



TREX NEWS

Triple X Fraternity

60th Annual Convention

September 1, 2, 3, 1989

Costa Mesa, California

Hosted by Orange County Triple X

★ **Friday September 1, 1989**

KEF NIGHT (Members and Family)

No Host Cocktails 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.

Armenian Dinner 8:00 p.m., with Music by John Bilezikjian

★ **Saturday, September 2, 1989**

GOLF TOURNAMENT at the Mile Square Golf Course

Tee-Off at 11:30 a.m.

MONTE CARLO NIGHT — 8:00 p.m.

Hosted by Orange County Juniors

★ **Sunday, September 3**

BREAKFAST (8:00-10:00 a.m.) and

BUSINESS MEETING (10:00-12:00 Noon)

LADIES BRUNCH 11:00 a.m.

GRAND BALL DINNER-DANCE —

7:00 p.m. Cocktails; 8:00 p.m. Dinner



Grand Master's Message

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome you to the 60th Annual Convention, hosted by the Orange County Chapter and held at the Red Lion Inn in Costa Mesa. We are looking forward to an exciting week-end and an excellent convention.

The Orange County Chapter has worked many hours in making all the necessary arrangements for us to have an enjoyable week-end. The Orange County Juniors have promised us a new experience and a very exciting Saturday night affair.

I would like to thank all chapters for their warm and hospitable welcome you extended to Barbara and I during this past year. It has been an exciting year and I thank you for giving me the privilege to serve you as your Grand Master.

To my Grand Chapter Officers, I say "Thank You" for your support and assistance it is appreciated.

Looking forward to seeing you in Costa Mesa!

ABBY MAMIGONIAN
Grand Master

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A HISTORIC PICTURE: 17 Past Grand Masters were present at the 1989 Mid-Term Convention held at the AAAL Hall in Fresno. Left to right, seated: Aram Poladian, Soren Shamshoian, Joe Garabedian, Aaron Aaronian, John Barigian, Michael Soligian, Sam Krikorian, Haig Kayajanian; standing: Haig Jamgotchian, Jack Kazanjian, Michael Kershaw, Herb Elmassian, Mike "Chaks" Chakalozian, Haig Kasparian, Kay Cloud, John Simonian, and Joe Hagopian.

From the Grand Editor:

Once again we are at the threshold of another great convention of the Triple X Fraternity hosted by our Orange County brothers, September 1, 2, 3 at the Red Lions Inn in Costa Mesa. If past experience is any indication we are for an exciting and fruitful weekend.

Friday Night's activities will start with cocktails at 6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. followed by dinner at 8:00 p.m. with Armenian music by world reknown John Bilezikjian and his band.

Saturday morning is reserved for a golf tournament; and of course shopping and sightseeing for our ladies and the rest. At night starting at 8 p.m. the Orange County Juniors have planned a Monte Carlo Night-type evening for us to enjoy.

Sunday morning Breakfast and Business meeting from 8 a.m. to 12 noon. Ladies Brunch is scheduled for 11 a.m. And to cap the convention weekend off will be the Grand Ball Dinner-Dance starting at 7 p.m.

Brothers, if you haven't been to one of Orange County's conventions, please make every effort to spend a nice weekend with them.

Congratulations are in place to Fresno Chapter Master Bob Juskalian and committee. This chapter has witnessed a downhill slide in membership for the last few years. This year under Bob's leadership they were able to recruit 12 new members. In one evening they swore in seven new members! As we know without new and young blood the fraternity will stagnate and eventually die. Congratulations again Bob!

Thanks to the Associate Editors and Masters this issue of the Trex News was full of articles and pictures from almost every chapter. However, because of space allowance we had to cut some of the articles short.

Thanks to Brother Harry Sweet of the Capitol Chapter who not only provided the centerfold pictures for this issue but also the above picture. 17 Past Grand Masters were present at the 1989 Mid-Term Convention in Fresno.

Fraternally,
Jack Ouzounian, Grand Editor

Orange County

Brother Trexman:

Thanks to the Sequoia Chapter for a wonderful Mid-term Convention. We always look forward to seeing all the Chapter members, enjoying a great meal, golf and just being together.

During the past 6 months our Chapter had the "Can You Top This" Sports Night. Our thanks go to Bro. Jack Kazanjian and Bro. Ozzie Chitjian for Co-Chairing this event. We had over 500 in attendance with over 50 Sports Celebrities present. We presented Ara Parsegian with the Armenian Sports Person of the Year award. Next year in January Jack Kayajianian has an even better program planned but we can't tell you about it now. For everyone who helped thanks so much. Donations amounted to more than \$10,000.00.

Our Annual Armenian Spring Dance was a great success and chaired by Bro. Ara Gholdoian and Art Kazarian. We packed the hall and danced all night. Bro. Ara played his clarinet and had a band behind him that was fantastic. Great job Ara.

