



# TREX NEWS

Triple X Fraternity

## 59th Annual Convention

*September 2, 3, 4, 1988*

**Hotel Meridien**

San Francisco, California

### Friday, September 2, 1988

- ★ REGISTRATION — 2 p.m. - 6 p.m.
- ★ HOSPITALITY NIGHT — 6:30 p.m. Reception
- ★ BUFFET DINNER — 8 p.m. - 10 p.m.
- ★ ARMENIAN DANCING — 'till 1 a.m.

### Saturday, September 3, 1988

- ★ REGISTRATION 12 noon - 6 p.m.
- ★ GOLF TOURNAMENT — Harding Park  
Call Herb Donabedian (415) 593-6520
- ★ HYELAND FLING — 9:00 p.m. - 1  
Cabernet I, II — The Heros Band - The San Francisco Sound

### Sunday, September 4, 1988

- ★ BREAKFAST 8:00 - 10:00 a.m. (Cabernet III  
Surprise in store for you!, Business Meeting
- ★ WHAT'S YOUR STYLE BREAKFAST BOUTIQUE  
10:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. — Cabernet Ballroom
- ★ GRAND BALL DINNER DANCE (Cabernet Ballroom)  
Reception 6:30 p.m.; Dinner 7:30 p.m.; Dancing 9 p.m.

## Grand Master's Message



Dear Brothers:

As I have visited the various chapters of our Fraternity over the past year, my respect and love have been confirmed repeatedly for each of you.

I wish to thank all the Chapters for the warmth and hospitality extended to my wife, Alice and I.

I know the Founding Fathers would be proud of what our Fraternity has accomplished over the years.

Looking forward to seeing you all in San Francisco for our 59th Convention.

Fraternally yours  
**MIKE "Chaks" CHAKALOZIAN**  
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## Golden Gate



59th Annual Convention Hosts

The 59th Annual Convention is here!!! The city of San Francisco and the members of the Golden Gate Chapter eagerly await your arrival. For a weekend of conviviality — **Friday Hospitality Night** — cocktails from 6:30 p.m., buffet dinner from 8 - 10 p.m., and Armenian dancing 'til 1 p.m. Pre-registered members will have a chance to win two dinners at SF's best French restaurant The Pierre, located in The Hotel Meridien.

**Saturday Golf Tournament** — Reserved at Harding Park, 100 starting times for men/women. Each player will receive three golf balls. If you plan to arrive a few days before the convention to play golf, contact Golf Commissioner Herb Donabedian (415) 593-6520 **NOW** to get starting times at the California Country Club and the Olympic Club.

**Saturday Night Hyeland Fling** — dance to the exciting Armenian and American music of the Heros Band. **Sunday's What's Your Style Breakfast Boutique** — from 10 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. - a morning of food, fun, and fashion with a flair. **Saturday Night Dinner Dance** — (black tie optional) to cap off a glorious convention weekend, dance to the big band sound of the Jimmy Diamond Orchestra.

## GG CHAPTER NEWS

Thirty three XXX men, wives and children watched the Giants sweep the Mets with a win of five to one at Candlestick Park. Listed on the stadium marquee was a big welcome sign for the Golden Gate Chapter. Future trexman Darin Sarkisian aged 3 (see photo) attended with his father Ara and his grandfather PGM Sark. It was last reported that he slept through the 6th, 7th and 8th innings. Why not, the Giants had a comfortable lead. Prior to the game the Tailgate party was easily located because Chairman Dave Zovickian told everybody to look for the Armenian flag flying above his car... The world welcomed Nicholas Balian on May 13 at 9:09 a.m. — all 7 lbs. 9 oz. of him. Congrats to Robert and Annamarie.... Dan Riley is thinking of joining the Oakland Chapter because he is a die-hard A's fan. But we're keeping him away because he is such a fantastic artist (witness the Trex convention packet)... It's good to have you back in California, Jack Bousian. Although he's not in the Bay Area, he's still a Golden Gater.... Elise Kazanjian won first prize in a city wide Chinese speech contest. Now if she can only learn Armenian.... Ann and Sark Sarkisian look completely rested. Who wouldn't, after a three week Orient tour... Russell Pinomaki has given up working on Ralph and Elise's Jag because there wasn't enough money in it. He decided that selling

automotive tools was far more profitable and started his own business.... Zohrab, the brother of Haig and Hagop Chakalian, has moved to the Bay Area from Los Angeles to work with his brothers.... Congratulations go to Mardig Chakalian and Andre Samurkashian, sons of Sirapi and Hagop Chakalian and Nairi and Serop Samurkashian, who are two of the first graduating class from the Vasbouragan Jr. High in San Francisco. Trex members whose children attend the Krouzian-Zakarian School include Haig Chakalian, Setrak Soghomonian, Anoushavan Kasparian, and Levon Ishag.... Seen at the Orient Express Restaurant were Al and Aida Nalbandian and Delilah and Arshak Tchobanian. They were listening to guest speaker Dr. Vard Kazanjian at the recent Armenian Professional Society dinner... We'll see you all at the convention on Labor Day weekend in San Francisco. Don't miss it!



