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# **Holy Trinity Armenian Church**



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January - March 2009

Staying active at any age is . . . Golden



# Get involved today!

# **Hours of Worship**

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

# --- Upcoming Events ---

- Hye Hold 'em (04/17)
- Armenian Genocide Walk (04/25)
- Kef Time Dance (05/15)
- Spring Picnic (05/17)
- Island Kef (07/04)

# PARISH COUNCIL REPORT



### **FINANCIAL**

By approval of the Parish Assembly, we have established a major capital reserve fund to cover emergency expenses rather than dilute the income statement with extraordinary expense in the future. As you are aware, interest rates have declined substantially and quickly so we continue scrambling to maximize interest income and were able to convert a maturing CD at 3.75%.

We have a coin collection that was donated to us years ago sitting idly in a safety deposit box. Access will require two signatures. Plans will be made to utilize this gift.

### **MEMBERSHIP**

The Parish Assembly was held on February 8, 2009, as scheduled. Our guest Pastor was Der Hakob Gevorgyan. All reports were accepted and the budget was approved. The Parish Council goals were itemized and presented. Elections were held. The results for Parish Council were that incumbents Robert Damerjian, Merle Santerian, Antranig Garibian and George Terkanian were reelected. We also elected Bryan Peckjian and Larry D. Der Hagopian to complete the 11 person Council. The entire report and the electees must be approved by the Diocese before the new Council convenes. I'm sure that all of you will join me in welcoming the new Council and wish them continued success. In the interim, the new members will be invited to the March 16 and March 22 meetings. Der Hakob will join us on March 22 as we discuss strategies for the Spiritual pillar and membership growth.

Paid membership increased to 259 which is a compliment to our Parish and our all-star cast of visiting Celebrants.

# **BUILDING MAINTENANCE AND HALL RENTALS**

- Hall rentals are slow. We have three firm rentals plus income from a fourth rental that was cancelled. We will
  investigate advertising in some avenue directed at brides.
- Many small repairs are being completed and more are required. It is estimated that the painting of the dome will be done by June.



# **SPIRITUAL**

- The Celebrant schedule was finalized through May 2007. Our Primate has made Der Hakob available to us for at least two Sundays per month.
- The Sunday Narthex schedule was finalized for February, March, and April.
- The ACYOA of Philadelphia will have a youth day on April 4 at our church.
- The ACYOA is preparing to assist in the Palm Sunday Banquet again being hosted by Donna Sarkisian in memory of her daughter, Nicole Der Hagopian.
- Lenten services will be held on Sunday during the Fellowship hour.

### **2009 EVENTS**

April 4–ACYOA Day
April 5 –Palm Sunday Banquet
April 17–Hye Hold 'em
May 15-Richard Hagopian Dance
May 17–Spring Picnic
September 13–Fall Picnic
October 23, 24–Harvest Bazaar
November 27–possible Casino Night

TBD- Welcome Banquet when a new Pastor is assigned by January 2010 at the latest.

It has been a rewarding four years and I'd like to thank all of those who have served on Parish Council as well as all the Stewards for their participation.

John Kash

# They say practice makes perfect; be careful what you practice.

# MORTGAGE ELIMINATION SHISH KEBAB DINNER &

# HYE HOLDEM TOURNAMENT

Friday April 17<sup>th</sup>, 2009 (Dinner at 7pm, Tournament at 8pm)

Register in advance on the church website: <u>www.holytrinity-pa.org</u>
OR call the church office at 215-663-1600

**Option #1: Tournament & Dinner** \$100 per person, which includes a Shish Kebab Dinner by Mihran, 1000 Chips, and Prizes for the Top Finishers **Option #2: Dinner Only** \$30 per person

Note: Each table will have professional dealers from Casino Parties Inc, with ALL PROCEEDS WILL GO DIRECTLY TO THE REDUCTION OF OUR CHURCH MORTGAGE!

Help the five Philadelphia Armenian Churches ensure that no group of people suffer such crimes against humanity ever again at the 2<sup>nd</sup> annual

# **Armenian Genocide Walk - Saturday April 25th, 2009**

Starting at the Philadelphia Art Museum at 1:00pm

Please visit <u>www.armeniangenocidewalk.com</u>

for additional information, including:

- Online Registration
- Full Schedule and Program
- Directions and Parking Information

Please note that commemorative t-shirt supplies will be limited, so please register online to reserve your shirt.

