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The editor and staff of *Pari Loor* wish to apologize in advance for any errors in spelling, omission of names or misrepresentation of facts in our newsletter. Any corrections or additions to the newsletter should be directed to the Pastor or a member of the Board of Trustees.

CHURCH SERVICES

DIVINE LITURGY:

Morning services start at 9:30 A.M. and the Divine Liturgy (*Badarak*) starts at 10:00 A.M. every Sunday
Every Saturday Great Vespers at 5:00 P.M.

Other Services by Special Announcement

ARMENIAN LANGUAGE CLASSES

Every Saturday at 3:00 P.M. in church classroom or via Skype

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Year round, for all children. 10:30 – 12:00 every Sunday morning.
Children’s Sermon first Sunday of every month.

BAPTISM

Church Service	Members (Parents only)	\$100
	Non-Member	\$150
Services of the Priest		Honorarium

WEDDING

Church Service	Members (Bride or Groom)	\$150
	Non-Member	\$300
Services of the Priest		Honorarium
Services of the Organist		Honorarium
Services of the Soloist		Honorarium

FUNERAL

Church Service	Member (Deceased)	\$100*
	Non-Member	\$250
Services of the Priest		Honorarium

*Fee waived when 100% in lieu of flowers goes to St. Gregory The Illuminator Armenian Apostolic Church. This service is not available to non-members.

CHRISTMAS & EASTER HOUSE BLESSINGS

Services of the Priest	Honorarium
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MEMORIAL DAY GRAVE BLESSING

Services of the Priest	Honorarium
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ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP FEE

Per Person	\$100
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The dues-paying member has voting rights in the Annual Church membership meeting and can get discounts for church services or community center rentals.

COMMUNITY CENTER HALL RENTAL

Full Hall	Member	\$500
	Non-Member	\$700
Half Hall	Member	\$375
	Non-Member	\$450

The Election of His Grace Anoushavan Tanielian as Prelate of the Armenian Apostolic Church of America, the Eastern Prelacy



NEW YORK, NY—His Grace Bishop Anoushavan Tanielian was elected to serve as the new prelate of the Eastern Prelacy of the Armenian Apostolic Church of America on Saturday, September 8, at a special session of the Prelacy’s National Representative Assembly that convened at St. Illuminator’s Cathedral in New York City with 62 duly elected delegates in attendance. The only agenda item was the election of a new prelate to succeed Archbishop Oshagan Choloyan who is retiring after 20 years of distinguished service as Prelate.

Bishop Anoushavan was elected on the first ballot from a slate of three candidates submitted by His Holiness Aram I, Catholicos of the Holy See of the Great House of Cilicia. Bishop Anoushavan received 39 votes; Bishop Shahe Panossian received 20 votes; Very Rev. Fr. Sahag Yemishian received 2 votes; 1 blank ballot was submitted.

Archbishop Oshagan addressed the delegates after the vote. He congratulated Bishop Anoushavan and officially introduced him. The newly elected prelate humbly addressed the delegates expressing his thanks and asking for prayers.

The results of the election were immediately communicated to His Holiness Aram I, and a letter dated September 11, 2018 was received from His Holiness ratifying the election.

Prelacy Press Release

Ս. Գրիգոր Լուսավորիչ Հայց. Առաքելական Ս. Եկեղեցին, անոր յարակից քոյր կազմակերպությունները, ինչպէս նաեւ Սէյթ Լուիսի ոստանին մէջ բնակող հայութիւնը կը շնորհաւորեն Գերշ. Տէր Անուշաւան Եպս. Դանիէլեանի առաջնորդական ընտրութիւնը: Մենք կը բարձրացնենք մեր աղօթքները առ Աստուած եւ ի սրտէ կը մաղթենք որ Ամենակալին առատ օրհնութիւններով լեցուն Գերշ. Սրբազան Հայրը ստանձնէ այս կարեւոր պաշտօնը:

The St. Gregory the Illuminator Armenian Apostolic Church of Granite City with its sister organizations and the Armenian community of St. Louis Metropolitan area congratulates His Grace Bishop Anoushavan Tanielian for his election as our Prelate. We offer our prayers and support in His Grace's demanding new responsibility.

