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ST. ILLUMINATOR'S ARMENIAN APOSTOLIC CATHEDRAL NEW YORK, NY

# E-NEWSLETTER

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2013

**REV. FR. MESROB LAKISSIAN, PASTOR** 



It is hard to believe that summer is over. With the school year getting under way this week, we wish all students best of luck during this academic year. The start of the school year is always an exciting experience for students, teachers, and parents.

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# ST. ILLUMINATOR'S WEEKLY NEWS

## SEMINAR ON ARMENIAN LITERATURE KICKED OFF

"A Brief Introduction to Modern Armenian Literature," a five-session, English-language seminar sponsored by St. Illuminator's Armenian Apostolic Cathedral and the Armenian National Education Committee (ANEC), started on Thursday, September 5. The seminar will extend for five weeks, every Thursday from 7:00 - 8:30 pm.

Rev. Fr. Mesrob Lakissian, pastor of St. Illuminator's and member of ANEC, introduced the presenter, Dr. Vartan Matiossian, executive director of ANEC, and asked for a moment of silence in memory of Levon Ananyan, president of the Writers' Union of Armenia, who passed away on September 2.

In this first session, Dr. Matiossian presented an overview of the history of Armenian literature from its beginnings until the nineteenth century. In his concise and entertaining presentation, he put together facts of language and literature to give the sizable audience a general picture of that long stretch of history as an introduction to the following sessions, which will be dedicated to Western Armenian literature (September 12,), Eastern Armenian literature (September 19), Diasporan literature (September 26), and Soviet and post-Soviet Armenian literature (October 3). Questions from the audience during and after the presentation helped clarify and explain certain issues.



Dr. Vartan Matiossian



Fr. Mesrob Lakissian introduces Dr. Vartan Matiossian



Dr. Matiossian answering the queations



Display of the Armenian literature books



WASHINGTON—The Armenian National Committee of America, citing the Armenian American community's profound concern for the fate of Syria's Armenian population and the welfare of all of Syria's citizens, circulated letters Wednesday across Capitol Hill calling on Members of the U.S. House and Senate to oppose legislation authorizing U.S. strikes against Syria.

"As our nation's elected representatives gather this week to consider potential U.S. actions against Syrian targets, we wish to add our voice, as Americans of Armenian heritage, to those of our fellow citizens who oppose American military strikes and are against any escalation of violence. Such an escalation would very likely create further challenges and lead to serious additional harm to Christian communities, including Syria's Armenian minority," said ANCA Chairman Ken Hachikian in letters to U.S. legislators. "We take this stand mindful of the horrific human suffering that armed conflict has already visited across Syria, including the death and destruction being endured, to this day, by Armenians and other Christian communities. There has already been too much bloodshed, too much brutality, and too much suffering. An escalation in aggression can neither save lives nor help bring about peace."

The ANCA message went on to stress that, "We believe that the advancement of our national interests, the enhancement of U.S. standing, the strengthening of the international rule-of-law system, and the promotion of stability and humanitarian and democratic values in this vital region, will not be facilitated by American attacks. We look to our government to seek a diplomatic settlement, and to reinforce our nation's call upon all parties to cease any attacks on civilians, to limit armed operations to military targets, and to refrain from violence, intimidation, and discrimination against Christians and other vulnerable minorities."

As a follow up to longstanding ANCA advocacy for effective, needs-based delivery of humanitarian aid to Armenian and all at-risk populations, Hachikian noted that Armenian Americans "remain troubled that, despite the expenditure of hundreds of millions of dollars, serious gaps remain in terms of U.S.-supplied and funded relief aid actually reaching at-risk Armenian and other minority populations, in Aleppo and throughout Syria."

He added that "Equally troubling has been the very limited U.S. support for landlocked and blockaded Armenia's efforts to support and resettle thousands fleeing the Syria crisis. We urge you, in cooperation with your colleagues and our community (which is very actively engaged in relief efforts), to work with the Administration to urgently address these shortcomings."

An action alert, based on the ANCA website, provides an opportunity for community members to send a similar message to their U.S. Representatives and Senators.

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# THE YEAR OF THE ARMENIAN MOTHER



#### ՄԱՅՐՈՒԹԵԱՆ ԵՒ ՄԱՅՐԵՐՈՒ ՄԱՍԻՆ

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Վեր. Եսայի Սարմազեան

## A Mother's Love

There are times when only a Mother's love Can understand our tears, Can soothe our disappoints And calm all of our fears.

There are times when only a Mother's love Can share the joy we feel When something we've dreamed about Quite suddenly is real.

There are times when only a Mother's faith Can help us on life's way And inspire in us the confidence We need from day to day.

For a Mother's heart and a Mother's faith And a Mother's steadfast love Were fashioned by the Angels And sent from God above...

