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# Holy Trinity Armenian Church



## LOOYS



January to March 2010



The snow is gone . . .

The flowers are  
blooming . . .

The Church has been  
busy planning . . .

Will you be part of  
the activities . . .

Check out what's coming up . . .

- March 27 - ACYOA Jrs. Retreat
- March 28 - Pick up your Easter Flowers orders
- March 28 - ACYOA Jrs. Palm Sunday Banquet
- April 3 - Easter Eve - Fellowship following Badarak
- May 4 - Men's Club Dinner Meeting
- May 8 - Mortgage Burning Celebration
- May 11 - Annual Mother's Day Dinner
- June 13 - Sunday School Closing
- June 20 - Church Picnic



### Hours of Worship

- Morning Service: 10:00 AM
- Divine Liturgy: 10:30 AM
- Sunday School: 10:30 AM

***Come celebrate with  
Rev. Fr. Hakob Gevorgyan***

### Mortgage Elimination Update

Climb your way to the top of Holy Trinity Armenian Church's Pyramid. Check out the mortgage-burning pyramid on page p.14.

As we go to print, we have raised  
over \$17,000

				\$2,500
				\$2,500
				\$2
				\$1,000
				\$1,000
				\$1
				\$500
				\$500
				\$500
				\$
				\$250
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				\$250
				\$

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## PARISH COUNCIL REPORT

We begin the New Year with high hopes and with a positive approach toward growth and renewal of our parish with our new Pastor, Rev. Fr. Hakob Gevorgyan.

Even though the weather hasn't been very cooperative, what with cancellation of church and related activities, I feel that once spring arrives, our church life will be awakened and we will proceed with our plans for the future.

As we move forward, one of our biggest events this year will be the "Mortgage Burning" celebration which will take place on Saturday, May 8, 2010. We are looking for a great turnout and support. The Committee has already begun work on the event, and I am sure you will have received information in the mail by the time you receive this report. We hope you will also consider a financial contribution to ensure that we have the necessary funds to actually "burn the mortgage." For ongoing updated information, go to [www.holytrinity-pa.org/events](http://www.holytrinity-pa.org/events) to see the progress that is being made.



On February 21, we finally had our Parish Assembly. Due to the snow we had to cancel it from the originally scheduled date, but fortunately we had a good turnout and were able to proceed with business at hand and vote for the newly elected Parish Council Members. This year we voted for five new members, some of whom were incumbents, and they are: Robert Damerjian, Jr., Jeanette Der Hagopian, Dr. Garo Garibian, John Hanamirian, and Donald Paretchan. We thank the outgoing members, Michael Hanamirian, Nick Terkanian and Brian Vartanian, for their contribution to the Council.

You Can  
*Make a  
Difference!*

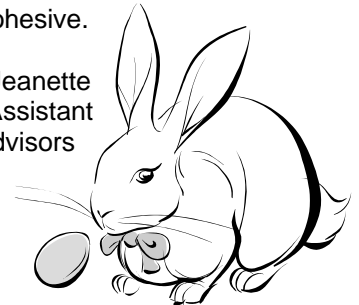
At the Parish Assembly we placed several sign-up boards around the room and asked parishioners to sign up for the various committees where help is needed. The sign-up boards are still standing in the Hall and we ask that you check them out if you haven't already and sign up. We want everyone to get involved. It's a great way to meet and work with new people of your parish. If there are any questions about any of the committees, you may speak to Jeanette Der Hagopian or Merle Santerian. And, if you have any suggestions of other things you feel we could or should do, please do not hesitate to approach any of the Parish Council members and pass your thoughts along.

The Easter season is upon us and our next event will be the annual ACYOA Palm Sunday Banquet. The young people in the Juniors will once again be selling Easter plants and flats of pansies to raise money for CASP. Following Palm Sunday we will be entering Holy Week and hope that many of you will attend the beautiful church services which precede Easter. After that, we will have our Sunday School Closing exercises followed by our annual picnic in June. We need your help in all the upcoming events, whether it be in attendance or actual work. It takes all of us interacting, as the body of Christ, to make our church family strong and cohesive.

Our recently elected Parish Council Board is as follows: Merle Santerian, Chairman; Jeanette Der Hagopian, Vice Chairman; Donald Paretchan, Secretary; Bryan Peckjian, Assistant Secretary; John Hanamirian, Treasurer; and Antranig Garibian, Assistant Treasurer. Advisors are: Robert Damerjian, Jr., Robert Damerjian, Sr., Larry D. Der Hagopian, Dr. Garo Garibian and George Terkanian.

