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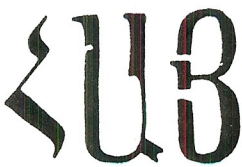
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Lecture on Armenia at FSU

The Armenian Studies Program at Fresno State University will sponsor a lecture by Dr. Vahakn Dadrian on "Emerging research in Europe and the Near East on the Turkish Genocide of the Armenians."

The lecture will be held 7:30 p.m. Thursday in room 101 of the Industrial Technology Building.

Dadrian is the director of a genocide study project sponsored by the H.F. Guggenheim Foundation.

Fresno Observes Armenia's Anniversary

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CSUF Armenian Studies Scholarship Recipients

FRESNO — The Armenian Studies Program Scholarship Committee of California State University, Fresno announced the recipients of 1993-94 Armenian Studies Program scholarships at the eighth annual banquet of the Armenian Studies Program, held on September 10, 1993. Dr. Vartan Gregorian, President of Brown University was the keynote speaker at the banquet.

This year thirty-seven students were honored and recognized for their scholastic achievements and university activities and received scholarships and grants totaling more than \$18,000. Scholarship/grant recipients must demonstrate an interest in Armenian Studies by enrolling in the various courses offered by the Armenian Studies Program. Many students who are pursuing their minors in Armenian Studies also receive special grants.

There are three sources of scholarships administered by the Scholarship Committee. Following are the funding sources and the names of 1993-1994 recipients.

Yervant, Rose, and Hovannes Levonian Educational Grant-Carlos Acosta, Janice Caprelian, Artak Darbinian, Manik Kazarian, Ted M. Kismet, Shant A. Ohanian, Ronald A. Papazian, Brent L. Tahajian.

Charles K. Pategian and Pansy Pategian Zlokovich Scholarships-Eliz Adjinian, Hakop Adjinian, Jill Ahronian, Donna Basmajian, Paul Chaderjian, Armen Devejian, Sonia Devejian, Rebecca Dwelle, Chris Gooboian, Antony Hagopian, Gina Kandarian, Taline Kilagblian, Jack Krajekian, Pamela Manoogian, Suzanne Manoogian, Julie Momjian, Garo Nakashian, Melissa Ouzounian, Jennifer Peters, Aram Sarkissian, Robyn Saroyan, Veronica Silveira, Lara Simonian, Gina Sisslian, Jill Smetherman, Kimberly Smith, Arlen Soghomonians, Harout Zekian.

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The public is welcome and encourage to attend and participate in any of these panels and lectures by registering with MESA at the Sheraton Hotel and Conference Center where all proceedings will take place. For more information call Dr. D. Kouymjian (209) 278-2669 or Dr. D. Papazian (313) 593-5545.

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NAASR to honor Armenian scholars during Annual Assembly weekend, Nov 20-21

BELMONT, MA—The 39th Annual Assembly weekend of the National Association for Armenian Studies and Research (NAASR), to be held on November 20 and 21, will be highlighted by the presence of two generations of scholars who have contributed to the advancement of Armenian Studies on a university level in this country.

That gathering will represent a significant milestone in the history of the Armenian Studies movement, which got its impetus with NAASR's founding in 1955. It will bring together Dr. Avedis K. Sanjian, Professor Emeritus of Armenian Studies at the University of California at Los Angeles, who was the first scholar to be appointed to a full-time position in Armenian Studies in the United States (Harvard University in 1957); and Dr. James R. Russell, the first second-generation scholar to be appointed to an Armenian Chair, the Mesrob Mashtots Professorship in Armenian Studies at Harvard.

Dr. Sanjian will be honored for his contributions to Armenian Studies for over 35 years, during NAASR's Annual Assembly and Luncheon, to be held on Saturday, November 20, at the NAASR Center, in Belmont. He will speak on "Armenian Studies and Its Future Direction: A 35-year Perspective." Sanjian was the first occupant of the Narekatsi Chair of Armenian Studies at UCLA.