Food For Strength
Kill Your Anger before It Kills You¹
Rev. Fr. Torkom Chorbajian

Generally, in life, but specially in married life, there is no powerful and at the same time destructive force like the force and the power of anger. This force is so destructive that nothing good comes out of it. It can destroy everything good in our marital and social lives. What many people overlook is the fact that we do not notice that we have the force or the lust of anger inside us. It is usually hidden, somewhere, but when the time comes, it will show itself in a very bad and destructive way. Sometimes, when we are able, by the sheer ability of our will, to control and hide it, it might show up in different ways, like through crying, and we notice that in this case, anger looks even worse and more hurtful.

Sometimes, anger is present, but it is hiding somewhere behind our silence. In this case, we convince ourselves that we will not attack anyone by our anger, but the story does not end up here. The person who hides his/her anger behind silence, usually does not miss the chance of criticizing the others, especially the family members, for everything that he/she considers to be wrong, and life in this atmosphere becomes toxic. There cannot be a peace or a joy in the life of this family. Usually, the people living with this angry person do not know why he/she is very critical and want to cause problems, because the anger is hiding behind something else. The angry person might even use some biblical verses to justify this kind of behavior, for example, he/she might use the following verse, “Be angry but do not sin” (Ephesians 4:26).

Even though the Bible has a verse about anger, like the one in the letter to the Ephesians, this kind of holy anger must be very rare, as we see in St. James letter, where he says “let everyone be quick to listen, slow to speak, **slow to anger; for your anger does not produce God’s righteousness**” (James 1:19-20). Elsewhere, St. Paul says “I desire, then, that in every place the men should pray, lifting up holy hands **without anger or argument**” (1 Timothy 2:8). Also, St. Paul says the following, “Put away from you all bitterness and wrath and **anger** and wrangling and slander, together with all malice” (Ephesians 4:31). Then, he gives the solution of anger, “and be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you” (Ephesians 4:32).

As we saw in St. James letter, one of the ways to escape away from anger is to be slow to speak and give more importance to listening. Why? Most of the time we get angry because we want to talk and express ourselves the way we want, instead of listening to the other person. Guess why do we not want to listen to others when we are angry? Because when we listen to others while we are angry, our anger will fade away.

¹ This article is presented to you as a paraphrase of an article that appeared in the *St. Mark Monthly Review*, December 2005.

Being Christians and soldiers of our Lord Jesus Christ, everyday we must feel ourselves as soldiers in a battle, to put away anger. Here are some of the tips suggested for you, based on principles of the spiritual life, that might help you in your battle against anger.

1. Look at our Lord Jesus, who had all the right to be angry. Instead of being angry, he carried his Cross with silence with getting angry or getting into trouble with other people. This is the greatest example for us to carry our sufferings with silence and thanksgiving. St. Peter says, “For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you should follow in his steps” (1 Peter 2:21).

2. Think about how many times you would have made God angry by your sins, but God forgave you, and instead of being angry, showed you his mercy. Be nice to others and forgive them, as God forgave you.

3. Examine yourself and see how you too do wrong things and make others get angry. Do you want others to treat you the same way you treat them, especially when you become angry? Jesus says, “You hypocrite, first take the log out of your own eye, and then you will see clearly and take the speck out of your neighbor’s eye” (Matthew 7:5).

4. Consider that if you do not go into a battle against your anger, you will give a good place for the devil in your life, home, and in your family, as St. Paul says, “do not make room for the devil” (Ephesians 4: 27).