Congratulations to all of you and may the Good Lord Bless us with a fruitful year ahead.

Merle Santerian  
Parish Council Chairman



**WELL-FED SHEEP  
DON'T STRAY.**

## THE FEAST OF THE GLORIOUS RESURRECTION

The Feast of the Glorious Resurrection of Our Lord Jesus Christ or the Easter Feast is one of the five major feasts of the Armenian Church. The main origin of the feast is the following.

Since the year 325, Easter has been observed on the first Sunday after the full moon following the vernal equinox (the time when the sun crosses the equator). Therefore, Easter always falls between March 22 and April 25. Early Christians observed Easter on the fourteenth day of Nisan (April) no matter what day of the week it fell on.

But, regardless of when it is observed, Easter is and will always be a special day for every believer. It is special because of what it represents historically, biblically, and spiritually. Following the crucifixion and death of Jesus Christ, His body was taken off the cross and placed into the tomb and the entrance of the tomb was closed by a large stone and the soldiers were ordered to guard it. After three days, the three women who had followed Jesus from Galilee, Mary Magdalene, Mary, the Mother of James and Joseph, and the wife of Zebedee, brought spices and perfumes to anoint our Lord's Body. They found the stone rolled away, so they went in, but they didn't see the body. They stood there puzzled about this, when suddenly an angel dressed in white appeared to them and said, "Why are you looking among the dead for one who is alive?"

He is not here, He has been raised" (Luke 24:5-6). The women returned from the tomb and told all these things to the eleven disciples and the rest.

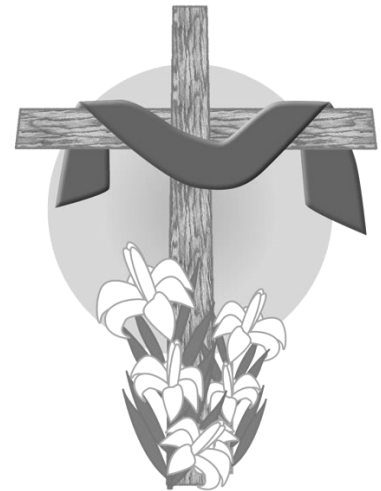
When we read the words of the apostles in Romans 4, 6 and 8. (Romans 4:25: "He was delivered over to death for our sins and was raised to life for our justification." Romans 6:4: "We were therefore buried with Him through baptism unto death in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may live a new life." Romans 8:11: "And if the spirit of Him who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you, He who raised Christ from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through His Spirit, who lives." ) we find that the Easter message was the dominant theme of their preaching and witnessing.

It was the heart and soul of the message they shared and declared. In Acts 4:33 we read, "And with great power gave the apostles witness of the resurrection of the Lord Jesus." It is obvious, that to them, the meaning and message of Easter was special.

"He is not here. He is risen." That's a great truth. Easter is more than just an argument for life after death, one more statement of human survival. Easter is more than the demonstration of the power of God. It is not just our Lord giving us a revelation, a religious show to demonstrate His power, even power over death. Easter is an argument for life after death, an undeniable argument, but it is much more. Easter is the definitive statement of the power of God.

Paul said that "If Christ has not been raised, our preaching is useless and so is your faith." (I Corinthians 15:14) But he goes on to declare, "But Christ has indeed been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep." (I Corinthians 15:20) What we believe about the resurrection of Christ determines our destiny. It determines our joy in this life, and it determines our hope of the life to come.

On the day of the Easter feast, people dye eggs red as a symbol of fruitful life, salvation and joy. St. Gregory of Nanzan considers the egg to be the symbol of the world, the shell of which is the sky, the membrane is the air, the white is the water and the yolk is the earth. Dyeing eggs red symbolizes the salvation of the world by means of the Blood of Christ.



Rev. Fr. Hakob Gevorgyan

## WELCOME DER HAKOB

There was an air of excitement about as nearly three hundred people gathered to attend the "Welcome Luncheon" for our new pastor, Rev. Fr. Hakob Gevorgyan, on Sunday, January 17, 2010. Der Hayr was the celebrant but the day's festivities were presided over by His Eminence Archbishop Khajag Barsamian. We also had the honor of His Eminence

*The  
Excitement is  
Building!*

Archbishop Vicken Aykazian sharing the day with us.

