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Sireli Paregamner,

We are proud to announce the release of the 18th issue of Shoghagat, the St. Sarkis Armenian Apostolic Church periodical. In putting together this issue, highlighting the events, milestones, celebrations and sacraments we celebrated as a congregation over the past two years, we see how blessed we all are belonging to such a vibrant church and community. We hope you enjoy reading about new traditions such as the Lenten Services of 2011 and events like our Seniors Group trip to Philadelphia and tour of the Shrine of the Lady of the Island! Perhaps you will relive participating in Saturday School Fall Festivals, Summer Camps, Mommy and Me programs, our Valentine's Dances, Health Expo 2010 or Simply Christmas concerts.

So much goes on each week at St. Sarkis that a yearly or bi-yearly publication seems inadequate. As such, this year we launched the St. Sarkis weekly online Bulletin. Every Friday, we email the Bulletin to our parishioners so that we may all remain connected and involved with our church and with each other. The bulletin acts as a mini-Shoghagat documenting special events, sacraments, and biblical passages. Please email us at stsarkischurch@gmail.com with your contact information so we can add you to our bulletin list. If you have any photos you would like to share with the congregation we welcome those as well!

May God's blessing be always present at your homes.

Prayerfully,

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Front cover:

Yeraz Dance Ensemble performs on the Armenian Heritage Cruise

Back cover:

Saint Sarkis Church celebrates Easter 2011 - The Year of the Armenian Child

Հովիւին Պատգամը

Pastor's Message

Ս. Ծննդեան եւ Ս. Յարութեան տօներու եկեղեցական արարողութիւններուն, բարեկամական Հաւաքներուն, աւանդական ճաշերուն եւ ուրախութիւններուն կողքին՝ տնօրհնէքը կարեւոր եւ ամբողջացուցիչ բաժինն էր այս տօնախմբութիւններուն: Եկեղեցւոյ հոգեւոր հովիւը կը շրջէր իր ծխականներուն տունները այնտեղ վառելու համար խունկ եւ մոմ, երգելու Ս. Ծննդեան կամ Յարութեան շարականը եւ ընթերցելու աւետարանի հատուածը: Այս արարողութիւնը կարեւոր էր որովհետեւ քահանայ Հայրը, մեր քրիստոնէական կեանքի երկու կարեւոր տօներուն բարի լուրը մեր տունները կը բերէր. այդ առթիւ մեր տուններուն մէջ շարական եւ աղօթք կը լսուէր, խունկին բոյրը մեր տունները կը լեցնէր եւ մեր բնակարաններուն իսկական պատկերը՝ փոքրիկ եկեղեցի կամ Աստուծոյ Արքայութեան մանրանկարը կը վերակենդանանար: Արարողութեան առընթեր տնօրհնէքը նաեւ առիթ էր հոգեւոր հովիւին հանդիպելու իր ծուխի անդամներուն եւ փոխադարձ ծանօթութիւն մը ստեղծելու: Այսօր մեր իրականութեան մէջ տնօրհնէքը վերցուած է: Ամէն տարի ծխականներուն ուղարկուած տօնական թերթիկներուն մէջ կը յիշեցնենք «Տնօրհնէքի համար հաճեցէք տեղեակ պահել Հովիւ Քահանայ Հայրը» սակայն մեր անդամներուն 0.1 տոկոսը անգամ այդ մասին չի հետաքրքրուիր որովհետեւ յաճախ բոլորս չափազանց զբաղած ենք:

Այսօր ժամանակն է վերակենդանացնելու տնօրհնէքի աւանդութիւնը, որովհետեւ բազմազբաղ մեր կենցաղին մէջ երբ եկեղեցի յաճախելը արդէն առաջնահերթութիւն չէ գոնէ առիթ մը տուած կ'ըլլանք որ եկեղեցին մեզի գայ: Թող մեր զաւակները, որոնք ընդհանրապէս Քրիստոնէական դաստիարակութենէ հեռու են, լսեն Աստուծոյ խօսքը եւ առիթ ունենան մօտէն ծանօթանալու Հայ Եկեղեցւոյ: Թող օրհնուին մեր բնակարանները որպէսզի հեռու մնան փորձանքներէ եւ վտանգներէ: Թող օրհնուի մեր տան Հացը, որպէսզի երբ ճաշակենք անկէ յիշենք Քրիստոսը՝ Կեանքի Հացը: Թող օրհնուի մեր տան աղը, որպէսզի յիշենք թէ մենք ենք աշխարհին աղը (Մտ 5.13): Թող օրհնուի մեր տան ջուրը որպէսզի յիշենք թէ Ջուրէն եւ Ս. Հոգիէն վերստին ծնած ենք Մկրտութեան Ս. Աւազանէն:

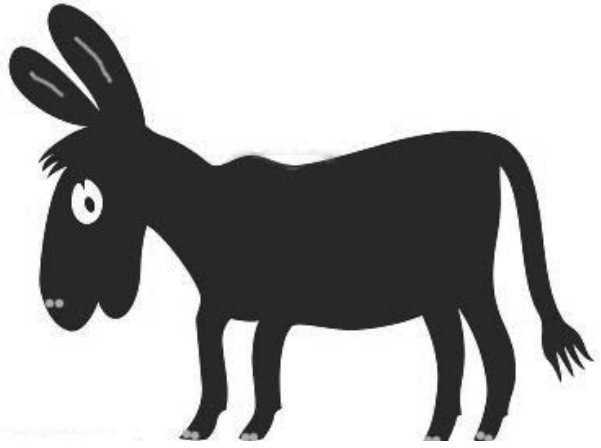
«Ուստի, եղբայրներ, հաստատուն մնացէք եւ ամուր պահեցէք աւանդութիւնները որ սորվեցաք մեզմէ» կը թելադրէ Ս. Պօղոս Առաքեալ (Բ. Թս 2.15), որովհետեւ այդպիսով է որ մեր ուղղափառ Հաւատքը կը պահպանուի եւ կը փոխանցուի յաջորդ սերունդներուն: Եւ եթէ մեր նախնիքները հարիւրաւոր տարիներ յարգած են այս աւանդութիւնները մենք ալ մեր կարգին օղակ մը աւելցնենք այդ ոսկիայ շղթային եւ գայն յանձնենք մեր յաջորդներուն՝ Աստուծոյ փառքին եւ Հայ Եկեղեցւոյ պայծառութեան համար:

Christmas invokes powerful memories of joyous celebrations, dinners with family, visits from friends and warm church services. In the past, pastors in the Armenian Church also used to visit the homes of their parishioners to light a candle and burn incense, sing the hymn of Nativity and read the Gospel narrative as part of a House Blessing. The Good News of Christmas and a House Blessing would come to us through the words of the prayers, hymns and the Gospel, and the aroma of the incense filling the air. What a transforming moment for our homes to become what they are called to be: a mini church, a miniature of the Kingdom of God! Along with the spiritual effects of the service, it also allowed the pastor and the parish to meet one another and establish a bond of friendship.

Let us revive this centuries-old tradition. Let the church come to us. Let our children know about the riches of our Armenian Church. Let our residences be blessed so that all kinds of dangers might be kept away from us. Let the bread of our table be blessed, so that when we partake from it we remember Christ, the bread of life. Let the salt of our house be blessed so that we remember that we are called to be the salt of the world (Mt. 5.13). Let the water in our house be blessed so that we remember that we have been born from above through the Water and Holy Spirit in the baptismal font. The Christmas and Easter House Blessing is not just a memory from the past but a lively service today, contact the pastor to receive a House Blessing service.

“So then, brothers, stand firm and hold to the traditions that you were taught by us” teaches St. Paul (2 Thessalonians 2.15), because that is the way to preserve our Christian faith and hand it over to the coming generations. Just like our ancestors who for centuries have been faithful to their traditions, let us also add a link to the golden chain and hand it over to our children, for the glory of God and the welfare of the Armenian Church.

Balaam And His Donkey



One of the central religious themes of our Christian thinking is about the will of God. We constantly pray “thy will be done” yet we make choices contrary to the obvious will of God. We must put all in the hands of God. We find God’s timing and His plan for our lives by reading and studying His word and by setting a special time aside to be in his presence minus the world around us. We need to wait for God’s timing and not try to make things work to our convenience or in our timing. God’s will will be done either through us or through someone else. The story of Balaam and his donkey tells us how!

The main story of Balaam takes place in the Book of Numbers (chapter 22) during the Israelites stay in the plains of Moab along the Jordan river, across from Jericho towards the close of forty years of wandering shortly before the death of Moses and the crossing of the Jordan. The Israelites already defeated two kings on this side of the Jordan: Sihon, king of the Amorites, and Og, king of Bashan. Balak, king of Moab, consequently became alarmed and sent elders of Moab and Midian, to Balaam, son of Beor, to induce him to come and curse Israel. Balaam sent back word that he could only do what God commanded. God came to Balaam at night and told him not to curse the people of Israel “because they are blessed” (Numbers 22:12). Balak then sent higher ranking princes and offers of honor to Balaam to persuade him. At God’s instruction, Balaam went with Balak but only to do what God commanded. Balaam rose in the morning, saddled his donkey and traveled with the princes of Moab along with his two servants.

Seeing Balaam traveling with the princes of Moab, God was very angry and the Angel of the Lord stood on the road with a sword in his hand to oppose Balaam. At first, only the donkey sees the Angel. The donkey tries to avoid the otherwise invisible Angel. First the donkey turns off the road into a field but Balaam beats her to return to the road. Then the donkey presses close to wall on the side of the road crushing

Balaam’s foot against it, so Balaam beats her again. The third time, the donkey lies down and Balaam beats her with his staff. The Lord then opens the donkey’s mouth and she complains about Balaam’s treatment. Balaam answers the donkey, “You have made a fool of me! If I had a sword in my hand, I would kill you right now.” The donkey says to Balaam, “am I not your own donkey which you have always ridden to this day? Have I been in the habit of doing this to you?” “No,” Balaam replies. Then the Lord opens Balaam’s eyes and he sees the Angel of the Lord standing in the road with his sword drawn. So he bows low and falls facedown. The Angel of the Lord asks him, “Why have you beaten your donkey these three times? I have come here to oppose you because your path is a reckless one before me. The donkey saw me and turned away from me these three times. If she had not turned away, I would certainly have killed you by now but I would have spared her.” Balaam says to the Angel of the Lord, “I have sinned. I did not realize you were standing in the road to oppose me. If you are displeased, I will go back.” But the Angel of the Lord says to Balaam, “Go with the men but speak only what I tell you.” So Balaam goes with the princes of Balak. Instead of putting a curse on Israelites he blesses them through his oracles.

Unfortunately The Bible does not provide much information about Balaam. We know he is the son of Beor, his home is in Pethor near the River which almost always means the Euphrates. We know that he was a non-Israelite seer who intercedes with God to discern whether or not to curse Israel. We know he consequently rejects Balak’s request to curse Israel. But the most interesting information about Balaam is his knowledge of God. He refers to God with the personal name Yahweh (v.8), a name revealed to Moses yet Balaam does not know anything about Israel. The biblical writers present him as a diviner who has come to possess knowledge about God through independent revelations.

Speaking beasts or animals usually belong to the realm of folklore. The Bible tells of two animals endowed with the capacity to express themselves articulately: the serpent in Genesis and Balaam's donkey! Both animals speak in a surprisingly natural manner without any introductory comments to explain their verbal ability and the human counterparts accept their ability unquestioningly. The cults of the Near East regarded serpents as objects of religious fascination. However the people of biblical times considered donkeys to be beasts of burden and transportation. Balaam's story elevates the donkey from a senseless beast to a model of obedience.

We may never know why God was so angry when He sent the Angel to oppose Balaam even after God initially allowed Balaam to go to Balak. Some biblical scholars believe the story was a later addition to mock Balaam. We clearly see that Balaam on his journey is not the same Balaam we saw before the journey. Not only does Balaam fail to see the Angel of God but he is unable to know why his donkey is acting weird. Balaam's gift as a seer is apparently disrupted. He tries to apply the old trick of beating his poor animal but it does not work. The donkey must talk before the diviner realizes what he was failing to see. How embarrassing for someone so special, so gifted, so blessed with the means to communicate with the Lord God while others were not.

I am fascinated by the character of the donkey in this story. Not only is she a talking beast but she is a gentle soul. When Balaam threatens to kill her if only he had a sword, she does not argue nor does she remind him that if not for her the Angel would have killed him. She does not insult her master who fails to see the Angel but instead she rhetorically asks: "Am I not your own donkey, which you have always ridden, to this day? Have I been in the habit of doing this to you?" After a moment of silence, Balaam opens his eyes and sees the Angel of the Lord standing in the road with his sword drawn, then falls facedown. The Angel of the Lord explains about the donkey's behavior and about his presence when he says: "I have come here to oppose you because your

path is a reckless one before me". The answer that Balaam provides explains that his eyes have indeed been open when he says "I have sinned..."

Balaam's story tells us that when we step out of God's will, He often puts roadblocks in the way to get our attention. Sometimes God will even "stand in the road to oppose us" if he doesn't like the way we're going. God loves us and tries to get us to turn around if we're going the wrong way. He doesn't just abandon us. He keeps trying to get our attention before we hurt ourselves. We also learn that when God puts a roadblock in our path, we shouldn't beat someone else for it! When we strike out at innocent people, it is often a sign that something is wrong with us. When God "opens our eyes" and we see how far off course we are, we are faced with a crucial decision: turn back to God or defy Him and go farther down the road to destruction. Balaam "bowed low and fell facedown." Balaam learned an embarrassing lesson at the hands of his donkey.

In this story, Balaam seems like a confident man who knows what to do even how to communicate directly with God. This story reminds us that no matter how advanced we may become in our spiritual life we should be humble because we may have things to learn from people or even animals that may seem much weaker than us.

We can learn from Balaam not to take anything for granted because all our gifts are given to us by God and if we fail to use our gifts in the right way, they may be taken away. Balaam was a renowned seer of his time but it turned out that a donkey could have the same gift if God wished it so. Therefore when we think that we are really good in what we do, that we think we are almost irreplaceable, let us remember the charming donkey of this story so that we can gain back perspective.

Let us ask the Lord to open our spiritual eyes to be able to see which path to take in our journey, to observe and obey His will, to open our minds and ears, to listen to His messages even if those messages come from someone we consider far lesser than ourselves, and to make us agents of blessing in our lives. Amen.

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Simply Christmas 2011

On Sunday, December 11, 2011 immediately following church services, St. Sarkis Church hosted its third annual Simply Christmas concert “An Acoustic Christmas Concert with Hooshere”. Hooshere dazzled all with her unique contemporary interpretations of the classics and Christmas carols. Following the concert a luncheon honored all auxiliary body members of St. Sarkis Church. This event was made possible through the generous donations of our community members: Mrs. Nayda Voskerijian, Mr. & Mrs. Veh & Arpi Bezdikian, Mr. & Mrs. Carl & Alice Alajajian, Mr. & Mrs. Norik & Lulu Tatevossian, Mr. & Mrs. James & Lori Asquith, Mr. & Mrs. Alfonso & Diana Cava, Ms. Tamar Harutunian, Esq., Mr. & Mrs. John & Salpi Megerian, Mr. & Mrs. Armen & Janet Tutuyan, and Ms. Lori Varjabedian.

Simply Christmas was simply beautiful...



Lunch with the NYPD and FDNY

On December 14, 2011, His Eminence Archbishop Oshagan presided over the annual Thanksgiving and Christmas luncheon at St. Sarkis Church, Douglaston, New York, in honor of our local New York City Fire Department and Police Department (111th Precinct) with

His Grace Bishop Anoushavan, the Vicar General of the Eastern Prelacy in attendance. We are always grateful to our community policemen and firefighters for keeping our families, friends and loved ones safe. The luncheon meal was graciously donated this year again by Mrs. Mary Arslanian in memory of her parents.