**Author Unknown** 

#### SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2013

#### ԲԱՐԵԿԵՆԴԱՆ ԽԱՉՎԵՐԱՑԻ

#### ԱԻԵՏԱՐԱՆ ԸՍՏ ՍԱՐԿՈՍԻ (7:31-37)

Յիսուս Տիւրոսի սահմաններէն մեկնելով, Միդոնի վրայով անցաւ Դեկապոլիսի սահմաններէն եւ եկաւ Գալիլեայի լիճին եզերքը։ Եւ ահա իրեն բերին խուլ եւ համր մարդ մը, խնդրելով որ ձեռքը դնէ անոր վրայ։ Յիսուս զայն ամբոխէն հեռու՝ մէկ կողմ տարաւ, մատները անոր ականջներուն մէջ դրաւ, յետոյ թքեց եւ դպաւ անոր լեզուին։ Ապա երկինք նայեցաւ, հառաչեց եւ ըսաւ. - Եփփաթա՜, որ կը նշանակէ «Բացուէ՛»։ Նոյն վայրկեանին անոր ականջները բացուեցան, եւ լեզուն բացուելով` սկսաւ կանոնաւոր կերպով խօսիլ։ Յետոյ Յիսուս պատուիրեց ժողովուրդին որ ոեւէ մէկուն չըսեն։ Սակայն ի՜նչքան ալ անիկա կը պատուիրէր որ չտարածեն, անոնք առաւել չափով կը պատմէին այս մասին։ Մարդիկ ծայր աստիճան կը զարմանային եւ կ՜ըսէին. - Այս մարդը ամէն ինչ լաւ կը կատարէ. նոյնիսկ խուլերուն լսել կու տայ եւ համրերուն` խօսիլ։

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#### EVE OF THE FAST OF EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS

#### THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO MARK (7:31-37)

Then he returned from the region of Tyre, and went by way of Sidon towards the Sea of Galilee, in the region of Decapolis. They brought to him a deaf man who had an impediment in his speech; and they begged him to lay his hand on him. He took him aside in private, away from the crowd, and put his fingers into his ears, and he spat and touched his tongue. Then looking up to heaven, he sighed and said to him, "Ephphatha," that is, "Be opened." And immediately his ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly. Then Jesus ordered them to tell no one; but the more he ordered them the more zealously they proclaimed it. They were astounded beyond measure, saying, "He has done everything well; he even makes the deaf to hear and the mute to speak."

#### **BIBLE READINGS**

Isaiah 13:1-11 2 Corinthians 7:4-16

OBITUARY

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## HILDA VINICESCU

1933 - 2013

**Hilda Vinicescu,** born on October 11, 1933 in Bucharest, Romania, passed away on August 28, 2013 at the age of 79. Funeral service took place at the Edward Lynch Funeral Home, Queens, NY on Monday, September 2. Interment service was held on September 3 at the Cedar Grove Cemetery, Queens, NY.

We extend our heartfelt sympathy to her family and friends.

# Asdvatz hokeen lousavoreh. May God illuminate her soul.



Altar Flowers donated by Mrs. Horopic Vinteanu in memory of her beloved niece Hilda Vinicescu

#### SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2013



## PRELATE CALLS FOR PRAYERS FOR SYRIAN ARMENIAN COMMUNITY

Archbishop Oshagan has directed all parishes of the Eastern Prelacy to offer a special prayer service this Sunday, September 8, for the protection and deliverance of the people in Syria, especially our large Syrian Armenian community that has been suffering and struggling for more than two years and is now facing the threat of even greater danger and adversity. His Eminence said "Let us pray that our Lord and Savior will lead us away from war and violence and guide us toward brotherhood, harmony, and charity."

# REQUIEM

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Requested by: Mr. Hagop Jack Kazanjian Sons Gary and Glenn Kazanjian Grandson Mitchell Kazanjian In memory of their beloved wife, mother and grandmother ROSE KAZANJIAN – 2<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary

Requested by: Mr. & Mrs. Shavarsh and Ani Piranian and family In memory of their beloved father and grandfather SEROP DIKRANIAN In memory of their beloved grandparents and great grandparents ASADOUR & SRPUOHI SARKISIAN In memory of their beloved relatives VAHRAM SARKISIAN LUSIN SARKISIAN

# CATHEDRAL'S MAIL BOX – ՆԱՄԱԿԱՆԻ



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Dear Der Mesrob:

I would like to take this opportunity on behalf of the Board of Directors and the New York Armenian Home residents to thank you for coming and performing the Blessing of the Grapes on August 14, 2013.

Bringing your Seniors is such a good idea; our residents enjoy them as well as appreciating your Special Blessing of the Grapes Service and your bringing the bag of grapes for each individual.

It is not enough that you come to us with the grapes but you also present us with a Five Hundred Dollar Donation (\$500.00) from St. Illuminators Armenian Cathedral.

And as we have said in the past to you, we feel we are blessed having you in our community and never forgetting our Armenian Elderly in Flushing.