Honored guests included the clergy from our local Philadelphia churches, friends and family from our sister churches and friends of Der Hayr and Yn. Anna from St. Gregory in White Plains, NY, where Der Hayr had been interning under the tutelage of Rev. Fr. Karekin Kasparian, who was our keynote speaker.

The very capable Pauline Chapjian led the committee which included Jeanette Der Hagopian, Antranig Garibian, Naomi Mukalian, Berjoohy Murray, Anne Terkanian, Fran Torcomian and Merle Santerian as Parish Council Chair/Advisor.

We were fortunate to have the professional services of Tavit Murray who is an Executive Chef and who volunteered his services as soon as he knew this event was in the works. His kitchen staff included Robbie Barone, Larry D. Der Hagopian, Diane Doudoukjian, Les Freidman and Berjoohy and Stacey Murray. Needless to say, we had many wonderful comments about the four-course meal!

Our program was emceed by former Parish Council Chairman, John Kash, who was the first person to begin the long process of bringing Der Hakob to our parish as a visiting priest. Khajag Surpazan had been working with our leadership over the last eighteen months to assure that this was "a good fit" and we believe that his guidance helped make it happen.

The musical portion of our program was performed by Evelina Diloyan, a concert pianist who is now assisting Lorraine Damerjian at the organ on Sunday mornings, and by Karinne Hovnanian whose beautiful voice uplifts us all always.

Thanks also go to Blake Florists for their generosity in donating all the centerpieces and to the ACYOA Jrs. who lovingly served at the luncheon. We are also grateful to the many donors whose generosity helped defray the expenses of the event. (See Donor listing in the column to the right.)

The desire of the committee was to make this a loving family affair and, by all measure, that goal was accomplished. We have begun a new era at Holy Trinity with Der Hakob at the helm. We have new

children to raise in Christian faith and many young couples to engage. The memories of a priest's first parish will always remain with him. Be a part of those memories by welcoming him, working with him, encouraging him and growing with him as he grows in his service to the Lord at Holy Trinity Armenian Church.

### Patrons for Welcome Banquet

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Richard and Evelyn Weinsheimer  
Berj and Mary Yeretian

***The family is an intimate community of persons. Christian family life is a privileged locale for encountering God in everyday life.***

In the faith development theories of the two giants in the field, John Westerhoff and James Fowler, most of today's Sunday school-age children are somewhere between "**affiliative faith**" and "**searching faith**" (Westerhoff's terms). This means that

***Most Sunday school students still:***

1. enjoy a sense of belonging and participating, e.g. in Sunday school, service projects, special activities, etc.
2. feel special to this particular religious community and are missed when not present.
3. experience religion through *feelings*, a religion of the heart not the head.
4. look to the authority of the community for the stories and lifestyles of faith.

***but may also be starting to:***

1. doubt and be critical of people and ideas in the church.
2. be interested in other traditions, considering them good alternatives.
3. champion other ideas, whimsically, in rapid succession.

**How Parents Can Help**

1. Be an *example* (the most difficult task of parenthood).
2. Be a regular part of church life, even if the most you can do is be present on Sundays.
3. Express how important *you* feel Sunday school is. Be sure you can articulate your feelings.
4. Make it clear that you also value learning about your faith and the story of your church.
5. Refer to God, pray, read from the Bible. Even the most modest gesture can indicate that the spiritual journey is real to you.
6. Do not dismiss doubts and criticisms. Remind them that the church is not perfect because it is made up of human beings but that perhaps underneath the mess we sometimes make of things or in the case of difficult doctrines (the Trinity, sin, etc.) there are important truths, like a treasure. E.g. if kids decide the Adam and Eve story is silly, tell them perhaps all that's important for them to know right now is that *God made the world and it is good*.

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 Rosemarie Zarzatan  
**Total: \$6,942.00**

**Dolores Sarkisian**

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**New Total: \$10,005.00**

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**Total: \$ 2,125.00**

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**AID FOR FRIENDS**

Berj and Mary Yeretizian  
 Ernie and Chris Peacock

**LOOYS DONATION**

Rose Garabedian  
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Jeanette Pearl Meiser from Pearl  
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**IN MEMORY OF VIRGINIA DEDEIAN**

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 and Helen Terzian Gallagher

**SUNDAY SCHOOL**

Ronald Asadoorian

**DEACON'S FUND**

Garo Garibian

**ENDOWMENT**

We received an endowment of \$25,000 in memory of Vera Kazigian, donated by her nephew Richard Kazigian. The endowment will be invested and the proceeds used for general expenses.

