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Triple X Fraternity

61st Annual Mid-Term Convention

Hosted by Selma Chapter

Saturday, March 7, 2015

**Fresno Chapter Club House
630 South Argyle, Fresno, California**

CLUB HOUSE OPEN ALL DAY

**10:00 A.M. Clubhouse Opens ... Coffee And Donuts
(Tavloo, Gin, Pinochle, And More)**

12:00 Noon ... Cocktails And More

1:00 P.M. Deluxe Mazza

3:30 P.M. Masters' Meeting

5:00 P.M. Dinner

6:30 P.M. Business Meeting

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\$89.00 + taxes ... Includes Breakfast

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Grand Master's Message

As your Grand Master, I have visited many Chapter meetings and events. We have an awesome fraternity and wonderful brotherhood, and every member treated me with such warmth and friendship. That was worth everything to me.

Our fraternity is alive and very enthusiastic and continues to reach out to their Armenian community promoting the values of the Triple X Fraternity. Our goal as a fraternity is to grow but we need to remember that our fraternity is based on brotherhood. I would like to see us continue to emphasize this and make it a goal of each chapter.

I am looking forward to seeing our Brothers at our Mid-Term Convention by Selma Chapter, at the Fresno Club House. I encourage all the Brothers to attend as I am looking forward to meeting each Brother of our great Fraternity.

As we enter 2015, please accept my best wishes for a happy and healthy new year to all Brothers and their families.

Fraternally yours,
Ron Shanoian, Grand Master

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Palm Desert

Dear Brothers,

The Palm Desert Chapter of the Triple X Fraternity had a very successful year in 2014. Our brothers hosted and participated in several events and continue to be known in the community for their social and charitable contributions. Several brothers donated their time and talents at the annual Church Food Festival in November, which contributed to a very successful event.

Thank you to Past Master, Chris Markarian for a job well done and to all of our brothers for a great year! At the September meeting, we elected Bro. Steve Afetian as our new Master for 2014-2015.

Several of the Palm Desert brothers and their families attended the 2014 Convention in Visalia. Our Sequoia brothers did a great job in planning a fun Convention with lots of Kef! The Sequoia Juniors topped off the weekend events with a delicious Kebob lunch and a most memorable pilaf recipe!!

We held our Installation and Awards Banquet on November 8th, at Vicki's of Santa Fe restaurant in their private room. Several members and their wives enjoyed the beautiful evening. Our newly elected Grand Master, Bro. Ron Shanoian and his wife, were in attendance, and administered the oath of office to install the newly elected Palm Desert officers for the year 2014-2015.

Our Palm Desert Chapter's 2014-2015 Officers are:

Master.....Bro. Steve Afetian
Jr. Master.....Bro. Harold Berghoudian
Rec. SecretaryBro. Sarkis Bedrosian
TreasurerPM Rob Carian
Corr. SecretaryPGM Nick Nigosian
Sergeant At Arms.....PM Varoujan Mkrtchian

Master Steve Afetian and his sister Marion organized a beautiful Christmas Party at Mamma Gina's restaurant on El Paseo, on December 13th. Several of the Palm Desert Trex brothers, families and friends enjoyed a delicious and festive evening together. It was the perfect start to the holiday season and we thank Master Steve for organizing this very successful holiday event.

Mark our calendars for our annual "Family Day at the



Installation Dinner. Past Master Chris Markarian receives his pin from new Master Steve Afetian

Fair" at the Riverside County Date Festival, which will be held this year on February 21, 2015. We hope that you can all come and enjoy our desert hospitality at this annual event.

The popular Palm Desert XXX Golf Outing and Reverse Raffle will be held again this year. Be sure to contact a Palm Desert brother for more information on how you can enter the golf tournament and get your raffle ticket. Good luck!

Mark your calendars and watch for more information on other upcoming events throughout the year. Everyone is invited to come down and enjoy our Desert and participate in these events. Our brothers look forward to your visits and also to seeing everyone at the annual Midterm Convention in March, and at the annual Labor Day Convention, in exciting downtown Los Angeles.



Installation Dinner. Grand Master Ron Shanoian with new Palm Desert Officers



Installation Dinner. Grand Master Ron Shanoian, PGM Nick Nigosian, PGM Harold Bazarian and Bro. Greg DerKevorkian with their wives and PM Michael Nigosian (LA Juniors)



Installation Dinner. PM Armen Karimyan, PM Varoujan Mkrtchian, PM Greg Safoyan and PM Howard Chuchian with their families

As always, we welcome all visiting brothers to our meetings, which are held on the 3rd Wednesday of each month.

Happy New Year 2015.

Fraternally, PGM Nick Nigosian,
Corresponding Secretary



Christmas Party. PGM Greg Avedesian and wife Janis, Paula Yeager and PM Rob Carian



Christmas Party. Bro. Garo Tutunjian and wife Jacqui, Marion Afetian, Master Steve Afetian, PM George Kirkjan and wife Tammy, Bro. Avo Zakarian and wife Aza



Christmas Party. Bro. Vic Sarydarian and wife Zenda, Bro. Ron Krajian, Bro. Steve Balian and Jill



Volunteers for Church Food Festival. M Greg Safoyan, PGM Nick Nigosian, future Trexman Kevin Mkrchian, PM Varoujan Mkrchian, Bro. Sarkis Bedrosian, Bro. Koko Mazmanian and Bro. Harold Berghoudian

Fresno

Hello fellow brothers of the Triple X.....We at the Fresno Chapter hope everyone had a wonderful Christmas and have a healthy new year to come, And now for the NEWS.....

We came very close to put the club house up for sale , we had a great realtor Derek Feramisco all lined up to sell the place. Most of the members wanted to get off the sinking ship , no more wondering what the next months bills would be and how they would be paid, we settled on a price and voted. The club house HAS TO GO!!!! was THE out come. That's that no more kitchen where my job is to help make the salad with fellow brother Merlin Kazarian, no more dinners with the big screen TV IN THE background. YES and no more watching all the last remaining card players having a ball around the card table!!!!

The club house was being talked about in the past tense, then BOOM! *# BANG our Master Steve Bedoian asked



PGM Eddie Hokokian swears in two new brothers Dennis Lewis and Steven Kandarian.



PM Richard Bedoian, Master Steve Bedoian, PGM Bob Juskalian and friend Arlene T.



PM Richard Shirin with PM Gary Daloyan.

the chapter if anyone had second thoughts, low and behold the mood has changed and most everyone wants to put the sale on HOLD.....