Anonymous Donation

In the Gospel of St. Matthew Jesus says: "Be careful not to practice your righteousness in front of others to be seen by them. If you do, you will have no reward from your Father in heaven." The teachings of our Lord Jesus Christ concerning almsgiving resonates in the hearts of believers throughout the centuries. Many good Christians choose to "practice their righteousness" without the commotions.

St. Sarkis Church became the recipient of yet another act of righteousness after receiving a check for \$30,000 from an anonymous donor during Thanksgiving week 2011. The donation was made toward the repair of the main door of the church. The donor promised to give an additional amount as soon as the project begins.

We respect the wish of the donor to remain anonymous. We thank the anonymous donor wholeheartedly for the great gift that they have chosen to give to their church in such a manner coherent to the teachings of the Lord: "do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing".

Construction Update

In fall 2011, the Board of Trustees led a project to add a new classroom to the existing structure of the Suzanne and Hovsep Hagopian Saturday School, a new kitchenette and a handicap accessible bathroom on the level of Pagoumian Hall in St. Sarkis Church. Mr. Hovsep Minassian provided general contracting services for the effort and Mr. Alain Artinian of ART-TECH designed and built the new cabinets of the kitchen with approvals from the Board.



A Special Requiem Service

On Sunday, November 6, 2011 the Church held a special requiem service for the souls of deceased members of St. Sarkis Church Senior Citizen's Group and especially for the soul of the late Rita Manukian, on the 40th day of her passing. Following the services, the Senior Citizens' Group, The Ladies Guild and the Bible Study Group of St. Sarkis Church along with family members of Rita Manukian hosted a memorial luncheon.

We remembered and prayed for the souls of:

Archpriest Rev. Fr. Asoghig Kelejian
 Vartouhi Anastasian
 Peruz Antreassian
 Azadouhi Avakian
 Lousaper Azizian
 Alice Balian
 Vram Barsamian
 Lucia Bezdjian
 Nouritza Boudakian
 Siran Chelebi
 Kevork Daglyan
 Hripsimeh Dakessian
 Hermine Dzerounian
 Dickranouhi Givelekian
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 Khosrof Khatchadourian
 Rita Manukian
 Isguhi Masiakian
 Shamiram Minassian
 Victoria Mirzayans
 Nora Petrossian
 Samuel Sheshedian



News from the Saturday School

Fall Festival

Fall Festival has become a tradition. Hosted by the PTA of Suzanne and Hovsep Hagopian Saturday School, this year's event took place on Saturday, October 29, 2011 at St. Sarkis Church with great success. More than 45 children in attendance dressed up in their favorite costumes – from princesses and super heroes to fairies and Transformers. The church hall was abuzz.

The PTA prepared several activity tables to entertain everyone with pumpkin painting, cupcake decorating, Lego block building and foam sticker sticking. Guests went from table to table participating in each activity. For lunch, the PTA served pizza, drinks and cookies for dessert. A Pumpkin Piñata at the end of the day was a special surprise for the costumed guests. This wonderful event allowed children of all ages to enjoy an afternoon together with friends and family.



Benefactors' Day

Remembering Suzanne & Hovsep Hagopian

by Dr. Louiza Kubikian

St. Sarkis Church celebrated Benefactors' Day on Sunday, October 23, 2011. On this day we prayed for the souls of all those who helped build this spiritual house -- a beacon of light for the community. We especially remembered Suzanne and Hovsep Hagopian.

Suzanne and Hovsep Hagopian were a unique couple of exceptional character and vision. Devoted church supporters, their generosity touched many lives and organizations as dedicated servants of the Great House of Cilicia and its Seminary, the Prelacy, the Saint Sarkis Church and School. Hovsep and Suzanne had no children of their own but they enjoyed the company of young people and made special efforts to encourage young Armenian-Americans in their educational goals.

Mrs. Hagopian was a National Benefactor with many Armenian institutions benefiting from her generous heart, yet the center of her motherly love was the Saint Sarkis Church. Present at its inception, Mrs. Hagopian carefully helped nurture the Church through its infancy and helped the Church through its greatest crises so that it could mature into the St. Sarkis we know today. She challenged us not to dwell on past difficulties but to think positively about the future. She generously contributed toward the construction of the "Suzanne and Hovsep Hagopian" Saturday Language School at the newly consecrated St. Sarkis Church and

there was never an opportunity that she overlooked to volunteer her time, counsel or financial support in our various Church activities.

In recognition of her outstanding service to the Armenian Church, Mrs. Hagopian was made a Princess of Cilicia by His Holiness Karekin II in 1987. The Prelacy honored her as Woman of the Year in 1985, and the Hamazkain Armenian Educational and Cultural Association honored her in 1991.

Mrs. Suzanne Hagopian's donations through the years showed her deep commitment to the welfare and financial survival of St. Sarkis but it was her final and eternal gift that more symbolically showed her motherly love of the Church. Upon her death, she bequeathed part of her estate to the Church and School thus securing its perpetual, spiritual and financial welfare. Her loving memory has left an imprint in our hearts.



St. Sarkis Church's second annual Senior Citizens pilgrimage took place on Tuesday, October 25, 2011. Headed by the Vicar General, His Grace Bishop Anoushavan Tanielian, 43 participants traveled to Philadelphia to visit the National Shrine of Saint John Neumann. The shrine is located in the lower church of St. Peter the Apostle Church, built in 1843. St. John Neumann was the fourth Bishop of Philadelphia and the first American male to be canonized. He was canonized by Pope Paul VI in 1977.

The second stop on the trip was to St. Gregory the Illuminator Church in Philadelphia where the pastor, Archpriest Fr. Nerses Manoogian welcomed the group. A delicious meal, compliments of Mrs. Asdghig Kazanjian, was served and a fellowship hour with Armenian songs, poetry and humor followed the lunch. As a token of gratitude and appreciation, the pastor of St. Sarkis Church presented the new volume of Hawk Khatcherian's 'Yerkir 2' to Mrs. Kazanjian. The trip was concluded with a prayer service at St. Gregory the Illuminator Church.

We thank Mrs. Sitta Oranjian and Mrs. Zepiur Ardzivian for organizing this outing.



Our Trip to Philadelphia...



Equality for Armenians and Other Christians in the Middle East

As a means of celebrating cultural month, St. Sarkis Church hosted a lecture on Sunday, October 16, 2011 on Equality for Armenians and other Christians in the Middle East: Yesterday and Today by Mark L. Movsesian, Professor Of Law and Director of the Center for Law and Religion at St. John's University. Professor Movsesian demonstrated that in the Ottoman Empire equality was not a reality for Armenians and Christians, and worse, the "equality" that was granted to Christians led to anti-Christian massacres of the 19th and the 20th centuries. He also reflected



upon the current events of various countries in the Middle East and concluded his presentation with a quote by Egyptian journalist Shahira Amin. A lively question and answer session followed the presentation demonstrating the amount of interest and concern felt by the audience on Mr. Movsesian's topic of lecture.



9/11 Remembered

On September 11, 2011, special prayers were offered for the souls of the victims of the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001. The pastor gave a homily on the meaning of the cross. He said "each has a cross to carry in their lives; let us offer our cross, our sufferings as a sacrifice to God Almighty... 9/11 is an unbearable cross that was put on our shoulders and today we are here to pray for all those who lost their lives, for those who lost their loved ones on that tragic day". He quoted from the prayers of the Armenian Church "Lighten O Lord, the sweet yoke that you have given us, so that we might be able to live according to your commands. Lord infuse in us Faith, Hope and Love and all deeds of virtue" because it is only through God's help that we can overcome all the struggles of life. The pastor asked the congregation to offer prayers specifically for the soul of victim Garo Voskerijian and for the comfort of his family members.

Choir and Deacon's Annual Picnic

On Sunday, September 18, 2011, our choir master and his family, Mr. and Mrs. Armen & Zepiur Ardzivian, hosted the second annual picnic to honor the services of the deacons and choir members of St. Sarkis Church. An abundance of food, conversation and laughter greeted the adults while the children kept busy playing and eating together. Everyone enjoyed themselves. We all truly appreciate the Ardzivian's initiative in acknowledging this important group.





Saint Sarkis Church's Annual Picnic 2011

After a postponement due to Hurricane Irene from its original date and more doom & gloom in the weather reports for the rescheduled date, the Saint Sarkis Annual Picnic was held Sunday, September 25, 2010 and it turned out to be a very pleasant day indeed. A joyous crowd enjoyed mouth watering lamb, luleh and chicken kebab, homemade delicious dessert delicacies and the music of DJ Erevani Entertainment.

The younger crowd kept busy and happy in the Kid-Zone – with the Super Bouncy Castle, Sand Art, Face Painting, Balloon Animals, Cupcake Decorating, Fruit Loop Necklaces, Popcorn, Cotton Candy, Foam Craft and Tattoos organized and supervised by the PTA of the Suzanne and Hovsep Hagopian Saturday School. Everyone enjoyed a wonderful, relaxing picnic.

-- by Edward Barsamian



Asdvadzadzin – Feast of the Assumption of Saint Mary

On August 14, 2011, Saint Sarkis Church celebrated Asdvadzadzin, the Feast of the Assumption of Saint Mary, Holy Mother of God. Asdvadzadzin is one of the major feasts in the Armenian Church calendar. The morning service started at 10:00am, the Divine Liturgy at 10:45am, and the Blessing of the Grapes and Madagh following the services. His Grace, Bishop Anoushavan Tanielian, Vicar General delivered the sermon and presided over the services. What makes this holiday special at Saint Sarkis is the madagh (herisa), and the tan, lovingly prepared by Yn. Annie Terterian, Karnig and Ani Nercessian, and Dory Shishmanian. Mrs. Katherine Shakarian graciously donated the grapes for the service and the ladies guild prepared sandwiches for the celebration following church services.

Mommy & Me

The Mommy & Me program of St. Sarkis Church Saturday School started up again in Fall 2011. Nine toddlers along with their parents were present for the session and had the opportunity to spend quality time together and have a lot of fun.



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The 6th Annual Summer Camp program of St. Sarkis Church concluded on July 22, 2011 with a talent show presented by the campers with parents and parishioners in the audience. Sixty-three campers attended the two week camp filled with education, friendship and fun: Arts and Crafts, Armenian Dance, Sports, and Religious Education classes. Campers liked excursions to Sheridan Lanes in Mineola for bowling and the Bay Terrace Movie Theatre to see “The Zoo Keeper.” Der Nareg steered a group discussion with the senior participants in the program who shared prayers they wrote with one another.



Our staff executed the program perfectly including full-time support from: Mrs. Seta Megherian, Mrs. Zepiur Ardzivian, Mrs. Vicky Hagobian, Ms. Malvina Shishmanian, Mrs. Yvette Fiesel, and Ms. Talin Baghdasarian; part-time support from: Mrs. Lena Oranjian, Mrs. Sonia Nenejian and Mr. Shant Simonian; resident cook: Mrs. Loucine Megherian; and the counselors in training (CIT): Mr. Levon Zohrabian, Ms. Nevair Oranjian and Mr. George Minassian; as well as many other volunteers.

St. Sarkis Church thanks Mr. and Mrs. Antranig and Marion Boudakian for their continuous support of the summer camp program.





St. Gregory of Datev's 25th Annual Summer Program

Fifty-six students, fifteen instructors and staff members gathered at the St. Mary of Providence Center in Elverson, Pennsylvania, for the 25th Annual St. Gregory of Datev Institute Summer Program, from Sunday, July 3 to Sunday, July 10, 2011, under the auspices of His Eminence Archbishop Oshagan, the Prelate of the Eastern Prelacy of the Armenian Apostolic Church, and the directorship of His Grace Bishop Anoushavan, the Vicar General of the Eastern Prelacy.



Sponsored by the Armenian Religious Education Council (AREC) of the Prelacy, the Institute provides an intensive weeklong program of Christian formation through Bible studies and discussions, prayer and worship services, communal activities and fellowship. Each day, the program began with Morning Service. In the afternoon, the students participated in recreational activities, such as volleyball, soccer, dodge ball, swimming, board games, and music. In the evening, panel discussions and general lectures were held, followed by three concurrent Bible studies for different age groups. Each day came to a close with the Compline Service (Husgoom).

The Institute is a four-year program, consisting of one week each summer. Students who complete the program have the option to return for postgraduate classes.

On Saturday, July 9, 2011, a gala banquet was held at St. Gregory the Illuminator Armenian Church in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, to celebrate the 25th Anniversary of the Datev Institute, with the participation of past and present *Datevatsis*, along with friends and supporters of the Institute, under the auspices of His Eminence Archbishop Oshagan.

The Datev Program came to a close with the celebration of the Divine Liturgy (Soorp Badarak) at St. Gregory the Illuminator Church in Philadelphia on Sunday, July 10, followed by a luncheon graciously hosted by the Artemis Chapter of the Armenian Relief Society (ARS). The celebrant was Bishop Anoushavan.

Ten students from St. Sarkis Church attended Datev institute this year: Anais Bayrakdarian, Armen Bijimian, Sevag Ebrimian, Daniel Megerian, Christapor Megherian, James Mengouchian, Alexander Minassian, George Minassian, Anni Oranjian and Nevair Oranjian.

Վարժարանիս Տնօրէնուհի Տիկ. Նայիրի Զօհրապեանի խօսքը Շաբաթօրեայ Վարժարանի Ամառընջի Հանդէսին

Մանուկը եւ պատանին իրենց հիմնական եւ հոգեկան սնունդը կը ստանան նախ ընտանիքէն եւ ապա յաճախած վարժարանէն: Հայ մանուկը իր աչքերը աշխարհին կը բանայ հայ ընտանիքէն ներս ուր ֆիզիքական աճման կ'ընկերանայ նաեւ իր հոգե-բարոյական եւ ազգային աճումը: Ծնողքը մանուկին հոգեկերտումի ու հայակերտումի առաջին ու մնայուն դաստիարակն է: Գիտակից հայուն հիմքը հայ ընտանիքին մէջ կը դրուի, արմատները հայ ընտանիքին մէջ կը նետուին, հետեւաբար որքան ճակատագրական է դերը ընտանիքին մանուկի կրթութեան մէջ:

Հայ դպրոցին կոչումը սոսկ ծանօթութիւն փոխանցել չէ, գիտութիւն ջամբելու կողքին հայ մանուկին հոգեւոր եւ բարոյական կրթութիւնն է. հո'ս է հայ դպրոցին գոյութեան պատճառը եւ անոր նպատակը: Հայ ուսուցիչը, հայ մանուկին երկրորդ ծնողքն է, անոր առաջնահերթ պարտականութիւնը հայ մանուկին դաստիարակութիւնն է: Մեր ժողովուրդին համար հայ դպրոցը է՝ եւ կը մնայ ընտանիքի ու եկեղեցւոյ կողքին վաղուան հայ մարդը քրիստոնէական ու հայեցի դաստիարակութեամբ շարժախելու կոչուած սրբազան առաքելութեան վայրը:

Այս առթիւ կը շնորհակարտեմ մեր գիտակից ծնողները որոնք ճանչնալով անհրաժեշտութիւնը հայ դպրոցին եւ հակառակ իրենց բազմազբաղ ժամանակացոյցին, արձանագրած են իրենց գաւակները հայ դպրոց: Քաջառողջութիւն եւ յաջողութիւն կը մաղթեմ 2010-2011 տարեշրջանի շրջանաւարտներուն՝ իզպայէլ Յակոբեանին, Շանթ Մկրեանին եւ Բէթրիք Քրէստէճեանի:

Dear Graduates, Isabel, Shant and Patrick,

I congratulate you on your success graduating from Armenian Saturday School. I'm sure you will continue your higher studies to obtain different degrees and diplomas. Remember "Knowledge is Power" and Power is Capability.

I feel very proud to have had you as my students in history class. Your enthusiasm and your "hunger" of learning has been remarkable. Try to transmit your knowledge of your heritage to individuals unfamiliar with Armenia, her language and her history.

I wish you a great success in the future. You have brought pride to your parents, to me, to your school and to all Armenians. Keep up the good work.

