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Universal Sheraton Hotel, Los Angeles

- ◆ **Friday, September 4, 1998**  
MONTE CARLO NIGHT – 7:00 P.M. - MIDNIGHT
  
- ◆ **Saturday, September 5, 1998**  
GOLF TOURNAMENT – 10:00 A.M. – BROOKSIDE GOLF COURSE  
KEF NIGHT EXTRAVAGANZA – 7:00 P.M. – GRAND BALLROOM
  
- ◆ **Sunday, September 6, 1998**  
MEN'S BREAKFAST – 8:30 A.M.



# Grand Master's Message

Dear Brother Trexman,

Congratulations to the Triple X Fraternity brothers as they prepare to commemorate their 80th anniversary. I am proud of the many significant contributions that our 12 chapters have made to our members and their families, and to our culture and communities.

The many visits and activities that I have attended throughout the year as your Grand Master validated the fellowship and brotherhood that was the goal and purpose of the brothers that founded the Triple X Fraternity in 1918. I have valued every opportunity my visits have allowed me to become closer with the brother Trexman and to strengthen friendships that will be remembered forever. The warmth and hospitality extended to me and my wife Dorothy throughout the year have been one of the high points of my experience.

I would like to acknowledge the Grand Chapter officers, Chapter Masters, and all of our members for their hard work, dedication and commitment throughout the year. I encourage all Trexman to attend the 69th annual convention to celebrate your chapter accomplishments.

I am proud to be a Trexman. Thank you for the honor you have bestowed upon me to serve as your Grand Master.

Fraternally,  
Bob Juskalian

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# CAPITOL

**EL NIÑO:** Your Northern California Bro's Have had a terrible time scheduling our monthly events having to deal with El Niño. Without good spring weather, and consistent rainy days, we survived. In between the rain drops, we held our Ladies Night Dinner at the famous Buckhorn Restaurant in Winters, CA. Chairman Art Tatosian had 33 attend the dinner for our lovely wives, who really deserve a good night out at times.

The following week was Mid-Term Convention. Master Todd Odabashian's delegates were: Bro's. Leon Hagopian, Ron Krikorian, PGM Alan & Sam Khatoonian, PGM Joe Hagopian, Vern Shahbazian and George Kapanagian. The future of our fraternity was the main topic of discussion during the dinner meeting.

**"KEF NIGHT" April 25, 1998:** this is our big fund raiser for the year. Our Chairman/Director was Bro. Richard Fathy. Bro's Art Tatosian and Leon Hagopian helped spearhead the affair. Bro. Leon presented the best selection of prizes for the evenings Raffle, that we have ever had. Good Job Bro. Leon. Grand Editor Harry Sweet assisted Bro. Leon with the prizes. Shish Kabob, Salad, Pilaf, Par Excellence by Flora Nahigian was served at dinner. Thanks to Flora and the committee. Our cooks were Bro. Harry Artinian,

and his friend Horace Davidian. Over \$800 was raised for local charity.

**"TRAIN RIDE" May 9, 1998:** three Chapters got together, Capitol, Oakland, and Peninsula. Bros enjoyed a fantastic trip to the Western



GM Bob Juskalian, 64 yr. Members Harold Soligan and Frank Ohanesian.



The Point Restaurant



Master Todd Odabashian



Master Odabshian welcomes new member Glen



Ladies Night, Master's Dinner



Val, Becky, Gr. Ed. Harry, Mauvis and Flora on Wine



Bro's on Wine Tour

Railway Museum in Suisun City. Hosted by Bro. Todd Odabashian, we took an old fashioned street car ride on a fifty year old train. Scenery, beautiful wild flowers, and a great meal in Rio Vista, CA. at the "Point" capped off a great day. Bro's. attending were: Leon Hagopian, George Kapanagian and wife Valentin. Bro. Dennis and Jackie Shirinian from the Oakland Chapter made the trip. Mike Mickaelian, and Andy Nalbandian from Peninsula Chapter joined in the fun day.

Our annual Trex Picnic at McKinley Park was really a great affair again. Enjoyed by all.

**ANNIVERSARY & BIRTHDAY** Wishes were given to Bro. Richard and Mrs. Flora Nahigian on their 50th Wedding Anniversary April 24th, 1998. Our Capitol Chapter Bro. Richard also celebrated his 80th Birthday at a garden reception given by their family. Family, guests contributed stories and a picture memory book prepared by their children, Carol & Patrick Scott, David and Melissa Nahigian and Ken Nahigian "Mom & Dad". Note: Grand Editor Harry Sweet was their Wedding Photographer in 1948. See you at Universal City soon.

Fraternally,  
Bro. George Kapanagian  
Associate Editor



Richard & Flora Nahigian 50th Anniversary and Richard's 80th Birthday.

**PROFILE:**

# Harry Sweet Grand Editor: NOMINATED FOR 1998: "The Governors' Citation Award."



The Board of Governors' the National Secretary, Linda Giannecchini, THE NATIONAL ACADEMY OF TELEVISION ARTS AND SCIENCES, SAN FRANCISCO/NORTHERN CALIFORNIA CHAPTER. Formally asked Bro. Grand Editor Harry Sweet,

to submit a resume for his accomplishments in the preservation of (25 million feet of television newsfilm footage) during his 36 1/2 years in Television. Brother Harry was the first Television Cameraman in Northern California. Circa: June 1953 - December 1989. The Governors' Citation Award is the next highest Award above the "Emmy" award given to Actors and Actresses, and Television personalities.