**CHRISTIANS ARE WINDOWS THROUGH WHICH JESUS CAN SHINE.**

## ORGANIZATIONS

### ACYOA JUNIORS

On January 16, 2010, the Holy Trinity ACYOA Juniors and the St. Sahag and St. Mesrob ACYOA Juniors met at Spring Mountain in Spring Mount, Pennsylvania, for a day of snow tubing. Everyone who attended had a great day with amazing weather! All of the ACYOA members had so much fun and made new friends. The snow tubing trip was such a success that we hope to do it again.

In February, the ACYOA Juniors from St. Sahag & St. Mesrob Church invited us to join them skiing and snowboarding at Bear Creek Mountain in Macungie, Pennsylvania. There were a number of families that also participated, and it was a fun day meeting new people and enjoying the mountain and the facilities. We had a great time!



In the next six months, we will be very busy as we plan the fall 2010 ACYOA Juniors Sports Weekend here in Philadelphia. The Holy Trinity ACYOA Juniors will be hosting the weekend jointly with the St. Sahag & St. Mesrob ACYOA Juniors over Columbus Day Weekend (October 8 to October 11, 2010). In the past, ACYOA Junior members from Armenian churches in Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut, New York, New Jersey, Washington D.C., and sometimes even Florida and Texas, have participated in the ACYOA Sports Weekends. We are very excited to host the weekend.

Brenda Yazujian  
Cochairperson

### WOMEN'S GUILD

Snow, snow everywhere! What a winter! The ladies were able to meet in January to prepare over 100 meals for Aid for Friends. Unfortunately, our February Lenten meal was cancelled because of a possible "snowicane" that thankfully never developed. Our Mitchink luncheon in March was a delicious success. Many of our members also attended Saintly Women's Day, honoring Tamar of Mogk, that was hosted by the Women's Guild of St. Sahag & St. Mesrob Church. The young mothers gave a welcome reception for Yn. Anna and her son Narek.

With the advent of spring we look forward to getting out and about. We are going in April to Society Hill Playhouse to see "Respect." We will gather at church in May to celebrate Mother's Day. Our culminating activity this year is something new. We have acquired a block of tickets to see our Fighting Phillies at Citizen's Bank Park.

If you have not filled out the membership form, please take a minute to complete it and return it to our treasurer Lorraine Damerjian. Our membership rolls are growing. We would like to welcome our newest and youngest member, Ana Torcomian!

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## AID FOR FRIENDS

A new year has begun—our sixth—and already we have provided 220 meals from just the first two months to be delivered to the isolated and elderly shut-ins. In January some of the Women's Guild members gathered to prepare meals and in February our small group of five prepared more of them. Monetary donations were received from Mary Yeretzian and Chris Peacock. Cooks included Armena Bartow, Joyce Killian, Liz Barone, Nancy Hovnanian, Tanya Paretchan, Chris Peacock, Valerie Santerian, Alice Charles, Deskouhy Attarian, Pauline Chapjian and yours truly. And we were thrilled that our new Yn. Anna joined us as well. Bravo to all of these ladies. Perhaps you're seeing a pattern here—so many of these names are repeatedly regularly. They are our foundation. But there's always room for more and we hope you will contact one of us to join in this great undertaking.

Gratefully,  
Jeanette Der Hagopian



## 200 CLUB WINNERS

### November 2009

\$1,000 Mary Parnagian - #113  
\$ 400 Linda Fuchs - #29  
\$ 200 Linda Preske - #18  
\$ 200 Florence Boyajian - #24  
\$ 200 Richard Mukalian III - #189

### December 2009

\$ 500 Ronald Asadoorian - #143  
\$ 200 Ethel Terzian - #147  
\$ 100 Harry Sarkisian - #42  
\$ 100 Ara Shakarjian - #187  
\$ 100 Elizabeth Kapeghian - #54

### January 2010

\$ 500 Kim Willard - #65  
\$ 200 Florence Boyajian - #122  
\$ 100 Merle Santerian - #161  
\$ 100 Mary & Pearl Jamgochian - #167  
\$ 100 Robert Damerjian Sr. - #87

### February 2010

\$ 500 Lawrence Der Hagopian - #93  
Harry Mirijanian  
Harry Sarkisian  
Richard Weinsheimer  
\$ 200 John Terzian - #135  
Albert Kapeghian  
\$ 100 Elizabeth Kapeghian - #54  
\$ 100 Mary & Pearl Jamgochian - #167  
\$ 100 Harry Sarkisian - #43