Best wishes to all,
Mary Arslanian



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*Worship, Education and Tradition:
the Lenten Lectures of 2011*

2011 marked a renewal for St. Sarkis Church's Lenten Vesper services. Every Friday evening during Lent the church invited parishioners to not only pray the Great Vespers of the Armenian Church but participate in a "Worship, Education & Tradition" event. These events allowed the congregation to learn more about the tenets of our faith while savoring traditional Lenten homemade foods. The Worship, Education & Tradition event continues for Lent 2012.

Friday March 11, 2011

The Service of Washing of the Feet,
a lecture by Fr. Nareg Terterian, Pastor
Fellowship hour by the Ladies Guild



Friday March 18, 2011

Over the Waterfall, a lecture On Suffering
by Prof. Marilyn Martone, Ph.D.

St. John's University

Fellowship hour by the Young Adults Group



Friday March 25, 2011

a lecture by His Grace Anoushavan Tanielian, Ph.D.
Vicar General

Fellowship hour by the Choir



Friday April 1, 2011

A Conversation with the Prelate, His Eminence
Archbishop Oshagan, Prelate

Fellowship hour by the Saturday School PTA



Friday April 8, 2011

A Meditation on

"The Year of the Armenian Child"

by Fr. Mesrob Lakissian, Pastor of

St. Illuminator's Armenian Cathedral

Fellowship hour by the Yeraz Dance Ensemble



Friday April 15, 2011

"For Christ our Passover Lamb,
has been sacrificed (1 Corinthians 5:7),
a reflection on the death of Christ"

by Deacon Shant Kazanjian,

Director of the Armenian Religious Education

Council of the Armenian Prelacy

Fellowship hour by the Senior Citizens Group

Unforgettable Day

-- by Nevair Oranjian

“Mother is just a simple word; yet it’s especially dear... ; and it seems to mean much; more with each passing year...;”

Each word of Love and Affection; describes you mother...; It’s a word that’s filled with love, a word that reflects everything that’s; wonderful -

Wonderful just like you.”
-- Anonymous

For the first time ever, on May 4, 2011 the Senior Citizens of St. Sarkis Church hosted a Mother’s Day luncheon. What a remarkable day.

The committee group exquisitely decorated Chadrijian Hall, in shades of purple, from table cloths to centerpieces, flower arrangements to linens. Mrs. Sitta Oranjian led the effort and she showed love and affection to all. When guests arrived, their eyes took in the feast before them: scrumptious boureg, yalanchi, mahamara, hummus, olives and fatoush. While Mr. JAQ Hagopian and his band played live Armenian music in the background, sireli mayrigs and guests took their seats. You could see their faces light up. “How can one not make these soft hearts happy or cherish them? It’s impossible for me not to” said Mrs. Sitta Oranjian.

Fr. Nareg Terterian started the program with welcoming remarks. Our distinguished guest of the event, His Grace Bishop Anoushavan Tanielian who started the Se-



nior Citizens’ Group of our church, helped bless the table. Then our guests dined on my mom’s heavenly and secret recipe for chicken kebab, Medz Mama Takouhi’s bulgur pilaf, and baked ziti by Mrs. Ardzivian. The program continued with two of our Senior Citizen members Digin Noemi Megerian and Digin Kenarik Gregorian reciting Mother’s Day poems, followed by the senior group recitation under the direction of Mrs. Zepiur Ardzivian. The young at heart then danced to the music. And finally Srpazan Anoushavan concluded the program by thanking the guests for their support and faith in supporting the Senior Citizens’ Group. He blessed the seniors with good health and congratulated the committee members on a successful event.

The Senior Citizens staff cut the beautiful cake: Mrs. Takouhi Orangian, Mrs. Natalie Hamangian, Mrs. Rita Manukian, Mrs. Sitta Oranjian, and Mrs. Zepiur Ardzivian. Committee members included Mrs. Sitta Oranjian, chairperson, Yn. Annie Terterian, Mrs. Zepiur Ardzivian, and Mrs. Haigouhi Yepremian. Generous donations from: Mrs. Mary Arslanian, Dr. Armand & Laura Assadourian, Mr. Haig & Mrs. Emma Baklajian, Mrs. Agavni Bodriguian, Mr. & Mrs. Antranik and Marion Boudakian, Mrs. Diana Boyadjian, Dr. Aram Cazazian, Mr. & Mrs. Kegam & Anush Dirilyan, Mrs. Zabel Boudakian Hatem, Mrs. Lillian Hairabedian, Ms. Alice Kerstedjian, Mrs. Eliza Ohanessian, Yn. Annie Terterian, Mrs. Haigouhi Yepremian, Mrs. Zepiur Ardzivian and Mrs. Nayda Voskerijian made this event possible.

*Palm Sunday
and
Easter 2011*



Picnic For Senior Citizen's Group

On June 15, 2011 the Senior Citizen's Group of the St. Sarkis Church concluded the year with their first ever-outdoor picnic. The seniors were impatient yet cheerful upon their arrival for the day to start.

The staff arranged tables under gazebos for the seniors. They started their picnic with traditional Armenian music courtesy of Erevani Entertainment. While the staff prepared barbequed hamburgers, french fries, and pasta salad the seniors started dancing, singing, and cheering. At the end of the day, the staff presented a surprise cake to all the fathers in attendance in honor of

Father's Day. While the cake was being cut, our seniors received a framed poster of the "Hayr Mer" from Lebanon as an appreciation gift.

It touched my heart to see all the delightful looks on all the mayrigs and hayrigs faces. I encourage everyone to bring his or her sireli mayrig, hayrig to these annual gatherings, so they can be a part of this cheerful atmosphere. I would like to thank Der Nareg for his endless support; the staff and people who helped during the event: Takouhi, Natalie, Zepiur, Haigouhi, Nevair and Nayri. And not to forget DJs Shant S. and Shant D.

--by Sitta Oranjian



St. Sarkis Basketball 2011

The St. Sarkis basketball program field two teams this year: the senior boys and men's teams. The Senior Boys team, led by veteran players Antranig Avakian and Albert Avedisian, were joined this year by two talented additions: Eric Iskenderian and Shant Panoyan. These players joined the core team of Vahe Athakanian, Aren Kabaranian and Albert Avedisian who grew stronger and more confident with each game. Andrew Iskenderian, Edward Barsamian and Vartan Ovanesian coached the team this season. The Men's team, managed by Garin Meguerditchian ("The Chief"), is led by two veteran players: Daniel Hovsepien and Hagop Paronyan.

Recruits are always welcome. The new season starts at the end of October and consists of four or five games in the Fall and a similar number in the Spring. We are looking for junior boys: ages 10-14, senior boys: ages 15-18, men: ages 19 and over, and girls: ages 11 to 18. For more information or to inquire about joining the program, contact Mr. Barsamian at 212-689-6273.

Those interested in the Armenian Churches Sports Association schedule, scores and standings, may check the Web site at www.acsasports.org.

-- by Edward Barsamian, Basketball Program Coordinator



If you are interested in joining St. Sarkis Basketball do not hesitate to contact Edward Barsamian at 212-689-6273. Fall season starts at the end of October





INTERNATIONAL CUISINE NIGHT AT ST. SARKIS CHURCH, MAY 2011



SAINT SARKIS NAME DAY CELEBRATION – A WONDERFUL HARBINGER OF SPRING

On Sunday, February 20, 2011 Saint Sarkis Church celebrated its patron saint day and commemorated the 10 year anniversary of the passing of its first pastor, Archbishop Asoghik Kelejian.

Saint Sarkis, described by historians as a great warrior and commander, was martyred with his son Mardirous and his loyal soldiers for his Christian faith. His Eminence Archbishop Oshagan Choloyan celebrated the Divine Liturgy, with participation of His Grace Archbishop Anoushavan Tanielian, Vicar General of the Armenian Prelacy and Fr. Nareg Terterian, pastor of Saint Sarkis. In his sermon, the Prelate congratulated the parish and the Board of Trustees and the Pastor for keeping Saint Sarkis bright and meaningful in community life. “On this special day I pray that God receives your prayers and grants you your good wishes.” said the Prelate, adding that normal nourishment of food and drink is not enough for a meaningful and fulfilling life but spiritual nourishment of faith and love completes one’s existence on earth. “Take these words with you return to your homes and thus may you, your families, and this church, grow strong, healthy and prosperous” concluded the Prelate.

The day’s activities continued with a luncheon in the Chadrijian Hall of the Church with almost 140 guests attending. The Master of Ceremonies for the day, Mr. Edward Barsamian, introduced an entertaining program, including an amalgam of short stories, some inspiring, some humorous, designed to bring cheer and uplift the spirit in anticipation of Spring.

Following the lunch sponsored by Dr. Raffi and Mrs. Nairy Zohrabian and prepared by Mrs. Loucine Megharian, the “Huyser” music ensemble of St. Illuminator’s Armenian Cathedral directed by Harout and Garine Barsoumian and featuring the voices of Ani Girgirian, Aline

Aydinian and Maria Barsoumian enchanted the audience with interludes of beloved Armenian songs, including “Lerner Hayreni, Giligia, Hye Mor Yerke” and a pulse raising “Yerakouine”.

Mr. Dan Halloran, the New York City Councilman representing the Douglaston area of Queens, congratulated Saint Sarkis Church for its contributions to the community and emphasized the importance of maintaining and showcasing our cultural traditions. The cultural program continued with Miss Merri Hakobyan, a featured dancer with the Yeraz Dance Ensemble of Saint Sarkis, gracefully dancing a solo performance of the classic Armenian dance “Shalako” and later reciting the moving “Yes Im Anoush Hayasdani” poem by Yeghishe Charents.

Dr. Aram Cazazian chairman of the Board of Trustees made his annual presentation of the state of the Church and enumerated ongoing and future programs and projects. He thanked all and asked for continuing support and participation before inviting Der Nareg to continue the day’s program.

Every Saint Sarkis Day, the Church recognizes parish members from various auxiliaries for notable contributions to church groups including: Senior Citizens, Day Camp, Mommy and Me, Basketball, Picnic, Choir and others. “Today we celebrate 49 years of Saint Sarkis history in Queens and with your help and continued support we look forward to next year’s 50th Anniversary” said Der Nareg in closing.

His Grace Bishop Anoushavan Tanielian, the former pastor of Saint Sarkis, followed with a testimonial for Der Asoghik on the 10th anniversary of his passing. “Saint Sarkis was his home, he will always be present with us. He was instrumental in making Saint Sarkis what it is





today, and he was well liked and respected by the parish, Prelacy, and his family. His memory will always hold a special place in our hearts” concluded the Vicar General.

In his benediction, the Prelate, Archbishop Oshagan Choloyan described the faith and single purpose of the founders of this church and passing that spirit to future generations. “What a wonderful program we enjoyed, reinforcing our culture through song, dance and recitation. May this Church bloom and be blessed so we may all be



here to celebrate the 50th Anniversary of the church next year” concluded the Prelate before everyone joined in the singing of Giligia. A commemorative booklet was created by Dr Louiza Kubikian with highlights and pictures from the life and times of Der Asoghik Kelejian, the first pastor of Saint Sarkis. Once again the traditional “Saint Sarkis Helva” was donated and brought from South Jersey by Mr. and Mrs. Ardashes & Yester Garabedian.



ARCHPRIEST ASOGHIK KELEJIAN

on the 10th Anniversary of his passing

Although 10 years have passed since Der Asoghik left us and Saint Sarkis Church, we still remember him as a devoted and faithful servant of the church, a priest whose strength and dedication helped him accomplish his mission, while his gentle and forgiving nature earned him the respect and admiration of all.

Born on August 3, 1916 in Istanbul, Turkey, to Harutiun and Pirijan Kilicciyan, Der Asoghik completed his Armenian education and was admitted to the Seminary in Jerusalem pursuing studies to become Vartabed. However, while in Jerusalem, Der Asoghik became ill and was forced to return to Istanbul. Subsequently, he was drafted into the Turkish Army and served for four years.

In 1946, he married Anjel Emirhanian and together, they formed a strong and loving relationship which lasted more than fifty five years. They were blessed with two wonderful daughters, Ani and Arpi. He studied Armenian musicology and was an expert in reading Armenian musical notes. Archpriest Asoghik Kelejian was ordained Priest in 1957 and became Parish priest of Sts. Vartanantz Church in Ferikoy, Istanbul. In 1959, Der Hayr was sent by the Great House of Cilicia to the United States and served at St. Illuminator's Cathedral. In 1962, Der Hayr became the pastor of the newly formed Saint Sarkis Church in Bayside, New York.

For 39 years, Archpriest Asoghik Kelejian served St. Sarkis Church with distinction, as pastor from 1962 to 1991, and Pastor Emeritus from 1991 to 2001. With untiring zeal and dedication, he nurtured and guided the parish through the difficult formative years, overseeing its birth, growth and maturity and at the time of greatest tragedy when St. Sarkis Church was left without a House of Worship, Der Asoghik made enormous efforts to keep the Congregation together.

Der Hayr met the challenges of life with unshaken faith, dignity and patience. He extended his parental love for his family to the larger family of Saint Sarkis Church becoming in many ways our own father. His cheerful smile always greeted us, and many were blessed by his kind words, actions and thoughts. Throughout his years of service as parish priest, Der Asoghik married many of us, baptized our children and then watched with pride as they matured into responsible adults.

During his last year of life, together with his life partner Yerezkin Anjel, Der Asoghik waged a valiant battle to overcome illness. His last thoughts were of his beloved family, how much he missed the company of the Senior Citizens and especially how much he missed worshiping on the altar.

The thoughts and prayers of the Pastor, Board of Trustees and Congregation of Saint Sarkis Church are with Yerezkin Anjel Kelejian, his daughters, Ani and Arpi, his sons-in-law Edward Bekian and Kevork Esayan and grandchildren, Ari, Adam, Varand and Nairi.

Der Hayr Asoghig, your loving gaze will always protect St. Sarkis Church. We dearly miss you. Thank you for enriching our lives with your presence. Your memory will always live in our hearts. May God bless your soul and may you rest in peace.

Yeraz Dance Ensemble Rocks the Armenian Heritage Cruise

By Maria Nercessian

It was 8:00AM on January 21, 2011, when 30 members of the Yeraz Dance Ensemble waited with their luggage to board a plane. Where were they going? To Miami to set sail and perform on the Costa Atlantica's Armenian Heritage Cruise!

The months leading up to January went by quickly. The Armenian Heritage Cruise invited the ensemble to perform nearly a year earlier and that year flew by. Long practices perfecting routines, detailed costume preparations, hard work, sweat and tears had finally come down to that moment when their feet hit the airplane.

Upon arrival in Miami, the weather was rainy and a little dreary, but nothing could bring down their spirits. Anticipation built as the bus shuttled the group to the pier. When the group arrived at

the pier they let out a huge cheer, there was the Costa Atlantica where they would spend the best week of their lives and where dreams would come true!

As they walked through the gates and tunnels to get to the ship, they cried, cheered, clapped, yelled, did everything they could to show their excitement and to say: Yeraz is here! Before any of them checked out their rooms, they stayed in the main lobby of the ship, with two of the boys playing clarinet and dhol and the rest dancing. Everyone on the ship stopped to wonder about this group of young kids bursting with energy. With one final cheer they ended their impromptu performance and went off to their rooms to get ready for the first night's dinner. That night they sang and danced along with one of the lounge bands on the

way to dinner. The musicians were playing such fun music, nothing could stop the Yeraz group from dancing with them and many passengers on the ship danced along with them!

Later that night, the Welcome Night for the Armenian Heritage Cruise, all of the Armenian passengers came to the main theater to hear the Armenian Heritage Committee speak, discuss different upcoming events for the week, and finally, introduce the Yeraz Dance Ensemble. The crowds lit up as they danced for a few minutes on

Yeraz went to the parties, they would make sure to give them a shout-out. These parties were some of the best times on the ship! Yeraz would come in all-together, and take over the dance floor, the party-goers would stop their own dancing to watch Yeraz, having a great time.

