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

E - N E W S L E T T E R

FRIDAY, JANUARY 18, 2013

REV. FR. MESROB LAKISSIAN, PASTOR



FIRST DAY OF THE ST. ILLUMINATOR'S SATURDAY SCHOOL

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Նիւ Եորքի Սբ. Լուսաւորիչ Մայր Եկեղեցին, անցեալ Շաբաթ օր, Հայկական Շաբաթօրեայ Վարժարանի մը բացումը կատարեց: Աշակերտներն ու ծնողները դեմ յանդիման գտնուեցան թարմ, կայտառ ուժերու եւ արդիական մօտեցումով ծրագիրի եւ ուսուցիչներու:

Վարժարանը պիտի գործէ ամէն Շաբաթ օր մինչեւ Մայիս 18, ժամը 9:45-էն 1:00, Ուուտսայտի Հայ Կեդրոնին մէջ:

Հայ երաժշտութիւն, մանուկներու ծիծաղ եւ գունատր փուչիկներ լեցուցած էին մթնոլորտը: Վարժարանին Յանձնախումբը, ուսուցիչները զբաղած էին աշակերտներու արձանագրութեամբ եւ անոնց ցոյց տալով վերանորոգուած դասարանները: Ապա Սբ. Լուսաւորիչ Մայր Եկեղեցոյ Հովի եւ Վարժարանի ժամանակատր տեսուչ՝ Տէր Մեսրոպ Քհնյ. Լազիսեանը բացումը կատարեց աղօթքով ու բարի գալուստի երկու խօսքով՝ ուղղուած ներկայ ծնողներուն:

Փոքրիկ հիւրասիրութենէ մը ետք մանուկները ծանօթացան իրենց դասատուներուն ու նոր դասընկերներուն, ապա ուսուցիչներուն առաջնորդութեամբ իրենց ձեռքերուն գունատր հետքերը դրոշմեցին վարժարանին անցքին երկու պատերուն վրայ, հոն ուր իրենց հասակը կը հասնէր եւ իրենց նախասիրած գոյներով: Հնարք մըն էր յանձնախումբին կողմէ մտածուած՝ որպէսզի մանուկները իրենք զիրենք առաջին իսկ օրէն մտերիմ զգային այդ վայրին:

Ապա աւագ դասարանը, ուսուցիչին ցուցմունքներով փոքրիկ զաւեշտ մը պատրաստեց ու ներկայացուց կրտսերներուն: Շաբաթօրեայ վարժարանին բոլոր ներկաները՝ ուսուցիչ, ծնողք թէ աշակերտ մեծ ուրախութիւն մը ապրեցան այդ օրը:

Մեսրոպ Քհնյ. Լազիսեանը շնորհակալութիւն յայտնեց Վարժարանի յանձնախումբին եւ ծնողներուն բացումի հաճելի ծրագրին եւ հաւատքով ներկայութեան համար, եւ թելադրեց բոլորը, որ յոյսով լեցուիմ գալիք օրերուն նկատմամբ՝ որ յաջողութեամբ պսակուի վարժարանին ծրագիրը ի շահ հայ մանուկին հայեցի դաստիարակութեան:

Օրուան նկարները եւ վարժարանին մասին տեղեկութիւններ կրնաք գտնել այս հասցէով.-
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ST. ILLUMINATOR'S SATURDAY SCHOOL BEGINS

The all new academic program for the Saturday school of St. Illuminator's Cathedral, New York, began last Saturday to a rousing welcome by students and parents. The school, which meets every Saturday from 9:45 am to 1 pm, will continue through May 18. Classes are held at the Armenian Center in Woodside, New York.

Armenian music, laughter, and balloons filled the halls and classrooms of the school as the organizing committee registered students and showed them the renovated classrooms. Parents and children filled the school's main hall, to hear Rev. Fr. Mesrob Lakissian, pastor of the Cathedral and acting principal of the school, offer an opening prayer and words of welcome.

Following a reception for students and parents, the children were introduced to the teachers and then participated in special opening day activities that had been planned by the organizing committee.

The classrooms and hallways of the school were refurbished and the committee's goal is to provide the students with a safe and happy place to learn and grow with their Armenian friends. Part of the opening day activities included the students leaving their handprints on the wall near the entrance. The children were given a choice of paint color in which they dipped their hands and with great joy left their imprint on the wall.

Students enjoyed first day activities in their classrooms and then the older students invited the younger students to watch their presentation of a short skit in Armenian about a little turtle that helps his friends when they need help.

