



TREX NEWS

Triple X Fraternity
29th Mid Term Convention
March 5 - 6, 1983
Fresno, California

Saturday, March 5, 1983

★ **Mid-Term Golf Tournament**

(Members and Guests)

Fig Garden Golf Course, 7700 N. Van Ness Blvd., Fresno

Tee Time: 10:30 a.m.

Saturday Evening, March 5, 1983

★ **Dinner-Dance (Members and Immediate Guests)**

California Home for the Aged

6720 E. Kings Canyon, Fresno, California

Cocktails 6:30 p.m., Dinner 7:30 p.m.

DeLuxe Shish Kebab — Armenian and American Music

Sunday, March 6, 1983

★ **Stag Breakfast Meeting - 8:30 a.m.**

Holiday Inn - Airport

5090 E. Clinton Ave., Fresno

(Members Only)

General Business Meeting (Right after Breakfast) — 10:15 a.m.

Fresno Triple X Clubhouse

630 S. Argyle Ave., Fresno

SAM KRIKORIAN

Mid Term Convention Chairman



Grand Master's Message

Brother Trexmen:

The Grand Chapter has started out with great optimism and enthusiastic encouragement. We expect and will guarantee a banner year with respect to progress.

Our goals are to streamline and make efficient all aspects and functions of the Grand Chapter. Some of our major goals are as follows:

1. Modernizing and legalizing the Grand Chapter By-laws.
2. Coinciding subordinate Chapter and Grand Chapter elections.
3. Review our present system for computing the Achievement Award.
4. Seek to establish an Attendance Award encouraging attendance at business meetings.
5. Consider an Executive Secretary to provide a permanent and individual address for the day to day business of the Fraternity.
6. Investigate the use of a computer to log all of the Grand Chapter records.
7. Make available to any Chapter the guidance needed to make our Junior Trex system an intricate part of our fraternal system.

Of these and other goals we will be looking for your support, solicit your suggestions and appreciate each of your comments in "Making It Happen.... Together."

Fraternally Yours

JOE G. KELLEJIAN
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Capitol

A hearty Congratulations to our new Governor George "Duke" Deukmajian from all the Capitol Brothers in his recent Victory. I'm sure all the Armenians throughout the State wish him the best of success in his term of office. This Assoc. Editor has had the privilege of covering the Duke for the past twelve years as a Senator in the State Capitol in many news events and bills he has carried through the Senate Chambers. Now, I get the pleasure of filming him as our first Armenian Governor. The Duke will be the sixth Governor I have covered for Television News in the past 30 years as of Jan, 3, 1983. Starting with Gov. Earl Warren, Knight, Pat Brown, R. Reagan, J. Brown.



Alan Khatoonian, Master

The last six months of the year has been very exciting for our brothers in the northern part of the state, with our annual July picnic. 130 people served, huge success thanks to Bros. Vernon Shahbazian and Chuck Mooradian. Bro. Greg Soligian hosted a fine Patio Party at his home in August. Bro. Chuck Mooradian and Rod Jorjorian again chaired a very nice Stag Outing in Lake Tahoe in September, always a fun spot during the year. And who can forget our wonderful understanding wives if we didn't give them a dinner as we usually do in November. Thanks to Bro. Leon Hagopian.

Bro. Aram Jorjorian was hospitalized recently for throat surgery, doing well. Bro. Harry Sweet Nov. 18, also spent a few days in the hospital having an Intraocular Lens implant in his left eye. Home recuperating for six weeks.

The Capitol Chapter began a new era a few months ago. We changed the General meeting place to the Sacramento Inn. We meet the first Wednesday of each month. We have dinner with the Bros. at 6:30 at 8:00 p.m. is our meeting. Bro. Harold Soligan is the new chairman of the sunshine committee.

Congratulations to Master Alan Khatoonian and our other 1982 officers for a successful term in office. A job well done.

Harry Sweet Assoc. Editor



Rod Jorjorian, Capitol



Paul Artian, Capitol



Charles Mooradian, Capitol

Peninsula

Hi Brothers,

A little news from the Peninsula Chapter. Just about every member was away on a trip this past year. The Earl Saroyan's to Hyeastan; Cazanjian's to London and Mideast; the Garabedian's and Krikorian's to the Orient; Harold Steele and his beautiful wife to the East then to Alaska; Andy Amerian and his wife Stella to Australia; the Oscar Donoian's a month in Mexico. Jack Marderosian touring the mideast to B.C. then flying to the southeast to watch his son-in-law's purebreed auction (once a meat man always a meat man). Bro. Past Grand Master Ed Sarouhan couldn't take a vacation because he had to learn how to play gold. Kip Garabedian is now Credit manager for Davong Systems Inc. Bro. George Solakian elevated to the position of Director of Manufacture of Intersil Systems, must be an important job, he is playing golf two and three times a week.

Celebrity News:

Over 700 attendees from thruout the world were present. Over 90 technical papers were presented on state of the art technology.

In addition there were over 50 exhibitors who displayed the latest electronic equipment and services.

The symposium chairman was our Bro. Andy Nalbandian who is also one of the 18 directors of this world-wide society.