Yeraz' first performance came on a Sunday night, they were nervous the entire day but excited for the show. They told everyone they saw to attend their show and the response was always the same "we wouldn't be anywhere else!".



Excitement aside, the group was anxious and a little worried about the show; mainly because of the stage conditions...they would be dancing and moving while the ship was moving. In fact, that Sunday night was no exception, the ship was ROCKING back and forth. The Yeraz

the stage; they were very excited to see the performance.

After that first night, no matter where any member was on the boat, people would approach them and ask "Are you in the dance group?", "Are you Yeraz?", or simply put they would ask about when to see the performances. They were so proud to have a dance group on the ship. The group would hear: "Abrek Yerekhek", "Getseh mer hye yerdasartootyoonuh". It was great to see all of these people interested in watching them dance, and the group told them all, "We are dancing Sunday night and Wednesday night, be sure to watch our show"!

Every night after dinner another Armenian singer would host a party: Khoren Mouradian, Nersik Ispirian, and Khatchig Jingirian and the Aravod Band. They were all great and any time

Ensemble prayed together with Srpazan Anoushavan and after he gave the group words of encouragement and strength. They were ready to go! The first dance was Bert, where the boys lift the Bert on their shoulders. This is already a very difficult part of Armenian dance and when you add in an unsteady stage and a rocking ship, the results could have been disastrous. But the boys lifted the Bert and the crowd erupted in cheer. Some in the group shed a tear of relief that the boys pulled this off. After the lift of the Bert the group felt they could do anything! The show continued and the audience loved every minute of it. Dance after dance Yeraz danced as hard as they could, giving everything, and it showed. They danced their best and the audience loved every part of it! They ended the show with *Musa Ler* and a little surprise

for the dancers and the audience, Ner-sik Ispiryan came out to sing along as they danced. A treat for everyone! The group changed quickly and went to the Armenian party where everyone congratulated them! A continuous stream of Armenian passengers telling them how much they enjoyed the performance, and how much they look forward to the following one! Yeraz could not have been happier!

The days after the show were filled with fun and sun. Especially the stop in Tortola, in the British Virgin Islands. A beautiful island where the group made an excursion to a smaller more private beach...and another Bert lift on the sand!

The last performance was on Wednesday night. The nerves returned but they quickly went away with the first dance of Sahari. The audience was very interactive, very receptive and appreciative of the evident hard work put into the dancing. The audience cheered, clapped and did not stop. They were roaring for Yeraz right through until the final dance, Artashat. When the boys lifted yet another Bert, this time after dancing a full show, the audience erupted into applause and cheering. The show ended and the audience couldn't stop applauding the group. And the group could not stop cheering themselves -- tears, smiles, it was all a part of the final bow. Srpazan gave a few small words, introduced each dancer one by one, and the group took a final bow together. As that last curtain came down, the dancers screamed and cheered and clapped. They had just performed on the Armenian Heritage Cruise! The audience loved them and they wanted to see more! It was everything they could have hoped for and everything they ever dreamed it would be!

The Yeraz Dance Ensemble had an incredible time on the Armenian Heritage Cruise. It was a bonding time for each of them and a chance to become closer than ever as a group. All of the hard work and dedication over the past 11 years was evident. There was no feeling like it in the world; that sense of accomplishment and appreciation for everything that had been done for them, and for what they had done.



Yeraz Dance Ensemble Performs in DC

From The Armenian Weekly



After months of coordination and anticipation, the Washington ARS "Satenig" Chapter welcomed the Yeraz Dance Ensemble of St. Sarkis Church to Washington, D.C. They performed at the Northern Virginia Community College, Ernst Cultural Center, on October 24, 2011.

Over 400 people from the greater Washington community supported this exciting program. Among invited guests were Varuzhan Nersessian, the Deputy Chief of the Mission of the Embassy of the Republic of Armenia, and his wife; Robert Avetisyan, permanent representative of the Nagorno Karabagh Republic of the United States, and his wife; Rev. Fr. Sarkis Aktavoukian and Yeretsgin of Soorp Khatch Armenian Apostolic Church; Rev. Fr. Hovsep Karapetyan of St. Mary Armenian Apostolic Church; and Rev. Fr. Kalajian (retired) and Yeretsgin of St. Mary Armenian Apostolic Church.

The program opened with welcoming remarks by Maida Mehranian, chairwoman of the Washington "Satenig" Chapter. She spoke of the importance of preserving Armenian arts and culture and the dedication of Yeraz Dance Ensemble, under the direction of Karnig Nercessian and Lena Orangian, assistant director.

This energetic and enthusiastic group of dancers, whose ages range from 6 to 24, delighted the audience through their vibrant spirits and cultural pride. Not to be outdone were the colorful costumes and very heartening inspirational music. The Yeraz Dance Ensemble exuded perseverance and hard work.

The program closed with the group performing "Artashat Bar" and the audience quickly rose to give them a standing ovation.

It was truly a joyful performance.

3rd Annual Valentine's Party

by Talar Ardzivian

The Saint Sarkis Young Adults hosted its third annual Valentine's Party on Saturday, February 5th, 2011 at the St. Sarkis Chadrijian Hall. An energetic crowd, comprised of all ages, enjoyed an evening of dancing and socializing. From Chinese Auction to elegant centerpieces and mezzes, attendees reveled in the decorative Valentine's themed hall.

JAQ Hagopian, an established music figure within the Armenian community and lead in The Ararat Band, gave a lively and vibrant vocal performance. Mesho Awad's Dawul Zurna Show literally lit up the dance floor and invigorated all who surrounded him. Shant Simonian and Shant Dosttur of Erevani Entertainment DJ'ed the event playing a wide range of American music. Loucine Megherian catered the evening with a beautiful display of different mezzes. The bartenders kept the party going with a variety of drinks and homemade Red Sangria.

At the party, the Young Adults Committee introduced a new element to the Valentine's party: a Chinese Auction raffle of twelve donated prizes. At the end of the night, everyone had a fantastic time. Partiers enjoyed live entertainment, delicious food, refreshing drinks, reuniting with old acquaintances, meeting new people and some were even lucky enough to go home with a prize. The committee happily reported another sold out event! And a very special thank you was made to Der Nareg Terterian for helping with the coordination, arrangements, and planning of the party.



Simply Christmas 2010

Following the Divine Liturgy on December 12, 2010, the Church was aglow with the warmth of the Christmas season in a very different way. A talented string quartet presented Simply Christmas – a Christmas Recital. Merlin Virtuosi a string quartet by Sami Merdinian, (violin), Susie Park, (violin), John Pickford Richards, (viola) and Ani Kalayjian, (cello) presented a collection of classical and Armenian music pieces and Christmas carols. A special guest, opera performer and Julliard School graduate Solange Merdinian (mezzo soprano) accompanied the quartet.

The program started with selections from Fredrick Handel's Messiah, Selections from Part I Overture, "Behold, A Virgin Shall Conceive", "O Thou That Tellest Good Tidings To Zion", and "He Shall Feed His Flock".

A different vibe filled the sanctuary when the quartet played selections from the works of Komitas Vartaped's Folk Songs: Հոյ Նազան "Hoy Nazan", Բեկե-Բեկե "Kele-Kele", and Վաղարշապատի Պար "Vagharshabad Dance" while Solange simply amazed with a performance of Շոգեր Ճան "Shoger Jan".

The final part of the program enlisted the help of the audience to sing along to a selection of Christmas Carols from Armenian and international traditions. The set list included: Joy to The World, Hark! The Herald Angels Sing, Panis Angelicus, What Child

is This?, Խորհուրդ Մեծ "Khorhurt Medz", Ծննդեան Երգ "Dznuntian Ierk", Silent Night, Deck The Halls!, We Wish You A Merry Christmas, and Jingle Bells. At the end of the program the Vicar General of the Armenian Prelacy, His Grace Bishop Anoushavan Tanielian, gave his benediction and the congregation sang the The Lord's Prayer accompanied by



Merlin Virtuosi string quartet's tunes.

Following the program lunch was served by the Ladies Guild of St. Sarkis Church where the congregation met with the young talented artists and shared a meal with them. This concert was made possible through the generous donations of our sponsors: Dr. Armand & Mrs. Laura Asadourian, Mrs. Nayda Voskerijian, Dr. Joseph Gulbenkian, Mr. & Mrs. Samuel & Lilit Indzhigulyan, Anonymous, Mr. & Mrs. James & Lori Asquith, Mr. & Mrs. Veh & Arpine Bezdikian, Mr. & Mrs. Alfonso & Diana Cava, Mr. & Mrs. Garbis & Vicky Hagobian, Miss Tamar Harutunian, Esq., Mr. & Mrs. Leon & Aline Kassabian, Mr. Albert Kazangian, Dr. & Mrs. Noubar Kevorkian, Mr. & Mrs. Armen & Janet Tutuyan, Miss Lori Varjabedian, Mr. & Mrs. Sevan & Victoria Yekhpairian and Mr. Manuel Avakian. We also acknowledge the efforts of The Ladies Guild of St. Sarkis Church and the donations of Mr. & Mrs. Ghevont & Lydia Baghdassarian at Arcotype Graphics Inc.

GOMIDAS VARTABED - KOMITAS (1869- 1935)

One of the most renowned Armenian clergy and musician of modern times was Gomidas Vartabed, also known as Komitas. He was born Soghomon Soghomonian in Kutaha, Asia Minor in the year, 1869. His life had an interesting turn of events, when at the age of eleven, he was orphaned and sent to a Seminary in Etchmiadzin to study. Because of his singing prowess he decided to teach music at the Seminary after he completed his studies. In 1896, Soghomon was ordained a monk or "apegha" of the Armenian Church. A few years later he was ordained a "Vartabed" and as is the practice in the Armenian Church assumed his new name "Komitas"(or Gomidas). Komitas learned a great deal about music from the monks and continued to study music with the famous composer Karamourza which eventually led Komitas into both secular and religious music. Komitas continued to study music and in 1896, he was awarded a doctorate degree in musicology. He later returned to Etchmiadzin as a choir director and instructor of music at the seminary.

Komitas wrote over three thousand songs in Armenian, Arabic, Kurdish, and Persian and contributed significantly to the modern Armenian Badarak. He spent years traveling throughout the provinces and visiting many villages listening to native songs and dances and taking notes for further analysis. His work in arranging and collating the folk music he had collected over the years eventually became an excellent source of songs for choral music. Through this work Komitas made the public aware of the existence of true Armenian music. In addition to the folk music, Komitas arranged the entire music of the Divine Liturgy (Badarak) of the Armenian Church for male voices.

The internationally known priest was the first non-European to be a member of the International Music Society. In spring 1915, during the imprisonment of leaders of the Armenian Community, Komitas was taken into custody. Through the efforts of Henry Morgenthau, US Ambassador, and Turkish poet Mehmet Emin Yurdakul, who admired Komitas' work, Komitas was released.

After the 1915 massacres, he succumbed to mental and physical anguish and never fully recovered.

"Komitas Vartabed is considered one of the immortals of the Armenian Church".

Ladies Welcome Party

The Saint Sarkis Ladies and invitees had a great time at the home of Drs. Arthur & Louiza Kubikian on Sunday, November 14, 2010.

The Ladies' Guild sent "Let's get together" invitations to welcome new members, many joyfully responded, and 23 new members joined the Guild that afternoon. Our hosts served appetizers and light lunch along with good conversation, laughter and bonding in this Ladies

only "Welcome Party"...with one interloper, the Saint Sarkis Chairman of the Board, Dr. Cazazian, who somehow manages to be everywhere, all the time, when it comes to the church. Described as "an occasion to make new friends and renew old friendships" the Guild threw a very successful party that happy afternoon. If you could not attend and would like to know more about the good works and friendship of the Saint Sarkis Ladies Guild, please call Amy at 718-476-3050.



St. Sarkis 20th Anniversary Dinner Dance

October 16, 2010 marked the 20th Anniversary Dinner Dance celebration of our church in Douglaston, New York. The evening, dedicated to the ladies who served the church over the past 20 years, followed the proclamation by His Holiness Aram I, designating 2010 "The Year of the Woman". State Senator Padavan and Councilman Dan Halloran made congratulatory speeches and Der Nareg described Saint Sarkis at 20, as a "Source of Hopeful Energy" for the community. Mrs. Tatiana Kerestedjian prepared a delicious dinner starting with tasty appetizers. DJ Allen, an accomplished entertainer, had everyone dancing with his wonderful music medleys and Karnig Necessian, always in a "good mood" once again showed his dancing prowess with a special solo performance. The committee raffled off many valuable and interesting gifts at the end of the evening in a humorous manner. The evening ended with Yn. Annie receiving a bouquet of roses from Dr. Cazazian and Amy Gostanian, Chair of the Ladies Guild.



2010 - YEAR OF THE WOMAN

A CULTURAL LEARNING SERIES HOSTED BY ST. SARKIS CHURCH

Part 1 - Women in America

-- by *Harry Milian*

His Holiness Aram I, Catholicos of the Great House of Cilicia, declared 2010 the "Year of the Woman". On October 24, 2010, St. Sarkis Church celebrated the year of Armenian women with a premier lecture by St. John's Professor Marilyn Martone, PH.D. Professor Martone gave an eye opening presentation on the history of women with emphasis on the women in America. She got the men's attention when she asked them for a definition of "feminism". Feminism often can have a negative connotation for men but Professor Martone explained that it was not simply a question of gender or sex but an issue of taking women's experiences more seriously and more humanly. Women in history have been mostly defined through someone else and the suffrage in America arrived painfully only in the 1920's. Yet it wasn't until World War II, decades later when men went to war and women had to run the factories, that gender dignity and equality finally came to surface in America.

On endearing values, such as identity with a group, be it Women, Armenians, Catholics or Blacks, Professor Martone pointed out that in order for that idea to flourish, it must have relevance with the outside. This is particularly true for Armenians. We do not want to lose our uniqueness yet unless we properly share our gifts, we cannot fulfill our purpose.

She gracefully shared one of her successes as to how she became the Vatican's representative in women's issues to the U.N. She also shared her one disappointment that after twenty years, she was not able to convince the board of St. John's University to open a child care center for the faculty.

Love God and love thy neighbor as you love yourself are extremely challenging commandments. Learning to love yourself under the eyes of God is very important since that is the enduring source from which you can start to give back. Solidarity means helping each other grow in our God-given personhood. The Serenity prayer reminds us of the wisdom to discern between actions we should take and those we should defer to God Almighty. The Good Samaritan behavior has limits and obedience must not be blind. It requires good judgment. The gifts God bestows upon us need always to be reciprocated by gratitude. Remember, whatever you do, do it with love!

The gifts God bestows upon us need always to be reciprocated by gratitude. Remember, whatever you do, do it with love!

Part 2 - Armenian Women in America

On October 31, 2010, St. Sarkis Church invited Mrs. Nayda Voskerijian as the featured lecturer for the second lecture regarding Armenian Women in America. More than 60 parishioners and friends jumped at the opportunity to hear her speak. Der Nareg introduced Mrs. Voskerijian as a person who is an Armenian mother, member of many auxiliaries, Church and Prelacy, and a person who has had many experiences in her life. The lecture covered Armenian womanhood from historic Armenia when they participated in the struggle to defend the national faith and subsequently attained sainthood, to the present day Armenians in America. As mothers, Armenian women protected the Armenian language, religion, and country. As teachers, Armenian mothers instilled knowledge at the youngest age and continued throughout the life of the "zavag". As humanitarians, one can see the

Armenian women in action by looking no further than the "Garmir Khatch - HOM" an organization celebrating 100 years of service to worldwide Armenians, extending assistance for education, health, cultural and humanitarian programs. Before a lively Question and Answer (and Opinions) period, Mrs. Voskerijian concluded her lecture with societal expectations for the "Hye" women in America -- to continue to be a force in keeping and propagating the Armenian language, culture, education, religion and nation. "Above all, all of us must support the Armenian Schools" were Mrs. Voskerijian's closing words.

