



TREX NEWS

TRIPLE X FRATERNITY

51st Annual Convention
August 29-31, 1980
Disneyland Hotel, Anaheim



SCHEDULE OF PLANNED ACTIVITIES

Friday, August 29

- 12 p.m.-7 p.m. Convention Registration — LA STRADA AREA
- 3 p.m. Disneyland Hotel — CHECK IN
- 6 p.m. Cocktails — CENTER BALLROOM
- 7:30 p.m. Dinner-Dance — CENTER BALLROOM

Saturday, August 30

- 8 a.m. Tennis Tournament — TENNISLAND RACQUET CLUB
- 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Convention Registration — LA STRADA AREA
- 9 a.m. Golf Tournament — GREEN RIVER COUNTRY CLUB
- 10 a.m. Tavloo Tournament — MAGNOLIA B ROOM
- 10:30 a.m. Gin Tournament — MAGNOLIA B ROOM
- 3 p.m. Disneyland Hotel — CHECK IN
- 9 p.m. Junior Trex *presents* Armenian and Disco Dancing —
MAGNOLIA B ROOM
ADULTS — OPEN EVENING

Sunday, August 31

- 8 a.m. Trex Members
Business Meeting and Breakfast — SOUTH BALLROOM
- 8 a.m.-10 a.m. Convention Registration — LA STRADA AREA
- 11 a.m. Brunch Playhouse — "Sound of Music" at SEBASTIAN'S GRAND
Bus Service Leaves Hotel at 11 a.m.
- 6 p.m. Cocktails — CENTER BALLROOM
- 7 p.m. Grand Ball — CENTER BALLROOM



Grand Master's Message

Brother Trexmen:

I want to welcome all new members that have joined our Fraternity this year and invite you to get involved in your chapter's activities. The true fraternal brotherhood can only be experienced through active participation in all facets of the organization: social, fund raising and community events and monthly meetings are all equally important.

Several chapters have had exceptionally well planned calendar of events this year and should be proud of their efforts. I must commend the Orange County, Los Angeles and Selma Chapters especially for their very ambitious schedules and results of activities all year.

Every chapter must continue to keep up with the constant changing social and economic conditions in their communities, so we can continue to keep our Fraternity socially strong, financially healthy and fraternally growing.

Remember the 51st Annual Convention in Anaheim at the Disneyland Hotel, August 29-31, 1980. The Orange County Chapter has made a super effort in planning the events and now awaits your pleasure of attendance. See you at Anaheim.

Fraternally yours,
Charles Hazarian
Grand Master

TRIPLE X FOUNDING FATHERS

Charles M. Ashjian • Richard Dederian • Lee Rustigan • John Kasparian
Gurken Bacon • Armen Nishkian • Lee Dederian • Arsen Alchian

Fresno

The Fresno Chapter had another successful outing at Dinkey Creek on the first week end in June. Thanks to Brother Moony Najarian, who ram rodded the outing, there was enough good food and booze to satisfy every one's appetite. Brother Junior Master Andy Boyajian had a little difficulty breathing that great cool mountain air. After struggling most of the night and morning, he returned back to normal when he arrived home. We missed all the brothers from Los Angeles, Sequoia, and San Francisco Chapters, who usually attend but were not there this year. Beside doing a great job, brother Moony took most of the profits from the tables. Rumors are now going around that the outing is getting out-dated as attendance was poor this year, especially on Saturday.



Charity Dinner Dance held Oct. 1979; \$1,000 was donated to Armenian Community School of Fresno. Richard Shirin, chairman, Mike Chakolozian, Master, Richard Darmanian accepting for the Armenian Community School.



Bro. Sam Krikorian shows P.G.M. Mike Kershaw and Jr. master Andy Boyajian his new car license plate "19XXX18".

Brother Harry Tanielian put on a great Family Picnic at the Armenian Home. In fact it was so well attended that he ran short of the main course. The late arrivals had to satisfy their hunger with the trimmings. The weather was perfect and families enjoyed the companionship.

August 21 the Fresno Juniors will be preparing a delicious Bar-B-Que Chicken dinner for the seniors. We will all enjoy the dinner which will be spear-headed by Steve Mamigonian.



Bro. Jr. master Andy Boyajian in charge of Fresno meeting. Bro. Sam Simonian taking notes.



Fresno Brothers at meeting.



"Smile Bro. Aram!"

On October 4, the Fresno Chapter will entertain the public with our annual Charity Dinner at the California Armenian Home. Jr. Master, Andy Boyajian will be preparing the food and Brother Aaron Aaronian will arrange entertainment and act as master of Ceremonies for the evening. The affair will be out doors and hopefully with a cool evening and bright stars. Brother Vern Hovanesian will chair a Banquet in November in support of the Armenian Community School. He has great plans for a grand evening and hopes to raise substantial amount for the school.