It is acknoleged by all that some of the basic underlying conditions causing the formation of the Triple X Society some 60 years ago have changed or disappeared. Today Armenians are better educated, can and do belong to non Armenian organizations, and have more social outlets. While the Triple X Society continues to provide Armenian fellowship this need is not as urgent as it once was, particularly for the second and third generation Armenians. If the Triple X Society is to have a greater appeal to the Armenian community and attract our youth, it must change with the times and fill new needs. We have no long range plan of community service. What service is done is sporadic, relatively insignificant and not very visible to the Armenian community. The Peninsula Chapter Board of Directors recommends the following resolutions be officially adopted by the chapter and if possible by the entire Fraternity:

Resolved: That the Triple X make a commitment for non-political non-sectarian sponsorship and active promotion of Armenian youth activities to keep our youth together, involved with our community and proud of their Armenian heritage.

Resolved: That the Triple X provide meaningful support to the Armenian Community in needed areas. Specifically it is resolved that the Triple X Pieninsula Chapter support the establishment of

the Northern California Armenian Home for the Aged. This support shall be a major committment on a continuous permanent basis not only to help the home but to provide regular financial assistance in a visible manner similar to what is presently done for the Fresno and Los Angeles Armenian Homes. Pursuant to the above, it is recommended that the Peninsula Triple X Chapter pledge \$1,000.00 for expenses of the Armenian Orchestral concert planned by Bro. Ed Minasian who asked for our support for this worthy effort at our November 1982 Meeting.

Resolved: That the Triple X Peninsula Chapter will make known the above commitments to the Armenian community, will promote and solicit support and maintain a highly visible profile in it's community service efforts.

Brother Ace Paul



Bros. Ed & his pipe Serouhan and Jack Mardirosian

CALENDAR OF SUMMER EVENTS:

Peninsula Chapters 16th Annual Golf Tournament, June 12th 1983, Sunday 11:30 a.m. at Pasiempo Golf Course, Santa Cruz.

Peninsula Chapters 26th Annual Charity Shish Kebab Picnic, Sunday September 11, 1983, 12:30 to 7:30 at beautiful Cuesta Park, Mountain View.

NOTICE

Deadline for articles and pictures for the Fall issue of the Trex News is July 15, 1983.

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Fresno

The last 6 months has seen some flashes of the great days from the past 61 years. Our strength are from the members who have belonged to our Fraternity over the years. We salute you all, keep coming back.

Brother Past Master Karlo Demoorjian did it again. The Fresno Chapter hosted an Old Timer Dinner with Karlo as Chairman. It was a night to remember for 99 members that showed up. We gave 25 and 50 year plaques to Harry Adanalian, Jack Aloojian, Leo Aloojian, Lousander A. Markarian, Charles Maroot, Kay Paul, Arthur Rustigian, Michael Sohigian, Arsen Chooljian, and Arthur Janigain, What a Head Table! Each got up and told of their year and what the Fraternity meant to them. It was a night to remember. I think even the wives would be proud of us, we put our card playing aside and just enjoyed the good company. We are thinking of making it an Annual Event. Good Job Karlo, you may be Chairman each year, too.

Our Christmas party was great again this year. This is a day the Fraternity just gives thanks to our families who are patient all year long. A hard working committee headed by our Master Mihron



John Topalian-Santa Claus



Robert Juskalian, Harry Adanalian and son Bill.



Some of the Chooljian Klan: Leo, Arsen, Mike and Kenneth.



Al Hagobian ans sons - Jeff and Dennis.



Michael Sohigian and Master Mihron Gaston at plaque presentation night.

Gaston. Brother Gaston knocked himself out with the meal. Brother Karlo and Arthur Demoorjian kept things going smoothly. Charles Amasalian as the Clown, John Topalian as Santa Claus. All the good children got gifts of toys from Santa.

We were all saddened by the death of our brother Andy Boyajian who did much to make us all happy. We have honored Andy by naming the kitchen, "Andy's Kitchen".

We are all looking forward to a great year with our California Governor. Also just a reminder, Dinky Creek is just down the road. 1983 should be a great year for all Trex-Men.

Fraternally yours
Paul Katchadourian
Associate Editor

Selma

The gold color of the Selma Banner is especially bright this year. This Chapter begins its fiftieth year. Celebration events will happen throughout the 1983 year. We hope to continue for another fifty years.

Continuing our fine record of public service, we have provided a drinking fountain at the Roeding Park Zoo. This water dispenser will be for human animals. This fine accomplishment is the work of Brother Freddie Markarian the Brother Master Vahe Simonian shown here dedicating the fountain with zoo director Dr. Paul Chaffee.

The waters of Lake Tahoe were especially clear for the brothers who were the guests of Brother Ron Cloud and Steve Cloud at the Cal Neva Lodge. This was the largest group visiting the lake in the history of this event. Not only did the Clouds provide accommodations, but also a sumptuous hors d'oeuvre party on Saturday night. Brother Jake Kevorkian's proper planning made the entire weekend a treat.

The Selma and Sequoia Chapters held a joint dinner meeting. The event was a big success with a good time for all. The group stopped at Brother Art Kandarian's home for refreshments. The dinner meeting was held in Yettem, California.

