



CALIFORNIA  
ARMENIAN HOME

# NEWSLETTER

SPRING 2016



In appreciation of the many years of service to the Home, the CAH Home Board hosted a going away dinner in Yuba Radojkovich's honor. Pictured at right toasting the evening's festivities are Home Board President Lucy Grayson, Yuba Radojkovich (center) and Home Board member John Arabian.



## MESSAGE FROM THE BOARD PRESIDENT

*by Lucy Grayson, President CAH Home Board*

It is my pleasure to announce that Mr. Richard Aaron has been appointed attorney for the California Armenian Home.

It has been 50 years since our forefathers had the vision for the completion of the Home. As you can see, we are about to start implementing that vision.

It has been a very busy year for the Board and especially the Expansion Committee. I am pleased to report that there was a unanimous resolution passed by the Board to give the Expansion Committee approval to go forward with the project.

The Board had not taken this responsibility lightly. We have spent many months creating a wonderful unique senior community for our next generation that we will all be proud of and will represent the Armenian community.

We continue to have the support of the Ani and Home Guild and the Fresno AACL. I hope that everyone will support the Home. There will be many donor opportunities as we go forward.

The remodeling of the existing home is complete and looks terrific. The Board thanks the Lillian Corey Hagopian Foundation whose donations funded the remodel.

As you all may have heard by now, Yuba had resigned her position as Administrator. The Board had a going away dinner in her honor and below are some picture of that dinner. We wish her the best and thank her for all her years of service.

Simon Holguin had been named Administrator and George Juarez was named Director of Operations along with his existing title of Administrator of Residential.

More information will be included in the next newsletter.

## Home Guild 2015 Annual Report

by Frances Tusan, President, Home Guild

### Officers Installed for the 2016-2017 year:

President: Frances Tusan  
 Vice President: Loretta Artinian  
 Corresponding Secretary: Martha Googooian  
 Recording Secretary: Gayanne Korkmazian  
 Treasurer: Elaine Garo  
 Parliamentarian: Elsie Bedrosian

- Dues are \$15 per year.
- Current Membership is 95 members

Lunches are prepared and served October to June to approximately 725 people including 10 to 15 Armenian Home Residents per month. Seven lunches are underwritten by members in memory.

Fundraisers include make and sell kufta, 130 dozen two times per year. Bake sale two times per year and a 50/50 Raffle.

Informative and enjoyable programs presented at each meeting. A co-chair event with Ani Guild, which includes fruit, cheese, and chorag for the Armenian Home Residents and donation to the California Armenian Home.

### Resident Activities



Armenian Heritage at The Fresno Grizzlies 2015



Enjoying an afternoon on the pergola

## Ani Guild: Serving the Home's Residents

Continuing its founding purpose, Ani Guild began its 49<sup>th</sup> year with an annual event for the California Armenian Home's residents – "Celebration of Fruit Party." The party offered a fruit menu with chorag and cheese and was prepared by members of Ani and Home Guild and the Home's kitchen. Held on the Sequoia Patio residents were able to enjoy the lovely weather.

In November, Ani members and the Home staff chaperoned residents to the First Armenian Presbyterian Merchant Luncheon.

Ani Guild's annual Resident Christmas Tea was attended by most all the residents and patients. Ani members served holiday treats, Armenian delicacies and sliced fresh fruit. Neighboring John Wash Elementary School students and parents donated their time to sing Christmas carols prior to Santa's arrival.

Ani Guild appreciates the support of annual donors who help the Guild continue its monthly services to residents with bingo games, coffees and craft activities. On February 20, 2016, the Guild again will host a major fundraising event that acknowledges the contributions made by its Patron membership. For information on how you can attend "Moonlight and Magnolias" at Good Company Players, please contact Dian Karabian at (559) 285-3231.

### 2016 Ani Guild Officers:

President: Suzanne Yengoyan and  
 Paulette Kalebjian

First Vice-President: Sandy Hotzakorgian

Second Vice-President: Madeline Arakelian,  
 Janice Maroot, and Geri Tahajian

Recording Secretary: Christine Bagetakos

Corresponding Secretary: Marilyn McMains

Treasurer: Sandy Papazian

Immediate Past Presidents:

Madeline Arakelian, Janice Maroot, and  
 Geri Tahajian

Parliamentarian: Armene Bagdasarian and  
 Melene Ouzounian