Der Mesrob expressed thanks to the organizing committee and the parents for an inspiring opening day and the beginning of a successful academic year.

Registration is still open. Forms can be obtained at satarmenianschool@gmail.com or at www.stillumigators.org. Copies are also available at the Cathedral office.



First day in the classroom



Our young musicians

CHRISTMAS AT THE NEW YORK ARMENIAN HOME



Rev. Fr. Mesrob Lakissian and Deacon Shant Kazanjian visited the residents of the New York Armenian Home, in Flushing, New York on January 10. After a beautiful Armenian Christmas service, Der Hayr and Dn. Shant sang some songs for the residents. Der Hayr presented each of the residents with beautiful scarves from Armenia. The residents were very glad to be remembered and gratefully accepted the gifts.

NEW YORK AREA YOUTH RAISE \$2,000 FOR SYRIAN ARMENIAN RELIEF

Two thousand dollars was raised by five Armenian youth organizations during their 8th annual Thanksgiving party for the Fund for Syrian Armenian Relief. A check was presented to Rev. Fr. Mesrob Lakissian, Pastor of St. Illuminator's Cathedral and a member of the Prelacy's Religious Council, who accepted the check and expressed gratitude on behalf of Archbishop Oshagan. The five organizations are: AGBU Young Professionals of Greater New York; Armenian Network, Greater New York Region; New York Armenian Students Association; AYF-YOARF New Jersey Arsen Chapter; and AYF-YOARF, New York Hyortik Chapter.



Rev. Fr. Mesrob Lakissian accepts a check of \$2,000 from Raffi Hovsepian of the New York Armenian Students Association, for Syrian Armenian relief. The money was raised at a Thanksgiving party of five youth organizations in the NY metro area.

W E D D I N G



Rev. Fr. Mesrob Lakissian officiated the Wedding ceremony of Dr. Thomas Christiano and Gina Galo at the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart, Newark, NJ.

Bestman: Dr. Arthur Christiano; Matron of Honor: Edna Galo

On this happy occasion, we wholeheartedly congratulate the newly married couple, wishing them a happy and healthy life together!

Rev. Fr. Mesrob Lakissian, Pastor

Dear Der Mesrob,

Wishing you and your family all the best of health and happiness in the New Year. Enclosed is the picture of the memorable ceremony of Gina and Tom you have officiated.

Thank you for making it so special with our Armenian tradition.

Fondly,
Edna Galo



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FIVE MAJOR FEASTS

THERE ARE FIVE MAJOR FEAST DAYS IN THE ARMENIAN APOSTOLIC CHURCH

Ծնունդ եւ Աստուածայայտնութիւն
Dzunoont yev Asdvadzahydnootyoon
Nativity and Theophany
January 6, 2013

Յարութիւն/Զատիկ
Harootyoon/Zadig
Resurrection/Easter
March 31, 2013

Այլակերպութիւն/Վարդապառ
Aylagerbootyoon/Vartavar
Transfiguration
July 7, 2013

Վերափոխումն Սուրբ Աստուածածնի
Verapokhoomn Soorp Asdvadzadzni
Assumption of the Holy Mother of God
August 18, 2013

Խաչվերաց
Khachverats
Exaltation of the Holy Cross
September 15, 2013

SUNDAY, JANUARY 20, 2013

ԱՆՈՒԱՆԱԿՈՉՈՒԹԵՆԷՆ ԵՏՔ Ա. ԿԻՐԱԿԻ

ԱԲԵՏԱՐԱՆ ԸՍՏ ՅՈՎՀԱՆՆՈՒ (6:15-21)

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Երեկոյեան, Յիսուսի աշակերտները լիճին եզերքը իջան եւ նաւակ մտնելով սկսան երթալ լիճին դիմացի կողմը, դէպի Կափառնայում: Երբ մթնցաւ, տակաւին Յիսուս իրենց չէր եկած: Լիճը զօրաւոր հովէն կ'ալեկոծէր:

Աշակերտները հազիւ հինգ կամ վեց քիլոմէթր նաւարկած էին, երբ տեսան Յիսուսը, որ լիճին վրայէն քալելով կը մօտենար նաւակին: Բոլորը սարսափեցան: Յիսուս ըսաւ անոնց. «Ես եմ, մի՛ վախնաք»: Անոնք կ'ուզէին զինք նաւակին մէջ առնել, բայց արդէն նաւակը հասաւ այն տեղը, ուր կ'երթային:

ՃՇ. ԸՆԹԵՐՑՈՒՄ

Եսայի 61:10-62:9 Բ. Տիմոթէոս 2:15-26

FIRST SUNDAY AFTER NATIVITY

THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO JOHN (6:15-21)

When Jesus realized that they were about to come and take him by force to make him king, he withdrew again to the mountain by himself.