Bro. Kurk Kazarian and his wife Marge were great hosts at the yearly Pot-Luck at their Club



Ben, Don, Bro. Sam, Jerry, Ara.
Armenian Sports Celebrities.



Jerry. Ara, Jack.

House. This is when the family gets together to enjoy a variety of food, especially Marge's Kema. Thanks again for opening your place to us.

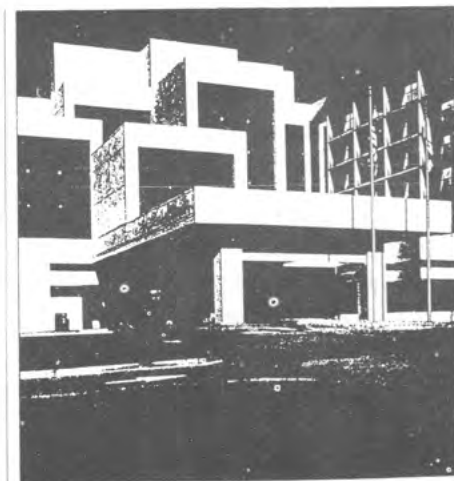
We had a special charity "Christmas Party" in



Master Nick, Grand Master Abby.



They are all single.




RED LION INN.
COSTA MESA
in Orange County



Bro. Ara from Detroit.



Wayne, Haig, Bob, Hank, Ed, Nick, Mike.



Past Master Archie & Master Nick.



Marcia, Haig, George, June, Ara.



Bro. Daron and Leo are paying Bro. Haig to get their picture in the Trex News.

May for the Fairview Developmental Center in Costa Mesa. We had over 30 handicapped Adults who received gifts, cake and ice cream with music by Bro. Ara on this Clarinet. Thanks to Bro. George Thomas and wife June, Bro. Haig Jamgotchian and wife Marcia, Bro. Kurk Kazarian and wife Marge and the many other Brothers who helped. What a rewarding evening. We will do it again.

Bro. Don Kazarian Chaired our Stag Outing to Laughlin, Nevada — every year it gets better. Over 30 Brothers attended and had one laugh after another. Thanks Bro. Don for a great job.

Our picnic is coming up July 23rd. Once again it's a great time to eat that wonderful Shish Kebob. I can taste it right now. Bro. Art Kazarian and his crew always do a great job.

We are ready for the 60th Annual Convention at the Red Lion Inn in Costa Mesa, Labor Day Weekend 1989. We would love to see all of you there with your families. Chairman Bro. Ed Karagozian and Bro. Wayne Najarian.

Bro. Master Nick Paboojian thanks all the Brothers for doing a great job during his term as Master. We are going to miss him. Thanks Nick for making us laugh at every meeting.

It is also an honor to have Jr. Grand Master, Bro. Haig Boghosian in our Chapter representing Orange County.

See you at the Convention.

Respectfully Submitted
Bro. Haig Jamgotchian PGM

Peninsula

The Peninsula Chapter had a busy season.

First off, a second visit from our Grand Master, Abby, what a guy! He arrived with famous Fresno lamb shanks and cooked them for us. Being the half cook that I am, I learned how to cook lamb shanks the right way. Thanks again Abby. A delicious dinner was enjoyed by all.

This year the members volunteered to help cook at the St. Andrew's annual church picnic in San Jose. To be recognized, Brother Vic Paporagian brought some sombreros from Tijuana and put our Triple X Symbol on them. The people were saying "who are those guys?" It was our pleasure to help out, and hope we made some new friends.

On two personal notes, Ace and Lorraine Paul celebrated their wedding anniversary held at their beautiful clubhouse where they live; and the other, Luther and Grace Izmirian, also celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary which was held at the beautiful San Mateo Country Club, and guess who provided the music for both affairs — "Music smooth as Silk, by Jack."

At this writing, we have a Chapter picnic in the planning stage, with Kip Garabedian as Chairperson. We had visitors from Master Aram Darmanian's Chapter of Oakland and from Master Khatoonian's Chapter of Capitol, along with brothers from Golden Gate. Welcome any time.

Another "big" for the season was our annual Ed Sarouhan Memorial Golf Tournament at Seacliff-Aptoes, and again, the great Chairperson, George Salakian was in charge. We are also in the final stages of our Tavloo Tournament under the watchful eyes of Chairperson Vic Khachooni, who plays a good game himself.

See you all at the Convention.

Fraternally,
Jack Marderosian
Assoc. Editor



Old stuff Geo., Vic, and Nic.



Andy Amerian, Joe Keshishian, Geo Solakian, Ace Paul caught cheating playing backgammon.



Visit from a couple Grand Master Abby and Charlie giving Joe hell about something!