Finally in December Brothers Karlo and Artie Demoorjian will put on the best Christmas Party for the Triple X children and their parents. This affair is getting more popular each year and will have a great turn out.

Paul Najimian, Jr.
Associate Editor

Mt. Diablo

No need to tell you, but I will, I can't believe how the time went by. But I must say that the Mt. Diablo Chapter has done much to make the time past with many activities. Our year started as usual with the kickoff of the joint installation dinner, all the Bay Area chapters manage to get together just once — and then it's goodnite after that. Here we see two pictures of that eventful evening with the incoming Master Art Hazarabedian listening to comments from Jr. Grand Master Ed Minasian. Of course the pearls of wisdom are from Past Master Sark Sarkisian. The second pic-



ture of this eventful evening shows Bro. Master Art Hazarabedian imparting his words of wisdom to his chapter brothers and sister. Bro. Armen Boyd and his wife with Jr. Grand Master Ed. Minasian with the same grin as picture number one.

In February we had our Valentine's dinner for us and our wives. Bro. Ed. Minasian and Myron Konjoyan co-chairmen conjured this one up. Believe me it was an exceptional evening with plenty of laughs and surprises. The next picture shows the ladies filling out a questionnaire as composed by rug merchant Bro. Myron and it comprised three questions.

1. What does your husband consider the most attractive feature of yourself?
2. What do you attribute your successful marriage to?
3. What is your husbands worst habit?



Now as Bro. Myron called your name out you had to stand before all your brothers and answer these questions. What did some of us say? Practically every thing but what our wives wrote down. And for the first time in some of our Trexmen's married bliss they found out what their wives really considered their bad habits. What a blast this evening was, with plenty of laughter and comments as you can expect.



Of course we had a cupid, very aptly played to the letter by our own Br. Cliff Melikian. Conservative, discreet, distinguished Cliff, turned into a cross between a cupid and a devil — I've heard of men dressing up in Women's clothing and have a personality change, but not with a little red bow and arrow and a red heart. Here is proof — see him with that silly grin and he is about to shoot his



little arrow into Bro. Art Hazarabedian for missing all three questions. The brother who got all three questions right was Bro. Doc Shahbazian. After all, being married that long how can you miss.

The next great affair was our stag night and that was a good one. The Oakland Trex brethren were invited and lo and behold they showed up in force. I took so many pictures at that gathering but I'm sorry I cannot include all of them.

Bro. Al Kaljian is about ready to cut the mile long poor boy sandwich. With salad and cake, the meal was excellent. But a picture is worth a thousand words and here are just a few.

From l. to r. Bro. Masis Gozurian (Oakland Chapter), Armen Boyd, Garo Keadjian, Seno Garabedian, Myron Konjoyan are watching Al ready to cut into the sandwich.

Two girls shipped over from Bolis gave us an evening of entertainment on Middle Eastern dancing, one was called the Khomeni Drop. Bro. John Chorbajian who is very very bashful in his own way is looking over to Past Grand Master Jim Taylor and saying to Jim, "What should I do now." Jim said just to let her go. Bro. Greg Tcherkoyan (Oakland Chapter) lends his skill to this dance. Needless to say, we all had a great time with the show and food, etc. etc. etc.



About this time we attended the Mid-Term meeting and as we see by this picture, our delegates were Bro. Dr. Shahbazian, Armen Boyd, Armen Donian, Shant Kooyoumjian, Ed. Minasian, Master Art Hazarabedian and John Chrobajian. We were well represented.

In April we had one of the best dinner meetings of the Year, which is our Keyma night. And our

threesome or the three K,K,K's—Bros. Kezerian, Kaljian, Konjoyan make our delicious dinner — here you see the three pounding away at the Keyma. Everyone overeats and is miserable, but we still come back for more. As you can see by this picture, part of our group gorging themselves on the very food that produces the fiber of the Armenian race. Notice no one is talking.



But we still listen to our one and only Bro. Doc. giving his lecture for the evening. "Now listen fellows."

In April, we also had our Trex Rally, conducted by our ingenious Bro. Armen Boyd. Twenty six brave members took the bait, the group went in five cars plus the rally car. Everybody met at Gemco in Walnut Creek, and rally master Armen Boyd passed out envelopes to each car. In the envelopes was their first clue to the second checkpoint. The rally car raced ahead of the others to meet them at the subsequent check point. Each car had different paths to follow, but wound up at the same



place. Along the way of some of the stopping points, there were certain items on shopping lists that had to be picked up. Everything didn't work as well as expected, such as one clue of a checkpoint was an old windmill, which had been up for about 100 years, but three days before it was torn down. One car headed for Sacramento, another went to Oakland airport thinking their next checkpoint would be Hawaii. Finally, they all met for dinner (final checkpoint) at the Commodore Residence in Bencia, a very delightful place to eat and spend an evening. Bro. Seno Garabedian was still fuming about the clues he got that sent him to Sacramento.