When evening came, his disciples went down to the sea, got into a boat, and started across the sea to Capernaum. It was now dark, and Jesus had not yet come to them. The sea became rough because a strong wind was blowing. When they had rowed about three or four miles, they saw Jesus walking on the sea and coming near the boat, and they were terrified. But he said to them, "It is I: do not be afraid." Then they wanted to take him into the boat, and immediately the boat reached the land toward which they were going.

BIBLE READINGS

Isaiah 61:10-62:9

2 Timothy 2:15-26



VAROUJAN VARTANIAN
1949 - 2013

Rev. Fr. Mesrob Lakissian and Board of Trustees of St. Illuminator's Cathedral expressed profound sorrow on the death of Mr. Varoujan Vartanian, who passed away on Sunday, January 13, 2013 in New Jersey.

Der Mesrob participated at the funeral service which took place on Thursday, January 17, at Sts. Vartanantz Armenian Apostolic Church in Ridgefield, New Jersey.

We extend our heartfelt sympathy to his wife Lena, son Vicken and daughter-in-law Caroline, son Chris and entire Vartanian and Chahinian families.

Asdvatz hokeen lousavoreh. May God illuminate his soul.



**The last Dinner-Dance performance of our beloved Varoujan Vartanian
at the Armenian Center on June 2, 2012**

Requested by:

Pastor and Board of Trustees of St. Illuminator's Cathedral

In memory of

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Mr. John Bourghol

In memory of his beloved wife

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In memory of their beloved husband and father

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In memory of their beloved parents and grandparents

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In memory of their beloved husband and father

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FROM CATHEDRAL'S MAIL BOX

December 10, 2012



Rev. Fr. Mesrob Lakissian, Pastor
Board of Trustees
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Dear Pastor and Board of Trustees,

We gratefully acknowledge the receipt of your \$450.00 payment made to your orphan sponsorship account.

Our Orphan Sponsorship Program continues to be a success in helping many needy orphaned children in Armenia and Artsakh because of the dedicated commitment of our sponsors.

Please accept our sincerest thanks for your continued support. God bless you always.

With warmest wishes,
Prelacy Orphans Sponsorship Program

January 14, 2013

Rev. Fr. Mesrob Lakissian, Pastor
Board of Trustees
St. Illuminator's Cathedral

Dear Der Mesrob and the Board,

Thank you for your prayers and thoughts this past days/month since this final journey started for my uncle Varoujan Vartanian and the family. Your love and prayers are much appreciated by us all!

I am blessed to be part of the St. Illuminator's family. My uncle was wed in the church and until moving to New Jersey (and even thereafter) called St. Illuminator's home.

