

ANNUAL PARISH REPORTS 1995



ANNUAL PARISH ASSEMBLY MEETING February 11, 1996

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St. Mesrob Armenian Church
Racine, WI

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Pastor's Report
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January 29, 1996

Dear Dues Paying Member,

The Annual Parish Assembly will be held on Sunday, February 11, 1996, 11:00 a.m. (The Divine Liturgy that day will be from 9:30-10:50). After the election of Chairman and Secretary of the Day, a luncheon will be served by the Women's Guild.

Attached is an agenda. On the reverse side of the Agenda are the names of all the people *remaining* in office after this Assembly. **Also, attached** is the Minutes of the last Assembly.

The Annual Report with all of the Organization reports, all of the budget reports, etc., **will be available, Sunday, February 4**, after Church. *Please read the Annual Report **before** coming to the meeting.* There is **also a Proposal** regarding transferring money from the Permanent Trust. Please see the "Agenda," attached, for the Proposal.

Please make time to come. The elections, the budget and other items of business have much to do with the ministry and direction of this church.

In order to participate in this Assembly your dues must be paid up through 1995.

Prayerfully,

Fr. Yeprem Kelegian
Fr. Yeprem Kelegian
Pastor

Thomas Gengozian

Thomas Gengozian
Parish Council Chairman



ANNUAL PARISH ASSEMBLY

St. Mesrob Armenian Church
Racine, Wisconsin

February 11, 1996

AGENDA

1. Opening prayer
2. Verification of eligible voters and call for quorum
3. Election of Chairman and Secretary of the Day

Recess for Lunch

4. Approval of Minutes of previous Assembly
5. Adoption of Agenda
6. Nominating Committee Report and Elections

Parish Council - three to be elected
Nominating Committee - three to be elected
Auditing Committee - one to be elected
Permanent Trust - one to be elected

NOTE: On the back of this Agenda is a list of people still finishing terms on the above offices and therefore cannot be nominated for that particular office.

7. Pastor's Report
8. Parish Council Report
9. Auditing Committee Report
10. Parish Treasury and Financial Report
11. Permanent Trust Committee Report
12. Review and Acceptance of Organizational Reports
(a Representative will be present to answer all questions)
13. Proposal:
"The Parish Council proposes to transfer \$8,000.00 from the Permanent Trust to the 1996 operating Budget in order to purchase a new copy machine."
14. Review and adoption of 1996 Budget
14. New Business
- 15 Motion to adjourn

Remaining on Parish Council:

Mary Janikian (in 1st term)
Jack Kazarian (in 1st term)
Sue Nersesian (in 1st term)
Michelle Sahagian (in 1st term)

Auditing Committee:

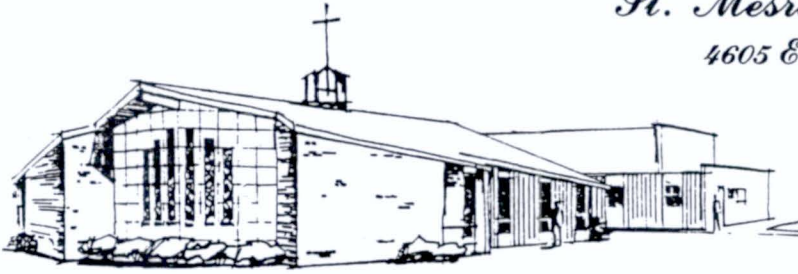
Pat McConnell (finishing 1st year of 3 year term)
Janet Mrazek (finishing 2nd year of unexpired term of Bonnie Hagopian)

Permanent Trust:

Adam Chalekian (finishing 1st year of 3 year term)
Art Petersen (finishing 2nd year of 3 year term)

Nominating Committee:

This is a one year term. Therefore, no one remaining.



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SPECIAL PARISH ASSEMBLY

May 17, 1995

7:00 p.m.

The meeting opened with a prayer led by Fr. Yeprem Kelegian.

There were thirty seven members, out of the 241 St. Mesrob Church members, present.

Parish Council Chairman, Thomas Gengozian moved that the Minutes from the February 12, 1995 Annual Parish Assembly be corrected as follows:

- The twenty four delegates who attended the Special Diocesan Assembly represented the entire Diocese rather than just St. Mesrob.
- Ardis Cherkinian noted that on page three of the Minutes it should indicate that the report was prepared by Sam Kaprelian, not the Permanent Trust Committee.

Julie Peterson moved that the Minutes be approved as corrected. Ardis Cherkinian seconded. Motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS

The Report of the Diocesan Assembly, given by the St. Mesrob Delegates:

Sam Akgulian reported on: The Catholicos' message, ACEF, Stewardship, National Council of Churches.

Kai Kazarian: Nominating Committee report and results, FAR, Christian mission

Fr. Yeprem Kelegian: Clergy Conference, New England Region Report, St. Nerses Seminary, Youth Ministry.

Tom Gengozian: Midwest Region Report, Diocesan Administration, Auditing Committee, New Business and Budget.

Murad Gengozian: Unity Committee, Panel Discussions, Proposals.

There was extensive discussion regarding the decreasing number of people in various parishes, demographics of members, weekly service attendance. It appeared that there was an interest for this information to be quantified and made available by the Diocese.

Elsie Garoukian suggested that the Church is distracted by problems in Armenia and isn't focusing on problems in America.

Tom Gengozian asked for a motion to accept the Delegates' Report. Mikael Garoukian so moved; Arthur Petersen seconded. Motion passed.



Roof Replacement-Gym

The Parish Council presented a proposal (attached). There was discussion on replacing both the gym and hall roofs. The Projects Committee reported that the condition of the hall roof is satisfactory and does not require replacement. The gym roof replacement provides a two year warranty and 10 year warranty on materials.

Kai Kazarian made a motion to approve the transfer of up to \$14,000 from the Permanent Trust for the replacing of the gym roof. Lisa Akgulian seconded this motion. Motion passed.

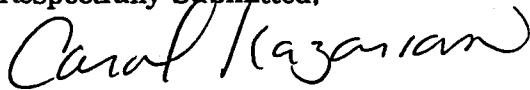
Steeple Report

A report was presented (attached). Murad Gengozian moved to table the decision on the steeple construction until more information can be gathered by the Steeple Committee. Mark Akgulian seconded this motion. Motion passed.

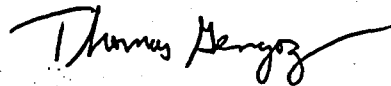
There was a brief discussion on how/if we can incorporate a bell, possibly from St. Mesrob-State Street, into the steeple project.

Mikael Garoukian moved to adjourn the meeting. Elsie Garoukian seconded the motion. Motion passed.

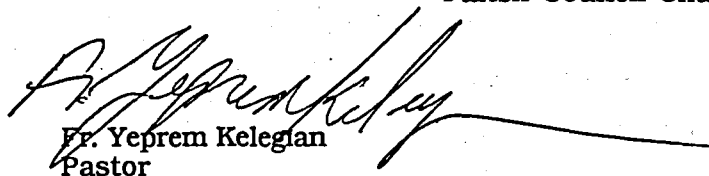
Respectfully Submitted,



Carol Kazarian
Secretary



Thomas Gengozian
Parish Council Chairman



Fr. Yeprem Kelegian
Pastor

PASTOR'S REPORT 1995

The major theme is 1995: Coming to know and love the Lord, more and more....and sharing that faith and love with others. I have attempted to relay that message through sermons, bible studies, retreats, seminars, lectures series...

In the ways that are most important, this is the best parish in the Diocese. The spiritual depth within our parishioners, throughout the history of this church makes it stand alone. This depth reveals itself in the numbers at the Bible studies, retreats, spiritual programs, in church and in the many works of charity and faith.