At the Harvard Armenian Chair Banquet, to be held on Sunday, Nov. 21 at the Sheraton Commander Hotel in Cambridge, MA, Dr. Russell will be officially welcomed and honored for his appointment to the Harvard Armenian Chair. That special occasion will mark the continuity of Arme-



Prof. Avedis K. Sanjian



Prof. Nina G. Garsoian



Prof. Kevork Bardakjian



Prof. James R. Russell

nian Studies through the Harvard Chair and seven other endowed university Armenian Chairs in the United States.

The occupants of other Armenian Chairs who will participate in the Sunday banquet are Professors Nina Garsoian of Columbia University, Richard G. Hovannisian of the University of California at Los Angeles, Kevork Bardakjian of the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor, Dickran Kouymjian of California State University at Fresno, and

Lucy Der Manuelian of Tufts University. The remaining chairholder, Prof. Ronald G. Suny of the University of Michigan, is unable to attend.

For further information, call Nancy Kolligian at 617-924-1444 or Leo Maghakian at 508-535-3944.

Both events are open to the public. Reservations for both the Saturday luncheon and the Sunday banquet may be made by contacting NAASR at 617-489-1610.

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It is one of the few instances when so many of America's foremost scholars in Armenian Studies will come together. The banquet will be the occasion when they, along with members of NAASR and the Armenian community, will welcome and honor Dr. James R. Russell, recently appointed to Harvard University's Mesrob Mashtots Armenian Chair, as the first of the second generation scholars to occupy a university Chair in Armenian Studies.

Heading the group of scholars at this significant and historic milestone in the development of Armenian Studies in this country will be Dr. Avedis K. Sanjian, Narekatsi Professor of Armenian Studies at the University of California at Los Angeles and the most senior scholar of the group.

The others who will participate on this occasion are Profes-

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The banquet will climax a weekend which will begin with the 39th Annual Assembly and Luncheon of NAASR on Saturday, November 20, at its Center and Headquarters in Belmont, Mass.

Prior to the Assembly's business session Dr. Avedis K. Sanjian will be honored for his 35-plus years of continuous activity in Armenian Studies at Harvard and UCLA and will be afforded the opportunity to speak about the developments and future directions in the field of Armenian Studies.

Further information about the banquet, assembly, and luncheon may be obtained from the NAASR Headquarters, 395 Concord Ave., Belmont, Mass. 02178 (Telephone: (617) 489-1610) or from any of the members of its Board of Directors.

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DR. DADRIAN, INTERNATIONAL EXPERT—Dr. Vahakn Dadrian (center), internationally recognized expert on Genocide, is thanked by Dr. Dickran Kouymjian (right), head of the CSUF Fresno Armenian Studies Program, and Barlow Der Mugrdechian (left), lecturer in Armenian Studies at CSUF.

Dadrian CSUF Guest

Respected Genocide Expert Says Turks 'Might Change'

FRESNO—A packed house—actually standing room only—greeted Dr. Vahakn Dadrian, internationally recognized expert on genocide, at CSUF Nov.

5th. He offered a glimmer of hope that Turkey "might" some day soon admit to Ottoman Turkey's early 20th century genocide of its Armenian population.

A guest of the Armenian Studies Program and NASSR, Dr. Dadrian addressed the differences and commonalities of his studies of the Turkish Genocide of the Armenians and of the German Holocaust of the Jews. His almost 90-minute talk in the crowded auditorium kept the audience listening attentively.

Dr Dadrian said he was surprised, yet pleased that probably because of the efforts of Turkey to become "European", a significant number of Turkish intellectuals were prepared to confront the Genocide of the Armenians—to make it a subject of open debate in Turkey.

He said the only hope for Armenians was to win over the Turkish intellectuals who would then educate and influence others regarding the facts of the Genocide.

Dr. Dadrian supported his optimism noting his surprise that two or three publishing houses in Turkey are willing to publish his works on Genocide.

He described the ongoing "power play" in Washington regarding the Genocide because of "**Turkey's power**" in Washington and the ongoing support of Turkey as "an important ally" in the important region of the world. Turkey's strong desire to gain membership in the European common market may help Armenians, he said.

Before discussing the differences and the commonalties of the Armenian Genocide and the Jewish Holocaust, Dr. Dadrian described Genocide in general and factors leading to the horrible act.

