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**NEWSLETTER**

Friday, Monday, November 3, 6, 2000

**1) New Executive:**

The AGM of the ACAO has elected the Association's new executive on Sept 24:

Annie Demirjian: President. Phone: 819 777 8915 annie.demirjian@cac.gc.ca

Karen Akopian: Assistant-President, Special events. Phone: 737 5190 akopian@sympatico.ca

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The executive wishes to stress that we will continue to cooperate with other groups involved in Armenian cultural and charitable activities and with the Embassy of Armenia. We further wish to encourage all members and Armenians of our region to continue to take responsibility for cultural activities here with our promise to support them, and if we may, act as a catalyst. Basically, if one, or a group of you, has an idea for an activity or any initiative that subscribes to the ACAO's objectives, you are welcome to do it with the ACAO's support and facilities and with support from the Executive.

**2) School:**

Kohar Kozanian, Anna Dokmajian and Vanda Saghdejian have **volunteered** to run our Armenian school as in the past. The school is now open and runs every Sunday at the Hintonburg Community Centre (1064 Wellington) from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. All age **children** are welcome. For further information, please call Kohar at 745-4524. Also bring your children for Armenian Santa on Dec. 17.

Also, looking for adults interested in learning to speak and/or write Armenian. If you're interested, please contact Hasmig Adjeleian at 730-6873 ASAP.

**3) TV Program: "Armenian Culture":**

Interested in volunteering for your community??? Interested in a challenging venue where you can access on the job training, and pick up new skills?...

Our community producer for the **Armenian Cultural Television Program, Hasmig Adjeleian**, continues to scour the Armenian community for talent and interest in helping out with this program. The half-hour program normally airs on Rogers' Cablevision No 22 on the first Sunday of each ~~...~~

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month at 11:00 a.m. and repeats the following Thursday at 6:00 p.m. Taping for the show can take place almost anytime, however, specific studio time is booked for the Tuesday prior to the airing of the show. Hasmig is actively encouraging members who wish to gain experience and qualifications in TV production, or have an idea they've always wanted to see put on television to come and join her where they can get experience and perhaps participate as 'Community Producers' in the future. Rogers' TV provides technical training for free. Please email: hasmig@magma.ca or call: 730-6873.

**4) Membership drive:**

The Association works on the basis of membership dues. We have reserved and paid for rental of the facilities and school at the Hintonburg Community Centre till Dec. 17, but welcome suggestions for alternative locations. We have maintained the membership donation level as in the past to \$ 40 per household and \$ 20 for students. **Please mail your membership donation** made to the ACAO: P.O BOX 23153 Ottawa Ontario K2A 4E2, or bring them in person on Sunday at the Hintonburg Centre for an immediate tax-deductible receipt. If you wish to receive this Newsletter and other Armenian news of local importance faster, by email, please email antoine\_terjanian@dmr.ca to be added on the Ottawa email list.

**5) Please mark on your calendar these forthcoming Armenian activities in Ottawa:**

We have decided that in general, our activities will be free or designed to just break even on average. We will count on the generosity of our donors to make tax-deductible donations to cover the cost of the activities that they find worthy of their support for the benefit of the Community as a whole.

We wish to be responsive to Community needs and specially those of our youth. We encourage suggestions. Aside from **impromptu activities**, which you will hear about by email or telephone if possible, ACAO was tentatively planning a small evening gathering (**Wine & cheese**) on November 18 or 25, however due to the proximity of the St-Mesrob Church's Barahantess we have decided to cancel this event and encourage and support the St-Mesrob Barahantess.

A.R.S. **Bake and Lahmajun sale** Nov. 19, 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Hintonburg Community Ctr. St. Mesrob **Badaraks** Oct 29, Nov 26 and Jan 7. St. Mesrob Annual **Barahantess** Nov.25. Delta Hotel

Armenian movies (date and place to be determined), and an ACAO 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary **Christmas Ball** for Saturday January 20 at Sala San Marco on Preston st. We would also like to recognise members and acknowledge their **significant services** to the community. We have also been asked to build on the modifications proposed last year to our **constitution**. Please contact any member of the new executive to voice your comments on these and any other initiative.

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