Fr. Yeprem's Pastoral Ministry

Home visits (172) The purposes of home visits, to name a few: Shut-ins, illness, bereaved, pre-baptism, home blessings, elderly and other pastoral reasons.

Hospitals/Nursing Homes (135), visiting 169 faithful

Teaching Ministry

Bible Study meets October through February and May through June

Religious Study meets most Thursdays, October through May

Bible Fellowship meets once a month October through May

Acolyte training continues for our young acolytes

Lenten Lecture Series There were three lectures in this Series:

Prayer; Media and Values; Euthanasia

Bible Reflection After each Lenten Wednesday Service (six); an analysis and reflection upon the day's reading.

Lenten Retreat Thirty two parishioners attended this retreat:

"Directions to Travel in Lent"

Fall Educational Series This four part series covered the Divine Liturgy,

Doctrine of the Armenian Church, History of the Church.

Vacation Bible School Many children from ages 4-9 attended and enjoyed

"The Awesome Deeds of God"

Scripture Seminar, sponsored by the Diocese and conducted by Fr. Vahan Hovanesian,

Elise Antreassian and Nancy Basmajian (Department of Religious Education). Total attendance was 70, 46 of whom were from St.

Mesrob

Leadership Workshop conducted by Elise Antreassian and Nancy Basmajian, for the

Parish Council and Outreach Committee

Youth Day, March 25, a day of religion and interaction for our teens

Pre-Summer Lock-in for teens, consisting of fun and religion

Pre-School Term Lock-in for teens.

Hye Camp Fr. Yeprem was Religion Director. About 20 Racine parishioners were at camp.

Mardigian Sunday School Teachers Institute Fr. Yeprem Led the day and a half Retreat portion.

Choir Assembly Fr. Yeprem gave a lecture on the Bible readings of Holy Week

And other lectures and seminars.....

Diocesan Council

Fr. Yeprem was elected to the Diocesan Council. He attends one meeting a month on what is generally his "day off".

Services

Divine Liturgy, preceded by a one hour morning service
St. Vartanantz Vespers
Holy Week services, spanning the eight days of Holy Week
December 24 Christmas Eve Service
Christmas Divine Liturgy, January 6
Grave Blessings, Memorial Day
The "All-English" Divine Liturgies met with overwhelming success
Archbp. Shahan Svajian, Vicar of the Constantinople Patriarchate, visited St. Mesrob and was welcomed with a "Hrashapar Service", followed by a program.

Baptisms

Nicole Renee Vartabedian	Lillian Shooshan Minasian Proctor
Zari Kristina Kunesh	Jacob Hovhannes Bedolian
Kody Mack Azarian	Anthony James Kaprelian
Nina Garoukian Ferraro	Tara Talene Mikaelian
Mason Robert Dadian	Anoush Noyem Grigorian

Confirmation Edward Kunesh

Funerals

Arsen Andekian	Charles Vartan Vartanian
Altoun (Hajinian) Oghlanian	Edward Sahakian

Community/Ecumenical Activities

Racine Clergy Association Executive Committee member
"On Call" Chaplain at St. Mary's Hospital, once a month for eight hours (since May)
Thanksgiving Service in which St. Mesrob took part with other Northside Churches
Benediction Prayer at United Nations Day program at City Hall
Lecture on Armenian Church doctrine to the Lutheran Ministers of the area
Armenian Church Doctrine Talk to the Racine Clergy Association
World Day of Prayer attendance
Genocide Lecture as a part of Milwaukee Chamber Theatre "Viewpoints" program, prior to the play, "Beast on the Moon"

Publications Writes most of the material for the weekly Messenger and bi-monthly Varak

Meetings

St. Mesrob organizational meetings: 146
Regional meetings (e.g. Clergy, Hye Camp, Midwest Regional Council, Women's Guild): 15
Diocesan: Clergy Meeting (2 days), Diocesan Assembly (4 days), Choir Association (2 days)

Functions

St. Mesrob related functions: 40
Regional (e.g., Palos Banquet, Greenfield Martyrs Day, Womens Saints Day): 5

Vacation Days: 9 (out of a possible 21)

Special Events of Note

Women's Guild 50th Anniversary and the honoring of Bydzie Musurlian for her continuous membership. The Womens Guild has consistently and excellently shown her support for the Spiritual Mission of the Church and the financial obligation necessary to support that Mission.

Martyrs Day - 80 Anniversary, done jointly with St. Hagop Armenian Church. The Main Speaker, Dennis Papazian, was well appreciated. The Program was excellent. The satisfaction of being able to work hand in hand with a sister church was gratifying.

Election of Catholicos

The Armenian Church steps into a new era with the election of Karekin II, Catholicos of Cilicia, being elected Karekin I, the Catholicos of All Armenians. His Holiness Vasken I, of blessed memory, led the Armenian Church through the cruel captivity of the communist days....And, he led with courage and faith. Catholicos Karekin leads us into a new era of religious rebirth. The embers of faith remained alive in Armenian and, now, Karekin I is fanning those embers....and the fire of faith will soon enflame the nation of Armenia.

His ecumenical fame and theological acumen will place the Armenian Church prominently among the world Christian Churches.

Most important to us, in America, is his eagerness to see the disunity of the Armenian Church of America healed. He is encouraging us to sow the seeds of love....to reach out to our sister church and lay the foundation of reunification.

Special Thanks

Deacon Charles Hardy and Sub-deacon Mikael Garoukian for their spiritual leadership; and to all the altar Servers for their committment.


Margaret Dadian for her striving for excellence in the Choir's musical praise;
Carol Azarian Miller for her dedication to conducting our very faithful Choir members.

Lauren Chalekian, Superintendent, and all our teachers for taking on the responsibility of the most important teaching ministry: Teaching the children of the Church.

Mary Cherkinian and Claire Kadamian....So much is done by them so as to relieve the Pastor of almost all administrative concerns!

Parish Council Chairman, Thomas Gengozian, and the entire Parish Council for their understanding of their role: To lead the Church administratively and spiritually.

Prayerfully,



Fr. Yeprem Kelegian
Pastor

PARISH COUNCIL'S REPORT - 1995

Nineteen- ninety-five saw the continuation of my duties as Parish Council Chairman. The year actually flew by with many changes effecting the St. Mesrob Church and the Armenian Church in general. Almost so quickly that I can't even remember all that did transpire. I feel that I have gained a lot of valuable experience in my term as Parish Council Chairman. I wish to express my sincere thanks to all the Council Members and Der Yeprem for their dauntless efforts and assistance.

Once again St. Mesrob has continued to carry out her spiritual mission. We have expanded our programs to fill the spiritual needs for the majority of our faithful. This year we were allowed to have an English Divine Liturgy. The English service was well received by an overwhelming majority of our parishioners. I feel that this service will continue to serve the needs of our people.

We must continue to work to fulfill the mission of the church. While in 1995, we accomplished many things we must still continue to focus on a number of areas.

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| ● ACYOA | ● Out Reach & Membership Growth |
| ● Altar Servers | ● Peer Support Groups |
| ● Armenian School | ● Relations with Sister Parishes |
| ● Church Choir | ● Religious Education |
| ● Community Service | ● Senior Programs |
| ● Diocesan Programs | ● St. Nersess Programs |
| ● Hye Camp | |

This list is by no means an exhaustive list of areas that we must work to improve and strengthen. All parishioners, parish council and Der Yeprem must encourage people to participate and support these areas. Many of these areas are existing, but there continued survival is based on plans and support **now**, while they are still very strong and viable. His Holiness Karekin I and Archbishop Khajag, both, have indicated, in their pastoral visits, that we must do our utmost to re-establish friendship and cooperation, so unity among all of our churches becomes a reality. Many areas from the above list can be a working base to help reach that goal.

