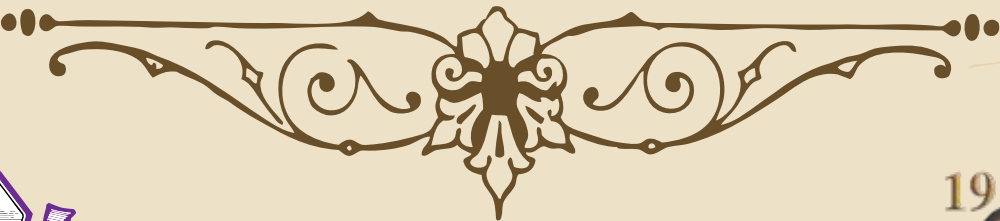


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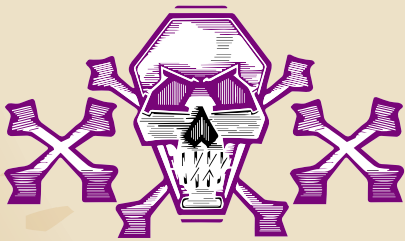
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Grand Chapter  
**Triple X Fraternity**  
Of California

# FROM THE

Dear Brothers of the Triple-X Fraternity,

It makes me sad to think that my term as your Grand Master draws to an end this coming Labor Day weekend. My journeys over the year, throughout the State of California and into Las Vegas have been so much fun, I would do it all over again in a heartbeat! I would personally like to thank my Oakland Chapter Brother James Taylor III, for traveling everywhere with me, up and down the state when my Grand Chapter Officers were not able to. I have met so many fraternity brothers that I did not know and rekindled many long time overdue lapsed friendships. While every chapter operates slightly or even vastly different regarding how they conduct business, they all have a commonality! Brotherhood, fellowship, hospitality, giving back to society, Armenian Heritage and having fun! It has been extremely rewarding and gratifying!

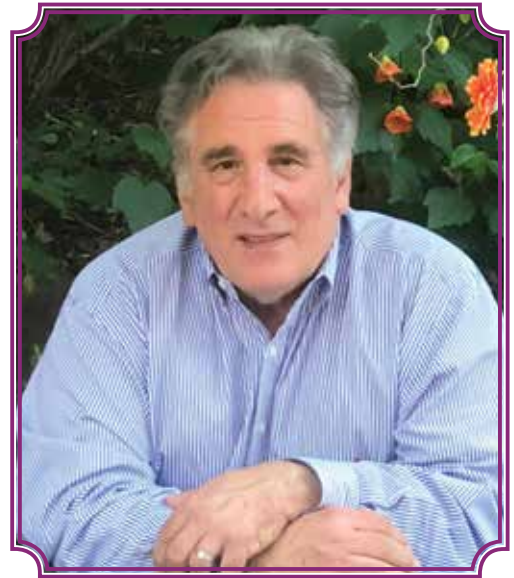
I would like to personally give my thanks and appreciation for the hospitality, brotherhood and support all of you have shown me during my time in office. We have a strong group of members that will continue to keep our fraternity healthy down the road. I would like to pay a brief tribute to my father, John Chorbajian who was a member of the Oakland Chapter since 1960. Dad passed away in November 2011 and my world changed. My dad loved Triple-X and always told me that he wanted me to become Grand Master of this fine organization someday. I heard his voice often, after he passed away telling me this over and over during the past several years! I am much older now. I understood and felt that I might be able to do something positive for my fraternity that he cared so much about.

When I started out my term as Grand Master, my objective was to focus on a “solid plan” that would attract some of our young Armenian men to the organization I loved so very much as a Junior Chapter member. I wanted to create a “true desire” within these potential young members that would provide interest and brotherhood. It would be up to our subordinate chapters to oversee the building and rejuvenation of the Junior Chapters throughout our fraternity. Unfortunately, this was never to materialize the way I had visualized it and hoped for! Our fraternity had many more urgent issues that required my immediate attention! I hope that a future Grand Master will see the importance of this and pick up here with the rejuvenation of the Junior Chapters. I will then be a Past Grand Master (PGM) and will be there to help in any way possible.

As we celebrate this year, the 100 Year Anniversary of our fraternities founding (1918 – 2018) we are excited for the “89th Centennial Convention” being hosted by the Tri-Valley Chapters (Fresno, Selma and Sequoia). We will have a special centennial yearbook that PGM’s Brothers John Casperian and David Maseredjian have been devoting timeless hours to produce. We will have the much anticipated 2018-2019 Trex Directory redone by Grand Editor Steven Sahagian.

Thank you to the Brothers of the entire Triple-X Fraternity who supported me and believed in my mission solely for the good of our organization. It has been an honor to serve you.

I would like to wish the incoming Grand Master and incoming Grand Chapter Officers a fulfilling, productive and rewarding year.



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I would like to give a special thanks to my Grand Chapter Officers and PGM Advisory Board seen below. I would especially like to thank PGM Brother Greg Safoyan for his countless conversations, calls, texts and emails and knowledge helping me to paint a clearer picture when needed.

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Thank you to my wife Lisa and sons Nikolai and Christian for understanding and supporting dad, when he was traveling throughout the state.

Fraternally,  
Brother Gregg B. Chorbajian  
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# Oakland

Parav Brothers,

Oakland Chapter started the year off with its Annual Charity Crab Feed. We have been doing this event for a lot of years and each year it gets a little better. This year's Co-Chairman were Brothers Vartkes and Harry Avakian. Of course one of the high lights of the evening was Oakland Trex's Brotherly Love playing a set for the enjoyment of our guests. As usual the event was a sell out and a big social success. Proceeds from this event fund our charity donations for the year. Over the years this event has raised close to \$ 175,000.00 which has been donated to various charities throughout the United States and in Armenia.

April brought us to our Spring Cigar Night. This event is held in the Spring and the Fall. The timing of these events is important due to the fact that the weather must be just right so we can have it outside someplace. Nobody would allow that much smoke in their house. This events host was Bro. Vartkes Avakian. We met in his back yard, (with a beautiful view of Mt. Diablo) and puffed the night away. A little over 30 members and guests attended this smoke-in, but not all brothers chose to smoke. Heavy hours and a variety of libations kept everybody in a good mood. This event has become very popular in the chapter, both smoker and non-smoker attend. This particular event also was the venue for the swearing in of a new member, Garo Bouldokian. Grand Master Gregg Chorbajian was in attendance and did the swearing in of this new member.

In May of this year Oakland Chapter presented a new fund raiser for the chapter. A dinner dance, featuring our own Brotherly Love Band. Those of you that attended last year's convention will remember what a great band this is. This gala was something new for the Oakland Chapter in that we had not tried an event of this type for many years. I am here to report that the event was a huge success and that a great time was had by all who attended. The band is getting better and better everytime they play and are starting to develop a real following. The recipients of the profits of the evening were Mer Hoos (in Armenia) and the Oakland Boys and Girls Club. A donation of \$2500.00 was presented to each organization. Co-Chairman Rick Magarian , Jim Taylor and Armen Boyd worked very hard on this gala to make it the success that it was.