5. Think about the consequences of anger. Some of the consequences are related to your spiritual life, others will affect you mentally and even cause you serious physical problems. The worst consequence will be that your relationship with other people will be destroyed. King Solomon, who loved wisdom, advises us by saying “do not be wise in your own eyes; fear the Lord, and turn away from all evil. It will be a healing for your flesh and a refreshment for your body” (Proverbs 3:7-8).

6. Do not be late in confessing your sins to God, to your confessor, and even to the person to whom you were angry at, because this is a work of healing that brings you God’s grace. St. James writes, “Therefore, confess your sins to one another, so that you may be healed”. (James 5:16).

7. Let your anger be a key for you to open the doors of the prison in which you put yourself and be free to live a life full of love and forgiveness.

“Love is patient; love is kind; love is not envious or boastful or arrogant or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice in wrongdoing but rejoice in the truth. It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things” (1 Corinthians 13:4-7).

The Weekend and the Lord's Day

Derek W. H. Thomas

The weekend. The very term evokes what, exactly? Fun? Entertainment? Sleeping in? Brunch? Sports? And what exactly does *weekend* include? Friday afternoon, Saturday, *and Sunday*? Interesting, isn't it, how Sunday gets wrapped into the concept of the week's end, when Scripture would have us think in an entirely different way with Sunday as the *beginning* rather than the end of the week.

Avoiding for a minute the issue of how Sunday should be observed, let's think about the psychological effect of viewing Sunday as the beginning of the week. What different does that make?

First, it clearly defines a gospel shape to the week beginning with gracious rest and followed by grateful work. This is a contrast to the shape of the old covenant pattern - work followed by rest. There is no indication in this that during the period of the Old Testament there was no understanding of the gospel - far from it.

Second, the Lord's Day yes, that's what the early Christians called it (Rev. 1:10), signaling thereby that this day had a status distinct from other days is special. So special, in fact, that this particular day is denoted as belonging to the Lord. Do not all days belong to the Lord? Is not God-Father, Son and Holy Spirit-Lord of space *and time*? Yes, He is. Nevertheless, early Christians felt it important to recognize the first day of the week (Sunday by our reckoning, though in all likelihood, sundown Saturday to sundown Sunday in theirs) as having a special status and consequent obligation.

Third, the Lord's Day is a gift. Each week, we are provided with an opportunity to gather together as a fellowship, a family, with Jesus our Elder Brother. Our Father calls us together for worship - to sing, to pray, to read Scripture and hear it expounded, and to baptize and share a meal together - signs and seals² of all the blessings of the gospel of the covenant of grace that lies behind it. Sundays are fitness enhancing, ensuring the health of our souls. It is a time of spiritual nourishment, to be used wisely and with discipline-profiting from the Lord's Day does require effort and resolve on our part, including preparing and expectation. Here, as elsewhere in the Christian life, the saying is true that "you do not have, because you do not ask" (James 4:2).

The Puritans referred to the Lord's Day as "the market Day of the soul"- viewing a well-spent Lord's Day as preparation for the working week that would follow. And here's a thought: Is our work viewed with dread and foreboding because we do not utilize the gift of the Lord's Day to the fullest? Enjoy your Lord's Day.

² The celebration of Eucharist on Sundays, *Badarak* in our Church, is more than a sign and a seal or a mere meal.

Լուրեր Հոգաբարձուրեանէն – Board of Trustees News

Stephen Hagopian

The St. Gregory Church Board of Trustees and parishioners had a very active summer and fall of 2018. We held our annual Vartavar Picnic in conjunction with our Sunday School in July where we had our traditional water games along with our normal BBQ on the church lawn. It has been a great event year after year and continues to grow as our numbers of young families increases each year.

We also had our annual Blessing of the Grapes Picnic in August. The Board of Trustees, along with our 2 Picnic Co-Chairs, Rose Lesko and Andrea Giovando, spent a good part of the summer planning for our annual picnic. We can't thank Rose and Andrea enough for putting on a fantastic event! This year we had Armenian dancing, new games for the kids and a large number of the local community come out and celebrate in fellowship with our Armenian Community. It was one of the biggest and most successful picnics we've had in years.