Minstrels and merry makers were at the year end Christmas party. Jugglers and jokers entertained after a fine dinner prepared by Brother Don Attoian and the Kitchen committee. The children were prepared for the man in red by Brother Charles Garabedian. Co-chairmen, Bros. Jack Ouzounian and Don Attoian put on a memorable event.

Our 1983 officers were installed by Bro. Grand Master Joe Kellejian, Jr., at a gala installation dinner dance on January 15.

The 1983 officers are Master York Boyajian, Junior Master Charles S. Poochigian, Recording Secretary Bruce Ekmanian, Treasurer Abby Mamigonian, Associate Editor Harry Donobedian, Corresponding Secretary Peter Cholakian, Historian Gregory Krikor Gostanian, Custodian Nubert Baker, Auditor Robert Garabedian, and Sergeant-At-Arms Jim Markarian. New Board of Director members include Don Attoian, Jack Kazanjian, And Dennis K. Rustigian.

The Selma chapter honored its Past Grand Masters by Presenting each with a Past Grand Masters pin. Pins were presented by Grand Master Joe Kellejian, Jr., to Leo Krikorian, Vaughn Poochigian, Fred Markarian, Charles Haron, Jack Kazanjian, Kay Cloud, John Barigian, Joe Garabedian. Past Grand Master Soren Shamshoian was unable to attend the presentation Ceremony.

With Brotherly regards,
Harry Donobedian



PGM Freddie Markarian, Dr. Paul Chaffee, director of Roeding Park Zoo, and Master Vahe Simonian.



Master York Boyajian congratulates out-going Master Vahe Simonian for a successful year.



Some of our brothers at Bro. Art Kandarian's enjoying refreshments.



Art Suddjian and his trophy for best tavloo!!

San Diego

A warm welcome from San Diego!

Our year started at the Registry Hotel, where our L.A. Brothers hosted the convention. We are very proud that one of our Brothers Joe G. Kellejian, was elected to be our Grand Master. This was a historic event in that this was the first time in Triple X history that the son of a Past Grand Master, Joe C. Kellejian, was elected to this high office. Bro. Joe is very enthusiastic and we all believe his will be a very fruitful and rewarding term for everyone. At our meeting immediately after the convention our Master Bro. John Sivas fined Bro. Joe for his election and Bro. Joe declared executive privilege and reversed the fine. Rank has it's rewards!!

Bros. Joe, Greg Semerdjian and Noubar Markarian represented our chapter at the Fabulous "Tahoe Trip". We had a ball and want to express our sincere appreciation to Bro. Ron Cloud for being the perfect host. We all wish him and his family the very best of health and happiness in the years to come.



San Diego Brothers and Wives.

Our Scholarship was Awarded to Nadya Guzelemian daughter of Bro. Harry and Alice Guzelemian of Solana Beach. She was chosen from an exceptional group of applicants. Nadya has had numerous accomplishments all of which I don't have the space to list here. She is an outstanding student and we wish her the very best in Life. By the way, our next scholarship wine and cheese benefit will be June 2, at the Lomas Santa Fe Country Club. We invite everyone to come to beautiful San Diego and enjoy probably the most outstanding event of the year. We will be sending out notices and invitation as time draws near.

At our last meeting, we changed our fiscal year to match that of the Grand Chapter. The present board of officers graciously accepted (under some duress) the mandate to carry on an additional six months. Our officers are Master, Bro. John Sivas; Jr. Master, Bro. Greg Babikian; Treasurer, Bro.



Welcome Aboard!!

Vahan Serpekian; Secretary, and Good and Welfare, Bro. Brett Bardakian; Corresponding Secretary, Bro. Noubar Markarian; Sgt.-At-Arms, Bro. George Banerian. Also at the last meeting, we elected a Board of Directors which consists of the following members: Bros. Karney Ovian, Joe Zakarian, Harry Guzelemian, Master John Sivas and Bro. Brett Bardakian are the Ex Officio Members. We wish all our leaders success and patients throughout the remainder of their term.

Our Christmas Party was quite an elegant affair, held at Bro Noubar and Maida Markarian's home. The food abounded and the Liquor flowed. As usual the gift exchange was the high point of the evening. Question? Who opened and passed out Bro. Ray Saatjian's candy to everyone? No one is talking. Bro. Ray was almost in tears when he found out his candy was pilfered. Se la vi! Our entire chapter thanks Bro. Noubar and Maida for the superb hospitality.

Good and Welfare!

Bro. Joe and Mary Kellejian had their second daughter "Lindsay Marie". Bro. Greg and Zari produced a future Trexman "Gregory Charles". Since there is a shortage of male children in our organization, Bro. Greg has offered to rent out his son to anyone who needs a Boy! Bro. Dan and Jan Tevzian are expecting their first soon! Congratulations and "Atchkernit Looys" to the Kellejian, Papparigian, Semerdjian, Spanjian and Tevzian Families. Bro. Vartan Khosharian has been working in Virginia Beach, Virginia the several



Our Grand Master Joe Kellejian.

SAN DIEGO (cont.)

months and last month was at our meeting. It was nice to see him. We all wish him a great deal of success!