Our great big affair, the biggy was our May 16th fund raiser. Our once a year public function. It was a success and we made money, not a lot, but enough to make it worth while. Bro. Steve Norian was chairman, and oh, how he worked and it all proved worthwhile. Bro. Steve had many sub-committees and they helped, but as everyone

knows that has had one of these chairmanships, you have to stay on top of it all the way. Congratulations Bro. Steve.

One of the committees was the kitchen detail and these two members seemed not to mind, that is Bros. John Gulbenkian and Dr. G. Garry Yacoub. We also had a silent auction which to our amazement did work very well. We thought we might be stuck with some merchandise but as the evening progressed everyone started to bid on everything and it all went. We had two belly dancers which thrilled the people in attendance, especially the sword dance, as this picture shows. No she did not swallow the sword at the end. We had the customary group dancing. And to show that he had not let all this work daunt his spirit (or was he glad it was over) Bro. Steve is giving his best shot as a dancer — this dance is called the Hadji dance. Bro. Steve had a good time, the members had a good time, the public had a good time. What a good time we had...



In the latter part of June, we had a progressive dinner, chaired by our legal eagle Bro. Mel Najarian. First home for cocktails was Bro. Haig Harootenian, second home of Bro. Mel's for the steaks and the topping was at Bro. Ed Minasian's home. Now the weather had been cold up to this time until Bro. Mel filed a restraining order with the man upstairs and he got the best possible day ever for this evening. About forty members came to this dinner and everyone without exception raved about it. The wives have to be commended for their participation. Thank you ladies.

Well this brings me to the end of this article (finally), but not the end of the great doings yet to come. We have coming up, family picnic at the Lafayette Reservoir, the Convention in Orange County, Halloween Costume party, mystery trip and ho-ho-ho our Christmas party. Happy New Year.

George Rustigian
Associate Editor

Orange County

Brothers we are ready for the greatest convention of them all at the famous Disneyland Hotel. Bro. Mike Chitjian and Bro. Bob Kazarian, co-chairmen and all the brothers in our chapter have done a great job in putting this convention together.

On May 23rd Bro. George Thomas was chairman of the fabulous evening enjoyed at the harlequin Playhouse. The wives enjoyed the play — the Brothers enjoyed the food. Thanks Bro. Thomas.

On June 20th weekend Bro. Jack Minasian was chairman of our stage outing at La Costa. All the brothers got a change to rest. A detailed report was not given.

We had a joint sports night with the Los Angeles Chapter with over 175 in attendance at the balboa Bay Club. Bro. Ozzie Chitjian chairman had the greatest list of speakers. Mr. Sammy



Bro. Ozzie doing a great job.



Bro. Master Harry's "gang."



Bros. Daron, Mike, Leo Archie enjoying the Sport Night.



Sport Night — Orange County



Sammy Lee famous diver with Bro. Ozzie.



Bro. Mike in a good mood.

Lee, famous Olympic Diver, Mr. Paul Salata, played for the Los Angeles Rams, Mr. Jack Faulkner, asst. general manager for the L.A. Rams, and Mr. Ed Goorjian, head basketball coach for Loyola University. everyone had a story to tell. Bro. Ozzie couldn't stop laughing. Sammy Lee the famous Olympic diver said he is an Armenian turned inside out. Thanks Bro. Ozzie for a job well done.

Before our convention we will have our 5th annual shish kabob picnic in Huntington Beach. This is open to the public and we expect over 400 people to attend. Bro. Richard Penjoyan is chairman. This is one picnic you will never forget. Thanks Bro. Rich and our brothers and wives for their help and support.

Bro. Master Harry Bozigian and his officers have done an outstanding job this year. Thank Bro. Master Harry.

Our chapter meets on the third Wednesday of each month at 7 p.m. at the Balboa Bay Club, Newport Beach.

Have an enjoyable convention.

Haig Jamgotchian

Oakland

Since Mid-term convention we did not have any major events in the Bay Area, with the exception of the month of June when two of our Brothers were very proud of their Graduates: Topping the list was Brother Greg Tcherkoyan the proud father of three daughters: Kathi Tcherkoyan-Gunn, graduated from Berkeley Law School, Patti Tcherkoyan, after graduating from U.C. Davis is leaving on a two month trip to Europe; Kirsti Tcherkoyan, has just returned from Europe where she spent her first year in college in Sigtuna, Sweden. Brother Masis Gozurians' daughter, Linda Gozurian has graduated with honors from San Leandro High and will attend Chabot College in the fall.

During Easter vacation Brother Al Yeremian with Brother Jim Taylor and their families went to Hawaii, where a good time was had by all.

Bro. Jim Taylor participated in May in the World Blackjack Championship in Reno, however, to his chagrin was eliminated in the first two hours of the tournament.