Bro. Harry and wife Mauvis had lunch with Linda Giannecchini in Fairfield, CA. last March.

On May 9, 1998 the Award Ceremonies were held in San Francisco, CA. The Governors' Award was Given to Miss Nancy Besst. She was the founding Member of NATAS Chapter and hosted Romper Room for 13 years on KGO TV, a children's show.

So, Brother Harry did not win this year, but the National Secretary advised Bro. Harry, "Don't give up, we're going after it again next March, we will do it."

Brother Charles Paskerian, wife Diane, Bro. Barry Barsamian, Oakland Chapter, Harry's wife Mauvis and a few friends and myself, enjoyed the Emmy Awards that evening. Later we were hosted by the Paskerian's at their New home on Nob Hill, for treats, and spectacular views.

Fraternally,  
Harry Sweet  
Grand Editor

# FRESNO

## Officers and Board Members - 1998

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Chaderjian

Board Members.....Sam Hokokian

Pete Chilpigian, Mike Ekizian, PM Jack Bedoian, PGM Aaron Aaronian, PM Harry Tanielian.

PAREV To all brothers and their families from the CHAMICH CITY.

**FAMILY CHRISTMAS DINNER PARTY- December 7, 1997.** The last year ended with our annual Christmas event. Again, the Joyous sounds of children, parents and grandparents echoed throughout the Trex Club House as they were treated to a tri-tip and pilaf dinner. Gifts were handed out by Santa (PGM and PM Ed Hokokian, PM & Jr. Master Gary Kazarian). Gary Kazarian chaired this event. Stella Chad-erjian and Mary Hokokian did their annual bit and bought, wrapped all the gifts by children's ages and sex.

**OLD TIMERS NIGHT - January 22, 1998** - Chairman PM Sam Simonian. A deluxe mezza, coffee and ice cream, all for \$5.00 was put together by Brother Sam. Thanks ever. **PAT HILL NIGHT** February 19, 1998- Chairman Mike Emerzian. Our first annual open social for the year was in honor of Fresno State Football Coach Pat Hill. The Shish Kebab dinner was excellent and enjoyed by brothers and odars alike. Pat Hill is as great a person as he is a football coach. He doled out each prize, running from one end of the clubhouse to the other with gifts won by individuals. It was a great time for us all, especially Pat Hill.

**44th MID-TERM CONVENTION - March 7, 1998.** The Mid-Term Convention was held at the Fresno Triple X Clubhouse. Although Sequoia Chapter was the host, Fresno's Mike Ekizian chaired the golf tournament at Sherwood Golf Course. Fresno Chapter had lunch available at the clubhouse for all brothers; it was also open all day for their needs. Dinner was hosted by Sequoia Chapter and as usual done in great style after which the meeting commenced, called



Open Social



Open Social - Fresno Sheriff Steve Magarian and GM Bob Juskalian.

to order by Grand Master Robert Juskalian. Further details are available from Grand Secretary, Fresno's Mike Lulejian.

**KUFTA, KHEYMA and PILAF DINNER- April 16, 1998.** A fantastic dinner at our clubhouse was prepared by GM Robert Juskalian, Jr. Master Gary Kazarian and Brother Paul Najimian. It doesn't get any better than that!

**SHERIFF STEVE MAGARIAN APPRECIATION-NIGHT - May 21, 1998,** Mike Emerzian, Chairman. Our second annual open social honored our SHERIFF STEVE MAGARIAN who decided not to run for another term. The shish kebab dinner with all the trimmings was enjoyed by all and we had a good crowd. Thanks to Sheriff Magarian who has done an awesome job and made all Armenians proud of him.

**DINKEY CREEK OUTING - June 4, 5, 6 7 - 1998** Chairmen: GM Robert Juskalian, PGM Mooney Najarian, Naz Chaderjian. Thanks to El Niño, the creek was not so dinkey this year. It was high, wide and fast! Fishing was still pretty good. In spite of a usual good support from Oakland Chapter members, turnout was low. Those of us who attended, had a great time... The weather was excellent until Saturday afternoon and then it hailed and rained throughout the



Three good old boys



FSU Football Coach Pat Hill



Dinkey Creek; (will the legend continue?)



Naz and Stella Chaderjian

night. Brothers, we chairmen are getting TOO OLD for this. Thanks for a lot of help from Brothers Bob Markus, Gary Daloian, Pete Chilpigian and Neal and Bruce Chaderjian. The Oakland brothers pitched and helped also. Thank you.

P.S. PAY ATTENTION Two folding lawn chairs and a pair of hipwader fishing boots were left at Dinkey Creek by the brothers. Call Bob Markus at (209) 266-3613.

**50-50 CLUB - 50th WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES.** Congratulations are in order for such an accomplishment! May 1, 1998 marked 50 years for Naz and Stella Chaderjian. June 12, 1998 marked 50 years for Aaron and Hasmig Aaronian. Needless to say, both couples enjoyed all the festivities.

In closing, our 69th Annual Convention is just around the corner. LABOR DAY IN LA. Support your local chapter. Have a wonderful summer.

Fraternally,  
Nazareth Chaderjian



"Tickets please!" at the Open Social



Aaron and Hasmig Aaronian

# LAS VEGAS

July 1998. Our members are still meeting at each brother's home. Once in a while we go out to a restaurant for our dinner and meeting.

In April we took a wonderful bus trip to Laughlin, Nevada. The brothers wives and 50 guests really enjoyed the trip through the desert heartlands. April and May is the best time to view the desert flowers in full bloom. What a sight.