Master Aram Darmanian Oakland Chapter, and Jack Marderosian (Master). "2 Masters are better than 1".



Sarkis Kouzoujian selling Luther Izmirian a computer.



Myron Konjoyan.



Richard Hagopian.



Armen, Shant and their wives.

Mt. Diablo

CHAPTER DINNER MEETINGS

Now that the chapter is settled in and using the Quietwood Complex Clubhouse in Pleasant Hill for its regular monthly meetings there has been an interesting array of dinner menus. Each meeting a different person(s) or group has prepared the meal. They ranged from roast beef, chinese, pizza, to Khema. We look forward to see who has prepared what. Even for those brothers who want their Knema cooked (and didn't get it that way) were seen enjoying it... like there are some new converts in the chapter.

FUND RAISER

According to the number of fines given, some voluntarily, by Master Hratch the chapter may never need to hold fund raisers. While they are assessed in fun, it is amazing how creative the chapter has become in raising money... never thought I would see people volunteer to give... must be the water.

1990 CONVENTION

Much of the activity of the chapter is devoted toward organizing for the 1990 Trex convention to

be held at the Sheraton in Concord. The committees are formed and the chairmen have selected committee members. It is gratifying to see how the chapter is pulling together to help one another in this important activity. While the convention is a year away there is an air of excitement as the committees have begun working together. At each chapter meeting we see the progress.

JULY PICNIC

On July 23, 1989 the Mt. Diablo chapter will sponsor a picnic to be held at the Pleasant Hill Park. Many circulars are being distributed to not only the Armenian community, but the non Armenian community as well. In addition to traditional Armenian food there will be softball, horseshoes, tavloo, swimming, and volleyball. The whole chapter is behind this activity as there is expected to be a large crowd.

Fraternally,
Jack Mooradian
Associate Editor



A John and A Jack, what a combination.



Vaughn explaining baseball to Levon.



You don't like what...?



Okay, let's get the meeting started.



Myron is wondering if Shavarsh is taking his coat off or putting it on.

Oakland

The experiences of the Oakland brethren over the past six months began with the annual crab feed in March. Several brothers from our sister chapters and our Grand Master assisted us in devouring the mounds of fresh crab and sour-dough bread. The event is hosted by the Chapter's founding members and was under the supervision of Brother Al Yeremian.

On the home front, two of our brothers, Harold Koojoolian and Andy Avakian became grandfathers. Brother Hal has a grandson, Edward, born May 5th and Brother Andy has a granddaughter, Stephanie, born April 25th joining their proud families. Congratulations Grandpa's!!

Congratulations are also in order for the Brother Siy Ekizian who has just celebrated his fortieth wedding anniversary. His bride, Rose has contributed many hours cooking fine meals for our Chapters over those years. It is no wonder that we make sure Siy won't let her get away. May you both have another forty years of happiness together.

In May, Oakland brothers Harry Sherinian, Vaughn Sobajian and Archie Kamian along with Sequoia brother Howard Lester set off for the Sierra mountains in Harry's new tractor. It was reported that not only did everyone have a great time but in a spirit of good sportsmanship, no one chose to break the long standing fishing records set previously by members of this group. Possibly these trexanglers would consider expanding their annual fishing expedition into a Chapter event (hint, hint).

Oakland is hosting it's annual Valley Stag weekend on June 24 - 25th. The weekend's festivities include cards, fellowship, and Oakland Athletics baseball. Once again, Brothers Masis Gozurian and Russ Hazarian are co-chairing this fine event.

Continuing preparation is underway for our third annual appearance at the Walnut Festival in September. This year we tapped on Brother Greg Cherezian to lead our efforts.

Although this represents the last article in my journalistic career, I hope to see all of you at the Convention.

Fraternally submitted
Jeff Hazarian
Associate Editor

Orange Juniors

Fraternal Greetings Brothers,

The Orange County Juniors have had an exciting and busy calendar year so far in 1989. Weekend trips taken so far this year have been to Lake Tahoe, Lake Havasu, Catalina, Laughlin, and Las Vegas. In between these trips, we have managed to get some business accomplished.

On April 29th, our **3rd Annual Las Vegas Night** was held at Agajanian Hall in Pasadena. Over 275 guests attended the affair this year with proceeds going to the Armenian Earthquake Fund and the Ararat Home of Los Angeles. With funds still coming in. It looks like \$1250 will be donated to each organization. See the pictures for examples of the turnout.

At this time, I would like to thank all of those who contributed to our Las Vegas Night in April. There were many brothers who sponsored tables and donated prizes for this event. I would also like to thank Sr. Bro. Art Kazarian whose never-ending support seems to always amaze the juniors.