Yes Virgina, there is Santa Claus and he/she just gave the CLUB HOUSE a little more time to prove her importance to the entire fraternity....

I hope this walk to the edge will instill a little pride and excitement in our members to restore the glory to have at least one club house in our GREAT FRATERNITY TO BE PROUD OF!!!!

Respectfully,
Michael Basmajian



PM Bob and Master Steve and Brother Richard serve a nice peach dessert.



Bro. Jim Malkasian and PGM Jack Bedoian.



Brother Aram, Brother Pete and PGM Ed discuss and solve world problems after a good meal put on by PGM Bob Juskalian.



Frank, Brother Aram and PM Gary enjoy a good meal at our club house social.

Los Angeles

Dear Brothers:

The LA Chapter kept busy through the end of 2014. Our annual Day at the Races was held in July and chaired by Past Master **John Saroyan**. This year we moved the location to Los Alamitos Race Track, where the evening weather was perfect. Highlights of evening were a race named after the LA Trex, a great buffet dinner was served in our reserved area and we were all given hats and shirts to remember the occasion. The only dark cloud over the evening was Bro **Chris Armen's** picks. Not one of them came in which was bad for Bro **Mike Mooradian**. He relied entirely on Bro **Chris's** picks and lost the Mooradian citrus fortune. Thank you Bro John for a great night!

About 30 of the LA Brothers and families attended the Annual Convention hosted by the Sequoia Chapter. The Sequoia Brothers did a great job and Bro **Ron Shanoian** was elected as our Grand Master. The LA Chapter Convention Committee lead by Chairman Bro Mike Mooradian is planning the 2015 Convention at the beautiful and historic Biltmore Hotel. Friday night will be 1920's Speakeasy and Casino night. Saturday will be a 1940's Dinner Dance reminiscent of the days of big bands, crafted cocktails, dress-up and hat check girls. Sunday will be an exclusive rooftop cocktail party and silent auction. "The Biltmore is a perfect backdrop for the 2015 Convention – having been the home of the Academy Awards for many year, the venue is drenched with movie star history" said Chairman Bro **Mike Mooradian**. He continued "Downtown LA has been totally revitalized and is a real destination for nightlife". And he is right! Great venues like LA Live, museums, Disney Concert Hall and the Jewelry Mart are all a walk away. We have negotiated great room rates too - \$159 per night at this iconic luxury hotel. Mark your calendars for this upcoming convention and a chance to stay at this historic hotel. Don't forget about our raffle too - \$100 per ticket and only 100 tickets will be sold. The winner will get a free convention package including hotel and a ticket to Friday, Saturday and Sunday night affairs.

Bro **Jimmy Melikian** generously donates his beautiful Palos Verdes house every year in September for our Cigar Night. Bro Jimmy puts together a nice spread of hors d'oeuvre, brandy and other liquors – and Brothers are allowed to smoke inside the house while the wives enjoy the view outside. Thank you Bro **Jimmy**!

Also in September, the Los Angeles Chapter hosted the Annual Ararat Home Picnic chaired by a great committee made



Bro John Saroyan. Chairman and his wife Gladys at the 2014 Annual Day at the Races

up of Bros **William Kevorkian, John Casparian, Shant Der-gazarian, Joe Ouzounian, PGM David Maseredjian, Galen Petoyan, Richard Jebejian & Michael Surmeian**. With the help of almost all our members, wives and many of their kids, we served well over 1200 hearty meals. This is the Home's biggest event of the year and our Chapter is proud to make such a significant contribution of our time and talents to the Home.

In October Bro **Tev Eminian & PGM Mel Shanoian** co-chaired our Annual Stag Outing at the Westin Resort in Palm Desert. Two days of golf, great food, drink & fraternalism. Winners of Friday's golf Calcutta bet were Bro's **Mark Mikaelian** and **Mike Shakar**. Bros **Steve Hampar** and Bro **Chris Armen** won Saturday's golf Calcutta, continuing their long term bro-mance with each other. Lots of gin was played too – with several marathon games on Friday and Saturday nights. All we can say is outstanding work Bro **Tev**, PGM **Mel**, Bro **Martin Titizian** and Bro **Armen Titizian**!

Later in October Bro Gary Zakarian chaired our annual Installation Banquet at the beautiful Porter Valley Country Club to honor our outgoing executive board as well as welcome our new Master **Johnny Yaldezian**. This year's program included a hilariously brilliant slide show about our outgoing Master **Mike Surmeian** crafted by Bro **David Maseredjian, Steve Hampar** and their crew. The coveted Ken Khteian Trexman of the Year Award was won by one of our most dedicated brothers, Bro **Ron Roopenian**. Bro Ron started as a Jr. Bro in 1957 and has always been very active for almost 60 years. Over the last 10 years, Bro Ron has served tirelessly as our Treasurer as well as organizing all the monthly dinners. Bro Ron epitomizes the kind of TREX-MAN our Fraternity's Founding Fathers envisioned. Outstanding work by Bro Gary with special thanks to his wonderful wife Aileen.

In November Bros **John Casparian** and **Stan Roopenian** chaired the Annual Gin Tournament. The players battled past midnight when the winners were determined. The winners this year were the unlikely pair of Bro **Ara Ishkhanian** and Bro **Chuck Simonian**. These Bro's claim to have never met before this evening, however after watching them play, each anticipated the other's moves like an old married couple. Clearly we were had! Last year's winners Bro **Steve Hampar** and Bro **Mark**



Bro Ron Roopenian, winner of the coveted Ken Khteian Award seen dancing with his beautiful bride Ophy (left) and as always, serving the LA Chapter at the 2014 Ararat Home Picnic (right). Bro Ron has been a Trexman for well over 50 years.

Mikaelian were weeping uncontrollably as they surrendered the trophy at gunpoint. Both are in grief counseling and we are told Bro **Steve** was just taken off suicide watch. All players were treated to an unbelievable dinner and drinks. Thank you for the great event Bros **John** and **Stan**.

In December Bro **Martin Titizian** and his beautiful wife Candice chaired our Family Christmas Party. About 70 Brothers, families, children & grandchildren enjoyed the event complete with a great meal and incredible desserts by **Lara Titizian**. There were crafts for the kids, gifts and a visit from Santa himself. LA Jr. Bro **Adam Mikaelian** served as Santa again this year after the baton was passed from his father, Bro **Steve Mikaelian** last year. Jr. Bro Adam must have put too many crushed red peppers on his lunch, making his body temperature skyrocket. When he got into the Santa suit, the sweat started flowing. Perspiration was everywhere! Instead of the kids wetting Santa's lap, it was the other way around. Kids returned to their parents wet and screaming. He perspired all the way through the suit. Most children under 12 yrs old will likely never want to see Santa again. Great Job Jr. Bro Adam and of course, Bro Martin and Candice.