In January 1995, we elected delegates to go to Armenia to elect a new Catholicos. In April, the Armenian Church had a new leader His Holiness Karekin I. We are blessed to have for our church a very spiritual and intellectual leader. On April 22, 1995, we remembered the Eightieth Anniversary of the Armenian Genocide along with the parishes of St. Hagop - Racine, St. John - Greenfield and Holy Resurrection - South Milwaukee. This commemoration featured Dr. Dennis Papazian as keynote speaker. We honored the survivors and paid homage to the 1.5 million Armenian Martyrs. Cooperation between all the churches made this a special event. In June, the Parish Council hosted the second annual Spring Dance with good support from our community. Also in June, we had the pleasure of having Archbishop Shahan Svajian from Istanbul visit our parish and meeting relatives and friends. In August, we were blessed with yet another successful Armenian Fest. In September, we celebrated the Fiftieth Anniversary of our Women's Guild. During that celebration, we honored Bydzie Mursulian for fifty years of continuous service to our

church though our beloved Women's Guild.

Financially, we have faired pretty well. There were some rocky financial times this past year, but with your support we were able to pull through these times. We had one major unexpected outlay for replacement of the roof on the church hall. Going forward, we need everyone associated with the St. Mesrob Family to support us financially. This means that we should pay our membership dues and join in our pledge program. Funding of **OUR** church is essential to accomplishing it's goals in serving our Christian Community. Please do your share!

This year, 1996, we should plan the celebration of St. Mesrob Church's Anniversary and remember our founding parishioners. We must never forget their tireless efforts.

The St. Mesrob Parish Council wants to thank all the church organizations. With special thanks to:

Deacons, Altar Servers and Choir
Church Staff
Festival Committee

Projects Committee
Sunday School
Women's Guild

Without all the hard work of these groups and the organizations, St. Mesrob Armenian Church would not exist as we know it today. Keep up all your good works and thank you once again.

On behalf of the Parish Council, it has been with great pleasure, honor and dedication that we served you by serving the Lord.

Respectfully,



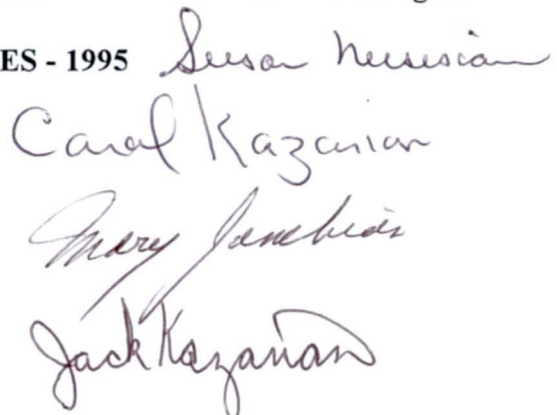
Thomas D. Gengozian
St. Mesrob Parish Council Chairman

PARISH COUNCIL MEMBERS - 1995

President	Father Yeprem Kelegian	Treasurer	Susan Neressian
Chairman	Thomas D. Gengozian	Assistant Treasurer	Mary Janikian
Vice Chairman	Jack Kazarian	Advisor	Rick Kadamian
Secretary	Carol Kazarian	Advisor	Michelle Sahagian

DIOCESAN DELEGATES - 1995

Delegate	Lisa Akgulian
Delegate	Sam Akgulian
Delegate	Kai Kazarian
Alternate	Murad Gengozian
Alternate	Gary Vidian



ST MESROB ARMENIAN APOSTOLIC CHURCH
INCOME STATEMENT FOR YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1995

	ACTUAL 1994	ACTUAL 1995	BUDGET 1995	OVER (UNDER)	%	BUDGET 1996
RECEIPTS						
MEMBERSHIP DUES						
FUTURE YEARS	\$2,585.50	\$1,980.00	\$1,500.00	\$480.00		\$1,600.00
CURRENT YEAR	\$21,019.50	\$20,326.00	\$22,000.00	(\$1,674.00)		\$21,000.00
PRIOR YEARS	<u>\$2,336.50</u>	<u>\$2,165.00</u>	<u>\$1,500.00</u>	<u>\$665.00</u>		<u>\$2,000.00</u>
	\$25,941.50	\$24,471.00	\$25,000.00	(\$529.00)	-2%	\$24,600.00
STEWARDSHIP						
PLATE COLLECTIONS	\$38,995.05	\$38,906.50	\$41,185.00	(\$2,278.50)	-6%	\$40,000.00
	\$4,288.70	\$4,734.22	\$4,100.00	\$634.22	15%	\$4,800.00
DONATIONS						
CHRISTMAS	\$698.00	\$2,827.00	\$1,600.00			\$1,450.00
EASTER	\$1518.00	\$1302.00	\$1,650.00			\$1,600.00
REQUIEM	\$1055.00	\$485.00	\$1,200.00			\$600.00
IN LIEU OF FLOWERS	\$5624.00	\$3093.00	\$4,500.00			\$2,500.00
CANDLES	\$310.00	\$250.00	\$350.00			\$350.00
DESIGNATED GIFTS	\$200.00	\$680.00				
GRAPE/WATER BLESSING	\$161.00	\$68.00	\$200.00			\$100.00
SPECIAL COLLECT'S	\$100.00	\$158.78				<u>\$400.00</u>
OTHER	<u>\$5460.00</u>	<u>\$2481.34</u>	<u>\$1,000.00</u>			<u>\$1,500.00</u>
	\$15,126.00	\$11,345.12	\$10,500.00	\$845.12	8%	\$8,500.00
SACRAMENTS/CEREMONIES						
	\$225.00	\$715.00	\$250.00	\$465.00	186%	\$600.00
AFFAIRS(NET)						
FESTIVAL	\$21,465.65	\$22,601.03	\$22,000.00			\$23,000.00
MADAGH	\$1,367.77	\$1,211.03	\$1,400.00			\$1,400.00
DINNERS	\$230.94		\$250.00			\$250.00
OTHERS	<u>\$478.16</u>	<u>\$918.77</u>				<u>\$1,000.00</u>
	\$23,542.52	\$24,730.83	\$23,650.00	\$1,080.83	5%	\$25,650.00
RENTALS						
CHURCH HALL	\$1,175.00	\$600.00	\$1,000.00			\$500.00
PARISH HOME	<u>\$8,100.00</u>	<u>\$8,100.00</u>	<u>\$8,100.00</u>			<u>\$8,100.00</u>
	\$9,275.00	\$8,700.00	\$9,100.00	(\$400.00)	-4%	\$8,600.00
OTHER RECEIPTS						
BOOK SALES	\$366.50	\$472.24	\$500.00			\$500.00
CHURCH ORGANIZATIONS	\$8,012.90	\$6,091.94	\$8,000.00			\$8,000.00
CLERGY SERVICES						
S.AKGULIAN MEM FD	\$100.00		\$200.00			\$200.00
PERM TRUST(ROOF)		\$12,835.00				
MISCELANEOUS	<u>\$60.00</u>	<u>\$5.10</u>				<u>\$15.00</u>
	\$8,539.40	\$19,404.28	\$8,700.00	\$10,704.28	123%	\$8,715.00
TOTAL OPERATING INC	<u>\$125,933.17</u>	<u>\$133,006.95</u>	<u>\$122,485.00</u>	<u>\$10,521.95</u>	8.59%	<u>\$121,465.00</u>
FROM PERMANENT TRUST	<u>\$36,980.00</u>	<u>\$14,487.17</u>		<u>\$14,487.17</u>	①	<u>\$8,000.00</u>
TOTAL RECEIPTS	<u>\$162,913.17</u>	<u>\$147,494.12</u>	<u>\$122,485.00</u>	<u>\$25,009.12</u>	20%	<u>\$129,465.00</u>