Currently, the O.C Juniors are busy planning the Saturday night affair at this year's convention in Costa Mesa. We have decided to have a **Monte Carlo Night** much like our annual Las Vegas Night, with a few twists. The doors are scheduled to open at 8 p.m. with tables opening play at 8:30 p.m. I hope each and all of the brothers and wives attending convention will be able to enjoy this event. It promises to be a classy affair.

If there are any brothers interested in sponsoring tables or donating a prize or cash towards purchase of a prize for the Monte Carlo Night, please call me at (714) 551-5714.

Also, we would like to see all senior brothers bringing their sons and daughters to this year's convention. There will be plenty of fun for the junior age crowd.

I hope to see you all at this year's convention in Orange County. **"FUN IN THE SUN"**

Kris G. Kazarian, Master



The Scene!!



Bros. Billy Eordekian, Jimmy Antoyan, John Casparian, and John Cholakian — SET THE SCENE.



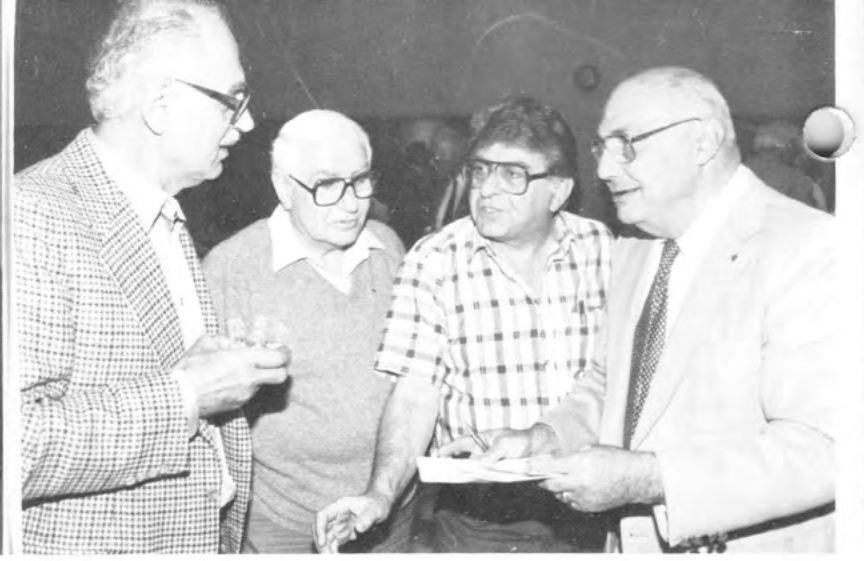
Treasurer Bro. Allen Antoyan Jr., ready to give a donation.



L.A. Jr. Bros. Albert Dergazarian and Michael Surmeian enjoying the festivities.



Bros. John Fermanian and Ben Kazanjian working the door shift at Las Vegas Night.



MID-TERM CONVENTION

March 1989, Fresno

Capitol

Capitol Chapter brothers were well represented at the Mid-Term convention. Twelve brothers some of them motored to Fresno in Bro. Richard Nahigian's motor home. Pinochle games were on tap with Bro. Rod Jorjorian the big winner. Also Congrats to Bro. Rod and his new wife Becky, who were married earlier this spring. Bro. Rod, campaign manager for Bro. Alan for Grand Master at the upcoming convention this September, in Orange County.

Brother Alan and his campaign committee have been visiting several chapters endorsing his vote.

Other monthly important events this past year included a very successful "Kef Night." April 29, we had 300 guests and members enjoy a night of food, dance and merriment.

GM Abby and his wife Barbara were spending the weekend in Reno, Nev. and they came to Sacramento for Kef Night. How thoughtful Abby, hope you won a million in Reno. Bro. Jim Tashjian & Bro. Richard Fathy, get a big high 5 for this job well done. Bro. Harry Sweet put together a nice Golf Tourn, for the local brothers. Bro. Paul Artian enlisted about 24 brothers to see a nice baseball game in San Francisco, last June.

Bro's Charles Esraelian, and Charles Kalian had successful by-pass operations last March and April. We have a new member sworn in last April 5, Marc Christensen.

Capitol Bro's paid tribute to the family of Bro's Edward and Frank Ohanesian and the family members due to the passing death of their mother Vart. In excess of 90 years, Vart was a key influence in the Sacramento area, St. James Armenian Church. She enjoyed her family and grandchildren very much.

Now hear this: Bro. Jim Tashjian has finally joined the ranks of millions of Americans, who hold a 9 to 5 job. Bro. Jim was hired by the State of California March 1989. It's his first 8 hour a day job in 30 years.

Bro. Ruben Sweet, Mt. Diablo Chapter, received the "Eagle Award" last February. Bro. Ruben was the most outstanding Shoe Salesman within the Kushin's Shoes Store Chain in the State of California. Bro. Ruben has been selling shoes for 58 years. Still in Walnut Creek, CA.

If you're giving out any free samples, brother, I wear an 11B.

