



# Trex News

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## Triple X Fraternity

# 43<sup>rd</sup> Mid-Term Convention

Saturday, March 2, 1996

Fresno, California

### ◆ Mid-Term Golf Tournament

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

12:00 a.m. Sharp! (See particulars and entry blank on back page.)

### ◆ Fresno Club House Open All Day

(9:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.) for Tavloo, Gin, Pinochle, etc.

11:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Lunch available.

### ◆ Cocktails & Mezza 6:00 p.m. - Dinner 7:00 p.m.

Fresno Club House - 630 S. Argyle, Fresno

### ◆ Business Meeting - 8:00 p.m.

Members Only





## Grand Master's Message

Dear Brother Trexmen:

First of all I want to give thanks to the San Jose Chapter members and their wives and families for their hard work in putting on the convention. They did a fine job.

Well, it was '95" and I was alive! Thank you by Brothers for giving me the honor and privilege of being your Grand Master. Now it's 1996 and I am looking forward to visiting your chapters and seeing all of you. I know most of you personally and I love you. It'll be great meeting those I haven't met yet.

I hope this year will be a year of growth and it can be, but we must all work at it. Let's make a special point of attending all our Business Meetings and Social Functions and have FUN. If we get enthusiastic, that enthusiasm will show and others will want to become members.

My wife Irene and I want to wish God's Blessings on you and yours. Health and Happiness and peace of heart and mind. Have a wonderful 1996.

Fraternally yours,  
Mourad (Mooney) Najarian  
Grand Master

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## Trex 2000

As we approach the dawn of the 21st Century, the Triple X Fraternity has felt the need to re-address its reasons for existing as a viable organization.

We have come a long way since our early beginnings limiting membership to 30 members (XXX) in 1918, when the issues, needs, aspirations, and circumstances were completely different than the present.

According to the decision of the last year's Mid-Term Meeting a committee was appointed to look into the future of Triple X Fraternity beyond the year 2000.

A weekend conference was scheduled for November 4 and 5, 1995 in Fresno, where representatives from all of the 11 chapters met and discussed old and new issues pertaining to the fraternity.

The meeting was chaired by PGM Sarkis Sarkisian and co-chaired by Grand Marshal Greg Kludjian, who organized and monitored the sessions.

The Team facilitators were: PGM Ed Hokokian (Blue Team), Grand Historian Custodian Charles Paskerian (Orange Team), PGM Abby Mamigonian (Green Team) and PGM Jack Bedrosian (Red Team).

The specific topics discussed were numerous and varied: *Membership, Number and size of Chapters, Youth over 25 - How to attract into the Fraternity, Role of the Grand Chapter, Women in the Organization, Junior Chapters, Conventions and Mid-Term Meetings, Name of the Triple X, History and Traditions, Armenian and Foreign born members, Subordinate Chapters, Mission of Triple X, Role of Past Grand Masters.*

The committee will present its findings and recommendations to the Brothers at our Mid



The Steering Committee

Term Meeting scheduled for March 2, 1996.  
We applaud and congratulate the steering committee for their farsighted thoughtfulness and wish them success.

Jack Ouzounian  
Grand Editor



Blue Team



Orange Team



Green Team



Red Team





Boarding the bus for the Mystery Trip



Mystery tourists at dinner

## MT. DIABLO

### Chapter Officers

The current officers are: Archie Azizian, Master; Art Hazarabedian, Jr. Master; Raffi Kachadourian, Recording Secretary; Jerry Tusan, Treasurer; Bruce Jamgotchian, Corresponding Secretary; Kevork Hagopian, Sergeant-at-Arms; Varouj Koroyian, Custodian; and Armen Boyd, Historian.

### Shant's Farewell

At the August 11, 1995 meeting Shant Kooyoumjian was presented with a farewell cake. Shant a longtime Mt. Diablo Chapter member is moving to the east coast (Cape Cod). We will dearly miss our special friend. Best wishes Shant.

### Car Rally Covers Two Counties

On Sunday, June 25, 1995 members of the Mt. Diablo Triple X gathered for the annual Car Rally. The rally covered forty miles in two counties, beginning in Lafayette, then to Moraga, Berkeley, Oakland, and concluding at the Blue Dolphin Restaurant in San Leandro. Rally chairman Varouj Koroyian created a fantastic route with instruction in English and Armenian. At dinner prizes were awarded.