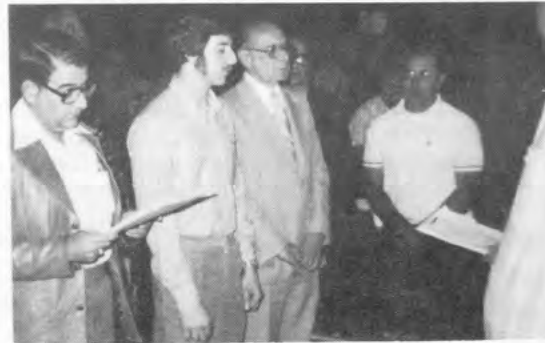
Changing of the Guard.



Joint Meeting with Mt. Diablo.



Greg Chorbajian gets sworn in.



Grandmaster Chuck's No. 2 son gets sworn in.

Brother Sam Kassabian will take an extended trip to the Northwest territories in July for trout fishing, final destination is Great Slaug Lake. Good fishing Brother Sam!

First week in June, thirteen members of our fraternity attended the Dinkey Creek Outing, a wonderful time was had by all, great fishing and lots of bicycles! With the exception of Brother Charles Alexanian who had a ten speed!!!

Looking forward to seeing you all Brothers at the convention in Disneyland August 29th thru September 1st, 1980.

Respectfully submitted

Masis A. Gozurian
Assoc. Editor



You Tell them, Jeff.

Selma Chapter

Our dinner meetings have not only included good food, but also interesting speakers. Sam Boghosian, offensive coordinator of the Oakland Raiders, told many stories about the Raider organization. Some of the stories were humorous, others gave us a better understanding about pro-football.

Coach Jim Sweeney, returning head coach of the Fresno State University football team, promised us some very exciting seasons ahead. Coach Sweeney expressed his gratitude to the Selma Triple X for its support to the University.

In April, Bro. Haig Kasparian arranged for an enjoyable day on the golf course. Brother Haig supervises this annual golf social which included the Fresno Chapter as well as the Brothers of our Chapter. This successful event concluded with a delicious dinner and presentation of golf awards.

Our wives joined us for dinner which was prepared by the Selma Jrs., in June. The highlight of this evening was the presentation of three \$300 scholarships to deserving high school graduates from the Fresno County area. Brother Art Suddjian presented awards to the recipients. Brother Sark Sarabian and the Selma junior members hosted the event at Bro. Sark's home. There were more than 120 people in attendance and all enjoyed a delicious dinner.



The after dinner group.



Jimmy is the D.A. Right!



Boy did we make them happy.



A happy shish group!

Brothers Brent and Roger Simonian co-hosted a very successful Dinner and Bingo night in May. More than 300 attended this event which ended with many requests for more bingo nights. As a result of the strong interest shown, another bingo night is planned to take place in November. All Brothers and their wives are welcome to attend this evening of fun.

Just under 300 people enjoyed a delicious shish-kabob dinner at our annual Spring Outing chaired by Bro. York Boyajian. Brother York's committee is small in number but was once again successful in serving the entire crowd within one hour's time (more or less!).

A new committee was supervised by Past Grand Master Kay Cloud as the Selma Triple X sponsored a charitable fund raiser for the YWCA in Fresno. This event was responsible for many praises and thank you's from those who attended as donor and the YWCA members.

The "BIG" event of the year is our Charitable Dinner Dance which has pre-sold more than 500 tickets for the evening. A superb shish-ke-bob dinner and dancing to Richard Hagopian's Armenian band and Kirk Kirkland's Dance Band already has the promise of another successful evening. Past Grand Master, Brother Freddie Markarian, chairman of this gala evening, hasn't missed yet.

The Selma Brothers are looking forward to seeing our many Brothers around the State during the convention at Disneyland. The Selma Chapter is already working hard to prepare for an exciting convention next year, 1981. However, first things first, we hope to see all of you in the Land of Disney Characters this September.