① New copy machine

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INCOME STATEMENT FOR YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1995

	ACTUAL 1994	ACTUAL 1995	BUDGET 1995	OVER (UNDER)	%	BUDGET 1996
DISBURSEMENTS						
STIPENDS & SALARY OF RESIDENT CLERGY						
STIPEND	\$31,566.65	\$33,313.33	\$34,075.00	(\$761.67)	-2%	\$34,985.00
HOUSING/UTILITIES	\$10,164.00	\$10,500.00	\$10,500.00	\$0.00	0%	\$10,750.00
INSURANCE MED/LIFE	\$3,948.97	\$4,654.90	\$4,800.00	(\$145.10)	-3%	\$3,820.00
IRA	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$0.00	0%	\$2,000.00
AUTO ALLOWANCE	\$2,800.00	\$2,800.00	\$2,800.00	\$0.00		\$2,800.00
	<u>\$50,479.62</u>	<u>\$53,268.23</u>	<u>\$54,175.00</u>	<u>(\$906.77)</u>	<u>-2%</u>	<u>\$54,355.00</u>
VISITING CLERGY	\$345.40	\$200.00	\$500.00	(\$300.00)	-60%	\$500.00
CUSTODIAN/SECURITY	\$2,760.00	\$2,760.00	\$2,760.00	\$0.00	0%	\$2,760.00
CLERICAL	\$2,895.75	\$2,720.25	\$3,000.00	(\$279.75)	-9%	\$3,000.00
BOOKKEEPER	\$750.00	\$750.00	\$750.00	\$0.00	0.00%	\$750.00
YOUTH DIRECTOR	<u>\$995.84</u>	<u>\$3,074.13</u>	<u>\$4,300.00</u>			<u>\$4,000.00</u>
	\$7,746.99	\$9,504.38	\$11,310.00	(\$1,805.62)	-16%	\$11,010.00
DIOCESAN DUES	\$19,320.00	\$20,700.00	\$19,750.00	\$950.00	5%	\$21,500.00
DIOCESE YOUTH MINISTRY	\$1,093.00	\$1,225.00	\$1,100.00		0%	\$1,400.00
ETCHMIADZIN LOOMA	\$1,105.00		\$1,150.00			
ORGANIZATIONS						
SUNDAY SCHOOL	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$0.00	0%	\$400.00
HERITAGE COM.						
CHOIR		\$147.72	\$150.00	(\$2.28)	-2%	\$150.00
ACYOA JUNIORS	\$171.65	\$97.64	\$200.00	(\$102.36)	-51%	\$225.00
ACYOA SENIORS				\$0.00		
SOFTBALL TEAM	<u>\$329.25</u>	<u>\$318.40</u>	<u>\$250.00</u>	<u>\$68.40</u>	<u>27%</u>	<u>\$325.00</u>
	\$700.90	\$763.76	\$800.00	(\$36.24)	-5%	\$1,100.00
UTILITIES						
GAS	\$4,202.40	\$3,911.42	\$4,900.00	(\$988.58)	-20%	\$4,700.00
ELECTRIC	\$3,290.37	\$3,545.88	\$3,700.00	(\$154.12)	-4%	\$3,700.00
WATER & SEWER	<u>\$331.47</u>	<u>\$475.77</u>	<u>\$400.00</u>	<u>\$75.77</u>	<u>19%</u>	<u>\$400.00</u>
	\$7,824.24	\$7,933.07	\$9,000.00	(\$1,066.93)	-12%	\$8,800.00
ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES						
TELEPHONE	\$1,547.83	\$1,321.66	\$1,700.00	(\$378.34)	-22%	\$1,400.00
OFFICE SUPPLIES	\$1,636.60	\$2,164.60	\$1,800.00	\$364.60	20%	\$2,200.00
COPIER MAINT.	\$3,397.13	\$842.40	\$3,500.00	(\$2,657.60)	-76%	\$1,700.00
SANCTUARY SUPPLY	\$995.29	\$1,401.21	\$1,000.00	\$401.21	40%	\$1,100.00
KITCHEN SUPPLIES	\$591.39	\$335.72	\$600.00	(\$264.28)	-44%	\$600.00
POSTAGE	\$948.55	\$1,029.23	\$1,000.00	\$29.23	3%	\$1,000.00
CHURCH INSURANCE	\$4,059.50	\$4,169.80	\$4,200.00	(\$30.20)	-1%	\$4,200.00
COMPUTER	\$0.00	\$392.43	\$100.00	\$292.43	292%	\$200.00
OTHER	<u>\$49.45</u>	<u>\$84.50</u>	<u>\$100.00</u>	<u>(\$15.50)</u>	<u>-16%</u>	<u>\$200.00</u>
	\$13,225.74	\$11,741.55	\$14,000.00	(\$2,258.45)	-16%	\$12,600.00
BUILDING, EQUIPMENT AND MAINTENANCE						
BUILDING EXTERIOR	\$744.30	\$13,168.62	\$800.00	\$12,368.62	1546%	\$1,000.00
BUILDING INTERIOR	\$779.18	\$1,043.31	\$800.00	\$243.31	30%	\$800.00
NEW EQUIPMENT	\$1,705.36	\$701.79	\$400.00	\$301.79	75%	\$8,800.00
BUILDING SUPPLIES	\$461.47	\$128.88	\$500.00	(\$371.12)	-74%	\$500.00
PARKING LOT	\$26,810.51		\$100.00	(\$100.00)	-100%	\$100.00
RUBBISH PICKUP	\$689.20	\$727.80	\$700.00	\$27.80	4%	\$750.00
SNOW PLOWING	\$1,290.00	\$900.00	\$900.00	(\$329.05)	-37%	\$1,500.00
GROUNDS KEEPING	<u>\$1,559.39</u>	<u>\$570.95</u>	<u>\$300.00</u>	<u>\$270.95</u>	<u>90%</u>	<u>\$350.00</u>
	\$34,039.41	\$17,241.35	\$4,500.00	\$12,741.35	283%	\$13,800.00

ST MESROB ARMENIAN APOSTOLIC CHURCH
INCOME STATEMENT FOR YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1995

	ACTUAL 1994	ACTUAL 1995	BUDGET 1995	OVER (UNDER)	%	BUDGET 1996
DISBURSEMENTS(CONT)						
MISCELLANEOUS						
PARISH HOUSE	\$5,648.74	\$1,439.00	\$2,500.00	(\$1,061.00)	-42%	\$600.00
DIOCESAN ASSEMBLY	\$2,749.19	\$1,561.11	\$2,800.00	(\$1,238.89)	-44%	\$1,500.00
ST. NERSES CONFERENCE	\$100.00		\$100.00	(\$100.00)	-100%	\$100.00
CHOIR ASSEMBLY		\$435.69	\$300.00	\$135.69	45%	\$500.00
DESIGNATED GIFTS						
CEREMONIAL SERV.	\$55.00		\$100.00			\$300.00
ADOPTED CHILD CASP	\$400.00	\$400.00	\$400.00			\$400.00
OTHER	<u>\$375.49</u>	<u>\$1,479.21</u>	<u>\$500.00</u>	<u>\$979.21</u>	<u>196%</u>	<u>\$1,500.00</u>
	\$9,328.42	\$5,315.01	\$6,700.00	(\$1,384.99)	-21%	\$4,900.00
 TOTAL OPERATING EXP	 <u>\$144,863.32</u>	 <u>\$127,692.35</u>	 <u>\$122,485.00</u>	 <u>\$5,207.35</u>	 <u>4%</u>	 <u>\$129,465.00</u>
 OPERATING GAIN(LOSS)	 <u>(\$3,075.47)</u>	 <u>\$5,314.60</u>	 <u></u>	 <u></u>	 <u></u>	 <u></u>
TOTAL OPERATIONS	\$141,787.85	\$133,006.95	<u>\$122,485.00</u>			<u>\$129,465.00</u>
 TO PERM TRUST 1994	 <u>\$21,125.32</u>					
TO RTRST REPAYLOAN		<u>\$14,487.17</u>				
TOTAL	<u>\$162,913.17</u>	<u>\$147,494.12</u>	<u>\$122,485.00</u>	<u>\$25,009.12</u>	<u>20%</u>	<u>\$129,465.00</u>

