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KFEIRIAN REUNION

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COMMEMORATIVE ADDRESS BOOK

SEPT. 3,4,5 and 6, 1982

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CONVENTION CENTER

HUNTINGTON, WV

Hosted by

KFEIRIAN REUNION FOUNDATION
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Friday, September 3, 1982

2:00 - 11:00 p.m.	REGISTRATION	Hotel Mezzanine
2:00 - 8:00 p.m.	OPEN - VISIT FRIENDS	Lunch on your own
5:00 - 6:00 p.m.	HOSPITALITY HOUR	Greenbrier Room
8:00 p.m. - 1:00 a.m.	HAFLI	Ballroom
10:00 p.m. - ???	CARD ROOM	Greenbrier Room
10:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.	HOTEL SWIMMING POOL OPEN	

Saturday, September 4, 1982

9:00 a.m. - 11:00 p.m.	REGISTRATION	Hotel Mezzanine
10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	SWIMMING PARTY	Hotel Swimming Pool
11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.	ARABIC MOVIE	Keith-Albee Theater
2:00 - 3:00 p.m.	ARABIC DANCING INSTRUCTION	Greenbrier Room
3:00 - 4:00 p.m.	ARABIC CLASS 102	George III Room
8:00 p.m. - 1:00 a.m.	HAFLI	Ballroom
9:00 - 10:00 p.m.	COCKTAIL HOUR	Ballroom
10:00 - 11:00 p.m.	BUFFET	Ballroom
10:00 p.m. - ???	CARD ROOM	Greenbrier Room

Sunday, September 5, 1982

9:00 a.m. - 11:00 p.m.	REGISTRATION	Hotel Mezzanine
10:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.	MATIN SERVICE	Hotel Ballroom
10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.	PONTIFICAL DIVINE LITURGY Celebrated by His Eminence Archbishop MICHAEL, Auxiliary Antiochian Orthodox Christian Archdiocese of North America	Hotel Ballroom
1:00 - 2:00 p.m.	LUNCH	Pompeii Room
2:00 - 4:00 p.m.	BUSINESS MEETING	Pompeii Room
5:00 - 6:00 p.m.	COCKTAIL HOUR	Hotel Mezzanine
6:30 - 9:00 p.m.	<u>GRAND BANQUET</u>	<u>Ballroom</u>
9:30 - ???	GRAND BALL	Ballroom
10:00 p.m. - ???	CARD ROOM	Greenbrier Room

Monday, September 6, 1982

9:00 - 10:00 a.m.	SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE	George III Room
10:00 - 11:00 a.m.	BOARD OF DIRECTORS	Greenbrier Room
11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.	BRUNCH	Ballroom
1:00 p.m.	CLOSING SURPRISE	

**WE DEDICATE
THIS
COMMEMORATIVE ADDRESS BOOK**

**TO THE
FOUNDERS
OF THE
KFEIRIAN REUNION**

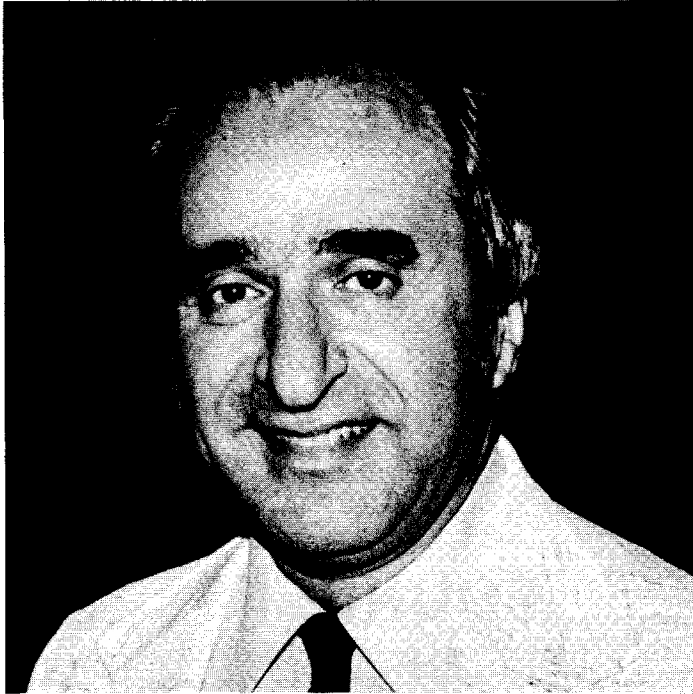
**TO WHOM WE ARE
ETERNALLY GRATEFUL**

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It is not my intention to name famous Lebanese American people who have made a contribution in our society. Although we have many of these people, our strength lies in the love, compassion, and warmth which has been shown in the Kfeirian families through the years.

In our generation when people's jobs are being threatened, once again we have seen how the strength of the Kfeirian has become visible. It is easy to recognize that the strength of a person is not his job but his moral character. We have learned through our heritage and religious training that how we treat people and our love for others is more important than financial wealth.

We have been taught to be honest in our relationships with other people. We have gained our reputation through commitment and loyalty.

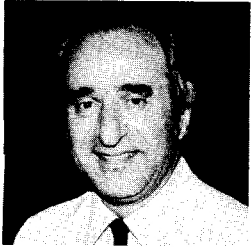
This does not come overnight. It has been passed on from generation to generation. As we meet with friends and relatives at this golden anniversary of our reunion, I challenge you to keep these rich traditions alive. Yes, we do have many famous Lebanese Americans. They are all the Kfeirians who have maintained the rich traditions of our powerful heritage.

Thank you for attending the 50th Reunion of the Kfeirian Foundation, but most of all, thank you for being the strong Lebanese American that you are. We are proud of you.

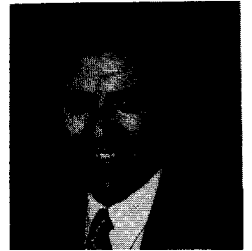
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President, Kfeirian Reunion Foundation

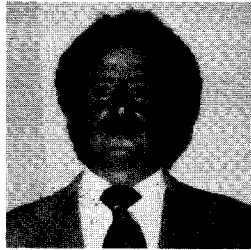
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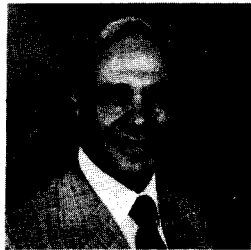
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Huntington, WV



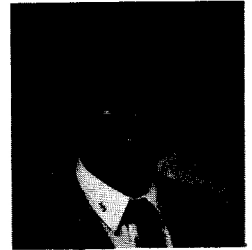
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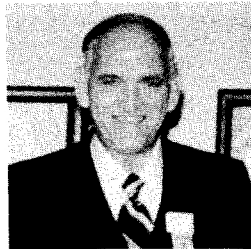
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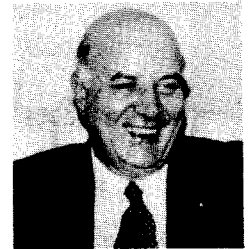
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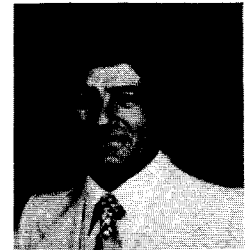
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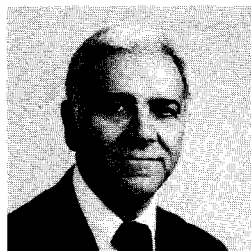
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Antiochian Orthodox Christian Archdiocese
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1982

Dear Mr. Chairman and all good friends of the Kfeirian Reunion:

Grace and peace to all of you in the Name of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ.

We are delighted to learn that you are celebrating your Fiftieth Anniversary in Huntington, West Virginia. Needless to say we are thankful to the Almighty God for your dedication, witness and service during the past fifty years.

We have had the opportunity to be with you on several occasions and we are fully aware of the tremendous contribution which you are making to your children and our beloved people of Kfeir, Lebanon. This town which is located in South Lebanon is a part of a crucified country. Thus, anything you do to bind its wounds will be deeply appreciated by your cousins and relatives in Kfeir.