In October of this year, we had two great events. We had our first Agoomp game night, planned by Der Torkom and Yeretsgeen Shogher (games) and the Asadorian and Keeney families (food). Thank you Der Hayr and Yeretsgeen and the Asadorian/Keeney families for planning such a fun event! Approximately 25 parishioners split up into 3 teams and played over 10 games that were enjoyed by all. Throughout the night you could hear, "I haven't laughed like this in a long time" or "We need to have more events like this". The Board took a lot of the comments to heart and have tried focusing on more open and enjoyable parish events that everyone can enjoy.

The other event we had in October was our 4th annual St. Gregory Church golf outing. The Church and the local Granite City "Hrayr" Armenian Revolutionary Federation co-hosted this event again and had the best turnout in our tournament's history. We had over 100 golfers and over 75 hole sponsors this year! We can't thank our local community, sponsors and golfers enough for making this such a terrific event.

We're also looking forward to hosting our 2nd Annual Trivia night with the Holy Seraphim Choir on January 12, 2019 at the Community Center. Please reach out to friends and family outside of just our church who like to play trivia as well.

We've also looked into new and easier ways for our parishioners locally and throughout the United States to give to our local Parish. We started using the Square electronic payment a few years ago and after much deliberation have settled on using Paypal going forward for our electronic payments. We will be launching this new program in early 2019 so please stay tuned for more details.

The St. Gregory Church Board of Trustees has spent a lot of time and effort on fellowship and outreach for our parish. We've enhanced our efforts over the past few years working on improving church attendance and enjoyment of community events. We are always looking for suggestions from our parishioners on how to improve our spiritual life and in the process increase church attendance.

Please share your suggestions with any BOT member for any ideas to help our parish and community grow and prosper.

Լուրեր Սրբոց Սերովբեից Երգչախումբին – Holy Seraphim Choir News

Rose Lesko

The Holy Seraphim Choir has been very busy since the last edition of the Pari Loor. We continue to improve upon the hymns of the Divine Liturgy through our monthly practices, while also focusing on improving the hymns we sing only on feast days.

In September, the choir participated in the Lincoln Place Heritage Association Festival by sponsoring a booth to sell lulu kebab sandwiches and loosnags. This was the final year for the festival. It will be greatly missed.

Unfortunately, the number of voices continues to dwindle with the leaving of Greg Hightaian. He has since left the community to start a new chapter in his and Debbie's life. We wish them the very best in their new adventure.

In November, the choir will be hosting a coffee hour after church in memory of all deceased choir members.

We would like to thank Arnold and Lisa Babikian for donating a beautiful keyboard to the choir/church that is located in the choir area. It will get put to good use.

We are always in need of additional voices so if you are interested in joining the Choir, please reach out to one of us. Finally, the Choir wishes to extend a special thank you to Der Torkom for his guidance and support.

Լուրեր Կիրակնօրեայ Վարժարանին – Sunday School News

Jean Nalbandian

We are back in the full swing of things in Sunday School! Come see our classrooms sometime. We continue to make crafts, learn songs, learn prayers in Armenian and English, and learn about God's Word. Recently, we had a fun outing to the Relleke Pumpkin Farm. Soon enough, we will be collecting hats, gloves, and mittens for our Armenian brothers and sisters in need. This teaches our children Christian charity as we celebrate the blessed holiday season. Look for our "hat tree" at church coming soon. All children are welcome any and every Sunday to play and pray with us!

Լուրեր Տիկնանց Միութենին – Ladies' Guild News

Lynne Hagopian

The Ladies Guild collected personal care items during the month of May for the Good Samaritan House, a very worthwhile charity in Granite City. We were able to donate 2 large bags of items due to the generosity of our members and many church parishioners.

The Guild held our annual Father's Day luncheon on June 17th where we served sloppy joe sandwiches, potato salad and dessert. Everyone enjoyed the luncheon.