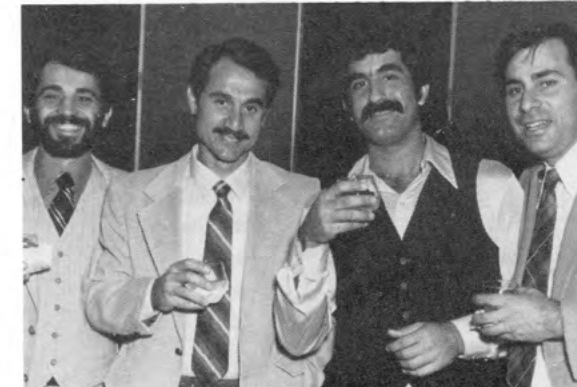
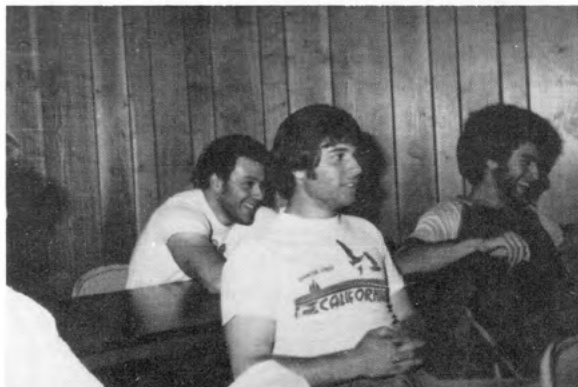
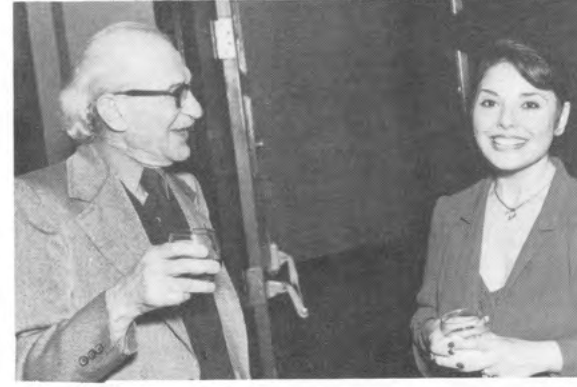
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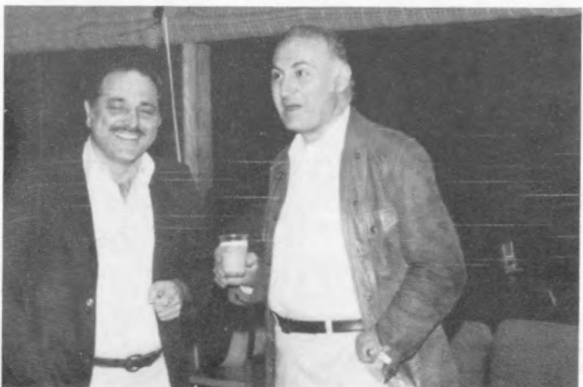
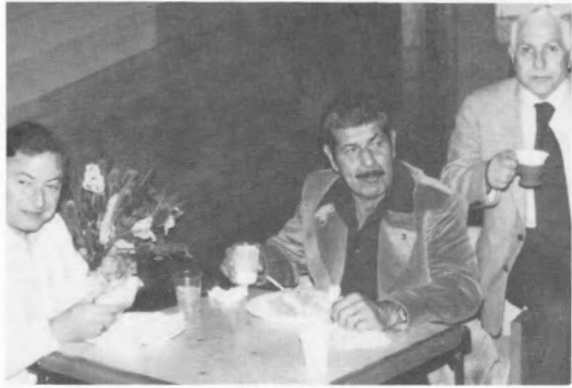
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Capitol Chapter

Happy summer to all the brothers in our fine fraternity.

Let me give you a little wish. "He that loves his brother abides in the light."

Congratulations are in order for Bro. Frank Ohanesian and wife Elsie, they are grandparents for the third time, a baby girl, by son Gregory.

Bro. Mal Kasparian is all happy again, he got his concrete problems solved. It seemd like pouring a drive way with thin cement doesn't harden very well. But the contractor had to make it good.

Our July picnic was a huge success as 84 people attended. It means so much when everyone helps out with the chores.

Some of our Brothers on their vacations to far away places were, Bro. Mike Arakelian to Europe. Bro. Art Tashjian and wife Helen to Boston, to visit relatives. Bro. Harry Sweet and wife Mauvis spent seven days in Ls Vegas, then took a trip thru the Zion National Park, Bryce Canyon, and the Grand Canyon.

Our 1st annual Lake Tahoe Bus trip last Sunday was just a fantastic trip. Bro. Hary Sweet leased a bus and 36 brothers, wives and some friends had a fun trip. Some won and lost gambling, but the champagne helped sooth any sorrows.

The Capitol Chapter Brothers send their deep condolences to our Bro. John McKay for the loss of his beloved wife Esther. She died several weeks ago after a long illness.

HARRY SWEET, Associate Editor



Lake Tahoe outing. Bro. Frank Ohanesian, Bro. Sam Yenovkian.



Lake Tahoe outing.



Los Angeles

Los Angeles Trexmen have had an eventful first half of 1980. Highlights include the production of a highly successful concert and a gala 25th anniversary of the Armenian Golf Open.

In early June, the L.A. Chapter sponsored the cultural event of the year, a concert by the world renowned oudist John Bilezikjian at the Wilshire Ebell Theater. The event was open to the public and started with a food and champagne reception at the theater. Then John, with the support of his brother Ed and six other pieces, came on with his magic oud and played a beautiful set of classical, contemporary and Armenian music. Over 600 attended and reviews were outstanding. (8-track tapes and cassettes of the concert will be available soon.) Thanks again to John and his orchestra and Bros. Chuck for his never ending enthusiasm and hard work.



