Fund Goal Increased to $2.75 Million

The goal of NAASR’s Fourth Decade Advancement Fund drive has been increased to $2.75 million by the NAASR Board of Directors in order to meet the needs of expanded and new programs.

The increase is needed in order to fund NAASR’s newly established Institute for the Study of the Armenian Genocide ($100,000), for the planned World Congress of Armenian Studies in 1989 or 1990 ($100,000), for additional equipment (Computer, Microfiche/Microfilm Reader, Library Shelving, etc.), and for urgent repairs and furnishings.

The revised figures for funds needed over a period of three years for NAASR’s various programs and activities in support of Armenian studies include $500,000 for a new headquarters and center of activities (in concert with other organizations), $500,000 for expansion and support of academic chairs and programs, $250,000 for the Institute for Armenian Studies and Research, $250,000 for the Armenian Information, Education, and Documentation Center, and $250,000 for scholarships, fellowships, research and travel grants.

A complete listing of the revised figures for NAASR’s “Priorities, Programs, Activities, and Needs” can be found on page 7 of this Newsletter.

In the period from Sept. 1, 1984, to Dec. 31, 1986, over $350,000 has been raised towards the fund drive goal. Board Chairman Young revealed that, when previously raised funds, capital funds, appreciation, and equity are taken into account, the figure exceeds $1 million.

Book Reception April 3 to Honor Authors

NAASR will sponsor a reception marking the release of the new, second edition of Neither to Laugh Nor to Weep, the memoir of the Armenian Genocide by the Rev. Abraham H. Hartunian, at 8 p.m. on Friday evening, April 3, at the St. James Armenian Church Hall in Watertown.

Marjorie Housepian Dobkin, Professor of English and Dean at Barnard College, who wrote the introduction to the new edition, will be a special guest at the reception along with Henry Morgenthau III, grandson of the U.S. Ambassador to Turkey during World War I. An article by Ambassador Morgenthau written in 1918 has been reprinted as a preface to the new edition.

The reception will honor the translator of the book, Rev. Vartan Hartunian, who is Pastor of the First Armenian Church in Belmont and son of Rev. Abraham H. Hartunian.

At the reception, Rev. Hartunian will autograph specially numbered hard-cover copies of the new volume, which has just been released by NAASR’s Armenian Heritage Press. The book is also available in paperback. The reception is open to the public without charge.

Grants for Genocide Research Now Available

Grants for research in the field of the Armenian Genocide have just been established as part of NAASR’s Genocide Institute. Two or more grants of up to $5,000 each are available to qualified graduate students in the field.

The grants were established as a result of the recommendation of the Advisory Board of the NAASR Genocide Institute which met last September. The scholars present at that session stressed the need for more basic research into the questions raised by the Armenian Genocide in a number of academic disciplines ranging from history and political science to sociology, psychology, and other fields. It is hoped that the establishment of these research grants will begin to address that need.

In addition to these special genocide research grants, NAASR will continue to offer grants for doctoral or post-doctoral research in Armenian Studies. A limited number of these grants of up to $1,000 each are available each year to cover costs of travel, microfilms or other research material, and similar expenses for a period not to exceed one year.

The applications are reviewed by the NAASR Academic Committee, which is headed by Dr. Richard N. Frye, Agha Khan Professor of Iranian at Harvard University.

Applications or inquiries should be directed to NAASR Headquarters.

Alex Manoogian Endows Second Chair at Michigan

Alex Manoogian of Grosse Pointe Farms, Michigan, has donated $1 million to the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, for the endowment of a second chair in Armenian studies, this one in Armenian Language and Literature.

The first academic chair in Armenian studies at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, is the Alex Manoogian Chair in Modern Armenian History, which was established seven years ago with a similar donation by Mr. Manoogian.

In another recent development, at the celebration of the 10th anniversary of the Armenian Studies Program at California State University, Fresno, a fund-raising drive was announced for the endowment of an Armenian chair in the School of Social Sciences.