At our May meeting, Brother Jack Bedoyian led a group of brothers from the Valley chapters to prepare a wonderful Luleh Kabob dinner. The Oakland Chapter invited other local chapters to this event and

a great time was had by all. Of course there was a lot of conversation about the upcoming 100 year celebration and the convention. Bro. Jack has been organization this dinner for the Oakland Chapter for many years now and all of us look forward to it.

Well that's about all for this issue Brothers, see you at the convention in Fresno this Labor Day weekend.

Respectfully submitted,  
Brother Harry Sherinian  
Assoc. Editor, Oakland Chapter.



GM Chorbajian swearing in Bro. Garo Bouldokian

## 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Trexmen

Brothers  
Submit your Chapter's  
memorabilia for inclusion in our upcoming  
landmark publication!



GM Gregg Chorbajian and Jr GM Dan Reily



Grand Officers Working Hard at Mid Term



Oakland Trex's Brotherly Love



Bro's Harry & Vartkes Avakian



More Bro's Enjoying Oakland's Cigar Night



Bro's Don Monoogian & Stuart Arakelian At Cigar Night

# Las Vegas

Dear Brothers,

Greetings from the home of the 2018 Stanley Cup Champions! Maybe one day they will have an Armenian player ... or owner! In the last installment of this tribune, I claimed Vegas was the 3rd hottest Chapter but now I proclaim Vegas to be the “Coolest” given the tremendous run of our Vegas Golden Knights ice warriors. Hey, we’ll use any excuse to celebrate our strong bonds of Trex fellowship and brotherhood. BTW, I am very pleased to report that all of our Vegas Brothers are still alive and well, holding strong at 17 members, sometimes referred to the “Vegas Olden Knights”!

The Las Vegas Chapter had a strong presence at the raucous Mid Term ruckus in Fresno, with only modest fines for wardrobe malfunction and naughty behavior. In addition, Vegas Bro. Mark D helped run the Tavloo Tournament, won by long-time Fresno Bro. Nishan Soghomonian who bested our own local champion Bro. Master Ruben Grigorian (2nd Place), Bro. GS Shant Dergazarian (tied for 3rd), and the money-line fan-favorite, former champion Bro. Greg Avedesian (also ran).

The Las Vegas Chapter took pride in supporting various events put on by our fellow chapters so hats off to the Oakland brothers for their impressive Crab Feed Fund Raiser in January which featured their own “Brotherly Love” rock band and about 400 hungry crab crackers ... and a tip of the Stetson to the “Caddy Shack Cowboys” of the Coachella Valley, otherwise known as the Palm Desert Chapter for their incredible Golf Tourney and Charity Raffle event featuring perennial winner, Bro. Bobby Melkesian. We also supported the LA Chapter’s Annual Charity Golf Tournament and let’s not forget the great time we had at the Santa Anita Day at the Races ... BTW, did you know they named the winning bet a “TRI – fecta” as a tribute to the Triple-X ?!! We also donated to local churches and the Armenian-American Cultural Society which does a great job promoting cultural awareness in Vegas (Bros. Andy Armenian & Armen Anooshian are among the esteemed prime movers).

As you may have heard, we were not successful in our quest to obtain the naming rights for the new Raider’s Stadium, however, we believe we have achieved something much better with the new stadium used by our championship Vegas Golden Knights hockey team ... thanks to a small indiscrete payment to a certain influential underworld figure in town, I can now reveal the inspiration for the new

arena being named “T-Mobile” because ... wait for it ... everyone now knows that the “T” stands for TREX ! Duh ! In other news, our founding PGM Chuck Parigian and wife Katy recently celebrated their 65th Anniversary. He now has a “Racing Red” scooter to try and keep up with her ... and to travel from one poker room to the next.

For reasons that will soon become clear, the recent providential visit from our venerable Grand Master Gregg Chorbajian and Grand Chauffeur Jim Taylor was, in a word ... Monumental ! After our Trex business meeting at none other than the Shish Kabob House, we had an unforgettable night at Tropicana’s Paradise Tower. The following day, GM Gregg and GC Jim took an adventurous tour of the famous Black Bear Diner, followed by an historic visit to the “monumental” Armenian Genocide Memorial Monument located in Clark County’s beautiful 320 acre Sunset Park ... also known as “Trex Park” ! Luckily, our special Grand visitors managed to slip out of town before the authorities could locate them, and all the while, the entire Vegas brotherhood maintained its trustworthy “code of silence” ... just sayin’ !

In closing, may I wish each of you a continued year of good health and prosperity filled with Joy, Charity and of course a little Candy. We meet on the 2nd Wednesday of each month at the Shish Kabob house on Flamingo, 3 miles west of the strip. In the meantime, “let’s party like it’s 1918” at the Centennial Convention in Fresno and at the “After Party Grand Slam” at “Denny’s Bistro”, the very best and the only “After Hours” club in town!

Fraternally,

Bro. Mark Derderian, Assoc. Editor



Monumental Vegas Fun with Bro. Mark, GM Gregg and GC Jim



Bro. Armen Anooshian presenting an Armenian Genocide keepsake to GM Gregg



Bro. Dr. Ara Gueyikian leading us in a birthday song ... with his scalpel !



The Vegas Brotherhood Minus Four Plus One Grand Master



Midnight Mid-Term Madness - Bros. Greg Cherizian (OAK), Mark Derderian (LV), JGM Dan "Half-Irish" Riley (OAK), with Golden Gate Bros. Brian Pinomaki and Robert Balian



More Mid-Term Madness with younger Bros. Mark D. and Michael Nigosian (LA) flanking the more mature PGM Greg Safoyan (PD)



Vegas Mid-Term Bros. PGM Chuck Parigian, Master Ruben Grigorian and Mark Derderian

# Sequoia

Greetings, Trex Brothers living in California and Las Vegas. We had a great start for 2018 with our new Master Gary Gostanian, and all of our new officers. We wish to thank all of the Selma Chapter Brothers for hosting our Mid-Term Convention. The Trex Brothers had a great time playing golf, sharing cigars, dinners, and a beverage or two together. It is always a special time when Hye Brothers get together and catch up on things.

In March we had a wonderful Kheyima/Lahmajoon dinner hosted by Brother Gerard Garoian, and PGM Ron Shanoian. We had a great turn out with 45+ brothers in attendance. That night we also had a special visit from our Grand Master, Greg B. Chorbajian.

A big thank you goes out to our Brother Dean Ametjian for inviting all of our Sequoia Chapter to meet at Ametjian Farms. Dean treated, hosted, and prepared a spectacular barbeque steak dinner for all the brothers. We also had a meeting following dinner at the farm. It was a special time once again of getting together with brothers.

We are thankful for the opportunity to donate funds to several charities like Fuller Housing Project that makes loans and helps folks in Armenia with housing needs. CASA was another organization we dominated to in our community that help's place foster children in safe home in our county.

We are excited to award two, two thousand dollar scholarships for students of Armenian descent.

The scholarship winners for 2018 are as follows...

**William Dylan Diltz**, Redwood High School. Majoring Computer Engineering, Fresno State. Parents are Karen and William Diltz, Grandparents are Mike and Elsie Kaloustian.

**Garon Gostanian**, Redwood High School Majoring in Bio-Resources, and Agricultural Engineering, Cal-Poly University, SLO. Parents are Rhonda and Greg Gostanian, Grandson of our current Master, Gary Gostanian.

