

ARMENIAN INDEPENDENT CULTURAL ASSOCIATION of ATLANTA Inc.

AICAA P.O.BOX 7277 ATLANTA GA. 30357

OCTOBER 1989

## UPCOMING EVENTS

## ARMENIAN THANKSGIVING DINNER

PLACE: CAFE LAWRENCE 2888 BUFORD HWY.

DATE: SUNDAY NOVEMBER 19, 1989

TIME: 5:00 PM

PRICE: \$15/PERSON RESERVED IN ADVANCE

\$20/PERSON AT THE DOOR

MENU: APPETIZER, BAKED TURKEY, MIDDLE EASTERN

RICE PILAV DRESSING, COOKED VEGETABLES,

DESSERT & COFFEE.

RESERVATIONS: SERAN MEGERIAN...252-5176

LINDA NAJARIAN...920-0033

PLEASE JOIN US FOR AN AFTERNOON OF TOGETHERNESS AND THANKSGIVING!

## AICAA GUEST LECTURE

SPEAKER: ROSS VARTIAN. DIRECTOR OF THE ARMENIAN ASSEMBLY OF AMERICA.

TOPIC: POST-EARTHQUAKE ARMENIAN REALITIES.

DATE: SUNDAY, DECEMBER 10, 1989.

TIME: 3:00 PM.

PLACE: 102 WHITE HALL, EMORY UNIVERSITY.

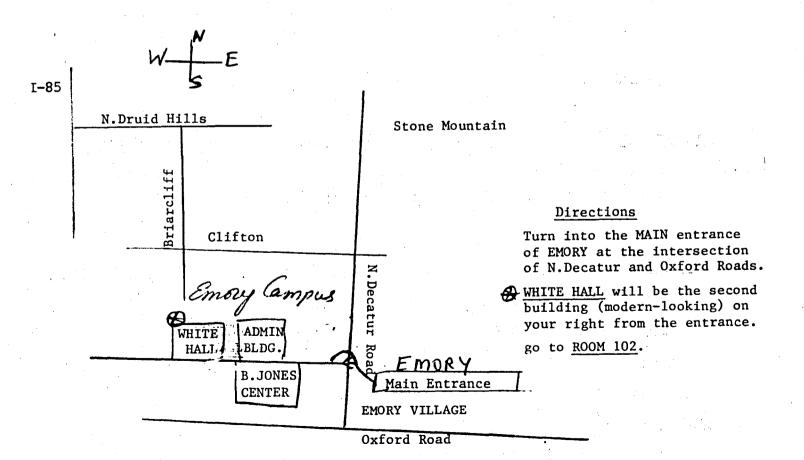
RECEPTION: 4:00 PM.

COST: FREE AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC.

Mr. Ross Vartian has made frequent appearances on television on behalf of Armenian causes. As you know, the donations the AICAA has collected on behalf of the Armenian Earthquake Relief are forwarded to the Armenian Assembly in Washington, D.C., which has established an office in Armenia. In Atlanta, Mr. Vartian will speak about the complex political problems surrounding the international relief effort and will address issues raised by the tragic situation in Karabagh.

Mr. Vartian's timely lecture falls close to the one year anniversary of the December 7 earthquake. The Atlanta press and television journalists will be invited to the lecture, and a special invitation will go out to the Atlanta doctors who went to Armenia immediately following the earthquake. Mr. Vartian's visit will be co-sponsored by the Soviet and East European Studies Program of Emory University, so the public-at-large is expected to attend. This is a splendid opportunity for Atlanta Armenians to heighten American awareness about Armenia. PLEASE PLAN TO ATTEND AND BE ON TIME. If you have any questions, please contact Juliette Stepanian at 325-8789. Donations from AICAA members will be gladly accepted to help defray the cost to the organization.

## THE AICAA IS PROUD TO CO-SPONSOR THIS IMPORTANT AND INTERESTING EVENT!



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## CALIFORNIA EARTHQUAKE DONATION.

IN APPRECIATION OF THE GENEROUS RESPONSE OF THE ATLANTA COMMUNITY TO THE ARMENIAN EARTHQUAKE RELIEF DRIVE. THE AICAA WILL BE ACCEPTING DONATIONS FOR THE CALIFORNIA EARTHQUAKE VICTIMS. THE AICAA WILL GIVE ALL DONATIONS COLLECTIVELY TO THE AMERICAN RED CROSS. MAKE OUT CHECKS TO THE AICAA WITH MEMO FOR THE RED CROSS. DEADLINE IS DECEMBER 1. 1989. THIS IS A CHANCE FOR THE ARMENIAN COMMUNITY TO SHOW ITS SINCERE THANKS TO THE WONDERFUL PEOPLE OF GEORGIA!!! THEY GAVE THEIR BEST. NOW LETS GIVE OURS.

# FESTIVAL OF TREES.

DATE: FIRST WEEK OF DECEMBER

TIME: CHECK LOCAL NEWSPAPER.