### March 2010

\$ 500 Albert Chapjian - #57  
\$ 200 Brian Vartanian - #186  
\$ 100 Harry Sarkisian - #50  
\$ 100 Kimberly Santerian - #148  
\$ 100 Mary & Pearl Jamgochian - #167

## ABOUT OUR FAMILY

### "BRINGING HOME THE GOLD"

Robert Michael Damerjian, seven-year-old son of Robert and Melody Damerjian and grandson of Bob and Lorraine Damerjian, completed an undefeated season in wrestling at Moorestown High School on Sunday, February 28, 2010. Robert brought home a gold medal from the Regional Grapevine Tournament. Robert began wrestling at six years of age. Congratulations Robert!



DENISE HENHOEFFER/Courier-Post  
Haddonfield's Alex Marshall squares up for a shot despite tough defense from Haddon Heights' Megan Roney.



### NOTHING BUT NET

Alexandra Araxie Marshall, daughter of Marsha (Kangian) and Robert Marshall, granddaughter of George and Mary Kangian plays varsity basketball for Haddonfield Memorial High School. Alex scored 12 points and had 11 rebounds. Alex also plays varsity Field Hockey and Lacrosse. She is a member of the National Honor Society (4.0 average) and the German National Honor Society. In the summer, she swims for Erlton Swim team and volunteers in Appalachia.

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## **FUNERALS: 2010**

**ELIZABETH ARSLANIAN** entered into her eternal rest on February 6, 2010. Funeral services were held on February 13, 2010, at Holy Trinity Church. The officiating clergy for the service was The Rev. Fr. Hakob Gevorgyan.

**ROSE BOYCE** entered into her eternal rest on February 16, 2010. Funeral services were held on February 20, 2010, at Stephenson Brown Funeral Home. The officiating clergy for the service was The Rev. Fr. Hakob Gevorgyan .

## **ABOUT OUR FAMILY...**

Belated congratulations to Don and Judy Parechan as wedding bells rang for them in October 2009. We wish them all the best...With great sorrow we said goodbye to Holy Trinity family member, Bettie Arslanian, and extend our deepest sympathy to John and his family. She was involved in many aspects of our church life, most especially the Choir and the Women's Guild and she will be missed...In mid-January, our longtime Scripture Reader, George Nazarethian, "retired" from sharing God's word with us every Sunday. He was the first full-time person in that capacity and we appreciate his faithfulness all these many years...Congratulations and best wishes to Ankin Kapeghian who became engaged to Richard Carlin. Mother of the bride-to-be is Betty Kapeghian. No wedding details yet but you'll hear it here when it happens.... Keep the faith—after a long, hard winter, spring is almost here!

## **POON PAREGENTAN CELEBRATION**

On Sunday February 14<sup>th</sup>, the Sunday School children enjoyed games, had a lot of fun, and refreshments. As seen in the photo below, they played Musical Chairs and the winner was, in the photo at the right, Nicole Masciantonio, a third grader at the Armenian Sisters Academy.



## **BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT**

Ara and May Arzoumanian would like to announce the birth of their son, **ALEXANDER JACOB ARZOUMANIAN**, born on January 8, 2010.

## **ADDRESS CHANGES**

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## **A NOTE OF THANKS**

To My Dear Church Family,  
Thank you for all my phone calls, cards and concerns during my recent illness. I can't wait to see everyone again!

Love, Sarah

## MEMBER WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

### April

George & Anne Terkanian  
- 4/8/1972  
Patrick & Joyce Killian  
- 4/17/1971  
Richard & Diane Doudoukjian  
- 4/17/1977  
Harry & Rose Kalafian  
- 4/19/1947  
Richard & Linda Vishab  
- 4/20/1968  
Nazareth & Narthy Hajinian  
- 4/22/1956  
Ronald & Ani Gooshian  
- 4/22/1979  
Harry & Anita Mirijanian  
- 4/30/1949



### May

Robert & Carol Temoyan  
- 5/7/1972  
Herbert S. & Azlen Theobald  
- 5/10/2003  
Michael Jr. & Melissa Paretchan  
- 5/13/2006  
Robert & Jean Ohnigian  
- 5/14/1994  
Gregory & Grace Meranshian  
- 5/16/1982  
David & Alyssa Santerian  
- 5/17/1992  
Stephen & Nancy Hovnanian  
- 5/24/1975  
Gregory & Diane Yazujian  
- 5/25/1985  
Arthur & Casey Baldadian  
- 5/27/1976  
Fred & Janet Jordan  
- 5/30/1992

