



# TREX NEWS

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## MID-TERM CONVENTION

MARCH 5TH & 6TH

DEL WEBB'S TOWNE  
HOUSE  
FRESNO

ACTIVITIES:

- GOLF - SATURDAY - MARCH 5th  
Fig Garden Golf Course - 9:30 A.M.
- DANCE - SATURDAY - MARCH 5th  
Del Webb's TowneHouse - 9:00 P.M.
- BREAKFAST - SUNDAY - MARCH 6th  
Del Webb's TowneHouse - 10:00 A.M.
- BUSINESS MEETING - SUNDAY - MARCH 6th  
Del Webb's TowneHouse - 11:00 A.M.



LET'S **GO GO GO**

# GRAND MASTER'S MESSAGE



Dear Brothers:

Sincere congratulations to you who are the new officers of 1966. Upon your shoulders rests the success, both socially and financially, of your individual chapters. I urge all brothers to support these officers so that each chapter will be outstanding in its achievements to their community.

The hospitality shown to my wife and myself these past few months has been an experience we shall long remember.

I am looking forward to attending your meetings in the near future, meanwhile it is the responsibility of all brothers to attend the Mid-Term Meeting and Dance March 5th and 6th.

Fraternally,

John C. Barigian,  
Grand Master

## TRIPLE X FOUNDING FATHERS

Charles M. Ashjian  
Lee Rustigian  
Gurken Bacon  
Lee Dederian

Richard Dederian  
John Kasparian  
Armen Nishkian  
Arsen Alchian

# SELMA



During the convention, the Triple X Chapters had the honor of having elected Brother John Barigian as the new Grand Master. No one is more deserving and competent than Brother John, Congratulations!

Grand Secretary, Jim Adanalian; Grand Treasurer, Haig Aivazian, Jr.

As usual, the Christmas Party was a success, thanks to Bros. Chili Chilingarian and Paul Herogian and their committee. Professional entertainment, plenty of food, and a good turnout made the event enjoyable for everyone.

Our newly elected officers again look like winners. The following brothers have the honor and privilege of representing our chapter:

Master, Aaron Goorigian; Jr. Master, Nish Bendian; Secretary, Avis Chilingarian; Treasurer, Pete Jamgotchian; Custodian, Ed Hovsepian; Sergeant at Arms, Ernie Hovsepian; Auditor, Joe Garabedian; Historian, Jimmy Adanalian; Corresponding Secretary, Martin Kaprielian; Associate Editor, Art Suddjian.

Board of Directors: Al Paul, Haig Aivazian, Leo Kirkorian, Jack Kazanjian, Jim Adanalian, Joe Paboojian.

## COMING EVENTS . . . . .

Installation Dinner Dance - January 22  
Desert Inn

Spring Outing - May  
Dinkey Creek Outing - June

Exact dates will be announced at a later date.

## 100%er's DINNER . . . . .

The Shalimar was the location of the 100%er's Dinner on January 27th, honoring those brothers who attended all of the 1965 meetings. Those honored were:

Jim Adanalian, Haig Aivazian, Jr., John Barigian, Dick Boyajian, Nick Dokoozlian, Joe Donabed, Aaron Goorigian, Paul Herogian, Pete Jamgotchian, Aram Kakligian, Haig Kasparian, Ken Melkonian, Al Paul, Vahe Simonian.

Harry Basmajian, Associate Editor

## In Memoriam



JAMES BAGDASARIAN



New Officers for 1966



Selma Children's



Xmas Party

# OAKLAND

The Oakland Brothers would like to take this opportunity to wish all of our fellow Brothers a Happy and Prosperous 1966.

The Oakland Chapter held their annual Charity Dinner Dance and Auction on November 20, at Goodman Hall on Jack London Square. Through the efforts of Brothers Vahram Cherezian and his co-chairman Brother Sam Kassabian, the affair was a huge success both financially and socially.

Our new Executive Body is headed by Bro. Harry Sherinjan. His executives are Junior Master Brother Robert Shahbazian; Recording Secretary, Brother John Chorbajian; Corresponding Secretary, Brother Charles Alexanian; Treasurer, Brother Joe Dardarian; Sergeant at Arms, Brother Ed Kevorkian; Historian, Brother Al Yeremian; and Associate Editor Brother Harold Koojoolian. They are already making plans for the coming year with success in mind which is the custom of the Oakland Chapter.

