

ANNUAL REPORT

ACYO - 1974

1974 saw many new changes from previous years. Chairman Audrey Fried resigned in February - Aram Andonian succeeded her as chairman Pro Tempore, and in September Malvina Brown and Alan Kazanjian were elected as co-chairmen. Difficulties weren't in adjusting to the four chairmen but more specifically in adapting to new styles. Up until 1974 the ACYO has strained to hold together but this year was different. Membership last year was 8 and in 1974 we increased to a list of 30 names, at least 18 members are active. The members have been actively involved throughout the Armenian community. Our members have been serving on the altar; singing in the choir; teaching Sunday School. We also are in the Dicran Jamgochian Chorale; members of A.S.A. and AGBU and Knights of Vartan. We write for the Shnorhali Bulletin; and last but not least we have contributed our Service to our beloved St. Mary's Parish and done the best we could to inspire the youth of our church.

Two meetings a month are held in the Church Hall on the 1st and 3rd Fridays, at 7:30 p.m. Here is a list of activities the Washington, D. C. ACYO has participated in -

- January - Attended Philadelphia Anniversary Ball
- February - 1. Sponsored the 7th Anniversary Ball
2. Attended the Richmond Anniversary Ball
- March - No meeting nor activities
- April - No meeting nor activities
- May - Malvina Brown and Alan Kazanjian were delegates to the Diocesan Youth Assembly. Aram Andonian represented the juniors.
A total of 5 members attended.
- June - Aram Andonian and Linda Kumkumian attended the St. Necess Summer Seminar in Crestwood, N. Y.
- July - We took a day excursion to Shenendoah to have a reorganizational meeting with newly-appointed advisor Dicran Jamgochian. We spent hours deliberating on important ideas and culminated the afternoon with dinner and a tour of the Luray Caverns.
We also had two car washes.
- August - We presented the Play ALL IN THE ARMENIAN FAMILY. We had a Chicken Bar-B-Que following the Blessing of the Grapes.
We had one more car wash; a Bake Sale; Several Volley Ball practices.
- September - Thirteen of us went to Toronto for the Sports Weekend. We sent a Volley Ball Team and Cheerleaders. We also competed in Ping Pong and Tennis. None of which we won, however it was the first time we entered a team sport for competition. We also enjoyed all the social events of the weekend.
Elections were held and the results were as follows:

Co-Chairman	- Malvina Brown
	- Alan Kazanjian
Recording Secretary	- Linda Kumkumian
Corresponding Sec'y	- Saro Dedeyan
Treasurer	- David Andonian
Asst. Treasurer	- Jimmy Broussalian
Publicity Director	- Ken Terzian
Asst. Publicity Dir.	- Cindy Broussalian
Liaison to Parish Council	- Aram Andonian
Alternate	- Necess Babayan

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- October - Our group went together to see a film. We also had a pumpkin sale and our first annual Halloween Costume Party.
- November - We had one of our members take photographs at the Bazaar; we assisted as much as possible with various tasks at the Bazaar and we donated \$50. We also had our Winter Wonderland Dance. It was 100% supported by our ACYO members but sparsely supported by the parishoners.
- December - Malvina Brown and Linda Kumkumian were delegates to the Philadelphia Constitutional Convention. We also had a Crab Feast, and a food and clothing drive, which is being continued throughout the year. Bishop Papken gave us a Christmas Dinner prepared by Mr. Halaby. We also had a Progressive Dinner.

1974 was a year predominately of social events. 1975 should prove to be a more socio-cultural-educational-religious year. We are now instituting the six month period Service Award to the membership fulfilling the criteria for such an award.

We are proud of what we had. A group of people who do have common interests. People who open the channels for communication. We hope and pray that at the end of this year we can add our 'A' to the end of our name and we can call ourselves ACYOA again. The last A stands for America.

We wish to extend a heart-felt thank you to all those who have had patience with us and supported us faithfully. Now we'd like to see all of you at our future activities.

Respectfully submitted

Malvina Brown
Alan Kazanjian
CO-CHAIRMEN, ACYO

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- Sara Dikran
- David Dikran
- John Dikran
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