He said it was difficult to analyze Genocide without doing a comparative study of two instances, i.e. the Armenian Genocide and

Jewish Holocaust.

Dr. Dadrian noted that victims of Genocide "tend to immunize themselves" to the extent that they become oblivious to other victims of Genocide. As an example, he said one Jewish leader has opposed the comparison of other Genocides with the Holocaust.

He said Genocide was defined by the UN as: "**A Crime against Humanity**", a sweeping, broad definition. There are high stakes in Genocide. He said the only way to prevent Genocide is to anticipate the event. One needs to understand Genocide. He became interested—more interested—after his professor asked him if he read "The Forty Days of Musa Dagh." **Dr. Dadrian "devoured" Werfel's book, he said. Among the differences between the Genocide and the Holocaust that Dr. Dadrian identified were:**

- **That the Armenians were victimized in historical Armenia, while the Jews were immigrants, victims of their host nation Germany.**
- **The Armenian culture suffered a devastating**

blow: churches, other historical monuments, literature were destroyed. The native Jewish culture was not destroyed in Germany.

- That Armenia was destroyed by the Turks **because of its religion: Christianity. Armenians were "infidel Christians". The Jews were victimized by Germany because of their disassociation with Christianity.**

- That the Armenians had already been massacred in the last decade of the 19th century by the Ottoman Turks who used the common people—through the mosques—to assault the Armenians. There was no history of massacres of Jews in Germany before the Holocaust.

- That the Armenians, because of the 1890's massacres, stock piled weapons in order to be prepared should a Genocide be attempted. (An investigation by Germany and Austria found those weapons "primitive"—gathered for defensive purpose) The Jews did not accumulate weapons.

- That the Germans determined the Jews were undesirable, but the Germans did allow 300,000 Jews to

immigrate, and later tried to get European powers to agree with the Nazi plan to expel thousands of Jews to Africa. That in Turkey, the opposite was the case: **There was no attempt in Turkey to allow the Armenians to leave before the forced deportations.**

Among the commonalities expressed by Dr. Dadrian:

- Both the Armenians and Jews had cumulative histories as "helpless, pushed around people (both had 2,000-3,000 years of history.) They were victims: groups who developed a tendency to submissiveness to **Perpetrator groups** (who were trying to harm them.)

- However, both Jews and Armenians had inner toughness to resist assimilation; a strength—the character to survive with the odds against them. Jews and Armenians were treated "like fair game" by the Perpetrators.

- One cannot enact a crime like Genocide without the possibility to accomplish the crime—World War I and World War II enabled Turkey and Germany, respectively, to take advantage of the Armenian and Jewish populations be-

cause of the Wars. **Both countries suspended the ordinary rights of people. Germany suspended the Constitutional Rights of the people. The German Parliament was suspended! Turkey decided first to suspend the Parliament—to prevent any opposition to the planned Genocide from forming.**

- Acts to deport Armenians were developed at the highest level of government The Turkish Chief of Staff and other leaders said **Turkey needed to neutralize Armenians. Deport them. The highest levels in Germany (including Goebbels), were involved in making plans for the arrests and deportations of Jews to Camps and eventually their extermination.**

- And, Genocide was a means to a "higher end" in Turkey and Germany. Genocide as defended in Turkey's goal: said there was "No room for the infidel Armenians, **Turkey was to be for the Turks.**" The goal: Social Reorganization. **Germany's goal: To restructure German Society—by expelling the Jews.**

New Book on Armenian Art by Prof. Kouymjian

The Arts of Armenia is the title of the most recent book by Dr. Dickran Kouymjian, who holds the Haig and Isabel Berberian Endowed Chair in Armenian Studies at California State University, Fresno. More than a decade in preparation, the volume was commissioned and published by the Calouste Gulbenkian Foundation of Lisbon, Portugal as a handbook in the arts to be used by teachers and in Armenian schools and colleges.