Women in the Bible

A five-part Bible Study on "Women in the Bible" held at Saint Sarkis Church, concluded on November 16, 2010. At the invitation of Rev. Fr. Nareg Terterian, pastor of St. Sarkis Church, and the Board of Trustees, Dn. Shant Kazanjian, director of the Prelacy's Armenian Religious Education Council (AREC) conducted the sessions. Deacon Shant expounded on ten passages from the New Testament about women, texts highlighting women disciples during Christ's public ministry and beyond, different significant roles women played in the early church and in the apostolic ministry of St. Paul, gender equality and distinction and husband-wife relationship in the Lord. Of the texts discussed, particular emphasis was given to two readings prescribed for the sacraments of baptism and marriage in the Armenian Church -- St. Paul's letter to the Galatians 3:24-29 on baptism and St. Paul's letter to the Ephesians 5:21-33 on marriage.

Health Expo 2010

— by Dr. Arthur Kubikian

On Sunday, April 18, 2010 Saint Sarkis Church sponsored “Health Expo 2010” for the benefit of the local Armenian as well as the non-Armenian community of the Douglaston-Little Neck areas of Queens, New York.

This event, sponsoring Health and Wellness information, kept in the tradition of the Church’s history as a pioneer in sponsoring Health Fairs in the early 1980’s. After our church was rebuilt following the 1985 fire causing our relocation to Douglaston, the church sponsored a series of yearly preventive health lectures.

A major Health Fair was the “Health Expos ‘97” with recognition and presence of the then Prelate Archbishop Mesrob Ashjian and Ms. Marcia Kesner, representing Claire Shulman, the Queens Borough President. The expo in 1997 involved the participation of over 40 health professionals and four major local hospitals, with more than 500 people registering for the event. “Health Expo 2010” followed the same format and was organized once again by Drs. Arthur & Louiza Kubikian and Dr. Aram Cazazian, Chairman of the Board of Trustees.



“Health Expo 2010” provided St. Sarkis Church with a chance to strengthen relations with the local Douglaston-Little Neck community with free health screenings and preventive health information. The event also allowed participating Health Professionals to promote their services with the public and provided a networking opportunity for Armenian Health Professionals. The Expo’s underlying aim was to emphasize that true health depends not just on the physical, but also, on the integration of all aspects of our person - physical, emotional and intellectual, and on its ultimate tuning-in with the Spiritual and Divine.

With over 300 people attending, the event included the first Bone Marrow Screening for the Armenian Registry to help Armenians in need of Bone Marrow transplants. The other free Screening Tests included Eyes, Blood Pressure, Oral Cancer Screening, Diabetes Screening, Nutrition & Medication Counseling, Cardiology, Pediatrics, Podiatry, Chiropractic, Mental Health, and Sonogram Testing to name a few.

So many distinguished healthcare professionals honored us with their presence, including: Levon Agdere, MD; Eliz Agopian, MD; Todd Aordkian, DCh; Armand Asadourian, MD; Armand Asarian, MD; Alma Janet Olivos Asarian, MD; Howard Baylarian, DDS; Carlo Bayrakdarian, MD; Seta Bijimian, RPh; Lynn Cetin, MD; Ted Chaglassian, MD; Garo Cholakian, DDS; Ohanes Cholakian, MD; Siranush Cholakian, MD; Verzhine Daglyan, RD, CDN; Edmond Demirdjan, DDS; Nyeree Demirdjan, PharmD; Gigliola Dolmaian, MD; Simon Dolmaian, RPh; Edmund Gergerian, MD; Hagop Gorgissian, MD; Nouneh Gostanian, MD; Ted Guekjian, RPh; Harry Kasparian, DMD; Peter Kechejian, MD; Knarig Khatchadourian, PhD; Aram Kirkorian, DDS; Tsoline Kojaoghlanian, MD; Michelle Kun, DDS; Michael Loshigian, DPM; Alex Meneshian, MD, DDS; Lawrence Najarian, MD; Anahid Nisanian, MD; Richard Pashayan, DCh; George Petrossian, MD; Siroon Shahinian, PhD; Tsolig Sunny Shahinian, RD; Alina Stanciu, MD; Janet Vanessian Tutuyan, PA.

The highly successful Mini Lectures on Current Health Issues were presented by the following speakers: Levon Adgere, MD - “Juvenile Diabetes”; Eliz Agopian, MD, MPH - “Stroke: Symptoms, Mgt & Risk Redux”; Todd Aordkian, DCh - “Back Pain”; Armand Asadourian, MD - “Colon Cancer Screening”; Carlo Bayrakdarian, MD - “Alzheimer’s Disease”; Ted Chaglassian, MD - “Body Image and Face Lifts”; Siranush Cholakian, MD - “Integrative Medicine”; Edmond Demirdjan, DDS - “Dental Implants”; Nouneh Gostanian, MD - “Cancer Screening”; Hagop Gorgissian, MD - “Suicide Prevention”; Peter Kechejian, MD - “Pain is for the PITS”; Michael Loshigian, DPM - “Common Foot Problems”; Anahid Nisanian, MD - “Hypertension”; George Petrossian, MD - “Coronary & Carotid Artery Diseases”.





NATIONAL REPRESENTATIVE ASSEMBLY CONVENES

The Eastern Prelacy's National Representative Assembly (NRA) convened in New York City, May 13-15th, 2010. St. Illuminator's Cathedral and St. Sarkis Church parishes hosted the event. It was the first time two church jointly hosted an NRA event and the first time in nearly 50 years that the NRA took place in New York City.

Archbishop Oshagan delivered the keynote address this afternoon. His Eminence focused his comments on Faith and Service noting "...service is a calling and the success of our service is our happiness. When we make service the purpose of our lives, then we bring our nation's children together. We do everything with sacrifice, with the hope of continuity, just like the self-sacrifice of Vartanank, with their motto 'For the sake of our faith and for the sake of our fatherland,' secured our nation's victory over all of the evil of the time and history. Our motto today remains the same: 'For the sake of our faith and for the sake of our fatherland.'"

Delegates to the NRA as well as the faithful from the New York Metropolitan Area celebrated the Feast of the Ascension of Our Lord Jesus Christ, at St. Sarkis Church, on May 13. The Ladies Guild served dinner following the service. Yeraz Dance Group and the students of St. Illuminator's Armenian School provided after-dinner entertainment.

His Eminence Archbishop Oshagan Choloyan, Prelate of the Armenian Apostolic Church of America (Eastern United States) was re-elected to a fourth four-year term by acclamation at the National Representative Assembly.

Following the election, the clergy, delegates and guests escorted the Prelate into the sanctuary at St. Illuminator's Cathedral where a Hrashapar service took place. His Eminence expressed his thanks for the confidence shown in his leadership and thanked the

delegates for their unanimous support. He pledged to guide the Eastern Prelacy during the next four years to greater horizons and growth in the Armenian Church's sacred mission. Religious Council members included: Rev. Fr. Aram Stepanian, chairman; Rev. Fr. Nareg Terterian, secretary; and Rev. Fr. Sarkis Aktavoukian. Executive Council members included: Stephen Hagopian, Chairman; Zohrab Tazian, Vice-Chair; Dr. Raffi Manjikian, Secretary; Raffi Ourlian, treasurer; John Daghljan, Hagop Antranigian, and Dr. Zareh Soghomonian.

A conference of Yeretzgins coincided with the National Representative Assembly in New York City. On Thursday the Yeretzgins enjoyed two informative lectures given by Mrs. Iris Papazian and Yn. Joanna Baghsarian. On Friday they spent a good part of the day at the Metropolitan Museum of Art where Dr. Helen Evans spoke to them about the two Armenian khatchkars on display as well as other exhibits of Armenian interest. She also took the group to the library to show them an Armenian manuscript.

A conference of the National Association of Ladies Guilds (NALG) took place concurrent with the recent National Assembly. Representatives from Ladies Guilds of Prelacy parishes attended and provided insight into the work of the Ladies Guilds and discussed future plans for national and local levels.

During the NRA banquet on Friday, May 14, the NRA honored several parishioners from New York parishes for their extraordinary service to the Armenian Church. Certificates of Merit were presented to: Araxie Bakalian, Hermine Seferian, Julie Ishkarian, Zmroukhd Markarian, Amy Gostanian, Edward Barsamian, Gourgen Grigorian, and Dr. Louiza Kubikian.

Youth Leadership Awards were presented to: Anais Gharibian, Garen Vartanian, Daniel Megerian, and Nevair Oranjian. The 2010 Spirit of Armenia award was given to Representative Joseph Crowley (NY, 7th District) in recognition of his support of the Armenian American Community.



SACRAMENTS

BAPTISMS

KENDALL BRIAN MINASSIAN son of KEVIN MINASSIAN and JESSICA SARDONE was baptized on October 11, 2009. Godparents: JOHN RILEY and JUDITH RILEY.

ALEXANDER KAREKIN SHAMLIAN son of KAREKIN SHAMLIAN and SEVANA AVAKIANS was baptized on October 17, 2009. Godparents: PETER MOSCHOVITIS and CAROL MOSCHOVITIS.

SYDNEY ROSE DULGERIAN daughter of ARET DULGERIAN and MARCI HARTMAN was baptized on November 8, 2009. Godparents: RALPH BARBA and ANGELA BARBA.

SEVAN CHARLES YEKHPAIRIAN son of SEVAN HAROUTUN YEKHPAIRIAN and VICTORIA MESROPIAN was baptized on November 15, 2009. Godparents: VEH BEZDIKIAN, SATIG MESROPIAN and MARISA MESROPIAN.

CASSIDY HOPE EVERETT daughter of JOSEPH A. EVERETT and ELIZABETH ALIANAKIAN was baptized on November 28, 2009. Godparents: PETER LAZLO and ROSINE ALIANAKIAN LASLO.

LILY TEELIMIAN daughter of HENRIK TEELIMIAN and NARINE KARAPETYAN was baptized on December 6, 2009. Godparents: STEVE VOSHIKIAN and NYIERI VOSHIKIAN.

LEVON BAGHDASARYAN son of VALERYAR BAGHDASARYAN and ANAHIT AREVSHATYAN was baptized on January 2, 2010. Godparents: ARMEN DJOUGARIAN and ZARA CHAGRINIAN.

NICHOLAS JOSEPH SARKISSIAN son of ANDRE M. SARKISSIAN and DAWN M. CARBONE was baptized on January 24, 2010. Godparents: VAHE SARKISSIAN and COLLEEN SMITH.

LUCYNE SOPHIE SEOYLEMEZIAN daughter Mr. HARRY SEOYLEMEZIAN and ALICE BAGDASARIAN was baptized on February 21, 2010. Godparents: PATRICK YAGHDJIAN and SIMONA YAGHDJIAN.

ARMEN FIESEL son of SCOTT FIESEL and YVETTE GEVORKIAN was baptized on March 27, 2010. Godparents: TONY GEVORKIAN and MARIANNA GEVORKIAN.

SHANT GEVORKIAN son of TONY GEVORKIAN and MARIANNA MIKAYELYAN was baptized on March 27, 2010. Godparents: SCOTT FIESEL and YVETTE FIESEL.

ALEXIS TALEEN ANASTASIAN daughter of PETER SOUREN ANASTASIAN and VERONIQUE KADIAN was baptized on April 10, 2010. Godparents: DR. GEORGE ARDASH ANASTASIAN and DR. ZIRKA ANASTASIAN.

AMELIE ROSE BAGHDASSARIAN daughter of MARK BAGHDASSARIAN and MARY MURADIAN was baptized on April 10, 2010. Godparents: LEON BOBELIAN and LILIAN BOBELIAN.

ARAXISIENA KALIGIAN daughter of GARINKALIGIAN and HOOSHERE BEZDIKIAN was baptized on May 08, 2010. Godparents: SHANT SAROUKHANIAN and ERICA BOKATZIAN.

CHRISTOPHER FRANCIS TUMINELLI son of DR. FRANK TUMINELLI and DR. ELPHIDA AYVAZIAN was baptized on May 22, 2010. Godparents: ROBERT AYVAZIAN and SIRANOUSH AYVAZIAN.

ARMEN MEGHERIAN son of VARTAN MEGHERIAN and SETA TAVITIAN was baptized on May 23, 2010. Godparents: KHATCHIG MEGHERIAN and LOUCINE MEGHERIAN.

HASMIG MOURADIAN daughter of ARSEN MOURADIAN and AREV VARJABEDIAN was baptized on June 6, 2010. Godparents: SARO VARJABEDIAN and ANGELA MOURADIAN.

ANI MAKSIMYAN daughter of ARMEN MAKSIMYAN and JULIET MCINAKHIMOVA was baptized on June 13, 2010. Godparents: AREN AZATYAN and ANAHIT AZATYAN.

ANI TVIN BEZDIKIAN daughter of VEH BEZDIKIAN and ARPINE AROYAN was baptized on June 26, 2010. Godparents: ARMENAG AROYAN AND LILLIAN AROYAN.

NINA H. GHADIMIAN daughter of KHIKAR H. GHADIMIAN and BETTY ALAJADJIAN was baptized on June 27, 21010. Godparents: GEVIK ATAKHANIAN and TENIA ATAKHANIAN.

ALEXANDER OHANES MADDOX son of KEVIN FRANCIS MADDOX and HENNY HAIASTAN CHOUBARACIAN was baptized on August 28, 2010. Godparents: VASKEN OHANES CHOUBARACIAN and JULIA DANTCHEV.

JORGE MAMIGONIAN FRANKHAM son of MARK ANDRE FRANKHAM and ANNIE MAMIGONIANS was baptized on September 12, 2010. Godfather: ARMEN MAMIGONIANS.

ROBERT BAGDASAR MARINO son of ROBERT J. MARINO JR. and KATRIN BODYIKOGLU was baptized on October 17, 2010. Godparents: EDMOND VOSKINARIAN and LISA MARIE MARINO.

CHRISTIAN ALEXANDER GILMORE son of ERIK ALEXANDER GILMORE and LIDYA SEPETCI was baptized on November 7, 2010. Godparents: SAYAT SEPETCI and RACHEL PALAHNUK.

NIEL PETER VUOLO III son of NIEL PETER VUOLO II and ANI NAZARETYAN was baptized on November 7, 2010. Godparents: ORONZO MORAGLIA and SHAWNDA GEROLD.

NICOLE TALEEN PRINCIAN daughter of RAFFI PRINCIAN and MANIA KOUYOUMDJIAN was baptized on January 1, 2011. Godparents: ARY KHATCHIKIAN and DIANA KHATCHIKIAN.

SONA GEVORGYAN daughter of ARA GEVORGIAN and ARMINE MARGARYAN was baptized on January 8, 2011. Godparents: SETRAK TCHILINGARYAN and ARMINE TCHILINGARYAN.

CHARLOTTE IRIS KUDYAN daughter of MICHAEL B. KUDYAN and JENNIFER COLON was baptized on February 13, 2011. Godparents: HIRAYR KUDYAN and ELIZABETH KUDYAN.

NARINEH ADRENEH MKHITARIAN daughter of ARMOND MKHITARIAN and ILING LAI was baptized on February 19, 2011. Godparents: SALVATORE ALESCI and ROUBINA TER HOVANESSIAN.

MONICA TOROSYAN daughter of EMIL TOROSYAN and ELMIRA ARAKELYAN was baptized on February 26, 2011. Godparents: MISSAK EDZHURYAN and GAYANE GHAZARYAN.

MARYBELLA TOROSYAN daughter of EMIL TOROSYAN and ELMIRA ARAKELYAN was baptized on February 26, 2011. Godparents: MISSAK EDZHURYAN and GAYANE GHAZARYAN.

DYLAN VAHE AZERI son of BAYCAN AZERI and CHRISTINE GARABEDIAN was baptized on March 5, 2011. Godparents: ROBERT MALEZEWSKI and KATHLEEN WALZAK.

SARAPHINA ARSHALUCE YAZICIYAN daughter of GARABED S. YAZICIYAN and MELINE JACOBIAN was baptized on March 20, 2011. Godparents: SHAWNT ISSAKHANIAN and FENY ISSAKHANIAN.

