$199,206.49
Heritage Bank \$124,326.76 North Shore \$49.666.29	
North Shore \$ 49,666.29 Dime (Albany, NY) \$ 25,213.44	
RESTRICTED FUNDS:	\$ 45,119.58
Sahag Akgulian Memorial	\$ 40,112.00
Fund \$ 3,296.10	
Ardis Cherkinian Family	* # W
Cultural Fund \$ 41,823.48	(Mar.
CASH NOT DEPOSITED	\$ 5,652.44
IN TRUST ON BEHALF OF OTHER ORGANIZATIONS	
Sunday School \$ 6,204.84	,,, 0,0,2,00
Choir \$ 2,667.52	
TOTAT	\$290,256.51
TOTAL	=========
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#### ST. MESROB CHURCH CHOIR

The St. Mesrob Choir began in 1925 and has served the St. Mesrob Parish faithfully unto the present time.

In 1990 we had 19 active members, including our Executive Board. Our officers were:

> President Chairman Secretary Treasurer

Fr. Garabed Kochakian Mary Stevoff Yeretzgin Roberta Kochakian Pat McConnell

Choir Director Assistant Choir Director Carol Miller Organist

Lisa Akgulian Janet Cherkinian

Our 1990 activities included:

May 1990 Wedding of Binky Armaganian and Michael Flatley. The choir participated in the wedding and received with gratitude an honorarium.

June 1990 Wedding of our own, Pat Balian and Daniel McConnell. We participated in the wedding and received with gratitude an honorarium.

November Annual Assembly of the Association of Armenian Church 3-5, 1990 Choirs of America (AACCA). The Assembly was held at the Holy Martyrs Armenian Church in Bayside, Long Island, New York and was attended by Father Garabed and Yeretzgin Roberta, choir delegate of St. Mesrob.

The St. Mesrob Church Choir participated in the Divine Liturgy every Sunday throughout 1990, as well as all special feast days and Holy Days. Choir rehearsals were held periodically throughout the year as deemed necessary.

The ongoing project of procuring choir robes was completed in 1990. A company was chosen to make and design the robes - the Gaspard Co. in Brookfield, WI. The necessary funds were raised and the robes were ordered. The Choir should receive the robes in early 1991, hopefully in time for Holy Week.

We were fortunate to receive donations for the new choir robes from: Dan and Pat McConnell, Sarkis and Mary Cherkinian, Ardis and Ann Cherkinian, Margaret Armaganian and the Margosian Family in memory of Sam Margosian. In addition, we extend our thanks to Dr. and Mrs. Thomas Flatley for their financial contribution on the occasion of their son's wedding.

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We are happy to announce the names of three new choir members in 1990 - Karen Kunesh, Natalie Schlabaugh and John Tabet. The need for dedicated choir members is always acute and we thank these three individuals for their presence and invite others who wish to sing our beautiful hymns to join the choir.

As a continuing request, we feel the Parish should consider seriously the installation of air-conditioning in the Church for the worshiping comfort of all servers and worshippers.

Respectfully,

Yeretzgin Roberta Kochakian,

Secretary

#### ST. MESROB ARMENIAN APOSTOLIC CHURCH ORGANIZATIONAL STATEMENT OF CONDITION FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1990

ORGANIZATION Choir		
CASH BALANCE DECEMBER 31, 1989	\$	914.40
INCOME RECEIVED		736.75
DISBURSEMENTS PAID	(	(400.00>
FUNDS GIVEN TO PARISH COUNCIL	<	(604.00>

FUND RAISING EVENTS:

CASH BALANCE DECEMBER 31, 1990

EVENT

PROFIT/<LOSS>

647.15 -----

DONATIONS RECEIVED: \$562.00

DONATIONS GIVEN:

Association of Armenian Church Choirs of America \$150.00

ASSETS:

Certificate of Deposit (in Permanent Trust) \$2,667.52

Cash \$647.15

LIABILITIES (unpaid bills at 12-31-90):

Due Parish Council \$147.15

PREPARED BY Patricia McConnell Date 2/7/91

Patrica McConnell M.g.K.

#### ST. MESROB WOMEN'S GUILD

The Women's Guild was organized in 1926 to keep alive the Christian faith among its members, attend church regularly and encourage members to learn to live in conformity to the doctrines and traditions of the Church. They assist the Pastor, cooperate with the Parish Council and extend moral and material help to the Church.