### June

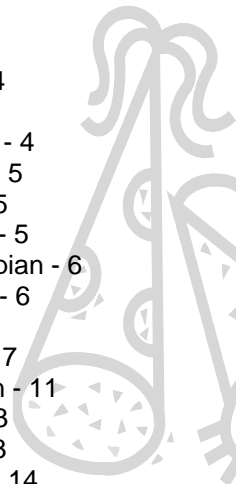
George & Mary Kangian  
- 6/2/1945  
Martin & Deskouhy Attarian  
- 6/7/1952  
Jack & Helen Vishab  
- 6/10/1967  
Charles & Alis Sisian  
- 6/14/1959  
Harry & Mary Injaian  
- 6/15/1952  
Roman & Araxie Radynsky  
- 6/21/1953  
Russ & Maggie Tandourjian  
- 6/21/1958



## MEMBER BIRTHDAYS

### April

Erika Hajatian - 2  
Nezihe Hashas - 3  
Jacob Terkanian - 4  
Gena Willard - 4  
Christine Williames - 4  
Christine Boyajian - 5  
Etienne Boyajian - 5  
Michael Paretchan - 5  
Jeanette Der Hagopian - 6  
Virginia Shakarjian - 6  
Megan Aslanian - 7  
Narek Gevorgyan - 7  
Maggie Tandourjian - 11  
Harry Andonian - 13  
Kalie Kalustyan - 13  
Lynne Asadourian - 14  
Ani Gooshian - 14  
Veron Monokian - 14  
Tanya Paretchan - 14  
Elize Taylor Radall - 15  
Vani Hanamirian - 17  
Viola Karagheuzian - 19  
Alexander Oskanian - 21  
Madeleine Theobald - 22  
Donald Paretchan - 23  
Rita Stepanian - 23  
Pauline Chapjian - 25  
Ani Javardian - 25  
Richard Kazigian - 25  
Cathy Gargan - 26  
Anita Mirijanian - 26  
Cole Owens - 26  
Lorraine Damerjian - 28



### May

Charles Sisian - 1  
George Terkanian - 1  
Ankine Kapeghian - 5  
Jack C. Goushian - 7  
John Paul Santerian - 7  
Christopher Bennuhan - 9  
Harry Injaian - 9  
Tara Kumkumian - 9  
Andrea LeCompte - 10  
Paul Oflazian - 10  
Tateos Rafiyev - 10  
Patrick Killian - 11  
Stephanie Balint - 12  
Diane Doudoukjian - 12  
Mary Kangian - 14  
Melissa DerPilbosian - 16  
Silva Karakelian - 17  
Diane Yazujian - 18  
Albert Kapeghian - 20  
Mark Keshgegian - 21  
Ara Shakarjian - 21  
Stephen Hovnanian - 22  
Luke Krikor Kapeghian - 22  
Gary Papazian - 22  
Gustavo Alexanian - 23  
Richard Vishab - 23  
Krikor Javardian - 24  
April Kumkumian - 24  
Lori Vishab - 25  
Garo Hovnanian - 26  
Audrey Movsesian - 28  
Edward Attarian - 30  
Mikaela Juskalian - 30  
Grace Meranshian - 31  
Gregory Meranshian - 31

### June

Patyl Oflazian - 1  
Ethel Terzian - 1  
Alexandra Brod - 3  
Evelyn Meranshian - 3  
Bryan Peckjian - 6  
Barbara Harmon - 7  
Alyssa Santerian - 7  
Alis Sisian - 7  
Talene Peckjian - 9  
Berjoohy Haigazian - 12  
Ines Alexanian - 13  
Ernest Peacock - 13  
Mary Injaian - 14  
Dominique Damerjian - 15  
Harry Kalafian - 18  
Ana Torcomian - 18  
John Chalikian - 20  
Armena Bartow - 21  
Germaine Hashas - 21  
Narthy Hajinian - 22  
Steven Balint - 23  
Susan Lillis - 23  
Yn. Anna Gevorgyan - 24  
Carol Temoyan - 24  
Sarine Kaprielian - 26  
Kyle Posey - 26  
Berj Yeretzian Jr. - 26  
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### Oops! Missed Birthday

Heather Kapeghian (Feb. 11)

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### Holy Trinity Armenian Church Mortgage Elimination Drive

*Mortgage Principal Balance as of 12-31-09: \$21,908*

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