① Includes \$8000 for new copy machine

Cash Balance Reconciliation

Checkbook balance 1-1-95	\$7500.00
1995 Receipts	\$14,749.12
1995 Disbursements	\$142,179.52
To Permanent Trust excess over \$10,000	<u>\$2,814.60</u>
Checkbook Balance 12/31/95	<u><u>\$10,000.00</u></u>

ANALYSIS OF VARIOUS INCOME ACCOUNTS

Title	Received	Disbursed	Net
Madagh	<u>\$1633.35</u>	<u>\$422.32</u>	<u>\$1211.03</u>
Special Collections			
Japanese Earthquake	\$130.00	\$130.00	-
Apartment Fire	\$59.00	\$59.00	-
Fr. V. Hazarian	\$430.00	\$430.00	-
Library	\$640.00	\$481.22	\$158.78
Hye Camp	\$630.60	\$630.60	-
HAVAD	<u>\$79.00</u>	<u>\$79.00</u>	-
TOTAL	<u>\$1968.60</u>	<u>\$1809.82</u>	<u>\$158.78</u>

St. Mesrob Armenian Apostolic Church
Permanent Trust Statement of Condition
For the Year Ended December 31, 1995

Balance December 31, 1994		\$ 338,626.35
Income: Interest		16,602.98
Dividends		2,112.44
Unrealized Gain in Market Value of Stocks		9,033.30
Addition: Church Account Excess Over \$10,000.00		2,814.60
Deductions:		(14,313.23)
Balance December 31, 1995		<u>\$ 354,876.44</u>
Deductions: Safety Deposit Box Rental		\$ 20.00
Early Withdrawal Penalty		27.86
Parish Cultural (Ardis Cherkinian Family Cultural Fund)		1,100.00
Interest Paid Directly to Sunday School		330.37
Church Hall Roof Repairs		<u>12,835.00</u>
		<u>\$ 14,313.23</u>
Asset Composition		
<u>Stocks</u>	<u>Shares</u>	
AT&T, includes 233.57 dividends reinvested	177.804	\$ 11,746.38
Wisconsin Energy	594	18,191.25
Ameritech	60	3,532.50
Bell South	45	1,957.50
Bell Atlantic	40	2,675.00
SBC COM (Southwest Bell)	60	3,435.00
US West	40	1,425.00
NYNEX	40	2,160.00
Pacific Telesis	40	1,340.00
Air Touch Communications	40	<u>1,125.00</u>
		47,587.63
<u>Unrestricted Funds:</u>		
Passbook Savings: Heritage Bank & Trust		\$ 7,870.96
Certificates of Deposit:		
Heritage Bank & Trust		93,869.33
Security Bank		80,203.81
North Shore Bank		35,857.31
TCF Bank		<u>23,860.79</u>
		\$ 241,662.20
<u>Restricted Funds:</u>		
Sahag Akgulian Memorial Fund		\$ 3,381.86
Ardis Cherkinian Family Cultural Fund		<u>49,185.79</u>
		\$ 52,657.65
In Trust On Behalf of Other Organizations:		
Sunday School		\$ 6,729.00
Choir		3,413.76
Choir Music		<u>2,916.20</u>
		<u>\$ 13,058.96</u>
TOTAL ASSETS		<u>\$ 354,876.44</u>

Treasurer Arthur Petersen

AUDIT COMMITTEE REPORT

We have reviewed the books and financial statements of the St. Mesrob Armenian Apostolic Church and its supporting organizations and consider them to fairly represent their financial activities and position on December 31, 1995.

Audit Committee:

Martha Manogian

Martha Manogian

Pat McConnell

Pat McConnell

Janet Mrazek
Janet Mrazek^(Clerk)

PROPOSAL

The Parish Council submits the following Proposal:

It is proposed that we transfer \$8,000.00 from the Permanent Trust to the 1996 operating Budget in order to purchase a new copy machine.

Rationale:

After extensive research, the Parish Council has determined that a copy machine, adequate for our needs, would cost about \$8,000.00.

Realistically, this expense cannot come out of our normal budget.

It is much more economical to purchase, rather than lease.

Our old machine, with well over a half a million copies on it, has exceeded its life expectancy.

The maintenance agreement on the old machine is about \$2000, whereas on any of the new machines we have looked into it is about \$1000

In addition to the purchase of a new machine, we will also institute measures to cut down on the use of the new machine.

Several machines have been tested extensively. Therefore, we are ready to make an educated and knowledgeable decision.

Any expenses less than \$8000.00 will be returned to the Permanent Trust.

CHOIR REPORT

The choir serves the altar in the singing of the Divine Liturgy hymns **every** Sunday of the year. Besides this sacred duty, the choir sings on other special occasions, e.g. January 6, Sts. Vartanantz Feast, Holy Week, and the Hrashapar service for Archbp. Shahan Svajian.... Also, for American Christmas Eve the service is enhanced by the accompaniment of the organ.

The services of an organist and deacon are always available for funerals and weddings.

Many of our members took part in the joint choral group which performed for the Martyrs Day program, Saturday, April 22 at Gilmore School.

For the visit of the Catholicos, the St. Mesrob Choir was a large part of the joint Choir, under the direction of Margaret Dadian. Many of our members attended numerous rehearsals, in the Chicago area.

There are presently sixteen members, with an average of eight present on Sunday. In addition, the number of Deacons and adult acolytes is eight.

We are always looking for new members.

Mary Ann Injasoulion

Karen Kunesch

Chairman - Mary Ann Injasoulion
Treasurer - Karen Kunesch

Director/Organist - Margaret Dadian
Assistant Director - Carol Azarian Miller

ST. MESROB ARMENIAN APOSTOLIC CHURCH
ORGANIZATIONAL STATEMENT OF CONDITION
FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1995

ORGANIZATION

ST. MESROB CHURCH CHOIR

CASH BALANCE DECEMBER 31, 1994

\$ 304.11

INCOME RECEIVED IN 1995

+

250.00

DISBURSEMENTS PAID 1995

-

317.35

FUNDS GIVEN TO PARISH COUNCIL 1995

-

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CASH BALANCE DECEMBER 31, 1995

=

236.76

FUND RAISING EVENTS:

LIST EVENTS

EVENTS

PROFIT/(LOSS)

None

DONATIONS RECEIVED:

Choir Plate Collection (11/95)

235.00

Donation from Dorothy Yoghourtjian (12/95)

15.00

DONATIONS GIVEN:

To: A.A.C.C.A. (from Choir Plate Collection)

235.00

ASSETS:

\$236.76 total in Checking Account

LIABILITIES (UNPAID BILLS AT 12-31-95)

None

PREPARED BY:

Karen Kunesh

DATE:

1/7/96

TITLE:

St. Mesrob Church Choir Treasurer

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ST. MESROB WOMEN'S GUILD
Racine, WI