We congratulate our scholarship winners listed above, and want them to know how proud we are of all their accomplishments.

We are now in the process of looking forward to our annual Public Safety Appreciation Fundraising Banquet. The Public Safety Event will be held on a Saturday June 16, 2018 at the Elks Lodge this year. We will offer a silent auction, and the profits will go to support scholarships for our Police Academy and Fire/EMT students.

A big thank you goes out to PGM Pete Babagian, and Ron Shanoian for working hard on the Trex Yearbook that will soon be sent to the printer. We look

forward to its publication and viewing the different chapter's history, events and many members.

During the first part of this year our hearts had gone out to our brothers who had lost their moms. Brother Jack Barsamian, PGM Jerry Poochigian, and PGM Ron Shanoian. It is not always an easy thing to lose a mom because they are such special people in our lives.

This year as you all may know is our Centennial (100 Year) for Triple X Fraternity. The Fresno, Selma, and Sequoia Chapters will all be hosting the convention over Labor Day weekend. This is a historical event for our fraternity, we hope to see a lot of the brothers and their families this Labor day. Please try to attend and support this important event. Hope all of you have a Blessed 2018.

SEE YOU IN FRESNO OVER LABOR DAY,

Tom Babagian P.M.  
Associate Editor  
Spring 2018



PGM Midterm 2018



Sequoia Midterm 2018





Brother Dean and Chad Deans Party Barn



Lets Party!!



PGM Mose Ametjian 1968-69 Oringial Shirt



Are we having breakfast?



Public Safety Dinner Brothers and Wives



Sequoia Brothers enjoying Dinner

# San Diego

For the San Diego Chapter of the Triple X Fraternity, the Winter and Spring of 2018 included some great events, the welcoming of new and former members and monthly meetings that were fun and informative, all under the leadership of our new master, Chris Hokokian.

Over the past several years, the San Diego Chapter has been fortunate to have welcomed many new members. At the beginning of 2018 that trend continued. In January 2018, one of our former members, Joe Zakarian, was re-installed into our fraternity. Bro. Joe played an integral role in the sustaining and growth of our chapter for many years and we are thrilled to have him back with us. We also welcomed two new members – Dr. Allen Nalbandian and Bro. Stuart Arakelian. Bro. Stuart is also a member of the Oakland Chapter. We are very pleased to welcome our new brothers to the San Diego chapter and know that they will become valued members to our fraternity.

Our meeting on Tuesday, April 24th was held at BJ's Restaurant & Brewhouse and was attended by our Grand Master, Gregg Chorbajian and Bro. Jim Taylor from the Oakland Chapter. Following the meeting, the brothers made their way to the Armenian Genocide Commemoration Event at nearby UCSD. The event was co-sponsored by our chapter, alongside several other Armenian organizations in San Diego.

Earlier this year, the San Diego chapter committed to hosting the 2020 convention. Accordingly, a committee has been formed to select a hotel for the event. Several promising sites in San Diego have already been visited and we hope to make a decision a final location very soon. Our membership has grown significantly over the past several years and the enthusiasm of our new members, combined with the experience of our veteran members, should make for a very successful convention. We are all looking forward to hosting our brothers here in beautiful San Diego for the 2020 convention.

On Saturday, August 11, 2018 the San Diego brothers are looking forward to our Summer Picnic, which will be held at the picnic grounds in Fairbanks Ranch and should be a lot of fun under the sun. We are also preparing for our 10th Annual Wine & Cheese Tasting event at the beautiful Rancho Bernardo Courtyard, to be held on Saturday, October 13, 2018, which raises funds for our Student Scholarship Program. If you haven't ever attended this event, please consider doing so this year. You will be in for a real treat.

For tickets contact Bro. Steve Hovsepien at (858) 229-4182.

Bro. Steve Hovsepien, Assoc. Editor



GM Gregg Chorbajian, Dr. Allen Nalbandian and Master Chris Hokokian at our meeting



Chris Hokokian presents Jim Sahagian with Past Master's plaque



Armenian Genocide Commemoration Event

# Mt. Diablo

Greetings Brothers and Friends

We are looking forward to the Centennial Convention in Fresno this year! The Brothers of Mt Diablo have provided several pieces of memorabilia to complete the project for the next yearbook.

During this time our Charity Committee, consisting of Brother Ed Hazarabedian, Myron Konjoyan and Jerry Tusan, recommended to the membership the following: Armenian Technology Group (ATG) and Armenian Orphan Fund via St Vartan Church. Proceeds were confirmed and donated in April.

The following Brothers received their 50 Year Trex

Bro Steve Noroian 50 year Pin



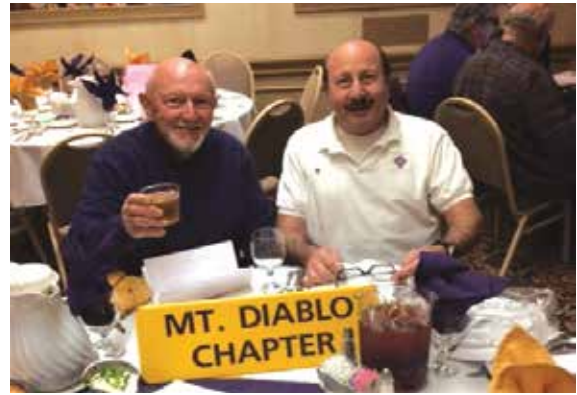
pin: Brother Seno Garabedian and Steve Noroian. Brother Al Kaljian received his 75 Year pin at our last meeting which Grand Master Gregg Chorbajian was in attendance. Congratulations Brothers!!

Master Tan Matosian and Jerry Tusan represented the Chapter at the Mid-Term in Fresno this year.

During May, we lost Brother Harvey Kamian. He was a Mt Diablo member since 1982. A traditional Triple X service was held at the Chapel as requested by Family. Our sympathy to his wife Janet and Family. During May we also lost Brother Kevork Hagopian. He was a member since 1994 and Master 2 times. Our condolences to his wife Grace and Family.

Several Brothers attended the Golden Gate Family Picnic in Moraga in June. It was a great event and enjoyed by all.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Brother Jerry Tusan, Associate Editor



Brother Master Tan Matosian  
Jerry Tusan-2018 Mid Term



Al Kaljian-75 Year TREX



MtDiablo Brothers  
Bruce Jamgotchian,  
Myron Konjoyan,  
Seno Garabedian,  
Jerry Tusan at  
Golden Gate picnic



Brother Seno Garabedian  
50 year TREX pin



Mt Diablo Meeting-2018

# Golden Gate

Greetings from our Golden Gate Chapter by the beautiful San Francisco Bay. Our Chapter Brothers have had an exciting few months since our Mid-Term Convention in Fresno, but we need to begin by thanking our hosts of the mid-term for their hard work in putting the mid-term together. One can only truly appreciate all the work when they have hosted one themselves.

With our very active executive board – lead by our very creative Master Nick Stathakos – we have had a few “events” with our wives, as well as very festive dinner meetings. Among other things, we had dinner and an evening with Kev Orkian (very funny), a “house-warming” activity at Brother Junior Master Panos Aristakessian’s home. His house had been remodeled after a “domestic disaster” (you’ll have to ask him for the ugly details), and the “little” remodel took nearly two years to complete. So, he and his lovely wife Salpie definitely deserved a welcome home celebration.