We take this opportunity to congratulate you on your Fiftieth Anniversary. You have walked with God for fifty years. I am sure that God will walk with you forever.

Sincerely,

Metropolitan PHILIP
Primate
Antiochian Orthodox Christian Archdiocese
of North America.

MP:km



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KFEIRIAN
REUNION FOUNDATION, INC.

June 4, 1982

My Beloved Fellow Kfeirians:

On behalf of the Board of Directors, who is sponsoring the 50th Annual Kfeirian Reunion, it is with a great deal of pride, pleasure and humility, that I welcome you to this GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY.

Our rich and proud heritage our Reunions stand for is a tribute to our early founders, who saw a dream come true in perpetuating the love and fellowip among all Kfeirians. Our scholarship program and charitable deeds to the needy are also a tribute to their foresight.

It is our responsibility today, to start looking toward the next 50 years, in seeing that our YOUTH are involved by electing them to responsible positions, as we did in 1980 by electing a 22 year old chairman, by listening to their ideas, and being there to lend our support and experience. Our forefathers believed in our youth as we must believe in them to carry on the beautiful tradition our forefathers established. Youth and experience working hand in hand will assure us of celebrating our 100th Anniversary.

It has been a distinct honor and pleasure to plan and prepare for this special gala event for you and sincerely hope that for each of you it will prove to be the most enjoyable, successful, and memorable of our fifty year history as our forefathers enjoyed that first meeting in 1932 in Huntington, West Virginia.

Most especially we thank YOU for attending and helping to make this the best reunion yet.

To the members of the committee and their co-workers, I wish to express my sincere thanks for your cooperation and diligent efforts in making this Golden Anniversary a complete success.

Warmest regards,

George Hanna
Reunion Chairman





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May 19, 1982

Mr. George Hanna, Reunion Chairman
50th Anniversary of Kfeirian Reunion Foundation
28 Simpson Drive
Huntington, West Virginia 25705

Dear Mr. Hanna:

Greetings, blessings and paternal best wishes to you and to all Members and guests attending this Golden Anniversary of the Kfeirian Foundation in America.

This historic milestone merits celebration and reflection on your past achievements as well as your future projects and goals. We are pleased to share in your festivities and look forward to joining you on September 3-6, 1982.

Your Foundation is well known for keeping all who hail from Kfeir in Lebanon in touch with one another. It has kept alive and strengthened the bonds of friendship and fellowship among the sons and daughters of the Kfeirians in America.

We commend and admire your love and concern for your original homeland, particularly the village of Kfeir. By bringing in water and electricity to Kfeir you have improved the lot of countless people there. Also, by providing scholarships to worthy students today, you are undertaking a most noble cause that will earn you the respect of all fellow-citizens in this land.

We beseech mercy upon the souls of the Founders no longer with us and God's richest blessings to the living who continue to labor and sacrifice for the success of this Foundation. The Lord Jesus once said to His disciples: "By their fruits you shall know them."

We know you, we love you and we bless you in the Name of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ.

Sincerely in His service,

+ archbishop Michael

+ ARCHBISHOP MICHAEL

"... the Disciples were called Christians first in Antioch!" ACTS 11:26



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This commemorative address book has been dedicated to the founders of our reunion.

Before, during and after this our 50th and Golden Kfeirian Reunion, many words and expressions of congratulations and best wishes will be made. On behalf of my committee, let me add our most sincere congratulations for all of the many wonderful reunions we have had for the past 50 years.

We look back with pride to our past history of fun filled reunions packed with brotherly love and fellowship. We are indeed grateful to our founders for inspiring within each of us the desire to attend, enjoy and work for the various projects over the years. We must continue to pass from one generation to the next, the enthusiasm to continue the projects and good works of our foundation.

Many months of planning have gone into the preparation and publishing of this book. My sincere thanks goes out to all Kfeirians throughout North America, their friends and associates for their unselfish support in making this book a financial success. Special thanks must go to George Hanna, Reunion Chairman, for his unending work and contributions; to the Reunion Board of Directors for their assistance; to Archpriest Zacharia Nasr for his advice and spiritual guidance; to Mary Elizabeth Bassett and her committee for their hours of labor in preparing the directory; to Bob Corey for his cooperation and advice in the printing of this book; and most of all to my wife and family for their patience and support in compiling the necessary material. Only time will tell of its value and importance in terms of addresses, phone numbers, Kfeirian heritage and reunion history.

The privilege has been mine to have worked with so many wonderful people. I have enjoyed the opportunity to communicate with dear family members, old friends and new friends. I have learned a great deal of our families, our heritage and our reunion. Indeed the privilege has been mine.

For all of this, I again, say thank you.

May God Bless all of you and grant you many years.



Louis Rahall
Commemorative Address Book Chairman

July 9, 1982

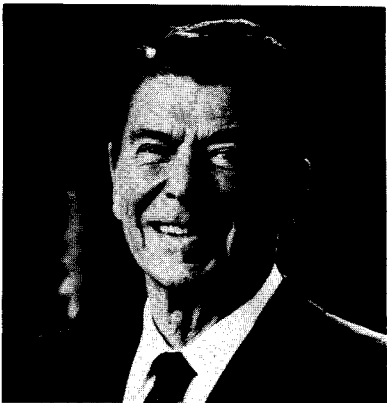
Mr. George Hanna
Kfeirian Reunion Chairman
28 Simpson Drive
Huntington, West Virginia 25705

Dear Mr. Hanna:

Please convey my greetings and congratulations to all those attending the 50th Kfeirian Reunion.

I think it is particularly appropriate that your celebration coincides with Labor Day, a time of reflection in this country. On this holiday we are reminded of the hard work it has taken to build a new life in America, and the dedication that has kept alive the memory of your village in Lebanon.

Barbara and I send our best wishes for a wonderful reunion and the best of luck in the future.



Sincerely,
George Bush
George Bush



PERMANENT MISSION OF
LEBANON
TO THE UNITED NATIONS

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Little can be said nowadays that can reassure Lebanese-Americans about their Old Country -- least of all about the South.

Whilst it is customary, in conventions such as the present KFEIRIAN ANNUAL REUNION, to send messages of joy and hope, we believe the time has come for greater realism, as well as determination.

The people of Kfeir need be given no lessons. Their home-town has been, through the ages, an example of unity and coexistence between families and communities. Their contribution to Lebanon, as well as to the Arab World at large, is one of learning, vision, sacrifice, and resistance. Graced by nature with one of the most enchanting landscapes, the men and women of Kfeir have toiled to extract from mother earth the best it could give -- which wasn't always enough. Ambition, married to intelligence, led them, at home and abroad, into some of the highest pursuits, in culture, trade, and politics.

Soon, very soon indeed, we shall all be called upon to reconstruct a better Lebanon. Reconstruction, like resistance, will have to start in the South, since war and destruction came upon us from there. The people of Kfeir in the U.S.A. will then have to join forces, in faith and love, with their compatriots who stayed home on the hilltops, guarding, as it were, the sacred flame.



Handwritten signature or initials

NICK J. RAHALL, II
4TH DISTRICT, WEST VIRGINIA

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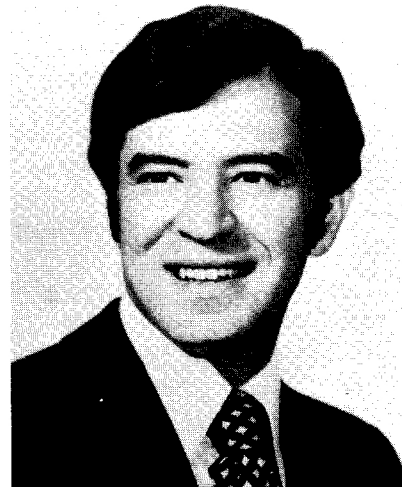
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Mr. George Hanna, Reunion Chairman
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Dear George:

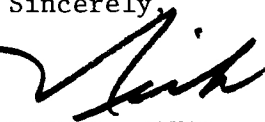
It is a pleasure and an honor to extend my warmest personal wishes to all those who join us for this 50th Kfeirian Reunion. It is a milestone for which we can all be very proud, and one that heightens our memories of those who gathered before us at past reunions.