2015 will be another great year for the LA Chapter and look for lots of communication for the upcoming 2015 convention in Downtown Los Angeles!

Regards,
Bro Michael Surmeian
Associate Editor



Bro's Galen Petoyan and John Casparian got tangled up while setting up the rope lines for the 2014 Ararat Home Picnic. Bro John blamed the incident on wearing sunglasses indoors. Bro Galen is just totally unproductive.



The "sometimes forgotten and always bitter" 2nd cooking shift at the 2014 Ararat Picnic. Bro's Greg, Kenny, Hagop, Steve and John.

Las Vegas

We had a very good year. All our meetings have been dinner-meeting.

The January meeting was held at the Cafe Verdi owned by one of our brothers. We had good dinner-meeting in February and March also. Brother PM Mesrop ran the meeting with a strong hand and we had a good time.

In April we had an ice cream social to raise funds for the children from the Armenian Apostolic St. Garabed Church and it was held at their hall. There were over 60 children and some parents present. Bro. Avetis Davidagayan donated over 15 large pizzas for the social.

We took in two new members at our May meeting. The June meeting was held at Cafe Verdi. We had guests from the Sequoia Chapter, PM Ron Shanoian, and PGM Jerry Poochigian who talked about the up coming convention in Visalia. We passed a resolution any member reaching the age of 90 will no longer have to pay dues. Happy Birthday Sam Artinian.

Our executive body took over at this meeting; Master Boghossian gave our out going Master PM Mesrop a beautiful plaque and a master's pin.

Our July meeting was held at the Shish Kebob House with 21 members present. GM Sam Bagdasarian and Jr. GM Larry Avedisian were present.

In September we donated to the San Diego Chapter, the Ararat Home in L.A. and the Armenian Apostolic Church for their adv. booklet.

At the October meeting the brothers decided not to have the scholarship fund. Instead we will donate to the two churches \$250.00 each.

Our last event will be our Christmas Dinner dance on Dec. 20 at the Shish Kebob House. We expect a sellout.

Fraternally

Recording Secretary

Charles Parigian, PGM



Golden Gate

The second half of 2014 proved to be a fine finish to another successful and fun year for the Golden Gate TREX Chapter. The brothers continued their wonderful tradition of funding scholarships to Armenian – American students, seven in all this year.



PGM Garo Mirigian, Chair of the Scholarships Committee & Master Brian Pinomaki presenting a scholarship to one of the seven deserving awardees.

And as always the Golden Gate Chapter's KEBAB CREWS took up helping our neighboring Hye churches by manning the BBQs at their picnics and bazaars, including St. Vartan's in Oakland, St. Gregory's food festival S.F., St. John's food festival S.F., and Calvary Armenian Church picnic S.F.



Brothers Ara, Vartan, Henry, Hartley, and Garo at the St. Vartan's Church bazaar in Oakland

The Golden Gate Chapter is expanding its membership! We accepted eight (8) new brothers this year, and Auntie Lou's Lodge is packed every meeting. Kudos to Brother Hagop Koujakian, Chairman of the Membership Committee,

for bringing in many of the new recruits!

Our Chapter held its August meeting at St. John's Hall in honor of PGM Garo Mirigian's mother and infamous Chapter Hostess, Auntie Lou Mirigian where we celebrated her 108th birthday! At that time Master Brian Pinomaki presented her with his handmade sign to be posted over the entry door to the Chapter Clubhouse (her basement level card room).



Keep on chuggin' Auntie Lou 108!



Celebrating Brother Ralph Kazanjian's 80th birthday! He ate da'whole thing. Go Bro Ralph!

The Golden Gate Chapter wishes all Trexmen a Happy New Year for 2015 and looks forward to a record year of giving to the community.



New Brother being sworn in by GM Sam Bagdasarian



New Brother being sworn in by Grand Master Ron Shanoian



New Brother Anthony Saroyan being sworn in by Master Brian Pinomaki

Mt. Diablo

Greetings from Mt. Diablo. Brother Tanil Matosian wrapped up a busy year as Master in 2014 and Brother Vic Vasgerdsian immediately took over the reins in September. Our Summer Patio Party in June was well attended by over 30 Brothers and guests. Brother Ray Chiljan always manages to reserve prime location at Round Hill Country Club in Alamo for us. The summer buffet and BBQ was overwhelming and delicious. On August 9, our Family Picnic was hosted by Brother Jerry Tusan at Rancho Laguna Park in Moraga. It was a most beautiful day under the trees whereas our BBQ Chefs, Brother Ed Hazarabedian, Al Kaljian and PGM Shavarsh Hazarabedian superbly cooked the lulu patties to perfection. Brother Jerry made the pilaf with all the usual trimmings.

Outgoing Master Tanil and Brother Jerry represented the Chapter at the Labor Day Convention Breakfast meeting in Visalia. The Sequoia chapter did an excellent job in providing a great Convention. At our October Business meeting, New Grand Master Ron Shanoian and a few Board members attended our dinner meeting. He is very enthusiastic about the future of Trex and looking forward to his term at Grand Master.

Brother Jeff Apkarian and wife Jennifer chaired the community service project for the Contra Costa Food Bank in Concord in October. Several hundred boxes of food were packed for the less fortunate in Contra Costa by Brother Jeff, Jennifer and Brother Ed Hazarabedian. Nice job Brother Jeff.

The Oakland Joint Chapter Lobster fest was enjoyed by 8 Mt Diablo Brothers. We applaud the Oakland Brothers



Chefs PGM Shavarsh and Ed Hazarabedian and Al Kaljian at Summer BBQ



Grace Hagopian, Carol Rustigian and Pat Keadjian at Summer Patio Party-2014



Garo Keadjian, Marilyn & Tan Matosian at Round Hill Christmas



Round Hill Christmas Party

for hosting their sister Chapters each year.

On December 7, Brother Ray Chiljan coordinated the annual Christmas Party at Round Hill in Alamo. It was our biggest turnout ever! Over 40 members and guests enjoyed the holiday décor at the Country Club while dining on a quality gourmet fest. Of course the wine was all provided by Brother Jerry which was all consumed in the end.