Armen Boyd was the winning driver having traveled almost the exact mileage prescribed (no doubt Evelyn played a major role in keeping Armen from getting lost). But, hats off to Armen, he came on the rally knowing at any time he may pass a kidney stone; maybe that's



Car rally enthusiasts



Car rally winner Armen Boyd with navigators



Hungry car rally teams



Archie and outgoing Master Tanil



Fund raiser committee



Varouj and Bob



Shant Kooyoumjian



Lou Aronian inducted

why he drove so fast. And, guess who came in last—no, it wasn't me. I won't tell you, but his initials are TM and is the outgoing master.

### Fourth Of July Fundraiser

On July 4th at Central Park in the city of San Ramon the chapter sponsored a booth as the annual fundraiser. The "Caspers" hot dog booth was organized by co-chairs Jerry Tusan and Raffi Kachadourian. Thanks to George Rustigian for his support and donation and other members who contributed and worked that day. The booth sold \$17,000 in food. Proceeds will go to the chapter charity fund.

### Mystery Trip

On Saturday, October 21, 1995 thirty Trexmen and guests boarded a chartered bus for an unknown destination organized by George Rustigian and helper Vaughn Mazmanian. The one and one-half hour trip took us from Walnut Creek, over the Bay Bridge, past downtown San Francisco, past the airport, and to the thriving metropolis of Alviso (Alviso who?) just north of San Jose. We arrived at Vahls Italian Restaurant, and by that time with a good appetite. We had our own area set aside for us. The meal was terrific including all of the specialty dishes before the entree. We had a great time (and took a different route home). Thanks to Rusty for arranging an enjoyable evening. Yes folks, he kept it a secret all the way.

Fraternally,  
Jack Mooradian  
Associate Editor



# Capitol

1995 was a good year for our chapter. Our new 1995-1996 officers elected are: Bros. Gregory Soligan, Master; Richard Fathy, Jr. Master; Todd Odabashian, Secretary; Art Tatosian, Treasurer; Harry Sweet, Photographer and Associate Editor; Charles Esraelian, Marshal-Custodian; Vernon Shabbazian, Advisor/Critic; and maybe we can twist the arm of PGM Joe Hagopian to be our new Sunshine chairman.

Master Gregory has ordered the local brothers to recruit new faces among the members. We need new young talent. So Brothers do your searching.

Some of our charity events for the year were Kef-Night; always a terrific endeavor by the whole chapter to make it a success. Picnics in the park are always a fun time. Thanks to everyone.

Bro. Harry and wife Mauvis Sweet hosted the August Patio Party at the home of his daughter and son-in-law Mike Norton, and their children, Nicole, Amanda and Kyle. The Hula show put on the Trex brothers was worth the price.

Bro. Todd Odabashian chaired the Castle Air Force Base Museum tour, in Merced, Ca. Many Bro's. from the Peninsula attended.

Bro. Joe Vituilo arranged the Master's dinner for our out going Bro. Master Vernon Shabbazian. Bro. Vern's brother Harry passed away this past fall. Condolences to all the family. Loss of a loved one is always difficult. Bro. Leon Hagopian lost his mother last fall as well; Flora Hagopian died after a lengthy illness.

Another Bro. Nubar Hachigian lost his wife Matilda, December 20th, after a long illness. Nubar and his wife were married 47 years. We will miss her. She was a wonderful lady.

Happy to see charter member Harold Soligan and Bro. Charles Esraelian attending meetings again.

Capitol Chapter is hosting the 1996 Convention. Come share it with us.

From the WINGS OF SILVER: "The sufferings of this present time are worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us"

Sincerely, Harry Sweet  
Associate Editor



Bro. Rod Jorjorian receives 25 year plaque.



Leo Krikorian presented a 50 year plaque by G.M. Hokokian.



Incoming Master, Greg Soligian presented a Plaque to outgoing Master Verne Shabbazian.



Lake Tahoe Outing. Bro's: Todd Odabashian, Alan Khatoonian, Harry Artinian, Verne Shabbazian.



Todd Odabashian, New Master Greg Soligian, and Art Tatosian.



Capitol Trex Ladies, Sylvia, Rose, Lucille, Perry, Flora.



PGM Joe Hagopian, Nicole Amanda Norton.

# Peninsula

The TREX 66th Annual Convention hosted by the Peninsula Chapter under the able leadership of Master Aram Darmanian and Chairman, PGM George Solakian was a resounding success. The Bros., wives and family attending the 3-day event at the San Jose Red Lion Inn had a good time. There was fellowship enjoyed at the Friday KEF Night with shish kabob dinner and dancing to Armenian music by Bro. Andy Nalbandian's Mid East Rhythms, Saturday Casino Night, Sunday Ladies Fashion and Mystery Show and Dinner Dance with Bro. Jack Martin and his orchestra. Our thanks to the AGBU for preparation of the KEF Night dinner, which resulted in a \$500 donation to Armenia school children.

The year was marred by the sudden unexpected passing of Bro. Jack Marderosian (Martin) on Dec. 1, 1995. Jack Martin was a stalwart of our chapter who unselfishly served his brothers, preparing excellent dinners and providing support whenever needed. His smiling presence and his devotion to our fraternity will be keenly missed by all. Our condolences to his wife Doris and family. May his soul be blessed.

In accordance with the brothers, who felt Bro. Jack would have agreed, new Master Larry Karabian and PGM George Solakian decided to go ahead with plans for a Chapter Christmas Dinner and Social. A delicious Christmas dinner was served to members and families on Dec. 21, at the Los Altos Masonic Hall. Master Larry opened with a tribute to Bro. Jack and observance of a moment of silence in his memory. Thanks to Gourmet Chef Bro. Mike Michaelian, all the brothers who helped and the ladies for bringing pilaf and arranging the table decorations.

A joint dinner meeting with the Golden Gate Chapter brothers is planned at our regular time on the 3rd Thursday in February 1996 at the Los Altos Masonic Hall. Bro. Andy Nalbandian has agreed to have a go at making the lamb shanks promised by Bro. Jack, using his own recipe. Also, pilaf (what else?) is probably going to be served. Visiting brothers are always welcome with advance notice given when possible.

Andy Nalbandian  
Peninsula Chapter, Editor



# Oakland

Hello once again brothers. Life is good at the Oakland Chapter, with Master Mike Tulanian running the show. He has planned a fun exciting year for all. His first order of business was to have a get away with the brothers. He turned to Brother Bob Nalbandian for inspiration. This inspiration was our trip to Arnold. Brother Bob planned an excellent weekend, full of plenty of food, beverage and KEF! The accommodations were grand. We had a three story house with a pool table, ping-pong table and plenty of bathrooms. The weekend was spent getting to know each other, eating, playing golf, eating, bar hopping, eating, and hearing great stories from the senior members. We also had our Family Christmas party. It was a wonderful evening of togetherness. The Dinner was great. We were led in Christmas carols by Brother Bill Nalbandian and his lovely wife Bev. (They're better than Steve & Eydie) The highlight of the evening was when Brother Bill dimmed the lights and gave us his rendition of O Holy Night, as you can well imagine there was not a dry eye in the place.

The rest of the year looks exciting as well. Besides the fun and informative meetings Master Mike Tulanian has planned. We have our huge Crab Feed planned for March, it was a huge smash last year. In April we have our Charter Night Crab Feed, another chance to get together with those members who have made us what we are. Some other fun outings will be our return visit to Feather River under the guidance of Brother Harry Sherinian. We also have a Stag night planned for Lake Tahoe, remember brothers there is a lake to enjoy as well. Oops, I almost forgot our family picnic in June, Yes fun for the whole family.

Sadly I must announce the passing of two members of the Oakland Chapter, Brother Vaughn Sobajian and Brother Harry Shahbazian, both will be missed dearly.

I would also like to announce that the Oakland Chapter has requested waivers for brother Jim Krikorian.

Have a Great Year !!  
Steven "Dino" Donikian



# Orange County

Orange County's newly elected officers for 1995-96 are:

- Master: Bro. Ed Harver
- Jr. Master: Bro. Kris Kazarian
- Rec. Sec. Bro. David Berberian
- Treasurer: Bro. Paul Hachigian
- Corres. Sec: Bro. Ken Hekimian
- Sgt. at Arms: Bro. Allen Antoyan Jr.

Our 20th Annual Picnic broke all records. We served over 900 Kabob Dinners. Our new location turned out great. Chairmen Bro. Roger Pechuls and Bro. Art Kazarian did an outstanding job. Plus our wives who helped serve and do the pastries. Once again Marge Kazarian and her volunteers made their terrific pilaf. Thanks again. Bro. Ken Khachigian helped control the cooks. This year only a few Bros. sampled the kabob.

We love to go to conventions. Thanks to the Peninsula Chapter for a great convention. We have the following Bros. in the Grand Chapter. Grand Master, Bro. Mooney Najarian, Jr. Grand Master, Bro. Archie Cholakian, Grand Treasurer, Bro. Pat Ruzgerian, Grand Sec., Bro. Ed Harver, Grand Historian-Custodian Bro. Charles Paskerian. The word is out that Orange County is the Hospitality chapter. We enjoy the fellowship and love it brings to all the chapters. Next stop Sacramento in 96. "See You There".

Our Installation was 1st class with Armenian Maza and refreshments. P.G.M. Bro. Z. Harry Astor was our Master of Ceremonies and did a great job. Past Master, Bro. Wayne Najarian thanked his outgoing officers for doing an outstanding job. Our new Grand Master, Bro Mooney Najarian swore in the new officers in fine style. Our 1994-95 Trexman of the Year was Bro. Art Kazarian. He never says no - he

## NOTICE

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

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Grand Master Bro. Mooney and the Gang.



Grand Chapter Officers and their wives "What a Team."



John, Wayne, Hank, Z. Harry, Archie, Haig, Pal Naz, Carlo, David.



First Lady Irene, Ruth, Louise, Connie.



has the Trex spirit all the time. That evening Bro. Mike Hartunian said some kind words about Bro. Art. You had to be there. It was really humorous. Also P.G.M. Bro. Z. Harry Astor made us sing - we weren't too bad. Thanks to Bro. Naz Horesanian and his committee and wives who helped.

The Arrowhead Stag was like dying and going to heaven. First we had a maza dinner at Bro. Malcom Boghosian's Home - sitting outside under the stars, eating and all the refreshments you like. Saturday - Breakfast and Lunch at Bro. Art Kazarian's Home. It was a 10 course meal. We sure did enjoy the mountain air. Saturday night Dinner was at Bro. Rich Penjoyans Home. First class Steak Dinner with all the trimmings, B.B.Q. on the Patio - Playing Pool - Playing Las Vegas Style Poker Machines - Playing Cards etc. Sunday again Breakfast and Lunch at the Kazarian's. Over 30 Bro's attended and we know it's a must for next year. Thanks again Brothers for your hospitality.

We again had our Fantastic New Years Eve Party at Bro. Kurk and Marge Kazarian's Clubhouse. Prime Rib plus all the trimmings and party favors to bring in the New Years. Thanks



Over 900 at our Picnic.



Master Ed saying Great Job to outgoing Master, Bro. Wayne.



Cucumber Dept. Bros. John, Pat, Bob, Archie.



Bro. Naz, Haig, Paul, Nick, Ed, David.



L.A. Bro. Kay won 1st Prize Color T.V. Bro. Nish, David, G.M. Mooney, Kay, Jack, Haig.



Bro. Art Kazarian, Trexman of the year. Bro. Wayne Najarian, P.M.



Down in Memory Lane - 1954 Fresno and Selma Bowling Teams







Photos by Jack Ouzounian, Grand Editor





Bro. Kurk & Z. Harry, Best of Friends.



Bro. Jack, Aram, Kurk, P.G.M. Herb.



Grand Master Bro. Mooney and wife Irene

to all the Brothers and wives who help.

Our New Master Bro. Ed Harver is having a lots of fun running the meetings. He has always got something new up his sleeve and all the officers are doing great.

This past 6 months we have had 3 new members. Bro. Rich Dudukian, Bro. Haig Tashjian and Bro. Ron Sarouhan. Welcome-to-our Chapter.

We meet at the Balboa Bay Club in Newport Beach the 3rd Wednesday of each month for dinner at 7:30. Come join us.

Respectfully submitted,  
P.G.M. Haig Jamgotchian

## Los Angeles Chapter

*Shnorhavor Nor Daree*, or for you Gringo Brothers, **Happy New Year!**

The Los Angeles Chapter year in retrospect was truly a memorable one. Apart from the photographs shown in this space that clearly allegorize our fraternal brotherhood and humor, I would also like to share a few superlatives to mark our year events and introduce new endeavors.

*The Christmas Kef* sequel lived up to its reputation for fine Armenian mezza, music, and social interaction. This year's event featured the *Sounds of Richard Hagopian* who provided the spark to ignite the holiday spirit in us all. Kudos to Bros. and Co-Chairmen Kenny Gorvetzian and Mark Mikaelian for the hard work that goes on behind the scenes. Over 500 people rocked the Ararat Home long past "lights out" for the residents.

September featured our annual *Ararat Home Picnic*. Over 1,500 beautiful, succulent shish kebob dinners were served to the most energetic Armenian crowd ever assembled. Over 20,000 US Dollars were raised for the



Bro. Gary Kouyoumjian gets excited.



Bro. Master Gabe Kaprielian serves up the new year.



"Hey Bro. Leo, Bro. Steve wants you to sit here."



"I realize we're at a stag outing and you miss your wife!"

Home, which makes all the hard work worthwhile. Also in the month, we felt a need to hold another therapeutic Stag Outing retreat in San Marcos to get away from it all and find ourselves. Bro. John Casparian was the Counselor in Charge of golf, cards, tavloo, and whatever else we do at those things.

We held our annual *Family Picnic* at Scholl Park in Glendale in June. Bros. Ron Ohanesian and Gary Kouyoumjian were perfect hosts to ensure that everyone was fed and happy. Children in attendance were entertained for hours with a supplied basin of ice chips. Many thanks to our Jr. Brothers who helped during the event.

We do other fun stuff doing the course of a year. What Triple X Chapter could go a year without golf? Los Angeles hosted *The Armenian Open* this past June with Bro. Robert Kalfayan minding the 19th hole, and Bros. Kalfayan and John Casparian led the pack as Co-Chairmen of the *Indian Wells Member-Guest Invitational Desert Outing*.

A *Western Night* also livened up our year at the Hampars' home. Bro. Armen Hampar of-



The one day Bro. Armen Hampar forgot to wear socks (and at the same table with the Grand Master!).



Bro. Russ Roopenian successfully assists Bro. and Uncle Jack Khteian.



Bro. Gregg Kludjian was off to an excellent start in the First Annual XXX Sandwich Eating contest, but unfortunately fell asleep before he could finish his first one.

ferred the use of his home, and Bro. and son Steve Hampar made certain that all the Brothers and their wives and friends took advantage of his hospitality. The Night was a western, self-contained yahoo that included catered grub by Chris' and Pitt's (Dickran-agertsi), hay all over the place, western line dancing, and imported horsy smells.



# San Diego

The Peninsula Chapter hosted a Quality Annual Convention! The highlight was the inauguration of Mooney Najarian as Grand Master. Mooney is proudly claimed by both San Diego and Orange County as their member. One thing for sure, our new Grand Master was a popular choice to all Trexmen! Cheering for our new Grand Master at the swearing in were George Banerian, Oscar Sarkesian, Ara Sagerian and Joe Zakarian.



Back row, L to T: Khosharian, Sarkisian, Banerian, Hachigian, Serpekian, Haig Sarkisian, Babikian, Markarian, Tashjian, Hovsepian. Front row: Kellejian, Guzelimian, Najarian, Zakarian, Semerdjian. Annual Christmas Party.

## LOS ANGELES (cont.)

I am sure that the new year will take the Chapter to another fraternal dimension. We will begin with the Installation Banquet planned for 13 January when we formally kickoff the year with our new leaders. March steps us down the lanes as we take over a bowling alley for a night. April tees us off again at the Indian Wells *Member-Guest Invitational*, and we could get lucky at the *Wives Night Out in May*. June brings us to the '96 *Armenian Open and the Family Picnic*, and we anxiously await the summer for some Hot Action in Vegas and a later *Family Beach Outing*.

### 1995-96 Los Angeles Chapter Officers

Master ..... Gabe Kaprielian  
 Jr. Master ..... Stephen Hampar  
 Recording Secretary ..... Galen Petoyan  
 Corres. Secretary ..... John Yaldezian  
 Treasurer ..... PM David Maserdjian  
 Sergeant of Arms ..... Michael Geragos  
 That's it for this report Brothers. If it seems that we are having too much fun here in beautiful Los Angeles, please feel welcome to join us. Our regular business meetings are held the first Wednesday of every month at alternating sites, Brookside Country Club and the Ararat Home. Dinner's at 6:30 p.m. and the meeting follows at 7:30 p.m.

On behalf of my Chapter Brothers, I sincerely wish you and your family a very healthy, happy, and prosperous new year.

Fraternally submitted,  
 Bro. Ken Khteian



GM Mooney Najarian and San Diego Master Guzelimian honor 3-times Past Master Joe Zakarian for his efforts.

erages to everyone's hearty approval. The following were in attendance and greeted by our famous Santa, George Banerian: GM Mooney Najarian and wife Irene; Master Harry Guzelimian & wife Alice, PGM Joe Kellejian & wife Mary, the Vahan Serpekians, the Dickran Semerdjians, Jack



Scholarship Winners: Laura Tufenkjian, GM Mooney Najarian, and Nathalie Vartanian.



Santa with a happy chickadee!



Joe Zakarian and Ara Sagerian un-crowned Champs of S.D. Chapter Flite.

Hachigian, the Joe Zakerians, the George Banerians, the Stephen Hovsepians, the Oscar Sarkisians, the John Sarkisians, the Greg Babikians, the Neubar Markarians, the Vartan Khosharians, Jerry Tashjian and Jan, the Bob Haigs, plus eight family members.

The popular gift exchange provided the usual hilarious fiasco of losing and claiming the more wanted gifts.

Grand Master Najarian and Master Guzelimian presented three time Past Master Joe Zakarian a special plaque in recognition of his 3 terms, 84-85, 93-94, 94-95.

New officers for 1996 are:

Master: Harry Guzelimian  
 Jr. Master: Jack Hachigian  
 Treasurer: Stephan Hovsepian  
 Sgt-at-Arms: George Banerian  
 Rec/Corr. Sec: Joe Zakarian

Respectfully Submitted  
 Joe Zakarian



Oscar Sarkisian, Mooney Najarian and Ara Sagerian.



L.A. Juniors at the Convention



# GOLDEN GATE

With winter hibernation setting in, it's been a quiet time for the Golden Gate Brothers. In the hall, Bro. Leonard Kaprielian did his usual super job putting together a day in Sausalito. The Bros., their wives and friends enjoyed a tasty Waterfront Brunch followed by a sunny afternoon of browsing the shops and sites along the bay.

Bro. Russell Pinomaki announced that his wife Karen, Daughter of PGM Sark Sarkisian, will be delivering a future Trexman this way.

Bro. Dan and Karen have moved near family in the Mt. Diablo territory, in Danville, to be closer to his beloved Oakland A's. A hearty welcome back to Bro. Brian Pinomaki who outlasted a mighty siege of honesty and is fully recovered.

Living out every secret dream, Bro. Ralph and Elsie Kazanjian rented their Millbrae home, had the biggest garage sale in the Peninsula history and moved back into downtown San Francisco. Just think, two blocks to North Beach and China Town by more restau-



PGM Al Nalbandian.



GM Ed Hokokian with George and Avedis.



Bro. George & Departed Bro. George Bedrosian.



Bros. Ara, Mike & Anooshavan.



Bros. Leonard & Dave.



Bro. Ara, Russell, & Vartan.

# Fresno

Happy New Year. Best wishes for a health, prosperous and blessed 1996 to all our brothers, wives and families.

**MYSTERY TRIP:** In July, we had our Mystery Trip chaired by Master Gary Kazarian and Jr. Master Pat Ourlian. We had a full bus, glorious day and great camaraderie. We left the Trex clubhouse to our first stop, Fine Street Bar and Grill for delicious mezza and drinks. (Brother Paul Najimian, owner). We headed towards the mountains and after an hour, we arrived at the Sugar Pine Railroad Station to enjoy a western-style barbecue dinner to the strains of a western band. We boarded the train and delighted in the spectacular trip. The real surprise was the stop on the way home at Table Mountain Casino for ice cream and etc. No one admitted to losing. What a trip!

**SCHOLARSHIP:** No sooner did we recover from the mystery trip, our annual scholarship dinner took place, July 20, chaired by Brother Naz Chaderjian. Six scholarships were given to worthy recipients whose names appeared in the last Trex news. Thank you for your

## GOLDEN GATE (cont.)

rants. No more yard work and good-bye to the commute. Of course, there is that small parking problem. Room reservation agents will be on line soon to take your request for the coming summer vacation season.

On a sad note, we lost our long time Brother George Bedrosian in December.

Bros. Vartan Hovsepian and Ralph Kazanjian were our delegates to the Trex 2000 conference. PGM Sark Sarkisian and his State guided committee put a great deal of effort into this think tank and planning weekend. We're looking forward to their mid-term report on this successful meeting.

Our principal charity of the past year was support of Sports Groups in Armenia. Organized by Oakland Bro. Richard Demirjian, a large shipment of football gear was delivered recently. Today, Yerevan, Tomorrow, Look out Niner's.

Fraternally yours,  
Bro. Dave Zovickian.



Fresno Women at the Convention



Scholarship Supporters.



Scholarship Supporters.



Scholarship Dinner - Kitchen Aids.



support.

**LUAU:** In August, Fresno held its first luau chaired by Jr. Master Pat Ourlian and held at Pat and Virginia's beautiful home. They were very gracious and had decorated their entire yard in a Hawaiian theme. Authentic hula dancers provided us with lively entertainment. This was a sold-out event and all had a tremendous time.

**LABOR DAY WEEKEND CONVENTION:** Business was host chapter. The Red Lyon Inn was an excellent choice for the convention. With a few members, Peninsula went all out for us. Fresno's Grand Master Ed Hokokian closed out a great year as he handed the gavel to incoming Grand Master Mooney Najarian. Grand Treasurer Sam Hokokian and Grand Secretary Jack Bedoian performed their duties well in support of Grand Master Ed Hokokian. Fresno indeed was honored the whole year by having three grand officers present. Best of everything to Grand Master Mooney Najarian for 1996.

**OLD TIMERS:** Harry Pazeian did his usual excellent job chairing the Old Timers dinner held in the clubhouse in October. The "old timers" always respond to Harry's call for their attendance. It was good to see the melding of young and old members.

**NOVEMBER:** We had another successful Open Social night for all guests. Chairman Mike Emerzian assisted by Brother Mike Garabedian featured a deluxe shish kebab dinner appealing to the taste buds of everyone. Many prizes were raffled including turkeys, free lunches, dinners and a grand prize of a TV set.

**DECEMBER:** Our annual Christmas party was held December 10th. This, our main children's event. Jr. Master Mark Kazanjian did an excellent job. Christmas cheer prevailed the entire evening. Our special thanks to Charlie and Houmar Amasalian for getting each child with a box of Sees candy. Our thanks to Stella Chaderjian and Mary Hokokian for the purchasing of the gifts and wrapping of same. This year we had 52 children. Santa Claus was Grand Master Ed Hokokian with an authentic Santa outfit. A surprise was our own Louie "Frank Sinatra" Bozigian giving us renditions of carols and the entire audience participating.

**IN MEMORIAM:** We were saddened by the



Mystery Trip B.B.Q. at Sugar Pine Train Station.



Open Social - It doesn't get any better than this.



Grand Master Mooney and Master Gary - X-mas Greetings.



Grand Master, Grand Treasurer and Wives.

loss of Brother Harry Daloyan (1952) and Brother Ben Sebilian (1960). Our sincere condolences to their wives, Virginia Daloyan and Cyrene Sebilian and their families. We will miss them.

**CLOSING ON A GOOD NOTE:** February 15th we will have our annual Valentines dinner to be held at our clubhouse for members and guests and our wives. Co-Chairmen: Brothers Mike Ekizian, Mardy Marderosian and Naz Chaderjian. February at Table Mountain Casino dinner—Cochaired by Master Gary Kazarian and Jr. Master Mark Kazanjian.

Again, best wishes to all for the year 1996 from the Fresno Chapter.

Fraternally yours,  
Brother Naz Chaderjian



Three wise men of Christmas Party.