The ties that bind us are strong, and we share a heritage of ancestral awareness that goes back to the village of Kfeir from which our forebearers came.

We are the children and grandchildren of those wonderful people, and we can be proud of the heritage they passed along to us. It is now our place to further that heritage with our own children, so that the day will come when they will gather for the 100th Kfeirian Reunion.

My congratulations to you and the Board of Directors for your efforts to make this reunion as outstanding as it is, and my very deepest best wishes to all of "Our Family".

With warm personal regards, I am

Sincerely,

NICK J. RAHALL, II
Member of Congress



STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

Greetings:

As Governor of West Virginia, it gives me great pleasure to welcome everyone to the Fiftieth Annual Kfeirian Reunion this Labor Day Weekend.

This celebration of brotherhood and heritage is an example to us all as you join with your relatives and friends to remember your ancestors and the history they set for you.

I personally welcome all visitors to West Virginia. I know some of you have travelled far. Please enjoy your stay in our wonderful state and return often.

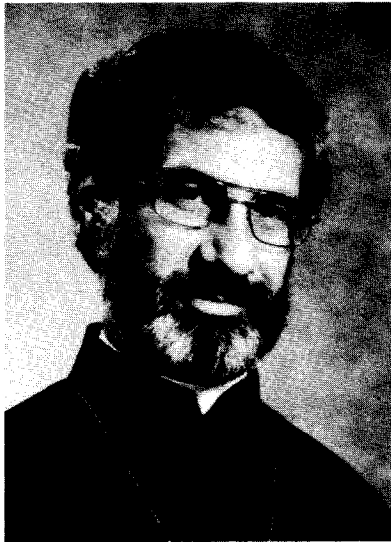
I hope the Kfeirian Lebanese enjoy many more years of brotherhood and celebration.

Sincerely,

John D. Rockefeller IV
Governor



The Very Reverend George S. Corey
54 Howitt Road
West Roxbury, Massachusetts 02132



Grace and Peace to you in the Name of Our Lord and God and Saviour, Jesus Christ!

May I extend to all of the members of our Kfeirian Family our very best wishes on this 50th Anniversary of the Kfeirian Reunion Foundation, Inc. I am proud to be part of this Christian Family which has gathered our people annually from all parts of the world so that we may maintain our brotherly concerns and acts of charity for those less fortunate. I am linked to each of you through Jesus Christ, our Saviour, and through my grandparents who came from that village of Kfeir in Lebanon. We have managed by the grace of God to maintain the Christian principles and virtues as well as the cultural heritage given to us by those early pioneers to these blessed shores. To them, we are very grateful, and we pray that those still with us will be granted "many years," and those who have fallen asleep in the Lord will be blessed with "memory eternal."

The Kfeirians in the new world have done well for themselves, and for that, we are most thankful. We must, however, turn our attention once again to the plight of our brothers and sisters in war-torn Lebanon who are suffering at the hands of internal and external forces that have tried to make Lebanon a battlefield for their evil ideologies. We cannot let this happen. You and I cannot sleep in peace until Lebanon regains its territorial integrity and our people there can live in peace once again. Let us pray not just with our words, but by our deeds.

May the Lord God bless your good works and allow our family to continue our deliberations and reunions for another fifty years.

September, 1982

Sincerely in Christ,

George S. Corey
The Very Rev. George S. Corey

ROBERT C. BYRD
WEST VIRGINIA

May 10, 1982

United States Senate
Office of the Democratic Leader
Washington, D.C. 20510

Mr. George Hanna
Kfeirian Reunion Foundation, Inc.
28 Simpson Drive
Huntington, West Virginia 25705

Dear Friends:

I congratulate all those present for the Kfeirian Reunion this year and I wish you the best as you celebrate your 50th Anniversary. I regret that I cannot be with you this evening.

People from many lands have poured their talents, skills, and arts into America. Both the United States and West Virginia are particularly fortunate that immigrants from the village of Kfeir Hasbaya chose to come and live among us so many years ago. In the time since those first immigrants came to our shores, they and their sons and daughters after them have been numbered among our most valued and successful citizens. But perhaps more important, many of these Lebanese Americans from Kfeir Hasbaya became our warmest friends and most valued neighbors.

Speaking, then, for Americans of many different backgrounds, I thank you for the many contributions that you have made and are making to the life of our country and to the well-being of all of us, and I wish you even greater success, satisfaction, and prosperity in the decades ahead.

With warm regards, I am



Sincerely yours,

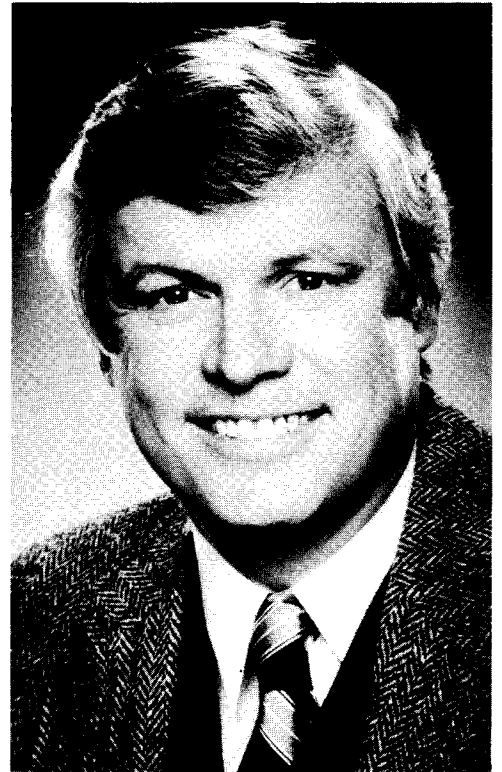
Robert C. Byrd
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JOHN Y. BROWN, JR.
GOVERNOR



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Office of the Governor
FRANKFORT, KENTUCKY 40601



Greetings:

I am pleased to extend greetings on the occasion of the Fiftieth Annual Kfeirian Reunion. I know this reunion will be as enjoyable as those of the past years.

Phyllis and I join with all of our Kfeirian friends from Kentucky to wish you a happy reunion.

Warmest regards.

Sincerely,

John Y. Brown, Jr.
Governor



CITY OF
HUNTINGTON
WEST VIRGINIA

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
City Hall — P. O. Box 1659 ZIP 25717



GREETINGS FROM THE MAYOR OF HUNTINGTON

As Mayor of the City of Huntington and on behalf of the Members of City Council, and the citizens of the City of Huntington, it is a distinct pleasure and honor for me to welcome the Fiftieth Annual Golden Anniversary of the Kfeirians.

We do sincerely appreciate you selecting our town for your meeting, and we stand ready to assist you in anyway possible during your stay with us.

Huntington is a living and progressing city, one which I am sure will provide all the facilities necessary to make your Fiftieth Anniversary a total success.

We are a hospitable city and graciously extend our heartiest welcome to one and all.

Sincerely,

Robert P. Alexander, Mayor
City of Huntington

SAINT NICHOLAS ORTHODOX CHURCH

Antiochian Orthodox Christian Archdiocese of New York and all North America

VERY REV. ZACHARIA NASR, Pastor
BECKLEY, WEST VIRGINIA 25801

ARCHPRIEST Z. NASR'S MESSAGE TO THE KFEIRIANS
1982

"SO EVEN TO OLD AGE AND GRAY HAIRS, O GOD, DO NOT
FORSAKE ME, TILL I PROCLAIM THY MIGHT TO ALL
GENERATIONS TO COME." PSALMS 71:18

Beloved:

Fifty years have past since the inception of the Kfeirian Reunion, and through the achievements and influence on the new generations of Kfeir in America, this yearly gathering will continue for many more years to come.

A half century of dedicated service and love for the edification and propagation of the Orthodox Faith has been the inspiration for other reunions in this Hemisphere, to say the least. Your love for education and growth can be seen through the many scholarships and recognitions you have bestowed upon the young people, always keeping in mind that they are our future in this land of the free.

