TCA ADS Celebrates Its 29th Annual Dinner Dance

Los Angeles, March 25, 2010 - TCA Arshag Dickranian School held its 29th Annual Dinner Dance at the school's Walter and Laurel Karabian Hall on Saturday, March 20th, 2010. As in the previous years, the event was organized by the school's Parent-Teacher Organization and was well attended by parents, teachers, students, alumni, supporters and guests, who gathered for an evening of merriment and to savor the delicious dishes catered by the Marquis Restaurant.



Members of the Parent Teacher Organization flanked by Chairperson Ophelia Garibyan

The celebration started with the welcoming remarks of the school's eighth grade homeroom teacher, Ms. Alvard Uzunyan, who promised the guests an evening full of enjoyment. She then invited Rev. Manoug Markarian, the parish priest of St. John Church, to offer benediction.



The table of senior students from the Class of 2010

PTO Chairperson, Ms. Ophilia Garibyan, next took the podium and gave a brief report on the various activities of the PTO, adding that all such activities were planned and carried out for the sole purpose of benefitting the school. Ms. Garibyan then recognized the presence of Mr. and Mrs. Armen Mkhsian as the banquet's honored guests and thanked them for their donation of five thousand dollars in memory of his late father Levon. Mr. Mkhsian, a long time ardent member of the PTO and the father of three children attending Dickranian School, took turn by expressing his pleasure working with his PTO colleagues. "Arshag Dickranian School is like my second home" he said, "and I am totally committed to helping our school in any way I can."

DJ Arthur Garibyan, an alumnus from the class of 2003, provided the dance music, inciting enthusiasts of all ages to fill the dance floor with his popular tunes. The guests also had the pleasure to enjoy the solo vocal renditions staged by Krystal Kilajian and Ani Nercessian, two high school students who captivated the listeners with their delightful voices.



Guests of Honor Mr. & Mrs. Armen Mkhsian cutting the 29th Anniversary Cake

Principal Vartkes Kourouyan, being the last speaker of the program, thanked the PTO members for their selfless devotion and diligence. He stated that the proceeds of the banquet were aimed for the school's scholarship and student aid program. He then invited Mr. & Mrs. Mkhsian to cut the cake prepared for the occasion. Mr. Kourouyan also recognized the presence of Mr. Hmayak Baltayan at the banquet, offering a second cake in honor of his 80th birthday. Finally, young and old attendants filled the dance floor stepping and swaying to the lively tunes of the disco music.

Located at 1200 N. 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 the school website at www.dickranianschool.org.