We are thankful to have Brother Jack Mooradian back, after a 3 month illness. He looks good as new and better than ever! This year Brother Al Kaljian will celebrate 72 years as a continuous Triple X Member! Best in Health and Happiness for many, many more. In 2015, Mt Diablo will celebrate its 40th Anniversary of becoming a Chapter. Although we have lost a few members through the years, we are still going strong!

Respectfully Submitted:

Brother Jerry Tusan, Corresponding Secretary



Summer Patio Party-2014

Orange County

Incoming officers for 2014-2015

Master Bro. Jon Agajanian
 Jr. Master Bro. Brian Melkesian
 Treasurer Bro. Rob Tusan
 Corres. Secy. Bro. Ara Malazian
 Record Secy. Bro. Jon Chortanian
 Sgt of Arms. Bros Terry and Larry Hanoian
 Webmaster Bro. Ron Sarouhan

Board of Directors:

1 year term: John Cholakian, Wayne Najarian, Brian Hovey
 2 year term: Haig Jamgotchian, Ron Sarouhan, Don Kazanjian

Bro. Master Jon Agajanian is having a great start this year. Many big events are planned and we are looking forward to adding new members.

In July we had our 39th Annual Picnic. Past Master Bro. Wayne Najarian and Bro. Art Kazarian Co-Chaired the event and much thanks goes to all the brothers and wives who helped. The Shish Kabob was great as well as the best pilaf, veggies, string cheese and peda bread as well as grapes, watermelon, desserts and drinks. This is the Best Picnic luncheon you will ever see. All the kids had fun playing games and breaking a Piñata full of candy. There was also Armenian music and dancing. Save the date of July 18, 2015 at Mason Park, Irvine at Noon.

Thanks Sequoia Chapter for a great Convention. We will be ready for the Los Angeles Chapter Convention later this year.

P.M. Bro. Mark Hachigian does an outstanding job of putting together our night out at the Angels Game. Always fun to be with Family and Friends.

Our Installation was at the Caspian Restaurant in Irvine. Grand Master Bro. Ron Shanoian and wife Janice attended as our guests. He swore in our New Officers and



What a team Annual Picnic



Bro. Officers Jon, Terry, Ara, Rob, Master Jon and Brian



P.M. Steve and Grand Master Ron and Trexman of the year Rob.



Master Jon, P.M. Steve and Grand Master Ron



Bros Mark Nishan's Son Mark, Bros. Haig and Naz with Bro. Nishan Derderian

we honored Bro. Art Kazarian for his service over all the many years to our fraternity and gave a tribute to Br. Mike Harutunian P.O.W. for his Service in World War II and Bro. George Ampagoomian Air Force Pilot for his Service in Vietnam. We are proud of your service to America. Out Trexman of the year award went to P.M. Bro. Rob Tusan



Bros. Art, Mike and George



Bro. Shant, Master Jon, Larry and Terry



Mr. and Mrs. Santa Claus at Christmas Party

who is a "Great Trexman".

We had our 1st Annual Hye Charity Classic Car Show at J.T. Schmidt's Restaurant across from the Honda Center in Anaheim. We had 30 cars on display. We had Hot Rods to classic cars. Jackie Agajanian donated Armenian Pastry with proceeds going to Charity. Thank you so much Jackie and to all the wives who helped with the sale. We also had a 50/50 raffle which raised funds for Charities. Thanks to Master Jon Agajanian and P.M. Steve Sahagian and all the Brothers who helped put this together.

Our Annual Christmas Dinner was fun for the whole family. We had our Traditional Turkey Dinner and Santa brought gifts to all the kids and also were honored to donate gifts to Toys for Tots. Thanks to P.M. Ron Sarouhan and P.M. George Ampagoomian and their wives. A great time was had by all.

We lost a Charter Member Bro. Nishan Derderian. Nishan was a 58 year member and served as Master of the Los Angeles Chapter and Jr. Grand Master. He attended and participated in all our meetings and activities. He also knew how to tell Funny Stories. He was one dedicated Trexman and he will be greatly missed.

Our meetings are the 3rd Wednesday of every month at J.T. Schmidt Restaurant, 2415 Park Ave., Tustin with cocktails at 6 p.m. and dinner at 7 p.m. and meeting at 8:30.

Respectfully Submitted,
P.G.M. Haig Jamgotchian



Bro. Al Antoyan's cars won 1st place at the car show



This is not P.G.M. Haig's 31 Ford but he wishes it was



2014 Convention in Visalia, Hosted by Sequoia Chapter





2014 Convention in Visalia, Hosted by Sequoia Chapter



Oakland

Parav Brothers,

Well, it's been a busy six months at the Oakland Chapter. Since our last article in the Trex News a lot has been going on. Our Annual Charity Crab Feed was a great success. With close to three hundred people attending, we raised quite a bit of money for our charitable endeavors. This function requires the attendance and work of all the brothers in the chapter. A special thanks has to go out to Brothers Vartkes and Hratch Avakian who were co-chairman of the event. I would be remiss if I failed to mention the hard work of the brothers in the kitchen. Led by Brothers Paul Kamian and Rick Magarian and Paul Koojoolian, they do a great job with help from other brothers. The results have been fantastic. In the last eighteen months the Oakland Chapter has donated in excess of \$12,000.00 to various charities. These charities have been local, national and international. From local food banks and the Fisher House for Veterans to organizations that reach out to Armenia with good deeds. Our chapter believes very strongly in giving to worthwhile causes. In July, our annual chapter family camping trip was held. Bro. Rick Magarian and his committee planned this event at Loon Lake in the high Sierra's. This is a beautiful location right on the lake in a private group campground. Many of our brothers are repeat attenders. This is a family event and there were lots of kids there. It is rumored that Bro. Craig Bazigian got lost and had to be rescued. We can't lose an active brother like Bro. Craig that easily. We held our chapter elections in August and our new Master is Bro. Ron Michaels. I am sure that Bro. Master Ron will have a great year. One of our most successful inter-chapter functions that Oakland Chapter hosts is our annual Lobster Feed. We invite the brothers from Golden Gate, Peninsula, and Mt. Diablo Chapters to join us in this annual event. Bro. Craig Bazigian and his committee order the live Main Lobsters to be flown in and we all partake in an orgy of food. One of the high lights of the evening is the drawing for



Oakland Bro. At Loon Lake



Oakland Cigar Night



Swearing In Of 2015 Oakland Trex Officers



Bro. Bazigian with the Big Lobster



Bro. At Lobster Feed.