1995 SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES

The St. Mesrob Women's Guild takes care of the following on an on-going basis year after year:

- Services all Funerals
- Provides Altar Flowers for each Sunday
- Provides Mahs for Divine Liturgies
- Prepares a monthly list of parishioners for cleaning the church
- Cleans church kitchen as needed
- Plans and executes all food preparations for the church's annual Armenian Fest (approximately four months' work)

The St. Mesrob Women's Guild:

- Takes part in a community Hot Meal Program to feed the needy. We prepare and serve the food and clean up afterwards. This is done twice a year.
- Has membership in Church Women United (Racine Branch)
- Has a Good Samaritans group who visits the sick, shut ins and bereaved
- Has a Sunshine Committee that sends cards for all occasions to St. Mesrob Parishioners
- Sponsored a Scripture Seminar on October 7th featuring Very Rev. Vahan Hovhannessian, Elise Antreassian and Nancy Basmajian
- Food Pantry

The St. Mesrob Women's Guild donated to:

- Children of Armenian Sponsorship Program (CASP) - \$200 annually
- Tarkmanchatz School in Jerusalem - \$100 annually
- Midwest Hye Camp - \$200
- Oklahoma Disaster Fund - \$100
- A needy mother in our Diocese

Other St. Mesrob activities included:

- Meetings on the last Thursday of each month except during the cold winter months of January, February and March when meetings are held on the last Sunday of the month, after church
- February 12 - Provided lunch for congregation before Annual Parish Assembly
- March 13 - Provided the Hot Meal at First Baptist Church under the chairmanship of Mary Kaprelian and Mary Stevoff
- March 18 - Attended Women Saints' Day Luncheon in Waukegan with a bus full of women
- March 26 - Sponsored Annual Lenten Dinner after church with the best Kuftah in the Diocese

- April 1 - Sponsored Katah Bake Sale at Church
- April 16 - Provided Easter Cheoreg and Eggs for Easter Fellowship following Church Services
- April 23 - Assisted Parish Council in preparation of Madagh
- May 13 - A gourmet Mother's Day Dinner was held for Women's Guild Members and their families
- June 19 - Family Pot Luck with Guild Meeting following
- August 6 - ARMENIAN FEST. All Guild Members busy from morning to night
- August - Farmer's Market downtown. Sarma was a big hit, in spite of the rain
- September 24 - 50th ANNIVERSARY OF ST. MESROB WOMEN'S GUILD BANQUET & PROGRAM. Honored charter members and Mrs. Bydzie Musurlian who was the only person with uninterrupted membership in the Guild for 50 years. The Guild gifted the church with a bookcase in honor of the occasion.
- October 1 - Children of Armenia Sponsorship Program (CASP) video and fellowship following church services. Collected donations toward CASP.
- October 7 - Scripture Seminar at Sienna Center
- October 13 - Hot Meal Program at First Baptist Church
- November 11 - Guild sponsored very successful ARMENIAN CHRISTMAS FAIR
- December - Mailed out a Community Christmas Card
- December 10 - Christmas Party at the Docks for members & guests
- December 31 - Very successful NEW YEAR'S EVE POTLUCK.

1995 OFFICERS OF ST. MESROB WOMEN'S GUILD

Co-chairpersons:	Seta Andekian & Hourig Tcheurekdjian
Corresponding Secretary:	Mary K. Akgulian
Recording Secretary:	Elsie Garoukian
Treasurer:	Mary Katerdjian
Assistant Treasurer:	Julie Kapralian
Advisor:	Catherine Mikaelian

Hourig Tcheurekdjian
Elsie Garoukian
Mary Katerdjian
Mary Akgulian
Julie Kapralian
Catherine Mikaelian
Seta Andekian

**ST. MESROB ARMENIAN APOSTOLIC CHURCH
ORGANIZATIONAL STATEMENT OF CONDITION
FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 199 5**

ORGANIZATION

WOMEN'S GUILD

CASH BALANCE DECEMBER 31, 199 ⁴		\$ 500.00
INCOME RECEIVED IN 199 ⁵	+	16,700.76
DISBURSEMENTS PAID 199 ⁵	-	10,609.72
FUNDS GIVEN TO PARISH COUNCIL 199 ⁵	-	6,091.04
CASH BALANCE DECEMBER 31, 199 ⁵	=	500.00

FUND RAISING EVENTS:

LIST EVENTS

<u>EVENTS</u>	<u>PROFIT/(LOSS)</u>

DONATIONS RECEIVED:

Hot Meal Program	300.00
Maas	5.00

DONATIONS GIVEN:

Hye Camp	200.00	Book Cases for Library	427.80
Oklahoma Disaster	100.00	St. Tarkmantchatz School	100.00
Help Needy Family	200.00	Books for Library	150.00
C A S P	200.00		

ASSETS:

None

LIABILITIES (UNPAID BILLS AT 12-31-95):

None

PREPARED BY:
TITLE:

Mary Katurdjian
Treasurer

DATE: 1-13-96

ANNUAL REPORT - ST MESROB SUNDAY SCHOOL 1994-1995

St. Mesrob Sunday School began it's 1994-1995 year on Sunday, September 11, 1994 in conjunction with the Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross. The enrollment was 40 students. We had a staff of 12 which included the following:

Fr. Yeprem Kelegian Advisor

Lauren Chalekian Superintendant

Sue Esayan

Treasurer

Carol Gengozian

Assistant

Claire Kadamian

Music

Alice Hazarian

Preschool

Sue Kargenian

Kindergarden

Sue Nersesian

Level 1-2

Yer. Judy Kelegian

Level 3

George Kadamian

Level 4,5

Lisa Akgulian

Level 6,7,8

Dan Hagopian

Level 9,10

Events sponsored annually by the Sunday School were, December 18, 1994 - Sunday School Paegent and Christmas Fellowship, February 26, 1995 - Poon Paregentan/ Mardi Gras Family Pot Luck and games. During Holy Week, Thursday March 13 thru Saturday March 15, various Sunday School students assisted with readings during these services.

On Sunday, May 21, 1995 our year came to an end with Graduation and Picnic. We had 2 graduates for this school year, Caitlin Kalinoski and Aaron Chalekian.

**ST. MESROB ARMENIAN APOSTOLIC CHURCH
ORGANIZATIONAL STATEMENT OF CONDITION
FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1995**

ORGANIZATION

ST. MESROB SUNDAY SCHOOL

CASH BALANCE DECEMBER 31, 199 <u>4</u>		\$ 299.26
INCOME RECEIVED IN 199 <u>5</u>	+	1,787.76
DISBURSEMENTS PAID 199 <u>5</u>	-	1,709.58
FUNDS GIVEN TO PARISH COUNCIL 199 <u>5</u>	-	- 0 -
CASH BALANCE DECEMBER 31, 199 <u>5</u>	=	377.44

FUND RAISING EVENTS:

LIST EVENTS

<u>EVENTS</u>	<u>PROFIT/(LOSS)</u>

DONATIONS RECEIVED:

Dan & Pat McConnell	\$250.00
Mr & Mrs Philip Gafka	50.00

DONATIONS GIVEN:

- 0 -

ASSETS:

\$6,729.00 in Permanent Trust Fund

LIABILITIES (UNPAID BILLS AT 12-31-95)

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PREPARED BY:
TITLE:

Sue Esajian
Treasurer

DATE: 12-21-95

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ARMENIAN HERITAGE COMMITTEE

1995 Report

The Armenian Heritage Committee consists of Mrs. Mary Janikian, Mrs. Hourig Tcheurekdjian, Sarkis Cherkinian and Fr. Yeprem. The committee has met several times during the year.