The miracle of the year award goes to Bro. Herb Hovey. He and several friends went fishing in Mexico (instead of coming to the Christmas Party). While out on the rough ocean, their boat turned over and they were all thrown out into the water. Bro. Herb took charge and actually saved one of his buddies. After Thirty-two hours in the water, they were finally rescued. A very tragic incident turned into a very happy Christmas to Herb and his family and to all the Brothers. Bro. Herb has now been declared our fishing commissioner.

Last but not least Bro. Kurk is Back! Bro. Rich Kurkjian, who has been residing in Tucson, Arizona, has relocated to San Diego. We are all very happy to have him back.

We wish to welcome into our Fraternity our newest Brother Melkon Markarian. I Believe Mel will be one of our most active and Enthusiastic Brothers.



Grand Master Joe and Mary Kellejian.

Our calendar is full of outstanding events. We are Planning a dinner to honor our Past Masters in Lieu of an installation. This is a way to show our Appreciation to these men who have been instrumental in our growth and success. A ski stag is being planned for Lake Tahoe and also one to Mammoth if the earthquakes don't destroy it first. Our Resident "Ski Bums" Also are going to ski Sierra Summit during the Midterm weekend. As I mentioned before our Super wine and cheese is planned for June. I can go on and on but "He is a wise man who knows when to stop". So I will stop.

On behalf of everyone in San Diego, I want to wish All the Brothers and their ladies a joyous, Prosperous and healthful New Year. See you all at the Midterm in Fresno.

Fraternally,

Greg Semerdjian, M.D.
Editor

Mt. Diablo

With cymbals clashing, drums rolling, trumpets blaring and a marching band in full regalia we had our installation of officers for 1983. The following Brothers, all men of impeccable character and fine, upstanding gentlemen, will lead our Chapter toward new horizons and greater achievements.

Master: George Arkelian, Jr. Master: Steve Noroian. Recording Secretary: Charles Kezerian, Corresponding Secretary: Vaughn Mazmanian, Treasurer: Seno Garabedian, Sargeant-At-Arms: John Dichian, Custodian: George Injayan, Historian: Levon Arkelian, Advisor: Shavarsh Hazarabedian, Associate Editor Al Kaljian.

Our collective thanks to Bro. P.M. Shavarsh Hazarabedian for the masterful control and leadership he displayed as our Master in 1982, and to his Executive Committee, many of whom have graciously agreed to serve again this year.

Also, a standing ovation to Bros. Jonathan Gaule and Mel Najarian for their chairmanship of another outstanding Christmas party. When these two Brothers take the responsibility of chairing an event you know it will be done properly.

Good News Department: Bro. Vic Vasgerdsian is feeling much better and is on the road to recovery.

Brotherly love Dept.: Bro. Armen Boyd, in the true Christian spirit, led a contingent of Brothers to Bro. Garo Keadjian's store and, because they were worried at the lack of customers within, marched in front with handmade placards proclaiming "Diamonds—One-half Off". To express his sincere gratitude Bro. Garo offered to buy their lunch, preferably at MacDonalds in Milpitas. Our intrepid Brothers, concerned that they would be absent from their posts for such a long length of time decided to dine at a posh Mongolian Bar-B-Que palace as, unbeknownst to him, Garo's guests. When they presented their bill for their small repeat to Bro. Garo he went into such a state of shock that he forgot to thank his benefactors for their concern about his business and even confiscated their sign. He asks, nay, pleads, that they go and 'help' his competitors. For some reason, he didn't think it helped his business to have such dissolute and seedy looking characters parading in front of his store. Oh well, so much for the Christmas spirit.

We welcome with pride...Our newly inducted members, Bro. Jack Mooradian and Bro. Jack Isaacs, D.D.S. We also welcome Bro. Richard Hagopian to our Chapter, a transferee from one of our sister Chapters. Three more very fine gentlemen are added to our roster.

To continue My Diatribe...or...As I was Saying before I was so rudely interrupted...Who is responsible for saddling us with the misnomer "Associate Editor"? An editor is one who edits,

Los Angeles

The Los Angeles Chapter had the pleasure of hosting Grand Master Joe Kellejian and his charming wife Mary at the annual Los Angeles Chapter Installation of Officers held on January 23, 1983. The gala event was held in the Penthouse of the Hyatt LAX overlooking the Los Angeles, San Diego, and Fresno Skyline. Also present were Grand Chapter Members Greg Semerdjian, Steve Lazarian, and our own Greg Avedesian who served as Master of Ceremonies. Over 124 1/2 Brothers, wives, and girlfriends (some brought both) observed the Grand Master administer the oath of office to the new executive board. Past Master Richard Jebejian Jr., thanked his outgoing board for a good job in 1982 and presented the new master with the original Los Angeles Charter

MT. DIABLO (cont.)

who oversees the preparation of a periodical for publication, one who compiles, arranges and emends. One who is in charge of a publication. How, by any stretch of the imagination, do any of the contributing reporters qualify under these term? or is it to assuage our egos by giving us a title? Spare us from that! Perhaps, at one time, an earlier Editor of the Grand Chapter decided to glorify the status of reporter and give it the grandiose title of "Associate Editor". Now that we have left those juvenile days and are proceeding (hopefully) to more mature and erudite thinking isn't it time we dropped this foolish non sequiter? We are what we are. No more, no less. We report, the Editor, edits.