Women's Committee for Breakfast Boutique



Future Trexman, Darin Sarkisian surrounded by Trexmen

## Capitol

On October 10, 1987, the Armenian Assembly hosted a dinner to honor Governor George Deukmejian for his outstanding contributions to his state and our nation. This National Tribute to our fellow brother, was highlighted by Vice President George Bush, Senator Ted Kennedy, Senator Bob Dole, Mrs. Bush, and Mrs. Gloria Duekmejian. Reprint from *Journal*, Vol. 14, No. 2.

We continue to have our share of happy news and of sad news. First the sad news, because of its importance as well as reminding us of happier times.

First, we were saddened by the loss of former Brother Harry Tatosian, father of Bro. Ed Tatosian, in February, after a long illness. Bro. Harry was in the furniture business for many years, and in later life operated a horse stable in the Sacramento area with his wife.

All the brothers in Sacramento were sorry to hear about the death of Lois DePaul, widow of the late Brother Crosby DePaul, a long-time member since 1938 until his death in May 17, 1988. Lois passed away last March 28.

Another sad event to report was the passing of Mr. Yervant Ohanessian, the father of Brother Ed "Buddy" Ohanessian and the older brother of Charter Member Bro. Frank Ohanessian, on April 10 after a brief illness. Yervant, though not a member of Triple X, was one of its greatest supporters. He always showed up to help prepare the meat for Kef Night, not to mention other occa-



Ara and Ara at the tailgate party.

sions. He was certainly missed this year when we were preparing the shish kebab for Kef Night. We are all proud of Yervant Ohanessian as the patriarch of the Sacramento Armenian Community.



On June 26, Capitol Chapter lost long time member Brother Charles "Chuck Moore" Mooradian after a prolonged illness. Brother Chuck held almost every office in the Chapter, was master twice and Marshal/Custodian many times. In between his two terms as Master, he also served as Grand Marshal for the Grand Chapter.

His chairmanship of the Annual Family Picnic and of the Lake Tahoe Stag Outing occurred so many times we lost count. His ability in barbecuing meat and preparing other dishes was legend. His vigor, industry, and quick wit is sorely missed.

We extend our sympathies and condolences to the families of all the dearly departed.

K-E-F: Kef; F-U-N: Fun. That's what it was at our Annual Kef Night on Friday night, April 15 (Income Tax Night). Brother Grand Master Mike "Chaks" Chakalozian and his wife Alice were present at this activity, which is our major fund raiser of the year. Bro. Junior Master Robert Nahigian had worked hard and long on this. Every function was carefully organized and the machinery well oiled, so that nothing could go wrong, at least inside the hall, as long as the electric power did not fail (It didn't). But there was a slight challenge outside, where the shish kebab was to be prepared. 'Twas a bit windy. However, with master barbecuer Bro. Ed Tatosian in charge, a member of Sacramento's finest, we managed to get the fire going and the skewered meat barbecued — that is, "kebabbed."

The food was scrumptious, with the wives of the brothers preparing the pilaf on the stoves of the Sacramento Armenian Church. Music was provided by Andy Nalbandian and his Mid East Rhythms Combo from the San Francisco Bay Area. You should have seen the first, second and third generation Armenians (and part Armenians and non-Armenians) get in on the group dancing.

In addition to those named above, our thanks go to Brother Paul Artian and Brother Harry Sweet for the photography, to Bros. Rod Jorjorian and Jim Tashjian for obtaining and serving the beverages, for all the brothers who helped to serve and clean up, and a big thank you to the



Charles Kalian, Joe Hagopian, GM Mike "Chaks".



Kef Night.



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Kef night — Bro. Rod, Greg, Master Harry.

wives who prepared the pilaf and salad and sold raffle tickets. It should be mentioned that many people won raffle prizes ranging from a bottle of wine to a free airplane ride with Pilot Bro. Paul Artian. The end result is that more than \$2,000 is being donated for various charitable activities and scholarships.

Bro. Ed Tatosian gave his wife Terrie the "High 5" as they were blessed with their first daughter named, Anahid Doven Tatosian. What a beautiful name. She was born March 6, 1988 and weighed 8 lbs. 5 oz. We can see the headlines now: "Anahid, World Champion Horseshoe Pitcher."

We are sorry to say "good bye" to Bro. George Aghakian and his wife Mary, who recently moved to Los Angeles to be with family members. Bro. George was an asset to the Chapter. We will miss you folks.

And Congratulations are in order to Bro. Dr. Varoujan Aldebarmakian and his bride Lena. Dr. Varoujan and Lena were married May 21 in San Jose. The Doctor and his wife have settled in Fresno.

Sorry to hear about the ill health of our brothers, Jake Fathy and Peter Kludjian. We miss you at the meetings, get well, and we hope to see you soon.

We have learned that Bro. Richard Nahigian and wife Flora just bought a Mini RV motor home to start taking some long awaited trips to unexplored fishing lakes. Have fun!

Bro. Vern Shabazian and wife Sylvia just returned last June 6, from a three week trip to Europe. Spent some time in Berlin with their daughter Sandra and son-in-law Bruce.

Here is an interesting quote from Bro. Aghasi "Ivy" Ivazian reflecting his thoughts to a news reporter on Martyrs Day, April 24th, 1988. Ivy was a small boy when his parents fled Turkey for the Armenian Republic in the U.S.S.R. He stated, "With events like these, we hope to say that man's

## Sequoia

Sequoia Chapter had their installation Banquet on January 8, 1988 with Grand Master Mike Chakalozian and his wife Alice, Grand Treasurer Mooney Najarian and wife Irene, Grand Secretary Chad Chaderjian and wife Stella. There were 77 present and had a wonderful time. Bro. John Hovannisian and co-chairman Jim Zerounian were in charge at the Depot Restaurant, Visalia.

In February we participated at the world's largest farm equipment show selling Shish kebab sandwiches and all brothers helped out to be a success.

March 12, our Chapter was in charge in Mid Term Dinner serving New York Strip at Fresno Club House which was enjoyed by all chapters. Brother Art Ekizian cooked the steaks.

March 19 was Ladies Nite at George Margoians' residence, 57 attended the affair and was a great success.

April 27th we took in a new member Richard Tamouzian who was sworn in by Past Grand Master Moses Ametjian.

May 25th Dinner Meeting at the Depot Restaurant, Visalia. We also had a successful Golf Tournament.

Master John Bazarian is doing a very good job at the meeting.

In July we will have a Family Picnic and September we will have a Dove Shoot. On October 22 we will have our Harvest Festival. In December we will have Stag Nite and Christmas Party.

Harry Kargenian  
Assoc. Editor

inhumanity toward man has to end somewhere."

Bro. Arthur Tashjian and wife Helen were named "Parishioners of the Year," by the St. James Apostolic Church of Sacramento. Bro. Art and Helen were given a testimonial by Rev. Sassoon Zumrookhdian and received a Certificate of Blessings and Commendation from Archbishop Vatche Hovsepian, Primate of the Western Diocese. The Tashjians and family members were overwhelmed by the honor, and thanked everyone. Bro. Arthur looks superb as he recovers from a stroke he had several months ago. The event took place in Shirinian Hall at the Church on Sunday, May 15, 1988, during which the Church's 35th anniversary was celebrated.

Vernon Shabazian  
Harry Sweet  
Co-Associate Editors

## Peninsula

The Peninsula Chapter has had a great year. The brotherhood has been kept busy with recruiting new members, social activities and our on going philanthropic endeavors.

We would like to introduce our new members to the fraternity: Brothers Savin Paparikian, Dickran Samourkashian and Vic Khachooni. We hope you all will have a chance to meet them at the Convention.

Our 21st Annual Golf Tournament was a smashing success. The weather at Aptos Sea Scope was great. They were lots of Birdies and some Bogeys, plenty of laughs, and more than one sun burned nose. Brothers you missed a great tournament. Plan to participate next year.

On a more serious note, Brother Jack Marderosian had a triple by-pass surgery and at this writing is recovering nicely. I'm sure he would enjoy hearing from his brothers, drop him a card and keep his spirits up during his recovery.

Social activities, picnics, excursions we tried to do it all this year was great.  
See you all at the Convention

Brother Kip



Knuckle sandwich anyone?



The meeting has come to order.

## Los Angeles Jr's.

Dear Brothers:

It has been almost a full year since you heard from us last. After the convention in La Jolla, the L.A. Jr's were ready to complete the current year and begin the new.

We ended the year with our most successful Halloween Party ever. Bro. Gary Kouyoumjian was the chairman of this event and Sr. Bro. Gabe Kaprelian donated the use of his home for the party. Thanks again Gabe! Clean up for the party would have been quite a task if it were not for the wonder spot remover (hot water) which Bro. Gary Dergazarian provided. Finally, to end the year, Bro. Raymond Asher once again provided the use of his home for our second annual Christmas Party.

On January 23, 1988 we began the new year with our installation banquet. The event was attended by our Sr. Advisor Sr. Bro. Lee Neshanian and his wife Barbara. Sr. Bro. Gabe Kaprelian, and all the Jr. Bro's with their dates. That night our new Master Bro. Raymond Asher and his executive officers were installed for the new year. That evening we also said farewell to Bro's Mark Mikaelian, Jeff Baderian, Kenny Gorvetzian, and Gregg Kludjian, as they moved up to the L.A. Sr. Chapter.

The last weekend in February was saved for our 3rd Annual Ski Trip in Big Bear, where a combination of 12 Jr. and Jr. Bro's attended. Bro. Yertvart was the chairman of this event, (his name was changed to protect him). This event FORCED the Bro's to get much closer because Bro. Yertvart rented a cabin to house a maximum of 3 people.

We are continually playing the Orange County Jr's in various sports events. We played them in a friendly game of football and most recently, basketball. We declined from commenting on the

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Now that's a fine mess.



Members of Mt. Diablo chapter.

## Mt. Diablo

The Mt. Diablo Chapter has pulled together to bring about changes in the chapter's activities and makeup. With many new young members they have an energy to an already active group. Even the meeting location has changed and members now prepare meals for the dinner meetings.

### MEETING PRESENTATIONS

The February and March meetings saw guest presentations from chapter members.

At the February meeting brother Aram Boyd gave a presentation on Armenian history. Among his research he reviewed the book Armenia: Cradle of History, by David Marshall Lang. He focused his talk on King Aram, 800-900 B.C., and the Urartian Society, and early Armenian civilization. A sophisticated and cultured society the Urartian period was known for its commerce, engineering, metallurgy, and architecture. Brother Aram did a good job of covering the chronological development of Armenian history during this period.

At the March meeting Greg Hazarabedian spoke about the early 20th Century and the region of Kharabagh as it was settled following the First World War and how the area has been troubled since; including recent demonstrations in Soviet Armenia.

### INDUCTION OF NEW MEMBERS

Brother Aram Boyd and his Membership Committee continues its recruiting program by bringing into the chapter three new members. The new members are: Soren Papelian, Eugene Tafjen, and Mark Hazarabedian (son of member Arthur Hazarabedian).

### BANSHEE BALL

On Saturday evening, March 12th a large group of chapter members and their spouses attended the Annual Banshee Ball to celebrate St. Patrick's Day. A lot of everything; food, drinks, green beer, dancing and fellowship.

### NEW MEETING LOCATION

Following many years of holding chapter meetings at local restaurants the chapter has moved its meetings to a private clubhouse (Quitewood Complex) in Pleasant Hill. Food and Drinks are prepared at the clubhouse. Aram Boyd, chairman of the dinner meeting committee, invites various members to provide dinner for the meetings. So far the meals have been sensational and many thanks should go to those who have prepared the meals — great job, guys.

Some of the benefits at the clubhouse is the beautiful setting next to a swimming pool, complete privacy, and meals prepared with tender loving care. Looking forward to see what is served next is worth the trip. This is an experiment that may become permanent.



Looks like serious business.



Aram Boyd.



Levon (left) and George Arkelian.



Hard working officers

### SON OF MEMBER WINS AWARD

Congratulations to Mike Keadjian, son of Garo Keadjian, for winning his second consecutive San Francisco Bay Area science Fair. The fair is for contestants from grades seven through twelve.

Dateline: Seoul, South Korea: AP (Armenian Press) June 1988.

The U.S. Olympic Committee, at the Pre-Olympic trials has selected Armen Boyd of the Mt. Diablo Triple X Chapter as the United States representative in singles tennis for the Olympics; unfortunately, he was later disqualified for not being able to remember where he left his racket.

Fraternally,  
Jack Mooradian  
Associate Editor



Now, what is Big John up to?



Happy Trexman.

# Fresno

Wow!! What a great year. For the brothers in Fresno Chapter. First we get the Grand Master Bro. Mike "Chaks", then he appoints Bro. Naz Chaderjian, Grand Secretary, and Bro. Mooney Najarian, Grand Treasurer. With the leadership like that it was no wonder that Bro. Arsen Marsoobian in the Master's role, turned the Chapter around.

Arsen had great support and help from one of the best Junior Masters the Chapter has had in years — Bro. Bob Juskalian. Bro. Bob held third Thursday dinners in and out of the Club House at very low cost, and still managed to break even or make a few dollars. His special events, fifth Thursday socials, wives activities and chairmanship of Dinkey Creek Outing was outstanding. It was a shame so many brothers decided they had better things to do on Thursday nights.

The best attendance, over 80 brothers turned out, for the free celebration dinner in April. Bro. Mike Kershaw P.G.M., was the best supporter and driving force behind the chapters leadership in charitable giving. Once appointed Chairmanship of the Charity Committee PGM Kershaw took off with the full support of Master Arsen Marsoobian and the Board of Trustees. Bro. Mike wrote letters, called Brothers, made up signs and when it was all over we had raised \$13,500 and donated it back to the Community through 20 plus charitable organizations. The major recipient was California Home of the Aged — "Armenian Old Age Home", \$5,000 for expansion, \$500 for picnic, Scholarships, American Lung Association, Cancer, Heart, Fresno State University, Boys and Girls Clubs, etc. You get the idea? It's been 20 years since the Fresno Chapter has contributed that much money to that many organizations in one year. Oh, yea — the Free Dinner was underwritten by ten brothers who each put up an additional \$100.00; sono money came from the donated dollars. Thanks Brothers.

A big thanks also due to Bro. John Emerzian Chairman of Ways and Means Committee for getting the Flag Pole Project completed. Yes we now have an American Flag which was flown over the United States Capitol, thanks to Congressman Chip Pashayan. The flag was raised and dedicated to founding fathers who have departed and to Armenians who served this great country we live in.

The Club House now has a Professional size and perfect condition Pool Table in Memory of Bro. Mooney Najarian's son Larry. Many brothers have enjoyed this alternative to having smoke blown in their face from across green table tops.

Brother Master Arsen Marsoobian did his best to increase attendance at Regular Business Meetings. Discussions of selling the Club house, and distributing the funds in various manner, failed to draw a crowd or even get discussion going, so he tried raising more money for charity by raising everyone's dues to \$120.00 & \$65.00 for Inactive Members. 32 brothers cared enough to show and voted it down. Well at least there was some discussion, mostly by Brothers we haven't seen for awhile, and that was great. Maybe we will see them again on regular basis, to give us some positive ideas and a helping hand.

As for those helping hands Bro. Ronny Boyajian has really gotten the Trex Spirit. The young brothers, well young by our standards, has brought in 5 new young, enthusiastic brothers who are willing to work and really turn the Fresno Chapter back to a place of leadership, pride and dignity. They are already planning a great Monte Carlo Night for late September or early October. Watch your mail box for details and plan to get behind these young men. You can't be too old to remember when you were putting on these kinds of events, and hoping someone would care enough to show up. It's past the time, hopefully not too far past, that we give the baton of leadership and responsibility to newer members who care instead of Past Masters and Grand Masters who want to live in the past and make great speeches about what they did.

The time has come for us to say well done to those brothers who fulfilled the hopes, dreams and goals of the Founding Fathers and made the Armenians acceptable and gave us a place of honor and dignity in the Community. We need new goals and dreams to continue to grow as an organization or we will soon outlive our usefulness as a Fraternity.

See you at the Convention in San Francisco.

Brother Master Arsen Marsoobian  
Brother Editor Richard Bedoian



Oakland — Ed has a Birthday.



## LOS ANGELES JR'S. (cont. from p. 7)

outcome of these games, however, perhaps the O.C. Jr's will mention the results in their article.

The L.A. Jr's and Sr's are both participating in a summer softball league. We each have our own teams, but remain close even when we are each others opponents. Over the Memorial day weekend, a combined group of 9 Sr's and Jr's went to Las Vegas for some sun and fun.

On May 20th, Bro's Ara Bedros and Raffi Dergazarian chaired our first annual Basement Bash party. These parties allow new and old Bro's to work together as a team as well as teach the newer Bro's "the ropes".

The last weekend in June was saved for our 3rd annual Tennis Tournament. Bro. Mike Shakar chaired this event once again and did an outstanding job of it. A special thanks to Sr. Bro. Gregg Kludjian for his help with crowd control.

We have several new events planned for the remainder of the year and we are looking forward to the convention in San Francisco and wish the hosting chapter our best.

A special congratulations to former L.A. Jr. and now L.A. Sr. Bro. Steve Mikaelian and his wife



Sr. Bro. Jeff Baderian flanked by Bro's Michael Surmeian and Diron Ohanian were temporarily forced to sit outside of cramped cabin during Third Annual Ski Trip.



Jr. Bro's pose at new Bro's Armen Cazian's initiation at Sr. Bro. Stan Roopenian's house.

# Orange County Juniors

Hello Brothers:

Nineteen Eighty-Eight has sure been a busy year so far for the Orange County Juniors.

In January, the Triple X Challenge continued with the Trex Bowl. The O.C. Juniors squeaked out an overtime victory in the first football game between the L.A. Juniors and the O.C. Juniors. Two days later, we all limped to the O.C. Seniors Sports Nite at the Balboa Bay Club.

Preparations for our Annual "Monte Carlo Night" were well under way in March with special committee meetings taking place at least once a week. On April 16th, our Monte Carlo Night was attended by over 250 of our friends and guests. The proceeds from this event were donated to the

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Nanette on the birth of their twins Adam and Stephanie. We are very happy for the two of you.

Finally, we can never sufficiently express our deep and absolute appreciation to our Sr. Advisor Bro. Lee Neshanian for his priceless support, dedication, and participation in the welfare of our Jr. Chapter, thus ensuring its immortality. It is primarily because of him that the L.A. Jr's never take for granted the honor of being a Trexman. We are committed to seeking perspectives who possess the qualities of Trexman similar to those of you reading this article now. We are a close knit group which sticks together. The L.A. Jr's truly feel that a brother remains a brother anytime, anywhere, and anywhere.

Fraternally yours

Bro. Michael (Yertvart) Surmeian  
L.A. Junior Triple X Fraternity



In our Basketball Game against the O.C. Jr's, Bro. Diron Ohanian hit only the bottom of the net in this successful 3 point attempt.

Ararat Home of Los Angeles.

The following week, we lost the Basketball portion of the Triple X Challenge. But we still managed to have a great time afterwards. Soon afterwards, we all went to the O.C. Seniors Spring Dance. This again was a well-attended affair. Those involved in this affair (you know who you are) should be proud of themselves for the job they did.

Over Memorial weekend, the O.C. Juniors went to Catalina Island for our 6th Annual Catalina Weekender. A great time was had by all who were there.

June is normally a very busy month for the O.C. Juniors. This year was no different. Committee meetings were occurring every week, sometimes twice a week, to plan our 10th Annual and Final Summer Celebration at the home of Sr. Bro. Art Kazarian and his wife Kathleen. This year's event was attended by over 400 guests. They enjoyed a shish-kabob dinner and Armenian dancing with music provided by the Oasis Band, there were also 3 video screens on the tennis court with laser effect lighting, smoke machines, strobe lights, and every type of American music there is. The proceeds from this event and our Monte Carlo Night enabled us to donate \$5000 to the Ararat Home of Los Angeles.

It's sad to see this tradition end. I've seen all 10 of these Summer Celebrations, over 3,000 attendees made this party the social event of the year. Guests over the years have been from Illinois, Michigan, Ohio, Nevada, Washington D.C., Mexico City, San Francisco, San Diego, Ventura, Santa Barbara, Fresno, Los Angeles, and of course Orange County. A few weddings have ever taken place between couples that have met at this party and that's what it's all about.

The Orange County Juniors are looking forward to seeing all our brothers at this year's Annual Convention in San Francisco. See you there.

Kris G. Kazarian



Oakland — Father swears in son.



The Committee Meetings never end.



The O.C. Juniors Football team after its overtime victory.



The Basketball Team.



Bro. John Gasparian and family at 2nd Annual Monte Carlo Night.

# Orange County

Brother Master Archie Cholakian has done an outstanding job this year of keeping the Fraternal Spirit Alive. His meetings have been great and his officers terrific - what a team.

Our Installation Dinner Dance was put together by Bros. Ed Karagozian and Wayne Najarian. We had 80% of our membership attend with their beautiful wives and dates. Thank you Bro. Ed and Bro. Wayne.

Sports Night Honored Jerry Tarkanian, Armenian Sport Person of the Year. Sam Bogosian accepted the Award for Tarkanian. Bro. Jack Kaya-janian was chairman and didn't miss a punch. Tommy Lasorda, who loves the Armenians, had us entertained for over half an hour. There were also many more sports celebrities from the Rams Angels, Raiders and Dodgers. The proceeds went to help the Ararat Home and Orangewood Home for Abused Children. Over 350 were in attendance. Next year watch out for what Jack can do. Thank you Bro. Jack.

Thanks to Bro. P.G.M. Haig Jamgotchian for putting on our Hearst Castle Overnighter. The Bus ride and Kef time there and back were enjoyed by all. The Gin game in the back of the Bus was non stop as were the stories and jokes that were told. It was like "can you top this". We will do it again next year.

Our Spring Dance had beautiful dancing, mazza and fun, thank to Bro. Harold Bazarian Chairman and Bro. Henry Bashjian. The committees did a great job.

Bro. Don Kazarian was chairman of our Stag Outing at Laughlin, Nevada. Over 40 members enjoyed this weekend. Bro. Art Kazarian and all who helped deserve a big thank you.

We are getting ready for our 13th Annual Picnic at Yorba Regional Park on July 24. Last Year we served 550 and this year are expecting 650. Bros. Art Kazarian and Bob Kazarian and all the Brothers in our Chapter take part in cooking, setting up, cleaning up and they all do a marvelous job. This year we will have John Bilezikjian and Buddy Sarkissian with Armenian Music.

We are looking forward to our Annual Convention in San Francisco. Also our Chapter will be hosting the 1989 Convention the Red Lion Inn.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Haig Jamgotchian, PGM



Ozzie and Art



Jack, Bill, Ozzie, Archie, Kelly "Charity Night"



Jack and Tommy Lasorda



Grand Master Mike and Master Archie  
"What Class"



Hearst Castle Trip.  
"Happy Campers" but we stayed at Cambria Pine Motel.



New 1988 Officers - Orange County Jrs. and Srs.



Bro. Haig (Grand Marshall) giving Bro. Jack the Trexman of the Year Award.



John's old buddy Lasorda.

# San Diego

Hello to all Brothers:

The San Diego Chapter has had a very busy and successful year under the leadership of Master Vartan Khosharian.

We survived our Annual Ski Stag in Aspen. Our Brothers met up with Orange County Brother Ron Krajian in his hometown (part-time) of Aspen, and Bro. Ron showed us an absolutely fantastic time. With our red "Triple X Ski Team" hats, the brothers were the talk of the town. The brothers adventured to ski at the snow mass and Aspen Mountain Ski Resorts, and spent most of the time at the Tippler Lodge drinking our aches and pains away. On Saturday, the ski team was invited at Bro. Ron's wine party on the slopes of Aspen Mountain. The red hats turned out to be the life of the party. Before we left Aspen, we had the town's talking about the "Triple X" and Armenians — All good of course. As usual, Bro. Steve Lazarian organized a great time. The only problem for Bro. Steve is whether he can top our trip to Aspen. Rumor has it that Aspen may be the home of many



Harry and John with Grand Master Chaks



PGM Joe, Bob and Master Vartan



more San Diego Trex Stags.

In June, our chapter sponsored its 8th Annual Wine and Cheese Festival. Bro. Jim Sahagian and Bro. Karney Evian put together our most successful event yet. Over 45 California Wineries and 450 people participated in this outstanding. Each year, the San Diego Chapter donates the proceeds to various San Diego charitable organizations. The wineries are calling our event the largest wine show in Southern California.

In August, the chapter will have a family picnic at Fairbanks Ranch. Bro. John Sarkisian is heading the picnic committee which will no doubt be a fun filled day for our families.

In September, Bro. Joe Zarkarian is organizing our first Annual Golf Tournament Stag in Las Vegas, Nevada. Look out Brothers, this could be the event of the year so watch for details. Arrangements are being made for Sept., 16-18. We are planning on staying and playing Golf at the Dessert Inn. Many other activities will be planned so get ready. All brothers will be invited to play.

Elections for our Chapter's officers will be held in our July meeting. We look forward to our new leadership and a great upcoming year.

### Good and Welfare

Welcome new members, Ara Sagerian and Raffi Simonian. Both are super additions to our Brother and chapter. Bro. Ara has lived in San Diego for a while and owns his own business. He was a member of our Aspen contingent and had a great time. Bro. Raffi is a Pharmacist at U.C.S.D. Medicine Center. Welcome Brothers!!

Bro. Robert Spanjian finished his first year as the Del Mar Fair Board Chairman, and was instrumental in a record breaking Del Mar Fair this year. Bro. Bob is new getting ready for the ponies at the Race Track.

Bro. Doug Avazian is now affiliated with U.S. Air (No more P.S.A.). Bro. Greg Babikian's son, Greg Jr. will be starting Medical School in September. Bro. Greg now has a lawyer (daughter -Dana) and a Doctor in his future - time to retire Bro. Greg — But, first - there is a lot of tuition to pay.

Bro. Vartan Khorsharian recently moved to Rancho Santa Fe and Bro. Nubar Markarian has a new home in La Jolla.

We send our condolences to our Bro. Karney Ovian for the loss of his mother in Boston. She lived a long life and was blessed with a great son like Bro. Karney.

We look forward to seeing all the Brothers in San Francisco. When your down south, come visit us



Dick and Karney



PGM's Joe Sr., Joe Jr., and Sam



San Diego Brothers at the Aspen Wine Party.



The San Diego Ski Team in Aspen.  
on the last Tuesday of every month at the Lomas Santa Fe County Club.

Dickran A. Semerdjian,  
Associate Editor

# Los Angeles

Hello Brothers!

The L.A. XXX hopes you are all having a great summer. Filling in for our good Bro. Gabe Kaprelian, is yours truly, Bro. Armen Devlouklakian. Since Mid-term we've enjoyed a busy year.

### PARTNER BEST BALL

Our Annual Partner Best Ball Golf Outing was held on April 24 at the Las Verdes County Club under the able leadership of Bro. Ralph Barzekoff. When asked to reflect upon the event, Bro. Ralph was unable to remember any fact. In fact Bro. Ralph was unable to utter a single word. See explanation under Night at the Races later in the article.

We are sure that all those who played in the tournament had a wonderful time.

### WIVES NIGHT OUT

Thanks to the hard work of Bro's Herb Elmassian and Steve Papazian, we enjoyed our annual "Wives Night Out" at the Burbank Studios. Delicious mezza, drinks, dinner and a sneak preview of the movie "MOONSTRUCK" made for a special evening. Thanks again to Bro. Herb's wife Roxie who always can be counted on. Starring with Cher in the movie were Bro. Leo Avazian, Bro. Lee Neshanian, and Bro. Greg Avedesian. Although their parts were small, we are nonetheless proud of them. In fact in Los Angeles, they are known for their small parts!

### FAMILY PICNIC

Bro. Mark Mikaelian (new uncle of twin boy and girl) organized the XXX Family Picnic held at North Hollywood Park in June. Over 500 delicious shish kebob dinners were served. Volleyball, softball and children games were a big hit. Thanks to Bro. Charles Maseredjian's wife Roselee who always comes through with very clever games including the famous row egg throwing contest. A job well done Bro. Mark. Thanks!!

### ARMENIAN OPEN

Bro. Jack Khteian admirably ran the Armenian Open at Brookside Country Club on July 8. Winners Were:

Low Gross - Kirk Avazian (Bro. Leo's son) John Mason Trophy  
Low Net - Pete Bedrosian Jr. (Bro. Pete's son) Mihron Kasparian Trophy  
Blind Bogey - Bro. Russell Roopenian (Bro. Henry's son, Bro. Ron & Stan's brother) Henry Zakian Trophy



Jane Kalfayan, Bro. Herb & Nora Tertzag.



Bro's Lee Neshanian, Vasgan Solakian, Aran Vaznaian, Nish Derderian.



1988 LA XXX Sr. Softball Team. Front Row: Bro's Stan Roopenian, Steve Mikaelian, Richard Jebejian. 2nd Row: Bro's Mark Goshgarian, John Yaldezian, Dave Donabed, Steve Hampar. Third Row: Bro's Dave Maseredjian, Bob Simonian, Captain Randy Avazian and Robby Hastigian.

Special guest star Mike Connors from "Mannix" and "Pollident Commercials" added a real touch of class to the affair. 144 golfers participated with over 200 guests dining and dancing to the golden sounds of the Guy Chookoorian orchestra.

### NIGHT AT THE RACES

Bro. Kenny Gorvetzian took command of our first and very successful Los Alomitos Night at the races. A Starline Tour Bus fully stocked with booz and mezza picked up Bro's and wives and delivered us directly to the racetrack. The 4th race was named in honor of the LA XXX Fraternity. Bro. Greg Par-

tamian was going to put the LA XXX Banner on his hunch but did not have enough time to locate the BANNER! Bro. Ralph Barzekoff chose 4 EXACTA'S correctly and won giant sums of money. Bro. Master David Maseredjian took careful note as the L.A. Chapter has a 10% win/donation rule. Bro. Ralph has been unable to speak a word since his lucky streak.

#### SOFTBALL

The LA Senior and Junior are actively participating in the Armenian softball league. Conflicting reports come back from those who play. So Bro. Greg Mikaelian (new grandfather of twin boy and girl) was appointed as *Internal Affairs Director*. His clandestine yet in depth reports are most appreciated. The Sr. & Jrs. are having a very good year.

#### ARARAT HOME PICNIC

Our Annual Picnic for the LA Ararat Home is set for August 7. Bro's Kay Hovsepien and Richard Jebejian are heading up another big picnic. Raffles, Armenian Dancing and Food are always a big hit. Bro. Kay will personally be sitting in the DUNK BOOTH. One of my personal favorite games is to see someone throw the Kufita at the target and watch the displacement of water when Bro. Kay cannonballs in - What a great sport Bro. Kay!!

#### OVER THE LINE TOURNAMENT

Ten Bro's from the Jr. & Sr. XXX rented a 33' Winebago and spent the weekend at the Over the Line Softball Tournament in San Diego on the July 9th weekend. Many memorable events were shared. San Diego Bro. Dick Semerdjian (uncle of twin boy and girl) visited us at the Winebago. It's always nice when other chapters support each other.

On behalf of Brother David Maseredjian, I would like to wish the Golden Gate Chapter a very successful convention in '88.

Fraternally,  
Bro. Armen  
Devlooklakian



Bro's Steve Papazian & Greg Avedesian.

## SELMA

The Selma Chapter continued in its tradition of events that have stood the test of time. As the cold of winter gave way to the warmth of spring, April brought the arrival of the annual 13 Hour golf social hosted by Chairmen Don Attoian and Bob Soligian.

Spring Bingo in May was put on to a packed house by Bros. Abby Mamigonian and Vahe Simonian. Everyone enjoyed a great dinner and games of bingo. Bro. Bob Atamian was a big winner when he won a trip to Reno, and Bro. Charles Garabedian won a trip to Las Vegas.

In our annual Scholarship Awards Banquet, our chapter chose four outstanding Armenian students from local high schools as recipients of cash scholarships. The winners were Dina Atamian, daughter of Bro. Bob Atamian; Gary Eritzian, son of Bro. Harry Eritzian; Larry Minasian, son of Bro. Kirk Minasian; and Kelly Babigian. Master Bob Garabedian and Co-chairman Phil Manoogian made the Scholarship presentations during scholarship award ceremonies at each students respective high school. We wish the recipients the best of luck in their educational endeavors.

The beginning of June brought on our annual Spring Outing. Co-chairmen Richard Nikssarian



Family Picnic



Family Picnic

and I put together a crack group of recruits to prepare a fine picnic lunch for our Brothers, their spouses and children. Late Spring rains cleared for a fine day of shish kebab, volleyball and ice cream.

Once again, Selma Chapter supported the Saturday moonlight picnic sponsored by the California Armenian Home for the Aged. Numerous brothers volunteered, cooking, selling refreshments, tickets and conducting the raffle. The event was most successful for this very deserving organization.

We are proud and wholeheartedly support the candidacy of Bro. Abby Mamigonian for the office of Grand Master. We wish him success in his efforts and for a most successful term in the coming year.

It was an honor to have Grand Master Mike Chakaloozian administer the initiating oath to Brothers Richard Garabedian and Bruce Mooradian during his chapter visitation.

On July 30, our annual Charity Garden Party will be held, "under the stars" on the beautiful grounds of the California Armenian Home. Co-Chairmen Eliot Nahigian and Jack Bedrosian are anticipating a sellout of 600 guests for this major fundraising event.

Of special interest, this summer was the unveiling of yet another issue of the Selma Triple X Frat Chat. This "fine" publication was the brainchild and creation of Past Master Chuck Poochigian, also known as the Hye Priest of Pun. Through his sense of humor, which closely resembled "The Far Side", Chuck updated the membership on what everyone in Chapter was currently up to or "down-to" in the case of a few of our new-look slender Brothers. Who knows, maybe this newsletter can become our annual publication.

See ya in San Francisco

Bruce Ekmanian  
Associate Editor



Scholarship recipients Larry Minassian, Dina Atamian, Phil Manoogian (chairman), Robert Garabedian (Master), Kelley Babigian, Garry Eritzian.



Phil Manoogian, Dina Atamian, Kelley Babigian.



Members relaxing at Family Picnic.



Oakland — Jr. Grand Master Vartan Hovsepien visits us.



Oakland — Dinner Meeting.

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