Our Christmas Party was held at a Private Club; (in fact it was so private that some of our Brothers had a difficult time finding it.) Brother Jim (The Greatest) Taylor was a very jolly Santa Claus not only in passing out



gifts, but because all of the wives sat on Santa's lap and Jim . . . . well, enough said. Anyway, Brother Jim has volunteered to play Santa again next year.

Congratulations are in order to Brother Archie Kamian and his lovely wife, Mary who are looking forward to an addition to their family in June.

The Insurance and Plumbing businesses must be very good these days. Brothers Vahram Cherezian and Al Yeremian have both purchased beautiful new homes in the San Leandro hills. May the Brothers and their families both enjoy their homes in good health.

Our Past Master of 1965, Brother Don Mickaels has entered a new business venture in a local department store. He has the furniture and carpeting concession which is promising to be a very successful venture.

Congratulations are in order to two of our Brothers who recently were married. Brother Joe Ohanesian and Donna Ryan were married in December and Brother Norm Mickaels and Valerie Thompson were married in November.

Brother John Chorbajian and his wife Anita have had the pleasure of having John's sister

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TRIPLE X OAKLAND CHAPTER CHARITY DINNER DANCE - NOV. 20, 1965

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# LOS ANGELES

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MID-TERM  
CONVENTION

Look out, sports fans . . . . here comes the Los Angeles Chapter.

It looks like a hot year for us brothers with a bunch of newly elected officers starting off on the right foot. Maybe now we'll get the FRATERNAL back in the FRATERNITY where it should have been all the time.

Starting off - and at the head spot our new Master Bro. Mike (the gray fox) Derderian. We look for some sweet moves by Bro. Mike. I'm sure he won't disappoint his Brothers.

Back up man, and one fine choice, the sweetes' swing in golf, Bro. Jack Shahian. Though these two positions are the key to any fraternal year, Bro. Mike has some pretty strong brothers in the back seat. Recording Secretary, Bro. George Parigian, who promises he won't read so fast this year. Treasurer, Bro. Ed Papazian; Corresponding Secretary, Bro. John Elmassian; Sergeant at Arms, Bro. Joe Kellejian, Jr., who shows some talent for his new post. Golf Commissioners: Bro. Leo Avazian, who I understand, will take any amount of money or old golf balls to fix your handicap to suit you. Bro. Leo's back up man is Bro. Bud Hallaian. This has worked out just right. Bro. Leo takes all the big golfers and Bro. Bud all the small ones.

Good and Welfare: Bro. Joe Zorigian, Past Master, Parliamentarian: Bro. Past Master, Jay Julian. That rounds out our newly elected officers. Oh Yes, then there's yours truly, Associate Editor. The only brother who can say he drove the 7th at Fox Hills, 271 yards, twice in a row. You say that's nothing. Try it with a seven iron next time.

By the time this goes to press we will have had our Installation Dinner at Woodland Hills Country Club. I can tell you before it happens, that it will be another great affair. This year the Fraternity is being hosted at the home of Bro. Tom Bedrosian, and his lovely wife, for cocktails.

## WHAT'S NEW DEPT:

Bro. John Gogian sporting around with a brand new pro-type golf bag. Pink, at that. Bro. John, when that gets a little dirty let me know and I'll take it off your hands, fast.

Bro. Joe Zorigian, during a game not long ago, was having trouble with his drives. His

partner gave him a few tips and it turned out he was out-driving him. In fact, he shot his best game, a 90 gross. (His partner got so nervous he blew the back nine.)

Bro. Libby Boone still looking for a fishing trip. Bro. Lib, it just looks like you're going to end up on Redondo Beach pier all by yourself.

That long ball knocker, Bro. Aram Poladian, blew his match with Bro. Bill Kludjian on the 18th green. His golf instructor is still crying.

Bro. Aram Avazian letting his hair grow long?

Bro. Jack Kheteian and Bro. Aran Vaznaian are still trying to make up their minds when they should take on Bro's Aram Polaoian and Lee Neshanian. Take your time, boys, your money will still be good.

Bro. Haig Tashjian still hasn't paid his golf dues.

Bro. Bob Spanjian, not long ago at Fox Hills, was playing the 14th par 5 hole. A short drive followed by another put Bro. Bob half way to the green of this 530-odd yard hole. On the green was the foursome putting in. Bro. Bob, not thinking he would reach the green, hit away. The ball hit once - twice - rolled up - hit the flag, which was on the ground, and rolled into the hole for an eagle.