In addition to a text of 90 large format pages, the study is accompanied by 300 original color slides illustrating the history of Armenian art and the diverse media through which it was expressed. The photographs were taken by the world-famous Armenian photographer of Istanbul, Ara Güler, and Professor Kouymjian, with additional views by Patrick Donabedian, French Cultural Attaché in Armenia, Claude Mutaflan of Paris, and Photo Garo of Jerusalem.

After a general introduction on Armenian art, the book is divided into seven chapters: I. Architecture, II. Manuscript Painting, III. Sculpture, IV. Painting in Media:

Frescoes, Mosaics, and Ceramics, V. Metalwork and Engraving, VI. Textiles, and VII. Music and the Art of the Book. Three Armenian scholars were invited by Dr. Kouymjian to participate with essays on "Coins" by the late Khatchig Musheghyan, "Musical Notations and Instruments" by Robert Atayan, and "Early Printing and Graphic Art" by Ninel Voskanian.

Because the Gulbenkian Foundation wished to produce a guide in simple yet intelligent language, the text explains terms as they are introduced and always assumes that the reader is new to art history and to Armenian art. An extensive bibliography provides resources for a more profound study of any of the different domains of Armenian art.

The entire project was completed with the dedicated work of Zaven Yeghavian, Director of the Department of Armenian Affairs of the Gulbenkian Foundation, and before him by the late Vahram Mavian. The Calouste Gulbenkian Foundation will be distributing the volume with its 300 slides to Armenian schools throughout the world.

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The lecture is part of the Fall Lecture Series organized by the Armenian Studies Program and Armenian Students Organization of CSUF. New York's Dr. Vahakn Dadrian was the most recent guest in the series.

On Dec. 3, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., Katchadourian will be at the CSUF Kennel Bookstore to sign copies of her new book.

The book is based on the memoirs of Efronia Katchadourian, written when she was in her late eighties, in which she reveals the dramatic story of her secret love in the pre-World War I Ottoman Empire.

Her memoirs, which were translated from the Armenian by her son, Professor Herant Katchadourian just before her death, forms the basis of the book written by her daughter-in-law, author and translator, Stina Katchadourian.

With great sensitivity, Katchadourian fills in the details surrounding the struggles of the Armenian people to survive the turbulent period before and after World War I, presenting the widespread persecution and genocide of Armenians as the harsh reality it was. But it is in retelling Efronia's story that an extraordinary portrait emerges of a family and a culture. And at the center of this picture is

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Admission for the evening is free. Relaxed parking will be available in Lots Q, K, and L adjacent to the lecture hall after 7 p.m. and through the lecture.

For more information contact the Armenian Studies Program at (209) 278-2669.

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Reading, discussion held by author

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The discussion will be in room 101 of the Industrial Technology Building at the northwest edge of the campus.

Katchadourian's lecture is part of the fall lecture series sponsored by the Armenian studies program and the Armenian Students Organization of California State University.

On Friday, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., Katchadourian will sign copies of the book at the Kennel Bookstore on campus.

The book is based on the memoirs of Efronia Katchadourian, written when she was in her late 80s, in which she reveals the story of her secret love in the pre-World War I Ottoman Empire. Efronia was the author's mother-in-law.

Stina Katchadourian was born in Finland and is a graduate of Stanford University. She is a writer, translator and journalist.

Admission to the lecture is free. Details: 278-2669.



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The Armenian Studies program and Armenian Students Organization at **Fresno State University** is sponsoring two lectures open to the public.

"Efronia: An Armenian Love Story" by Stina Katchadourian, based on the memoir of Efronia Katchadourian, will be at 7:30 p.m. Thursday.

"The Regional Situation of the Republic of Armenia," a presentation on Armenia and the war in Nagorno-Karabakh will be at 7:30 p.m. Dec. 9.

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Hovhannisian is a visiting Fulbright Fellow a George Washington University in Washington, D.C. His area of expertise is in the Arab countries and Armenia.

Joining Hovhannisian for the lecture will be Zaroohi Der Mugrdechian of Fresno, who recently returned from a five week trip to Armenia and Karabagh. She will show a video on her experiences in Karabagh and she will speak on the current situation in Armenia.