Bro. Vern Shahbazian and wife Sylvia cruised Alaska this Spring. Alaska is one of the most scenic Garden of Eden places in the world.

Bro. Sarkis Malkasian and wife Lenora spent three weeks in Europe touring Brussels, Antwerp, Brugge, St. Remy, and while in Paris, they visited cousins they had never seen before, and attended church services in a Beautiful Armenian Church. "AFFARIM BRO. SARK"

Congratulations to the John Shahabians on the birth of their son last May.

Once again the Capitol Chapter brothers request the full support for Bro. Alan Khatoonian for Grand Master for the upcoming election in September.

Harry Sweet
Associate Editor

Los Angeles Juniors

Dear Brothers,

The L.A. Juniors have been very busy since you last heard from us. Our executive committee for 1989 consists of Bro. Mike Surmeian (Master), Bro. Gary Dergazarian (Jr. Master), Bro. Armen Cazian (Treasurer), Bro. Raymond Asher (Recording Secretary), and Bro. Shant Dergazarian (Sgt. at Arms). For the first time ever, the Juniors were included at the Senior's Installation Banquet. At the banquet, held at the clubhouse of Brookside Golf Course, we celebrated an evening of awards, dinner, and dancing. The Junior Trexman of the Year Award was presented to Bro. Raymond Asher by Grandmaster Bro. Abby Mamigonian. Bro. Gary Kouyoumjian was awarded the Vartanian Award for his service and commitment to the Juniors.

A group of juniors travelled to Fresno for the annual Midterm convention. Bros. Mike, Raymond, Armen and Gary D. enjoyed the Mid-term dinner meeting followed by a night of socializing with the locals. The highlight of the trip, though, was the first ever L.A. Juniors' Stuff Your Face at McDonalds Tournament. The winner of this competition was Bro. Gary D. who consumed two Big Macs, one Quarter Pounder with cheese, twelve Chicken McNuggets, a large and small order of fries, and a strawberry shake!

The juniors went on the annual snow trip to Big Bear Lake. Bro. Gary D and Shant headed up this committee to plan the event. Although there was not much snow for skiing, the group was able to go sailing in the lake. Bro. Master Mike took charge as captain of the boat and led his crew into the rocks. It's ok, Mike we only had to pay for the propellor.

This summer we are participating in the Armenian's Men Softball League. Even though we've

lost Bros. Marko and Jeffrey to the Seniors, we still have an excellent team. Our fearless leader, Bro. Mike, is our pitcher with a slow pitch rumored to have been clocked at March 1. This year after the Juniors/Seniors game, we participated in a joint barbeque at Sr. Bro. Marko's house. We look forward to this event every year because we get to spend time with the Sr. Bros. and their families.

Finally, we are planning a party with our brothers to the south. The L.A. and O.C. Juniors will have a party in September. This is the first joint venture between the two groups and we look forward to working side by side with them.

As you can see, the L.A. Juniors are having a fairly busy year; however, these scheduled activities are only part of what makes our group so special. Our friendship and brotherhood goes beyond the scheduled activities, at any given time, a group of bros. can be on the golf course participating in Bro. Ara's Hit the Side of the Mountain Tournament, or late night/early morning breakfast at DuPar's. For the L.A. Juniors, a brother is a brother any time, any place, any where.

See you all at the convention.

Raymond Asher, Master

San Diego

Hello To All Brothers!

Since our last news letter, the San Diego Chapter under the leadership of Brother Gregory Babikian, has been extremely busy and active.

Eighteen Trex brothers including Orange County Brother Eddy Karagozian and Golden Gate Brother Van Kouzoujian went to Aspen, Colorado to visit Orange County (via Aspen) Trexman Bro. Ron Krajian. As usual, Brother Ron showed the San Diego Ski Team a fantastic time by inviting us to his annual wine and cheese festivities high atop Ajax Mountain in Aspen. Although we believed it would be impossible to top last year's Aspen trip, we truly outdid ourselves for this trip. There is no question a good time was had by all, and we look forward to next year. Brother Steve Lazarian was again instrumental in leading the San Diego Trex Ski Team to another adventurous stag. Look for next year's details.

On June 10, 1989, the San Diego Chapter had its Ninth Annual Wine & Cheese Festival. Brother Steve Lazarian and Karney Oviaan did another outstanding job in presenting Thirty-five California wineries. Over 450 people attended the festival

held at the Rancho Santa Fe Garden Club. Many thanks to Brother Bob Spanjian and his wife Betty who graciously made arrangements for the Rancho Santa Fe Garden Club for this wine show. The proceeds from the Wine & Cheese Festival were directed to the Armenian Earthquake Fund and the San Diego Collegiate Scholarship Committee.