As we enjoy this weekend of fellowship and love, let us not forget to pray for the souls of all our dear beloved Kfeirians who have 'fallen asleep in the Lord', for they are the cornerstone of this event. Their love for their homeland and America brought about this annual reunion. May their memories be eternal.

Once again, I wish to thank you, and especially my loyal Kfeirian Family in Beckley, for bestowing upon me the Certificate of Honorary Kfeirian during the 1973 reunion. It is an honor I shall always cherish and respect.

At this time, in behalf of myself and my sons, the Clergy of my family, I offer our congratulations and best wishes to Chairman George Hanna and the Board of Directors on a job well done. To Louis Rahall, Commemorative Ad Book Chairman, and our families in Beckley who worked so hard in order to make this 50th Anniversary a historic event, we salute you. And to our sister families in Huntington, I thank you for a most memorable and enjoyable weekend; your hard work is appreciated by all who attend.

May God bless you all, granting you many years, that you may continue to preserve this beautiful heritage of your forefathers.

I remain



Your servant in Christ

Z. Archpriest Zacharia Nasr

Archpriest Zacharia Nasr, Pastor.
St. Nicholas Orthodox Church
Beckley, W. Va. 26801

EARLY LETTER OF ORGANIZATION

KEFEYRIAN BROTHERHOOD

Organized 1928

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P. O. Box 265

Huntington, West Virginia

رهبنة الكفيرين

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بسم الله الرحمن الرحيم
 حياكم في هذا اليوم الذي نعتز به جميعاً
 لأنه يمثل لنا يوم التوحيد والدمج بين
 رهبنة الكفيرين من جميع أنحاء العالم
 الذي تم تحقيقه بفضل سخاء وأمانة
 جميع الذين شاركوا في هذا الحدث المبارك
 والذي نتج عنه توحيدنا في ربنا
 والتمسك بقوة بولايته التي لا تموت
 وهذا هو اليوم الذي كنا نتمنى أن نحيا فيه
 جميعاً معاً في صلوة واحدة مع الرب
 الذي هو روحنا ونفسنا
 في هذا اليوم المبارك الذي نتذكره
 دائماً بجزالة كبيرة
 وأتمنى أن يبارك الله
 جميع أعمالكم في هذا اليوم
 المبارك
 رهبنة الكفيرين

TRANSLATION BELOW

August 28, 1929

TO OUR KEFEYRIAN BRETHREN

By the will of God the Kefeyrian Brotherhood announces to all brother Kefeyrians that the Kefeyrian Brotherhood is in its second year from April 15 of this year which was better attended than the first year of our existance and due to the generosity of the membership who have participated from all areas and through their donations, suggestions and guidance, our first year was successful. From this result the reunion donations were given to the needy Kefeyrian brethren according to our duties.

The reason for this letter is to bring attention to all Kefeyrian brethen everywhere to join with us and share their abilities to establish independent chapters to better communicate the results of this Reunion, its aid, help and acts.

In the meantime we ask dear brethren to inform us of any needs of any Kefeyrian wherever they may be, so we may come to their aid.

The main reason for our establishment is to aid and serve our brethren.

We are anxiously awaiting your respected reply and recommendations as to the establishment of these chapters.

KEFEYRIAN BROTHERHOOD REUNION

P.S. Registration is \$3.00 per year
 Membership is \$6.00 per year

EARLY LETTER OF ORGANIZATION

Box 11

KEFEYRIAN BROTHERHOOD
BOX 265
HUNTINGTON, WEST VA.

Huntington, W. Va.
December 10, 1933

Dear Sir and Brothers:

Greetings! No doubt you have been informed that the Kefeyrian Brotherhood has reduced its membership fee to \$3.00 per year, instead of \$5.00, beginning with the sixth year, which is the present year.

We have about eighty members, but due to soidity of money with most of us, we find many of our members behind in their dues. We still want to be members because we need their social and moral support and cooperation, and are willing to cancel all back dues and accept from them \$3.00 for the current year, and balance their account to date.

Of course, if any brother wishes to pay on his old dues, we will be glad to accept any amount he pays as a contribution, or as he may designate.

We know that some of the brothers will object to this method, and call it irregular, but we are more interested in the moral aspect of the Brotherhood than the financial result, and we will always endeavor to promote unity and understanding.

Its members are you and your friends. It is not fair to let the friend carry all the burden. This is a time when cooperation and help is needed and we ask you in the name of all Kefeyrians to support this Brotherhood, and help it continue its good work, which is evidenced by six years of its existence.

Wishing you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year, we are

Fraternally yours,

Kefeyrian Brotherhood

Abraham Quill
Secretary

P.S. The recent tragedy befallen our friends, the Kasab Family, in Kefire has made a deep impression on us. We have tried and written to the government officials, and persons of high standing in Syria, protesting this unusual crime and urging them to do all in their power to bring the assailants to justice, and to give ample protection to the citizens.

The Brotherhood stand ready to extend its help and influence for protecting and betterment of Kefeyrians throughout the world. Thus we need your cooperation to strengthen our ranks.

AFTER FIVE DAYS RETURN TO

KEFEYRIAN BROTHERHOOD

BOX 265

HUNTINGTON, WEST VA.

HUNTINGTON, WEST VIRGINIA



This Letter and Envelope
are an exact reproduction
of the original.

Mr. Harris Thabit
Saint Pleasant
W. Va



Kfeir, Lebanon

The beautiful village of Kfeir is located 70 miles southeast of Beirut, Lebanon and 70 miles southwest of Damascus, Syria. It lies at the foot of snow capped Mt. Haramon, which is mentioned many times in the Bible. The economy consists mainly of agriculture. The main products are olives and pistachio nuts. Approximately 900 families of Kfeirian descent now reside in North America.

Kfeirian Reunion Foundation Seal



In the Fall of 1967 during the early planning stages for the 1968 Kfeirian Reunion to be held in Huntington, West Virginia, George Hanna realized that the Foundation did not have an emblem with which the Foundation could readily be identified. After considering several ideas, George asked Jerry Sutphin and Bill Dawson, two artist friends, to assist him in designing an emblem. Discussions soon centered on what symbol would best reflect the origin of our organization. The Cedar of Lebanon was the unanimous choice and became the center of the overall design. It was then decided that a green Cedar should be placed within a circle bearing the Foundation name and the colors used for the emblem should be red and blue with white letters.

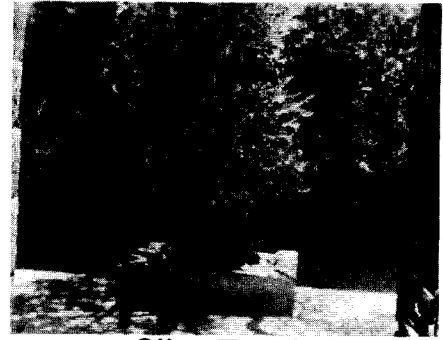
After the final drawing was agreed upon by all three men, George Hanna had a local trophy company cut out the parts of the emblem. These parts were then hand painted by Jerry Sutphin and George Hanna and assembled.

The finished emblem was presented to the General Assembly for consideration at the Reunion of 1968. It was accepted unanimously by the Assembly and officially became the Foundation's seal on September 1, 1968.

Scenes from Kfeir, Lebanon
Photos by George Hanna 1961



The Very Rev. Mike Aborizk
with congregation



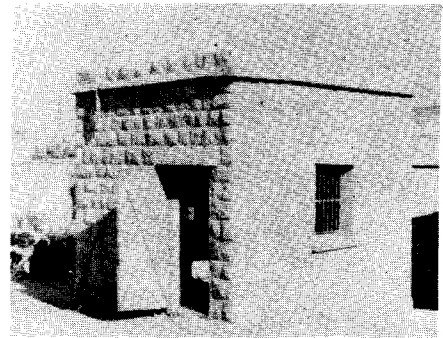
Olive Tree in
entrance of church



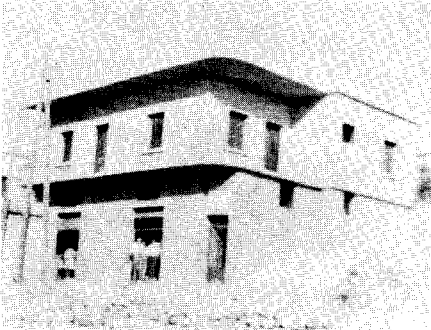
Ain or Fountain



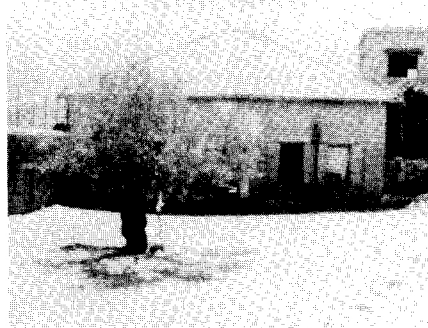
Students in School Yard,
Church in Background



Electric Generator Bldg.



