

Saint Sarkis Chronicle

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COMING EVENTS

- **October 16** - Saint Sarkis Church 20th Anniversary Dinner Dance
- **October 24** - Armenian Cultural Month - "WOMEN IN AMERICA" lecture by Marilyn Martone PHD Professor at St. John's University
- **October 31** - Armenian Cultural Month - "ARMENIAN WOMEN IN AMERICA" - lecture by Mrs. Nayda Voskerijian
- **November 7** - Lecture and information on Elder Law
- **December 19** - Auxiliary Appreciation Day

For additional information on all above events, kindly call the Church office at **718-224-2275**

Saint Sarkis Church 20th Anniversary Dinner Dance

Saturday, October 16 will be a day of celebration for the Saint Sarkis parish and friends, as 20 years from the consecration of Saint Sarkis church seem to have passed in a flash.

Coupled with the proclamation by His Holiness Aram I, designating 2010 "The Year of the Woman", this special anniversary would be dedicated to the ladies who served Saint Sarkis Church during the past 20 years.



A wonderful evening will feature DJ Allen who will entertain and have everyone dancing with his wonderful music medleys and a delicious dinner will be catered by Mrs.

Tatiana Kerestedjian. Also, on this occasion a commemorative booklet is being prepared covering church auxiliaries and selected activities over the last 20 years.

Tickets are \$60.00 per person, and paid Reservations are Required. For information and reservations please call: Amy 718-476-3050 Louiza 516-248-2955, Church Secretary, Raya 718-224-2275



ALL THE LADIES ATTENDING THE EVENT WILL BE HONORED

Saint Sarkis Picnic - Enjoyed by All

Sunday, September 19, turned out to be a crisp, sunny day, perfect for a picnic. The best picnic shish & luleh kebab in town was lovingly prepared and marinated by Ara Artinian with help from Adrine Nercessian, Hasmig Daglyan and Eliza Ohanessian, despite the hurricane force winds Thursday before the picnic, and Amy Gostanian and the Ladies' Guild prepared the tasty desserts. The chicken kebab was prepared and donated by Mrs. Ani Nercessian, and our "tan" expert was once again Mrs. Dory Shishmanian. Ruben Daglyan



and his friends set up the Kid-Zone posts and also helped cut, prepare and cook the kebabs with

Alan Artinian - main cook on Sunday.



For the 3rd year, Mary Kasparian and Harry Se-

oylemezian run, organized and managed a very successful KidZone dedicated to kids with all kinds of fun things to do: Balloon animals and tattoo table, Treasure hunt and Sand Art table, Potato Sack races, and with a new big Bouncer, the children had a great time. The music was provided by DJ -Erevani Entertainment

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St. Sarkis Choir Luncheon a sociable and joyful occasion.

On August 29th, 2010, Armen and Zepur Ardzivian opened their beautiful and spacious home and garden to host the choir and altar family members social. The weather was just right for this garden party. The food was not only plentiful and included moist luleh with the right spicing, grilled to perfection chicken steak, 3 kinds of beoregs stuffed and baked golden flaky, and my favorite stuffed grape leaves with meat and rice (exquisite) and many many other tasty dishes. Bravo to all the chefs, “tserkernoot talar”.

Close to 40 persons attended however the volunteer chefs provided generously an abundance of food not to mention the big variety of desserts.



The conversations were lively and we were even able to get the group together for a few pictures to the tune of singing “Henzorin dzarin da-guin,

As a Christian community, we cannot exist without true fellowship in the body of Christ. As Christian Armenians, we have a tendency to be absorbed with traditional ways and overlook our higher real purpose and mission as Children of God. After core principles and values, traditions do have an important part in Christian life however these need to be complemented by real life implementation through mentoring and equipping others in who we are spiritually, historically, culturally and socially.

It should not be about the number of sharagans or sermons we hear or sing but about the transformation within. As the Bible says: We must learn to feed not only the flesh but also the soul. Harry Milian

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also well known as “Shant & Shant” of the Yeraz Dance Ensemble. Karnig Minassian ran the tavloo tournament with the top cash prize won by Raffi Megerian. The picnic committee wants to thank all who donated for the Picnic. At the end of joyful day, everyone felt it was a wonderful way to close up Summer 2010.

St. Sarkis Church Senior Citizens’ Group Day Trip

The last day of summer was full of excitement, prayer and fellowship for the members of the Senior Citizen’s group of St. Sarkis Church of Douglaston as they took a day trip to the Shrine of the Lady of the Island in Manorville, New York The trip was un-



der the auspices of His Grace Bishop Anoushavan Tanielian, Vicar

General of the Armenian Prelacy, who had established this group



during his tenure as the Pastor of St. Sarkis Church. A special service of Prayers and

Hymns was conducted at the Shrine followed by a lunch and fellowship hour in the picnic area of the Shrine.

OUR WILD QUEENS

It was literally about the “Birds and the Bees” as Ms. Betsy Ukeritis, environmental educator for the NYS Dept. of Environmental conservation gave a presentation on the urban fauna of New York on Sunday August 22.

In addition to a slide presentation, she presented items such as pelts and other objects of various animals one might encounter in the area and advised on courses of action when actually facing a raccoon, coyote, lizard and other animals in your neighborhood.