We also held our first-in-a-long-time family picnic on June 3rd, at the Rancho Laguna Park in beautiful Moraga. Members of all Bay Area Chapters attended, along with prospective new members. Delicious Armenian food, fun and games, and great fraternity were the menu of the day. Lots of hard work, but big thanks to some amazing wives – including Jeannie, Arlene, Salpie, and Aida. Actually, everyone in the chapter chipped in to help make this a fun and successful event.

Our chapter also celebrated Cinco de Mayo late by enjoying a delicious Mexican-inspired dinner as part of our May meeting. A HUGE thanks to our Master Nick, and his lovely wife Jeannie, for hosting the dinner prior to the meeting.

We are also excited to announce that we’re back to having the occasional dinner meeting at Auntie Lou’s Clubhouse. Auntie Lou was in the news recently, when the government determined that she was dead. Her response was to say – “I’m just old! But I’m not dead yet!” It took several frustrating phone calls and visits to her Congressman’s office to clear things up. Since then, Auntie Lou has become something of a celebrity and has been interviewed by the local newspapers, on TV, and is being welcomed at a special luncheon hosted by none other than Willie Brown and Mayoral candidate London Breed.

We’re really looking forward to the Centennial Convention over the Labor Day Weekend, and we hope to celebrate the many accomplishments of our great fraternity together with our Trex Brothers from all chapters.



Enjoying the Chapter Picnic - the oldest living PGM, the current GM, and some other PGM in-between.



GM Gregg - pulling the winning ticket in the 50/50 raffle. I didn’t win.



Scenes from the picnic - brothers from various Bay Area chapters, and our faithful BBQ team.



Enjoying the chapter picnic

# Palm Desert

Dear Brothers,

The Palm Desert Triple-X Chapter greets you from the beautiful desert. The warm summer months are upon us as we continue to be active with monthly meetings, charitable and social events.

We held our annual “FAMILY DAY AT THE FAIR” on February 17th, at the Riverside County Fair and National Date Festival. Several desert members, along with visiting Los Angeles and Orange County Chapter members, enjoyed Armenian Mezza and drinks, which were hosted by PGM. Nick Nigosian and his wife Carolon, in the comforts of the hospitality suite and VIP tent provided by the Fair Board. Later, in the evening, everyone enjoyed the nightly musical pageant, which was followed by a VIP reception at the concert stadium.

Our Palm Desert Chapter was very proud to join in with other community members supporting the Future Farmers of America (FFA) and 4H Clubs. Our Chapter is proud to have again donated a \$2,000 scholarship to deserving junior livestock exhibitors at the Fair.

The “DESERT GOLF OUTING” was held this year on May 5th. Several Brothers from Orange County and Los Angeles chapters, joined in on a great weekend of golf, dining and socializing. Golfers enjoyed a day of golf on a popular desert course, the Classic Golf Course. A wonderful evening of Meza followed golf on Saturday evening, where our annual 50/50 reverse raffle drawing was the entertainment for the evening. Thank you to committee members, PM Bobby Melkesian, PM Blaine Carian and PM Rob Carian, who did a great job in coordinating a great tournament and this successful annual event. Everyone is looking forward to attending the upcoming 2018 XXX Convention in Fresno, where we will be celebrating the 100th year of Triple-X brotherhood.

Thank you to Master, James Towery, who did a great job in leading our chapter. The successes, accomplishments, and growth of our Chapter are a direct result of the great leadership of our Master and officers, and the support of our brothers.

The brothers of the Palm Desert Chapter would also like to report that our beloved PGM Greg Avedesian is recovering nicely from his recent surgery. We are all looking forward to his “words of wisdom” when attending our upcoming meetings and events.

We welcome all visiting brothers to attend our meetings, which are held on the 3rd Wednesday of each month and hope that you will also visit the desert with you families for our many social events throughout the year.

Fraternally,  
PGM Nick Nigosian  
Corresponding Secretary



PALM DESERT - “DAY AT THE FAIR”

Palm Desert, Los Angeles & Orange County members with Date Festival Queen & Princesses



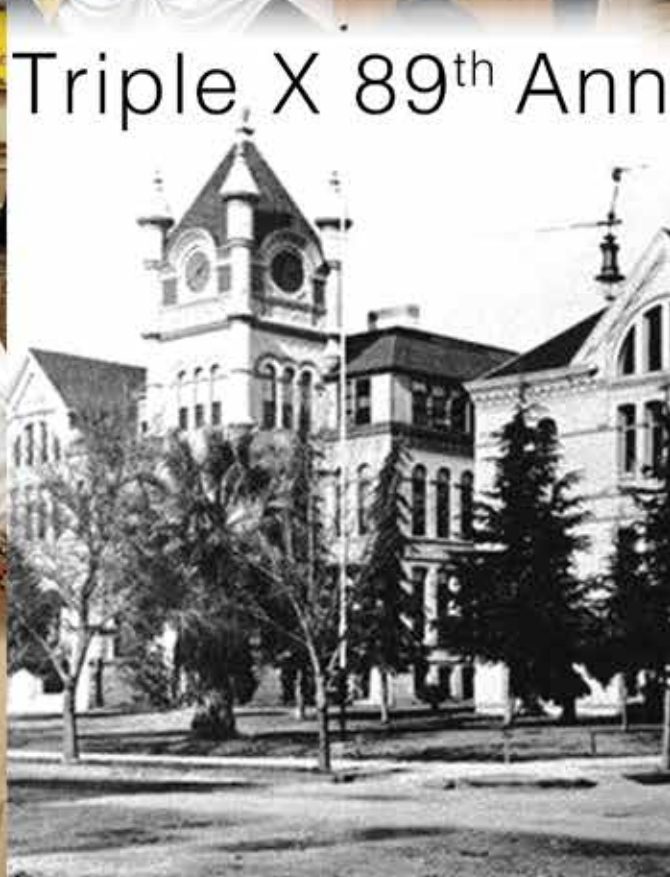
PALM DESERT DELEGATES with other PGM’s  
PGM Greg Avedesian, PGM Greg Safoyan, PGM Nick Nigosian,  
PGM Ron Shanoian and PGM Joe Kelejian



PALM DESERT  
GOLF OUTING  
PGM Greg Safoyan with  
Palm Desert  
Master James Towery



PALM DESERT  
GOLF OUTING  
Golf Outing  
Kef and Raffle  
Drawing Night



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# Annual Convention

August 31<sup>st</sup>-September 2<sup>nd</sup> 2018



School - O Street



# Fresno

Dear Brothers,

Since the March midterm Fresno Chapter has managed to keep busy with monthly activities as well as preparing for the up coming 100th year convention.

In April Brother Nishan Soghomonian hosted a dinner at Yoshino Restaurant. We had a complete teppanyaki style Japanese meal including cocktails. After dinner some of the brothers enjoyed cigars on the patio. Harry Marcus was excited to get there he forgot to get gas and stuck on the freeway but made it in just the nick of time. Thank you Nishan for a delicious fun evening.

Fresno's 20th annual Coaches Night, this year, featuring Fresno State football was held May 17th and chaired by PM Richard Bedoian. Rich was assisted by his usual FANTASTIC crew of brothers. After PGM Bob Juskalian made his welcoming comments Coach Tedford gave us insight into his football program and where it's headed. As usual he left plenty of time for questions and answers and then helped with the raffle.

Bro, [future GM] Steve Bedoian came across a deal he could not pass up so everyone in attendance got a free Fresno State T-shirt. After everyone got over the shock of the shirts being GREY instead of Bulldog red they started buying extras.

Also at this years Coaches Night everyone got a free chance at \$200. The winner was Arpie Dick who has been a big supporter of Fresno State athletics over the years and faithful attendee of Fresno Triple X Coaches Nights. Could not of planned a more appropriate WINNER!

Our June dinner meeting turned out very successful. Everybody's steak was cooked exactly like they wanted it. It was cook it yourself dinner with all the trimmings. PM GARY [lambchop] KAZARIAN came up with the idea and chaired the dinner.

Sadly I must report that in February Fresno Triple X lost two long time members. Sixty-five year member Brother Arkie Margosian passed away Feb. 6th at the age of 98. He started his first beer distributorship in 1953. Seventy year member Brother PGM Charles Chitchjian passed on Feb. 21st at the age of 96. Charlie owned a number of well known restaurants in Fresno over the years beginning with, the iconic, Mars Drive-in which opened in 1947. Our deepest condolences to their families.

Fresno Triple X also lost a dear friend and buddy this year. Frank Oliva, AKA Olivian, head building manager[retired] of our clubhouse for many years passed away in April. Frank was a dedicated to Triple X and considered the Brothers as his brothers .

Many of our members were in attendance at his funeral. He will be greatly missed!!! Our condolences are with his wife Rita and his children.

Things are heating up in FRESNO in more ways than one. Aside from the temperature rising , convention planning is heating up on the front burner. Fresno, Selma and Sequoia chapter convention committee members have shifted their planning into high gear for "A Celebration of Success".

We are proud to report that Master Steve Bedoian has shaved and cut his hair in preparation for winning the position of 2018-2019 Grand Master.

Fresno is looking forward to welcoming our brothers and their families from throughout the state and Nevada for kef Labor Day weekend.

Respectfully submitted,  
Bro. Michael Basmajian



PGM Jack, PGM Bob, Master Steve and bro. Tarjian at Yoshino's



PGM Ron and PM Gary enjoy the show with host Bro. Nishan {2nd from right}





This is Frank and his wife Rita...  
THANKS FOR ALL YOUR HELP!



Our fearless coach Tedford



Bros. Jim and Gary at the bar of course....



PGM ED, Bro. Jerry Baxter and PM Gary.....  
What itch????



Bro. PM Gary and PGM Jack



The four horsemen at the door...  
Bros. Michael , Steve, Kenny and Tarjian

# Los Angeles

Dear Brothers,

The LA Chapter is eagerly looking forward to heading to our Fraternity's 100 Year Anniversary Hosted by Fresno, Selma, and Sequoia Chapters. Grand Master Greg Chorbajian was at our May meeting along with some of his Grand Chapter Officers and it was good to have them present. We are looking forward to the many events planned for participants and hope to see you all there and that you all support the Convention Booklet.

The Los Angeles Chapter is alive and well with lots of new members – all under the leadership of Bro Michael Mooradian and his team. There are events about every months and meeting attendance is very high – likely because they are fun to attend, and everyone is having a great time.

February Bingo Party was our first event of 2018 chaired by Bro. Darren Eminian and his wife Aida. Standing room only this year full of Brothers, wives, and family members of all ages. This year again we broadcast the NFL playoff game during the Bingo games making it even more exciting and we had a packed house. Brothers, wives, friends, and families attended the event and Bro. Darren and Aida had a great mezza. Lots of cash prizes were given out. It was a very fun afternoon and many thanks Bro. Darren and Aida!

In May, Bro. Matt Matoesian and his committee chaired our annual Partners Best Ball Tourney at Simi Hills Golf Course. There were lots of golfers and lots of winners, but the best part of the night was the celebration BBQ at the beautiful home of Bro Matt and Audrey Matoesian. Wives and families came to enjoy the evening with a taco bar, great drinks, music, and awards. This year's overall winner was Bro Paul Abrahamian and his son David. Congratulations to Bro Matt & Audrey for a great event.

In May we had a wonderful joint event with our Orange County Brothers and wives at the world re-known Santa Anita for a Day at the Races, chaired by Bro John Saroyan. Over 100 Trexmen and wives present for this fun event. We have a great lounge area reserved and outstanding buffet lunch too. The 7th race was named after the Triple X Fraternity too. Overall, an enjoyable day betting on the horses. Thank you again Bro John.

In June we held our 63rd Annual Armenian Open at Brookside Country Club chaired by Bro Zareh Mitilian. We had a full slate of golfers for a shotgun start. After everyone had their share of range balls, we held a putting contest, won by Bro Paul Abrahamian in a tie-breaker. Then it was off to the start. After golf, we gathered for a great BBQ dinner and awards ceremony. Bro Zareh and his committee of PGM Jeff Hazarian, PGM John Casparian and Bro Art Avazian thanked all the golfers that attended this year and a special thanks to tee sponsors, Bro Steve and Bro Armen Hampar for sponsoring the hole in one challenges, Brothers from many other Trex Chapters & guests that attended. Now for the winners...

Award	Sponsor	Winner	Score
Bro Robert Kalfayan Low Gross	Bro Mike Kourtjian	Bro Greg Barsom	66
Bro Greg Mikaelian Low Net	Bro George Titizian	Bro Steve Chelebian	80/66
Bro Dikran Jebejian Sr. Low Gross	Bro Richard Jebejian	Tony Gamboa	
Bro Jimmy Gondjian Sr. Low Net	Bro Jimmy Melikian	Bro Art Avazian	
Putting Contest	Karen Hazarian Jewelry	Debbie Memarian	--

“A, B & C Flight” net score winners were “A” Richard Abdulian (68), “B” Bro Paul Kedeshian (70) & “C” Peter Chelebian (63). Bro Art Avazian won the PGM Aram Poladian Award for Senior low net score. This event is open to the public and consequently, many of the other awards and trophies were won by guests of our Brothers and we congratulate them. Great job to the new crew on a fine job.

Looking forward to seeing you all at the 2018 Convention. We have many more events are planned for the balance of the year including, LA Chapter Family Picnic, Wives Night Out at the Hollywood Bowl, Gin Tourney, Cigar Night, annual Stagg Outing, Ararat Home Picnic, Installation Banquet and Family Christmas Party!

Fraternally,  
Bro Michael Surmeian  
Associate Editor  
Los Angeles Chapter, Triple X Fraternity



Past Master John and his wife Rene celebrate his return from rehab. "The guys in the back row drove me to drink, but after several months in rehab, I'm better" said PM John. He continued... "It's time to celebrate my return to the Trex meetings".



Bro. Darren Eminian explains the highly complex rules of Bingo to Bro. Grand Secretary Shant Dergazarian, who was unable to comprehend even after a lengthy explanation and 2-hour video!



Bro. Art Avazian with Bro. Zareh Mitilian doing his WC Fields imitation at the 2018 Partners Best Ball after party at beautiful home of Bro. Matt & Audrey Matoesian.



Bro. Galen & Joanne Petoyan & Bro. Gabe and Kip Kaprelian at the joint LA & OC Day at the Races. Bro. Gabe & Galen are unaware their wives just gambled away their retirement.



The Armenian Open Committee chaired by Bro. Zareh Mitilian with Bros. Jeff Hazarian, Art Avazian, Steve Chelebian. Bro. John Casparian was in Armenia running for Prime Minister and was not pictured.

# Selma

Brothers,

Mid-Term is behind us and here comes the convention. Can you believe it 100 years!!

The valley chapters have been working on what we all hope is a true Celebration of Success. By the time you read this, you'll have received the convention packet and hopefully have made reservations for the convention.

Right after mid-term Bro. Mark Antranikian went to Vegas and kicked some serious ...in a Backgammon Tournament came in 2nd and received world ranking. Way to go Bro. Mark. Got some cash as well. Not bad work when you can find it.

Besides planning for the convention, your Selma brothers have had some fun of their own. In April Brother Oscar Kasparian with help of our Master David Shapazian put on our annual Poker tournament. Had 38 players, the big winner was our own Bart Maverick(PGM Frank Korkmazian).

Thanks to the Scholarship committee we were able to give out 5 scholarships to some very impressive high school graduates. Bro. Marty Mamagonian chaired the selection committee. Bro. Harry Gaykian set up a great dinner to honor the recipients and their families. Bro. Marty MC'd the evening, interviewed the kids and gave them their awards.

The month of June also gave the Chapter the opportunity to part with some cash to some very disserving charities. Always feels good to give out some money. We can all feel proud to be able to do some good with our good fortune.

By the time you read this we will have had our world renown Keyma Feed. Bro. PGM Sam Bagdassarian and his crew put on the spread. If you go away hungry don't blame Bro Sam. Also we expect Grand Master Greg to pull the winning ticket for the convention weekend.

Hopefully those of you that can attend, make the trip.

If you haven't heard and, you forgot this is our 100 year celebration.

Fraternally,  
PGM Pete Cholakian  
Associate Editor



-- In April, Harry and Fred enjoy some post-meeting tavloo games while Kenny (standing) gives a little advice.



Amazingly, Selma Chapter officers PGM Frank (center), Mark (right), and David (left) placed 1-2-3 in the annual Poker Tournament in April at the 500 Club.



Selma Master David addresses the crowd at the Scholarship Awards as committee chairman Marty looks on.



Selma Brothers & wives enjoyed a great Scholarship Awards dinner at the Manhattan Restaurant in Fresno.



There were many lighthearted moments during the entertaining Scholarship Awards dinner in May.

Well-deserving scholarship awardees were all smiles in front of their families and friends during the Scholarship Awards banquet in May.



Bryan and Master David discuss important current events during the July meeting at the beautiful new “The Vineyards” addition at the California Armenian Home.



At the July meeting, PGM Jack gives new member Gevork Boyajian his Trex pin with his sponsor Mark (far left) observing the proceedings.

# Orange County

Brothers,

Our Master Brother Robert Oganessian and his officers are doing a fantastic job. What great leadership we have in our chapter .

We had our annual Fairview developmental party for the disable, we served ice cream and cake, soft drinks and a gift for all of them. Thanks to all the brothers who helped put it on.

We had a joint event with the Los Angeles chapter day at the races at Santa Anita Park. I think we all fed the horses there but we had a lot of fun.

Our family potluck was another success with the leadership of brother Ara Malazian we had the best variety of delicious food, especially the Armenian dishes . We were able to bring families together and enjoy the fellowship together.

Our annual stag outing was at Fantasy Springs resort and casino in Indio. Over 25 brothers were in attendance. Brother John Chortanian was chairman and other brothers help put this great event on. We enjoyed the Kentucky derby and I think we all made money on Justify. We also enjoyed drinks and mazzza in our hospitality room. There's a good chance will be back next year at the same location. We also supported Palm Desert chapter with their fundraiser. Brother Kenneth Khachigian got part of the 50-50 drawing so he treated all of us for drinks at the casino. I don't know if there was any money left. Thanks Bro Ken.

We have our annual charity picnic July 22 serving chicken and lamb kebab with Armenian music plus games for the kids...

We have two new members this year they are Bro Greg Sanossian and Bro. Al Adams. We have new brothers were looking forward to being part of us in the future.

Looking forward to seeing all the brothers and wives and families at our convention in Fresno.

Respectfully Submitted  
PGM Haig Jamgotchian



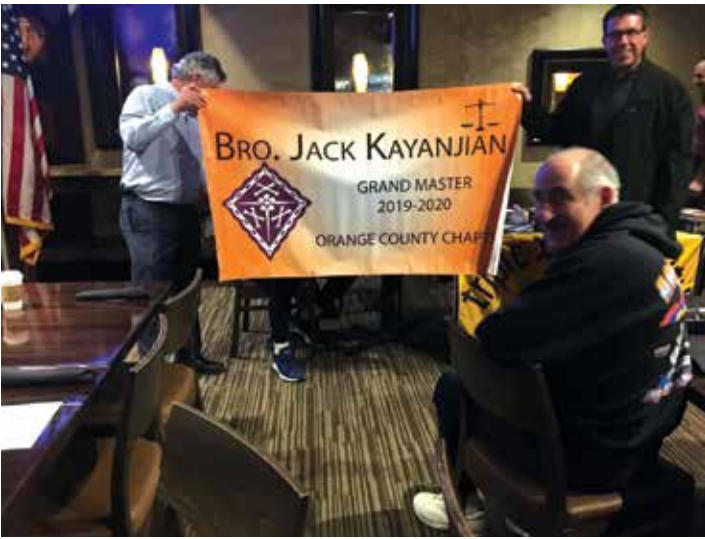
OC Potluck



Bro. Mike 96 years young with OC Bros



New OC Bros. Greg and AL



Banner unveiling at OC meeting



Proof Bro. Jack is running for Grand Master for 2019-2020



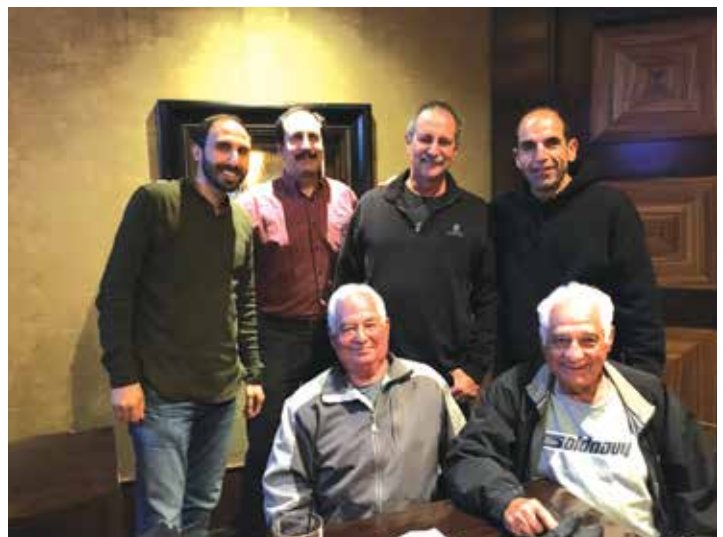
OC Bros. at Palm Desert party



OC Stag Weekend in Palm Desert



GM Gregg at OC meeting



2017-18 OC Officers

# Peninsula

Hello, fellow Trex Brethren, Families, and Friends! Our famous monthly Peninsula Chapter dinner meetings are usually held at the Los Altos Masonic Building on the third Thursday of each month, at 146 Main Street in downtown Los Altos. We have several very talented chefs in our chapter that prepare amazing meals each and every month, a fact which many Grand Masters and other guests can vouch for! We're fortunate to have the use of a recently remodeled industrial kitchen, which is conveniently located adjacent to the banquet room. When the weather's nice, we often use the building's courtyard patio to barbecue various tasty kebabs and vegetables. If you ever find yourself in the area on a meeting day, please feel free to join us – you won't regret it!

While the kitchen remodeling was in its final stages at our regular meeting place, Brother Vic Khachooni and his wife Linda generously opened their beautiful home to host the January meeting. We had a very nice turnout and some amazing food of course!

In February, we were back at the Masonic building and had another great turnout. We've added several members in the past couple of years, and have a few more prospects that have been attending many of our meetings this year, so stay tuned for more additions!

At the Mid-Term in March, hosted by our Brothers of the Selma Chapter at the Piccadilly Inn in Fresno, seven of our 15 members were in attendance! Everyone there enjoyed the great steak dinner and had a good time at the fun and productive meeting.

On a personal note, less than a week after the Mid-Term, I went to the ER with some chest pressure & jaw pain, and by the following Monday morning, I was having quadruple bypass surgery! I'm blessed and grateful that it was caught in time, and my recovery is going quite well overall. I want to sincerely thank all the many Brothers who passed along their best wishes – you are all greatly appreciated!

In April we had several members of the Oakland Chapter attend our meeting, including very special guests GM Gregg Chorbajian, JrGM Dan Riley, and

GT Greg Cherezian. It was great to have visitors, and the food, tavloo, and fellowship were definitely enjoyed by everyone there!

We had a special dinner to say bon voyage to our longtime Brother and PM Ruben Kazarian at our June meeting. We had to move it up a week to accommodate his schedule of moving to southern California! He'll still come around on occasion, but he won't be the regular fixture that he's been for all these years. By the way, he also recently received his 25-year pin that he earned last year! Congratulations Brother Ruben, and best wishes in your new home!

Our chapter is looking forward to the big Trex 100th Anniversary 2018 Annual Convention! We wish nothing but the best to the hosting chapters of Fresno, Selma, and Sequoia as they work to commemorate this historic anniversary. It will be wonderful to see our fellow Brothers once again and have a great holiday weekend there!

Fraternally submitted,  
Brother Mark Antranikian  
Peninsula Corr. Sec./Assoc. Editor/Webmaster  
Grand Webmaster







Peninsula Trex January 2018 Meeting at Vic's



Peninsula & Oakland Chapters Joint Meeting April 2018



Ruben receiving his 25-year pin



Peninsula June 2018 dinner



Brothers



Mid-Term 2018

## IN MEMORIAM



**Brother Aron Amos Margosian**  
**Sequoia Member since 1976**  
**January 14, 1956**  
**June 26, 2018**

Age 62. Bro. Aron was born January 14, 1956 in Visalia with farming in his blood. Bro. Aron worked every day and left a legacy to provide for his family with the fruits of this valley. He played football and graduated from Dinuba High School. Bro. Aron had a great sense of humor and would give you the shirt off his back. Bro. Aron had a heart of gold, loved farming, motorcycles, racing and especially his family. He was one of a kind. Bro. Aron Margosian was a Sequoia Brother and Jr. 1976 to 2018, 42 years. He was a loving husband, father, grandfather, brother, uncle, best friend and precious son.

Bro. Aron was preceded in death by his father Bro. Amos Margosian in 1984, Sequoia Brother. Survived by his wife Carrie Margosian, son Amos Margosian, daughter Margo Margosian, granddaughter Zoie Margosian, his mother Lucille Margosian, sister Sharon and husband John Kaprielian, sister Karon Penny, Doug, and Shana Penny, Sequoia Brother, Avi Penny. He will be missed.



**ARKIE MARGOSIAN**  
**Fresno Member since 1953**  
**December 25, 1919 -February 6, 2018**

Age 98. Bro. Archie was born in Tulare, CA to Harry and Vera Arakelian. Harry passed away prior to Bro. Archie's birth. Vera married Menzo Margosian, who adopted Bro. Archie and his older sisters, Virginia and Rose, and raised them as his own. He graduated from Tulare Union High School, Class of 1938, where he excelled in all sports. Bro. Archie enlisted in the United States Navy on August 8, 1942, served as Aviation Mechanist Master First Class with the Scouting Squadron VS65 and was stationed in the South Pacific for three and a half years and was discharged in November of 1945. While in the South Pacific, Bro. Archie had the honor of driving Charles Lindbergh on Funafuti Island. After his discharge from the Navy, he started working in the Easton, CA area where he met the love of his life, Rose Papazian, and they were married on April 12, 1947. Bro. Archie and Rose were a great team, starting their first beer distributorship in Madera, CA in 1953, with Regal Pale. During that time, they were blessed with their son, Glen, and 13 months later, their daughter Janet. After moving to Fresno, CA in 1956, they started M & T Distributing, which evolved after 28 years into Margosian Beverage Co. with their son, Glen, and daughter Janet. Bro. Archie was an incredibly giving person of both his time and money and had many community minded interests including Armenian XXX Fraternal Organization, Disabled Vets, Holy Trinity Armenian Apostolic Church, Chamber of Commerce, and United Cerebral Palsy. As an avid Fresno State Booster, Bro. Archie was instrumental in Save Mart Center, California Bowl, and Raisin Bowl.

Bro. Archie loved playing golf, spending time at their Bass Lake home, and enjoying the company of his dogs.



**Brother Charlie Chitchjian, PGM**  
**Fresno Member since 1948**  
**November 10, 1921**  
**February 21, 2018**

Age 96. Bro. Charlie was born in Fresno, November 10, 1921 to Pete and Satenig Chitchjian. He graduated from Roosevelt High School and continued on to Fresno State. He later served in the U.S. Army Air Corps during World War II. Upon returning home following military service Bro. Charlie embarked on his restaurant career at The Mars Drive-In in 1947, and from there the Ranch Kitchen and The Carriage Houses which he operated until 1987. Finally Bro. Charlie's went to work for the Fresno Convention Bureau for 19 years before retiring. Bro. Charlie was an avid golfer until he was 92 years old. Passed Grand Master of Triple X Fraternity.

Bro. Charlie leaves behind his adoring wife of 70 years, Madeline, his daughter Debi Haymond, his son Chuck Chitchjian and by two grandsons, Chase Haymond and his wife Laura and Blake Haymond. Charlie was deeply loved by his family and will be missed by many.



**Brother Harvey Kamian**  
**Mt Diablo**  
**Member since 1986**  
**Dec. 29, 1931 - May 9, 2018**

Age 86. Brother Harvey was a resident of Lafayette for 60 years and is survived by his loving wife of 61 years, Janet Kamian, father of Armen (John) Carlon, Oakland Brother Paul (Cory) Kamian, Dana (Ryan) Smith, Mark (Lesley) Kamian, brother of Oakland Brother Harry Kamian Jr. grandfather of Ryan, William, Colin, Max, Sachi, great grandfather of Lucy.

Harvey Kamian was born in Los Angeles, CA, and spent most of his childhood in Oakland, CA and attended Oakland Technical High School. He served in the US Air Force, and is a veteran of the Korean War from 1951-1954. A student at Cal (UC) Berkeley, he transferred and graduated from UC San Francisco with a BS degree in Pharmacy in 1957, presented with the John Walter Millar Award in Pharmacy Administration (UC), 1957, and Doctor of Pharmacy in 1958.

Harvey was a member of St. Vartan Armenian Apostolic Church of Oakland. An active member of the Rotary Club of Orinda since 1963, he served as president from 1973-74. Harvey and his brother, Harry, owned and operated Kamian's Pharmacy in Orinda for 32 years. He was a member of many organizations, including California Pharmacists Association (since 1957), American Legion (Lafayette Post 0517), and Acalanes Valley Homeowners Association. Harvey had many interests which included fishing, gardening, auto repair & maintenance, golf, woodworking, and most of all family and friends.

## IN MEMORIAM



**Brother Kevork Hagopian**  
**Mt Diablo Member since 1994**

**June 10, 1948 - May 25, 2018**

Age 69. Brother Kevork was born in Cairo, Egypt of parents Noubar and Zarouhie Hagopian on June 10, 1948. He was taught diamond setting in his teen years, a skill and profession of the family for several generations. At the age of 18, his parents made a decision to move to the United States. After spending five months in Beirut, Lebanon, he and sister Eugenie, sponsored by a lawyer in San Francisco, arrived in San Francisco in December 1966. His other sister Christine and brother-in-law Henry Tchamourian arrived with their newborn Irma several weeks later. Kevork started work the following day as a diamond setter in downtown San Francisco not knowing English. Within a year he started his own business and did settings for many high-end jewelry stores and custom designers. When his parents arrived in 1968, his father shared an office with him until he passed away in 1993. Kevork worked for 42 years in the Phelan Building until he retired at the age of 60. He married his wife Grace, both age 23 at the time, together for 47 years of marriage. Together they have two girls, Sabrina Ritchie and Nyree Melancon (husband Charles) along with four grandchildren - Haley Melancon (18), Sarah Melancon (16), Megan Ritchie (16), and Sean Ritchie (13). Kevork was an avid car and motorcycle enthusiast with a focus on high performance Fords and Harley Davidson motorcycles. Four years ago he and Grace bought ten acres in Grass Valley, California where he built his dream garage and stored his motorcycles and classic cars. He looked forward to monthly poker games with the Finance Committee, a group of members of the Mt. Diablo Chapter of Trex. He was predeceased by his parents and sister Eugenie. In addition to his immediate family, he is survived by his sister Christine, many nieces and nephews, two aunts (father's sisters), and numerous cousins spread throughout the world in Egypt, England, Australia, South Africa, Brazil, Canada, and Europe. He left his mark by many friends saying he certainly was one of a kind and one relative commenting he was a "taste to be acquired!"



**Brother Larry Sherman**  
**Orange County**  
**Member since 1978**  
**July 14, 1961 - July 8, 2018**

Age 56. Bro. Larry Oscar Sherman was born on July 14, 1961 in Alhambra, California to Oscar and Margaret Sherman. Uncle Larry was the youngest of three boys. His brothers,

Sam and Oscar, were 15 and 10 years old older than him.

Bro. Larry began working in the restaurant business at 14 years old. He started as a dishwasher at The Galley Restaurant in Newport Beach. He was quickly promoted to cook. At 16 years old, he got a job as a cook at Coco's restaurant in Newport Beach. Again, he quickly promoted and, at the age of 21, became the youngest manager at Coco's. At the same time began to focus on basketball and spent countless hours at the boys and girls club in Newport Beach.

Bro. Larry graduated from High school in 1979. This same year, the second key event happened in his life. He joined the junior chapter of the Orange County XXX. Bro. Larry remained a member of the junior and senior Trex for almost 40 years. Like all of his endeavors, Bro. Larry was committed to Trex and was immediately seen as a leader. He was junior master in 1998 and senior master in 2000. Between summer celebrations at Bro. Art Kazarian's house, trips to Laughlin and Vegas, and summer picnics, some of his best times were spent with his Trex brothers. It is also where he formed some of his closest friendships.

After high school, Bro. Larry continued with what he thought was his true calling—work in the restaurant industry. He promoted from restaurant manager to district manager at Coco's. Then, in 1985, he did what most Armenians do—he opened his own business. He opened Sherm's

Place, a sandwich shop, in Anaheim. Three years later, he opened Sherm's South Street Café also in Anaheim.

Bro. Larry in the 1990's found his true calling when he switched to the same business his father had once owned—truck sales. He first worked at Tom's Truck Center in Santa Ana and later Carmenita Ford. He ended his career at Enterprise Motors.

When Bro. Larry turned 40; a man that had hardly dated in 40 years soon became one of the Armenian community's most eligible bachelors. At the OC Trex picnic in 2003, Bro. Larry joked that he had three girlfriends attending the picnic that year. Only one girl he wanted all of his Brothers to meet. His wife to be he started dating in 2003 and were married by 2007. Bro. Larry and wife Rita moved to Glendale after being married.

Bro. Larry visited Armenia in 2016 and was moved by a visit to the Isahakian village school. A tour of the school revealed a gymnasium in need of repair. With money raised, the renovated gymnasium will be dedicated in Bro. Larry Sherman name by the Armenian Educational Foundation.



**Brother Richard D. Shirin**  
**Fresno Member since 1954**  
**December 15, 1933**  
**July 26, 2018**

Age 84. Bro. Richard was a member of Holy Trinity Armenian Apostolic Church, Men's Society, and Fresno Triple X Fraternity. Passed Grand Treasurer. Fresno Chapter Treasurer for more than 30 years. He is survived by his wife, Diana Shirin; son, Roger Shirin; daughter and son-in-law Cynthia and Scott Hanks; and grandchildren, Kaylee and Riley Hanks.

# 2018 Convention 100th Anniversary



“A Celebration of Success”

August 31 – September 2, 2018

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**Tri - Chapter Event: Fresno – Selma – Sequoia Chapters  
Co-Chairmen PGM Bob Juskalian and Richard Bedoian**

Double Tree by Hilton Hotel Fresno Convention Center

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**Friday Night Welcome: Holy Trinity Church Hall**

Armenian Heritage Museum of Fresno

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**Saturday Golf: Dragonfly Golf Club - Madera, CA**

Wine Tour Saturday

**Saturday Night: 10th0 Year “A Celebration of Success”**

Centennial Program –California Armenian Home

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**Sunday Convention Meeting – Pardini’s Restaurant**

Ladies Event: Fort Washington Golf and Country Club

**Sunday Night – “Armenian Kef Time Trex Style” – Holy Trinity Church Hall**

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