The Kamians At Lobster Feed

the giant 5 pound lobster. This year it was won by Brother Paul Kamian. The attendance from our brother chapters is usually pretty good and it is a good time to foster brotherhood between the local chapters. We rounded out the year with our Christmas Party held at Trader Vic's. This is a beautiful setting and an iconic restaurant in the Bay Area. Situated on the edge of the Bay, its views of the San Francisco shore line are incredible. All the brothers and their wives enjoyed themselves. Bro. Rick Michaels has chaired this event for several years and does a great job. Our Chapter continues to grow with the addition of 4 new brothers. New brothers Peter Combs and Dikran Shahvakilian were sworn into the chapter and Brothers Earl Saroyan and Brian Pinomaki have transferred to our chapter from other local sister chapters. A very warm welcome to these new and transplanted brothers. The planning for the 2017 Trex Convention goes on at a feverish pace. The Oakland Chapter is planning a gala weekend with lots of different and creative events. Visiting brothers at this convention will not be disappointed with the venue or the warm welcome that Oakland is planning. Mark your calendars for a gala event.

Respectfully submitted,
Harry Sherinian
Associate Editor Oakland Chapter



Oakland Chapter Rick Michaels Making Donation to Food Bank



Oakland Bro. Lobster Feed.

Peninsula

Hello Fellow Trex Brothers, Families, and Friends!
Our Peninsula Chapter officers for 2014-15 are:

Ruben Kazarian, Master
Vic Khachooni, Treasurer
Mark Antranikian, Junior Master
Historian - vacant
Kip Garabedian, Recording Secretary
Aram Salmassian, Sgt. at Arms
Mark Antranikian, Corr. Sec./Assoc. Editor
Vic Khachooni, Custodian

Our fun group of Peninsula Trexmen meet in the evening of each third Thursday for our monthly dinner meetings at the Los Altos Masonic Building, located at 146 Main Street in Los Altos, California (enter from the back parking lot side). We have the use of a nice banquet room and large adjacent industrial kitchen in the lower floor of the building for our dinner meetings during the fall and winter months when the weather's cooler, and we also have access to a nicely-refurbished courtyard patio which we put to good use for barbecue dinners during the warmer months. Thanks to our masterful and hardworking chefs, the Peninsula Chapter is well-known for putting on great meals each month, and no one ever leaves a meeting hungry! If you're in the Bay Area during one of our meeting dates, feel free to stop in and say hello – you're always welcome!

This past Labor Day weekend, due to various event



(left to right) Brother Vic Khachooni hosts Brothers Ruben Kazarian, Aram Darmanian, Vartan Berberian, and Vazgen Babayan at his home for the September chapter meeting.



Prior to the November turkey dinner, Golden Gate Brother Khatchig Jingirian and Peninsula Brother Daryl Jamgotchian face off in an all-important struggle for inter-chapter tavloo supremacy.

conflicts of many members, your author ended up being the sole Peninsula delegate to the Annual Convention, which was wonderfully hosted by the Sequoia Chapter in Visalia. Led by Grand Master (now PGM) Sam Bagdasarian, the meeting went very well, and although I wasn't able to attend all of the scheduled activities during the weekend (I did place 2nd in the tavloo tournament to PGM Jack Ouzounian), I heard nothing but praise for how well-run and enjoyable each of the events was – great job, Sequoia Chapter! And congratulations to newly-elected GM Ron Shanoian!

Our annual fundraiser of selling kebab wraps at the Mountain View Art & Wine Festival on the weekend after the Convention was cancelled this year, as was our traditional Christmas dinner; however, we did have a very nice Thanksgiving turkey dinner with all the trimmings! Significant others of the Brothers were also invited, and everyone in attendance had a great time. In addition, our September monthly meeting was graciously hosted at the beautiful home of Brother Vic Khachooni, where fun, food, and hospitality was in abundance.

Now that 2015 has officially arrived, we look forward to an exciting new year filled with fellowship, health, and enjoyment for all of our Trex brethren. Hope to see many of you at the upcoming Mid-Term Convention, which is being hosted by the Selma Chapter at the Fresno Clubhouse in March. On behalf of the entire Peninsula Chapter, here's wishing a Happy New Year to everyone!

Fraternally submitted,
 Brother Mark Antranikian
 Peninsula Jr. Master/Corr. Sec./Assoc. Editor



Our treasured Peninsula ladies added great company and valuable assistance to the fun holiday festivities!



(left to right) Brothers Vazgen Babayan, Kip Garabedian, Vic Khachooni, and Ruben Kazarian (Master) enjoying some fine wine before the delicious Thanksgiving meal.



The evening's Thanksgiving feast is set to begin!



Peninsula Thanksgiving dinner guests prepare to dig in!



(left to right) Brother Mark Antranikian, wearing his grandfather Walter's old Sequoia Trex yellow bowling shirt, poses with newly-elected GM Ron Shanoian and PGM Grand Editor Jack Ouzounian after the 2014 Convention Meeting.

Selma

Terrific, Rambunctious, Entertaining, Xciting (TREX) That's what Selma Chapter is. We started out with seventeen of our brothers attending the Sequoia Chapter hosted annual convention in Visalia, Ca., that got us off and running. We hosted a Coach Rodney Terry (Fresno State Basketball Coach) Night fund-raising dinner later in the month. The event was a successful sell out. Our outgoing Bro. Past Master, Grant Bedrosian acted as the evenings emcee.

In October, we held our Installation Dinner at the Elbow Room in Fresno. Again, we were packed full. Grand Master, Ron Shanoian was in attendance and initiated our new Selma Chapter officers. We also honored Bro. Oscar Kasparian as our Trexman of the year. The honors were bestowed by Past Master Grant Bedrosian.

On November 2, 2014, Selma Chapter brothers and officers attended the ground breaking ceremony for the Armenian Genocide Memorial to be constructed on the campus of California State University Fresno. Selma Chapter is a major donor towards the memorials construction. The memorial will be finished by April 24, 2015. Oh yes, our an-



Bro. Patrick Balakian and Master Robert Srabian at the ground-breaking for the Armenian Genocide Memorial, California State University Fresno.



Installation Night. Master Bob Srabian and PM Grant Bedrosian



Master Robert Srabian honoring Bro. Oscar Kasparian with a plaque.



Installation Night.



Christmas Party



Christmas Party



PGM Sam Bagdasarian, Christmas Party

nual Turkey Bingo was held on November 15, 2014 at the California Armenian Home. Past Master Aaron Krikorian was the number caller and Past Grand Master, Sam Bagdasarian, was of course the grand chef.

The annual children's Christmas party was held on December 6, 2014, at John's Incredible Pizza. Brothers, wives, grandparents, and children had a great time. Bro. Oscar Kasparian, again did a wonderful job putting the event together. A last minute Santa appearance was made by stand in Master Srabian.

We were saddened to lose our long-time member and Past Grand Master Kay Cloud in December. Our heartfelt sympathies to his daughter and family.

Fraternally,

Bro. Master Robert Srabian



Christmas Party



Sports Night Head Table



PGM Bob Juskalian, Grand Master Ron Shanoian and PGM Ed Hokokian at our Sports Night.

Los Angeles Juniors

Brothers:

The Los Angeles Junior Triple X Fraternity will be busy in 2015!

We look forward to convention in Los Angeles this year where we will be hosting a Bar Crawl in the Downtown area.

We hope to start the year off on the right foot with a good Super Bowl party and a few poker tournaments to bond together and bring new prospective around the fraternity.

The Juniors had a good turn out at our annual Halloween party this year at Brother Paul Boranian's House. It was a fun night with a lot of great people. We'd like to thank everyone who attended and supported the event!

The Juniors look forward to hosting a few parties, planning several entertainment outings, and supporting our Senior Chapter in 2015!

Fraternally,

Bro. Patrick Kevorkian

Junior Master of the Los Angeles Juniors



L.A. Juniors Halloween Party



L.A. Juniors Halloween Party

San Diego

For the San Diego Chapter of the Triple X Fraternity, the Summer and Fall of 2014 were filled with some great events, including a fishing trip, our 6th Annual Wine & Cheese Tasting and our Annual Christmas Party. All of the events were a great success and fun for all who attended.

In late March, in a joint outing with members from the San Diego Chapter of the Knights of Vartan, many of our Trex brothers enjoyed a ½ day fishing trip in the waters off Point Loma in San Diego. It was a beautiful, sunny day and, although the fish weren't biting as much as had been hoped for, it was a fun time for all. Our thanks and appreciation goes out to Bro. Harry Guzelimian for all his hard work and efforts in coordinating the event.

Over the July 4th weekend, many of the San Diego Trex brothers volunteered their time and services to help the Knights of Vartan at their annual convention, which was held in San Diego this year.

On Saturday, September 13th, our chapter held its 6th Annual Wine & Cheese Tasting event at the beautiful Rancho Bernardo Courtyard. Nearly 125 guests were in attendance, including Armenians, as well as many non-Armenians, from the San Diego community. The event is our primary fundraiser and provides funds for our Student Scholarship Program, which offers scholarships to college students of Armenian descent. This year, our fraternity awarded five students with a \$1,000 scholarship each. All of the San Diego brothers, led by PGM Joe Kellejian, worked hard at making the event a success, both socially and financially. We also want to thank many of the wives - Jeanette Tashjian, Mary Kellejian, Claudette Hovsepien and Rosalee Maseredjian for their hard work and efforts in preparing the food and creating the elegant table settings and design. Special thanks also goes to Alan Yaghjian, who has

kindly allowed us to use the Rancho Bernardo Courtyard all of these years and to the many Triple X Chapters who generously made donations to our event...many thanks.

On Saturday, December 6th, we held our annual Christmas Party, which was organized by Master Jim Sahagian and took place at The Grenadine Restaurant in Poway, CA. Brothers and their families enjoyed great Middle Eastern food and spent much of the evening "catching up" and enjoying each other's company during the Christmas season. As always, the evening included our annual gift exchange, which resulted in a fun time for all, as well as a visit from Santa Claus (thanks Bro. George Banerian for arranging his visit).

And, congratulations to PGM Bro. Joe Kellejian and his wife, Mary, on the arrival of their second grandchild. Their daughter, Lindsey, and her husband, Tim, gave birth to Lyla Claire Guilanians in early January 2015. What a way to start out the New Year!



2014 Scholarship Award Winners



Wine and Cheese guests



Wine and Cheese Food table

Sequoia

We are happy to report that the beautiful Central Valley of California is finally getting some rain, and a much needed snow pack, yea! This has been a very exciting second half of the year. Our very own forty-four year member, **Brother Ron Shanoian** was elected **Grand Master for 2014-2015**. He was elected Grand Master at the Eighty-Fifth Annual Convention sponsored, and put on by our own Sequoia Trex Chapter here in Visalia. We know Brother Ron will do a great job, and has already visited most of the chapters since being elected.

Sequoia Chapter elected new Officers for 2014-2015 that included - Master: Jack Barsamian, Jr. **Master:** Jerry Poochigian, **Treasurer:** Mike Markarian, **Recording Secretary:** Brian Poochigian, **Corresponding Secretary:** Charlie Amasalian, **Sergeant at Arms:** Chad Borba, **Historian:** Tom Babagian, **Web Master:** Richard Tamouzian, **Custodian:** B.J. Perch.

During and award ceremony a **twenty-five year pin** was given to Rick Kirkorian. We also awarded **fifty years plaques** to members, John Hovannisian, Abe Kazarian, and the late George Zarounian accepted by son Gary. All awards were presented by Grand Master Ron.

We were happy to donate \$2000.00 to the **Tulare Hospital Foundation**. We thank Abe Kazarian for bringing this request to our attention. We received a Thank You and a plaque to be mounted at the hospital with our Sequoia Trex name inscribed.

We had the opportunity to host a Sunday luncheon at St. Mary's Armenian Church in Yettem. We honored the **widows of past members** of our Sequoia Chapter. Thanks to all the members who helped with this luncheon. Thanks also to St. Mary's Parish for allowing us to host it there.



Brother Sark Yahnian Who is older



Brothers Sequoia Lamb Feed



PGM Jerry, Brian and Gary Cooking



Master Jack and Brother Mike Lamb Feed



Abe Kazarian thanking Sequoia Trex for Hospital Donation



Fr. Zaven Markosyan & GM Ron at the "Feed the Armanians Night"



Ron Shanoian receiving Grand Master's pin from PGM Sam



Fall color's trip to New England Tom & Sherry Babagian a visit to the Armenian Museum of America in Watertown, MA



Master Jack Barsamian & PGM Jerry help to cook up a storm.

We also were able to help St. Mary's Parish's Shish Kabob Luncheon last fall. Each year they put on a fund raiser for the community that was a huge success.

We had the chance to host the **"FEED THE ARME-NIANS"** night. This is a very special event that we have put on for the past three years. We invite Brothers from Tri-Chapters to attend, and Armenian men from our community (who are not members) to come and share a Lamb dinner and get acquainted with Sequoia Trex. This event has helped us bring in new members to our chapter. We had seventy Hyes participate in this event, and those who were not brothers were our guests. Thanks to the hard work of all our brothers and **Chairmen, Chuck Simonian**, and **Brother Rick Kirkorian** for all the time and effort they put in to making this event successful.

We want to thank our Sequoia Junior Trexmen for hosting a **STEAK & CIGARS UNDER THE STARS, Night**. This was a fundraiser that the juniors came up with to raise money for charity. The dinner included a steak dinner and one cigar. They had a great turnout and raised a few thousand dollars. The proceeds go to the Orran Organization.

We were privileged to donate five thousand dollars to the new documentary film, **A NEW ARME-NIA**. This project was brought to our attention by **Brother Gerard Garoian**. His niece, **Stephanie Ayanian** and others are working hard on this project. In commemoration of the 100th anniversary of the Armenian Genocide, they are producing this documentary film. They hope to show the world how we Armenians survived and overcame almost extinction as a race. They will show what life is

like today for Armenian Americans in our society.

It was hard to believe that the year 2014 is now behind us, it seemed to fly by. We wish you all a blessed 2015, with good health and many more family times together. Thanks to all who attended our Labor Day Convention here in Visalia. We loved seeing your smiling faces and families. We look forward to the next gathering of Trexmen.

Associate Editor,
Tom Babagian, P.M.

Sequoia Juniors

Hail, brothers of the Triple X!

We have recently redoubled our efforts to bring glory to the name of Trex. First and foremost we proudly wish to boast two new members, Garobed Kalanjian and Steven Babagian, two diligent new members. Garo appealed to our group because of his interest in helping the Armenian community and an enthusiastic attitude toward Armenian culture. Steven, shows great potential as a future leader and youth outreach. We are proud to say that our new member's names will soon become synonymous with the word "Bro-tastic".

Our crowning accomplishment, this year, was inspired by our Armenian heritage. ORRAN Organization is an Armenian orphanage that uses donated resources to better the lives of Armenian youth. ORRAN is an organization that takes young Armenians and provides them with school supplies and a safe place to sleep while they complete school. We decided to throw a steak and cigar dinner to





raise a substantial donation for their cause. This was a great success for our members; we have truly reached new goals of charity, with the help of our strong brothers and our supporters. Our comradery has led to a great year of donation and public service.

We also have many members that donate their time to the CampHye Sierra program. Our members care about the upbringing and religious education of Armenian youth, so we spend our summers contributing to the program. Many of our members contribute to the camp as counselors and program staff. Our contribution to the summer camp program is always time well spent, even in the face of plague and dangerous woodland predators. We are giving these kids experiences they will never forget, and they have given us ones we have trouble repressing.

In the spirit of children and Christmas we have successfully completed our annual toy donation to the Valley Children's Hospital in Fresno. Three of our members made a personal delivery to sick children that were in need of Christmas miracle. We gathered up twenty five Build-a-bears and donated these high quality toys in the hopes that we could brighten the lives of these young children. The hospital was impressed by our donation and looks forward to our holiday cheer in the future.

Lately our chapter has been partaking in a rivalry between Sr. and Jr members. We enjoy this internal friction and use it to fuel our chapter's aspirations. The most important aspect of this clash is our domination and the desecration of the senior chapter's expectations. Our strength has become exponentially greater, as our lust for fraternity domination has met no worthy opposition.

Support Jr. Trex.

OBITUARIES

KAY CLOUD, PGM — Selma Chapter



Kind, compassionate and energetic are just three of the countless words that describe Kay Cloud. The hard working man, with a huge heart and big personality, was reunited with his wife Rosemary, after losing a short battle with a rare cancer. He passed away on Sunday, December 28, 2014, at the age of 82. Kay was proud of his humble roots. He was born in Fresno, on his family's ranch, at the corner of Cherry and Jensen. His parents, John and Arshaloos Cloud, were Armenian immigrants. Kay graduated from Washington Union High School in 1949, and attended Fresno State before joining the United

States Air Force during the Korean Conflict. Kay served stateside, and married his adoring wife Rosemary in 1952, at Castle Air Force Base.

The young couple welcomed their only child Debbie in 1953, and built a home they truly loved, in the Sunnyside area in Fresno. From a young age, Kay looked up to his older brother Ronald. In 1946, when Ronald first opened Cloud Supply, which later became Fresno Distributing Company, Kay began working at the store. He spent 68 years at Fresno D and loved every minute of it. It was his home. Kay loved helping and working with contractors, plumbers, and the public. When it came to plumbing supplies, he was an expert and his reputation was of legendary status. Kay led an active life. He served on the board of directors of the California Armenian Home, and the Armenian Community School.

Kay was a thirty second degree Mason; a Shriner; a member of the Elks; and the Tigers Club. He was a proud Armenian, and was part of the Triple X Fraternity, Selma Chapter for over 60 years. He served as Grand Master in 1972.

Kay and his wife Rosemary were fabulous entertainers. They both loved life and creating memories with family and friends. Fresno State was a huge part of Kay's life. He was a season ticket holder for football, basketball, and baseball, and often traveled to away games. Kay served as the President of the Time Out Club; and a member of the Bulldog Foundation and the Quarterback and Dugout Clubs. Kay passed his love for the Bulldogs on to his only grandchild, Sarah Soghomonian. They would go to games together and tailgate. Family meant the world to Kay. He was proud of the Cloud name and loved to tell stories. Kay is preceded in death by Rosemary, his wife of 60 years; parents, John and Arshaloos; and brothers, Ronald and Karnig. He is survived by his loving daughter, Debbie Soghomonian and her husband Nishan; granddaughter Sarah; nephew, Steve Cloud, and his son's Steven and Ryan; and cousin, Evelyn Babigian.

RON SHAPAZIAN — Selma Chapter



Ron passed away on July 21, 2014, at the age of 69, after a brief illness. Ron was born on December 27, 1944, in Fresno. Ron graduated from Sanger Schools and Fresno State University. He was an officer in the U.S. Navy., and worked at Sun Maid Raisins, and New York Life. He was broker/owner of Shapazian Realty and proudly served as the current Chairman of Fresno Multiple Listing Service. He held numerous licenses including securities, Commercial Pilots, Contractor's, personal safety and real estate brokers License. He was a member of Triple X, spiritual band, and loved BMW motorcycles.