General Store



Girls School



School Building



Olive Oil Refinery

WERE YOU THERE?



**BOARD MEETING IN EARLY YEARS IN WILLIAMSON, WV
Namee Thabet, Abe Kawaja, Ernest Tweel, Hafiz Nasser,
Joe Bolus, Edmund George
Roger Kourey, Sol Steffan, Chairman. Farris Sahley,
George Jamara**



**LABOR DAY
SEPT. 1 & 2 1946**

**DANIEL BOONE HOTEL
CHARLESTON, WV**

WERE YOU THERE?



LABOR DAY 1933

HUNTINGTON, WV



LABOR DAY 1935

BECKLEY, WV

WERE YOU THERE?



LABOR DAY 1935

BECKLEY, WV

Sunday, September 6, 1936

Until 4:30 P. M. - Gathering, Greeting and Registration
6:30 P. M. - Banquet - Sol N. Steffan, Toastmaster

Song America

PRAYER

FORMAL OPENING OF REUNION---
By the Rev. Basil Kerbaway

INTRODUCTIONS

ADDRESS OF WELCOME..... Mike Abraham

SONG SYRIA

ADDRESS Archbishop Antwoneous

INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC--
Clement Bassett, Welch, W. Va., Alice and Selma
Bassett, of Williamson, W. Va.

OPEN FLOOR

BENEDICTION

Monday, September 7, 1936

1:00 P. M. LUNCHEON

2 to 5 P. M. RECREATION

6:30 P. M. BANQUET

9:00 P. M. BUSINESS SESSION
For Arrangements for Fifth Kfrierian Reunion

10:00 P. M. DANCE to Herbi Chafin Orchestra

**CENTERFOLD OF PROGRAM
1936 REUNION
WILLIAMSON, WV**

WERE YOU THERE?



Crowning of Miss Kfeir
Mary Ann Kassab
by Sen. Robert C. Byrd
LABOR DAY 1965
BECKLEY, WV



Elaine Rahall sings to the music
of Wade Haddad Combo
LABOR DAY 1965 BECKLEY, WV



Board Meeting, Fayetteville, WV
SPRING, 1969



Beckley Reunion Committee
FAYETTEVILLE, WV 1969



Mrs. Rahija Saad Bassett
COLUMBUS OHIO



Reunion at So. Point, Ohio
hosted by Williamson, WV
LABOR DAY 1975
"WE TAUGHT THE POLICE HOW TO DANCE"



LABOR DAY
Bluefield, WV 1974
"SHE TAUGHT US HOW TO DANCE"

KFEIRIANS — LOOK FORWARD
By Sol. N. Steffan, Williamson, W.Va.

Thirty-three years ago, the Kfeirian Reunion was founded for the purpose of getting acquainted and meeting old friends, and that our children who were born under the skies of Liberty will know each other, particularly their genealogy and where they came from. Membership in the Reunion is for immigrants from Kfeir, Lebanon and their descendants by blood or marriage. There are no dues whatsoever other than volunteer contributions.

The following projects were accomplished by the Reunion:

A Water system in the Kfeir.

An electrical system in the Kfeir.

A road leading to the Kfeir.

A Junior college was also established, in addition to material assistance.

All this was done by having assembled for two enjoyable days, with one another annually.

Incidentally, few other individuals contributed to Kfeir because of the existence of the Foundation, such as a City Hall building, house to the church, church improvements and so forth. Also it is a known fact that the Foundation has no organized club officially in Kfeir to communicate with. At the present time, the Foundation does not respond to individual requests, a request must be made collectively by an official club or organization.

In 1948 the Reunion became a Foundation under the laws of the State of Ohio. It is a non-profit organization for the purpose of rendering assistance to Kfeirians wherever they may be, after which a Scholarship fund was established.

Now, we the "old timers" of the Reunion pray and hope that the Kfeirian descendants, particularly the native born will support and activate this Foundation for the purposes intended as prescribed by its by-laws -LOOKING FORWARD to improve the education, the cultural, and the fellowship tie which makes us all progressive citizens of our Democracy.

The Foundation's success in the future depends largely on the descendants of the Kfeirians-And remember that your genealogy will lead you back to the Phoenician ancestry which you should always be proud of.

We should be thankful to God that we are Americans, and able to organize for the betterment of ourselves in this great Democracy of ours.

Always believe we have seen the past. We know today, and have no fear of tomorrow-because yesterday is but a dream and tomorrow is hope. But today well lived will make yesterday a dream of happiness and tomorrow a hope of reality.
LOOK FORWARD—KFEIRIANS.

This writing was entered on the Congressional Record by Senator Byrd.

**As recorded in the 33rd Annual Kfeirian Reunion
Address Book at the 1965 Reunion in Beckley, WV
and entered in Sept. 1965 on the Congressional
Record - pages #23643 and #23644
by U.S. Senator Robert C. Byrd.**

A HISTORY OF THE KFEIRIAN REUNION

By Sol. N. Steffan, Williamson, W.Va.

In 1932, an informal gathering of Kfeirians was held in Huntington, W.Va., where Mike Abraham of Williamson, W.Va., was the principal speaker on this occasion, which was marked by gaiety and fellowship. During this affair it was suggested that this be an annual gathering so that the children of Kfeirian descent may become acquainted with each other and a closer relationship may be formed among them. Receiving widespread approval the suggestion was adopted. An organized club known as the Kfeirian Brotherhood of Toledo, Ohio, then requested the subsequent meeting for the following year.

During the year 1933, the Kfeirians assembled once again in Toledo, Ohio, where the Kfeirian Brotherhood was the host group. It was at this meeting that the name, **Kfeirian Reunion**, was established. Kfeirians of Huntington invited the assembly to return to their city, and since that time the annual meeting has been rotated among the following cities: Cleveland and Toledo, Ohio; Beckley, Williamson, Huntington, and Charleston, W.Va. At that time Kfeirians in host cities entertained the Reunion at their own expense.

Williamson, W.Va. was the site of the 1936 Kfeirian Reunion, when it was decided at the business session that an admission fee would be charged to defray expenses of the event. This fee was to be initiated after cities with enough Kfeirians to handle the Reunion were afforded the opportunity to have gathering at the expense of the host city. This custom is still handled accordingly.

During the early years of the Reunion the event was informal, and there was no record of its legal existence. From its inception to the present the Reunion has been an annual gathering for descendants from the little village in Lebanon, known as Kfeir, and it has met for the solemn purpose that Kfeirians and their descendants may be better acquainted in the land of the Free. The event's meeting time has been set for the Labor Day Weekend in order that participants may take advantage of the holiday period.

Fayze Bey El Kourey was the Guest of Honor at the Reunion in Huntington, in 1948. At his request a pledge of \$15,000 was made by the assembly for the purpose of providing electricity for Kfeir, Lebanon. This move also led the formation of the Kfeirian Foundation, Inc., which was chartered in the state of Ohio and established in 1949 to handle all business and legal matters.

Under its present system the Foundation is progressing and many of its functions have been turned over to the young generation of Kfeirian descent. Its source of revenue has been the profits derived from the annual assembly and the Everlasting Flower Fund, established in memory of deceased Kfeirians. Originated by the immigrants from the Kfeir, the Reunion Foundation has developed to a known organization which is capable of rendering material, physical, educational, and cultural service to the Kfeir and Kfeirians wherever they may be.