The Armenian Open was an enjoyable and successful silver anniversary celebration. In all 144 golfers participated and thanks to the coordinated efforts of Bros. Aran, Lee, and Jack the golfers actually teed off ahead of schedule. All golfers received commemorative shirts, hats, golf towels, a golf ball and tees, and a box lunch at the 10th tee. Add to this free soda and beer at two holes (served by Bros. Ken Galen, Dave, Bob, and John and his kids), two pretty hostesses (Linda and Cindy), a hole-in-one hole for a car, and you have a perfect affair. The Knollwood Country Club was in good shape and the scores showed it. Special thanks to the many out of town golfers from Fresno, San Francisco and San Diego among other areas. Winners were:

Low Gross: Joe Zakarian, 74; Low Net: Marx Kamashian, 83, net 63; Handicap 0-11: John Kazanjian, 77, net 67, Paul Housepian, 81, net 72; 12-21: Charlie Lyons, 78, net 64, Ed Papzian, 86, net 67; 22+: Chuck Parigian, 90, net 66, Carl Marderosian, 91, net 66; Blind Bogey: George Kaloian, 89, net 71, Chris Yaldezian, 118, net 72; Odar: Jim (Boomer) Jallo, 78, net 67.

Heartbreak: On the par three sixth hole where a hole-in-one wins a car, Bros. Aram Betkijian and Wayne Barzekoff made holes-in-one. Only one problem, they made it in the wrong hole. Knollwood has two holes on each green and the other one was being used for the tournament.

After the tournament, a banquet was held with over 230 in attendance. A special award was presented to Bro. Leo Avazian for all his past efforts in organizing the Armenian Opens.

Special congratulations go to our Bros. Kay Hovsepien, voted Man of the Year; Mike Derderian, Carpet Man of the Year; and Jack Khetian, honored by L.A. City for community service.

Thanks to Bros. Steve, the L.A. Trexmen have annually enjoyed a unique event. Wives Night Out at the Burbank Studios. 200 brothers, wives, and special guests enjoyed hors d'oeuvres, prime rib dinner, and open bar at the commissary. After this, we were escorted to a large projection room where we enjoyed a private screening of the delightful movie "Chapter II". Thanks again Bro. Steve and we hope the strike is settled soon.

The Los Robles golf tournament was enjoyed by all the members who attended. Our annual Family Picnic was a big success. Bro. Chuck came up with a perfect day, great food, and games and prizes for the kids.

The Brothers are currently working hard to have another successful Old age Home Picnic in August. All our members are looking forward to the convention in Orange County.

John Casparian
Associate Editor



Los Angeles—Jr.

With the initiation of two new brothers, Gary Minasian and Robert Hastigan and enjoying the following activities: Installation dinner, tennis tournament, Disneyland outings, night at the horse races, numerous parties and monthly card games we had a very successful first half. We are also in the middle of our baseball season with a 4 and 1 record; heading for the play-offs once again.

With the start of the second half we have many more activities planned including our annual Luau, Mixed Doubles Tennis Tournament, Oct. Dance, Tavloo Tournament, and New years Party to name a few. We are also planning to help with the L.A. Senior Trex sponsored Old Age Home Picnic August 17.

The Big event we are waiting for however, is the 51st Annual Convention at the Disneyland Hotel. We're looking forward to seeing our old friends and meeting new ones. Let's all have a good time without creating any problems for our brothers down in Orange County.

Til then!

Fraternally,
Haron Michaelian. Master

Golden Gate

It's 1980 and it's election year. That means that new people get elected to serve and those who have served "go out to pasture." The Associate editor of the Golden Gate chapter, yours truly, is in the latter category. After eight years of editorializing and commenting about our brothers, I'm putting the cover on my typewriter. I honestly feel that it's time for chapter information to come from another point of view and we have many brothers capable of this task. I've written sixteen of these articles and I've thoroughly enjoyed each one and I hope each of you brothers have also. The purpose of this article is to not only share news but feelings. I'm not going to "get on my soapbox" but I'm going to say a few things to all Brothers throughout the state about Trex News. Brother Karlo works hard to put together this periodical of ours and as I look through it, I sometimes wonder if it isn't all in vain. It seems that most articles (?) are merely two or three lines of gibberish and about twenty pictures. The only other interesting facts are the times and dates of the convention and mid-terms. I feel that many of our associate editors are not making a valid attempt at providing a worthwhile news article. I do read a few good articles but the point is that all articles for the news should be interesting and informative, otherwise I feel that the Trex News is a waste of money.

No one will ever convince me that each chapter doesn't have enough talent to produce a good article. Trex was built on the idea of sharing feelings such as happiness or sadness and the medium for sharing these feelings is our Trex News. I'm sure that all of our brothers will agree that we want to hear all about your meetings, families, parties and so on. These articles need not be Pulitzer prize winners; they are not expected to impress the A.P. or U.P.I., but they are expected to share our lives as Trexmen. Let's make Trex News a newsletter rather than a comic book.