# ISLAND KEF 2009 SATURDAY JULY 4TH AT 8:00PM

RESERVE YOUR TICKETS IN ADVANCE ON THE CHURCH WEBSITE:  $\underline{WWW.HOLYTRINITY-PA.ORG}$ 

OR CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE AT 215-663-1600

400 Bayshore Avenue, Brigantine, New Jersey (4 miles from the Borgata in Atlantic City)

\$30/ticket if purchased before June 1<sup>st</sup> or \$40/ticket at the door

Live Music / Classy Casual Attire / Raffle Prizes / Cash Bar Tasty Mezzeh & Sweets Included

### April

Kappy & Mary Kapeghian - 4/44 George & Anne Terkanian - 4/72 Patrick & Joyce Killian - 4/71 Richard & Diane Doudoukjian - 4/77 Harry & Rose Kalafian - 4/47 Richard & Linda Vishab - 4/68 Nazareth & Narthy Hajinian - 4/56 Ronald & Ani Gooshian - 4/79 Harry & Anita Mirijanian - 4/49

# **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 Maggie Tandourjian - 11 Harry Andonian - 13 Kalie Kalustyan - 13 Ani Gooshian - 14 Veron Monokian - 14 Tanya Paretchan - 14 Taylor Elize Radall - 15 Vani Hanamirian - 17 Viola Karagheuzian - 19 Alexander Oskanian - 21 Brian Radynsky - 21 Madeleine Theobald - 22 Donald Paretchan - 23 Rita Stepanian - 23 Ani Javardian - 25 Cathy Gargan - 26 Anita Mirijanian - 26 Cole Owens - 26 Lorraine Dameriian - 28

# In LIEU of FLOWERS: Anna Maloumian

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Total: \$225.00

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Melena Ayjian Mary Injaian

# **Sunday School Donation**

The Yazujian Family

# MEMBER WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

### May

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### MEMBER BIRTHDAYS

### May

Charles Sisian - 1 George Terkanian - 1 Ankine Kapeghian - 5 Jack Goushian - 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 Der Pilbosian - 16 Diane Yazuiian - 18 Albert Kapeghian - 20 Mark Keshgegian - 21 Ara Shakarjian - 21 Stephen Hovnanian - 22 Gary Papazian - 22 Gustavo Alexanian - 23 Richard Vishab - 23 Krikor Javardian - 24 April Kumkumian - 24 Lori Vishab - 25 Garo Hovnanian - 26 Audrev Movsesian - 28 Edward Attarian - 30 Mikaela Juskalian - 30 Grace Meranshian - 31 Gregory Meranshian - 31

### June

George & Mary Kangian - 6/45 Martin & Deskouhy Attarian - 6/52 Jack & Helen Vishab - 6/67 Charles & Alis Sisian - 6/59 Harry & Mary Injaian - 6/52 Roman & Araxie Radynsky - 6/53 Russ & Maggie Tandourjian - 6/58

# **June**

Patyl Oflazian - 1 Ethel Terzian - 1 Alexandra Brod - 3 Evelyn Meranshian - 3 Edward Monokian - 5 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 Carol Temoyan - 24 Sarine Kaprielian - 26 Kyle Posey - 26 Berj Yeretzian Jr. - 26 Gregory Posey - 28



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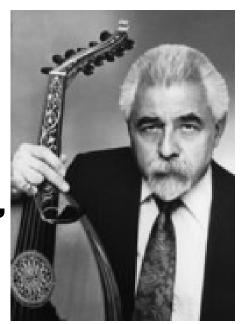
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Total: \$ 9,541.00

The Holy Trinity Men's Club presents a

# **Kef Time Dance**

featuring world renowned oud player **Richard Hagopian**, along with his son Harold and other local "kef" musicians



Friday May 15<sup>th</sup> at 7:30pm, Santerian Hall at Holy Trinity Tickets: \$35 if purchased before May 1<sup>st</sup> (\$40 at the door)

Please visit <u>www.holytrinity-pa.org</u> to reserve tickets, or call the church office at 215-663-1600

A portion of the proceeds will be donated to the Philadelphia Armenian Scholarship Fund.