For those of you who may consider putting your thoughts and ideas into writing and submitting them for publication in this News...**Caution!** Your rights, as guaranteed by the Constitution of the United States, to freedom of the press may be abrogated by the Grand Chapter of the Triple X Fraternity, who in all their wisdom, may fine you for expressing an opinion or making a suggestion. Your suggestions will be ignored and a passing phase may draw their eye. Protect yourself! Write innocuous little articles. Don't use words such as 'innocuous'. Write only about what goes on in your own Chapter. Ignore the Fraternity as a whole and don't try to promote discourse between Chapters. Don't step on the toes of the "Old Guard". Remember their battle cry, "Don't Change! stagnate!" Don't think that you, in your little corner of this world, may help to up-grade this periodical so that some of our learned Brothers may contribute articles of interest about our cultural background and history. After all, being of Armenian descent is, in itself, the final criteria.

Finally, if you fail to my advice use a nom-de-plume, a pseudonym, an alias or a fake name.

But I remain,
Al Kaljian

which was executed in 1928.

Brother Marx Kamashian celebrated his 50th birthday that night with the entire attendance singing best wishes. Brother Joe Adanian was presented his 50 year pin which was quite an honor. The 1983 executive board consists of:

Sass Bedig.....Master
Vasgan SolakianJr. Master
Dave MaseredjianTreasurer
Gabe KaprelianRecording Secretary
Mike ArzoumanSargeant-At-Arms
Pete AdanianCorresponding Secretary

Brother Master Sass presented Brother Richard with his Past Master Pin. Special thanks to Brothers Ralph Barzekoff and Vasgan Solakian for planning such a fine evening.

Everyone danced to the outstanding music of The Armenian Echoes Orchestra whose dunbeg and clarinet players are none other than the infamous Mike Arzouman and John Elmassian. Brother Master Sass announced that any non Los Angeles member is welcome to join us at our next dinner meeting which will feature all the Lamb Shanks you can eat. Business Meetings are held on the first Wednesday of the month.

Some of our past activities included our annual wives night out at The Burbank Studio where we dined to a fine dinner and then previewed a major motion picture. Our thanks to Brothers Steve Papazian, Herb Elmassian and wife Roxie. The Ararat Home picnic was held in August on the home grounds with over 1500 people attending. The Los Angeles Brothers worked diligently all day in setting up and serving all who attended. Over \$22,000.00 was donated to the home. Brothers Kay Hovesejian, Richard Jebejian Jr., and Ralph Barzekoff are to be commended for their outstanding efforts. Special thanks to Hagop Michaelian who was observed on January 16 still cleaning the grounds.

The annual Labor Day Convention was hosted by the Los Angeles Chapter in '82. Friday's affair offered a spectacular all night mezza while people danced to the music of The John Bilezikjian Ensemble. All 500 plus people had an excellent time. We were fortunate to have on Saturday The Richard Hagopian Band and the Preservation of Big Bands orchestra. The Sunday night affair was a huge success which featured Guy Chukurian. All and all over 2000 members attended Friday, Saturday and Sundays events including the golf, tennis, gin, tavloo, and dance contests. Our special thanks to all of you Brothers who supported our convention.

The Los Angeles Triple X Film Actors Workshop is available for all of you motion picture requirements. This is a group of dedicated men who will document portions of anyone's colorful past in their own sick and perverted way. For further information, you may contact the most sick and perverted among us: it was a tie—Lee Neshanian or Greg Avedesian.

Sequoia

On January 8, 1983, the Sequoia Chapter Triple X Fraternity had their Installation Banquet at Sevan's Restaurant in Selma with close to 100 in attendance.

Our newly installed Master, Chuck Simonian stated that he was looking forward to a very successful year with the help and support of the new slate of officers.

Outgoing Chairman, Harry Kargenian, expressed his thanks to the brothers for their support and guidance in the past year and accepted a plaque from Past Grand Master Moses Ametjian for his services.

The newly elected slate of officers are: Master-Chuck Simonian; Junior Master-Brother Greg Davidian; Recording Secretary-Brother Joe Kalashian; Corresponding Secretary-Brother Aron Margosian; Treasurer-Brother Archie Zakarian; Auditor-Brother Ron Sanoian; Sergeant-At-Arms -Sark Davidian; Editor-Brother George Ekizian; Custodian-Mike Cholakian.

Among the dignitaries honored were Grand Master Joe Kellejian; Grand Secretary Steve Lazarian; Past Grand Masters Moses Ametjian and Dick Ekizian.

Grand Master Joe, was very happy to see such a large number of Brothers and their wives present for this occasion and expressed his enthusiasm in serving the Fraternity in 1983. He also stated that the Triple X fraternity has been an important foundation in his life and was thankful for the fellowship that he has experienced throughout the years.

Editor: George Ekizian

What can I say after I say "Greetings and Salutations from The Chapter of the Sequoias"?

As the year draws to a close I look back on what has happened and what we all have to be thankful for.

Being an agricultural area, we started by all the tomato growers having a financially good year.



Ladies night at Bro. Harry Davidian's home.