This year, Brother Dick Semerdjian along with his committee will be reinstating the San Diego Trex Collegiate Scholarship. Any undergraduate or graduate college student from San Diego attending college elsewhere or attending college in San Diego is qualified for this scholarship. For applications, please contact Brother Dick Semerdjian at the San Diego Chapter or any San Diego Trex member.

Our brothers are also planning on a major fund raising activity to benefit the Armenian Earthquake Fund. Watch for our San Diego Kef Time scheduled for sometime this year.

Also, the San Diego Trex is in the process of organizing their first annual golf outing in Las Vegas, Nevada. Resident golf pro Joe Zakarian is the chairman of this event which we hope to be a real success. All Brothers and their wives will be attending in Las Vegas for a weekend filled with golf and fun. Look for details!!

All our Brothers are looking forward to atten-



San Diego Brothers with Santa Claus.



Orange County Bro. Ron Krajian and San Diego Bro. Jim Saghagian.

ding the Orange County Convention and I look forward to seeing you all there. We are happy to support our Orange County neighbors and wish them the very best of luck.

Our Chapter sponsored the Armenian Martyrs Day Memorial held at the University of California San Diego on April 24, 1989 along with other Armenian organizations. An elegant ceremony took place. The key note speaker was Governor George Deukmejian. Our Brother, Raffi Samonian, was the Master of Ceremonies and Brothers Karney Ovian was on the steering committee.

The San Diego Chapter meets on the last Tuesday of every month at the Straford Inn in Del Mar. Please join us.

Brother John Sarkisian and his wife Bernie and Brother Jerry Taschian and his wife Paula are expecting their second baby. Brother Dick Semerdjian and his wife Peggy are expecting their first baby.

Brother Raffi Samonian was married in a beautiful ceremony and reception at the Hotel Del Coronado to his beautiful bride Jill on July 8, 1989. Brother Joe Kelligian has broke ground on his development of an auto plaza in Chula Vista. Brother Greg and his wife Mariann Babikian opened a new boutique store in La Jolla. Brother Harry Guzelimian is now selling commercial real estate in North County and Brother Karney Ovian is now a principal for a travel agency in Orange County.

Congratulations to Brother Bob Spanjian and Brother Ray Sattjian who again completed another successful year as Board of Directors for the Del Mar Fair. The Del Mar Fair, broke all attendance records this year much to the pleasure of Brother Greg Vartanian and the increased sales of "tasty chips." The best of luck to Brother Jim Sahagian on his new business ventures in New Jersey.

I hope to see all of you at the Orange County Triple X Convention.

Fraternally yours,
Dikran A. Semerdjian
Associate Editor



San Diego Ski Team in Aspen.

Selma

Hello Brothers:

At the last summer of the "80's" draw to a close, Selma members continue to work hard on various events and have a good time doing it.

Our Law Enforcement Night in March with Fresno and Sequoia Chapters provided us with good insights on crime prevention.

Brother Vahe Simonian and volunteers worked hard on Kids Day which benefited Valley Childrens Hospital in Fresno. Also, in April Brother Grand Master Abby and his crew of chefs provided an excellent lunch for 125 residents of the California Home for the Aged. Brother Haig Kasparian organized our Golf Social with Fresno and Sequoia Chapters. We were given the opportunity to show off our golf talents and enjoy a delicious dinner and conversation after the game.

This year our scholarship committee selected the following high school graduates for our Scholarship:

Michael Zahigian, Matthew Shekoyan, Pamela Manoogian, Gina Moordigian. A dinner was also held in their honor. Congratulations to all!

Brothers Brent and Roger Simonian and Brother Ted Kazarian organized our best pre-



Some of the guests at Bingo Nite.



'89 Scholarship recipients.



Master Richard Nikssarian (center), with Jeff Israelian, ding secretary and Ron Toomajian, treasurer.



Grand Master Abby Mamigonian and Richard Nikssarian during one of Selma's meetings.



Kitchen crew at Bingo Nite.



Reno bus trip.



Jake Kevorkian and Friend.



Successful beer boot manned by Selma at Passport Fresno.

Mother's Day Bingo ever. Over 250 people enjoyed an evening of dinner, friendly conversation and Bingo.

Our annual Spring outing in June gave us Brothers a chance to relax and enjoy the day. Brother Kay Cloud graciously donated his yard for our June dinner meeting.

Under Brother Master Richard Nikssarian's leadership the membership approved the following donations at this time:

\$250.00 to David Atamian Scholarship
\$13,500.00 to California Home for the Aged for repairs and future expansion.

\$5,500.00 to Valley Childrens Hospital for their concern and dedication in treating Armenian Earthquake victims who were treated in Fresno.

Unfortunately we lost one Brother during this time. Condolences to Brother Wally Ishkanian's family.

Congratulations to new Brothers Martin Nahigian and Pat Nalakian. Also congratulations to Brother Ron Toomajian on the birth of his first baby boy.