PLACE: ATLANTA APPAREL MART

PLEASE MARK THIS EVENT ON YOUR CALENDER AND ATTEND THIS

WORTHWHILE C HRISTMAS CAUSE. THE AICAA HAS SPONSORED AN ARMENIAN CHRISTMAS TREE FOR SEVERAL YEARS AND HAVE ALWAYS ENJOYED PARTICIPATING IN THIS EVENT TO HELP RAISE MONEY FOR THE HENRIETTA EGLESTON HOSPITAL FOR CHILDREN. OUR SOCIAL DIRECTOR, SERAN MEGERIAN, IS IN CHARGE OF THIS EVENT AND ALONG WITH HER COMMITTEE MEMBERS WILL BE SETTING UP THE TREE. ANYBODY WHO WISHES TO PARTICIPATE IN MAKING SMALL HAND-CROCHETED STARS, ETC., PLEASE CONTACT SERAN AT 252-5176. LETS NOT FORGET THE CHILDREN, TOO. IF ANY CHILD WOULD LIKE TO MAKE AND DONATE HIS OR HER ORNAMENT TO PUT ON THE TREE, PLEASE ENCOURAGE THEM. AGAIN, OUR THANKS TO THOSE WHO GENEROUSLY GAVE MONETARY DONATIONS TO HELP FINANCE OUR TREE. A SPECIAL THANK YOU TO MR. & MRS. JACK TELLALIAN FOR THE DONATION OF THE 6 FOOT SPRUCE TREE TO BE DECORATED.

## ARMENIAN CHRISTMAS DINNER

TO BE ANNOUNCED.

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#### PAST EVENTS

## GENERAL ASSEMBLY MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 17. 1989.

We had a great turnout for this event. The board of directors gave reports on their behind the scene work for the organization and there was a good deal of constructive exchange and input from the members. Several motions and votes were taken: (1) Membership dues are to be raised to \$50/family, \$30/singles, and \$10/students and seniors. (2) Motion voted on to continue sending newsletter to all names on the directory, not just paid members. (3) Motion voted on to have a fair formula for charging for events. The dishes brought for the pot luck dinner following the meeting were delicious and many thanks to all those families who brought them. The board of directors wishes to thank all those who came. We feel dat the meeting was informative and constructive for all. Working together, we can all make this a progressive and rewarding organization. Feel free to contact any of the board members with constructive suggestions or questions.

The board members are presently at work on refining the organization's by-laws, putting together a fun and interesting calender for the coming months and organizing the financial situation.

Talin Major has worked very hard to computerize and update the mailing list directory. The board would like to express its appreciation to Armen Karapetian for supplying us with his computer program for this directory.

Please inform the board of any new Armenian families in Atlanta. We will add them to our list and mail out newsletters to them.

At this meeting, we must mention that the association raised \$500 to for help assist in the resettlement of an Armenian family from Armenia in Atlanta.

## AICAA FALL PICNIC OF OCTOBER 22.

Our fall picnic was truly a tremendous success!!! We had a turn-out of about 60 people and the good Lord gave us marvelous weather! Lots of new faces and a lot of familiar faces who we have not seen in a long time. Welcome to you all and we hope to see you again at future events.

The list of people who worked to make this such a big success is long. Our thanks go out to the following people for such a great job:

Bedros Dido......procurer extraordinaire of the delicious meat, pickles, paper goods, drinks, ice, etc.

Jean Leon.....for donation of the pita bread from his bakery

and grocery store, the Middle East Bakery.

Ohannes Kabbenjian...for donation of the delicious baklava from his eatery, Hovan Gourmet..

Vahe Najarian.....chief cook and bottle washer.

Ara Keyfer......for skewering kebabs (with Vahe's help), providing beer, and being the "host with the most".

Hripsime Guedoyan &
Maro Gheblikian &
Filyan Dido &
Joyce Keyfer.....for making the delicious pilav.
Zarouhi Dido.....outstanding yogurt.
Alice Aznavourian &
Juliette Stepanian &
Talin Major.....our salad providers.

Last, but not least, thanks to all of you who came to this event.

#### LOCAL ARMENIAN NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS.

- Dr. Lucy Der Manuelian gave a lecture on Armenian rugs at Sharian, Inc. on
- Nov. 3, 1989. All of the Armenian community was invited to attend thanks to the AICAA supplying Sharian, Inc. with our mailing list.
- Mr. Sarkis Aga-Sarkissian and Miss Armine Kalpakchian were joined in marriage on Friday, October 27,1989 in Dallas, Texas. After a honeymoon in Hawaii, the couple will reside in Atlanta. Our congratulations and best wishes to the new couple.
- Jeano Kamciyan, formerly of California, has opened a jewelry shop in Atlanta. We wish him success in his new business.
- Larry Malcolm, AICAA president 1988-89, has been transferred to Norfolk, Va. with the US Navy. Our appreciation for all his work with the organization is expressed. We wish him and his family happiness and success in his new position. GOOD LUCK!
- Mr. David Danelz and Miss Christine Aznavourian were joined in marriage on September 30, 1989, in Atlanta, Ga. Christine is the daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Garo Aznavourian of Stone Mountain. The new couple will reside in Atlanta. Our congratulations go out to the new couple!
- The AICAA will be registered in the new Yellow Pages. The number is 378-31771.
- Anyone who would like to take out advertisements in the AICAA newsletter are requested to contact Linda Najarian at 920-0033. Our newsletter has a circulation of over 200 families. It could be well worth it to get the word

out. Cost: \$10/business card, \$20/half a page, \$30/full page. IT PAYS TO ADVERTISE IN THE AICAA NEWSLETTER!!