Other dignitaries enjoying the evening Left to Right were Brothers George Ekizian; Michael Tellian; Harry Davidian; John Hovannisian and Charlie Ananian.

Bros. Harry Davidian, Mike Mikaelian, Serge and Charles Ananian, Greg Davidian, Vaughn Ananian are all smiles and were smiling as they made their daily deposits at Lloyds Bank.

Poor Raisin Growers weren't so lucky as their raisins got washed clean as they lay on the ground. Thank God for insurance.

Bros. Sark Davidian and Abe Kazarian were in charge of our Annual Stag held in Bro. Mose Ametjian's restaurant and as usual these two Bros. do a bang up job. Thanks.

As the year came closer to Christmas, Bros. Charles and Serge Ananian put together our Christmas party, with tree, Santa, kids, food, gifts and what more can I say?



Newly elected Master Chuck Simonian Proudly displays his gavel.

Get well wishes to Bro. Joe Donabed and wife Barbara for their baby daughter. Speedy recovery from all of us Bros.

Glad to see Bro. Amos Margosian up and around after his surgery. He must be feeling better, I see him running up and down the orchards raising cane with his workers, and retaining his healthy appetite!

Congratulations to Bro. Chuck Simonian and wife Vicky on the arrival of their baby girl.

Bro. Basil Perch running around Cutler trying to put up a Butler Building Packing Shed For Bro. Greg Davidian.

Big surprise and glad to see Bros. Sirag

Kalfayan attending more meetings, wish Past Grand Master Dick Ekizian Would get back into the swing of it.

Bro. Mike Mikaelian must have a big source of money, he keeps buying more land while all of us brother farmers say we're going broke. These words being spoken from new pickups or Cadillacs!

The bowling team is really tearing up the lanes. They're almost in first place. Bros. on the team are: Sark Davidian, Sam Kutumian, Master Harry Kargenian, Serge Ananian, Charles Ouzunian and Mike Cholakian.

"Chem Key Der" what else to write about.

As this will be my last edition, I would like to thank Mike Cholakian for his support and help. I thoroughly enjoyed it and wish Bro. George good luck in the coming years!

From all the Bros. in the Sequoia Chapter, we would like to send greetings for health, happiness and a prosperous New Year to all our Bros. throughout the sister Chapters.

I'll start reminding you now that the 1984 Convention is being planned to be held for the first time in Visalia. Can't tell too much but you old timers know whatever Sequoia Chapter does, "It's first class". Like one of our Bros. says, "Shoot It All and Show Class". Convention Chairman is Bro. Harry Krikorian.

"For things to do and much much more. Close your house, lock your door, get in your car, come to Visalia" — in '84.

John Davidian
Associate Editor



Xmas party Chairmen, Bros Serge & Charlie Ananian, Twins?



Dignitaries Honored Left to Right—Past Grand Masters Dick Ekizian; Moses Ametjian and Grand Master Joe Kellejian.



(Left to Right) Grand Master Joe Kellejian; Grand Secretary Steve Lazarian; and Master Chuck Simonian.

Sequoia Jr's

Just a bit of news on the where abouts and antics of the Sequoia Jr. Trexman. Things are running quite smoothly for us ever since the brothers got together in our friendly annual football game with the Selma Jrs. Now without going into great detail we are happy to report that it was a victorious effort. Of course, we were blessed with the accurate passing of Bro. Dave Yahnian and the tenacious defense of Bro. Jim Zerounian. I would have to say that skill, knowledge, determination, and the Fraternity's largest lineman, Kay Hagopian, were just too much for the Selma Brothers. Bro. Bryan Tahmazian eat your heart out.

We've had a couple of dinner meetings since the convention which also went quite well. In dealing with a situation such as a dinner meeting, there is always the problem of where to eat, but not for us. The nearest Smorgasborg will suffice. Gluttony and all its form. It would be a gross understatement if we said that we didn't like to eat. The Meetings? yes, they were more than productive as usual.

We'd like to congratulate our newest member, Bro. Kevin Mikaelian, who was inducted at our



The 1983 Sequoia Jr. Tres Racing Team. #33 Bro. Mike Derderian, #97 Bro. Bryan Yahnian, #68 Bro. Bryan Ananian, & #56 Bro. Jim Zerounian.

last meeting in December. No hard feelings Kevin?

We are also happy to say that we have again been blessed with a fine new executive body. It consists of Bro. Jim Zerounian as Master. Yes this is the same young man that nearly single handedly brought Selma Jrs. to their knees in that memorable football contest. Bro. Bryan Ananian holds the office of Junior Master. Bro. Bryan also double as our Komicozi go cart driver on our racing team which, by the way is doing quite well. Bro. Mike Derderian stands as our corresponding secretary. Bro. Mike has just finished up a colorful career as Reedley City College's star Full Back. Bro. Richard Toumouzian is our Recording Secretary. Legibility of handwriting isn't one of Bro. Richard's greatest assets, but when it comes to efficiency, he's tops. Bro. Pete Babagian is our acting treasurer. Bro. Pete would have done nearly anything to get the chance to be in charge of the Sequoia Jr. Mint.