Fresno's Finest

## Selma

Happy New Year!

The Brothers from the Selma Chapter want to wish all of you the best in 1996. Like all of you, we were a busy Chapter also.

In September after getting back from the Convention with the Achievement Trophy we had our Installation Dinner and handed out our Chapter Awards. Bro. Jim Markarian was named Trexman of the Year. We had a few 100% attendance Brothers recognized. I have been told that in April Bro. Haig Aivazian Jr. will pass 40 years of perfect attendance. I would guess there aren't too many who can claim that. We'd like to thank our new GM Mooney Najarian for making it.

In October, Brothers Jake Kevorkian and PGM Jack Kazanjian organized our Annual Reno Trip. I've been told there were many winners... not! In case some of you didn't know the only entertainment on Saturday night is Fresno State Football. To celebrate in the best of local style Bro. Ken Melkonian



Master Brent and new officers being sworn in by PGM Abby.



Tailgate at Fresno State



organized a Trex Style Tailgate.

In November, we had our annual Turkey Bingo Night. Brothers Phil Manoogian and PGM Jack Bedrosian chaired this successful night. In all the years we have been doing this, I still have not seen anyone win a turkey.

Our Annual Christmas Party brought smiles and singing from the kids and families. Santa brought his 6 ft. elf to sing with the kids. Brothers Ken Esraelian and Mike Chardukian did a great job.

It's always sad to announce the passing of a Brother. Recently Sam Arsenian passed away and will be missed, our sympathies to his family.

Before I close I need to remind you that Mid-Term will be here before you know it. Selma Chapter is proud to host this year's Mid-Term Convention.

Fraternally,  
Bro. Peter Cholakian



Haig Alvazian (l.) receives 100% Attendance (40 yrs.) Award from Master Brent Simonian.



PGM Freddie Markarian at the Convention in San Jose.



Sports Night



PGM Freddie receives his 50 Year Plaque and son Jim "Trexman of the Year" Award.



Christmas Party



Selma Brothers at San Jose Convention

## Sequoia

Hello again Brothers, Happy New Year to you all. We're looking forward to another good year. Hopefully a healthy one for all of you Brothers. Being a new year, we have a new slate of officers.

Master - Ron Shanoian  
Jr. Master - Jack Barsamian  
Rec. Sec. - Gerard Garoian  
Corr. Sec. - Peter Babagian  
Treas. - Craig Shuklian  
Editor - Greg Davidian  
Sgt.-at-Arms - Brian Ananian

Bro. Master Ron was sworn in along with the other officers in front of a packed crowd at the Depot Restaurant.

We're getting ready to gear up for the Tulare Farm Show. One of our most profitable events, our shish kabob sandwiches are a big hit at the Farm Show. You Brothers should come to this Show and chow down. Many people from around the world do!

Other upcoming events include: Mid-Term Convention, Ladies Night, Train Ride to the



Master Ron Shanoian and Bro. Si Kalfayan.



L to R: Master Ron Shanoian, Rec. Sec. Gerard Garoian, Jr. Master Jack Barsamian, Treas. Craig Shuklian, Cor. Sec. Peter Babagian, Sgt.-at-Arms Brian Ananian, Editor Greg Davidian.



Installation Banquet. Half of the Ananian Family.



Bro. John Bazarian and Dorothy.

horse races, Joint Dinner Meeting with Fresno and Selma Chapters, Outdoor Dinner Meetings, Halloween and Christmas Parties. A pretty full schedule for the year!

A big announcement from Bro. Richard Yahnian and his wife Becky. A set of twins were born recently. Not so big? Well, this is their second set of twins! Plus they have another child. Congratulations and good luck to Bro. Richard.

We lost two Brothers recently. Bro. Harry Kargenian who joined Triple X in 1980 and Bro. Mose Ametjian who was a charter member who joined in 1950. Our sincere regards to their families. Both Brothers will be missed. That leaves one charter member, Bro. John Bazarian who also joined in 1950, and is a very active member.

Now it is time to say good-bye Brothers.

Fraternally yours,  
Bro. Greg Davidian  
Editor



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Applications and Checks **MUST** be mailed in no later than February 23, 1996

Late entries will be considered only if no-shows prior to tee-off

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