PRESENTING THE PRIDE OF THE KFEIRIAN SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Dr. Diann Dee Michael Crush
Charleston, WV



Carolyn Michael McDonough
Beckley



Lindsay Coleman
Williamson, WV

Sami Abourizke
Canada

Janice Davis Barger
Tennessee



Gregory A. Kerbawy
Michigan



The Rev. Fr. David Thabet
Huntington, WV

Mary Ann Kawaja
Lexington, Ky.

Richard Arthur Kerbawy
Blissfield, Mich.



Lila Elizabeth Bassett
Beckley, WV



Virginia A. DeGroff Bottorff
Michigan

Ibrahim Margie
Canada

James Paul Reed
Michigan



Samir Abou Nasser
Toledo, Ohio



Tracie A. Christian Rose
South Charleston, WV



Donald Clay Christian
South Charleston, WV

Georgann Michael
Toledo, Ohio



Thomas Bevins
Williamson, WV



Dr. Edward T. Sadd
Huntington, WV



Jamal E. Haj
Canada

Susan Lucille Reed Enslin
Michigan



Phillip Sadd
Marietta, Georgia



Kevin Michael Bevins
Williamson, WV



Sarah Bassett
Beckley, WV

Larry Johnson
Michigan



George McKarris
Canada



Terri Nicholson
South Dakota

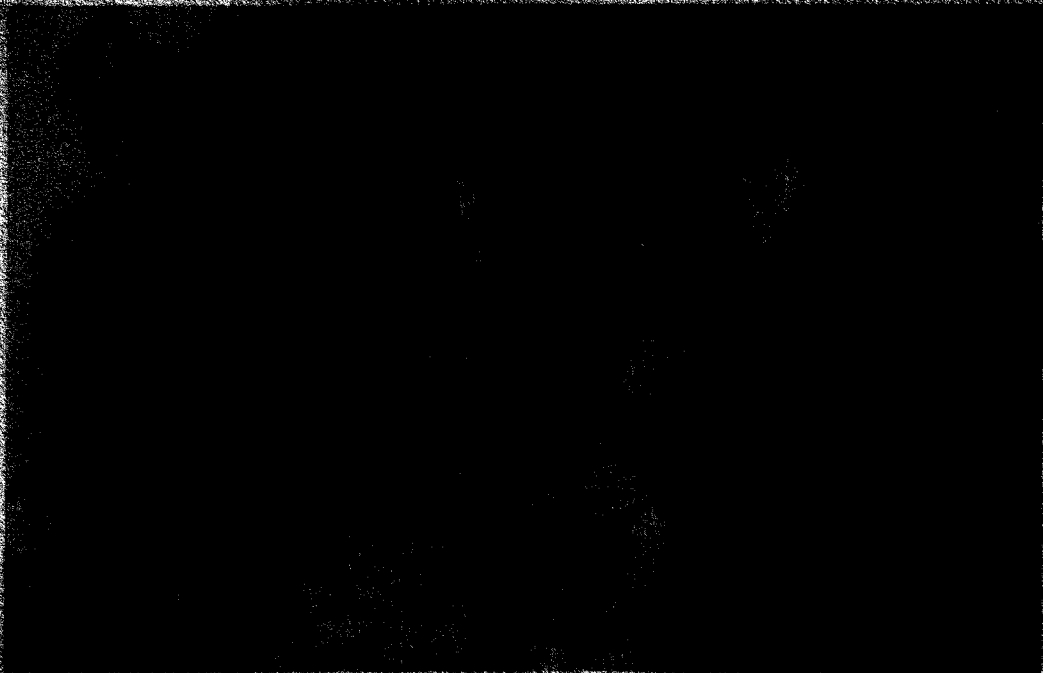


Nabih Nassar Fakhoury
Toledo, Ohio

Philip Samuel Ramey
Virginia

Nazim Lowen
Canada

Joyce Esber
Huntington, Florida



CONGRATULATIONS
for Many Accomplishments in the Past
BEST WISHES
for Many Successes in the Future

DAVID AND ELAINE RAHALL
AND FAMILY
Fayetteville, WV

David and Elaine
Fayetteville, WV

Michael and Greg
Fayetteville, WV

David
Fayetteville, WV



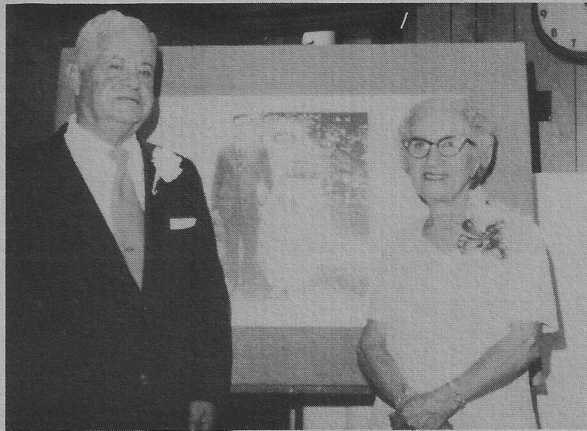
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AND FAMILY
Fayetteville, WV

Bruce and Evie Cassis
Lee and Philip
Fayetteville, WV

Michael and Greg
Fayetteville, WV

David
Atlanta, GA



CONGRATULATIONS ON
OUR 50th REUNION
ASAFF AND JAMELIA RAHALL
BECKLEY, WV

AND FAMILIES

George & Livia
Rahall

Stevie

Kenneth
& Nancy

Michelle

Larry

Ronnie

Joe & Alice
Rahall

Edward

Tanya

Paul & Vicki
Hassler

Kristen

Nick Joe II
& Helen

Rebecca

Nick Joe III

Louis & Elaine
Rahall

Gregory

Michael

David

Bruce &
Evie Cassis

Lee

Philip

Ray & Deloris
Hawarny

Michael &
Rene

Michael

Nick & Sharon
Husson

Nickie

Melissa

David

Jimmy

LOVINGLY REMEMBERED



NICK RAHALL



DALEY RAHALL



WADIA RAHALL



JOSEPHINE RAHALL McCARUS



COL. DEEM RAHALL

**CONGRATULATIONS KFEIRIANS
ON
OUR 50th ANNIVERSARY REUNION**

MAY WE HAVE MANY MORE



**THE N. JOE RAHALL FAMILY
BECKLEY, WV**

JOE AND ALICE

Nick, Helen, Rebecca, and Nicky Rahall

Vicki, Paul, and Kristen Hassler

Edward Rahall

Tanya Rahall

BEST WISHES

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GEORGE AND YVONNE
ROGER & LORETTA

and

LEE AND SHARRI GREER

of
HAZARD KENTUCKY

**FARRIS AND VICKI RAHALL
EXTEND
BEST WISHES FOR THE 50th REUNION
IN REMEMBRANCE OF**

**Mr. and Mrs. Nick Rahall
Beckley, WV**



The family of Mr. and Mrs. Nick Rahall

Billy McCarus Mr. & Mrs. Raymond McCarus
 Mr. & Mrs. Deem Rahall II
Mrs. Gason Rahall Haug Mr. & Mrs. Paul Hassler
 Chris McCarus

Mr. & Mrs. Sam Rahall
Mr. & Mrs. Richard Rahall

Mr. & Mrs. Farris Rahall
Congressman & Mrs. Nick Rahall

**CARY RAHALL JEFFREY RAHALL
(BRIDE) (GROOM)**

Mr. & Mrs. Joe Rahall
Tanya Rahall

Mr. & Mrs. Sam Newey
Pamela Newey

Edward Rahall

Rebecca Rahall
Andrea Haug

Nick Rahall III
Jill Rahall



Beloved Kfeirians we have entered a milestone in our lives. Through perserverence, and dedication, the Kfeirian Reunion has survived to celebrate the 50th year.