Choreg and Simit baking classes were held in June and July at the Community Center. A handful of interested parishioners attended to learn the art of making these Armenian desserts. Everyone had a fun time.



The Guild held its annual Blessing of the Grapes bake sale on August 12th. Our members and other parishioners donated Armenian baked goods. Many of our local public community look forward each year to our church festival to enjoy the delicious food and baked goods.

The Ladies Guild 65th Anniversary dinner was held on September 16th. Everyone enjoyed a delicious meal of fried chicken, rice pilaf, salad and dessert. We sold chances to win homemade goods of lehmajoon, simit and loosnags and several lucky winners took home these goodies.

Reminder that our Christmas bake sale will be Sunday, December 23rd and we still have our Guild cookbooks for sale.

Լուրեր 2016 Armenian Revolutionary Federation News

Stephen Hagopian

The Granite City "Hrair" ARF has been very busy in the past several months. We expanded our ranks and swore in a new Unger, as Jeff Hagopian joined the organization. We welcome Unger Jeff. If anyone has an interest in joining the ARF please reach out to any member for further assistance.

We also focused on supporting the Church with the Golf Outing, as all Ungers participated financially as well as by working the days leading up to the event as well as working on the day of the outing. It was a very successful day.

We also have watched the Velvet Revolution take shape this year in Armenia as we all got to witness a peaceful change of government. We applaud the people of Armenia who wanted change and found a non-violent, democratic way to effect that change. It is remarkable as we

consider that the Republic of Armenia is only 27 years old and has fought hard to give its people a clear voice in setting their future.

We will continue to support the Republic of Armenia and our people as they strive for peace and prosperity going forward.

Լուրեր Հ.Օ.Մ.ԷՍ - Armenian Relief Society News

Janet Haroian

The summer months flew by and although it was still quite warm into the fall season, our activities kept the Ungerouhies busy. We sold ice cold soda and water at the very last Lincoln Place Heritage Festival on September 22nd. It was wonderful to participate in this ethnic festival over the years to see the various entertainers and enjoy their delicious foods and pastries. Special thanks to all who have donated soda and water and worked the booth. We will surely miss the gathering every September and the fundraising opportunity it provided. We have supported many ARS projects and programs with the funds raised so Ungerouhies, it is time to come up with a new idea to help replace this annual fundraiser!

Earlier in September, if you attend the AYF Senior Olympics in Philadelphia over the Labor Day holiday, you may have picked up the ad book published for the event. The ARS once again shared a full-page ad with the Granite City Antranig AYF and the ARF Gomideh. Next year the Olympics will be held in Chicago so hopefully we will see more of our young AYF members participating in the events.

By the time you read this newsletter, the annual St. Gregory Church and ARF Golf Outing will have occurred on Saturday, October 13th. We are always pleased to assist with preparation of some food for the luncheon and dinner served to the golfers. Oh and of course, dessert too!

The Reubena Chapter will have Trick-or-Treat for UNICEF boxes set out for donations on Sunday, October 28th during coffee hour in conjunction with the annual Trunk-and-Treat event held after church on the parking lot of the community center. Costumes are encouraged for all in attendance. Please remember to give generously. Our chapter's donation is part of one larger donation made by all the ARS chapters towards UNICEF.

Soon it will be time for the AYF Chapter's annual fall dance, set for Saturday, November 17th. All Reubena members are asked to assist by preparing mezze items for the dance buffet table or making a cash donation to the AYF so they can purchase items needed for the evening. This is a wonderful time for family and friends to gather prior to the Thanksgiving holiday and celebrate the AYF organization. Music, dancing, food and fellowship with our Ungers and Ungerouhies, oh and I can't forget the 50/50 raffle held every year too. See you all soon!

Sometime soon, the chapter will have a meeting to review the ARS Convention Resolutions and financial report of the past year of the Eastern Region. Anyone interested in attending an ARS

meeting, please feel free to reach out to Janet Haroian, Susie Hagopian or Leslie Mikaelian. We would be happy to talk with you about the international humanitarian relief organization.