Sincerely,
Antranig Tony Vartanian

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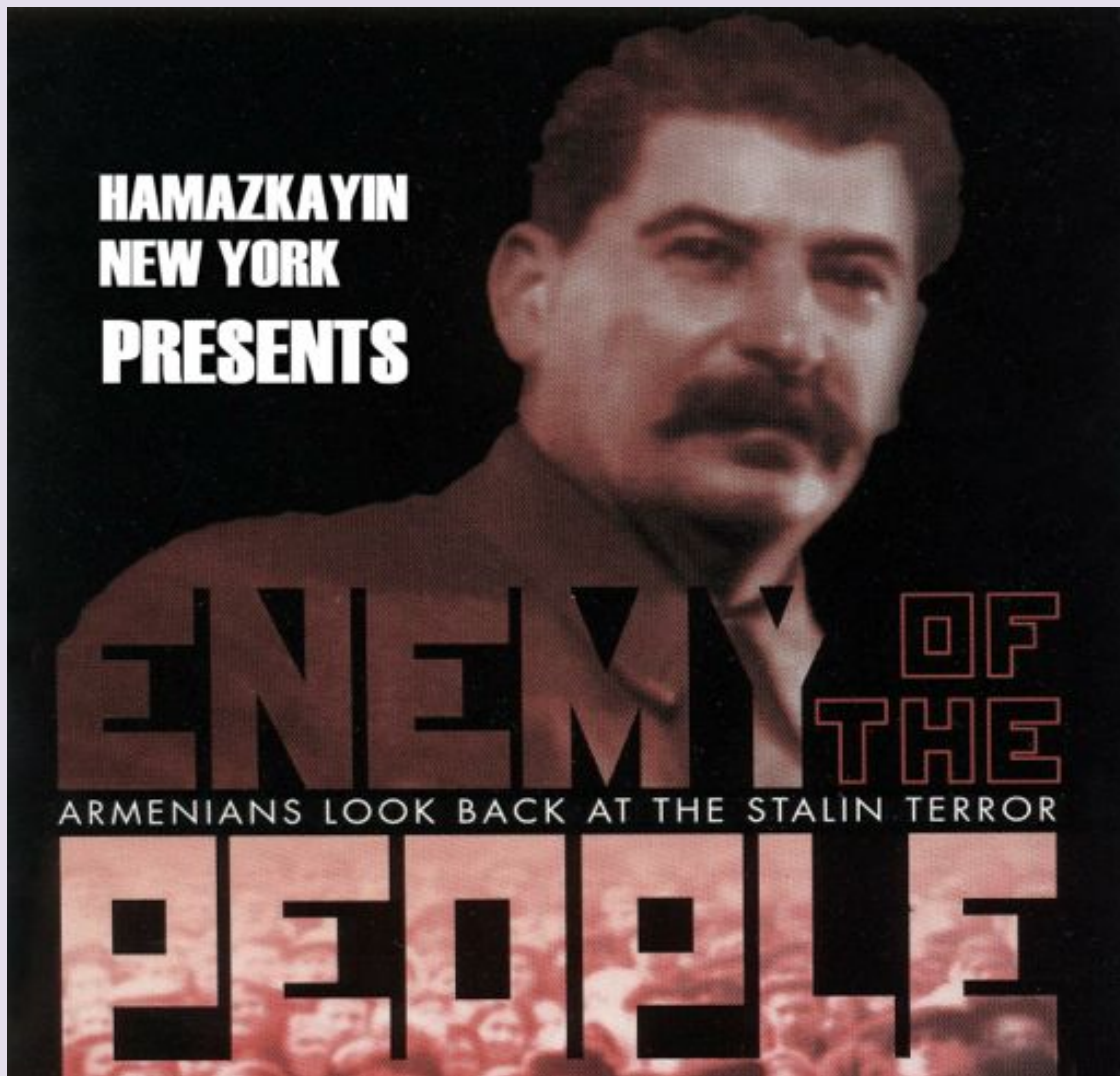
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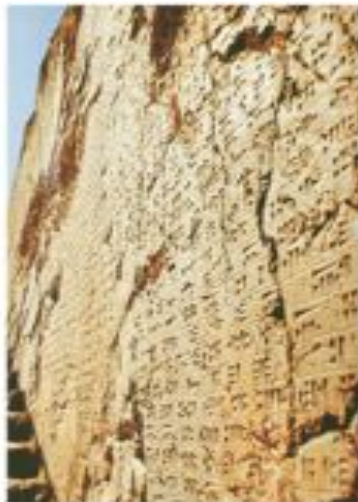
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St. Illuminator's Cathedral [221 East 27th St., New York] | Admission: \$8.00 [light luncheon]

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SECOND ANNUAL PRESENTATION OF YOUNG AUTHORS

Contemporary Armenian-American authors read their works

Nancy Agabian, author of *Me as her again*. Nancy will read from her work-in-progress, "The Fear of Large and Small Nations" about her life in Armenia as a Fulbright scholar working with artists and activists fighting for social change.

Christopher Atamian, writer, translator (Nigoghos Sarafian's *The Bois de Vincennes*) and director; author of the novel *Speaking French*

Alan Semerdjian, songwriter, essayist, educator, and a poet. His first full-length book of poetry is *In the Architecture of Bone*

Aida Zilelian-Silak, short story writer, author of two novels. She will be reading an excerpt from the sequel of her second novel, the story of an Armenian family adjusting to the newness of immigrating to America.

Don't miss your chance to enjoy this event!