Well, to say the least, this made Bro. Bob feel like Arnold Palmer. When he got to the 15th, he walked to his bag, pulled out the driver, took his normal stance (firm left arm, feet well apart, good balance), nice back swing, into the follow thru - what a drive! - ten feet. Bro. Bob, you're too much . . . .

## GOOD HUMOR DEPT:

Bro. Walt Altoon going on a diet . . . Bro. John Gogian's new golf bag was bought on time . . . Bro. Master Mike Dederian giving up the game of Tavloo - no competition left. . . . Bro. Nick shaving off his mustache - getting tired of being called The Greek . . . Bro. Aram Poladian looking for another golf instructor . . .

## SICK LIST:

Bro. Jack Elmassian dropped two balls out-of-bounds and had to have surgery. He's coming along fine. Bro. Jack, we've missed

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# FRESNO

Christmas came early for a lot of the brothers - the report in the October business meeting was that we had finally purchased the land for a clubhouse. Yes, that's right, Fresno Chapter now has land, debt and challenge to actually build, furnish and use a clubhouse. This will be quite a New Year's Resolution, and will be an accomplishment for this year's officers to look forward to.

We must say "hats off" for a job well done; "congratulations" and "thank you" to last year's Master, Mike Kershaw, and his loyal officers and board members. Business was conducted in a very professional, orderly fashion with little or no fines and in most cases, very rapidly. However, the Master went out in a blaze of glory during the last business meeting, collecting a record \$33.36 in fines to go toward the building fund. Selma Master Aram Kakligian said he feels so strongly about the clubhouse he donated five dollars toward it. Some of us wonder if a couple of Fresno members didn't contribute in a round-about way . . . what say, Mike and Charlie?

Speaking of 100%, this year seventeen brothers had free steak for their loyalty to business meetings. It was a fine evening and the program of a demonstration in the use of a new weight machine was - well it was, anyway. It is hoped the idea of a program at dinner meetings will pick up this year.

For the coming year, brothers who will guide us, include the following:

Master, Ralph Takakjian; Junior Master, Ara Yazijian; Recording Secretary, John Shamsolian; Corresponding Secretary, Jake Mirigian; Treasurer, Arsen Marsoobian; Associate Editor, Ed Hokokian; Critic, Mike Kershaw; Custodian, Jack Bedoian; Historian, Mike Chooljian; Sergeant at Arms, Mike Gaston; Auditor, Haig Dagdigian.

As this is my last report may I say "thank you" for all who took the time to read this. We hope we kept you a little better informed on what we were doing; and that you enjoyed the articles as much as we did writing them. Good luck to all of our brothers everywhere. God bless you and Happy New Year.

Arsen Marsoobian, Associate Editor

## ANNUAL CONVENTION



Caucus?

## WESTERN DANCE



Never a moment passes when . . . . .



# LOS ANGELES, JRS.



Beginning January 31, the Los Angeles Junior Trex will embark on the first game of the 1966 basketball season. Returning stars Russel Roopenian, Bob Tashjian, and "Jumping" Jack Bozajian are already preparing themselves for another hard fought season.

Congratulations are due to former Master Russ Roopenian upon being accepted as a candidate to the U.C.L.A. and U.S.C. Dental Schools, sporting a 3.5 grade average. Best of luck, Bro. Roop!

Well, the coming of the New Year eyes the election of the new officers. At this time all the Brothers would sincerely like to thank the out-going officers for the fine job they have done this past year. Never before have these Juniors or any Juniors experienced a more enjoyable, prominent year. Along with many social events (dances, sports, money raising activities) and a treasury consisting

of over \$200 dollars the present Juniors have relished a feeling of true fraternalism and brotherly companionship as is the true theme of the Triple X Fraternity.

Congratulations and good luck are due to the newly elected officers: Master, Bro. Bob Tashjian; Junior Master, Jim Zorigian; Recording Secretary, Greg Garakian; Treasurer, Jack Bozajian; Corresponding Secretary, Doug Garakian; Sergeant at Arms, Warren Shahian. Also best of luck to our new sponsor, Bro. Dick Jebejian.

A little hello is due to Bros. John Thomas, John Pashayan, and Steve Papazian who are all serving Uncle Sam. Good luck and hurry back!

Best of luck to all our Senior members in the New Year!

John Zorigian, Associate Editor

## *Attend Mid-Term Convention!*

*It will be a*

**blast!**

# PENINSULA



Happy New Year to all our Brothers across the state.

Well, this has been an eventful year for the Peninsula Chapter, what with our very successful convention behind us, but not forgotten. We want to thank all the chapters for their fine cooperation and attendance.