Լուրեր Հ.Ե.Մ. ԷՖ - Armenian Youth Federation

Stephen Hagopian

The Granite City “Antranig” AYF chapter has had a great year so far. We had 5 of our members go to the annual AYF-YOARF Junior Seminar in Schwenksville, PA. We recently found out the camp will be moving closer to Pittsburgh this year at Camp Kon O Kwee, in Fombell, Pennsylvania. We are looking forward to continuing our participation in this great event and having more members present than last year.

The Granite City Chapter had a great time and showing at the annual AYF-YOARF Midwest Junior Olympics in Detroit, Michigan in July of this year. We had a Friday night picnic, the athletic games on Saturday morning and the dance on Saturday night at the St. Sarkis Lillian Arakelian Hall in Dearborn, Michigan. We finished in fourth place again this year but had our highest number of athletes in a long time!

This fall we have been preparing for our annual AYF November dance on Saturday November 17th at St. Gregory Community Center. We will have the same band from last year featuring Shant and Raffi Massoyan and Aram Hovagimian. The dance will start a half hour earlier this year than normal to make sure we accommodate for our younger and older families in the community. The chapter will be getting together on Friday night to decorate and any community member who wishes to join is more than welcome!

The Granite City “Antranig” chapter will be finishing this year by hosting the annual AYF-YOARF year-end convention in December of 2018. We will be hosting the event at the Clayton Plaza Hotel in Clayton, Missouri. We have not hosted the event in over 10 years and are very excited not only for our members but for the community as well. We will have a dinner at the community center one night so please stay tuned for details.



Blessing of the Grapes Picnic Patrons - 2018

Art and Pam Asadorian
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Armen Festigian
Graham and Melanie Keeney
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Raffi Ovian

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Hagop and Barbara Varadian
Jake Varadian
John Donjoian
Greg Hightaian
Debbie Hightaian
Charles Vartan
Zaven and Jean Nalbandian
Michael Haroian
Mary Haroian
Eddie Asadorian
Norma Asadorian
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Zaven Nalbandian Sr.
Lori Saucier
Nancy Avdoian
Karo and Leslie Mikaelian
Greg Bogosian
Doreen Nersesian



Gift to the Church-Եկեղեցւոյ Նուիրատուութիւն

Deacon Ed and Mrs. Laura Haroian

On the birth of their grandson, Dominic Stauder

Հոգեհանգստեան Պաշտօն - Requiem Service

June 3

Fallen heroes of Sardarabad, Bashabaran, Gharakilise

Martyrs of the struggle for Artsakh

By Armenian Prelacy

Michael, Andrew and Angeline Hagopian, Kathy Ovian, Lawrence & Mildred

Geisendorff, Wallace Lee, Mark Alashaian

By Stephen S. Hagopian

June 10

Maryjane Karibian, Pierre and Louise

Kabbendjian, Thad Ayer, Jim Deleanardis

By Stanley Karibian and Family

Maryjane Karibian

By David and Jeannine Sams

June 17

Karibian Family

By David and Jeannine Sams

Robert Parsaghian, Zaven Asadorian, Louis Saucier

By Richard and Pam Asadorian

Andrew Hagopian, Melvin Krist, Sooren

Hagopian, Ohannes Manoogian, Arthur

Bedian, Michael Hagopian

By Jeff, Lynne, Michelle and Megan Hagopian

Hagop Asadorian, Abraham Kambarian,

Bernard Keeney, Edward Asadorian, Richard

McClintock, Andrew Hagopian, Bedros

Merzian

By Asadorian and Keeney Families

Wallace Lee Jr., Wallace Lee Sr., Lawrence

Geisendorff, Sooren Hagopian, Ohannes

Manoogian, Andrew Hagopian, Art Bedian,

Michael Hagopian

By Steve and Susie Hagopian

Michael Hagopian, Andrew Hagopian

By Karen Hagopian, Taline, Hrag, Angele, Sarkis and Raffi Chalian; Sosi, Aram, Vrej, Lucine and Sofi Hovagimian, Ani and Richard Florka

