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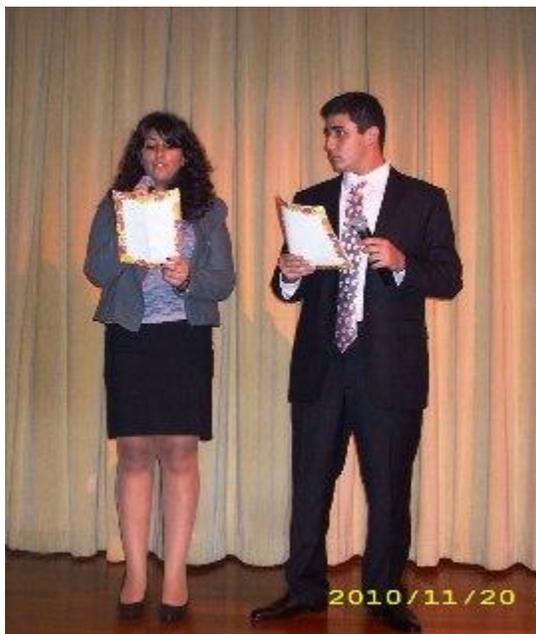
TCA ARSHAG DICKKRANIAN ARMENIAN SCHOOL
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TCA Arshag Dickranian School Celebrates A Festive Annual Thanksgiving Dinner

Los Angeles, November 23, 2010 - The Parent-Teacher Organization of TCA Arshag Dickranian School held its traditional Thanksgiving Dinner-Dance at the Walter & Laurel Karabian Hall on Saturday, November 20, 2010, at 7:00 p.m. The event was the second of such series being held this year marking the 30th anniversary of the school.

Friends, parents, teachers and students gathered in the tastefully decorated hall to celebrate the occasion together as one large family. As in previous years, the menu was comprised of an assortment of festive Armenian appetizers and the Thanksgiving turkey entrée catered by Anoush Restaurant.

Prior to serving dinner, Student Council Chairman Morris Sarafian and Secretary Nvard Agazaryan got on stage and interactively explained the purpose of the day in Armenian. They also used the occasion to thank the parents and faculty for the opportunity given to them to receive the quality education at Arshag Dickranian School. PTO Co-chairperson Mrs. Houri Kourouyan then welcomed the guests assuring them of an enjoyable evening highlighted by a special program presented by students.



Student Council Chairman Morris Sarafian and Secretary Nvard Agazaryan welcoming guests

As dinner was being served, guests were treated to a lively program of Armenian folk dances, choral selections and recitations performed by the students under the guidance of their dance teacher Robert Arakelian, music teacher Komitas Kesheshian and Armenian Language teacher Mrs. Emma Umroyan.



Students performing the Kinto fold dance

The presence of the considerably large number of young students attending the event and taking part in the program turned the evening more into a family oriented gathering, bustling with the spirit of Thanksgiving and prompting Mr. Hmayak Baltayan, a prominent benefactor of Dickranian School, to make an on the spot donation of \$2,000.



Benefactor Mr. Hmayak Baltayan enjoying Thanksgiving Dinner with Board Members

The evening continued into the late hours of the night, dancing to the tunes of the disco music provided by 12th grade student Alex Garibyan.



PTO members enjoying the event

Over the years, the PTO has been vigorous in supporting the school by organizing various social and fundraising functions, by serving students' daily lunches and by promoting goodwill. One major function hosted by the PTO is the Annual Dinner-Dance held in the month of March.

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 the school website at www.dickranianschool.org.

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