ARAM THOMAS MERJANIAN son of ARMEN MERJANIAN and RIPSIME MKRTCHYAN was baptized on April 30, 2011. Godparents: BERJ MERJANIAN and VIOLET MERJANIAN.

JON PAUL RAFI MASTACCIUOLA son of JOHN PAUL MASTACCIUOLA and BEATRICE KALAPTCHIAN was baptized on May 21, 2011. Godparents: ERICK ALAHVERDIAN and MAUREEN MAHER.

JOSEPH HARUTUNIAN son of VARTAN HARUTUNIAN and MARINA KRİKORIAN was baptized on June 5, 2011. Godparents: JOSEPH BIVONA and NINA EZIK.

ANGELINA PAPA ZIAN daughter of MISAK PAPA ZIAN and LENA ASTVATSATRYAN was baptized on June 5, 2011. Godparents: DIGRAN ARAKELIAN and Dr. SCARLET ARAKELIAN.

ARI KEVORK PARSAMIAN son of KEVORK PARSAMIAN and SARAH PRATT was baptized on June 11, 2111. Godparents: HRANT PARSAMIAN and TATJANA PARSAMIAN.

BENJAMIN HRANT PARSAMIAN son of HRANT PARSAMIAN and TATJANA GOLOCEVAC was baptized on June 11, 2011. Godparents: KEVORK PARSAMIAN and SARAH PRATT.

ERIK JAMGOCIAN son of MR. ALEK JAMGOCIAN and Dr. SIMONA SAROYAN was baptized on June 12, 2011. Godparents: PATRICK RAFFI JAMGOCIAN and ELIZABETH SAROYAN.

FRANCIS MARGO HRPCHA daughter of JOSEPH HRPCHA and ANUSH GOGANYAN was baptized on June 12, 2011. Godparents: NERSES HAKOBYAN and LILIT HAKOBYAN.

ANUSH GOGANYAN daughter of TIGRAN GOGANIAN and TSOVIK PETROSYAN was baptized on June 12, 2011. Godparents: NERSES HAKOBYAN and ARPENIK IGITYAN.

ZARA GRIGORIAN daughter of GRIGORI GRIGORIAN and YEKATERINA BOIADJIAN TS was baptized on June 18, 2011. Godparents: ARTEM ADAMOV and ELIZAVETA ADAMOV.

ARIANA KALONTAROV daughter of VADIM KALONTAROV and OFELIA ALAVERDIAN was baptized on June 18, 2011. Godparents: VLAD RUBANOV and NATALYA ZAYTSEVA.

ALEXANDER HOVANESS ASQUITH son of JAMES ASQUITH and LORI HATEM, Esq. was baptized on June 26, 2011. Godparents: ELIE ARA HATEM and ANNABEL ASQUITH.

SOFIA ALYSA ARCABASCIO daughter of ANTONIO ARCABASCIO and ANNA KEVREKIAN was baptized on July 10, 2011. Godparents: SAL ARCABASCIO and ALYSA TERA STVATSATRIAN.

OLIVIA KATHERINE ALVAREZ daughter of KARL ALVAREZ and TALIN OVANESSIAN was baptized on July 17, 2011. Godparents: ANDREW ALVAREZ and VERONICA LILLO.

JULIANA SOPHIA JARJOKIAN daughter of KEGHAM JARJOKIAN and JACQUELINE MOSSISSIAN was baptized on July 31, 2011. Godparents: SARO SEMERCIYAN and LUCIE SEMERCIYAN.

NOAH ANDREI KIRILESCU son of JANINE KIRILESCU was baptized on August 6, 2011. Godparents: DIKRAN KIRILESCU and ALINA KIRILESCU.

GABRIEL KRISTIAN HAMAMGIAN son of STEVE HAMAMGIAN and LEIGH WALSTON was baptized on September 3, 2011. Godparents: ALESSANDRO RIMOLDI and CHARLETTE WINSTON.

SUZANNA SARGSYAN daughter of ARSEN SARGSYAN and ELMIRA BAGMANYAN was baptized on September 11, 2011. Godparents: HOVANNES ABGARYAN and ANI ARAKELYAN.

DAMIAN FORKAN son of JOHN FORKAN and ARMINE JEAMGOCIAN was baptized on September 17, 2011. Godparents: JAMES FORKAN and MARINA BOIADJIAN.

ARSEN ARAKELYAN son of ARISTAKES ARAKELYAN and ANZHELIKA ARAKELYAN was baptized on October 15, 2011. Godparents: JERRY AGAJIAN and LISA AGAJIAN.

VAHAGN ARAKELYAN son of ARISTAKES ARAKELYAN and ANZHELIKA ARAKELYAN was baptized on October 15, 2011. Godparents: JERRY AGAJIAN and LISA AGAJIAN.

LAUREN ELENI DULGERIAN daughter of ARET DULGERIAN and MARCI HARTMAN was baptized on October 23, 2011. Godparents: JOHN CONTI and TALIN CONTI.

NICHOLAS TOROS TUTUYAN son of ARMEN TUTUYAN and JANET VANESSIAN was baptized on October 23, 2011. Godparents: KRIKOR NERCESSIAN and ELIZABETH NERCESSIAN.

GREGORY HAROUTIOUN TUTUYAN son of ARMEN TUTUYAN and JANET VANESSIAN was baptized on October 23, 2011. Godparents: KRIKOR NERCESSIAN and ELIZABETH NERCESSIAN.

BENJAMIN ERIK GILMORE son of ERIK GILMORE and LIDYA SEPETCI was baptized on November 13, 2011. Godparents: GLENN KINGSLEY JR. and CHRISTINE KINGSLEY.

ISABELLE VARTUHI DEMIRDJAN daughter of Dr. EDMOND DEMIRDJAN and NYEREE BOYADJIAN was baptized on November 26, 2011. Godparents: NISHAN BOYADJIAN and SILVA BOYADJIAN.

SEVAN ARA BEDROSSIAN son of VAHAN BEDROSSIAN and CHRISTINE ARTINIAN was baptized on November 27, 2011. Godparents: ARTIN ARHANIAN and MARKARIT BEDROSSIAN.

MICHAEL AZATYAN son of GAREN AZATYAN and ANAHIT AZATYAN was baptized on November 27, 2011. Godparents: ARMER OVSEPIAN and OSANNA OVSEPIAN.

NICHOLAS VARUJAN KALUSTIAN son of Dr. MICHAEL KALUSTIAN and DANIELA PETRUTONI was baptized on December 4, 2011. Godparents: EDWARD KOCHOUMIAN and ALINA KOCHOUMIAN.

SHAYNE RICHARD KRIKOR DALIAN, son of HARRY DALIAN and KENDRA TRINETTE MILTON was baptized on December 10, 2011. Godparents: NICHOLAS PFEIFFER and ANGELA PFEIFFER.

KRISTINE KARAPETYAN, DAUGHTER of TIGRAN KARAPETYAN and KARINE GOROYAN was baptized on December 24, 2011. Godparents: ARTAK AGHAJANYAN and ARMINE ASATRYAN.

*We congratulate the newly baptized and their parents.
May the Grace of the Holy Spirit be always with them.*

WEDDINGS

OHANES OHANNESSIAN and ANGELA LYNN GRUSZKA were married on October 23, 2009. Best man was STEPHEN OHANNESSIAN.

ARMEN ALEX TUTUYAN and JANET VANESSIAN were married on November 01, 2009. Best man and maid of honor were RAFFI TUTUYAN and ELIZABETH NERCESSIAN.

TRO K. KALAYJIAN and ROSETTE H. VARTANIAN were married on January 17, 2010. Best man and maid of honor were ARAMAZT KALAYJIAN and NATALIE VARTANIAN.

KEVORK GEORGE MIKAELIAN and OLYA SHAHINYAN were married on January 31, 2010. Best man and maid of honor were MIKAEL MIKAELIAN and YERANOUHI MIKAELIAN.

SEVAG M. PARSEHIAN and DZOVIG SHNORIG ESSAJANIAN were married on June 5, 2010. Best man and maids of honor were ARAM PARSEHIAN, SOSI ESSAJANIAN and ANOUSH ESSAJANIAN.

DR. ARAM P. CAZAZIAN and RIMA JOSEPHIAN were married on June 26, 2010. Best man and maid of honor were ANTHONY CAZAZIAN and TANYA NAKASHIAN.

ANDRE BARKEV VARTANIAN and NANOR HARUTUNIAN were married on November 6, 2010. Best man and maid of honor were VIKEN VARTANIAN and TAMAR HARUTUNIAN, Esq.

ROBERT SCOTT THOMPSON and KARINE MACRI were married on December 26, 2010. Best man and maid of honor were KRIKOR KRIKORIAN and FLORINA KRIKORIAN.

VARTGES SAROYAN and ANTONIA ALAFRIS were married on January 8, 2011. Best man was ANDREI VRABIE.

VAHAGN ASEYAN and SHOGHIK GHARIBIAN were married on May 1, 2011. Best man and maid of honor were MR. & MRS. ARTHUR MATEVOSYAN

BEDROS MAZAKIAN and TANYA RIMA NAKASHIAN were married on May 22, 2011. Best man and maid of honor were RAFFI KEVORK MAZAKIAN and DIANA TCHOLAKIAN.

ARA KRIKORIAN and REBECCA WILSON were married on May 29, 2011. Best man and maid of honor were DIKRAN KRIKORIAN and JENNIFER GANEZER.

DR. JOSEPH GULBENKIAN and JENNIFER SHULTZ were married on June 03, 2011. Best man and maid of honor were DANIEL GULBENKIAN and REBECCA CUSHING.

HRANT PARSAMIAN and TATJANA GOLOCEVAC were married on June 11, 2011. Best man and maid of honor were KEVORK PARSAMIAN and SARAH PRATT.

DANIEL HOVSEPIAN and JEANA TARPINIAN were married on August 7, 2011. Best man and maid of honor were CHRISTIAN POPESCU and LISA TARPINIAN.

PIERRE HACOPIAN and NARINE MIRZAYAN were married on August 20, 2011. Best man and maid of honor were ANDRE AYVAZIAN and TENYA ATAKHANIAN.

LEVON SAHAKIAN and TINA TCHOLAKIAN were married on October 2, 2011. Best man and maid of honor were ABRAHAM SAHAKIAN and ANITA TCHOLAKIAN.

DIKRAN KRIKORIAN and PAMELA REYES were married on October 8, 2011. Best man and maid of honor were ROUPEN TOROSSIAN and SARA REYES.

RAPHI ARABATLIAN and LORAINNE MATTAR were married on December 17, 2011. Best man and maid of honor were KOKO ARABATLIAN and MARILYNE MATTAR.

FUNERALS

ANTRANIG SARKISSIAN
(May 29, 1937 – October 22, 2009)

KHACHATOR GAZARYANS
(July 30, 1937 – October 21, 2009)

ANTI-K YUZBASHEVA
(April, 06, 1940 – November 08, 2009)

ROSE ARNONE
(May 18, 1924 – November 15, 2009)

SHOUSHIK AGHAZADIAN
(March 15, 1917 – November 12, 2009)

MARGARET KILIDJIAN
(June 7, 1922 – November 26, 2009)

BAGDASAR BODYIKOGLU
(March 27, 1946 – November 26, 2009)

HAYKUHI DAGLAROGLU
(December 5, 1924 – December 14, 2009)

ISHKHAN KARNIKIAN
(November 23, 1952 – November 23, 2009)

MESROB K. SHAMLIAN
(September 22, 1938 – December 27, 2009)

EDWIN GREGORIAN
(October 4, 1967 - December 30, 2009)

ASHKHEN BALIAN
(December 15, 1947 – January 12, 2010)

KEVORK GORLY AVAKIANS
(March 22, 1940 – January 18, 2010)

ALAN CALLIAN
(July 14, 1924 – January 25, 2010)

KEHAM HACHIKIAN
(February 21, 1926 – February 23 2010)

VAHRAM GUIRAGOSSIAN
(February 9, 1933 – February 27, 2010)

YOLANDA PAPAGEORGE
(September 6, 1925 – March 7, 2010)

HAIKAZ ZARIAN
(April 1, 1921 – April 9, 2010)

*We congratulate the newly married couples
& wish them a happy life together.*

AGOP BOYADJIAN
(November 25, 1917 – April 16, 2010)

HRATCH V. HABESHIAN
(May 2, 1937 – May 9, 2010)

LIVIA KOCHOUMIAN
May 24, 1930 – April 29, 2010)

SIRANOUSH TCHORLIAN
(August 15, 1915 – May 13, 2010)

HAGOP BEZJIAN
(March 15, 1932 – June 14, 2010)

EDWARD BODRIGUIAN
(November 14, 1926 – June 26, 2010)

AGOP OVANESSIAN
(March 16, 1922 – June 30, 2010)

NOUBAR PUSKULIAN
(March 12, 1920 – July 14, 2010)

VLADIMIR VARTANOV
(February 1, 1940 – July 17, 2010)

AVEDIS L. SAVADJIAN
(August 31, 1922 – July 26, 2010)

ISKOUHI MASLAKIAN
(January 27, 1925 – July 26, 2010)

MARIA APRESIAN
(July 22, 1930 – August 23, 2010)

MARTIN KIMATIAN
(March 21, 1911 – August 29, 2010)

MARTHA ARABIAN
(May 21, 1916 – August 25, 2010)

JESSICA MANOOKIAN
(October 25, 1925 – September 12, 2010)

SEDA MARTINIAN
(January 6, 1927 – September 17, 2010)

NEVART KOULIAN
(May 10, 1937 – October 6, 2010)

ERANOUI AZATIAN
(August 12, 1924 – November 7, 2010)

MARITZA SARKISIAN
(January 7, 1949 – November 15, 2010)

BERGIUHI BOGOSIAN
(October 4, 1924 – December 12, 2010)

VARDGUESS MINASSIAN
(September 17, 1921 – December 24, 2010)

ANDRANIK MELIKSETIAN
(December 5, 1964 – December 21, 2010)

ELICHKA BALASANYAN
(May 22, 1923 – February 16, 2011)

SETRAK KARNIKIAN
(February 14, 1921 – January 22, 2011)

NAZAR NAZARIAN
(March 22, 1927 – February 09, 2011)

GABRIEL HAMAMGIAN
(July 03, 1940 – February 12, 2011)

JOSEPH TOPALIAN
(August 22, 1936 – April 09, 2011)

GEORGE FARZATIAN
(May 7, 1934 – April 12, 2011)

NOUBAR DERDERIAN
(August 8, 1926 – April 15, 2011)

MESROP INDZHIGULYAN
(July 1, 1941 - May 11, 2011)

MARIE IWAZIAN
(March 15, 1925 – May 22, 2011)

OVSANA KASPARIAN
(April 20, 1920 – June 18, 2011)

RITA MANUKIAN
(October 1, 1932 –September 17, 2011)

SAHAG TOROSSIAN
(July 10, 1921 – October 21, 2011)

ARMENOHI GRIEGORIAN
(September 1, 1925-October 30, 2011)

RICA MARDINIAN
(September 15, 1914-November 3, 2011)

AKOP PARONYAN
(December 31, 1913- November 8, 2011)

OHANNES VAROUJIAN
(December 2, 1946 – October 8, 2011)
Funeral December 10, 2011

We extend our condolences to the families & pray that the Almighty Lord bestows repose upon the souls of the deceased.