Summer time heat in Las Vegas brings the lure of having a swimming pool party. At Bro. Gil Surabian's home, over 60 guests attended to honor the fraternity's Grand Master Bob Juskaian and his wife Dorothy. Great party.

**BROTHER'S:** Our second annual "PLAYTIME IN LAS VEGAS" 1998 is at the Gold Coast Hotel and Casino October 2, 3, & 4 Call Toll Free (1-888-402-6278) for the special room rates. Mention Triple X Fraternity "PLAYTIME". Room rates are \$59.00 per night. For more information, call Bro. Gil Surabian. (702-361-5289) Everyone is invited. It will be another great Armenian Affair to remember.

See you at the Convention.

Fraternally,  
Master Charles Parigian,



Left ot right: New Brother Chris Babigian, Bro. Kirk Bazoian, Bro. Chuck Parigian, Bro. Berge Tookman and Guest Richard Krauss.



Shavarsh Papazian, Joan Barzekoff, Bro. Kay Hovsepien and Bro. Ray Donney and his daughter.

# Golden Gate

Golden Gate Chapter Summer 1998. Thinking globally and acting locally, the Golden Gate brothers are casting a wide net, lending financial support to advance Armenian education and culture worldwide. In Armenia, Golden Gate is supporting Jr. Achievement of Armenia, an economic and business education program to teach young people the role of business in building their future through education and opportunity. Culturally, the Brothers are supporting the San Francisco Opera's efforts to produce Arshak II for the 2001-2002 season. This production, slated to coincide with the 1700th anniversary of Christianity in Armenia, needs to raise \$ 1,000,000 by January 1, 1999 in order to be produced. Our brothers are lending financial support to these fundraising efforts.

This July, the Brothers caravanned to Hayward to picnic with family and friends, and witness the annual Armenian Olympics. Much to the dismay of the assembled throngs, Bros. Ralph, Sark, and Vartan could not be persuaded to shoot hoops in an exhibition match for their many fans in attendance. The Bros. refused all comment, referring calls to their agent.

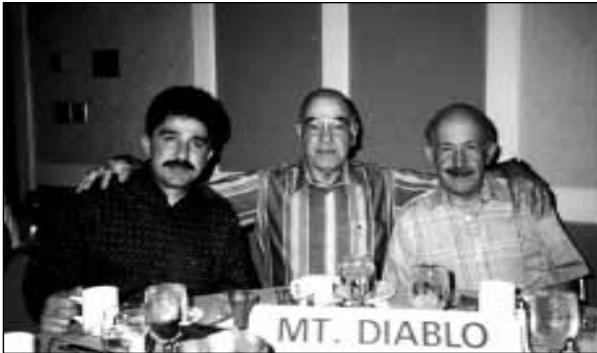
In their spare time, the Brothers have focused on enlarging their families. Bro. Ralph and Elise Kazanjian became members of the grandparents club with daughter Christine and Kenny's first child. And Brother David Zovickian is busy wrapping the house in scaffolding in preparation for Laura's Thanksgiving delivery of their first. Meanwhile, Bro. Ara and Ulla Kaprielian welcomed Sadie into their family with her marriage to their son Pete in May.

Until we meet in L.A.....

Fraternally Yours,  
Brother David Zovickian



Bro. Naz Horsanian and Bro. PGM Mooney doing their thing at Gil Surabian's pool party.



Delegates Raffi, Shavarsh, and Rusty



Brothers at the 1998 Mid-Term

## MT. DIABLO

In the year 2001 the Mt. Diablo Chapter will host the Trex Convention. This will be the chapter's second convention with the first one in 1990. While the next convention is three years off the chapter has already begun its preparation. At each meeting the chapter discusses the convention under the leadership of Aram Boyd who is the general chair. This issue of the Trex News is devoted to some of the brothers who will play a vital role in the convention as they did in 1990.

**ARAM BOYD:** Since joining the chapter in 1987 Aram has been very active before he and Ed Hazarabedian joined they ran a fund raiser for the chapter. Aram has held many positions including master and is a son of charter member Armen Boyd. He recently spent two and one-half years in Japan with his wife Paula. Aram taught English and, surprisingly, conducted over one hundred wedding ceremonies. He met other Armenians from around the world living in Japan and boasts he was the 1995 Uyake TV Karaoke Champion. Aram was a driving force during the 1990 convention. He instituted the softball tournament and is currently captain

of the area team that will compete in the 1998 Armenian Olympics. He helped create the Trex Cup for softball and won the chapter's "Golden Keet Award" for co-producing the video "Joy of Trex". The 2001 convention is in good hands.

**ARMEN DONIAN:** Armen is a Mt. Diablo Chapter charter member having joined in 1975. He has been continually active since he joined and has served on nearly all of the chapter fund raising events over the past twenty-three years. For many years Armen served the chapter in many officer positions and is a past master. He has owned a consulting engineering firm for thirty years. He serves large industries in electrical, mechanical, and civil engineering in the San Joaquin Delta area and has no plans to retire. In 1990 he was the convention treasurer. He plans to continue to be active and work on the 2001 Convention.

**ED HAZARABEDIAN:** Ed joined the chapter in 1987 and has been active since. He is the son of charter member Sharvarsh (Shavarsh was a Mt. Diablo master and went on to become a grand master). Ed has served on many committees, been an officer, and is a past master. He and his wife Bonnie have two children. He works throughout the bay area in the computer field



Anticipation for a shish kebob dinner



Brothers enjoying the meeting



Is this the Finance Committee?

and graduated from UC Berkeley (Go Bears!). He served on several 1990 convention committees including the softball tournament, Joy of Trex video, and co-designed the infamous softball Trex Cup. There is no doubt Ed will play a vital role in the 2001 convention.

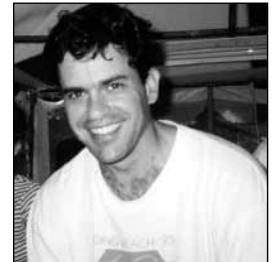
and services. He is again chair of logistics for the 2001 convention.

Fraternally,  
Jack Mooradian, Associate Editor

**ARMEN BOYD:** Armen is a longtime Mt. Diablo member having joined as a charter member in 1975. He has been a master on two occasions and served on nearly every committee and officer position. Over the years Armen has been an active force in the chapter and a key person holding the chapter together. He retired from teaching music in 1991, but continues his music professionally. Both of his sons are in the chapter (see Aram above). He was very active in the 1990 convention and has already committed himself to the 2001 convention.



Garo Keadjian



Bruce Jamgotchian

**GARO KEADJIAN:** Garo joined the chapter in 1978 and has been an integral part of the success of the chapter. He retired in 1995, but is still active in business. He travels a great deal and despite NOT playing golf, tennis, fishing, or drinking he still has a good time. He travels with his wife Pat of forty years. He has two sons, hopefully, future members. During the 1990 convention Garo handled all hotel arrangements



Armenian car salesmen in training



Myron, Vic and Al



Incha . . .



Raffi with Grand Master Juskaian



awarded to Amanda Poochigian of Sanger High School, Jill Kandarian of McLane High School of Fresno, Tabitha Kazarian of Fowler High School, and Christopher Tozlian of Bullard High School of Fresno. The dinner was well received by members, wives, and guests, and an enjoyable time was had by all. These scholarships, along with the Selma Chapter's annual donation to the California Armenian Home, are well worth the efforts made by the brothers in their charitable fund raising activities done each year.

## Selma

Dear Brother Trexmen,

The Selma Chapter continues to be active in charitable activities and functions. In February, the chapter's Charity Sports Night was attended by over 300 people and was a financial success. Several professional athletes, past and present, were guests of the fraternity, and entertained the crowd with their personal experiences and antidotes. Chairmen Marty and Perry Mamigonian and their committee did an outstanding job in putting on the affair.

In March, the chapter held its annual "Law Enforcement Night", where a large turnout heard Sheriff Steve Magarian and others speak on the efforts of all the law enforcement agencies in combating crime. As an added attraction, the sheriff department's new helicopter was flown in and landed for viewing by the members.

In May, the chapter held its annual scholarship dinner, where the members honored four outstanding high school graduating students. Scholarships of \$1,000.00 each were

In June, our chapter held its annual Spring Outing, where members, wives, and families enjoyed a bar-be-que held on the grounds of the California Armenian Home.

The Selma brothers are looking forward to the convention in Los Angeles, and wish the LA Chapter the best of luck. Hope to see many of you brothers there.

Fraternally,  
Don Bedrosian  
Associate Editor



# San Diego

Having finished a great last year hosting the 68th annual convention, the San Diego chapter was determined to not let this year be anticlimactic, but rather continue the enthusiasm and success into this year under the leadership of our Master Jack Hachigian,

We kicked off our year with a fantastic picnic potluck at San Diegito Park. Master Jack did a great job of organizing the event. We had almost one hundred percent attendance by all the brothers and their families. The day at the park was a wonderful opportunity for us all to enjoy getting to know each other's families. Our children played together happily, while we told jokes and ate too much.

In conjunction with our theme for the year, we determined to plan more events to allow the brothers and families to do things together. One high point in this endeavor was the mystery dinner theater organized by brother Harry Guzelimian. This was indeed a fun filled evening. The dinner theater was interactive... we discovered all sorts of deep, dark secrets, found new nicknames and laughed at each other all through the night. A good time was had by all.

All kidding aside, we did accomplish some business this year. Thanks to brother Steve Kradjian, we identified a new charity that we have since adopted. We are very enthusiastic about supporting Junior Achievement of Armenia. In connection to this endeavor we hosted a dinner at Sam's Ship A'hoy, with 22 visiting ("Varjuhis") teachers in the Junior Achievement of Armenia program visiting the U.S., many for the first time. It was wonderful to see them and hear of their efforts to teach young people in Armenia how to create a business and run it for a profit. We joked, told each other stories, and danced as one big family. It was a memorable night.

On the note of good and welfare, brother Dick Semerdjian, has started his own legal practice with a few colleagues. We all wish him success and prosperity with this new business endeavor.

Finally, we just concluded our big event of the year, Kef Night. This year Kef Night was held at



Bro. Ardem Kiledjian at the San Diego Auto Museum



Bro's Jerry Tashjian, Guest, Joe Kellejian the San Diego Automotive museum. The event was organized by brother Ardem Kiledjian. Many of the brothers worked hard to make the event a success. Our chapter and guests enjoyed a great evening of beautiful classic cars, Armenian mezza catered by Sam Peltekian, Sam's



Armenian Jr. Achievement Dinner L to R Bro's. Vartan Khosharian, Harry Guzelimian Master Jack Hachigian, Steve Kradjian, Sam Peltekian.



KEF NIGHT Chairman  
Richard Fathy, Capitol.



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Oakland Chapter's J. J. Kazarian  
GRAND MASTER - 1999-2010



Z. Harry Astor  
has the floor



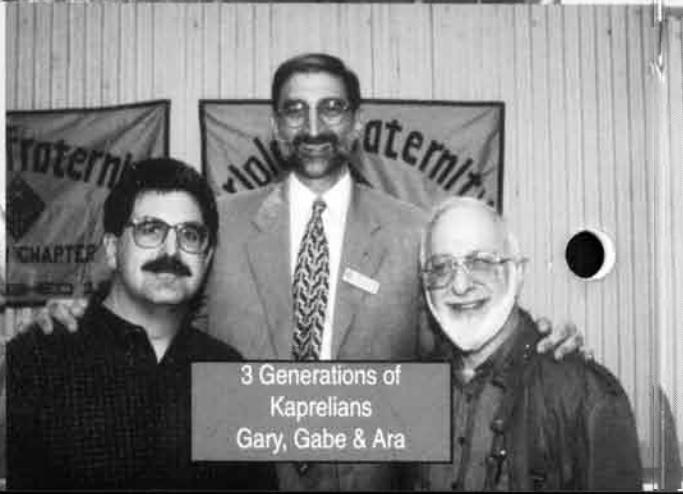
Kef Night Capitol Chapter  
Bro. John Malkasian  
Bro. Richard Nahigian  
Frank Perinian  
Harold McCurry  
Betty McCurry



l to r Adrienne Arbogast,  
Gaye Ohanesian,  
Harry Artinian, &  
Horace Davidian



Grand Master's Business  
Meeting - Mid Term '98



3 Generations of  
Kaprelians  
Gary, Gabe & Ara



Bro. Sam Khatoonian with the Paper Cups Printout



Bro. Nazareth Chaderjian, Mike Ekizian, & Sark Sarkisian



Mid-Term Business Meeting



Mid-Term 1998



Grand Master Bob Juskalian makes a visit to Capitol Chapter



Vern Hagopian Master Chef



Bro. Jeff Hazarian GM Candidate 1999-2000



Bro. Vartan Khosharian & wife Seta Khosharian



Bro. Harry & Alice Guzelimian, Kimberly Kiledjian



Bro's. Vahan Serpekian, Arpi & George Banerian Ship A'Hoy, as well as music and entertainment provided by brother Stephan Hovsepian and the "Armenian Echoes." Brother Joe Kellejian added great charm in leading the raffle and auction for the evening, successfully raising funds for our college scholarships. The brothers generously donated many items for raffle and auction, among which brother Greg Babikian's "beanie babies" fetched some high returns. All in all, this year's Kef Night was something all the brothers can be proud of.

Ardem M. Kiledjian  
Corresponding Secretary

# Orange County

This year we started with our New Years Eve Party at The BARN. The Brothers and wives had a great time with good food and drink. Never made it till midnight though. That's "As Good As It Gets".

Our Christmas Party at Fairview Developmental Center went very well. This is an Annual event to treat them to Cake, Ice Cream and Punch. This year we donated c.d.'s, candy, hats, and makeup for the women. The Best Thing In Life Is To Give and it makes the Brothers feel so good. Thanks to the Brothers and Wives who helped.

Our 12th Annual Armenian-American Sports Hall of Fame Banquet was GREAT. Thanks to the Committee of Bro. Jack Kayajanian, Chairman, Bro. Nick Paboojian, Danny and Archie Cholakian and Kirk Kazarian. Thanks to Bro. Art Kazarian for putting the mazza together and all the Brothers who helped put on the wonderful evening. The Hooter Girls sold over \$5,000.00 in raffle tickets.

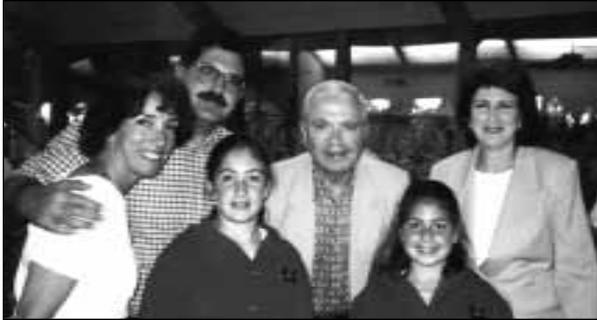
The evening had a strong "Kerkorian influence". Our inductee into the Armenian-American Sports Hall of Fame was the late, great fighter,



Bro's. Louie, Richard, Master Larry, Bro. / Fr. Robert Selma Chapter and Bro. Ara.



Bro's. Ara and friend, John, Larry, Ara and Billy



Bro. Master Larry and wife Denise, daughters Louren, Nicole, Bro. David and Noelle birthdays.



Bro's. Kelly, Bob, Leo, Carlo, Archie. John, Ara



Fairview Development Center Party. Bro. Ara, Virginia, Stella, Marge, Kurk, Archie, Pat, Haig.



Bro's. Haig, Billy, John, Master Larry,

Nish Kerkorian, known as the Armenian Assassin. His brother, Kirk Kerkorian, the primary shareholder of the MGM Grand Hotel and Casino, is probably the most generous man in the world. Kirk has given millions of dollars to Armenian charities and causes. As a result of his ongoing

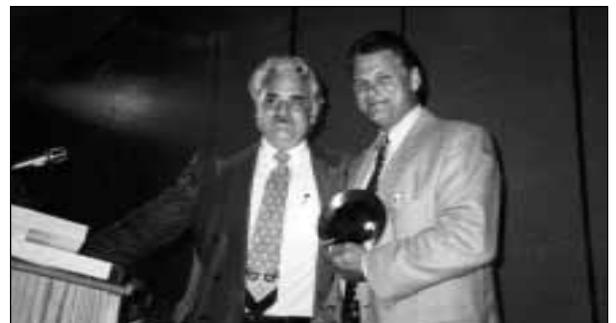
benevolence, we also honored Kirk Kerkorian as the "Humanitarian of the Century".

Sportsman of the Year was Bob Toledo, Football Coach for UCLA. Bob had 10 straight victories in the 1998 season. He gave an inspiring speech. We also had Cade McNown, Quarterback for UCLA who should be a front-runner for the 1998 Heisman Trophy. This was a UCLA night. We have many Brothers who went to U.S.C. and they just had to sit and take it. WHAT GREAT SPORTS!! But our Brother Dr. Eugene Boston who went to UCLA was all smiles that evening. Thanks again to all the Brothers who helped put it together. Next year's Sports Night will be even Bigger and Better!

The Brothers who attended the Midterm had a wonderful time seeing our Brothers from throughout the state. We had great fellowship and our P.G.M. Z. Harry Astor said it best ("We're here to have FUN"). Our Master Bro. Larry Kaprielian is doing an outstanding job in running our chapter. His officers have done their job well, except for Jr. Master - Larry Sherman who has done an exceptional job. "He is so funny".

The chairman for our "Day At the Races was Bro. Ed Harver. The Bro.'s were joined with the Orange County Auxiliary of the Ararat Home for the Aged. What a great time at Santa Anita racetrack. Bro. Ed is our handicapper. Sometimes he's right on and as they say some of the horses are still running. Thanks Bro. Ed. Our Stag outing in Laughlin, Nevada was great with over 30 Brothers in attendance. You heard the same stories - how much they won or lost. The mazza and hospitality room was great and the Brothers were able to get together and relax. Thanks to all the Brothers who helped make this a fantastic weekend.

The Potluck at the Kazarian's was fantastic. We had a full house. Marge's keyma is to die for and it went soooo fast. We had every variety of



Bro. Jack Kayajanian presents Humanitarian and Armenian American Sports Awards to Kirk and Nish Kerkorian. Accepting is nephew Bro. Roger Pechuls.

foods and the Armenian dishes were fantastic. All the Brothers and their wives did a first class job. We played Bingo with Jr. Master - Larry Sherman in charge and he did a great job. It's a great time for the families to get together and have FUN.

This year we have raised over \$18,000 to be donated to charity. It's fun to give and it makes us feel good.

We had a sad moment in our chapter when our Brother Bill Yegsugian passed away. He was a Charter Member - 23 years. He always helped with our taxes and never said no to helping out in our activities. Bro. Bill was a True Trexman. We will sure miss his smiling face. He wife Anita will always be part of Trex.

Also Bro. George Thomas passed away. He was a Charter Member also. Bro. George had held many offices, he always had a story to tell. He was our First Chapter Editor with lots of funny remarks. Bro. George was also a True Trexman and will be missed. His wife June will always be part of us too.

We have had many Brothers who have had surgeries during this past 6 months and we pray for their speedy recovery.

Our Meetings are at the Balboa Bay Club in Newport Beach on the 3rd Wednesday of each month. Dinner at 7:30. All Brothers are welcome.



Bro's. Ken, Nick, Harry, John, Kurk, Paul helping Bro. Kurk our banker



Bro. Master Larry, Bro. Jack and Bob Shamlian Accepts donation check for the Ararat Home for the Aged.

# Oakland

Hello once again Brothers from the Oakland chapter. Home of the Bay Area's largest Martini. We sincerely hope all is well throughout the fraternity. Brother master Robert "Nabby-Babby" Nalbandian has all in control.

So far this year we've enjoyed a great crab feed fund-raiser, and one hell of a cigar night! We at the Oakland chapter enjoy the finer things in life and move a different pace. Also this year the Oakland chapter was in charge of puffing on the barbecue picnic at the Armenian games in Hayward, Ca. Needless to say everything was great. Also, if you missed many of our brothers participated in the games as well. Master Robert Nalbandian threw the shot-put. We also had members running in the track & field events, we're still waiting for some members to finish and or check out of the hospital. Way to go Brothers!! Also we will be having our annual family picnic, which is a fan favorite. Most importantly



we will be looking forward to a strong showing at the convention.

Now brothers I would like to add a new "Did Know" Feature:

...Did you know that before Jerry Lewis teamed up with Dean Martin he was slated to team up with brother Dennis Sherinian..

...Did you know that the role of Kramer (Seinfeld) was originally going to go to Craig Bazigian, but he turned down the role to play in the remake of 40 Days of Musadagh.

...that Richard Nixon's first choice for vice president was Masis Gozurian, but due to the fact he was not born in this country he could not serve.

...that the role of Mike Brady (Brady bunch) was first offered to Bill Nalbandian.

Now here is a tough one. Did you know that in the cartoon the "Super Friends" the voices were done by brothers John Chorbajian, Harold Koojoolian, Antranik Avakian, & Mike Tulanian. Can you guess which voice was Wonder Woman's ????

Amazing stuff !!! Well brothers we all hope to see you at the Convention our brothers from the LA chapter are putting on and remember the following year it's Monterey, Ca.

Associate Editor,  
Brother Steven Donikian

PS. I hope you like the picture from our evening with Don Rickles.



## NOTICE

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# Peninsula

The Peninsula Chapter has been subdued this past half year. We still are carrying on our routine but we have not been enjoying the mix of events we are accustomed to.

In April we had the pleasure to entertain Brother Grand Master Bob Juskalian and several guests from the Golden Gate Chapter. We served our famous Lamb Shank- dinner. We all had a wonderful fellowship which included a lively discussion on Trex 2000.

Our May meeting was held in our club where, we had a great BBQ in the courtyard. Brother Ken Masegian prepared a delicious kebob dinner ... he really outdid himself. Of course no one went home hungry.

In June we found ourselves at the scenic Los Altos Country Club. Brother Larry Karabian treated us to a scrumptious dinner, great company and breathtaking views of the golf course. Thank you Brother Larry Karabian.

The Peninsula Chapter shared in supporting some local endeavors. We were delighted to support the acquisition of the Mt. Davidson Cross. Our Brothers also supported the Norcal Armenian Home Casino Night and also the Armenian Summer Games which were held in Hayward.

We are all looking forward to the "Picnic at Vic's" traditionally held in the summer at Bro. Khachouni's home and the Ed Sarouhan Annual Golf Tournament.

As we mentioned before we have been saddened by the passing of Brother Luther Izmirian who was one of our distinguished 50 year members. Brother Luther's wisdom and wry humor will be extremely missed. On another note Past Grand Master, Brother George Solakian has been recovering from surgery for removal of a brain tumor. We are all thankful that he was able to join us at our June meeting.

With the changes in our Chapter we want to acknowledge Brother Mike Michaelian for his leadership and perseverance in keeping us all going. Brother Mike just lost his wife to a long illness. All the Brothers of the Peninsula Chapter are proud to call him our Master and his dedication does not go unnoticed. Thank you Brother Mike.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Brother Vic Khachouni

## Can't Wait for '98 Convention Plans Underway in LA!

Plans are underway for the 1998 convention to be held Labor Day Weekend at the Universal Sheraton. The convention committee presented the itinerary at the July meeting, and I must say brothers, it sounds exciting! A special treat this year will be a guided tour to the new Getty Museum for the ladies. We look forward to seeing you all there.

## Los Angeles

We kicked the year off with our annual **FAMILY CHRISTMAS PARTY** graciously hosted by the Ararat Home in LA. The children enjoyed the magic show by Bimbo the Clown, and of course there was a special appearance from Santa Claus. The event was chaired by Bros. William Kevorkian, Gary and Shant DerGazarian.

We also had our annual **FAMILY PICNIC**. A special thanks to Greg "the invisible brother" Shamlian for securing and paying for the park as he has every year. The children enjoyed games, and it was a day everybody relaxed and enjoyed each other's company. The event was chaired by Bros. Steve Indjeyan, Ron and Jerry Ohannesian. Also a special thanks to Ron and Jerry's mom, "MRS. O", for working so hard in preparing the delicious food!

In April was our infamous **LADIES NIGHT OUT**. Brothers, wives, girl friends, friends, and miscellaneous, enjoyed a night on the town. Our group totaled exactly 100. We hope that this wasn't the only night out for the ladies during the year, but if it was, it surely wasn't a disappointment. Event chair Bro. Ken Khteian made certain that everyone enjoyed a Mediterranean feast at a Glendale restaurant that was followed by a comedic play, held in a charming 50 year old theater nearby.

The **JOHN GOGIAN ANNUAL DESERT OUTING** was a beautiful weekend. The weather was perfect spring desert temperature, and the venues of Desert Falls and Palm Valley were spectacular. Bros. PGM Aram Poladian and Sudy Ayvazian won the coveted John Gogian Sr.



Bro. Mike Kourtjian, left, won 1st place. Ara Devian, right, was the Chairman of the 43rd Annual Armenian Open.



Long lost Bros. Steve Mikaelian & William Kevorkian



Bro. Steve Indjeyan & family at the Family Picnic.

statues, when they came from behind to win on a strong Saturday round. It was a close competition with three teams within one stroke of the lead. The Hampar brothers (Armen and Gary) won the tie-break for the beautiful crystal runner-up prizes. Thanks to PGM and new desert resident Greg Avedesian, we are already working on an exciting new venue for next year, the Rancho Mirage Country Club. Thanks to Brother Master John Casparian for doing a wonderful job chairing this event.

On Friday June 26th, the LA Chapter sponsored its **43rd ANNUAL ARMENIAN OPEN** golf tournament at Brookside Golf Course in Pasadena. The event brought together about 120 Trexman and their guests for a beautiful day of golf and fellowship. The tournament was followed by a festive dinner, award presentations, and raffle. One of the highlights of the day was when Bro. Aram Avazian almost sunk a hole in one for \$10,000! Aram tried to make a case that being so close to the hole should have been worth \$5000. We are looking forward to a great tournament next year with hopes of seeing many of our Triple X brothers from all the chapters.

It's been a busy and productive year thus far. Many thanks to all the brothers who worked so hard for the Chapter this year, especially to the outgoing executive board. Our new slate for the upcoming executive board is:

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| Master         | Kenny Kheteian    |
| Junior Master  | Bob "BS" Simonian |
| Treasurer      | Mel Shanoian      |
| Rec. Secretary | Chris Armen       |



Bro. Greg Mikaelian taking time out from "Shishing" to play Bro. "Don Ho" Partamian. While Bro. Jack Khteian observes.

Corr. Secretary     Mike Surmeian  
 Sergeant-at-Arms   George Titizian  
 Raffle                 Jerry Ohannesian

We again hope to see you all at the Convention to help celebrate our Fraternity.

Bro. Steve Hampar  
 Editor



Who's that man in the middle?



Pictured l to r - PGM Z. Harry Astor, Bro. Leo Avazian (the man in the middle) and the late Bro. Lee Neshanian.