As part of the cultural entertainment for the Armenian Fest, the Armenian Dance Group from Minneapolis was brought in for a performance and demonstration.

There was a repeat performance by Mr. Bob Kann, a well known story teller from Madison, WI, on October 15th.

On December 5th, we hosted a cultural lecture, given by Fr. Yeprem, providing an Armenian historical and cultural background before attending the play, "Beast on the Moon." The play was part of the Milwaukee Chamber Theatre's "Viewpoints" Series.

Promotion and sale of tickets for the above play, which was given at Prairie School Theatre, on December 13 and 14.

A handwritten signature in purple ink, reading "Sarkis Cherkinian". The signature is written in a cursive style and is followed by a large, sweeping horizontal flourish.

ST. MESROB ARMENIAN APOSTOLIC CHURCH
ORGANIZATIONAL STATEMENT OF CONDITION
FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 199

ORGANIZATION

ARMENIAN HERITAGE COMMITTEE

CASH BALANCE DECEMBER 31, 199 <u>4</u>		\$ 357.81
INCOME RECEIVED IN 199 <u>5</u> :	+	-0-
DISBURSEMENTS PAID 199 <u>5</u> :	-	5.00
FUNDS GIVEN TO PARISH COUNCIL 199 <u>5</u> :	-	-0-
CASH BALANCE DECEMBER 31, 199 <u>5</u> :	=	352.81

FUND RAISING EVENTS:

LIST EVENTS

EVENTS

PROFIT/(LOSS)

DONATIONS RECEIVED:

DONATIONS GIVEN:

ASSETS:

LIABILITIES (UNPAID BILLS AT 12-31-95):

PREPARED BY:
TITLE:

Sarkis Cherkinian
Sarkis Cherkinian, Treasurer

DATE: 1-15-96

YOUTH MINISTRY
YOUTH DIRECTOR'S REPORT for 1995
Submitted by: MELINE GRIGORIAN

As Youth Director, I work closely with Fr. Yeprem in working towards gathering the youth for a variety of events. My main emphasis has been on youth ages 9-15 although I have been involved in working with all young people ages 9-17. The purpose of this ministry has been to gather the youth and create a fellowship as well as to have them serve the Church and develop a relationship with Jesus Christ.

My job entails the following: coordinate events, make phone calls to youth, supervise and attend each event, advise youth as needed, notify other parish contacts of certain events and try to coordinate their participation, work closely with the Sunday School and stay informed about activities on a Diocesan and Regional level to enable Racine's participation.

Although Fr. Yeprem works with the acolytes in religious training, I work with them in the planning of certain activities. In addition to this 9-11 age group, I am very involved with the A.C.Y.O.A. Juniors, ages 12-15. This group has been quite active in 1995 (Please refer to A.C.Y.O.A. Report for specific activities). I have also worked with the High School group, ages 15-17+ as time has allowed. This group has served as mentors and chaperones to the younger groups during certain events. More will be done with this group in 1996.

The A.C.Y.O.A. Juniors donated to FAR \$181.00 in 1995. They have also done service projects both for the Church and the local community. In 1994/95, Paula Johnson served as Chairman and Amy Buchaklian as Treasurer. For the 1995/96 year Paula Johnson remains as Chairman and Monica Heller has assumed the position of Treasurer.

As Youth Director, I am budgeted for 40 hours per month. I took a 2 week vacation in the summer and was on "maternity leave" from Thanksgiving until the end of the year. I have averaged 25-35 hours per month in 1995.

**ST. MESROB ARMENIAN APOSTOLIC CHURCH
ORGANIZATIONAL STATEMENT OF CONDITION
FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1995**

ORGANIZATION

ACYOA JUNIORS

CASH BALANCE DECEMBER 31, 1994		\$ 467.33
INCOME RECEIVED IN 1995	+	268.65
DISBURSEMENTS PAID 1995	-	307.68
FUNDS GIVEN TO PARISH COUNCIL 1995	-	-0-
CASH BALANCE DECEMBER 31, 1995	=	428.30

FUND RAISING EVENTS:

LIST EVENTS

<u>EVENTS</u>	<u>PROFIT/(LOSS)</u>
1/7 - ICE SKATING, PETTIT CENTER W/GREENFIELD	
1/21 - SKIING - CRYSTAL RIDGE	
2/4 - SKIING - CRYSTAL RIDGE	
2/5 - BASKETBALL CLINIC	
2/10 - ADMIRALS GAME W/GREENFIELD	
2/25 - SKIING - CRYSTAL RIDGE	
3/13 - FEED THE POOR, FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH	
3/25 - YOUTH DAY, ST. MESROB, WITH DN. GEORGE DEVEJIAN	
4/22 - BEACH CLEAN-UP, NORTH BEACH, RACINE	
5/19 - 5/20 LOCK-IN, ST. MESROB	
6/11 - ACTION TERRITORY	
6/13 - ACTION TERRITORY	
7/15 - BREWERS GAME W/GREENFIELD	
7/29 - CAR WASH, ST. MESROB	PROFIT \$181.00
8/20 - GREAT AMERICA	
8/26 - 8/27 LOCK-IN, ST. MESROB	
10/9 - FEED THE POOR, FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH	
10/29 - HALLOWEEN PARTY FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL	
11/3 - WAVE GAME W/GREENFIELD	
11/19 - BAKE SALE	PROFIT \$75.65
12/9 - DELIVER HOLIDAY BASKETS W/KNIGHTS OF VARTAN	
12/16 - CHRISTMAS CAROLS TO SHUT-INS	

Monica Heller

Paula D. Johnson

Meline Grigorian

PREPARED BY: MONICA HELLER, TREASURER
PAULA JOHNSON, CHAIRPERSON
TITLE: MELINE GRIGORIAN, YOUTH DIRECTOR

DATE: 1/15/96

ST. MESROB ARMENIAN FEST

1995 REPORT

Armenian Fest has been extremely successful and it was again so in 1995. Our profits from it reflect about 25% of our annual income.

Armenian Fest 95 was held on August 6, 1995 at the Festival Park. The fest is an annual event sponsored by the St. Mesrob Armenian Church for the purpose of promoting the Armenian Heritage and Culture.

On festival day, approximately 4,500 people were in attendance. Many Armenians from surrounding communities and from out of state attended. A feature article in the Milwaukee Journal Sentinel also created interest in our fest. The air was filled with Armenian music and the delicious aroma of shish-kebob on the grill. Mouth-watering pastries and other delicacies were enjoyed by all.

There were games for children, a Moonwalk, and golf putting for all ages. There was a booth featuring Karaoke entertainment which attracted many people.

Our own Mid-East Beat provided the musical entertainment for the day. The Minneapolis Dance Ensemble performed inside the festival hall, entertaining the large crowd with various Armenian dances.

The Green Room featured Armenian Cooking demonstrations. Also a video presentation on the History of the Armenian People was shown. Both were well attended.

For the first time we are venturing into a two day event, August 3 and 4, 1996.