In November, the Sarohans, Donoians, Izmirians, Fathys, Solakians and the Edwards attended the Benefit Auction sponsored by the Oakland Chapter, which, incidentally, was very successful. May I add at the auction Bro. Ed Sarohan presented the Armenian Home for the Aged a check for \$1000 on behalf of

the Peninsula Chapter. I think this is very noteworthy for a chapter that boasts less than 25 members.

In November the Trexmen took their wives out to dinner at "Tads" in San Mateo where bridge and dancing was enjoyed by all.

In December the Sarohans and Edwards attended the "Hye Hoe Down" sponsored by the Golden Gate Chapter and then we brought in the New Year in mighty great style at Brother Al Kurkjians in San Mateo.

That's it for now.

Ed S. Edwards, Associate Editor



MID-TERM

# CONVENTION



# GOLDEN GATE

Millberry Union, U.C. Medical campus where the Golden Gate Chapter holds its meetings, saw 1965 Jr. Master Jack Saroyan step up to lead the brothers as Master for the coming year. The December 3rd election also chose to work with the team; Lou Aronian as Jr. Master, Suren Boghosian as Treasurer, Charles Kizirian as Recording Secretary, Steve Noroian (where are you, Steve?) as Corresponding Secretary and George Mardikian Jr. as Sergeant at Arms with bailiff duties. Bro. Al Nalbandian still chief advisor. No fines but it was a fine selection. Past Grand Master Vahack Haroutunian received an ovation for his hard work and diligent leadership in the form of a desk pen holder with an engraved plate.

August 28th last year. The nite was warm. Fifteen brothers with their wives, girl-friends, et al, found their way Eastward to the first house on the right at the cul-de-sac on upper Lafayette, the spacious, decoration bare, residence of the G. A. Rustigians where Casper style "burgers" were featured and served. G. Tatarian had seconds and then thirds.

Several homes and a hotel changed hands—that was at the monopoly table with wives Elise K., Doris K. and Carol R. playing. The more-than-thirty crowd kept cool with beer that was steam-draft — which reminds us that brother Mike Kilijian's one black eye (no, he doesn't smoke) is back to normal. Bro. Mike doesn't look down the barrel of a beer can any more at Zacks — in fact, he doesn't work anymore — at Zacks.

Remembering back to the 36th Annual Labor Day Convention, Past Grand Master and host Joe Kellejian, pouring the drinks at his Patrician I reception cabana. George Anterasian with bag and baggage. Robert Mirigian's room with view of the pool and poolside watching brother Richard Mirigian, the SCUBA fan snorkelling. Aram Baxters visiting with friends.

Carl Semonian Jr.'s apartment was the setting for the September meeting where veteran Golden Gater brother Albert Adams met some of the newer members. Another active old-timer, Dr. J. V. Shahbazian had the in-

duction honors of swearing in at one time Charles Kezerian, Ara Sahakian and Alan Farajian during the October Chuck Wagon dinner meeting.

Joe Dederian is keeping busy at his new location, Signal Service Station on Sloat near the Pacific Ocean.

They all said it was a fabulous affair — the first annual — that would be Hye Hoe Down II — the Saturday nite in November — the Fern Court room at the top of the San Francisco Furniture Mart. Man! It was smooth sailing, methodically charted down to the work sheet schedule timed at 1900 hours by Captain J. Saroyan assuming the duties of chief spark-plug R. Kazanjian who was in sick-bay suffering from a strange Near East malady. All the brothers were valiantly active. The grog was poured out of the bottles and down the hatch to the Higagan music of two bands, the five Bay Area Armenites (Armenite 5) Vali-Hyes from Fresno, w/ouds, their clarinets and dumbegs, and the winding jumping swinging lines of dancers moving to the rhythm of the Moosh, Halay, Tamzara and others. Some walked off with prizes for 'best' in the solo and also 'couples'. Grand Master Barigian and over six hundred others from points South, North and East were pleased as punch on Arak, Raki to you, or is it Oozoo and other grogs. The mazza buffet included Pahtz Hatz, Zeytoun, Basturma, baneer, Lavash with Sarma, two thousand of them cooked up by the Golden Gate wives, helped by Bro. Jack Saroyan's mother. Never underestimate dept.: I dreamed I was wrapping grape leaves in my maidenform.