Saroukhanian, Kayzer M/M	25.00	Baklajian, Haig M/M	100.00	Nishanian, Ervant M/M	50.00
Sookikian, Araxe Mrs.	25.00	Buzantian, Arshag M/M	100.00	Norhadian, Edmond M/M	50.00
Turbendian, Vahan Mr.	25.00	Cazazian, Dr. Aram M/M	100.00	Sarkissian, Azad Mrs.	50.00
Vartanyan, Anna Ms.	25.00	Garabedian, Hagop M/M	100.00	Tervizian/Papaioannou Ani	50.00
Zobian, Vartouhi Mrs.	25.00	Gokberg, Berc M/M	100.00	Torigian, John M/M	50.00
Shamlian, Leon M/M	20.00	Grigorian, Gourgen M/M	100.00	Voskinarian, Mourad M/M	50.00
Gregorian, Edmund M/M	10.00	Indzhigulyan, Sam M/M	100.00	Elmokian, Anni Mrs.	40.00
		Kludjian, Sona Ms.	100.00	Sarafian, Zaben M/M	30.00
<u>GENERAL DONATIONS 2010</u>		Kubikian, Drs. Arthur & Louiza	100.00	Yacoubian, Antranig M/M	30.00
Boyadjian, Dr. Kevork & Mrs. Diane	1,500.00	Nercessian, Sarkis M/M	100.00	Postian, George M/M	25.00
Cazazian, Dr. Aram & Mrs. Rima	650.00	Seoylemezian, Harry M/M	100.00	Vosganian, Sam M/M	25.00
Gregorian, Edmund M/M	500.00	Vartabedian, Rose Mrs.	100.00	Smith, Fara Mrs.	20.00
Holmquist, Isabella Mrs.	500.00	Givelekian, Bedros M/M	75.00	Tuncer Ara Mr.	20.00
Avakian, Dr. David M/M	400.00	Arslanian, Edward M/M	50.00		
Muradian, Santo M/M	250.00	Bekian, Edward M/M	50.00	<u>CALENDAR DONATIONS 2010</u>	
Aroyan, Arpine Ms.	200.00	Candan Arpi Ms.	50.00	Ayvazian, Garabed M/M	100.00
Krikorian, Zevart Mrs.	200.00	Manookian, Anna Ms.	50.00	Papaioannou, Dimos M/M	100.00
Minassian, Arax Mrs.	200.00	Ohannessian, Edward M/M	50.00	Aidinian, Anna & Margarita	50.00
Savadjian, Vartkes M/M	200.00	Tatarian, Thomas M/M	50.00	Andreopoulos, Stephen M/M	50.00
Tatevossian, Norik M/M	200.00	Voskerjian, Nayda Mrs.	50.00	Babikian, Lolita Mrs.	50.00
Kalaptchian, Ann Mrs.	150.00	Arakelyan, Lusin Mrs.	25.00	Chorbajian, Levon Mr.	50.00
Diktas, Garabis M/M	130.00	Girgosian, Haig M/M	25.00	Galo, Galoust M/M	50.00
Aghazadian, Robert M/M	100.00	Masoian, Michael M/M	25.00	Harutunian, Vartan M/M	50.00
Aldp & Associates	100.00	Arkun, Anahid Mrs.	20.00	Kabarajian, Frank M/M	50.00
Asarian, Sarkis M/M	100.00	Chookasezian, Michael M/M	20.00	Manookian, Anna Ms.	50.00
Bedrossian, Maggie Ms.	100.00	Gulbenkian, Daniel Mr.	20.00	Meneshian, Dr. Alex & Mrs. Natalie	50.00
Friedman, Sheldon Mr.	100.00	Shishmanian, Manoug M/M	20.00	Mengouchian, Vartkes Mr.	50.00
Givelekian, Arthur M/M	100.00			Nigohossian, Levon Mr.	50.00
Harutunian, Vartan Mr.	100.00	<u>IN MEMORY DONATION 2010</u>		Vanessian, Garo M/M	50.00
Kazangian, Albet Mr.	100.00	Aghazadian, Robert Mr.	1,500.00	Vartabedian, Rose Mrs.	50.00
Manukian, Rita Mrs.	100.00	Sarkissian, Varsenne Mrs.	1,500.00	Kasparian, Krikor M/M	35.00
Shamlian, Leon M/M	100.00	Guiragossian, Family	1,500.00	Baklajian, Victoria Mrs.	30.00
Andreopoulos, Stephen M/M	50.00	Minassian, Alex & Nancy	1,000.00	Agasian, Garbis M/M	25.00
Candan, Irma Ms.	50.00	Utecht, Utecht & James	1,000.00	Arakelyan, Lusin Mrs.	25.00
Chookasian, John Mr.	50.00	Habeshian, Margie Mrs.	500.00	Azarian, Hampik M/M	25.00
Kharaboyan, Vartkess Mr.	50.00	Arch Box Inc.	400.00	Basmadjian, Noubar M/M	25.00
Megherian, Vahram Mr.	50.00	Kochoumian, Eduard M/M	400.00	Bodriguian, Aghavni Mrs.	25.00
Minassian, Karnik M/M	50.00	Asadourian, Takouhi Mrs.	300.00	Bouldoukian, Alice Mrs.	25.00
Minassian, Antranig M/M	50.00	Asadourian, Dr. Armand & Mrs. Laura	300.00	Gabrelian, Henry M/M	25.00
Moschovitis, Peter M/M	50.00	Petrosian, Mr. George	300.00	Galstian, Arto M/M	25.00
Nercessian, Krikor M/M	50.00	Hero, Martin Mr.	250.00	Giragosian, Haig M/M	25.00
Orangian, Takouhi Mrs.	50.00	Nercessian, Sarkis M/M	250.00	Hogan, Shaun M/M	25.00
Asarian, Sarkis M/M	30.00	Abkarian, Solanj Mrs.	200.00	Holmquist, Isabella Mrs.	25.00
Bezdkian, Ohannes M/M	25.00	Minassian, Heros M/M	200.00	Kludjian, Sona Ms.	25.00
Beyler, Adrine Mrs.	25.00	Ohannessian, Edward M/M	200.00	Mangikian, Berge M/M	25.00
Tutuyan, Armen M/M	20.00	Savadjian, Hripsime Mrs.	200.00	Masoian, Michael M/M	25.00
		Tahan Arshalus Ms.	200.00	Minassian, Dicran M/M	25.00
<u>BLESSING OF GRAPES 2010</u>		Baghdassarian, Ghevont M/M	150.00	Muradian, Luiza Mrs.	25.00
Kazangian, Albert Mr.	150.00	Gregorian, Edmund M/M	150.00	Nakashian, Thomas Mr.	25.00
Arslanian, Edward M/M	100.00	Hacobian, Mossik M/M	150.00	Tahan, Arshalus Ms.	25.00
Baghdassarian, Ghazar M/M	100.00	Jirjirian, Lucyn Ms.	150.00	Terzian, Marten M/M	25.00
Costello, Timothy M/M	100.00	Knadjian, Raffi M/M	150.00	Turbendian, Giragos M/M	25.00
Giragosian, Haig M/M	50.00	Stanciu, Dr. Alina	130.00	Zobian, Vicky Mrs.	25.00
Kalfayan, Sonia Mrs.	50.00	Apelian, Nishan M/M	100.00	Berberian, Levon M/M	20.00
Krikorian, Melkon M/M	50.00	Arslanian, Sarkis M/M	100.00	Ebrimian, Mardiros M/M	20.00
Manookian, Anna & Jessica	50.00	Babaian, Robert Mr.	100.00	Gulbenkian, Edward M/M	20.00
Manukian, Rita Mrs.	50.00	Bogossian, Arag Mr.	100.00	Hatem/Boudakian, Jack M/M	20.00
Minassian, Karnik M/M	50.00	Boyadjian, Dr. Kevork & Mrs. Diane	100.00	Israelian, Karapet M/M	20.00
Sarkissian, Azad Mrs.	50.00	Grigorian, George M/M	100.00	Jamgotchian, Varoujan M/M	20.00
Shamlian, Levon M/M	50.00	Kalustian, Varujan M/M	100.00	Kazandjian, Sylva Mrs.	20.00
Bodoutchian, Garo M/M	30.00	Kochoumian, Edward M/M	100.00	Krikorian, Krikor M/M	20.00
Demirdjian, Hampartzoom Mr.	30.00	Kozanlian, Madelina Mrs.	100.00	Manoukian, Arsen M/M	20.00
Arakelyan, Lusin Mrs.	25.00	Mavissakalian, Vartkes M/M	100.00	Orangian, Takouhi Mrs.	20.00
Hatem, Zabel Mrs.	25.00	Minassian, R. M/M	100.00	Sagatelian, Anahid Mrs.	20.00
Janessian, Harriet Ms.	20.00	Ovanes, Flora Mrs.	100.00	Thomassian, Thomas M/M	20.00
Orangian, Takouhi Mrs.	20.00	Ovanesian, Mirella Mrs.	100.00	Turbendian, Vahan Mr.	20.00
Suren, Vartuhi Ms.	20.00	Ovanessian, Agop M/M	100.00	Zadoian, Dr. & Mrs. Hratch	20.00
Yacoubian, Antranig M/M	20.00	Petrossian, George Mr.	100.00	Hartunian, Shakey Ms.	15.00
Bogosyan Nadia Mrs.	15.00	Zenian, Diran M/M	100.00	Kozanlian, Madelina Mrs.	15.00
		Sarkissian, Bedros Mr.	75.00	Sevadjian, Raffi M/M	15.00
<u>PICNIC DONATIONS 2010</u>		Chappinelli, Anthony M/M	50.00	Demirjian, Hamparsoum Mr.	10.00
Jamie, Edward Jr. M/M	500.00	Garabedian, Virginia Mrs.	50.00	Minassian, Antranig M/M	10.00
Dalian, Harry M/M	200.00	Habeshian, Margie Mrs.	50.00	Manuelian, Nubar M/M	5.00
Oghali, Varouj Mr.	150.00	Levarda, Dan M/M	50.00		
Arukian, Hratch M/M	100.00	Najarian, Dr. & Mrs. Louis	50.00		

CHRISTMAS OFFERINGS 2010

Alajajian, Karl M/M	500.00
Costello, Timothy M/M	500.00
Hairabedian, Arthur M/M	300.00
Mossessian, Agop M/M	300.00
Giragosian, Haig M/M	250.00
Milian, Harry M/M	250.00
T & F Surplus Salvage Inc.	250.00
Abdalian, Suzanne Mrs.	200.00
Andrikian, Seda Mrs.	200.00
Baghdassarian, Drs. Bagdig & Ani	200.00
Buzantian, Arshag M/M	200.00
Dalian, Harry M/M	200.00
Manookian, Anna Ms.	200.00
Markarian, Anahid Mrs.	200.00
Pogosyan, Silvia Ms.	200.00
Sadaniantz, Arto M/M	200.00
Seoylemezian, Garabed M/M	200.00
Seoylemezian, Harry M/M	200.00
Arslanian, Edward M/M	150.00
Agopian, Berdj M/M	100.00
Agopian Hazar M/M	100.00
Arakelyan, Lusin Mrs.	100.00
Arukian, Hratch M/M	100.00
Baghdassarian, Ghevont M/M	100.00
Baklajian, Haig M/M	100.00
Baron, Alex M/M	100.00
Barsamian, Edward M/M	100.00
Bezdikian, Veh M/M	100.00
Bezdikian, Ohannes M/M	100.00
Boudakian, Antranig M/M	100.00
Garabedian, Agop M/M	100.00
Gulbenkian, Edward M/M	100.00
Holmquist, Isabella Mrs.	100.00
Jamie, Jr. Edward M/M	100.00
Kabarajian, Dickran M/M	100.00
Kalaptchian, Arshaluis Mrs.	100.00
Kallem, Gary M/M	100.00
Kasparian, Kevork M/M	100.00
Kassabian, Vasken M/M/	100.00
Kerestedjian, Seda & Alice	100.00
Knadjian, Raffi M/M	100.00
Krikorian, Melkon M/M	100.00
Krikorian, Marie Mrs.	100.00
Mangikian, Berge M/M	100.00
Manukian, Rita Mrs.	100.00
Masoian, Michael M/M	100.00
Mkhitarian, Charles M/M	100.00
Ohannessian, Edward M/M	100.00
Sheshedian, Mary Mrs.	100.00
Tahan, Arshaluis Mrs.	100.00
Vartabedian, Wayne M/M	100.00
Voskinarian, Mourad M/M	100.00
Yekhpairian, Sevan M/M	100.00
Amirian, Vahe M/M	50.00
Azarian, Susan Mrs.	50.00
Babaian, Vahik M/M	50.00
Bodriguian, Agavni Mrs.	50.00
Guiragossian, Yeretzkian Azniv	50.00
Hamamgian, Gabriel M/M	50.00
Julfayan, Vartan Mr.	50.00
Kasparian/Mahtesian, Dirouhi/Volodya	50.00
Kazangian, Albert Mr.	50.00
Kazanjan, Berj M/M	50.00
Kertoyan, Hagop M/M	50.00
Kharaboyan, Vartkess M/M	50.00
Mengouchian, Jirair M/M	50.00
Minassian, Antranig M/M	50.00
Minassian, Vahram M/M	50.00
Moschovitis, Peter M/M	50.00
Nakashian, Thomas Mr.	50.00
Sagiroglu, Hera Ms.	50.00
Sarkissian, Azadouhi Mrs.	50.00
Shamlian, Levon M/M	50.00

Thomassian, Thomas M/M	50.00
Voskerijian, Nayda Mrs.	50.00
Garabedian, Arsen M/M	40.00
Ipekgian, Siragan Mr.	40.00
Yacoubian, Antranig M/M	40.00
Arkun, Anahit Mrs.	30.00
Asarian, Sarkis M/M	30.00
Baklajian, Victoria Mrs.	30.00
Bodoutchian, Garo M/M	30.00
Papazian, Gegam M/M	30.00
Arzvivian, Armen M/M	25.00
Candan, Arpi Ms.	25.00
Derian, Michael M/M	25.00
D'Onofrio, Anthony M/M	25.00
Kazandjian, Sylva Mrs.	20.00
Kazandjian, Sarkis M/M	25.00
Mardirossian, Vartkes M/M	25.00
Margosian, Archo Mrs.	25.00
Mengouchian, Takouhi Mrs.	25.00
Sookikian, Araxe Ms.	25.00
Turbendian, Vahram Mr.	25.00
Tutelian, Lillian Ms.	25.00
Ulubabova, Tatyana Ms.	25.00
Vartanian, Ann Ms.	25.00
Julfajian, Garabed M/M	20.00
Sagatelian, Anna Mrs.	20.00
Saroukhanian, Kayzer M/M	20.00
Zobian, Vartouhi Mrs.	20.00
Nishanian, Alexan M/M	10.00

CHRISTMAS CONCERT 2010

Asadourian, Dr. Armand & Mrs. Laura	400.00
Voskerijian, Nayda Mrs.	300.00
Gulbenkian, Dr. Joseph	200.00
Indzhigulyan Samuel M/M	150.00
Asquith James M/M	100.00
Bezdikian, Veh M/M	100.00
Hagobian, Garbis M/M	100.00
Harutunian, Tamar Esq.	100.00
Kasparian, Dr. Harry & Mrs. Mary	100.00
Kassabian, Leon M/M	100.00
Kazangian, Albert M/M	100.00
Kevorkian, Dr. & Mrs. Noubar	100.00
Markarian, Drs. Herand & Janet	100.00
Mayo, Peter M/M	100.00
Megerian, John Mr.	100.00
Seoylemezian, Harry M/M	100.00
Tutuyan Armen M/M	100.00
Varjabedian, Lori Ms.	100.00
Yekhpairian, Sevan M/M	100.00
Avakian, Mr. Manuel	50.00
Demirdjan Diana Esq.	50.00

2011 CALENDAR DONATIONS

Dalian, Harry M/M	100.00
Gokberg, Berc M/M	100.00
Amirian, Vahe M/M	50.00
Dermksian, Dr. George & Mrs. Tamara	50.00
Galo, Galoust M/M	50.00
Garabedian, Agop M/M	50.00
Kassabian, Vasken M/M	50.00
Kludjian, Sona Ms.	50.00
Manukian, Rita Mrs.	50.00
Markarian, Hrachik M/M	50.00
Nigohossian, Levon Mr.	50.00
Tavitian, Stepan M/M	50.00
Tervizian, Garabed M/M	50.00
Bodriguian, Edward & M/M	25.00
Boudakian, Gregory Mr.	25.00
Giragosian, Haig Mr.	25.00
Gross, Ania Mrs.	25.00
Indzhigulyan Samuel M/M	25.00
Katrandjian, Angel Mrs.	25.00
Kharaboyan, Vartkess M/M	25.00
Krikorian, Verchin Ms.	25.00