General Chairman	Gary Vidian	681-2943
General Vice Chairman	Michelle Sahagian	554-1517
Treasurer	Mary Akgulian	639-5323
Advertising/Publicity/Armenian Music	Kai Kazarian	637-0347
Beverages	Adam Chalekian	639-7515
	Tom Gengozian	633-2017
Cultural	Sarkis Cherkinian	633-4234
Games	Tom Janikian	639-7234
Security	Sarkis Cherkinian	633-4234
Sales Enhancements, Sign Placements	Pam & Jack Kazarian	681-2002
Transportation	Mike Garoukian	639-2092
Sales	Art & Judy Peterson	634-8940
Setup/Maintenance	Harry Boranian	886-1822
Typing/Mailing	Mary Cherkinian	633-4234
Outdoor Grilling	Sam Akgulian	639-8928
Food on Site	Mary Stevoff	639-7881
	Queenie Gillis	639-4453
Food Baking	Mary Stevoff	639-7881
Money Raffle	Perry Paragamian	639-6076
Raffle Sales	Mark Kaprelian	886-1971

**ST. MESROB ARMENIAN APOSTOLIC CHURCH
ORGANIZATIONAL STATEMENT OF CONDITION
FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 199 5**

ORGANIZATION St. Mesrob Armenian Apostolic Church
Armenian Fest

CASH BALANCE DECEMBER 31, 199 <u>4</u>		\$ 500.00
INCOME RECEIVED IN 199 <u>5</u> :	+	41,960.97
DISBURSEMENTS PAID 199 <u>5</u> :	-	19,537.90
FUNDS GIVEN TO PARISH COUNCIL 199 <u>5</u> :	-	22,601.03
CASH BALANCE DECEMBER 31, 199 <u>5</u> :	=	\$ 322.04

FUND RAISING EVENTS:

LIST EVENTS

<u>EVENTS</u>	<u>PROFIT/(LOSS)</u>
August 6, 1995 Armenian Fest	\$22,601.03

DONATIONS RECEIVED:

DONATIONS GIVEN:

ASSETS:

Prepaid 1996 expense Ck #1566 11/9/95 \$177.96

LIABILITIES (UNPAID BILLS AT 12-31-9 5):

PREPARED BY:
TITLE:

Mary D. Akgulian
Treasurer

DATE: January 5, 1996

ST. MESROB RETIREES
1995 ANNUAL REPORT

The St. Mesrob Retirees is a branch organization of St. Mesrob Church, offering spiritual, educational, and social activities for its members.

Officers for 1995 were:

President	Ft. Yeprem Kelegian
Chairman	John Barootian
Vice Chairman	Paul Tewagian
Secretary	Mary (Harry) Akgulian
Treasurer	Mary Rossman

The membership consists of church members who are retired or about to retire. They meet each Thursday afternoon and play card, scrabble, backgammon, or simply to socialize. There is coffee and some kind of "treat" available, often brought by members celebrating birthdays or anniversaries. Dues are \$5.00 yearly.

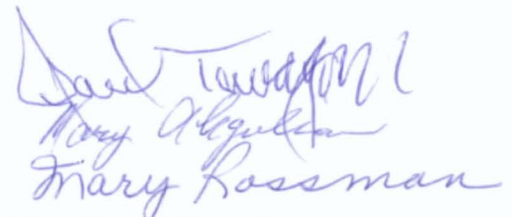
Each month a different group of four to six members works together as a committee which selects, organizes, and executes a program or field trip. Members may choose not to participate, but most of the time a majority of them do take part. This year activities included the following: Pizza Party - Januray; Luncheon - March; Oneida Casino - May; Shopping in Chicago - June; a picnic at the zoo - August; Visit to the Pabst Mansion - October; Oneida Casino - November; Christmas Dinner at the Spinning Wheel - December.

Although the Retirees is not a profit-making organization, it has made various contributions in the form of donations, gifts, and equipment to the church. The organization makes it a point to make sure the sick aren't forgotten, making visitations and sending cards.

Financially, the year ended with \$376.56 in the treasury. During the course of the year, the Retirees contributed from its treasury \$411.51 to the church.

Respectfully submitted,


John Barootian, Chairman



P.S. Two Specific contributions made by the St. Mesrob Retirees are: Donation of books to the church library and a wheelchair to be kept in the cloak room and used as needed.

**ST. MESROB ARMENIAN APOSTOLIC CHURCH
ORGANIZATIONAL STATEMENT OF CONDITION
FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1995**

ORGANIZATION

ST. MESROB RETIREES

CASH BALANCE DECEMBER 31, 199 <u>4</u>		\$ 601.51
INCOME RECEIVED IN 199 <u>5</u>	+	5,228.60
DISBURSEMENTS PAID 199 <u>5</u>	-	5,042.04
FUNDS GIVEN TO PARISH COUNCIL 199 <u>5</u>	-	411.51
CASH BALANCE DECEMBER 31, 199 <u>5</u>	=	376.56

FUND RAISING EVENTS:

LIST EVENTS

EVENTS

PROFIT/(LOSS)

DONATIONS RECEIVED:

DONATIONS GIVEN:

ASSETS:

LIABILITIES (UNPAID BILLS AT 12-31-95)

PREPARED BY:
TITLE:

Mary Roseman
Treasurer

DATE: 1-19-96

ST. MESROB PROJECT COMMITTEE
1995 REPORT

The Sahag Mesrob Project committee is a branch volunteer organization made up by the following members for 1995 year.

President	Fr. Yeprem Kelegian
Chairman	Sam Akgulian
Vice-Chairman	Harry Akgulian
Mark Akgulian	Sarkis Kazarian
	(Summer grass cutters)
Sam Garabedian	" " "
Jack Kazarian	" " "
Sarkis Cherkinian	" " "
Don Miller	" " "

By any measure 1995 was a significant year for your Projects Committee. In a way we had major accomplishments, however, some not by choice, but due to necessity. A major problem again was a new roof leak. This time over the cultural hall. The entire portion over the hall required replacement, and was taken care of by the same contractor, who replaced our church roof. This repair with other capital improvements now total over \$ 80,000 spent over the past three years.

A brief look at other major items, which were replaced completely, were the St. Mesrob Church sign, and a new fence around the gas meter. We again had a leak in the church heating system, which was found and repaired. The repairing of the feed pipes above the kitchen called for rework along with replacement of various valves throughout the heating plant. Most of these repairs and replacements were done by the members of the Projects Committee. Numerous routine checks and repairs on other equipment throughout the complex are done with regularity, along with the equipment for taking care of grass cutting. Our strategy is to obtain a strong core of help and add to the membership if possible.

Normally we don't like to signal out any volunteer, however we thank God for Harry Akgulian. Harry probably spends more time monitoring the entire church properties than any other individual. His constant vigil of staying in touch with the complex when it matters the most, has saved the church countless amounts of dollars over the years.

Regarding the future, based on preliminary evaluations we do anticipate additional needed improvements not only on the church, but also on the parish house. We are unable to predict with certainty the cost factors at this time, however we know they are coming in light of almost 25 years at the Erie Street location.

We recognize our needs and responsibilities for a strong volunteer group of supporters. I thank all who have participated and welcome others in maintaining Gods Property. We characterize this "Personal Responsibility" as part of our acknowledgment of accomplishments of giving of ourselves in doing GODS WORK.

Respectfully,

Sam A. Akgulian

Sam Akgulian (Chairman)

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ORGANIZATION

ST. MESROB BOOKSTORE

CASH BALANCE DECEMBER 31, 199 <u>4</u>		\$ 450.30
INCOME RECEIVED IN 199 <u>5</u> :	+	2,351.00
DISBURSEMENTS PAID 199 <u>5</u> :	-	2,475.06
FUNDS GIVEN TO PARISH COUNCIL 199 <u>5</u> :	-	- 0 -
CASH BALANCE DECEMBER 31, 199 <u>5</u> :	=	326.24

FUND RAISING EVENTS:

LIST EVENTS

EVENTS

PROFIT/(LOSS)

The Armenian Fest was our greatest sale event. Made \$1,006.00
minus the cost of articles sold.

DONATIONS RECEIVED:

None

DONATIONS GIVEN:

None

ASSETS:

Books, jewelry, cassettes, videos, CD's, etc.

Inventory upon request

LIABILITIES (UNPAID BILLS AT 12-31-95:

None

PREPARED BY:

Ann Cherkian

DATE: 1-18-96

TITLE: