

Triple X Fraternity 66th Annual Convention

Hosted by Peninsula Chapter Red Lion Inn, San Jose, California

★ Friday, September 1, 1995

REGISTRATION - Red Lion Inn, San Jose / Main Lobby /4:00 pm to 8:00 pm KEF NIGHT - Red Lion Inn, San Jose / Main Ballroom No Host Cocktails 6:00 pm / Dinner 7:00 pm Music & Entertainment by Andy Nalbandian 8:00 pm to 1:00 am Members, Family, & Guests

★ Saturday, September 2, 1995

REGISTRATION - Red Lion Inn, San Jose / Main Lobby /9:00 am 1:00 pm

GOLF TOURNAMENT - Summitpointe Golf Course in Milpitas Tee Time 10:00 am

CARDS & TAVLOO TOURNAMENT - Red Lion Inn, San Jose - 1:30 - 4:30 pm

SATURDAY NIGHT CASINO NIGHT - Red Lion Inn, San Jose No Host Cocktails 7:00 pm / Gaming 7:30 pm to 11:30 pm Members, Family, & Guests

★ Sunday, September 3, 1995

MEN'S BREAKFAST BUFFET / BUSINESS MEETING; Red Lion Inn, San Jose Breakfast 8:30 am to 9:30 am / Business Meeting 9:30 am

LADIES MURDER MYSTERY SHOW AND LUNCHEON Red Lion Inn, San Jose 12:00 pm; Guests welcome

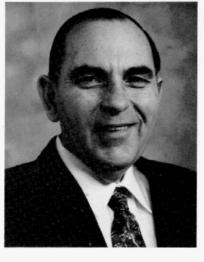
GRAND BALL / DINNER DANCE; Red Lion Inn, San Jose / Main Ballroom No Host Cocktails 6:00 pm / Gourmet Dinner 7:00 pm Music by Jack "Martin" Marderosian and Orchestra 8:00 pm to 12:00 pm

Grand Master's Message

Dear Brother Trexmen:

It certainly has been an extreme pleasure and honor for me to serve you as your Grand Master.

As I traveled across our Golden State, I have felt the warmth, kindness and brotherly love from each of you. I have observed our Great Fraternity in action and have seen the results of your efforts for the benefit of others. Familiarity with the purpose of the Triple X Fraternity and your Chapter's efforts in your communities is very evident and appreciated by all. You are encouraged to continue to meet future challenges facing us. Congratulations brothers, on all your ac-



complishments. I am very proud of each of my brothers. Please continue to keep up all the dedication and hard work you are each doing.

The Peninsula Chapter brothers, their wives and families have been working very hard to plan and prepare for the 66th Annual Convention. They will be hosting and providing us with an eventful and fun filled 77th Anniversary Convention. I am looking forward to seeing each of you again in San Jose.

I express a special thanks to all Grand Chapter Officers for their full support and efforts. Their hard work and dedication is sincerely appreciated by all the brothers.

My wife MaryAnn and I thank you for the warm reception and hospitality you extended to us during our visitations. You made us feel at home during our travels throughout the State. Neither one of us will ever forget the fraternalism you showed us. You made me very proud to be a member of the Triple X Fraternity.

I thank you again for the honor and privilege of serving you as your Grand Master. The best wishes and the best of health to all my brothers, our wives and families.

Fraternally Yours, ED HOKOKIAN, Grand Master

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Peninsula

Greetings from the Trexmen of the Peninsula. We have been very busy meeting and planning the details for the upcoming convention. We have great events planned and hope to see everyone here enjoying the South Bay Area and all it has to offer. Our convention committee is on the job creating a weekend full of fun, entertainment and of course traditional Triple X fellowship.

We had four brothers suffer through major health problems but we are glad to announce they are doing well. Past Grand Master George Solakian has been recovering from a quadruple bypass surgery and it appears his golf game is still intact.

Since we have been busy with convention preparations we have postponed our annual Spring Dance. We enjoyed two visits from our Grand Master Ed Hokokian. We look forward to seeing all our brothers and their families in September. Have a wonderful and healthy summer.

Brother Vic Khachooni, Editor





TRIPLE X FRATERNITY CRUISE 1994

Last November, 40 Triple X Fraternity members, wives, friends, and relatives took a seven day cruise to the Mexican Riviera. All have stated it was a trip to remember, as the entertainment, food, gambling, shopping, and sight-seeing was enjoyed by everyone. Also, the 2 for 1 price was right.

Those members making the trip were: PGM Sark & Ann Sarkisian and Brother Vartan & Arlene Hovsepian from the Golden Gate Chapter; Brother Vic & Marion Paparigian from the Peninsula Chapter; Brother Shahen & Betty Shapazian from the Fresno Chapter; PGM Jack & Isabelle Kazanjian, PGM Joe & Rosalie Garabedian, PGM Kay & Rosemary Cloud, PGM Haig & Charlotte Kasparian, PGM Jack & Elsie Bedrosian, Brother Phil & Jackie Manoogian, Brother Leo & Margaret Aivazian, and Brother Harry Moordigian, all from the Selma Chapter.

There were many highlights on the trip, but standing out above all was watching PGM Joe Garabedian para-gliding in Puerto Vallarta! And not to be outdone, Marion Paparigian followed suit!! Brave souls!

Several members have asked about future cruises. Presently being contemplated are a Hawaiian cruise, an Alaskan cruise, or a cruise to the Southern Caribbean. Members interested should let PGM Jack Bedrosian know of their preferences. The next one to schedule would take place either in the Spring, Summer, or Fall of 1996. PGM Jack's address is in the Trex directory.

If there is continued interest, cruises could be arranged every other year for the fraternity statewide. Costs would always be on a group discounted basis on the best prices available.

Capitol Chapter

Capitol brothers of Sacramento wish to congratulate His Holiness Karekin I elected as Catholicos of all Armenians in Etchmiadzin, Armenia, on April 4, 1995. Bro. Rod Jorjorian and Rev. Fr. Yeghia Hairabedian flew to Armenia to witness this great election. Bro. Rod spoke about his historic trip to the Capitol brothers at a recent meeting.

Our brothers never forget the number of times they leave the house to attend monthly Triple X meetings. Well, we took our lovely wives to one of the best Spaghetti Factory feeds we have had for a long time. PGM Alan Khatoonian won the Royal Order of Grapes for this one.

It's nice to see our newest member, Bro. Joseph Vitullo attending our meetings every month. With his enthusiasm, he will go far in our chapter.

Bro. Harry Sweet was called back to work at KCRA-TV in Sacramento. Channel 3 is 40 years old September 3, 1995. Bro. Harry is producing five 1/2 hour shows depicting the last 5 decades, to be aired the first week of September.

Bro's PGM Alan Khatoonian, Master Vernon Shahbazian, Rod Jorjorian and Ed Tatosian spent a few days at Dinkey Creek. Bro. Alan said, "There was so much snow on the ground, no ice cubes were needed for the drinks". Being a Trexman is what it's all about.

Our Annual Kef Night was so successful, we may have Bro. Gregory Soligan be our chairperson next year.

Tid Bits: With the winter storms subsiding, our brothers have turned their attention to summer activities. Did you know that Bro. Richard Nahigian and Harry Artinian respooled their fishing rods with 50 lb. lines, and Bro. Richard caught a 4 lb. Lake Trout in Eagle Lake. Harry's son Raymond netted the fish with his hat. Bro. Nubar Hachigan excels in his rowing achievements. Bro. Nubar, and his fellow crewmen won first place in the San Diego Crew Classic 2nd year in a row. Nubar is associated with the Lake Natomas Rowing Assn. near Folsom, Ca. Then to top this off, Bro. Nubar entered the Senior Games in Sacramento and won a Silver Medal playing Tennis. Not to be outdone, Bro. Matt Goorabian also won a Silver Medal playing Tennis, 65 to 69 age group.

Capitol Bro's extend sympathies to Bro. Todd Odabashian and the family for the passing of his father last March.

Our very creative secretary Todd Odabashian is now issuing Birthday Certificates to our Brothers.

Bro. Richard Nahigian received a perfect attendance trophy for 1994. Congratulations Bro. Richard.

A well deserved salute to our outgoing Master Vernon Shahbazian for his leadership during this past year. Master Vern has held many offices within the chapter for many years. Thank You.

Harry Sweet
Associate Editor



Bro's Pre-meeting Dinner.

Selma

Hello to all Brothers,

The Brothers of the Selma Chapter are under the leadership of Bro. Master Ken Melkonian, Jr. Attendance at business meetings has been very good. Bro. Master Ken Melkonian Jr. conducts very short and orderly meetings. By the time of the Convention our Chapter expects to meet its goal of 12 new members.

In January, Bro. Jr. Master Jim Kaprielian did a fine job organizing a Tail Gate Dinner prior to one of Fresno State's Basketball Games. The event was held at the Fresno Hofbrau.

In February, Brothers attended our annual Law Enforcement Dinner. Fresno County Sheriff Steve Magarian was our guest speaker. There was a demonstration of the K-9 squad. Sheriff Magarian spoke about the operation Sky Watch which is an effort to raise money for the purchase of three helicopters for the City and County Fresno. The event was held at the AACL Hall. A delicious Lamb Shank Dinner was prepared by Bro. PGM Abby Mamigonian and Bro. Aram Shahenian. The Selma Chapter donated \$1000.00 toward Project Skywatch.

Bro. Vahe Simonian and his committee once again participated in an Annual Charity Fund Raiser benefiting Valley Children's Hospital. The Special "Kid's Day" edition of the Fresno Bee were sold. Congratulations to the Brothers for a job well done.

In March our annual Sports Night was held. Our Chapter was on the leading edge in having coach Jerry Tarkanian as guest of honor. Selma Trex knew that Coach Tarkanian would be Fresno State's new Basketball Coach. A deluxe Shish Kebob Dinner and fantastic mezza was served. Over 240 members and guests were in attendance. Also honored were Judge Gary Krikorian, Dr. Ara Hairabedian and Coach John Toomasian. Bro. Mike Kilijian gave the Bio's and special thanks to Bro. Harry Gaykian for arranging Tark's appearance at our Sports Night.

In April, many Trexman from Selma and Fresno Chapters joined together for a day of Golf at Fig Garden Golf Course and dinner at



Law Enforcement Night.



CSUF Coach Jerry Tarkanian receiving plaque from Master Ken Melkonian.



Sports Night. Bro. Harry Gaykian & Jerry Tarkanian.



Sports Night. Judge Gary Krikorian, Coach Ara Hairabedian, Bros. Fred Markarian & Mike Kilijian.



Golf Social, GM Ed Hokokian, Master Ken, Coach John Toomasian.



Spring Bingo.



Spring Bingo Kitchen Help.



New Bros. Danny Boyajian and Robert Kandarian.

the Fresno Club House for the Thirteen Hour Golf Social. Many thanks to Bro. Don Attoian and Bro. PGM Haig Kasparian who were in charge of the event plus all the brothers who supported the event.

In May we had a very successful Spring Bingo with over 190 Brothers and guests present. A delicious Shish Kebab Dinner was served. Thanks to Bro. Brent Simonian, Bro. Elliot Nahigian, and Bro. Garo Istamboulian and their committee for a wonderful event.

In May we had the Scholarship Dinner. Bro. Phil Manoogian and Bro. Dick Boyajian were in charge of the event. There were 58 people present. Scholarship committee cochairmen were Bro. Phil Manoogian and Bro. PGM Jack Bedrosian. Scholarship recipients were Jacklen Gharibian (Hoover High), Natasha Azarian (Bullard High), Melissa Mooradian (Bullard High) and Serena Preston (Bullard High). Each received \$750 scholarships. Guest speaker of the evening was Dr. Pete Mehas, Superintendent of Fresno County Schools. Also present was past recipient Gina Moordigian who spoke on her accomplish-



Spring Outing.



Spring Outing.



Pizza Dinner

ments and how much scholarship means to a young High School graduate.

In June Bro. Robert Garabedian and committee organized a very lovely Spring Outing. 190 Trexman and family members attended. The Spring outing was very nice in bringing Brothers and families together.

The Selma, Fresno and Sequoia Chapters co-sponsored The Armenian Home Picnic held on June 25th at the AACL Pavilion. Delicious Shish Kebab, Chicken Kebab, and Lulu Kebab sandwiches were prepared by the Brothers. A raffle was held. All money raised went to help support the California Armenian Home.

At present time, the Selma Chapter is preparing of the Garden Charity Party to be held on July 29. A Shish Kebab Dinner will be served and music to be provided by the Statesman Big Band; Armenian music by Khachig Jingirian.

Plans are being made for our Annual Keyma Dinner on August 24th.

Congratulations to Brother Lance Armo on having passed the California Bar Exam and employed as attorney in a Fresno Law Firm.

We were deeply saddened by the loss of Bro. John Surabian and our deepest sympathies to his wife and family.

See you all at the Convention.

Fraternally, Gregory Ekizian Assoc. Editor



No more pizza left!



Four New Brothers being initiated.



Three New Brothers joining the fraternity.



John Surabian and wife Mary.



1994-95 Mt. Diablo Chapter

Mt. Diablo

CHAPTER OFFICERS

The current officers are: Tanil Matosian, Master (second term); Garo Sedrakian, Jr. Master; Harvey Hanoian, Recording Secretary; Bruce Jamgotchian, Corresponding Secretary; Jerry Tusan, Treasurer; Archie Azizian, Sergeant-at-Arms; Armen Boyd, Historian; John Dichian, Custodian, and Al Kaljian, Parliamentarian.

NEW MEMBERS

The chapter saw two new members inducted during 1994-95. They were Bill Hagopian and Steve Hazarabedian.

Bill Hagopian: Bill was inducted into the chapter by Grand Master Ed Hokokian. Bill's sponsor is Armen Hairabedian. Bill lives in Danville with his wife Beverly. They have two daughters and one granddaughter. Next year Bill, who is a Lt. Colonel, will retire with 33 years in the Air National Guard and is currently a navigator on a Lockheed C130 Hercules rescue plane.

Steve Hazarabedian: Steve is the son of charter member and past Mt. Diablo master Art Hazarabedian who also sponsored Steve. Steve's uncle Shavarsh Hazarabedian, PGM, inducted Steve. Steve who graduated from UCLA now lives in Lafayette. If one were to

look at the chapter roster one would note the Hazarabedians are many: for example, Steve is son of Art, brother of Mark, nephew of Shavarsh, and cousin to Ed. If any grand children come along we may have to rename the chapter.

ARMENIAN TECHNOLOGY GROUP

The Armenian Technology Group (ATG) was created by Mt. Diablo chapter member Dr. Art Hazarabedian and is currently chairman of the board. The ATG mission is, "Assisting Armenia toward agricultural self-sufficiency." Art and fellow agricultural and animal experts have visited Armenia many times to supervise donations of supplies and implement planting.

ATG in addition to assisting the planting of 60,000 acres of wheat throughout Armenia in 1994 was instrumental in having 220,000 metric tons of American wheat for bread sent to Armenia. Their vegetable seed project has been successful in providing Armenia with nearly \$8 million in assorted vegetable seed, alfalfa seeds, honey bee medication, animal/public health education, farm fertilizers, and farm machinery.

This is a case where a group of Armenians by enlisting others have made a vital contribution to Armenia when it is in dire need. Art and his colleagues are highly commended for



Harry and Ruben Sweet



Bob and Shant with chef Armen



Dinner at the clubhouse for Vic, Harvey, Steve



Tanil in England

their dedication to this humane endeavor.

THE SWEETS VISIT

It was great to see both Ruben and Harry Sweet at the April 1995 meeting. Longtime Mt. Diablo member Ruben who now lives in Sparks, Nevada and Harry who lives in Sacramento came for a visit. It's good to see Ruben moving around and hope he is able to continue to improve. The brothers (that is, real brothers) add a lot to our organization.

SPECIAL EVENTS

Mt. Diablo Chapter is celebrating its 20th anniversary . . . Master Tanil Matosian was in England helping to organize a U. K. Triple X Chapter . . . Is it true Jr. Master Garo Sedrakian who conducted the April meeting in Master Tanil's absence did not fine those who attended without pins? No chance such a thing would happen if Tanil were there because if he were the chapter would be richer... During the past year the chapter has held meetings at several locations including the clubhouse where some of the brothers cooked terrific dinners-great job guys . . . Some of the members worked tables at the Walnut Creek Multiple Sclerosis "Walkathon"... The chapter car rally is soon to take place. We solved the problem with Jack Mooradian who got lost at last year's rally by putting him on the committee to man the registration table (now, how's that for protecting a brother).

> Fraternally, Jack Mooradian Associate Editor



Myron and big John

Fresno

Greetings to all our brothers and their wives from the Fresno Chapter. We are all headed for San Jose this coming Labor Day Weekend of 1995.

Our husband and wife (guest) Valentine Dinner in February honoring newly elected California Assemblyman Brother Chuck Poochigian was a very enjoyable and proud event. Co-Chairmen were Brother Mardy Marderosian and Brother Naz Chaderjian. Thanks to our wives, the tables were beautifully decorated. Stella Chaderjian, Rose Ekizian, and Muriel Marderosian, great job. It was nice to see Fresno County Supervisor Deran Koligian at this event.

March was the Mid-Term Convention at the Fresno Chapter clubhouse hosted by Sequoia Chapter brothers who did an excellent job.

April Fresno, Selma, Sequoia Tri-Chapters enjoyed a social at Justo's in Hanford. It was a good turnout with two chartered buses plus several brothers drove to Hanford to meet us. Great food and brotherhood*.

May 17 Brother Mike Emerzian and Mike Garabedian chaired the Tri-Annual Open Social. The clubhouse was filled with brothers and guests. The food was excellent; the shish kebab dinner mouth-watering and a few walked away with some choice raffle prizes.

June 1.2.3.4. What else but Fresno's Annual Dinkey Creek Outing. The creek was unusually high and turbulent which made fishing difficult. However, the brothers were not to be thwarted, they went to Shaver Lake and fished. The surrounding areas were very beautiful, more so than usual, because of the large amount of rainfall this year. We missed many brothers who usually attend. Co-Chairmen for this event Bob Juskalian, Pat Ourlian Mooney Najarian and Naz Chaderjian don't mind all of the preparation and work that goes into putting on "Dinkey Creek" as long as the brothers enjoy themselves and it would be nice if more brothers attended. Our young members are "catching on" that this could be a very enjoyable "get-a-way". Hope to see you next

In Memoriam Robert Alchian, PGM

Died June 1, 1995 Boynton Beach, FL



Master Gary's dream come true.



Chow time!



Hot stuff!



"Shish" Brothers Pete Chilpigian, Ed Shirin and Bob Juskalian.



Dinkey committee: Bros. Mooney, Bob, Naz and Pat.



Young "Ping".



Old "Pong".



Mid Term: Jack Ouzounian, Jeff Hazarian, Grand Master Ed Hokokian and Jack Bedoian.



June 15 Fresno Chapter hosted a dinner honoring Past Grand Masters and Past Masters. We had a great time seeing so many of our "old timers" who have served our fraternity so well through the years. Past Grand Masters attending were Aaron Aaronian, Mike Chakalozian, Kay Cloud, Haig Kasparian, Mike Kershaw, Sam Krikorian, Lou Markarian, Abby Mamigonian and "soon to be" P.G.M. Ed Hokokian. Brothers Pat Ourlian, Bob Juskalian, Pete Chilpigian and others cooked Tri-Tips, shish, lulu kebabs, two types of pilav, salad and dessert; all low in cholesterol and fat, of course!

June 25 The Armenian Home Picnic was put on by the Valley's Tri-Chapters, Fresno, Selma and Sequoia. Brothers from all of these chapters pitched in and worked together for a good cause. The "old folks" of the home (many of them our very own loved ones) enjoyed the shish kebab dinner we served them. Unfortunately, the weather was as hot as Richard Hagopian's orchestra and attendance was not as much as we anticipated.

July 15 will be our Mystery Trip with our



PGM's Kay, Haig, Lou, Aaron, Abby, Michael, Ed (to be) Mike and Sam.



Valentine Night: Assmb. Brother Chuck Poochigian, Wife Debbie and County Supervisor Deran Koligian.

























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Photos by Jack Ouzounian, Grand Editor

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wives (guests). Master Gary Kazarian and Junior Master Pat Ourlian are in control. At this writing I can't tell you where we are going, otherwise it wouldn't be a "mystery trip".

July 20 Our Scholarship Dinner and Awards Night has not occurred at this writing so I can only give you the names of our scholarship recipients as follows:

Scott Barr - Sanger High School Heather Jones - Clovis West High School Samantha Gizerian - Edison High School Rose Keroglian - Fresno High School Andrea Peters - Fowler High School David Yengoyan - Bullard High School

IN MEMORY: We are saddened by our recent loss of Brothers **Ara Yazijian**, **Carl Moosoolian** and **Bob Alchian** (PGM formerly with Oakland). These brothers will be missed. They all contributed to Triple X Fraternity as good brothers.

Closing on a good note: Our Grand Master Ed Hokokian has done us proud and has been masterful in handling this difficult job and duties. He has visited all chapters and has done much to bring the chapters closer to one another this year.

See YOU in San Jose, do you know the way?
Fraternally,
Brother Naz Chaderjian







Valentine Night, Chuck Poochigian. Chairman Naz, Master Gary and wife Denva



Open Social.



Proud father Pete Chilpigian watches son's initiation.



Golden Gate

June 24th was an active day in the Golden Gate Trex family. Nearly two dozen brothers and their wives journeyed to sunny Sausalito to enjoy brunch by the Bay. As if such a setting weren't spectacular enough, Bro. Leonard and Agnes Kabrielian invited the entire entourage to his hillside home above the water to enjoy a sumptious mezza, and view to match. The assembled brothers took a moment to toast Bro. David Zovickian, who inexplicably chose this same day to wed his sweetie Laura.

Putting aside contempt and indifference toward the spoiled players and owners of our lost national pastime, for the pure and noble cause of Brotherhood and mezza, a couple of dozen or so (we hope) of our Brothers plan on braving the winds of Candlestick Park to see the Giants over the Astros. The BBQ, Suds and Soda and assorted goodies will make attending any ballgame well worth the trip and drive down Hwy 101 to the 'stick will be



Bros. Vartan, Vince, & Vic.



Bros. Ara & Levon.

good practice for those Brothers planning to attend the convention hosted by the Peninsula Chapter who might be wondering if they really know the way to San Jose, well actually Los Gatos. See you in September.

Fraternally yours, David Zovickian



Bros. Ralph, Bob, & Vic.



G.G. Chapter Sunday Brunch Sausalito.

NOTICE

Deadline for submitting articles and pictures for the Spring issue of Trex News is Jan. 8, 1996.

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Los Angeles

Dateline June 28, 1995: Bro. Galen S. Petoyan, V.P. at S.C.S. Field Services, today is at a land fill project in Virginia. As our Recording Secretary, he called to verify facts for our article in the Trex News! Such unselfish devotion with no thought of reward - O.K., just two sips when you get home, Galen. In all fairness to our master Bro. Mike Shakar, he called too! Bro. Mike just wanted to see his name in print.

Since I've last written our L.A. Chapter has been hectic. January 14, 1995 was our installation banquet at Brookside Country Club in Pasadena. Our ladies made this event beautiful! Don't we need to do more things to include them?

Palm Desert Invitational golf outing in April was masterfully scripted by Bro. John Casparian. Golf, food, trophies, dancing, food, swimming, shopping, food - well you get the picture. The weekend was too short as usual.

Bro. Randy Avazian rallied his teams again this spring to grab the bats and balls for the annual softball league. Bro. Randy said, "We're just warming up for convention! I guess L.A. can't be beat! It's only a game, right?

Our Jr.'s joined us again this year for the chapter family picnic in Glendale June 11th. If the kids are getting older does that mean we're getting younger? Good food, good friends. This is what it's all about.

I'll bet you know what we all did June 23, 1995 in Pasadena. Very good! Most of us looked for our golf balls. The 40th Annual Armenian Golf Tournament was again a fun fund-raiser for our chapter. We all got 'big' putters and mine gave me my first ever "birdie". I asked my brothers about an "eagle" but they said that's a bird of different feather. Next time I won't use that 'big' putter from the tee! The following are fifteen winners out of the one hundred and ten in attendance:

Kirk Avazian - Mihran Kasparian Trophy
Chuck Lyons Jr. - John Mason Trophy
John Kazanjian - Henry Zakian Trophy
Mike Kourtjian - A Flight 1st Dick Jebejian
Greg Abdulian - A Flight 2nd
Robert Kalfayan - B Flight 1st
Joe Zorigian Trophy
Jerry Jebejian - B Flight 2nd
Dick Agajanian - C Flight 1st
Dee Housepian - C Flight 2nd
Don Barsumian - Blind Bogey
Victor Filia - Guest 1st
Nana Isobe - Guest 2nd



Roopenlans, Khtelans, Pariglans.



Roopenians, Jebejians, Dagermangys, Kalfaians,



Michaellans, Kehlayans.



Bro. Master Mike Shakar, Bro's Ara Devian, Mark Mikaelian & Mrs. Lydia Shakar.

The July 5th meeting at the Ararat home will feature the initiation of Steven Indjeyan. He is the ideal addition to the Triple X Fraternity

How are the junior chapters progressing? Have any more senior chapters pooled your youth for our future?

Bro. David Maseredjian for Grand Master in 1998. Don't forget! Only six more reminders until elections.

See you at Convention 1995. This is just the beginning!

Fraternally,

Bro. Vaughn R. Vartanian, Assoc. Editor



Poladians, Neshanians, Avedislans, Poladians.



Bro's Aram Avazian, Bill Ohannesian.



Bro. Gary and Bro. Leo.

Orange County

Hi there to all our Brothers in our Fraternity! We are looking forward to attending the Convention hosted by the Peninsula Chapter. We will be supporting Past Master Bro. Moony Najarian for Grand Master, and Past Master Bro. Archie Cholakian for Jr. Grand Master. They need some competition. Come and let's enjoy the Fraternal Brothers and Families

Our yearly Christmas Party for the disabled at Fairview State Development Center in Costa Mesa was Chaired by Bro. Haig Jamgotchian and Bro. George Thomas and his wife June. I thank the Brothers and wives that helped put it together. Bro. Bob Cutler, our new member, really enjoyed helping. We gave gifts to all the people in the section we visited and also enjoyed ice cream, cake and music with them. It is a joy to help the disabled.

Our 9th Annual Armenian-American sports Hall of Fame was outstanding. Bro. Jack Kayajanian and Bro. Nick Paboojian were Co-Chairmen, Bro. Art Kazarian did the mezza and he did a "First Class Job". This year we had as the Hall of Fame inductee Ed Kezirian, who played for U.C.L.A. and now is an offensive line coach there. We also had a tribute to Terry Donahue, the U.C.L.A. Football Coach. The following sports personalities roasted Tony Donahue: Ed Arnold (sports announcer) was Master of Ceremonies; Richard Brown, President of the Angels; Jerry Tarkanian, New Basketball Coach for Fresno State; Jack Faulkner, Rams G.M.; Craig Fertig, U.S.C. Quarterback. We also had the honor of having our Grand Master Bro. Ed Hokokian. Because of events like this we are able to make



Masons, Elmassians, Hovseplans.



Bros. Ed, Kelly, Wayne, G.M. Ed, & Chuck.



Spring Dance - "Kef time Orange County Style".



Bro. Bill Mac, Nick, Haig & John.



Bros. Enjoying Bro. Art Astor car collection (he has the hat on).

donations to many local charities. Bros. Jack and Nick did an outstanding Job.

Our Annual Potluck at Bro. Kurk and Marge Kazarian's was one of the best. The Keyma that Marge made is always the first thing gone. Thanks Marge and all the wives and Bro's. who helped It is always good to get our families together.

Our Mid-Term outing was lead by our Master Bro. Wayne Najarian. It is always a good time meeting other Brothers from around the State, getting new ideas to improve the Triple X and just saying hello. The spirit of the meeting was excellent.

Our Classic Car Tour was chaired by Bro. Art Astor and Jr. Master Kelly Astor. P.G.M. Z. Harry Astor sat on his vor and did nothing except baby sit. I guess when you're his age you can do anything you want. Bro. Art has over 60 Classic Autos. Some of the cars in his collection are the 1936 Ford Club Cabriolet, 1951 Kaiser Virginian and the 1927 Packard 6-Cyl Towing Sedan. They also have old radios, record players, gas pumps, etc. Thank you Bro. Art and your wife Toni for your hospitality.



Bro. Haig, Art, Nick, Ed, Jack "Art the Maza King."



Sportnight Bro. Master Wayne, Terry Donahue, & Jr. Master Kelly.

"Day at the Races" was chaired by Bro. Ed Harver at Santa Anita. All that I have heard so far about this event was that Ed's "Hot Tip" on the last race helped everyone out.

The Spring Dance was a huge success. Bro. Ara Gholdoian and Bro. John Mekemian did an outstanding job. Also Bro. Art Kazarian's food for the dance is always first class. We packed them in and they danced from 7:30 to 1 p.m. We call it "Kef Time Orange County Style". Tom Bozigian gave Armenian Dance lessons between 7:30 and 9:00, prior to the dance. Everyone came at 7:30. Thanks to all

the Brothers and wives who helped.

Bro. Don Kazarian did a fantastic job on our Laughlin Stag Outing. The mezza and fellowship for the 3 days was great. Bro. Rick Penjoyan had so much fun playing the nickel machines and won such a big jackpot that they had to carry out his winnings with two Armed Guards. When you see Bro. Rich he will tell you the story. It was nice to see Bro. Mooney Najarian swimming instead of gambling! I had to listen to all their stories around the pool. A "Great Time" was had by all.

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Bros. at Mid Term Bro. Wayne Haig, Hank, Naz.



Laughlin Stag, Br. Mooney bought Ice Cream for all of us - getting votes for Grand Master.



Party at Fairview, Mary, Ruth, June, & Tracy.



Bro. Norris Barsumian in Mark Leville. Retired but enjoys driving his tractor.



Sport Night Eddy, Terry, Jack Kayajanan.



Bros. having fun at the meeting, Carlo, Rich, Art, Roger, & Jerry.

Oakland

Greetings and salutations to all the Trex Brothers from the "new" old home of the Oakland Raiders. The Oakland Trex Brothers have been active since our last correspondence.

March 31, 1995 we had a crab feed fundraiser. It was a smashing success. We raised \$2400 and had fun doing it. We listened to and were taught country western line dancing by the D.J. Previously, the only line dancing the Brothers knew was the Haleh. Grand Master Ed Hokokian and his wife joined us for our crab feed and enjoyed the evening as well. Thanks to Brother Rick Magarian for chairing this event.

In April, some of the Brothers gave up their Saturday morning and volunteered at St. Vincent De Paul Soup Kitchen. It was a very rewarding experience. The Oakland Trex volunteers at the soup kitchen 2 to 3 times a year.

June 25, we had our annual Oakland Trex Family Picnic. We had over 50 members and family present. The food was outstanding! We feasted on Tri-Tip steak and pilaf. Thanks to Brother Harry Shirinian for chairing this event again this year. Even more thanks go to Harry's wife - whom Harry admits did most of the work.

In May, Brother Archie Kamian chaired the Feather River outing. The Brothers who attended had a great time. It's a good thing they brought a lot of Basturma to eat because during the whole weekend the group caught a total of one fish.

The Oakland Trex is proud to announce the addition of two new members to our fraternity, George Kamian and Rick Michaels. Congratulations, fellas!

We would like to send our condolences to Brothers Dick Baronian and Steve Baronian on the passing of their wife and mother Isabel Baronian. We also send our condolences to Brother Sy Ekizian on the passing of his wife Rose Ekizian.

The Oakland Trex has numerous upcoming activities scheduled, and to let everyone know how on the ball the Oakland Trex Brothers are, we have made reservations at the Doubletree Hotel in Monterey for the 1999 Triple X Convention.

Until next time,

Respectfully submitted, Brother Craig Bazigian Recording Secretary

Orange County (cont.)

On a more serious note, we had a loss of our beloved Past Master Bro. Bill Makrdichian. He was a charter member and held many offices. He loved the conventions, stag outings and trips with our wives. He was a dedicated Trexman, and he will be deeply missed.

We have many illnesses in our chapter. Our prayers are with all of you, and we hope to see you back at our meetings soon.

I want to commend Master Wayne Najarian and his officers and Board of Directors. They did an outstanding job this year. I have no doubt that our new officers for the upcoming year will be just as good. Thanks Brother Master Wayne for leading our chapter.

See you at the Convention! Respectfully, Haig Jamgotchian P.G.M.



Bro. Kurk & Steve

San Diego

We're growing! We're growing!

Welcome aboard to our two new members, Ed Hartouni and Stephan Hovsepian. Ed is a first-time member, a retired physicist and lecturer. Stephan took a leave of absence a few years ago in Orange County to start his family, (his wife helped by bearing them) and keep up with his profession as a financial analyst. Our "analysis" indicated a 10% member growth with these two new members.

Our scholarship chairman, Dick Semerdjian, sorted through more than 20 applications and five fine scholars will split \$1,500 this Fall.

In April ten brothers went to Las Vegas for golf and games of chance. Semerdjian organized it all - what a leader. Barney Ovian had us to his swanky home for dinner one night. We enjoyed another fine dining experience at the Semerdjian parent's home. Such loving hosts! We played golf at the distant PARUMPH course and the local Highland Falls (scores are intentionally omitted).

Brothers Oscar and John Sarkisian generously involved our chapter in a "sure-thing" fund-raiser. OSCAR'S supplied the food and booth rental at "cost" and our chapter got the profit - \$1,600! What a nice thing to do for our chapter, Oscar and John.

At Dinkey Creek Bro. Joe Zakarian showed the fisherman how to do it in rough water. His five fish limit was impressive, all taken near the bridge on red salmon eggs. Of course his graphite ZAK-ROD gets the credit, built by his brother Aram from Davis.

We meet at the Ship A'Hoy restaurant in Solana Beach usually the last Tuesday of each month. Sam's food is great, the jokes are funny (HA-HA) and it's educational.

Our Grand Master Ed Hokokian honored us with his second visit this year. His words of wisdom will be heeded as we head into a busy summer—bring in members! SEE YOU AT THE SAN JOSE CONVENTION. VOTE FOR MOONEY NAJARIAN!

Bro. Joe Zakarian, Master San Diego Chapter



Hello again Brothers

We started off the year with our installation banquet. It was a very nice evening with Brother Bryan Yahnian being sworn in as master. Our Grand Master was on hand to swear in all the Brothers.

One of the biggest events of our year was the Tulare farm Show. The three day event took a lot of Brothers to help, but was profitable. Brothers Abe Kazarian and Archie Zakarian were at the helm.

Our joint dinner meeting with Fresno and Selma chapters was another success. It's always good to see members from various chapters. Lately, we've been having outdoor dinner meetings. It's a nice change of atmosphere. Brothers

from their area will usually form their own committee.

Brother Archie Zakarian had a pretty good scare the other day. It appeared that two thugs decided to rob his hardware store at gunpoint. Fortunately, he got the jump on the robbers by pulling out his gun, and releasing a barrage of gunfire. After the dust settled, the robbers fled, Brother Archie checked his shorts, and every-



Outdoor Dinner Meeting.



Bro. Mike and Lillian Cholakian, Trexman 1955-1995.

thing was okay. I don't think they'll be patronizing his store again! Good going Brother Archie! As I mentioned before, Sequoia chapter donated a large amount of money for an arbor at our Armenian Church Camp. Brother Harry Davidian led a committee for a dedication of the arbor. Many Brothers and their families had a good time getting away for the day. The arbor should last a couple of life times.

Speaking of Brother Harry Davidian, he finally got his wish come true! He pushed out ten acres of nectarines and had a pasture put in. So far, cows and horses are in sight, but I bet we'll see some other creatures running around shortly. It's a pet project of his that I'm sure he'll spend much time on. He does everything but sleep out there! It appears to be a first class addition, complete with metal fencing.

Another first class project to take a look at in the neighborhood is Brother Charlie Davidian's new home! Convention Center dimensions!

I'm ending our news on a sad note. Brother Mike Cholakian passed away recently from cancer. Brother Mike joined the XXX in 1955. He served every office, including Master, more than once. I was always very amused by his humor. Brother Mike was a solid Trexman; very seldom missed a meeting, always there when duty called. Our condolences and best regards to his wife Lillian, and family. We'll miss him very much.

Well Brothers, I must part for this half of the year. And as my father, John, would have said, "May the good Lord take a likin' to ya!"

> Fraternally yours, Brother Greg Davidian Editor









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