Ուրբաթ, Փետրուար 22, 2013, Էր. ժ. 8:00-ին

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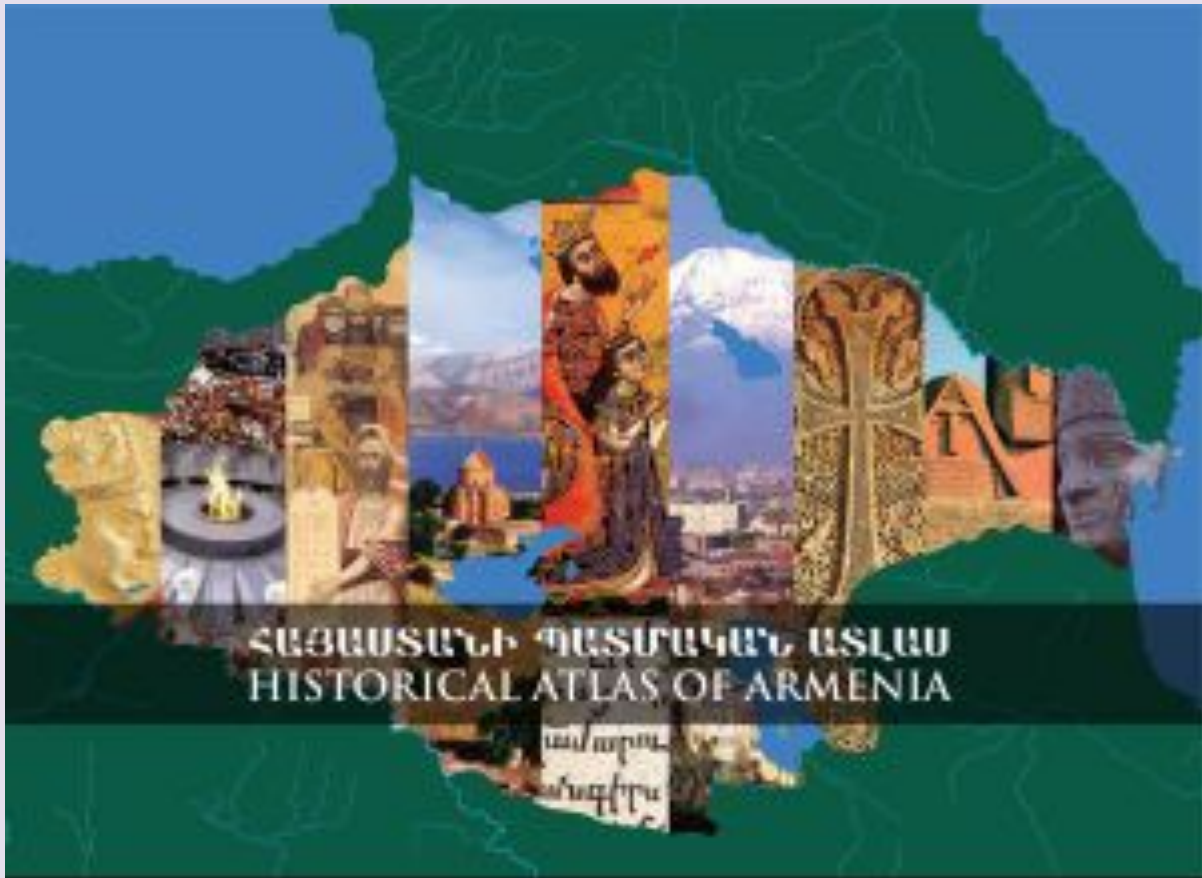
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ST. ILLUMINATOR'S CATHEDRAL

Sunday, January 27, 2013 at 1:00pm

Hamazkayin of NY Presents

“Enemy of the People (Armenians look back at the Stalin terror)”

Documentary by Zareh Tjeknavorian

Sunday, February 3, 2013 at 2:00pm

Hamazkayin of Eastern US presents

Lecture by Dr. Artak Movsisyan (Armenia)

Friday, February 8, 2013 at 7:30pm

“Huyser” Music Ensemble

“INTERNATIONAL RHYTHMS”

PRELACY LENTEN PROGRAM

Every Wednesday

Starting February 13 through March 20, 2013

Thursday, February 21, 2013 at 7:00 p.m.

"20th Anniversary of the World Conference on Human Rights -- The State of Women's Rights and what the UN and CSW57 are doing to achieving their mandates"

Sponsored by the ARS Mayr Chapter of NY

Sunday, March 3, 2013 at 1:00pm

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Sunday, March 24, 2013

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Sunday, March 31, 2013

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Wednesday, April 24, 2013 at 7 pm

Divine Liturgy and Requiem Service

In commemoration of the 98th anniversary of the Armenian Genocide