We have 48 members. The Executive Committee consists of 9 members. They are:

Fr. Garabed Kochakian Seta Andekian Chai President Chairman Mary Ann Injasoulian Vice Chairman Mary H. Akgulian Corresponding Secretary Claire Kadamian Recording Secretary Tarquin Andekian Treasurer Assistant Treasurer Mary Katerdjian Mary Hagopian Advisor Martha Kargenian Advisor Alice Vartanian Advisor

During the year our group met ll times, plus many other times when we broke into smaller groups to work for Armenian Fest, Holiday Fair. Hot Meals Program, Mid-Lenten Dinner and Style Show.

Our 1990 activities included:

- 3/17/90 Women's Saints Day. Hosted by South Milwaukee Women's Saturday Guild. We attended services, luncheon and the program at Holy Resurrection Armenian Church. The program was presented by Fr. Garabed. The Images of St. Mary in Armenian art was the topic. St. Mary was honored that day.
  - 3/25/90 Mid-Lenten Dinner. Chaired by Mary Cherkinian, Martha
    Sunday Kargenian and Byds Musurlian. They planned a lenten meal
    which was served to the Parish after services. It was
    well attended with people enjoying the fellowship.
  - 3/29/90 Speaker Mary Kaprelian/Azarian, Main Street General Store. Thursday Mary came in after our meeting and spoke to members and their guests about gourmet coffees and teas. It was a very informative topic. After the program, she served several flavors of tea and coffee to us.
  - 4/22/90 Madagh. Sue Vidian chaired this event. She and her committee purchased and prepared the salad, pilaf and bread for the affair. They also dished out the food and helped with clean-up. This is a great help to the Parish Council each year.

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5/12/90 Saturday

Mother's Day Luncheon and Program. This event was planned by Yeretzgin Roberta Kochakian and Hourig Tcheurekdjian. We honored our parish ladies, who were 70 years old or older. There were about 15 women honored. Some are members of the Guild now or had been at one time, while others are members of the Parish. Some came in wheel chairs and were using canes, but the happiness they radiated by being honored and recognized was a wonderful experience. About 100 people attended in all. Lunch was appealing to the eye and palate. After the lunch, a brief program was held, with music by some of the young people performing and then a comedy-club type skit was put on by Tarquin Andekian, Lucy Azarian and Nancy Kazarian. It was about the generation gap and it was hilarious. It appealed to all in the audience.

5/31/90 Thursday Speaker - John Esayian, Medical-Examiner. John came and spoke to us and our guests about his job now and all the changes that have envolved over the years. Told some funny experiences, but also some that were gruesome and sad. John and his men deserve a lot of respect for the job they do.

9/30/90 Sunday Bouquet of Fashions Luncheon and Fashion Show. The Church Hall was decorated beautifully, as were the tables for this event. Many of the better stores were represented and lent their fashions. Our models did a fine job in presenting the new look. We were pleased that many ladies from our sister churches came and joined us. The hundred or so, who attended, enjoyed a gourmet luncheon prepared by one of our church member's daughter, Jeanette Lebon, and her ladies, and a great show.

10/25/90 Thursday Family Night Pot-Luck Supper. Most members attended with their families. The food was great and there was so much of it. Members had a short meeting following the dinner and then those who chose to, played games, cards or visited. It was a nice relaxing evening.

11/17/90 11/18/90 Saturday Sunday Holiday Fair at Memorial Hall. We came in on Friday evening with all our home-cooked and baked things, which had taken many long hours by members and others to prepare. Ladies worked three or four hour shifts and the time flew by. There were so many people coming and going and many were eager to purchase our goodies. Most of the items were sold out at the close of the Fair. The event is a lot of work, but rewarding financially and socially. Mary Stevoff chaired this money-making event with her able helpers.

1990 found us supporting the same young boy at the St. Tarkmanschatz Secondary School in Jerusalem. He is now in 6th grade.

St. Mesrob Women's Guild Page 3.

The Women's Resource Center was having financial difficulty and talked about having to close its doors. A special collection was taken in church for the center. \$211.00 was collected and turned over to them to help keep the facility open.

We were fortunate to receive the following donations:

Mrs. Mikael Garoukian	\$125.00 for the Hot Meal Program
Myron Chordegian	\$350.30 for new coffee servers in
	memory of his wife, Helen
Arshalous Mikaelian	\$10.00
Anonymous	\$25.00
Martha Kargenian	\$8.00
Paul Minasian	\$25.00

We served two meals in the Hot Meal Program at First Baptist Church. One May 21, 1990 and the other November 12, 1990. Mary Kaprelian and Mary Stevoff chaired the programs. They had no trouble getting people to help as those who work on this project find it very rewarding.

The Guild sponsored a fellowship after church one Sunday and served at 4 funerals. Many cards were sent out to church members and friends for new babies, congratulations, weddings, get-well and sympathy. Thanks to Byds Musurlian for a good job.

The "Good Samaritans", which was formed in '89, made three visits this year. They visited Mike Janikian, Annik Hazarian and Anna Meldonian.

Another group visited our Parish members in nursing homes several times this year.

These two groups take small gifts of fruit or home-baked goods along when they visit. The best gift is the visit. They are so glad for this special time with them and the families appreciate it also.

We have sent representatives, whenever possible, to the Church Women United quarterly meetings. The Parish Christmas Card project was done again this year and was successful. Altar flower expenses, other than donations, have been borne by the Guild.

This is a working organization, which tries to help in all ways to benefit the church. We welcome any who might like to join us as there is something for everyone to do.

Respectfully,

Claire Kadamian

Claire Ladamian

Secretary

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# ST. MESROB ARMENIAN APOSTOLIC CHURCH ORGANIZATIONAL STATEMENT OF CONDITION FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1990

CASH BALANCE DECEMBER 31, 1989 \$ 500.00

INCOME RECEIVED 7,327.05

DISBURSEMENTS PAID <4,965.80>

FUNDS GIVEN TO PARISH COUNCIL <2,361.25>

CASH BALANCE DECEMBER 31, 1990 \$ 500.00

FUND RAISING EVENTS:

EVENT PROFIT/<LOSS>

Christmas Card \$435.00 Fashion Show 466.12 Holiday Fair 1,268.72 Mid Lenten Dinner 337.28

DONATIONS RECEIVED: \$545.30

DONATIONS GIVEN: \$303.24 Hot Meal Program

\$100.00 St. Tarkmonchatz School \$221.00 Womens' Resource Center

ASSETS:

Cash \$500.00

LIABILITIES (unpaid bills at 12-31-90):

None

PREPARED BY January Under Under Date 2/8/9/

#### ST. MESROB SUNDAY SCHOOL

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The Church Sunday School is the official religious institution of the Parish, that instructs children in the faith, doctrine teachings and traditions of the Armenian Apotolic Orthodox Church. It operates from September through June and provides additional programming for the children's Christian Education. The teachers are all volunteer individuals, who offer their expertise in teaching from the Curriculum, "WE BELIEVE", the official Diocesan curriculam. It is hoped that all parishioners will endeavor to support the work of this teaching ministry of our Parish.

In 1990-1991, we have 60 active members, including students, teachers and administrative staff.

Our activities of the year beginning with opening 1989, are as follows:

- 9/17/89 Opening Day. Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross. Children registered, had informal classes and then went into Church.
- 12/10/89 Used Book Sale.
- 1/7/90 Annual Armenian Christmas. Older students participated in the pageant, along with the younger students. Primary grades put on a program, which was followed by a Fellowship after the Liturgy for all the Parish.
- 2/25/90 Boon Baregentan. This was a Parish event. After church services, the Sunday School hosted a pot-luck luncheon. Games were played by the students after the lunch. This was the celebration before Great Lent, like Mardi Gras.
- 6/4/90 Closing Day. Picnic lunch was served after church to all of the Parish. Children played games following the lunch and baseball. There was no graduation this year, as we had no 12th grade class.
- 9/9/90 Opening Day of new year.
- 12/23/90 Western Christmas. A small celebration was held during the Assembly, with a treat given to the students by Santa Claus, who dispensed the treats and told a story to the younsters.

We hold monthly staff meetings and sponsor several Parish Fellowships.

Some activities planned for 1991 include:

St. Mesrob Sunday School Page 2.

- 1/6/91 Armenian Christmas. Participation in the Blessing of the Water Celebration by the older students with the younger students putting on a pageant. Fellowship will follow for everyone following church services.
- 2/10/90 Boon Baregentan Celebration. After church services, we plan a pot-luck lunch and then games for the children and visiting or cards for the adults. Should be a fun time for all of the Parish.
- 3/10/91 Field Trip to Chicago by bus to visit the Spertus Jewish Museum. Our own, Mark Akgulian, is the curator there and is looking forward to our visit. Each group of children will have a tour in a section that is graded especially for them. Should be a wonderful experience.
- 5/26/91 Graduation Exercises and Closing Day with the New Primate, Bishop Khajag Barsamian.

The Sunday School, through the DRE, and along with the ACYOA, Jrs. purchased gloves, mittens, caps, hats and scarves for children who survived the earthquake. These were wrapped and marked for sex and age and sent to New York for the DRE to ship to Armenia. This was done, in lieu, of buying gifts for our own children this year. We discussed this with them and they gladly agreed.

We were fortunate to receive these donations; \$500.00 from the Stevoff Family for the curriculum books; Paul Minasian, \$25.00, plus funds for the Field Trip to Chicago; Elsie Garoukian, \$100.00; Yeretzgin Roberta, \$15.00; Anna Keishian, \$5.00; and gifts in memorial from the Nersesian Family and Hazarian Family. We thank them and any we may have been remiss in remembering for their gifts.

#### Here is a list of our staff:

President Rev. Fr. Garabed Kochakian
Superintendent Lauren Chalekian
Secretary Susan Nersesian
Treasurer Susan Esayian
Librarian Carol Gengozian
Assembly Deacon George Kadamian
Parish Council Sam Kaprelian
Liaison

#### Here are our teachers:

Nursery &
Pre-school Alice Hazarian/Lucine Tcheurekdjian
Kindergarten Christine Hardy
Level 1 Mary Sahakian
Level 2 & 3 Elsie Garoukian
Level 4 & 5 Claire Kadamian
Level 6 Marge Korakian

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Level 7 Level 9 & 10 Level 11

Susan Nersesian Edward Antaramian Fr. Garabed Kochakian

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The Sunday School Teachers and Staff would like to thank everyone who has supported our activities and patronized our events. Your kind comments and moral support truly 'refuel' us and give us the energy to continue in our task of educating and instilling Christian morals and values in our young people. They are our 'future'.

Respectfully,

Lauren Chalekean

Lauren Chalekian, Superintendent

#### ST. MESROB ARMENIAN APOSTOLIC CHURCH ORGANIZATIONAL STATEMENT OF CONDITION FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1990

ORGANIZATION Sunday School	
CASH BALANCE DECEMBER 31, 1989	\$1,225.34
INCOME RECEIVED	2,511.01
DISBURSEMENTS PAID	(2,468.11>
FUNDS GIVEN TO PARISH COUNCIL	<725.34>
CASH BALANCE DECEMBER 31, 1990	\$ 542.90 ==========
FUND RAISING EVENTS:	

**EVENT** 

PROFIT/<LOSS>

DONATIONS RECEIVED:

\$1,521.00

DONATIONS GIVEN:

\$50.00 Dept. Religious Education

\$191.08

Armenian Relief (scarves & gloves) A CONTROL OF THE CONT

ASSETS:

Cash

\$542.90

CDs

\$6,204.84 (held in Permanent Trust)

LIABILITIES (unpaid bills at 12-31-90):

Due Parish Council \$42.90

PREPARED BY Lawren Chalekean

#### ST. MESROB ARMENIAN HERITAGE COMMITTEE

The Armenian Heritage Committee was organized in August, 1989 for the promotion, preservation and programming of Armenian educational and cultural events within the St. Mesrob Armenian Church Parish.

In 1990, we had 6 active members, including our Executive Board. Our officers were:

Fr. Garabed Kochakian Charles Hardy Mariam Sahakian Ann Cherkinian President Chairman Secretary Treasurer

Hourig Tcheurekdjian Catherine Mikaelian Teacher/Instructor Teacher/Instructor

Our 1990 activities included:

April 5, 1990 Thursday Evening Soviet Armenian Visitor. With a total of 112 persons attending in our Church Hall, a reception was given for Anait Toumasian from Yerevan, whose visit to the United States was sponsored by the US/USSR Friendship Society of Racine - Kenosha. Purpose of the reception was to welcome her to Racine, to acquaint her with our church community and to get an understanding from her on the status of Armenia under the Soviet Government. (Anait was the guest in the home of the Tcheurekdjians for several days and nights.)

April 27, 1990 Friday Evening Armenian Musicale. Guest artists, Hratch and Arpineh Berberian from South Dakota performed with the Racine Symphony Chamber Ensemble, at St. Catherine's High School Auditorium, with 210 persons in attendance. Purpose was to commemorate the 75th Anniversary of the Armenian Genocide of 1915.

May 18, 1990 Friday Evening Armenian Night at U/W Parkside. U/W Parkside had requested that members from our Committee attend and be a part of a panel regarding Armenian history, food, culture, as well as to give information on Armenians in the United States. We were also asked to bring displays, as well as mementos for sale. Four members, plus spouses attended this ethnic dinner and participated.

July 8, 1990 Sunday Armenian Fest '90. The Armenian Heritage Committee was responsible for organizing and developing, as well as manning the cultural activities and booth. We also arranged for the Sardarabed Dance Ensembly from Glenview, Illinois to perform.

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October 2nd-November 20th Tuesdays Armenian Language Classes for children. An 8 week session, held on Tuesday afternoons, 4:00 - 5:00 p.m. 6 students enrolled. Catherine Mikaelian, instructor.

October 3rd -December 3rd Wednesdays Armenian Language Classes for adults. An 8 week session held on Wednesday evenings from 6:30 - 7:30 or 7:45 p.m. 6 students enrolled. Hourig Tcheurekdjian, instructor.

Some activities planned for 1991 include:

Second term of Armenian Language Classes (April-May-June) Sponsoring cultural booth and activities at Armenian Fest '91. Other cultural programs in the works.

In 1990 the Armenian Heritage Committee made donations to the following: (A copy of Armenian Portraits of Faith to each)

Alverno College Carthage College Marquette University Racine Public Library U/W Parkside U/W Milwaukee

We were fortunate to receive the following donation: \$100.00 from U/W Parkside for our May 18, 1990 participation in Armenian Night.

Respectfully, Jahah

Mariam Sahakian,

Secretary

# ST. MESROB ARMENIAN APOSTOLIC CHURCH ORGANIZATIONAL STATEMENT OF CONDITION FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1990

ORGANIZATION Heritage Committee		·
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CASH BALANCE DECEMBER 31, 1989		\$ 498.80
INCOME RECEIVED		813.43
DISBURSEMENTS PAID		< 797.65>
FUNDS GIVEN TO PARISH COUNCIL		<0.00>
CASH BALANCE DECEMBER 31, 1990		\$ 514.58

FUND RAISING EVENTS:

**EVENT** 

PROFIT/<LOSS>

75th Commemorative Concert

\$779.95 (funds went to General Fund)

DONATIONS RECEIVED:

\$25.00

DONATIONS GIVEN:

6 Armenian Portraits of Faith books \$240.00 to libraries at U.W.-Milwaukee, U.W.-Parkside, Carthage College, Alverno College, Marquette University, Armenian Church library in Jerusalem

ASSETS:

Button making machine worth \$373.06 Cash \$514.58

LIABILITIES (unpaid bills at 12-31-90):

Due Parish Council

\$14.58

PREPARED BY Ann Cherkinan Date Feb. 5,1991

#### ST. MESROB A.C.Y.O.A. JUNIORS

The A.C.Y.O.A. Juniors was organized to keep the youth of the Armenian Church informed on current affairs, aware of our own Armenian culture and involved in organizing activities for the group and community.

In 1990, we had 16 active members, including our Executive Board. Our officers were:

President Rev. Fr. Garabed Kochakian

Chairman Magill Weber

Vice Chairman Haig Tcheurekdjian Secretary Gina Korakian

Secretary Gina Korakian Treasurer Joey Gabrielian

Advisors/ Seta Andekian
Helpers Judy Hammes
Marge Korakian
Alice Hazarian

Our 1990 activities included:

A Bake Sale after church in March.

On Father's Day, Sunday, June 17th, we gave a brunch for Fathers and Grandfathers, The food was great and everyone attending had a fine time.

We worked at Armenian Fest '90 on Sunday, July 8, 1990. We had fun helping and joining in on the festivities.

Sponsored a Fellowship after Church, Sunday, November 25th.

There was a Christmas Party for A.C.Y.O.A. Jr. members at Haig Tcheurekdjian's home.

Saturday, December 15th, we joined in a progressive supper for members at the Nersesian's, Chalekian's Tcheurekdjian's and Andekian's. Had a wonderful time at each home. We were happy that Deacon Norman Odabashian from St. Nersess Seminary could join us for that event.

Some activities planned for 1991 include: Skiing at Crystal Ridge, sometime in January. Lock-In at Church, sometime in January, also.

In 1990, we made a donation, along with the Sunday School, and bought scarves, mittens, gloves, caps and hats for those people in the earthquake area of Armenia. Many there are without winter clothing. Our donation was \$100.00.

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We were fortunate enough to receive the following donations: Paul Minasian donated \$50.00. The Garoukian's gave \$25.00. General donations - \$291.00.

Another activity that we planned was the Annual Halloween Party for the Sunday School children and guests. It was held in the Church Hall on Sunday, October 28th. It was well attended with games, activities and good food for all. We had a good time giving the party.

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We would like to express our deepest thanks to all of the generous church members who donated money to our group, supported our projects, and especially, gave us support in our endeavors. A special thanks to our advisors. Couldn't get along without them.

Respectfully,

Gina Korakian,

Secretary

ORGANIZATION ACYOA - Juniors		••
CASH BALANCE DECEMBER 31, 1989	\$ 589.56	
INCOME RECEIVED	366.00	The state of the s
DISBURSEMENTS PAID	⟨285.78⟩	- 42 - 2
FUNDS GIVEN TO PARISH COUNCIL	< 89.56 >	
CASH BALANCE DECEMBER 31, 1990	\$ 580.22	
FUND RAISING EVENTS:		
<u>EVENT</u>	PROFIT/ <loss></loss>	
Walk-A-Thon Father's Day	\$25.00 \$221.96	
DONATIONS RECEIVED: \$25.00		
DONATIONS GIVEN:		
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ASSETS: Cash \$580.22		
LIABILITIES (unpaid bills at 12-3	1-90):	
Due Parish Council \$80.22		
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ORGANIZATION ACYOA - Seniors	<u> </u>
CASH BALANCE DECEMBER 31, 1989	\$ 907.37
INCOME RECEIVED	32.55
DISBURSEMENTS PAID	< 0.00>
FUNDS GIVEN TO PARISH COUNCIL	<b>&lt;</b> 407.37 <b>&gt;</b>
CASH BALANCE DECEMBER 31, 1990	\$ 532.55
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FUND RAISING EVENTS:	
<u>EVENT</u> <u>PROFIT/<loss></loss></u>	
No Activity in 1990	
DONATIONS RECEIVED:	en e
DONATIONS GIVEN:	
ASSETS:	
Cash \$532.55	
LIABILITIES (unpaid bills at 12-31-90):	
Due Parish Council \$32.55	
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### ARMENIAN FEST '90

The Armenian Fest was organized in January, 1975. The original intent was to separate the Madagh from our annual picnic (now Fest) and to make the Fest a community affair, ethnic event and a financial enterprise. The intent has been accomplished. We have stabilized the operation and our profits reflect about 25% of the annual church income.

In 1990 we had 19 active members. Our Executive Board consisted of the following:

President

Fr. Garabed Kochakian

Chairman

Perry Paragamian

Treasurer

Mary D. Akgulian

Others who headed committees are as follows:

Advertising &

Marquerite Guglielmo

Publicity

Art/Design/ Decoration Janet Mrazek

Beverage

Marderos Nersesian & Adam Chalekian

Cultural

Charles Hardy

Entertainment/

Games

Lauren Chalekian

Financial

Mary D. Akgulian

Food Baking

Seta Andekian

Food on Site

Mary Stevoff & Roberta Kochakian

Outdoor Grilling

Sam Akgulian

Personnel

Marisa Marquardt

Scheduling

Raffle Sales

Mark Kaprelian

Sales

Judy & Art Petersen

Security

Sarkis Cherkinian

Set-Up/

Harry Boranian

Maintenance

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Transportation

Tod Mikaelian

Typing/Mailing

Mary Cherkinian

Armenian Fest '90 was held at Racine Festival Park.

Armenian Fest is an annual event sponsored by St. Mesrob Armenian Church for the purpose of promoting the Armenian heritage and culture for Racine and the surrounding communities.

On Festival Day, Sunday, July 8, 1990, approximately 5,000 people attended. The air was filled with Armenian music and the delicious aroma of shish-kebob on the grill. Mouth-watering pastries were enjoyed by all.

In addition to our traditional ethnic food, music and dancing, the Hamazkain Sardarabed Dance Ensemble from Chicago, IL was featured and enjoyed by all.

Besides games for the children, there was a Petting Zoo that delighted them.

In the Green Room, cooking demonstrations were held and videos were shown. Names were inscribed in Armenian and made into buttons.