Ron is preceded in death by his beloved son Deran; and his parents. Ron is survived by Marti, his beloved wife of 41 years; daughter Natalie; granddaughter, Natalya; brother Alan. Ron held in his heart his many lifelong friends.

HARRY SWEET — Capitol Chapter



Harry Sweet, a pioneering Northern California television news photographer with great foresight who kept all his footage and went on to donate more than a quarter-century of Sacramento history on film to local archives, died Thursday, Aug. 14, with pneumonia, his family said. He was 93.

Mr. Sweet was a historic figure in broadcast journalism as the first television news photographer in the Sacramento Valley. He filmed leaders and celebrities, including Presidents Kennedy, Johnson, Nixon and Ford; five California governors; entertainment legends Bob Hope and Bing Crosby; and major sports stars. He filmed infamous figures, including death-row inmates Caryl Chessman and Aaron Mitchell, mass murderer Juan Corona, and Patty Hearst and her captors.

He traveled more than 2 million miles on assignments in more than 30 countries – and survived five plane crashes. Besides innovating techniques in time-lapse photography and pioneering camera shots that are used today, he filmed a moving story with music about the Sierra Nevada ghost town of Bodie that won national recognition, former KCRA news photographer Mel Boyd said.

"He was one of the nicest people you'd ever meet, and I think it was because he was a creative person," Boyd said. "He wasn't always trying to be first at things; he was trying to be good at what he did and to be innovative."

Over time, he amassed hundreds of thousands of feet of news film that overflowed his closets, garage and backyard storage shed. When space limitations forced him to move his collection back to KCRA, he persuaded station officials to donate the footage to the city of Sacramento.

Before retiring in 1988, he spent four years editing and indexing the material for KCRA and for the Center for Sacramento History, the city's archive. Today, the center's KCRA Film Collection contains more than 9 million feet of 16mm news film from 1957 to 1982, including images of historic regional and national events that have been licensed in major film documentaries.

Today, the Harry Sweet Film Collection at the campus Library Media Center preserves footage of major events from 1967 to 1981 – including Ronald Reagan's 1967 gubernatorial inauguration, Robert F. Kennedy's 1968 presidential campaign and the Hearst kidnapping – as a learning and research tool.

Born with a twin sister in 1920 to Armenian immigrants in Fresno, Mr. Sweet was 5 when his family moved to Sacramento. He married Mauvis Allen in 1942 and had four children. Although he traveled often for work, he was a devoted husband and father who "always had great stories when he got home and brought great souvenirs," his daughter Sue Norton said. Mr. Sweet's wife of 61 years died in 2003. In addition to Norton, he is survived by three sons, Michael, Mark and Tim; 15 grandchildren; and 19 great-grandchildren.

(Sacramento Bee)

ROBERT E. KALFAYAN - Los Angeles Chapter



Brother Robert was born on November 13, 1936 to Edward & Dickie Kalfayan. He is survived by Jane, his wife of 50 years, as well as his 2 daughters, Kathy & husband Mark, Cindy & husband Scott, and two grandsons, Chris & Jason, of whom he was very proud. He grew up in Los Angeles, attending Hollywood High & UCLA as an engineering major. He worked for Douglas Air Craft & Foxboro Corp. and eventually started his own company, Mr. K Products, making parts & instruments for racers & speed enthusiasts, alike. Robert loved to boat & water ski, traveling to the river every year. He was a dedicated member of the Triple X Fraternity,

serving as Master of the L.A. Chapter where he recently got his 50 year pin & trophy for golfer of the year. He loved Triple X & all the Trexmen that were his friends. He planned many golf tournaments & conventions. He passed away on December 20, 2014 after fighting a battle with cancer for the past couple of years. His funeral included a Trex service & was attended by over 50 of his brothers. He will be greatly missed by all who knew & loved him.

NISHAN DERDERIAN - Orange County Chapter



Nishan Derderian was born in 1922 in Niagara Falls, N.Y. Nishan's parents survived the 1915 Genocide death march through the Syrian Desert by the grace of God. The family settled in Worcester, Mass and later moved to Detroit, Michigan when Nishan was only a few months old.

Nishan graduated with honors from Cass Technical High School January 1937. He worked for the Public Lighting Commission in Detroit as an Electrician and Power Lineman.

Nishan enlisted in the U.S. Navy and volunteered for Submarine Duty on 8 December 1941 the day after the attack on Pearl Harbor. He married Ruby Ann Alexander in Detroit in January 1946.

Nishan graduated Magna Cum Laude from UCLA with a BS in Electrical Engineering and was accepted into the UCLA Engineering Honor Society. He was hired by Hughes Aircraft Co. in Culver City as a Member of the Technical Staff and worked his way up the ladder to Program Manager of various important Research and Development Programs for the USA, Europe, Asia and the Middle East. Nishan and Ruby Ann were blessed with a wonderful son, Mark, who took a very active role in all his parents many cultural pursuits.

Nishan and Ruby were very active in the development of St. Peter Armenian Church. They are Founding Fathers and Charter Members of St. Peter Church. He was the Chairman of the Building Committee, Chairman of the Consecration Committee and he led the Procession when His Holiness Vasken I Consecrated the individual Pillar Sites at St. Peter.

Nishan and Ruby Ann have given their generous contributions and support to many community activities like the Ararat Home for the Aged, The Convalescent Home, The Eskijian Museum, as well as being a major benefactor to the Armenian Eye Care Project.

Nishan and Ruby Ann have also contributed to The Mother See of Holy Etchmiadzin, The Eastern and Western Diocese of the Armenian Church, The Patriarchates of Jerusalem and Istanbul, St. Gregory the Illuminator Armenian Church Pasadena, The Armenian Church of Las Vegas, The Armenian Church of the Desert, The Bone Marrow Registry Project, The Junior Achievement Program, The Knights and Daughters of Vartan and their Armenian School Project and their Armenia Soup Kitchen Project, The Armenian Genocide Memorial in Montebello and its recent Restoration Project, Las Vegas Armenian American Center, The Armenian Assembly of America, The UCLA Neurological Research Center and the AGBU.

Nishan was a member in the Knights of Vartan. He was also 58 year member of the Triple X Fraternity and held several offices including Master of the Los Angeles Chapter and Jr. Grand Master of the Grand Chapter.

Over the 68 years of their blessed and fruitful marriage, Nishan and Ruby Ann devoted their lives toward the betterment of Armenians in the United States and Armenia in their pursuit and dedication to the propagation of their Proud Armenian Heritage.

Nishan entered his eternal rest on Sunday, November 2nd. He was 92.

NOTICE

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