The establishment of these two new chairs brings to nine the total number of academic chairs in Armenian studies planned or in existence at American institutions of higher education in the United States.

The rapid growth in Armenian studies in this country which began with the establishment of NAASR three decades ago has been highlighted by several developments in recent months. A suc...
The commemoration of NAASR's 30th anniversary offers an opportunity to honor a number of individuals who have contributed to the Armenian community. The list includes a number of Armenian organizations, notably the Armenian Assembly and the Armenian Library and Museum of America.

Korkor Kassabian, Associate Professor of Social Education and Health at the University of Southern California, has served as a member of the Board of the Athletic Trainers Program at Northeastern University in Boston (Massachusetts). A nationally recognized figure in athletics and physical education, Mr. Kassabian has developed programs for gifted and talented young people in the Los Angeles Olympic Games in 1980. He was selected by the Armenian American College of Physicians and was named by the Northeastern University's Hall of Fame in 1986.

Dr. Aram G. Misrian, Chairman of the Management Department at Bentley College in Waltham, Massachusetts, has served as a member of the Board of Directors for the National Bank of Commerce.

Araxie Vagharshak, President of the Armenian National Bank of America, has been a leader in the Armenian banking community for over 30 years. His contributions to the Armenian community have been widely recognized, and he is a recipient of the National Bank of America's Distinguished Service Award.

Aram Mooradian, a specialist in real estate transactions, tax and business planning, estate planning, and public relations, has served as a national and international client manager. Mr. Mooradian has also found time to promote Armenian cultural events and to participate in many Armenian organizations. He is a member of the Board of Directors of the Armenian National Bank and the Armenian National Foundation of America.

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Board Chairman Young on California Trip

NAASR Board Chairman Young is currently on a tour of Armenian communities on the West Coast. He is meeting with NAASR members and friends to discuss their future plans and programs to advance Armenian studies through scholarship, research, and publication. He is also scheduled to meet with local Armenian community leaders to discuss ways to strengthen the Armenian presence in the West Coast region.

Academic Chairs

A panel of distinguished scholars and educators has been named as the Advisory Board for NAASR's Journal of Armenian Studies. The JAS, first published in 1975, was established in order to fill a need for an English-language publication that would present both scholarly and popular articles within the broad field of Armenian Studies.

The Editorial Board consists of: Dr. Artak Avakian, of Fresno State University; Donald G. Karmel, of California State University, Fresno; Dr. Vahagn Arakelian, of University of Texas at Dallas; Dr. John A.C. Greppin, Professor of Linguistics at Cleveland State University; Dr. Gregory S. J. S. Krikorian, of the Armenian National University of Yerevan; and Dr. Aram Mooradian, of the Armenian National Bank of America.

NAASR's 30th Anniversary Award Recipients

The large collection of Armenian books amassed by the late Harry Kolligian of McLean, Virginia, was donated to NAASR Armenian Reference and Research Libraries.

The late Mr. Kolligian, a businessman and Armenian community leader, was an ardent collector of Armenian literature. His widow, Mrs. Araxie Kolligian, has been a devoted supporter of the library since 1995.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Kolligian, in a picture taken several years ago - and later a Life Member of NAASR, he was treasurer of the General Union of Kardash for many years and an active member of the Holy Trinity Church and the Armenian8.

He married the former Araxie

Gins of Paintings, Prints, and Maps

In addition to books and papers, several individuals have donated to NAASR various paintings, prints, and maps which adorn the walls of the headquarters. Some of these items include:

- From Araxie Le Vin of Watertown, a framed colored map of the Nea Kedros, a poster print;
- From Souren Tashjian of Watertown, a framed color map of Soviet Armenia;
- From the collection of the late Zuhair Elarian of Brookline, a framed map of Armenia;
- From Joanne A. Peterson of Brookline, a framed print by Arthur Movamian entitled "The Three Graces in Public Law and International Relations";
- From Mrs. Zorohia Maghakian of Palm Desert, a well-hung embroidery;
- From Mr. and Mrs. Araxie Kolligian, a framed print by Levon Aramian Manakelian titled "The Rose."

Volunteers Needed at NAASR Headquarters

NAASR's volunteer program is open to individuals who wish to contribute to the organization's efforts. Volunteers are needed for a variety of tasks, including:

- Assisting with mailings and database management
- Helping with special events and fundraising efforts
- Assisting with administrative tasks such as answering phones and providing general office support

There is an on-going need for volunteers in various areas to support the organization's mission. Please contact NAASR headquarters at 817-876-7630 for more information. Individuals interested in serving their special skills or helping in needed areas should contact NAASR headquarters at 817-876-7630.
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Armenians in Holland Since the Time of the Crusades

By Gervos Abgarjan

According to Latin manuscripts, an Armenian emigre arrived in Holland in the 13th century, and they settled in the Haarlem area. From the 15th century onwards, they spread to the Netherlands. In the 17th century, the Dutch established relations with Armenia. After the fall of the Ottoman Empire, Armenians began to settle in the Netherlands in larger numbers, particularly in the 19th and 20th centuries. The Armenian community in Holland played an active role in various cultural and social activities, including education and philanthropy.

In recent years, the Armenian community in Holland has grown significantly. The number of Armenians in the Netherlands has increased from around 1,500 in the 1970s to over 30,000 in the 2010s. This growth has led to the establishment of several Armenian organizations and cultural centers in the country. The Armenian community in Holland has also been involved in various charitable and humanitarian efforts, such as providing aid to victims of the 2011 earthquake in Armenia.

In conclusion, the Armenian community in Holland has a rich history and continues to play an important role in the cultural and social life of the Netherlands. The community is known for its vitality and active engagement in various cultural and social activities, including education, philanthropy, and community service.
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Dwight E. Lee of Worcester, Mass., was a specialist in ancient Near Eastern history. In his book, "Mesoopotamia," he devoted his life to studying the history of the region, with a focus on its cultural and religious aspects. Lee had an abiding interest in Near Eastern studies and was a supporter of NAAAS. In his book, "Mesoopotamia," published in 1986, the author provided extensive information about the history of the region, its cultural and religious aspects, and its impact on modern-day society.

Children of War: Focus on April Programs

The Facing History and Ourselves National Foundation, with headquarters in Cambridge, Mass., is a nonprofit organization that promotes Holocaust education and provides resources for educators, students, and communities. The foundation, in conjunction with the Facing History and Ourselves National Foundation, has organized several events to commemorate the 75th anniversary of the liberation of Auschwitz-Birkenau. These events include workshops and presentations that focus on the Holocaust and its impact on contemporary society.

New NAASR Members

Since the last issue of the NAASR Newsletter, 43 members have joined for the first time as members in our society. This year, we have also welcomed several new members who have expressed interest in joining our organization. The new members include professionals from various fields, including academics, artists, and activists, who share a common interest in the study of Armenians and their history.

Kolligian Library

Commemorating the 75th anniversary of the liberation of Auschwitz-Birkenau, the Kolligian Library, located in the Armenian National Institute, has organized several events to commemorate the event. These events include book discussions, lectures, and workshops that focus on the history of the Holocaust and its impact on contemporary society.

Memorial and name funds constitute an important part of our organization's financial resources. Currently, the NAASR Board of Directors is leading efforts to expand the organization's program and development activities. The NAASR Board of Directors is also considering the possibility of creating new programs and activities that will further support our mission.

Priorities, Programs, Activities, and Needs

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Total 42,750,000

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Recent and Selected Titles of Note

A sampling of some recent and noteworthy additions to NAASR's Armenian Book Clearing House list appears below. Figures in parentheses represent reduced prices for NAASR members in good standing. A list of other recent titles is available upon request. Postage is paid by NAASR on all prepaid orders.


Fixed Movements: A Portion from Our Past, by H. Jack Aslanian (Strawberry Hill Press, San Francisco). A novel about a romantic young man who visits his homeland with other Americans of Armenian origin in this tale about immigrants in transition and in transit, returning to their home place to confront, often painfully, their own pasts. T126p. $9.95 ($8.50).

A Handbook of Armenian Dialectology, by John A.C. Greppin and Analyn A Khachaturian (Caravan Books, Delmar, N.Y.). With introduction by Georg E. Djukian and Excerpts by Dr. H.D. Muradyan. A concise description of the linguistic features of the Armenian dialects, including the most important and the most divergent, with phonetics, noun declensions, and sample passages. L69. $50.00 ($45.00).

The History of Medieval Armenian Literature, by Srbouhi P. Hairapetian (G. P. Pogosian, Los Angeles). A survey of Armenian literature from classical times until the 18th century, in Armenian. T129p. $35.00 ($31.50).


Memoires de Nubar Pacha (Bibliothèque du Livran, Beirut). Introduction and notes by Mir rit Boutros Ghali. Memoirs of the Armenian statesman (1825-1899) who played such an important role in the development of modern Egypt, with his impressions of the Egyptian viceroy under whom he served (Mohammed Ali, Ibrahim, Abbas II) and European diplomats of the day (Stratford-Canning, Palmerston, Napoleon III). [In French]. X192. $26.50 ($22.50).

A Modern History of Transcaucasian Armenia, by Manuel Sarkisyan (E.J. Brill, Leiden). Survey of eastern Armenian history from the pre-Christian times until the 1950s, with particular emphasis on the late 18th and early 19th centuries. H140. $22.50 ($20.50).

The Morning Comet: 45 Years with Anatolia College, by Carl C. Compton (Caratza Publishing Co., New Rochelle, New York). Memoirs of an American missionary who joined the Anatolia College faculty in 1913 and was closely associated with education and relief efforts among the Christians in Turkey and Greece until his retirement in 1965. H228s. $25.00 ($22.50).

A Mountain of Gems: Fairy Tales of the Peoples of the Soviet Land, translated by Irina Zheleznova, illustrated by Vladimir Minayev (Raduga Publishers, Moscow). A collection of the best of the folklore of the peoples of the USSR, 38 in all, with illustrations in color and including the Armenian tales "Ana" and "The Tsar and the Weaver." F36. $8.95 ($7.95).


Ottoman Population, 1830-1914: Demographic and Social Characteristics, by Kermal H. Karpat (University of Wisconsin Press, Madison). A description of the history and evolution of Turkish census and registration data, with detailed statistical tables broken down by area and by religious-ethnic groups. H289. $50.00 ($45.00).

Refugee Girl, by Diorouhi Kouyoujian Higghas (Baikar Publishers, Watertown). The autobiographical account of an Armenian girl born in Konia, southern Turkey, her carefree early life, the Turkish deportations, and her courageous struggle to save her loved ones. The account ends with the author's arrival in the United States in 1929. X193. $19.95 ($18.50).


Book on Armenians Featured in TIME

The Armenians, the book issued recently by Rizzoli Publications of Milan and New York, was featured in BUSINESS magazine (Dec. 15, 1986) as an ideal gift item. The book is available through NAASR (A164 - $75.00 list price, $65.00 members).

TIME carried the following description of the book:

"For nearly 2,000 years, the rich and fertile area of western Asia known as Armenia proved hospitable to man and beast, as well as to a remarkable civilization. Then in 1915 the Turks massacred more than a million Armenians, leaving their historic lands desolate and sending the survivors fleeing abroad. The splendidly illustrated The Armenians aims to restore to view some of the beauty of this brutally wounded culture. Various Armenians and Italian scholars have contributed chapters on the arts, history, religion, and literature."