Respectfully,

Perfy Paragamian, Chairman

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ORGANIZATION Armenian Fest	
CASH BALANCE DECEMBER 31, 1989	\$ 500.00
INCOME RECEIVED	44,318.89
DISBURSEMENTS PAID	⟨22,287.40⟩
FUNDS GIVEN TO PARISH COUNCIL	<22,031.49>
CASH BALANCE DECEMBER 31, 1990	\$ 500.00 ========
FUND RAISING EVENTS:	
EVENT	PROFIT/ <loss></loss>
Armenian Fest 7/8/90	\$22,031.49
DONATIONS RECEIVED:	
DONATIONS GIVEN:	
ASSETS: Cash \$500.00	
LIABILITIES (unpaid bills at 12	-31-90):
None	
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ORGANIZATION Stained Glass Win	dows	
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CASH BALANCE DECEMBER 31, 1989	% . -	\$ 500.42
INCOME RECEIVED		7.08
DISBURSEMENTS PAID		<273.36>
FUNDS GIVEN TO PARISH COUNCIL		<b>&lt;</b> 234.14 <b>&gt;</b>
CASH BALANCE DECEMBER 31, 1990		\$ 0.00
FUND RAISING EVENTS:		
EVENT	PROFIT/ <loss></loss>	
DONATIONS RECEIVED:		
DONATIONS GIVEN:		
ASSETS:	·	
Account closed 4/3/90		
LIABILITIES (unpaid bills at 12	-31-90):	
None		
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#### ST. MESROB RETIREES

The St. Mesrob Retirees was organized in April 1987 to provide social and recreational outlets for members and spiritual and educational activities.

Our membership grew from 48 in 1989 to 65 in 1990. Our Executive Committee consists of 4 members. They are:

President Fr. Garabed Kochakian Chairman Paul Tewagian Vice Chairman Edward Kaprelian Claire Kadamian Treasurer Sarkis Kazarian

During the year we met about 45 times.

Our 1990 activities included:

- 1/25/90 Disney on Ice Show. Members boarded a Lamers Bus during a horrible snowstorm and drove to the Bradley Center for the ice show. Following the late morning performance, we went to the Grand Avenue Mall for lunch and shopping. In spite of the weather, and missing two, who couldn't make it in from Kenosha, we had a great time.
- 2/15/90 Ellen Honnet, Ed. D. Psychologist. A luncheon was enjoyed by members and guests, followed by a lecture by Ms. Honnet on "Discovering Yourself" about handling stress. Very informative and up-to-date information given.
- 2/18/90 Luncheon for those attending the Annual Parish Assembly. Sunday Members set-up, cleaned-up and served a light lunch to those participating in the Assembly. This relieved the Parish Council from this responsibility.
- 5/3/90 Bus Trip to Chicago. Again used a Lamers Bus for about

  Thursday 40 of our members to drive to Chicago for shopping in the
  Mid-Eastern grocery stores, followed by a delicious lunch
  at Reza's Restaurant. They placed us in a separate room to
  one side of the restaurant. The service and food was fine.
  After lunch, more shopping in the area, then on to a Mall
  for more shopping (Miksa Outlet Store was there) and finally,
  to Sara Lee to pick up goodies to take home.
- 7/8/90 Armenian Fest '90. Most of the members worked several shifts, if not most of the day at this event. We worked on all phases of the Fest and helped make it the success that it was. One of our members, Perry Paragamian, is Chairman of this event.

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9/13/90 Annual Picnic held at Armstrong Park on a bright,
Thursday beautiful day. All enjoyed a box lunch of chicken and
all the trimmings, plus watermelon. Members played cards,
minature golf, plus visiting, which made for a pleasant
afternoon.

10/4/90 Crystal Ridge Ski Lodge Luncheon. John & Lynn Keishian Thursday put on a delicious shish-kebob luncheon for us. After the lunch, we played Po-Ke-No and the men played cards. We were glad to see some of our So. Milwaukee and Cudahy friends at this outing.

11/8/90 Bus Trip II to Chicago. Members liked the 1st trip so much, Thursday that we prevailed on the hosts and hostesses to plan another one. Sort of a repeat of the 1st, except we had community singing on the trip down, which was fun. Tired, but happy bunch got back about 6:00 p.m.

12/13/90 Annual Christmas Party. The three Topalian girls and husbands planned a wonderful dinner for about 65 members and guests in the Church Hall. After dinner, most played bingo or cards. They had very nice prizes for the bingo participants.

In 1990, the St. Mesrob Retirees made the following donations:

\$100.00 was donated to St. Mesrob Church for deacon's robes.

\$100.00 was donated to St. Mesrob Church for a Memorial Serivce to be held Sunday, January 27th for Mrs. Sahag (Rose) Akgulian, Mrs. Myron (Helen) Chordegian and Mrs. Benjamin (Mary) Kamakian.

Thank you to St. Mesrob Church for the use of the Church Hall for our many meetings and programs.

Respectfully,

Claire Kadamian,

Clave Ladamian

Secretary

ORGANIZATION Retirees		<del></del>
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CASH BALANCE DECEMBER 31, 1989		\$ 291.61
INCOME RECEIVED		2,359.54
DISBURSEMENTS PAID		<1,963.75≻
FUNDS GIVEN TO PARISH COUNCIL		< 200.00≯
CASH BALANCE DECEMBER 31, 1990		\$ 487.40

FUND RAISING EVENTS:

**EVENT** 

PROFIT/<LOSS>

DONATIONS RECEIVED:

DONATIONS GIVEN:

St. Mesrob Church - robes

ASSETS:

Cash

\$487.40

LIABILITIES (unpaid bills at 12-31-90):

None

PREPARED RY

Date 2/1/91

#### ST. MESROB PROJECT COMMITTEE

Consistent with our on going efforts to achieve greater efficiency and effectiveness, the committee was blessed with the purchase of a new JACOBSEN LAWN TRACTOR. The committee spent many hours investigating various machines prior to the actual purchase. Our research and negotiations with Jacobsen management were gratifying. We managed to purchase the unit at only \$6,445, which was well below the \$9,500 list price.

We have now occupied our present church facilities for more then seventeen years. As time passes the cost of maintenance increases. Our goal is to stay ahead of the curve and focuse in on the immediate needs as well as on the "BIG PICTURE". Last year, as you may remember, we had a major water leak. The persistent investigation to find and resolve the problem by voluntary help kept the cost minimal to the congregation. Estimated cost by outside contractors would have been in excess of \$18,000 with a less efficient system.

This past year other savings were achieved again by the use of volunteer services. Some of the major projects implemented this year were the repairs to the STEEPLE, Installment of six thermopane windows at the front of the church, replacing valve seats wherever necessary, repairing the refrigeration units, and reworking the transmission on the old Jacobsen Tractor. These are namely only a few.

Preventative maintenance measures, such as repairing the exterior lights, wax & polishing the floors, cleaning filters, oiling motors, repairing pews, grass cutting, tree & shrub trimming, are routine activities carried our throughout the year.

Urgent need of items still requiring immediate attention is the roof leak in the church. Reworking the deteriorated condition on the exterior of the hall is still a must.

I want to emphasize that even though we made progress we still need people to take more action on their own initiative. Helping other members share in duties could be more productive, profitable, and enjoyable. Altogether, you see, we can make a difference.

We are totally committed to further enhancement of our property, and with your continued support, we believe our church will gain a rewarding future.

The committee meets every Thursday evening at 6:30 P.M. Please feel free to join us in caring for Gods property.

The members of the PROJECT COMMITTEE are as follows:

Sam Akgulian (Chairman) Mike Vidian (Vice Chr.) Harry Akgulian Sam Garabedian
Mel Hagopian
Sarkis Kazarian
Sarkis Cherkinian(Summer)

Respectfully submitted,

Sam A. Abgulian
Sam Akgulian (Chairman)

ORGANIZATION Bookstore	
CASH BALANCE DECEMBER 31, 1989	\$ 0.00
INCOME RECEIVED	256.25
DISBURSEMENTS PAID	⟨9.00⟩
FUNDS GIVEN TO PARISH COUNCIL	< 0.00>
CASH BALANCE DECEMBER 31, 1990	\$ 247.25

FUND RAISING EVENTS:

**EVENT** 

PROFIT/<LOSS>

DONATIONS RECEIVED:

DONATIONS GIVEN:

ASSETS:

Cash \$247.25

LIABILITIES (unpaid bills at 12-31-90):

A.G.B.U.

\$30.45

\$23.04

Rio Grande St.Vartan Bookstore

144.96

#### AUDIT COMMITTEE REPORT

We have reviewed the books and financial statements of St. Mesrob Armenian Apostolic Church and its supporting organizations and consider them to fairly represent their financial activities and position on December 31, 1990.

Audit Committee:

Lisa Akgulian Nancy Cherkinian Tom Gengozian