Sunday May 17<sup>th</sup>, 2009 The Holy Trinity Armenian Church Parish Council presents our annual:

# Spring Picnic

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Featuring Delicious Armenian Cuisine, Music, Raffles, Games, and Fun for the whole Family!

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

Congratulations to our secretary, Maggie Coyne, on the achievement of her son, TJ, who graduated from Navy Seal School in Coronado, California, at the start of the new year. TJ is now stationed in Virginia for the next four years and we look forward to meeting him to personally wish him well on this great



achievement...We were remiss in not sharing the good news that the younger son of Berjoohy Murray, Tavit, was married last year, but we now take this opportunity to wish him and his bride Stacey continued happiness on the celebration of their first anniversary on February 27. In the same family, we send best wishes to older brother, Michael Murray, and Kristen Giordano on their engagement during Christmas. Keep posted for more news...Up and coming comic, Michael Yazujian, son of Greg and Diane, is studying theatre and communications at Marymount Manhattan College and has become one of the eight

members of that college's Comedy Team who will be competing against NYU at a comedy club in Manhattan in the near future...With great sadness, our church family lost two of its dear seniors within weeks of each other: Hayarpie Garibian and Kappy Kapeghian. Deepest sympathy goes out to their families. Our memories of their long

years of service to our church will live on... We also express our condolences to Jan Mirijanian on the untimely passing of his wife, Eileen. He is in our prayers...Congratulations to Meredith Moore, daughter of the late Corinne Santerian Moore and granddaughter of Merle Santerian, for being inducted into the French Honor Society at CB East High School in Buckingham. Parlez vous français anyone?...Until next time, we wish you a happy spring.



# Go Speed Racer, GO!

Andrew Movsesian's "Speed Racer" car placed 2nd in the Cub Scout Troop 802 Pinewood Derby Competition in January. This is the second year Andrew will go to the District Competition at Willow Grove Mall at the end of March. Come on out and cheer him on!

# WILSON COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS

Congratulations to Miss Ovsanna Movsesyan and Miss Zhanna Movsesyan. They have each received one of the two 4-year scholarships available at Wilson College in Chambersburg, Pennsylvania. Both girls are from Yerevan, Armenia. They recently came to the United States to join their family, who had come a few years earlier. They are the sisters of Silvia Movsesyan Sobel, who was our Choir Director in the past.



Wilson College is the oldest Women's Liberal Arts College in the United States, founded in 1869.

The two scholarships are available every 4 years in the name of benefactor, Hagop Bogigian, an Armenian immigrant who made his fortune

in the Oriental Rug business in Boston. The two scholarships were available to any Armenian female anywhere in the world. We are happy to see the recipients are from our Armenian Community.

Robert S. Damerjian, Sr. was a former trustee at Wilson College for many years and chairman of the Finance Committee. Any Armenian woman desiring more information should contact Robert Damerjian Sr.

# **BLESSING OF THE WATER**

The Blessing of Water Service was held on Sunday, January 11, 2009, following the Divine Liturgy. The Godfather for this special occasion was Maxwell Hanamirian, son of Carol and Michael Hanamirian. We congratulate Max and his family for this special honor.



# Laughter is God's sunshine.

# **ANNOUNCING A NEW ARRIVAL**

MICAH ANTHONY OKOORIAN: Born on January 28, 2009, at 2:30 a.m., 5lbs. 11oz., to the proud parents, Mesrob and Lorela Okoorian.

MICAH ANTHONY O
Mesrob and Lorela
Notes of Thank

NOTES OF THANK-YOU From: Garibian, Paretchan, and Javardian Families

To the Holy Trinity Parish Family:

We express our heartfelt appreciation to everyone in the Holy Trinity Parish family who offered words of comfort regarding our mother, Hayarpie Garibian, during her recent brief illness and subsequent passing into her eternal life.

We are especially thankful to His Eminence Archbishop Khajag Barsamian, His Grace Archbishop Vicken Aykazian, His Grace Archbishop Yeghishe Gizirian, Very Rev. Fr. Haigazoun Najarian and Very Rev. Fr. Mkrtich Proshyan for honoring our mother by officiating at the services of the Armenian Church.

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Our mother believed so deeply in the teachings of our Blessed Lord that she made it easy for those of us to accept that she is just sleeping in her eternal rest with Christ. Let us remember the words of St. Paul to the Christians of Ephesus,

"Awake, O sleeper, and arise from the dead, and Christ shall give you light." Ephesians 4:14.