**CONGRATULATIONS AND BEST WISHES FOR A
SUCCESSFUL GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY
LET US LOOK FORWARD TO THE NEXT 50 YEARS**

LOVE IN CHRIST

THE HANNAS

**Moussa and Nazik
George and Gloria
Bruce, Gregory, and Stephanie
Huntington, Wv**

IN MEMORY OF



MR. ABRAHAM JOSEPH BASSETT

Mr. Abraham Joseph Bassett was one of the originators of the idea of an annual Kfeirian reunion. After twelve years effort, of talking with his relatives and friends of the idea of a reunion, it finally became a reality.

— Rahija Saad Bassett —

Gladys S. Parlette
E. Wadad Bofysil
Dr. Lorraine R. Scott

Selma M. Edinger
Alice T. Rutherford
Dr. Abraham Joseph Bassett, Jr.



IN LOVING MEMORY

CANTEES

Father



MR. JOSEPH ALBERT CANTEES

Mother



MRS. HELEN MICKEL CANTEES

CHILDREN

Mr. Abe J. Cantees

Mrs. Rose Cantees Stuart

Mr. Robert Tamel Cantees

Miss Esma Cantees

Mr. Saber Cantees

Mrs. Josephine Cantees Eubanks

Miss Alice Cantees-Deceased

Mrs. Louise Cantees Farmer

Mrs. Katherine Cantees Dixon-Deceased

WILLIAMSON, WV

CONGRATULATIONS
From the Cantees

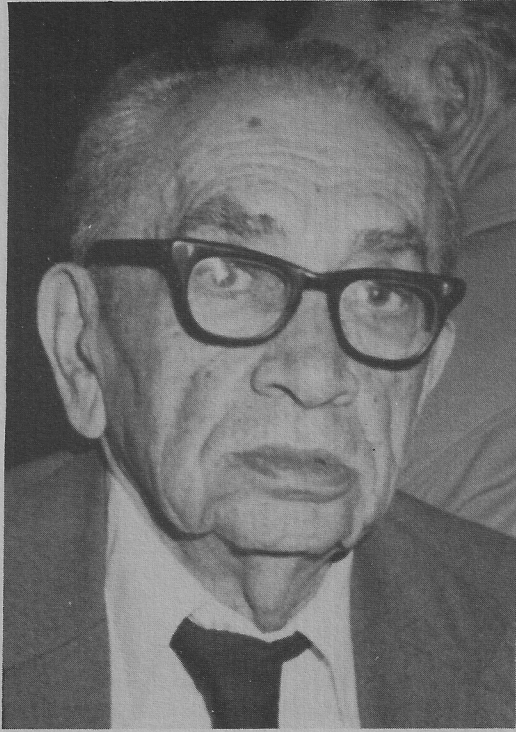
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In Loving Memory



of

Abraham L. Kawaja

by

Wife Nellie D. Kawaja
Children and Families

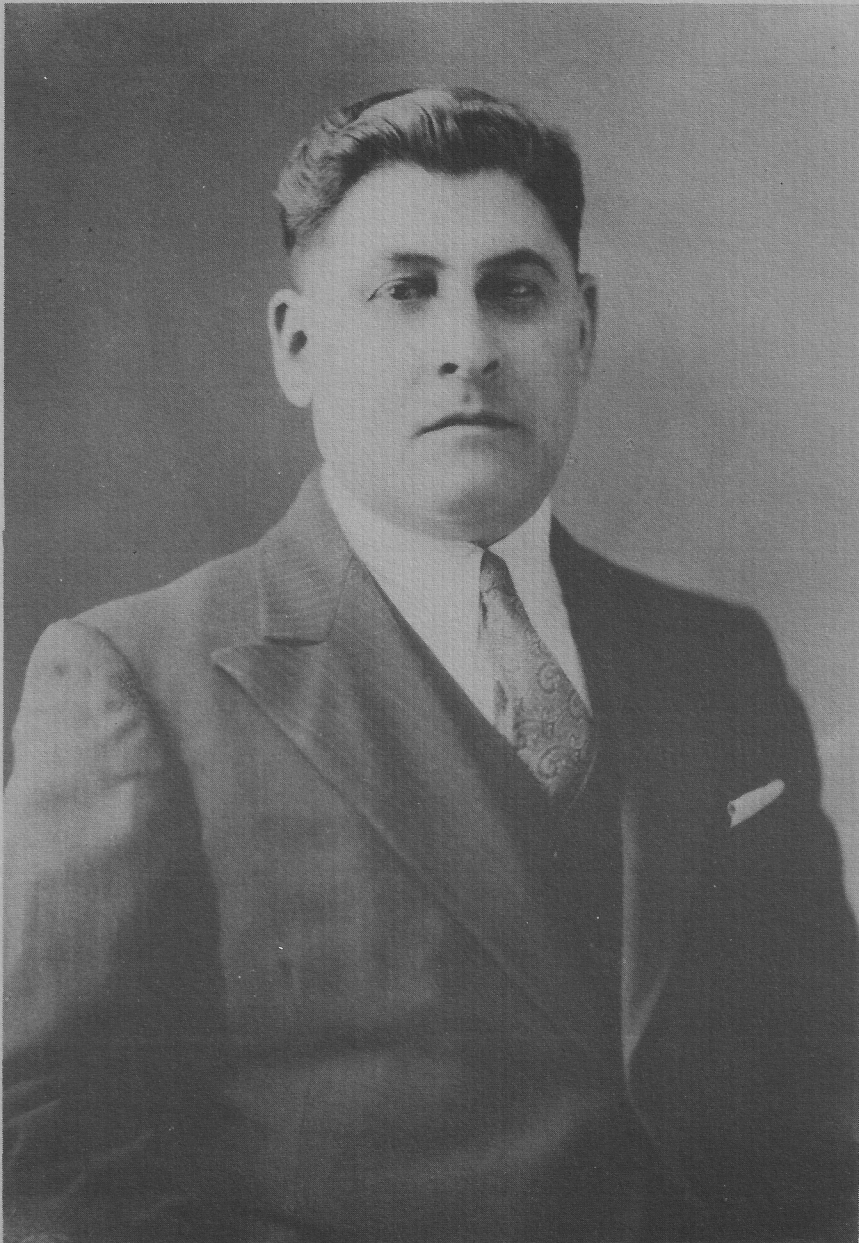
MR. and MRS. LOUIS KAWAJA
A.L., Joseph and Jessica

MR. and MRS. COLIN BERRY
Kathy Nell and Christina Lynn

LOVINGLY REMEMBERED

SAIED NICHOLAS KAYS

Born: EL - Kfeir, Lebanon - 1902
Died: Charlottetown, PEI, Canada
-Easter Sunday 1977



By his wife, Esma (Nee Khoury) and daughters
Hazel, Doreen, and Diane.

CONGRATULATIONS KFEIRIANS

FOR YOUR MANY ACCOMPLISHMENTS
IN THE PAST

BEST WISHES
FOR MANY SUCCESSES IN THE FUTURE

COMPLIMENTS OF

**Mr. and Mrs. Moufeed C. Khoury
and family**

1139 SOUTH PARK STREET
HALIFAX, NOVA SCOTIA, CANADA
B3H 2W6
PHONE 423-8806

**IN LOVING MEMORY
OF OUR
BELOVED BROTHER AND UNCLE**



**JOSEPH BOLUS
1917-1981**

BY

**Nellie & Family
Ida & Jeanette
John & Family**

IN MEMORY OF



DAIB GEORGE



MARY GEORGE



GEORGE D. GEORGE



TED D. GEORGE



LAWRENCE D. GEORGE

THE D. GEORGE FAMILY

BECKLEY, WV

**CONGRATULATIONS AND BEST WISHES
ON OUR GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY**



**PHILLIP AND JOSEPHINE
BASSETT**

Huntington, WV

**FAITHFULLY SERVING THE FOUNDATION AS
CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD IN 1957-58 AND AS
TREASURER FROM 1962-1972**

WARMEST REGARDS TO ALL



**May God continue to pour His blessings on His faithful Kfeirians
who have been examples of His Glory by their diligence and
generosity.**

**BEST WISHES FOR A SUCCESSFUL
FIFTIETH REUNION**

**SAM and NAIME JOSEPH
Sandra, Diana, and John
Huntington, WV**

“OUR LOVE TO ALL”

CONGRATULATIONS



As we celebrate our Fiftieth Wedding Anniversary with all our Kfeirian families, we wish for Fifty times Fifty continuing years of successful reunions.