Thanks to Brother Grand Master Abby for his advice and hard work during his year as Grand Master.

Looking forward to seeing everyone in Orange County on Labor Day.

Jerry Tusan
Associate Editor

Fresno

Wow!! What a great year. For the Brothers in the Fresno Chapter. Twelve new members, two great open socials, a new concept which has proven to be a great success which will be continued on in the future.

In May we held our 2nd open social which turned out to be a great success. As usual.

On the first weekend in June we held our annual Dinkey Creek Outing which turned out to be outstanding. Many large, large fish were caught both in and out of the creek. Many thanks to Brothers Naz Chaderjian, Mourad Najarian, Bob Kerkorian and John Topalian with whose help made this outing a great success.

On June 29th we held our Annual 13 Hour Social with Golf at Sherwood Forest Country Club and a fabulous dinner and social at the Club House. The normal amount of winners were present including some sand baggers, but all in all it's great to get together, enjoy each others brotherhood and friendship.

On July 20th we held our 3rd Annual Scholarship Dinner, in which we honored five great young men and women for all the hard work they did over the past twelve years. The recipients were as follows: Chad A. Hagobian, son of Brother Dennis Hagobian and nephew of Master Bob



l-r: Robert Markus, Richard Lulejian, Pat Orelan, Jack A. Rustigian, Jack Kazanjian, Ardie Der Manouel, Harold Loosigian, Chuck Adanalian, Abby Mamigonian, GM, at the initiation ceremony.



Juskalian, also grandson of Brother Albert Hagobian also known as the Golden Arm. Roger A. Shirin, son of Brother Richard Shirin, John Phillip Maroot, Grandson of Brother Charles Maroot. Michelle E. Tusan Valedictorian at Sanger High School and Elisa Dabanian Valedictorian at Fresno High School which was the birth place of the Fraternity, which also celebrated its 100th year anniversary. We had a great turn out with our wives.

As I said earlier we took in twelve new brothers into our chapter this year. Brothers: Michael Garabedian, Dan Potigian, Mark A. Yazjian, Paul Kapigian, Harry Markus, Jr. Robert Markus, Richard Lulejian, Ardie Der Manouel, Pat Ourlian, Harold Loosigian, Jack Kazanjian and Jack A. Rustigian, son of Past Master Arthur Rustigian.

On July 6th during our normal Business meeting we held a candle light Initiation service for the last six brothers mentioned.

Brothers I want all of you to know that we have the greatest fisherman of all in our Fraternity. On Saturday, June 24, Brother Mike Haroutunian won a new \$17,500.00 1/2 ton pickup truck. The first prize in the Sierra Budweiser Tournament of Champions held at Pine Flat Reservoir. Mike had a six-fish limit weighing 10.84 pounds.

In closing I wish to thank all the members of the Fresno Chapter who made this year such a successful and great year. Hope to see all the Brothers at the Convention in Orange County.

Bob Juskalian
Master



Sequoia

Let's go back to the 2nd week in February. Our chapter again set up the Shish Kebab booth at the California Farm Equipment Show in Tulare for the 3 days, and an admirable job was performed by the working brothers. Once again this event was chaired by PGM Mose Ametjian, Abe Kazarian, Marv Aharonian and Archie Zakarian. Special mention should go to Bro. John Gimian, Bro. Si Kalfayan and Art Ekizian who volunteered to chop up all the onions, parsley and tomatoes, a job that is always passed over by the majority. A very good profit was made...

Friday, March 10th was another Red letter day for Sequoia chapter as many relatives, friends and Trex brothers witnessed the swearing in ceremonies of Master Joe Kalashian as Municipal Court Judge of Tulare County, the first Armenian of the county to hold that distinguished position. A first class reception hosted by Bro. Joe and wife Mari was held at the Elks Lodge attended by the 300 people from the Court Room. Congratulations again to Master Joe.

Oh yea: Some prospective trexmen arrived into



Bro. Master Joe Kalashian being sworn in as Municipal Court Judge by Judge Conn.



Part of a long line for Shish Kebab at the Farm Show.

our world, namely Kasper Martin Hovannisian, son of Ralph Jr. and Janet, and get this — twin boys Ryan and Shane to Bro. Richard Yahnian and wife Becky. Look for this trio to take the Armenian open in 2010.)