Guess I'd better practice what I preach and get started in the past and coming events for the Golden Gate Chapter. In February we had a Valentine's party at the home of Vic and Anna Azizian. There was a pot-luck dinner and singing and dancing until midnight. The Brothers and their wives exchanged gifts and acted like young sweethearts that they were many, many years ago. Vic and Anna must still be like young sweethearts because they became parents of a darling baby daughter on July 10.

In March the Mid-Term was on the agenda and that Fresno Clubhouse is certainly some attraction for our Brothers. Our Brothers truly love that place because we never have any problem getting enough delegates. I've observed that our Brothers have an extra interest in that back room rather than the main meeting room. I'll say no more.

our meetings (?) at the home of Mike Kilijian. I'm certainly glad that Mike wasn't in charge of these dinners. I remember a few years back when he was in charge and his idea of an original Armenian dinner was something called Chicken Delight. Anyway, Brother Sark Sarkisian and Ara Sahakian were in charge of the first dinner. Our second dinner was hosted by our Master, Brother Anooshavan Kasparian and Ara Sahakian again. Geez, that Ara loves to get in that kitchen more than Betty Crocker. But he also likes to get in the back room and play poker like Amarillo Slim.

Our meetings have taken on a new feature where the Brothers provide a short talk or slide show about our culture, heritage and homeland. At one of our meetings, Brother Monte Sahakian made a presentation about his trip to the occupied land of Armenia. The presentation, along with slides, was beautiful and informative as it took us on a tour of our Mother Country and showed the sights and wonders of Armenia including Mt. Ararat. It also showed the lack of progress as attributed to the Turkish influence and domination of the country.

Another slide presentation was given by Brother Paul Goorjian. Brother Paul was able to give us an interesting view comparing the U.S. and Soviet Naval powers. Also included was the building and operating of naval vessels and weaponry. Such a presentation was well received by our Brothers and hopefully will continue. Continuing was Brother Jack Aslanian giving a slide presentation and narration on his trip to Armenia. His presentation centered around the fortresses in Armenia and the part they played in the history of the country.

The month of June was card party month. Love those card parties. The only thing better than a card party is a card party at Ralph and Elsie Kazanjian's and that's exactly what we had. This party was great. There was entertainment and door prizes accompanied by food, booze, poker and tavloo. I'm sure the Kazanjian house will never be the same but just think of the memories.

Our yearly picnic was held at San Mateo Central Park and was hosted by Brother Herb Donabedian and his wife Lillian. Believe it or not, we were blessed with warm weather and had a turnout of 50 people. Once again food was in great abundance and the appetites were big so we all had to pass around the Alka Seltzer.

Remember when I told you about our party at Henry Yesson's Russian River cabin. Well, it's on again this year and everyone's eager to go. Last year we had fourteen Brothers attend and this year we have twenty eight. Henry is wondering if he's gonna have enough room now but don't worry Henry, all these guys wanna do is sit at a poker table and they can do that outside if there's not enough room inside. Now if some of those girls you ordered show up, then we'll have to think of something else, Henry.

In October we're going to have our Halloween

San Diego

A warm San Diego hello to all Trexmen. Here it is convention time again and we San Diego brothers are looking forward to enjoying an elegant weekend in Orange County. I know the Orange County Brothers have been working day and night to make it a successful event. We are looking forward to seeing ALL the Brothers there.



We have been very active this year under the leadership of Master Steve Lazarian. Poor Bro. Lazarian has been the object of some wagers lately as to what time he is going to show up to events. Word is out he is working out an agreement to share in the profits somehow. Our deep sea fishing trip in May was great. We didn't make it as far as Cabo, but did go out to the Coronado Islands of Mexico. Everyone caught something which made the trip more exciting — first class all the way. If any Brother is interested in going next year let me know and we will get back to you with the information.

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Golden Gate (cont.)

sure he'll have some witches brew bubbling for us. Following this will be our big extravaganza of the year, and it will be staged at the new Armenian Community Center Hall. We will combine the two worlds of Armenian dancing and disco to provide a very enjoyable evening. Entertaining will be Hovik Krikorian and his band from Los Angeles. There will be many door prizes and the proceeds will go to charity. All of our members are looking forward to this night and will be present to make it a success. As an aside, I should announce that one of our most illustrious Brothers, Mike Kilijian will not be with us on the night of our fund raiser. He will be in Los Angeles, getting married. I'm sure Mike and his bride will have one helluva party of their own that night. Am I right Mike?

To finish the year, Brother Master Anooshavan

will host our annual X-Mas party. He and his family plan a dinner with music as we gather to celebrate the Holiday Season. No party can quite match our X-mas Party. This is the party where the fraternalism of Trexmen extends its glorious splendor and adds to the holiness of the season.