# From: Larry and Jeanette Der Hagopian and Family

It is with profound gratitude that we thank our Holy Trinity Family for the outpouring of sympathy on the passing of our beloved mother, grandmother and great-grandmother, Ann Chopoorian. During her hospitalization, so many of you offered your prayers on her behalf and after her passing, you stayed in touch with us and continued to comfort us. Through all the many years of her visits, you truly treated her like one of our own and we will forever be grateful for the love and respect you always showed her.

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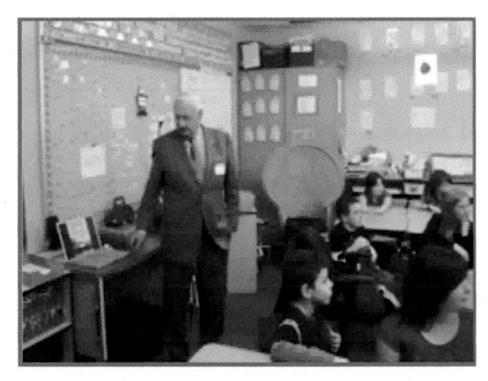
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# Making Outer-Space Seem Reachable!

Posted Thursday, December 18, 2008 at 11:30 AM



The great uncle of a Chestnutwold Elementary School fourth-grader visited Mary Lou Meehan's class recently sharing with the students his experiences as a civilian engineer during the 1968 launch and reentry of the Apollo 8

space craft.

Ara Shakarjian - his nephew is Peter Ohnigian - shared an amazing slideshow with the students that has enhanced their study of the sun, the moon and the stars in science all taken while he worked on the USS Yorktowne in 1968 when the Apollo 8 astronauts splashed down on their return trip from the moon.

While showing the slides the students couldn't take their eyes off the memorable pictures they say. Mr. Shakarjian shared with them his knowledge of the incident and his role in the splash down, and then the students asked him many questions.

Mr. Shakarjian presented the class, Principal Tim Bickhart and, Community Relations Director MaryBeth Lauer with a framed photo of the earth taken from the moon.

# DONOR PROFILE

# Honoring family and community –

# Merle Santerian

Many still remember Santerian's Department Store as a family treasure and a strong thread in the fabric of community life.

The Hatboro and Lansdale landmark closed its doors in 2001, but Merle Santerian continues to honor both family and community through her generous philanthropy.

That generosity will soon make possible a new pediatric facility at Abington Memorial Hospital. To be named in memory of Merle's daughter, who passed away in 2001 at the age of 40, the Corinne Santerian Newborn Center will provide well-baby care for many who otherwise could not afford it.

"When Corinne was with us she often told my mother and me about wanting to give back to the community some day and in some way," Merle recalls. She has contemplated, over the years since her daughter's passing, ways that this might be accomplished. Last year, after reading an issue of *Profiles of Giving*, Merle was inspired to contact former AMH Board Chair Lorraine Pruitt, whom she knew through the Lower Moreland schools and community. She told Lorraine of her desire to do something at Abington Memorial Hospital, where Corinne had been on staff for 10 years.

Lorraine put Merle in touch with AMH Fund Development staff, who "got the ball rolling" and introduced Merle to Steven A. Shapiro, D.O., chair of the hospital's Pediatrics Department. Dr. Shapiro suggested the need to help families of newborns who have no health insurance to cover their babies from birth through three months old. The need is particularly great at Abington Memorial Hospital, which has the largest number of births of any hospital

in the area. Thus was born the Corinne Santerian Newborn Center.

Corinne Santerian, D.O., was a board-certified pediatrician who devoted her life to the care and well-being of young patients. Born at Abington Memorial Hospital herself, Dr. Santerian returned as an adult to serve as a member of the hospital's medical staff. She was a graduate of the Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine and pursued her pediatric residency at Georgetown University Medical School.

At the completion of her residency, William J. Sohn, M.D., who had been her pediatrician when she was a child, invited Corinne to return to the Philadelphia area and join his practice as soon as she graduated. So, upon returning home, Corinne began her medical career in the practice of Dr. Sohn and Joseph J. Cirotti, M.D. Corinne worked with them for several years, and then joined her husband, Dr. William Moore, whom she married in 1991, at Buckingham Pediatrics, where she worked until her passing. She and her husband had three children, of whom two have expressed interest in following in her medical footsteps.