Masoian, Michael M/M	25.00
Petrossian, George Mr.	25.00
Simonian, Maria Ms.	25.00
Turbendian, Giragos M/M	25.00
Zobian, Vartouhi Mrs.	25.00
Arakelyan, Lusin Mrs.	20.00
Berberian, Leon M/M	20.00
Hazarian, Madlen Ms.	20.00
Israeli, Garabed M/M	20.00
Janessian, Harriet Ms.	20.00
Kalaptchian, Raffi M/M	20.00
Kayayan, Oganess M/M	20.00
Mardinian, Sonia Ms.	20.00
Muradian, Luiza Mrs.	20.00
Sagatelian, Anahid Mrs.	20.00
Sevadjan, Raffi M/M	20.00
Sookikian, Araxe Ms.	20.00
Kadian, Jack M/M	10.00
Tavitian, Nerses M/M	10.00
Yepremian, Pierre M/M	10.00

EASTER DONATIONS 2011

Asadourian, Dr. Armand & Mrs. Laura	1,100.00
Baghdassarian, Drs. Bagdig & Ani	300.00
Hairabedian, Arthur M/M	300.00
Bezdikian, Veh M/M	250.00
Costello Timothy M/M	250.00
Sarkissian, Varsenne Mrs.	250.00
Givelekian, Bedros M/M	200.00
Kubikian, Drs. Arthur & Louiza	200.00
Megerian, John M/M	200.00
Tatevossian, Norik M/M	200.00
Vartabedian, Pierre M/M	200.00
Arakelian, Lusin Mrs.	150.00
Kerestedjian, Alice & Seda	150.00
Mangikian, Berge M/M	150.00
Abdalian, Suzane Mrs.	100.00
Agopian, Berdj M/M	100.00
Arslanian, Edward M/M	100.00
Baklajian, Haig M/M	100.00
Chadrjian, Lita Mrs.	100.00
Giragosian, Haig, Mr.	100.00
Gulbenkian, Edward M/M	100.00
Holmquist, Isabella Mrs.	100.00
Jamie Edward Jr. M/M	100.00
Kallem, Gary M/M	100.00
Karibian, Leon Mr.	100.00
Krikorian, Melkon M/M	100.00
Manookian, Anna Ms.	100.00
Masoian, Michael M/M	100.00
Oghali, Varouj Mr.	100.00
Ohannessian, Edward M/M	100.00
Yekhpairian, Sevan M/M	100.00
Sheshedian, Mary Mrs.	75.00
Babaian, Vahik M/M	50.00
Bakalian, Araxie Mrs.	50.00
Bezdikian, Ohannes M/M	50.00
Bodriguian, Agavni Mrs.	50.00
Demirdjan, Diana Esq.	50.00
Edzhuryan, Gayane Mrs.	50.00
Elmokian, Edmond M/M	50.00
Hamamgian, Natalie Mrs.	50.00
Julfayan, Eghsapit Mrs.	50.00
Kalaptchian, Arshaluis Mrs.	50.00
Mahtesian/Kasparian Volodya & Didi	50.00
Minassian, Vahram M/M	50.00
Moschovitis, Peter & Carol M/M	50.00
Sarkissian, Azad & Nairy	50.00
Tokatlian, Nelly & Chake	50.00
Vartabedian, Wayne M/M	50.00
Voskerijian, Nayda Mrs.	50.00
Voskinarian, Mourad Mr.	50.00
Ipekgian, Siragan Mr.	40.00
Parseghian, Vartuhi Mrs.	40.00
Tutuyan Armen M/M	40.00

Shamlian, Leon M/M	30.00
Bogosian, Nadia, Mrs.	25.00
D'Onofrio, Anthony & Gail M/M	25.00
Manookian, Arman Mr.	25.00
Megerian, John M/M	25.00
Mengouchian, Takouhi Mrs.	25.00
Minassian, Dikran M/M	25.00
Sookikian, Araxe Mrs.	25.00
Tutelian, Lillian, Mrs.	25.00
Vartanyan, Ann	25.00
Gregorian, Edmund M/M	20.00
Kazandjian, Sylva Mrs.	20.00
Sagatelian, Anna Mrs.	20.00
Saroukhanian, Kayzer M/M	20.00
Dortch Leonard M/M	15.00
Nishanian, Alex M/M	10.00

SUMMER CAMP 2011 DONATIONS

Boudakian, Antranig & Marion M/M	2,000.00
Hagobian, Garbis & Vicky M/M	600.00
Arakelian, Digran & Scarlet Mr./Dr.	200.00

ASDVADZADZIN DONATIONS 2011

Arslanian, Edward & Mary M/M	100.00
Mengouchian, Jirair & Nora M/M	100.00
Hamamdjian, Panos & Sonia M/M	50.00
Manookian, Anna Ms.	50.00
Orangian, Takouhi Mrs.	50.00
Asarian, Sarkis & Nazeli M/M	30.00
Bodoutchian, Garo & Nora M/M	30.00
Demirdjian, Hampartsum Mr.	30.00
Arakelyan, Lusin Mrs.	25.00
Yacoubian, Antranig & Marie M/M	20.00

SIMPLY CHRISTMAS DONATIONS 2011

Voskerijian, Nayda Mrs.	300.00
Bezdkian, Veh & Arpie M/M	250.00
Alajajian, Karl & Alice M/M	200.00
Tatevosian, Norik & Rita M/M	200.00
Asquith, James & Lori, Esq. M/M	100.00
Megerian, John, Esq. & Salpi M/M	100.00
Tutuyan Armen & Janet M/M	100.00
Harutunian, Tamar Esq.	100.00
Varjabedian, Lori Ms.	100.00
Tanal, V. & Lisa M/M	100.00
Cava, Alfonso & Diana, Esq. M/M	50.00
Shamlian, Leon & Sandy M/M	25.00

PICNIC DONATIONS 2011

Arslanian, Edward & Mary M/M	100.00
Givelekian, Bedros & Sonia M/M	75.00
Kubikian, Drs. Arthur & Louiza	100.00
Markarian, Hrachik & Benita M/M	50.00
Minassian, Karnik & Marian, M/M	50.00
Sarkissian, Azad & Nairy Mrs./Ms.	50.00
Sheshedian, Mary Mrs.	50.00
Voskerijian, Nayda Mrs.	50.00
Hogan Shaun & Christine M/M	25.00

DONATIONS IN HONOR OF EDWARD BARSAMIAN 2011

Buzantian, Arshag & Annie M/M	300.00
Boladian, Edward Mr.	200.00
Cazasian, Dr. Aram & Mrs. Rima	200.00
Daglyan, Ruben & Hasmig M/M	200.00
Givelekian, Bedros & Sonia M/M	200.00
Abousham Asbed & Sona M/M	100.00
Bekian, Edward & Arpi M/M	100.00
Boyardjian, Guy & Livia M/M	100.00
Kubikian, Drs. Arthur & Louiza	100.00
Nercessian, Sarkis & Adriana M/M	100.00
Saroyan Siran Mrs.	100.00
Schuster Carmen Mrs.	100.00
Shishmanian, Manoug & Dirouhi M/M	100.00
Farsakian, Souren & Sandra M/M	25.00

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY DONATIONS IN HONOR OF EDWARD & ARPI BEKIAN

Arukian, Hratch & Negtar M/M	100.00
Saroyan Siran Mrs.	100.00
Shahikian, Apo & Ann M/M	100.00
Sharoyan Edward & Evi M/M	100.00
Shishmanian, Manoug & Dirouhi M/M	100.00

SENIOR CITIZENS DONATIONS 2011

Daglyan Ruben & Hasmig M/M	300.00
Boudakian, Gregory Mr.	100.00
Minassian, Karnik & Mariam M/M	100.00
Baklajian, Haig & Emma M/M	50.00
Givelekian, Bedros & Sonia M/M	50.00
Hatem Boudakian Zabel Mrs.	50.00
Zeronian, Zeron & Ossie M/M	50.00
Sheshedian, Mary Mrs.	25.00
Mengouchian, Takouhi Mrs.	20.00
Mengouchian, Vartkes Mr.	20.00
Ohannessian, Elizabeth Mrs.	20.00

IN MEMORY DONATIONS 2011

Bekian, Edward & Arpi M/M	1,000.00
Dikarlo Ankine, Ani & Karmen	700.00
Candan, Arpi Ms.	500.00
D'Onofrio, Gail Mrs.	500.00
Kubikian, Drs. Arthur & Louiza	500.00
Dalian, Harry & Janet M/M	350.00
Oghali, Varouj Mr.	300.00
Derderian, Armine Ms.	200.00
D'Onofrio, Paul Mr.	200.00
Kasparian/Mahtesian Dirouhie/Volodya	200.00
Kazangian, Albert Mr.	200.00
Kelaghbian, Varouj M/M	200.00
Kochoumian, Eduard & Alina M/M	200.00
Koparanian, Dikranuhi Mrs.	200.00
Mangikian, Berge & Edda M/M	200.00
Maslakian, Ramela Mrs.	200.00
Mirimanyan Hrayr Mr.	200.00
Nercessian, Sarkis & Adrine M/M	200.00
Ohannessian, Sarkis & Mary M/M	200.00
Ovanessian, Gabriel & Sophia M/M	200.00
Rybak Edward & Rose M/M	200.00
Savadjian, Vartkes & Alice M/M	200.00
Savadjian, John & Diana M/M	200.00
Sharoyan Edward & Evi M/M	200.00
Stanciu Dan & Alina M/Dr.	200.00
Tanielian, Alice Mrs.	200.00
Simonian, Families	175.00
Aksherian, Gerald Mr.	150.00
Arslanian, Edward & Mary M/M	150.00
Grogorian, George & Peggy M/M	150.00
Kazandjian, Sarkis & Alice M/M	150.00
Nishanian, Ervant & Zabel M/M	150.00
Simonian, Arakel & Ani M/M	150.00
Aghajian, Jerair & Liza M/M	100.00
Agopian, Annig Mrs.	100.00
Alaverdian, Hatchik & Verzhin M/M	100.00
Antonoff Lily Mrs.	100.00
Arakelian, Digran & Scarlet M/Dr.	100.00
Arzvivian, Armen & Zepiur M/M	100.00
Artinian, Alain & Mayda M/M	100.00
Avanessians, Svetlana Mrs.	100.00
Barsamian, Ara & Helene M/M	100.00
Bodriguian, Agavni Mrs.	100.00
Boyardjian, Guy & Livia M/M	100.00
Boyardjian, Dr. Kevork & Mrs. Diane	100.00
Daghlian, Zohrab & Talin M/M	100.00
Derderian, Dr. Anne	100.00
Dirielyan Kegam & Anush M/M	100.00
D'Onofrio Ralph & Dina M/M	100.00
Ghadimian, Hermine Mrs.	100.00
Gostanian, Manoug & Amy M/M	100.00
Hashimian, Ervant & Mariella M/M	100.00

Hazarian, Nadia Mrs.	100.00
Hero, Martin Mr.	100.00
Kalajian, Zohrab & Seta M/M	100.00
Kaladjian, Kevork & Ani M/M	100.00
Kalustian, Varujan & Elizabeth M/M	100.00
Kircikoglu, Raffi & Takuy M/M	100.00
Koulian, Neshan & Varteny M/M	100.00
Kricorian, Ana & Simona Ms.	100.00
Kubikian, Malvina Mrs.	100.00
Kurkciyan Armant & Sirvart M/M	100.00
Magardician, Maria Mrs.	100.00
Marcarian, Mihai & Beatrice M/M	100.00
Mardinian, Sonia Ms.	100.00
Mardirossian, Zabel Mrs.	100.00
Megerian, Haiguh Mrs.	100.00
Minassian, Antranig & Valentine M/M	100.00
Moschovitis, Peter & Carol M/M	100.00
Nakashian, Thomas Mr.	100.00
Nazarian, Janet Mrs.	100.00
Nenejian, Family	100.00
Philibossian, Torkom M/M	100.00
Pogosian, Diane Mrs.	100.00
Salbashian, Sossy Mrs.	100.00
Sarkissian, Azad Mrs.	100.00
Sarkissian, Nairy Ms.	100.00
Savadjian, Families	100.00
Sevadjian, Raffi & Armineh M/M	100.00
Toghlian, Rosette Mrs.	100.00
Topalian, Lilit Mrs.	100.00
Varvarian, Alexander & Theresa	100.00
Voskerijian, Nayda Mrs.	100.00
Arslanian, Edward & Mary M/M	75.00
Boyardjian, Guy & Livia M/M	75.00
Mirzayans Rouben Mr.	75.00
Ohanesian, Dino & Macruhi M/M	75.00
Tertiaryan Tigran & Zarouhi M/M	75.00
Ovanes, Flora Mrs.	60.00
Torossian, Haroutiun Mr.	60.00
Agopian, Berdj & Hilda M/M	50.00
Aksherian, Armenuhi Mrs.	50.00
Arzvivian, Anahid Mrs.	50.00
Arzvivian, Rosa Mrs.	50.00
Atakhanian, Valot & Yeran M/M	50.00
Azarian, Susan Mrs.	50.00
Baghdadlian, Hagop & Silva M/M	50.00
Balanov R	50.00
Berberian, Levon & Arpine M/M	50.00
Bijimianian, Vahe & Setta M/M	50.00
Bodyikoglu Victoria Ms.	50.00
Dersarkissian, Jirair Mr.	50.00
Elmokian, Edmond & Ashhen M/M	50.00
Hamamjian, Mary Mrs.	50.00
Hamamgian, Natalie Mrs.	50.00
Handjian, Magdalena Ms.	50.00
Hairabedian, Haig & Elvira M/M	50.00
Harutunian, Anthony & Maral M/M	50.00
Heller Mark & Marie M/M	50.00
Janikian, Ann Mrs.	50.00
Kazandjian, Setrag & Annie M/M	50.00
Kevorkian, Dr. Noubar & Mrs. Sarin	50.00
Kelaghbian, Shake Mrs.	50.00
Massarlian, Ardemis Mrs.	50.00
Massarlian, Diram M	50.00
Megerian, John & Naomi M/M	50.00
Michaelian, Shant & Annie M/M	50.00
Minassian, Karnik & Marian, M/M	50.00
Nercessian, Kricor & Elizabeth M/M	50.00
Ohanian, Ohan & Rita M/M	50.00
Sajonian, Sarkis & Mary M/M	50.00
Sakar Gregory & Asmik M/M	50.00
Sarraffian, Arshak & Taline M/M	50.00
Saroyan, Berdj Mr.	50.00
Sheshedian, Mary Mrs.	50.00
Simonian, Hagop & Soci M/M	50.00
Tavitian, Stepan & Shami M/M	50.00

IN LIEU OF FLOWER DONATIONS FOR THE LATE AVEDIS SAVADJIAN

Karnikian, Araxi Mrs.	100.00
Manikian, Adriana Mrs.	100.00
Voskianian, Mourad M/M	100.00
Dortch Leonard M/M	75.00
Elmokian, Anni Mrs.	50.00
Karakash Dr. Sonia	50.00
Kouradian, Haig M/M	50.00
Avakian, Manuel Mr.	30.00
Bardizbanian, Loucine Mrs.	30.00

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Freberge, Phyllis & Albert	50.00
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Gostanian, Manoug M/M	50.00
Kadian, Hagop M/M	50.00
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Kochoumian, Edward M/M	50.00
Nercessian, Sarkis M/M	50.00
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Haleblian, Michael M/M	100.00
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Rochner Edgar & Marilyn	25.00

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Stepanian, Alex M/M	50.00
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Jamgotchian, Kirkor M/M	200.00
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