This should wrap up the events of the year for the Golden Gate Trexmen. As usual, it has been another exciting year for us. We hope the same holds true for our other Brothers. I'm certain that it must as we see Trex spreading and encompassing more men or Armenian heritage. Once again I have enjoyed putting together another article for Golden Gate Chapter. I sincerely mean it when I say that my Brothers make the article; I only put it into words. I couldn't do it without you guys!

KEN NAHIGIAN, Assoc. Editor

Our first annual stag in Palm Springs, at the home of Bro. Dan Tevrizian, was attended by only six brothers, BUT, we six left our mark on the Springs. From Codex to "Kamakazies", we had a great time. I'm sure more of the Brothers are going to make the pilgrimage next year.

Our July picnic at San Diegieto Park was a lot of fun. Almost all the Brothers and their families enjoyed a pleasant day. A softball game was played where the Men beat the Boys by the very close score of 24-18. There were some tears visible because of this setback which was the second year in a row.

On our schedule of events is the August 17 Padre Baseball get together as well as a Dance, Charger Football game and many more exciting events.



Our Scholarship committee has met and we have established a San Diego Chapter Scholarship Fund. Our first award will be for \$250 and we hope to increase it every year. The applications are complete and we will be advertising in a few months. The Scholarship will be available for any College student residing in San Diego County of Armenian decent.

Exciting news flash — Bro. Nubar and Maida Markarian are the proud parents of Michael born the middle of July. Bro. Nubar came equipped with cigars at our last meeting. Congratulations!!!

Our meetings are the last Tuesday of the month and we are meeting at the Jolly Roger Restaurant in Kearney Mesa. Any out of town Bro. is welcome to join us at anytime.

We'll see you all at Disneyland!

Fraternally,
GREG SEMERDJIAN
Editor

Selma—Juniors

Greetings from the Selma Juniors — home of the wild (but sane) bunch. As usual the time is flying by, and the convention is right around the corner. Our chapter has been very active since the mid term throwing one event after the next.

In April our chapter initiated two new brothers into the fraternity. Their names are John Tukenjian and Lance Folmer. We would like to welcome these brothers into our chapter.

To start the summer off right, the Selma Jr's held their first ever bass and trout derby at beautiful Pine Flat Lake. Brothers Ron Toomajian and Gary Poochigian experienced the exhilarating feeling of being towed in. Next time they will use a row boat to insure a safe return. For the others, the weather, scenery, and fishing were all perfect. At the day's end the winners were George Kaloostian for having the longest trout and Suren Melkonian for catching the heaviest bass. The chapter would like to thank all that attended. (Brother Marty when is the fish dinner?)

In June the Selma Jr.'s booth at the Garden Fair picnic held at the Armenian Home for the Aged. Except for the smell in the booth which was unbearable, and borderline on being outright putrid, the day wasn't too bad. The only relief from the smell was brother Ron Boyajian's bottle of air freshener which created a totally new and distinctive fragrance (to be named at a later date). Brother Ken Melkonian worked diligently throughout the day making sure the hot dogs were "hot," and the sodas were cold. Thanks to all the brothers that helped.

Also in June the Selma Jr's. held the Senior's annual scholarship dinner at Brother Sarkis Sarabian's home. (Mom) Virginia Sarabian provided the home cooked gourmet meal, while (dad) Sarkis Sarabian made sure the steaks were cooked to perfection. Brother Alan Kasparian made sure all of the details were taken care of, while all the others helped out where needed. Needless to say, the evening was perfect in all respects. The chapter would like to thank the Sarabians and all that helped make the evening a success.



Wanted Dead or Alive!



The Gang.



The Four Trexteers?

In July we rested from all of the work, and had a swim party social. The weather cooperated fully providing 90° water. The evening was enjoyed by all that attended.

Our second event in July was our annual outing at Shaver Lake. We stayed 3 days at brother Mike Chooljian's cabin. All the brothers got their chance at cooking, and surprisingly no one got sick! Brother Ed Nikssarian cooked the eggs to perfection, while brother Ken Melkonian supervised the production of dinner (ummm good!). Several of the brothers tried their luck at skiing, but none were able to master this sport except for brother Marty Kaloostian who demonstrated his expert skiing ability. Master Dave Sarabian found out what it's like to "wipe out on skis (How's your vorig Brother Dave. Still sore?). The chapter would like to thank Brother Chooljian for his generosity and hospitality.

Throughout the summer our Trex softball team has actually been winning, and we expect to win a few more games due to our expert coaching from Gary Kazanjian and Wayne Koligian. Also Brother Harry "lefty" Basmajian provides the "on target" pitching which keeps us in "the win."

Master David Sarabian and his corps of officers have done an outstanding job, and Master Dave is promising even better events in the future. Our Chapter is looking forward to the convention and all its glamor. So until then farewell - See you at the Matterhorn!

Michael Sarabian
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