The Corinne Santerian Newborn
Center will honor Corinne's legacy by
providing well-baby care for newborns,
up to the age of three months, who are
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The OB/GYN Center provides low- or
no-cost gynecological and obstetrical
services to some 1,400 new patients each
year, 65 percent of whom have no health
insurance. Approximately 20 percent of
the 4,800 babies born at Abington Memorial
Hospital last year were delivered at the
OB/GYN Center.

"Ned would be very happy making



Corinne, in 1999 with her three children, Allison, Ned and Meredith.

this gift for Corinne," Merle says of her late husband, who passed away in 1994. "This is in his honor as well as Corinne's."

Merle says her philanthropy is inspired by her faith.

"What we have is given to us by God. We are his stewards. After taking care of our family and needs, we should give back – be it in time, talent or money – to help others. I try to live my life that way, and believe that the more we give, the more we receive."

Merle says she hopes the new Corinne Santerian Newborn Center will be an inspiration for others to step forward and lend their support to the worthwhile programs at Abington Memorial Hospital.



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### WOMEN'S GUILD

The Guild has been busy gathering... "Neighborhood Gathering." In the month of February, there were three gatherings for the women of Holy Trinity Armenian Church held at the homes of Mariana Montanez (Northeast), Fran Torcomian (Broomall) and Nancy Hovnanian (New Jersey). This provided the women in each area the opportunity to meet their Holy Trinity neighbors, bridge the generations, and discuss ways to strengthen our church. The response was overwhelmingly positive! We had fun with productive discussions to bring our church family closer together. We hope to see you at the next Neighborhood Gathering. If somehow we missed you or you did not receive the meeting notice, please call or e-mail Mariana (215-758-2664 or mnmontanez@comcast.net) to receive future notices and updates.

Join us at the following events:

March 29 - Easter Choreg and Easter Egg dyeing (cooking class for Sunday school children)

April 12 - Bring 1 dozen dyed eggs for Easter Egg Sale

April 19 - Mini-meeting after church with coffee and conversation

May 1 & 2 - Women's Guild Annual Assembly at St. Sahag and St. Mesrob Church

May 12 - Mother's Day Dinner - 7 PM

June 9 - Covered Dish meeting and Elections

Trip - Tour to Bryn Athyn Cathedral and Pitcairn Mansion (details to follow)

If you haven't paid your 2009 Women's Guild dues, please mail them (\$10) to Lorraine Damerjian, 733 Willow Grove Avenue, Glenside, PA 19038.

If you aren't already a member of our Women's Guild, we encourage you to join us. Together we can help strengthen our Church. For more information, call: Lorraine Damerjian (215-572-8465), Tanya Paretchan (215-947-4394) or Mariana Montanez (215-758-2664).

# WANTED-More Winners!

# **200 CLUB WINNERS**

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# **DECEMBER 2008**

\$ 500 ANNA HOVSEPIAN - #34

\$ 200 ROBERT DAMERJIAN JR. - #85

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Don't forget to see a Men's club member to get your tickets!



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# SUNDAY SCHOOL

On Sunday, February 22, 2009, we held our annual Poon Paragentan celebration. Over 100 adults and children attended the party and enjoyed a "Philadelphia-style" lunch, which included hoagies, soft pretzels, Breyers ice cream, hot dogs and Tastykakes. Students and parents from St. Sahag and St. Mesrob Church joined us for the celebration. We were entertained by first-class magician and entertainer, Helene. Additionally, the children created colorful Mardi Gras masks (as shown below) in the traditional Mardi Gras colors purple (symbolic of justice), green (symbolic of faith) and gold (symbolic of power).



Diane Williames



On Sunday March 1, Holy Trinity Church Sunday School teachers and students of grades five through twelve went to the Philadelphia Art Museum to see a collection of religious art presented by our own guide, Mrs. Nancy Hovnanian. As we walked through the museum, we saw several pieces of art portraying the crucifixion of Christ, narrative paintings of Christ's life, paintings and sculptures of the Mother and Child, and the Annunciation. We also saw a painting of a skull and bones by the Armenian painter, Arshile Gorky. At the end of the tour, we all ate a delicious lunch at the museum cafeteria and had a nice discussion about what we observed. Thank you Mrs. Hovnanian!