Pictured l to r - Bros. Vaughn Vartanian and Mel Shaoian with guests.



Part of our Jr. Chapter, "Strong and Growing."



Late Bro. Bill Ohanesian and Stella

# Los Angeles Juniors

Greetings Fellow Brothers,

It is our pleasure to send a warm hello to all the Trex Bros. We hope that everyone has not overheated yet from this unusually hot summer. Aside from overheating, the juniors have been doing quite well this year. As usual, we are growing and progressing every month and are anxiously anticipating the Exciting convention the Los Angeles Triple X Fraternity are hosting this year. But first, a little about what we have been up to.

Our current fiscal year started out with the election of a new board.

Master:	Darren Eminian
Junior Master:	Ardem Tabakian
Recording Sec.,	Jim Terzian
Corresponding Sec,	Jim Arakelian
Treasurer:	Will Maseredjian
Sergeant at Arms:	Ara Soghomonian
Historian:	Mampre Pomakian
Critic (Leader Envy):	Kevork Zoryan

We began our year by hosting a terrific Halloween Party which was an extremely successful event. A vast array of fantastic costumes were on display including white trash, El Niño, a wind-blown businessman, a Yiddish Priest, hippies, and the Pink Panther. A very festive crowd was in attendance including an unusually high number of very attractive women. We are still trying to figure out what we did to attract such a crowd and hope to replicate this process on a continuous basis. To this day, we still receive many compliments and accolades about how great an event it was. Even L.A. Triple X Bro. Gabe Kaprelian was greatly impressed with the event.

In January we held our annual ski trip to Big Bear. We spent M.L.K. weekend in the cold and snow having a great time. We squeezed over 25 people into a cabin for 12, went skiing and snowboarding all day, and played games and goofed around all night. Everyone involved had a blast, and can't wait till next year (or after all the bruises finally heal).

We recently catered the July L.A. Trex meeting at which the Grand Master was in attendance and helped serve at the annual family picnic held on June 7. The juniors are very appreciative of the support we receive from our older bros, and

look forward to the many joint events we participate in together.

News from within the group includes the graduation of Mampre Pomakian from Southwestern Law School. Ardem Tabakian received his masters in Engineering. While Papken got straight A's in swimming, Armenian language, golf and basketball studies. Hagop Jibilian became engaged to Carolyn Markarian (daughter of a San Diego Trex brother). Tom Adishian, Papken Pakhchanian, Robert Zaratasian, and Darren Eminian all became promised to become engaged. As you can see, the make-up of our fraternity is rapidly changing, as it seems to do every five or six years as a group of brothers move on to another stage of life. We are at the point where the younger brothers in the group are preparing to take over and guide this great chapter into the future. This year and the following one will be one of great celebration as many of the brothers will be married, and a time for us to focus on strengthening our group by recruiting new members that will enable the junior Trex to grow and continue the wonderful tradition that has now stood for over seven decades. We took forward to seeing you all at Convention '98!

Submitted by,  
Darren Eminian  
Master

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# Sequoia

Hye Brothers,

Well here I go again. A whole lot hasn't happened since our last writing but the articles must be submitted (fines are in order).

Sequoia Chapter was saddened by the death of our long time member Brother Sark Davidian. Sark was born in Turkey on 8/21/21 and passed away in Yettam, California on 5/9/98. Sark was a 45 year member of the Sequoia Chapter and held every office at least once and was Master for three terms. Brother Sark was one of those rare persons that got along with everyone, always had good things to say to you, and you felt as though you were talking with a true friend. Sark leaves behind his wife Sylvia, three children, grandchildren and 67 brothers of the Sequoia Chapter. "May he rest in peace."

Back in February, we manned our shish kebab booth at the California Farm Equipment Show in Tulare. The brothers that showed up to do their job should be commended for a job well done. It seems we are getting less help from the brothers and have to hire help to fill in. So, when we have to pay someone else to do our job, we have less moneys to donate. It seems like the same guys are doing the majority of the work.

We have had several "meetings in the park." Brothers from the various towns of our chapter will host a picnic meeting in their area. Usually a big success. Everyone likes to eat. After a meal of chicken, lulu kebab or steak, we have a short meeting. A lot of fun for those that attend and those that don't are really missing out.

As stated in our last report, Sequoia Chapter is planning a Gala Dance & show in October. Bro. Chuck Simonian, who is in charge of the event, says everything is falling into place and on schedule. Should be a fun affair and all brothers are urged to attend.

It seems El Niño is still around. I hear, from our farmer Bros. that the crops are 3-4



PGM Dick serving up some of his delicious lamb shanks at the Kingsburg picnic meeting.

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weeks behind their usual maturing time. I guess that means prices have already dropped before they can get their crops to the market. I do know the Bros. are not happy with the situation.

By the way, did you know we have a fantastic soft ball team? We have a dozen of our roughest, toughest ball players out there slamming the ball. Their ages are from 18 to 55. I think Bro. Serge Ananian is the oldest and plays a mean center field. With Bro. Chuck Simonian smoking pitches, what a sight to behold. The team is doing really good. We have come in 2nd at every game. A lot of fun to watch and the team has a great time out there.

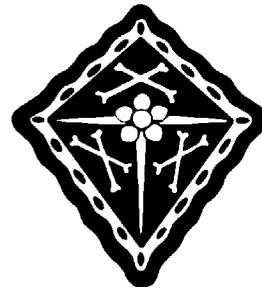
Well Bros. That's about all for now. Hope to see you at the Convention

Bro. Pete Zerounian

Assoc. Editor



Hungry Brothers waiting to eat!



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