**MR. & MRS. ROGER SAHLEY
Parma, Ohio
OUR CHILDREN & THEIR FAMILIES**

WE ARE PROUD TO BE KFEIRIANS



LARRY AND RUTH JAMRA

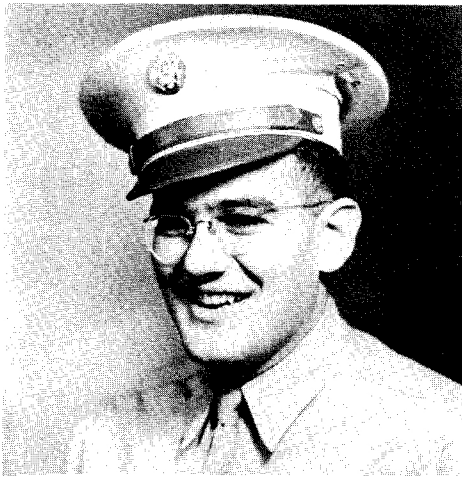
TANYA - DEITRA - LAURA

Toledo, Ohio

IN MEMORY



**WACELA and BOUTROSS WAKEEM COREY
MOTHER AND FATHER**



**MITCHELL COREY
BROTHER**



**GUS COREY
UNCLE**

**FAYZE & MARY LOUISE COREY
MONTGOMERY, WV
JAMES & FRANCIS COREY & FAMILY
BECKLEY, WV
ROBERT & WANDA COREY & FAMILY
BECKLEY, WV**

CONGRATULATIONS AND BEST WISHES ON OUR 50th REUNION



CONGRESSMAN & MRS. NICK JOE RAHALL, II
Nick, Helen, Nick III, and Rebecca

BECKLEY, WV



in Loving Memory of Our
Husband and Father

FAREED NASSER

Mrs. Fareed Nasser
and Sandie

Indianapolis, IN

**IN LOVING MEMORY OF
MARY, FARRIS, LILLY,
LAFIE and JAMES
SAHLEY**

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The Sahley Family**

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John & Harry P. Shaheen
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George & Patricia Sahley
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**Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Z. Kourey
Lucile K. Bassett
Roger E. Kourey
Louis J. Kourey
Michael Bassett
Paul A. Evans
Alfred M. Lowen**

From

**NIMA K. EVANS AND VIRGINIA K. LOWEN
So. - Charleston, WV
FLOSSIE AND PEGGY KOUREY
Charleston, WV**

In Memory of

HARRY K. BETROS



Best Wishes on
the 50th Reunion

Helen Betros
Kaleel Betros
Mary & Richard Dorval

Congratulations on Our
50th Reunion



**Mr. and Mrs. Paul Wade Hassler
(VICTORIA LYNN RAHALL)
and daughter Kristen Alice
Rockville, Maryland 20853**

IN LOVING MEMORY
OF



MAHEBA AND GEORGE KERBAWY
FOUNDERS OF THE KFEIRIAN BROTHERHOOD

FROM THEIR FAMILY
Elizabeth and Albert Jamra
Bahia Kerbawy
Alex Kerbawy
Nellie and Ameen Wakeam
Grayce Neimy
Ev and Hafe Kerbawy

We met in 1948 and drafted the first
Kfeirian Brotherhood Constitution. The Re-
union has improved with the years.

BEST WISHES FOR CONTINUED SUCCESS!

James and Emily Shemas

TOLEDO, OHIO

IN LOVING MEMORY OF
Moses, Salamy, Mary Louise, John
and Frank Sabah and
Said Bussab

BY FAMILY

Anna, Joseph & Margie Sabah
Steubenville, Ohio



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REMEMBRANCE Sol. N. Steffan

For memory we salute a town
across the ocean far away
the Kfier in the state of Lebanon
where our ancestry was born
from the land of the free
with thanks and prayers
may God bless it always
America, our Country that we adore
Let us always remember
the heritage we enjoy
and keep it with respect
with pride as life goes along
with motion and emotion
under the skies of liberty
make us good citizens
better than kingdom and throne
in our fiftieth anniversary
let us continue and resolve
that our foundation projects
will continue with the same effort
that has been known.

Compliments of
Mr. & Mrs. Sol. N Steffan
Williamson, WV

My Most Sincere
Congratulations on the
50th Anniversary
of the
Kfeirians

Gus R. Douglass
AGRICULTURE COMMISSIONER



**LOVINGLY REMEMBERED
HELWY KHOURY (NEE RAHALL)**

Born: EL-Kfeir - Lebanon

Died: EL-Kfeir - May 19, 1969



By her daughter, Esma Kays (Charlottetown) and grand-
daughters Hazel, Dorreen and Diane.



**BEST WISHES FOR A SUCCESSFUL
50th REUNION**

IN LOVING MEMORY OF OUR FATHER AND MOTHER

MR. and MRS. CHARLES ABOUREZK

Sadly Missed by their Children and Grandchildren

MRS. FAYEZ (HELEN) RAMEY

Beckley, W.Va.

CHARLES (CHICK) ABOUREZK

Winner, South Dakota

THOMAS J. ABOUREZK

Rapid City, South Dakota

MRS. DICK (VIRGINIA) NICHOLSON

Winner, South Dakota

SENATOR JAMES G. ABOUREZK

Washington, D.C.

MRS. JOSEPHINE DAVIS

Winner, South Dakota

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ON YOUR
50th ANNIVERSARY

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Ralph & Cathy



IN COMMEMORATION OF THE FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY OF THE KFEIRIAN REUNION FOUNDATION, I WISH TO EXTEND MY CONGRATULATIONS AND SINCERE BEST WISHES.

FURTHERMORE, IN THE FUTURE, MY HOPES FOR THE CONTINUED SUCCESS OF THE SCHOLARSHIP FUND WHICH HAS CONTRIBUTED SO MUCH TOWARD THE EDUCATION OF YOUNG KFEIRIAN-AMERICANS IN AMERICA.

IN YEARS TO COME, KEEP ALIVE THESE TRADITIONS, OF UTMOST VALUE, FOR ALL KFEIRIANS EVERYWHERE.

IN MEMORY OF THE FOLLOWING DECEASED:

FATHER AND MOTHER, ABRAHAM AND NELLIE CANTEES; BROTHERS, FRANK AND THOMAS; SISTER, MARY CANTEES McCOY; MY WIFE ANNABELL KNIGHT CANTEES AND OUR SON, ROBERT LOUIS CANTEES.

**SINCERELY,
WILLIAM HOWARD CANTEES
AND FAMILY**

- * William Howard Cantees, Jr.,
- * Delores Floyd Cantees
- **Kimberly Knight Cantees
- **William Howard Cantees, III
- * Son and Daughter-In-Law
- ** Grand-Children

BEST WISHES
ON OUR
50th REUNION

**Mr. & Mrs. Mose Ramieh
and Family**

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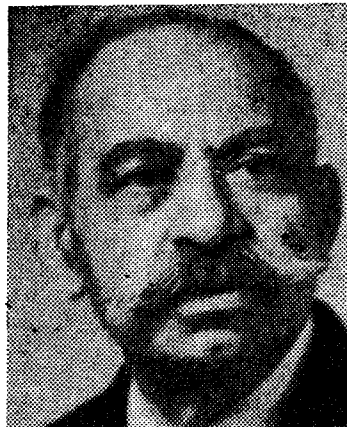
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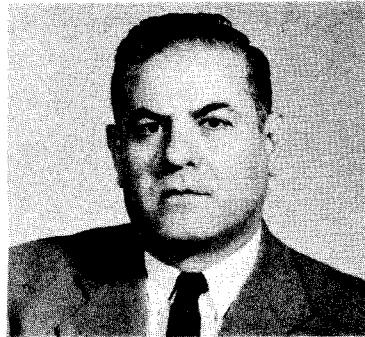
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