Natalie Movsesian



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### STEWARDSHIP IN ACTION

For almost a year and a half, we have been without a permanent priest, but have still been fortunate to have a visiting priest almost every Sunday during that time. Thanks go to John Kash, our Parish Council Chairman, for all the work involved in arranging for the priest, his travel, his accommodations and various other matters. This is no small feat and he has done it outstandingly.

Special recognition also goes to our faithful and

dedicated deacons:
Albert Keshgegian,
Krikor Mahserejian and
Garo Garibian. It's one
thing to serve a priest
whose "style" you are
familiar with, but it's
another matter to have
someone different each
week, and these fine
gentlemen always make
sure that our visiting
priest has altar servers
to assist him.

Honorable mention is also given, first and foremost, to Michael Alexanian and Bryan Peckjian (our newest altar server), both of

whom rarely miss a Sunday. In addition, you can be sure that you'll also see, at various times, Jimmy Keshgegian, Harout Nalbandian, Antranig Garibian and Nicklas Terkanian.

We salute these faithful men for their commitment to serving our Lord and also our Holy Trinity Church.

### ACYOA JRS.

In January, at Holy Trinity Santerian Hall, we had another successful event with our ACYOA Juniors. We organized a retreat for all the Juniors to have a fun night together. To kick the night off, we had a dinner of pizza, chips, vegetables, and drinks.

After that, we played two vigorous games. First, we had to put ourselves in order according to the topic Miss Nancy Basmajian chose. This helped us with our communication skills. The second game included Bible true or false. While

we were running back and forth to win the game, our knowledge helped us to have fun. Then we all sat down to enjoy a Bible study taught by Miss Basmajian. We wrote down questions for issues that intridued us to ask the priest who would visit later that evening. Once we had the questions, we put them aside so we could read some Biblical passages.

Then we met the Very Reverend Father Haigazoun Najarian for

a talk session. To conclude the retreat and at Father Haigazoun's request, we went upstairs to Church where Father Haigazoun officiated at an evening service.

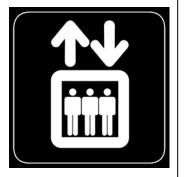
We would like to thank all of the parents who helped in making this possible.

Natalie Movsesian



# **CHURCH ELEVATOR COMMITTEE**Dear Parishioners.

At the 2008 Annual Parish meeting (held on February 8, 2009), the discussion of a Church Elevator was brought up once again. A committee was formed consisting of the following members: Naomi Kapeghian, Alice Karabian and Brian Vartanian. The ensuing discussion revealed the necessity of such a project as a future requirement and a longtime goal as our Church family grows older. The committee has been formed by volunteers and a special fund has been started. This fund has been named "Church Elevator." The fund is currently at \$500 and it is the committee's wish that this project move forward to accumulate more funds and turns this dream into a reality.



To date, a contractor has been contacted to make a proposal and a cost estimate. The contractor will be doing an onsite review of the Church building and offering a proposal in the near future.

Many of our current senior citizens find it very difficult climbing the stairs to the Church and, consequently, prohibits their attendance to Church services. Hopefully, the solution could only be a few years away from this dream becoming a reality.

If you have any suggestions or ideas that can help this committee, please bring your thoughts forward to any committee member.

Respectfully,

The Church Elevator Committee

### **AID FOR FRIENDS**

During the first two months of 2009, 171 meals were lovingly prepared by devoted and caring ladies: Mary Parnagian, Florence Boyajian, Rose Minassian, Rosemary Zarzatian, Sarah Terkhanian, Armena Bartow, Alice Charles, Ethel Terzian and Jeanette Der Hagopian. If your name is not on this list, we invite you to become a member of this illustrious "club." It pays great dividends (sense of satisfaction, helping the less fortunate, sharing our good fortune) and costs little (time, talent and/or treasure). Monetary contributors included Mary Parnagian, Armena Bartow, Ethel Terzian and Jeanette Der Hagopian. In



addition, a donation in memory of Ann Chopoorian was received by Angel Tookmanian.

If you have a couple of hours to spare now and then, consider donating some of your time for the preparation of these meals which are so gratefully received by the

elderly and isolated shut-ins in Delaware County. They will appreciate it and so will we!

Gratefully, Jeanette Der Hagopian

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