Hrant Semerdjjan, Hampar Astorian, Garabed Ohanesian, Andrew Hagopian, Tateos Kinldjian, Garabed Grjigian

By Emmanuel and Sonya Ohanesian

Arakel Manoogian, Nazar Manoogian,

Ohannes Manoogian, Moushegh Manoogian,

Hougas Manoogian, Paro Manoogian, Sarkis

Manoogian

By Yervant Manoogian

July 15

Rose Torosian

By Mike Torosian

Verkin and Mikael Donian ,etc.

By Sam and Sue Spataro

Misag & Zevart Mgrdichian,

Bedros and Hyguihi Mgrdichian, Alice and

Jack Davoudian

By Mary Mgrdichian

Rose Torosian

By Russ and Clara Waterson

Michael, Andrew & Angeline Hagopian

Stephen Hagopian

July 29

Gregory Javizian

By Mr and Mrs Richard Asadorian and Family

The Lisbon Five

By Granite City ARF "Hrayr" Gomideh

Gregory Javizian

By Lori Saucier

<p><u>August 05</u> His Grace Bishop Epiphanius By Der Torkom Chorbajian Krikor Donian By Sam an Sue Spataro <u>August 19</u> Cheryl Madson By Janet Haroian <u>August 26</u> Senekerim Arzrouni & Abraham Kambarian By Asadorian & Keeney Families Mariam Varadian & Mary Koch By Varadian Family Harutyun Hatikian, Sarkis Hatikian, & Grigor Hatikian By Mary Hatikian</p> <p><u>September 02</u> Cassandra Cline and Roger Karibian By Stanley Karibian and Family Vartkes Asadorian By Asadorian and Keeney Families</p>	<p><u>September 09</u> Angeline Hagopian, Melvin Krist By Jeff and Lynne Hagopian Angeline Hagopian By Asadorian and Keeney Families, Steve and Susie Hagopian Wallace Lee, Andrew & Angeline Hagopian, Michael Hagopian, Kathy Ovian, Lawrence and Mildred Geisendorf, Mark Alashaian By Stephen S. Hagopian Lee Jacobs By Janet Haroian <u>September 23</u> New Martyrs of Artsakh Independence By Armenian Prelacy Deceased Ladies Guild Members By Ladies Guild Angeline Hagopian By Asadorian and Keeney Families <u>September 30</u> Vartouhi Nigsarian By Mary, Michael, Rosemary, Melanie Haroian and Stephen Haroian Hermine Babikian By Arnold and Lisa Babikian</p>
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<p><u>June 10</u> Ani Haroian for safe travel By Deacon Ed and Laura Haroian</p> <p><u>July 08</u> Daniela and Baby Daniel Donjoian By John Donjoian</p> <p><u>July 22</u> Mary Asadorian By Asadorian and Keeney Families, Stephen and Susie Hagopian</p>	<p><u>August 05</u> Connie Fischer Mr. and Mrs. Richard and Pam Asadorian and Family</p> <p><u>September 23</u> Past and Present Ladies Guild Members By Ladies Guild</p>
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Community News

Wedding

Mr. Robert Smith and Miss Megan Hagopian were married on September 29, 2018. Congratulations to the new couple and to the Smith and the Hagopian families.

Baptisms

Alice Joy Schweitzer, daughter of Dr. & Mrs. George and Lindsey Schweitzer, was baptized on August 11, 2018. Her Godparents were Gregory Avdoian and Shelly Rettig. Congratulations to the Schweitzer and Green families.

Congratulations

Miss Natalie Karibian, Granddaughter of Stanley Karibian, finished in 5th place for the Illinois State Class 2A Doubles tournament for the Edwardsville High School Tennis Team.