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Yerevan Scholar Will Lecture in Fresno, UCLA, on Russian Policy on Armenia

LOS ANGELES - Nicolai Hovhannisian, deputy director of the Institute of Oriental Studies of the Academy of Sciences of Armenia will be visiting California this month to give a series of lectures on the policies of Russia in relation to Armenia and other Caucasian countries.

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Before addressing Fresno residents during a Dec. 9 lecture at California State University, Fresno, 7:30 p.m., Room 101 of the Industrial Technology Building, Hovhannisian is scheduled to lecture on Dec. 7 and Dec. 10 in Los Angeles. His Fresno lec-

ture is sponsored by the CSUF Armenian Studies Program.

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On Dec. 10, Hovhannisian will speak on "Russia's Policies toward Armenia and Neighboring Countries," at Hollywood's Garabedian Hall, 1615 N. Alexandria Ave. The 8 p.m. lecture will be conducted in Armenian.

All lectures are open to the public.

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Russian Specialist to Visit California

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Armenian scholar to lecture in CA

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Nicolai Hovhannisian, Russian Area Specialist, Is Visiting California

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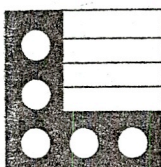
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7:30 p.m. Thursday, Fresno State University, Industrial Technology Building Room 101. Presented by the Armenian Studies

Program and Armenian Studies Organization. "The Regional Situation of the Republic of Armenia." Nicolai Hovhannisian, Deputy Director of the Institute of Oriental Studies Academy of Sciences of Armenia and Zarooki Der Mugrdechian recently returned from Karabagh (with video).

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Hye Sharzhoom Reaches 15th Year

By Nina Momjian
Hye Sharzhoom Editor

Who ever said the Armenian spirit is dying among the new generation Armenians, must not have known about *Hye Sharzhoom*.

For 15 years, *Hye Sharzhoom*

has been the voice of Armenian students at CSUF, expressing their interests and concerns to Armenian communities around the world.

Since the academy year of 1978/79, *Hye Sharzhoom* has been the only continuously published Armenian student-operated newspaper on any campus in the

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Hye Sharzhoom is a student-operated newspaper at California State University, Fresno. It is the only Armenian newspaper in the United States. It was founded in 1978 by a group of Armenian students. The paper is published twice a year, in the fall and spring. It covers a wide range of topics, including Armenian history, culture, and current events. It also features articles by students and faculty members. The paper is a valuable resource for Armenian students and faculty at CSUF, and for the Armenian community in general.



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U.S., with a mailing list of more than 4,000 names from every corner of the world.

"The mission was to teach the students how to own and run a newspaper. The paper provided both a vehicle of expression to Armenian students at Fresno State, and an instrument for developing communications skills," wrote Dr. Dickran Kouymjian in a 1988 *Hye Sharzhoom* article. "Today it is still alive and still lively and still produced by CSUF students."

The first issue's editors, Mark Malkasian and Mark Najarian, produced the four-page issue with a front page article entitled "Armenocide: Crime Against Humanity."

Throughout the first few years of the paper, students wrote about

various topics such as "Black Studies Prof. Sees Ties Between Hyes and Blacks," "Assimilation: Will Hyes Fall into the 'Melting Pot!'" and "Intermarriage in the Armenian Community."

In 1981, the paper doubled in size to 16 pages with a four-page section dedicated to a man whose writings have made Fresno famous throughout the world. The section was headlined: "Impressions of William Saroyan."

During these 15 years, the student newspaper received feedback through letters to the editor sent from countries such as Canada, Hungary, France, Poland, Spain, and even from Armenia.

Although *Hye Sharzhoom* receives donations toward mailing costs, the paper has always relied on the Armenian Studies Program to pay for more than half the expenses for a mailing list which once reached a high of 9,000 names.

Today, the paper's mailing list is revised, yet it's still dedicated to educate and entertain its readers with opinions and the skills of Armenian students at Fresno State.

As Dr. Kouymjian wrote five years ago... "Will the paper last another decade? Who knows?" We, the editors and staff of *Hye Sharzhoom* 1993/94 are determined to produce a positive answer.