Joining the brothers serving drinks at the two bars was brother Lou Aronian's wife. Some of the wives felt like widows, sitting around the table waiting for their husbands to get off duty. Thank you ladies. Let's see, Vartan Hovsepian had Bar No. 1 with Ara Kaprielian from 11 to 12 PM, Vince Levon and Jack Bousian had the door from 10 to 11 PM, Russ Janigian, Sark Sarkisian and Jim Kilijian had Bar No. 1 the 10 to 11 PM shift and Ed Minasian was on 11 to 12 PM. That was when Henry Yesson joined one of

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## GOLDEN GATE CHAPTER

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the belly dancers. Past Master Vahack Haroutunian, after hearing comments like "smashing success," and "real swingin' affair," said due to the entire membership working, it was the best dance yet. Enough 'Hi Ho' and more 'Hi Ho, Hi Ho' or as the Christmas Gaghant would say, "Ho Ho Ho".

The two brothers chosen this year to help the needy or lonely were the present editor and Ara Sahagian who made the rounds in the City to three Armenian widows and left them gift purchase certificates and some feeling for the gesture. Speaking of Ara

Sahagian, another former Golden Gater Ara Sahakian from Washington, D.C., paid us a visit as a guest for the best New Years party ever held. This was at The Forest Hills Lodge with a live combo for the popular ballroom and Armenian tape recording. After too much of Drinks, Dancing, Buffet and Midnight balloon busting, horn blowing and confetti throwing the Golden Gate Chapter says HAPPY NEW YEAR.

K. Balion  
Associate Editor

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## SEQUOIA CHAPTER

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and homes up to \$100,000. Tomato growers Bro. Mike Mikealian, Harry Davidian, Harry Majarian, Sark Davidian and the others lost so much money they could only stay one week in Vegas this year. Better luck next year.

The rest of us are either raisin men or grape growers with a few walnut growers thrown in, especially Sark Yahnian who does everything to a nut that is possible.

Our Installation Banquet was held at the Redwood Inn in Sultana on January 8. Brother Grand Master John Barigian doing the installing honors. Bro. Marvin Ahronian did an excellent job as chairman of the evening. Live Armenian music provided the entertainment

for the evening. We had an excellent turnout and everyone seemed to have a ball!

The gears will be turning for our 4th Annual Charity Ball to be held in the Visalia Memorial Hall, February 19, 1966. The big wheels involved in this are Bros. Walter Jebejian, Sam Kutumian and Sirag Kalfayan. With Hollywood entertainment and a 15 piece orchestra we are guaranteeing one of the best affairs of the year.

We hope to see quite a few of you Brothers at the coming Mid-Term Affairs to be held in March.

Mike Cholakian, Associate Editor

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you out there. Bro. Sam Tatilian - surgery and Bro. Ed Garakian, back in the hospital. We are looking for these Brothers to get back in the swing of things again.

Well, brothers, that's forty for this trip. See our sister chapters at the Mid-term - March 5-6th. You can be sure L.A. will be there. Aren't we always!!!

We also wish all chapters much good fortune with their newly elected officers for 1966.

Lee Neshanian, Associate Editor

## OAKLAND CHAPTER

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Ramella visiting them from Beirut.

The coming year we are looking forward to the Installation Dinner, Tahoe Trip, Dinkey Creek, tour of the Armenian Old Age Home, Valley Stag Night, Annual Picnic, and our Annual Dinner Dance.

Looking forward to the Mid-Term Convention, I shall leave you all.

Fraternally yours,  
Harold Koojoolian, Associate Editor

**GOLDEN GATE – TOTO'S DINNER MEETING**



L to R: L. Aronian, R. Janigian and J. Kilijian.  
**SEQUOIA**



L to R: R. Kazanjian, L. Aronian, R. Janigian,  
J. Saroyan, G. Mardikian and V. Haroutunian.



Master accepting Achievement Trophy  
**OAKLAND CHAPTER**



Bro. Dick Ekizian is buying the Bro's meal.



**CHARITY DINNER DANCE – NOVEMBER 20, 1965**

# Capitol



Installation of Officers Banquet—Jan. 15, '65



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Annual Stag Outing — Sept. 1964. Three day affair — 39 Mile House on Hiway 50.



Mike ran into a doorknob!



Listen fellas . . . . .



Arthur (Gregg) Murray gives a lesson.



Breakfast anyone?



I'm of age - here's my license.



Breakfast anyone?

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### WESTERN DANCE - FRESNO



Where're the boys?



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### ANNUAL CONVENTION - FRESNO



Who, ME?

### SELMA



Selma Chapter at Annual Convention