Here is an interesting Note: This is a list of Father and Sons that are members of the Sequoia Chapter: Brother Marv and son Tim Aharonian, Bro. George and son Brian Ananian, Bro. Paul and son Lance Armo, Bro. Pete and son Jack Barsamian, Bro. Marshal and son Mitch Chobian, Bro. Sark and Charlie Davidian, Bro. John and son Greg Davidian, Bro. Ralph and son Ralph Hovanissian Jr., Bro. Abe and son Mark Kazarian, Bro. Harry and son Gary Krikorian, Bro. Geo. and son Michael Tamouzian, Bro. Dodd and son Stehpan, Bro. Sark and sons Bryan and Richard Yahnian, Bro. Pete and son Jimmy Zerounian and the Late Bro. Pete and son Jimmy Zerounian and the Late Bro. Amos and son Aron Margosian. Count them that is 15 father and sons, I'd say a pretty darn good record for a total membership of 65.

Brothers Harry Krikorian, and Stephan Yahnian who were on the Scholarship committee, selected 2 worthy candidates to receive scholarships of \$250.00 each, namely Traci Soxman of Visalia, and Candy Kachadourian of Tulare. These two students will continue their education at worthy Colleges in California.

Our Annual Ladies Nite was hosted on Saturday Evening May 20th, in the beautiful setting of the backyard of Bro. Jerry Poochigian and wife Julie. Bro. Jerry was ably assisted by Bro. Jim Zerounian, Charles Surabian, Pete Zerounian, Richard Yahnian, and Mitch Choboian. A real gourmet filet mignon dinner with all the trimmings, preceded by mezza and liquid refreshments and plenty of fellowship was enjoyed by the 23 brothers and wives in attendance. Good job fellows.

Just thought I would touch bases on this little item. The chapter held a Mini Golf tournament at the Plaza in Visalia with about 10 golfers in presence, namely the top two Bro. Lance Armo, and Tim Aharonian, followed by Bro. Ralph, Bro. Harry, and Bro. PGM Dick and a few hackers.

It is with deep sorrow that we lost Bro. Chuck Ouzounian who entered his eternal rest on May 3rd. Bro. Chuck was a devoted member of the Sequoia Chapter for 30 years. Bro. Chuck fought a courageous battle for many years, but succumbed to the inevitable. Our sympathies to his widow Ann, and sons George and Chuck Jr. and their families.

Fraternally, Sam Kutumian



L to R: Bro. George Shuklian, Harry Majarian & Bro. Marv Aharonian serving sandwiches at Farm Show. — Bro. Sam Kutumian in background making change.



L to R: Bro. Harry Davidian, Sark Davidian & Sark Yahnian, shishing the meat at the Farm Show.



L to R: Richard Sheklian, Archie Zakarian, Abe Kazarian, & Howard Lester. Preparations at the Tulare Farm Equipment



L to R: Bro. Lance Armo, Bro. Paul Boghosian, Master Joe Kalashian & Bro. Paul Armo on the serving line.

Golden Gate

A cryptic message issued by Master David Zovickian. Alcatraz to Treasure Island. Ferry Building to Fort Mason. What does this mean? Search for buried treasure? A new GG picnic site? No! Brother David swam from the Ferry Building to Fort Mason, from Alcatraz to Treasure Island. He must leave a wake as big as a whale attracted Channel 4's "Good Morning, America"!! Look for the swimming GG master on TV. This man also caught a foul ball on opening day at Candlestick Park...

Ann and Sark Sarkisian were in Florida and unexpectedly bumped into PGM Bob Alchian and his wife Connie. Bob is rapidly recovering from serious surgery and spends most of his time fishing...

Brian Pinomaki and Rita are the proud parents of a baby boy. With members like Brian, the Trex will last for eons...

Russell Pinomaki and Karen Sarkisian are engaged. Congratulations!...

The Ara Kaprielians celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary in Paris and toured France, Belgium, Germany, and ended up in Berlin, Ursula's home town to visit her mother...

Ara and Lilli Apkarian were married on May 27 this year and spent their honeymoon in Canada traveling well over 2,000 kilometers in two weeks...

Levon Ishag opened a new jewelry store in San Mateo on 60 E. Third Avenue in the International Trade Building. Good luck, Levon...



Dinner-Meeting at Golden Gate.

Setrak Soghomonian is a Homenetman coach for the twelve-year old boys basketball team and the eleven-year old girls team from San Francisco. He took them to Los Angeles where his son Vahe along with his team-mates placed third in the championship tournament. His daughter Ani was given a standing ovation for her playing ability...

Ken Nahigian has moved to Orland, California and we miss him already...

Susan Haroutunian is getting married on July 8. Congratulations and best wishes for a happy life together...

Darrin Hovsepian, a recent graduate from San Diego State U., met with a serious accident over July weekend. His recovery has been remarkable and he is starting a new job with GTE...

Maral, Anoushavan Kasparian's daughter, recently graduated from the Krouzian Zekarian Elementary School in San Francisco. She traveled as an interpreter for Pat Montadon's "Children for Peace" group to the Armenian earthquake area and was featured on television.

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PGM Sark Sarkisian visits with PGM Bob Alchian at the Armenian Church in Boca Raton, Florida.

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