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TCA ARSHAG DICKRANIAN ARMENIAN SCHOOL
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TCA Arshag Dickranian School Commencement Ceremony At Walter And Laurel Karabian Hall

Los Angeles, June 29, 2009 - TCA Arshag Dickranian School held a wonderful Commencement Ceremony for its 12th grade, 8th grade and 5th grade on Saturday June 28th 2009 at 5:00 p.m. at its fancy Walter and Laurel Karabian Hall. Honorary guests included Ms. Eleanor Dickranian, Ms. Cynthia Dickranian-Norian, Ms. Laurel Dickranian-Karabian, Archbishop Hovnan Derderian, keynote speaker Mr. Ara Agishian, Vice-Chairman of Board of Trustees Mr. Parsegh Kartalian and Chairman Mr. George Mandossian, among other board members.

The Commencement Ceremony started after teachers entered The Walter and Laurel Karabian Hall and when the American, Armenian and School anthems filled the hall. Ms. Kathrin Bosnoyan, an alumna of Arshag Dickranian School, greeted students, honorary guests and teachers and gave a heartening speech about her experience graduating from Arshag Dickranian School. Ms. Kathrin Bosnoyan continued by inviting the Homeroom Teacher of the 5th grade, Ms. Suzan Kim, and the Chairperson of The Educational Committee, Ms. Arpi Avanesian-Idolor, to present Diplomas to the students of the 5th grade. She also invited Ms. Gia Aivazian, who is the Secretary of The Board of Trustees, and The Homeroom Teacher of the 8th grade, Mr. Vatche Semerjidian, to present the 8th graders with their Diplomas.

Chairman Mr. George Mandossian invited Ms. Cynthia Dickranian-Norian to join in presenting the High School Diplomas to the graduating students, along with Mr. Krikor Soukiassian, who is the Homeroom Advisor of the 12th grade, and principal Mr. Vartkes Kourouyan. Graduating student Hovhannes Hekimian followed by delivering an inspiring speech to his classmates, the school and the audience and he received The Senior Valedictorian Medal. Mary Yerkatian, who received The Senior Salutatorian Medal, also gave a touching speech, thanking her school, classmates and her family for all the support and wonderful experiences.



The students who successfully completed the requirements of the 12th grade at Arshag Dickranian School include: Arevik Aleksanian, Michael Atanesyan, Armine Caradanian, Ani Darakchyan, Hovhanes Ekimyan, Alysa Gekozyan, Vahan Hovsepian, Levon Karapetyan, Ruben Khachtarian, Annie Krisian, Nina Lusinyan, Yeva Manukyan, Rima Nadjarian, Andranik Samsonyan, Anahid Sarkisian, Elizabeth Seropian, Narine Sulian, Harout Torkomian, Christopher Tufenkjian, Hmayak Vardanian, Marianna Yerosian and Mary Yerkatyan.

Following the presentation of the diplomas, Mr. Ara Aghishian, who is a well established lawyer and currently Chairman of the Armenia Fund, congratulated the students and encouraged them to strive after their goals and never forget their Armenian heritage. Mr. Ara Agishian had kindly sponsored one of the graduating students at Arshag Dickranian School. Vice-Chairman of Board of Trustees of TCA Arshag Dickranian School, Mr. Parsegh Kartalian gave a speech on behalf of The Board of Trustees, which was followed by a farewell message from Mr. Vartkes Kourouyan. The ceremony was concluded with the blessings of Reverend Bared Ts. Yerezian on behalf of Archbishop Hovnan Derderian, primate of Armenian Church Western Diocese. Parents and guests cheered and congratulated graduating students with flowers, balloons, hugs and kisses.

Located at 1200 North Cahuenga Blvd., Los Angeles, the TCA Arshag Dickranian Armenian School is a federally tax exempt, Pre-K to 12th grade private educational institution. For more information visit www.dickranianschool.org.

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