After a meeting at Bro. Mike Derderian's house. (Bottom, from left to right) Bro. Pete Babagian, Bro. Jim Zerounian, Bro. Richard Tamouzian, Bro. Jack Barsamian, Bro. Bryan Ananian. (Top, from left to right) Bro. Mike Tamouzian, Bro. Bryan Yahnian, Bro. Kay Hagopian, Bro. Mike Derderian, Bro. Richard Yahnian.



The Orange County Juniors enjoy steak dinner at the home of Bros. Gary Kory and Kris Kazarian. Left to Right: Larry Sherman, Dilly Eordekian, Bobby Ohanian, Kory Kazarian, Allen Antoyan, Gary Kazarian, Kris Kazarian.

Orange County Juniors

Fraternal greetings to all of our Triple X brothers and their families. We hope each and every one of you had a holiday season filled with happiness.

The Orange County Juniors all had a splendid Christmas Season. We celebrated by having a Christmas party at which over two hundred guests enjoyed music and dance.

We are very happy to report that the Orange County Juniors have a new member! The chapter now has a whipping seven active members, with Kris Kazarian, Brother of Bros. Gary and Kory Kazarian, becoming a member at the September '82 convention. We are excited about having Kris in the Fraternity.

By the way, thanks, Los Angeles Chapter, for an excellent convention. We had full attendance and we all thought it was fantastic. The Registry Hotel was a perfect place for the convention.

And speaking of conventions, we are looking forward to the September '83 Convention hosted by our Oakland Bros. We keep hearing rumors about how special this one is going to be. We're anticipating a great turnout for this one.

Our Super Raffle '82 drawing was held on Labor day '82. Winners were: fine watch to Bro. Doug Taylor of Oakland, \$100 to Bro. Charles Parigian of Los Angeles, \$50 to Bro. Ed Betkejian of Los Angeles, Set of smack tables to Mary Melikian of Huntington Beach, Dinner for two to Bro. Carl Harzarian of Orange County.

We were able to give proceeds of the raffle to the Ararat Home of Los Angeles in the amount of \$441.00 for use in the expansion of its fine services.

Our sincere thanks to those who supported us in our endeavors. We really do appreciate the fine support given us by the Armenian community.

The Orange County Juniors' officers for 1983 are: Master-Cory Kazarian, Jr. Master-Allen Antoyan, Treasurer-Gary Kazarian, Secretary-Kris Kazarian, Sargeant-At-Arms-Bobby Ohanian, and Historian-Billy Eordekian.

We are looking forward to seeing you all next Labor Day at the convention in Oakland.



The Orange County Jr. Bros. enjoy brunch in Newport Beach with friends.

Oakland

The Oakland Chapter is happy to welcome two transferees from the Mt. Diablo Chapter—Nubar Tashjian and back into the fold, past master, John Chorbajian. Now John can join Andy Avakian, Jack Dorian, Charles Hazarian, Hal Magarian and Jim Taylor, Jr., in being in the same chapter as their sons.

We were very pleased to have Dr. Leo Soogian attend our August meeting. Brother Leo doesn't get out very often, and the members enjoyed his fellowship. Brother Jim Taylor, Jr., presented him with a plaque honoring him for his past services. We thank Brother John Michaels for getting Doc Leo to come.

Our Valley Stag late in September was a success; however, it was not quite the same without the Raiders. But, the members who participated had a great time. Our members always look forward to meeting with the Fresno Brothers. We were honored to present to brother Al Kalakian his 50 year plaque — a long time to be a Trexman.

Hon and Marion Michaels hosted our annual Christmas party. Master-elect Siy Ekizian and PGM Ralph Boghosian were the primary outdoor cooks and Marion Michaels and Rose Ekizian were the main indoor cooks. Our younger members, Jeff Hazarian and his wife Karen, Russ



Al Kalakian—50 years a Trexman



Bro. Siy takes over

Hazarian, Jim Taylor III, and Rick Magarian were there to keep the "old timers" in line. We had a marvelous time—good food, good conversation and good friends.

Brother Ralph Boghosian received some excellent publicity in the Oakland papers by his attendance at the Governor's Inaugural Ball: Pictures and all—nice going, Ralph.

Brother Bob Shahbazian is mending nicely following his operations for a congenital blood vessel defect in his brain. We almost lost Bob, but he is coming along well.

The newly elected officers for 1982-83 are:
 MasterSiy Ekizian
 Jr. MasterHarold Koojoolian
 Recording Sec.Jim Taylor, III
 Corresponding Sec.Jim Taylor, Jr.
 TreasurerJeff Hazarian
 Sargeant-At-ArmsAndy Avakian
 CustodianDoug Taylor
 Assoc. EditorHal Magarian

Work is well under way on **Bay Spree in '83**. The Edgewater Hyatt in Oakland is doing all it can to make the Triple X Convention a memorable affair. Brother Charles Hazarian, Convention chairman, has been busy with his committees. You'll be hearing from Brother Jim Taylor, Jr., soon regarding ads for the booklet. Brother Jaff Hazarian is working on details regarding registration; Brother Harry Sherinian and Jim Taylor III are working on the Friday night and Sunday night events. Brother Hal Magarian is doing the publicity. **Save the dates and plan for the Bay Spree in '83.**



Christmas Party



Bro. Ed Minasian comes to visit

Golden Gate

Heh, Heh, Heh, Heh.

No, those are not excerpts from the jollity of a eunuch Santa, but the echoes of an amused Invisible Scourge who appeared at the Golden Gate Chapter's annual Halloween party which took place in Sark and Anne Sarkissian's house. (This opening is not to far fetched. The report is due Jan. 15th and I am due to take up my other activities around then so, I am writing long before then.)

Was a fun party. Costume prizes were given out to matched pairs: the Best all-around costume, to Varouj and Rosine Gostanian who were dressed as Cesar and Cleopatra, or in the likeness of their elegant contemporaries; the most scary costume prize went to Herb and Lillian Donabedian, the former outfitted as Count bracula; and the most amusing prize to Vince and Genny Levon who came as Edgar Bergen and Charlie MacCartney, or vice versa. The prize for the most shabby costume—if there was one a prize I mean might have gone to yours truly's hodge podge of junk depicting one's position in the Chapter.

I was the only one who had to maintain sobriety so as not to miss a beat for this report. The only other person working at the party was Bro. Jack Saroyan who appeared as the primum professional, but this year found equal competition in his wife Marie.



The Levons incognito — "Edgar Bergen and Charlie McCarthy".



Master Vartan has everything under control at Halloween Party.

The Halloween party was held one week before its calendar date in order to avoid conflict with a Bazaar. The Trex Chapter seems to be alone amongst the Armenian groups in the Bay area in being sensitive to such considerations.

Before, during, and after the Halloween party Bro. Jack Saroyan was a hardworking and exemplary campaigner, and we all know that his efforts and the efforts of many other dedicated individuals like him paid off during the recent elections.



Golden Gate chapter brothers.

Obligate to choose between two coincident events, I missed the Master's Xmas party. The reports I have received make me suspect that I made the wrong choice. But Vartan will be Master again, and there will be other Xmas Parties.

The rest of the half-year since the last report presented the chapter with an opportunity, adroitly grasped, and the most memorable picnic of all picnics.

The opportunity: To make a small bundle without hardly moving a finger. The Chapter sponsored the local showing of "The 40 Days of Musa Dagh." We thank Bro. Ed Minassian and film producer John Kurkjian for favoring us with their largesses which was up for grabs, few strings attached. Few GG members relented. Further thanks to the Mt. Diablo Chapter—Bro. Al Kaljian, Associate Editor.



Bros. Anoushavan Kasparian (r) and Levon Saghatelian smile and wish that money was always so easy to make.

The picnic: A great turnout of 150. The weather too. The food — you guessed it shish kebab, etc. was plentiful, though ice was not, and was very much in need. As for the place—I am keeping it a secret so it does not get spoiled, but it was far enough from the Bay to give the trip a sense of adventure, it was close enough so one didn't spend the day driving back and forth; it was isolated enough to make one feel separated from much of the rest of the world, it had enough trees, hills and a large lake with just enough fish to keep George Atashkarian hopeful until sunset, and it was deep enough in the hills to shelter us from the radiation being scattered by the labs in Livermore. Bros. Ara Sahakian and Archie Azizian had chose a magnificent spot, and had organized the picnic well. I can hardly wait till next August.

Speaking of freshness - the chapter welcomed Rodney Boghosian from the Juniors. That makes four transfers from the Jr. Trex now. The new initiates have brought with them some indication of how lively the junior chapters must have been. It is all for the good. Bro. Kaljian is right.

Fraternally yours,
H. Jack Aslanian
Associate Editor



Associate Editor, Front.



Associate Editor, Back.



The Robert Balian Team.

Orange County

The Orange County brothers want to thank the Los Angeles Chapter for a great convention at the Registry Hotel.

Thanks to Bro. Wayne Najarian for planning a fun filled night at the Los Alamitos Quarter Horse Races. The 7th race was named the Orange County Triple X in our honor.

Upcoming events for '83 are: Spring Dance to be held June 4 and our Annual Picnic in July.

Our Slate of officers from 1982 have been carried over to 1983. Thanks to Bro. Master Ed Karagozian and your officers for extending your tour of duty.

Thanks too to Bro. Ed Garakian for a job ell done as Good & Welfare Chairman.

Looking forward to seeing all of you at the Mid Term in March.

Fraternally
Haig Jamgotchian





LOS ANGELES JUNIOR TREX: (Back row) Mark Boranian; Mihran Bouchakian, Sgt-at-Arms; Gary Neshanian; Sr. Greg Shamlan; Mark Mikaelian, Master; Van Kouzoujian; Jeff Baderian, Junior Master; Steve Hampar; Kenny Gorvetzian, Cor. Sec.; Sr. Mike Arzouman; Sr. Dave Maseredjian. (Front row) John Yaldezian; Mark Goshgarian; Mark Der Estephanian; Stephan Miakelian; Gregg Kludjian, Treasurer; Haig Movsesian. (Not shown) Robert Hastigian, Rec. Sec.; Dave Keligian; Glenn Merlian; Dale Chakoudian; Deron Petoian; Mark Eskigian; Rob Tatilian. Sponsor: Sr. Greg Partamian.



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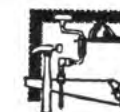
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