Respectfully.

enn Aghaydi "Aggie" Ellian Executive Director

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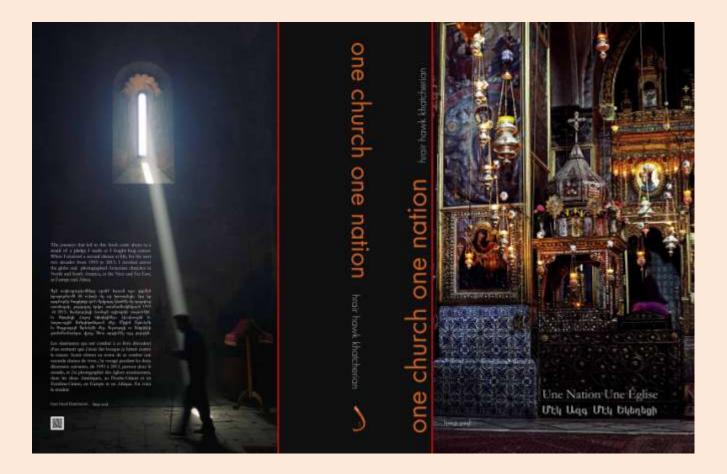
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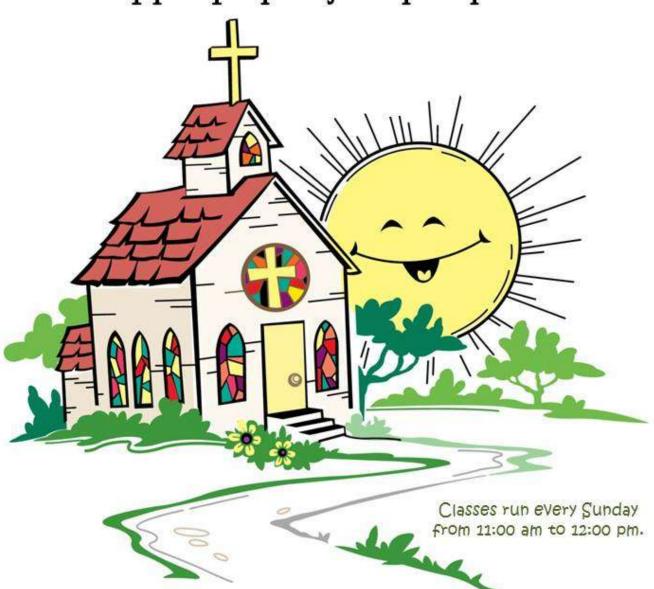
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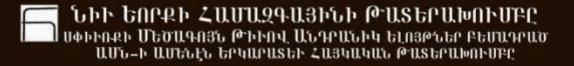
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# SYMPOSIUM

in celebration of the Year of the Mother of the Armenian Family

# Armenian Women as Artists and Mothers

Saturday, October 5, 2013, 2-6 pm

St. Illuminator Cathedral Pashalian Hall

> 221 East 27th Street New York City

> > Lecturers:

Jennifer Manoukian (Columbia University) "Zabel Yessayan: Mother and Activist"

# Vartan Matiossian (ANEC)

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# Melissa Bilal (Columbia University)

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September 5 to October 3, 2013 "A BRIEF INTRODUCTION TO MODERN ARMENIAN LITERATURE," a series of five seminars presented on Thursdays, 7 pm to 8:30pm, at St. Illuminator's Cathedral. Sponsored by the Armenian National Education Committee (ANEC) and the St. Illuminator's Cathedral. Presented by Vartan Matiossian, Ph.D.

Sunday, September 15, 2013 FEAST OF EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS DIVINE LITURGY, BLESSING OF THE HARVEST (UUGUUSUG), MADAGH BOOK PRESENTATION "ONE CHURCH ONE NATION" by HRAIR HAWK KHATCHERIAN

Saturday, September 21, 2013 at 11:00 OPENING OF THE SATURDAY SCHOOL In Woodside, NY

Saturday, September 21, 2013 at 7:30pm St. Illuminator Cathedral's "HUYSER" Music Ensemble presents THE SOUND OF FREEDOM Celebration of Independence At the Frank Sinatra School of the Arts Tony Bennett Concert Hall 35-12 35<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Astoria, NY 11106 Tickets: \$25.00 – \$35.00

Sunday, September 22, 2013 at 11:00am St. Illuminator's Cathedral John Pashalian Hall SUNDAY SCHOOL REGISTRATION

Saturday, October 5, 2013, from 2pm to 6pm Symposium "ARMENIAN WOMEN AS ARTISTS AND MOTHERS" Sponsored by the Armenian National Education Committee (ANEC) at the St. Illuminator Cathedral's John Pashalian Hall, on the year of the Mother of the Armenian Family. Lecturers: Melissa Bilal (Columbia University), Jennifer Manoukian (Columbia Univercity) and Vartan Matiossian (ANEC)