COFFEE HOUR SPONSORS

<p>June 3 - ARF 10 - Stanley Karibian & Family 17 - Ladies Guild Father's Day Luncheon 24 - BOT</p> <p>July - 1 - Der Hayr & Yerezgeen 8 - Vartavar Picnic 15 - Mike Torosian & Family 22 - Fellowship Ice Cream Social 29 - Sam & Sue Spataro</p> <p>August 5 - BOT 12 - Blessing of the Grapes Picnic 19 - BOT 26 - BOT</p>	<p>September 2 - BOT 9 - BOT 16 - Ladies Guild Anniversary Dinner 23 - No coffee hour 30 - Arnold & Lisa Babikian</p> <p>October 7 - Jeff & Lynne Hagopian 14 - Jeff & Lynne Hagopian 21 - BOT 28 - Hagop & Barb Varadian</p>
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2018 Annual November Dance



hosted by
the Granite City "Antranig" AYF Chapter

Saturday 11/17/2018

FEATURING

from New Jersey Raffi Massoyan, Shant
Massoyan

and from Philadelphia Aram Hovagimian



Doors open at 7:00 pm

**St. Gregory St. Gregory the Illuminator
Armenian Apostolic Church
3501 Century Drive Granite City, IL 62040**

**Adult (17+) \$25 - Kids (6-16) - \$20 - 5 and under - free
*all prices include a delicious mezza**

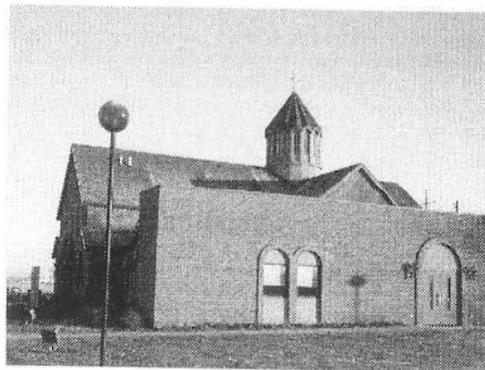
CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

October 28	Halloween Trunk or Treat fun day with decorated cars and trucks at St. Gregory Church parking lot
November 17	Annual Armenian dance, featuring Shant & Raffi Massoyan and Aram Hovagimian, organized by the local AYPF "Antranig" chapter
December 09	64th Anniversary of St. Gregory the Illuminator Armenian Apostolic Church
23	Ladies Guild Bake Sale
24	Special service and Christmas caroling on the occasion of Western Christmas
January 05	Holy Nativity and Theophany Eve
06	Feast of the Holy Nativity & Theophany of Our Lord Jesus Christ
12	Trivia Night at St. Gregory Armenian Community Center
26	The Screening of the Armenian Movie "The Line" at the Armenian Community Center

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Հոկտեմբեր 28	Խրախճանքի օր պատրաստուած Եկեղեցոյս Կիրակնօրեայ Վարժանարանին կողմէ
Նոյեմբեր 17	Տարեկան Պարահանդէս կազմակերպութեամբ Հայկական Երիտասարդաց Դաշնակցութեան կողմէ
Դեկտեմբեր 09	Եկեղեցոյս 64րդ Տարեդարձ
Դեկտեմբեր 24	Յատուկ արարողութիւն Արեւմտեան Ս. Ծննդեան տօնին առիթով
Յունուար 5	Ճրագալոյց Ս. Ծննդեան
Յունուար 6	Տօն Ս. Ծննդեան եւ Աստուածայայտնութեան Տեառն մերոյ Յիսուսի Քրիստոսի
Յունուար 12	Եկեղեցոյ տարեկան Զարգացման մրցում, եկեղեցոյս սրահին մէջ
Յունուար 26	«Կեանք ու Կոիւ» հայկական ֆիլմի Ցուցադրութիւն, եկեղեցոյս սրահին մէջ

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