



# 32's NEWS



February 2020

## President's Message

Greetings Brothers:

February is the month of friendship and love, so give some love to your YMI brothers and join us in our next business meeting and social to celebrate St. Valentine's day. All ladies at the social, will be honored with a free gift so make sure to invite all your lady friends. Please do not forget to make your reservations for both business and social. Let us know how many ladies will be in your reservation so we can have an idea how many gifts we need.

On March 14<sup>th</sup>, we'll have our Red and White Mass which will be celebrated in Sebastopol this year. For your convenience, the Grand Council has donated some money to reserve a bus, which will leave at 2 pm from All Souls church that Saturday. The cost for round trip is only \$10 and dinner is \$25. See below for reservation details. Do not wait too long if you would like to attend this great event because it is a first come first serve basis.

Save the date for our First Bocce Ball tournament Saturday, May 9<sup>th</sup>. To be held at the bocce ball courts at Orange Park South San Francisco. We have attached a form with more information. Let's support this effort to have some fun.

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I would like take this opportunity to give a big shout out to Br. **Steve Cresci** for this awesome idea. At the same time Br. Steve is looking for some Brothers that would like to help to organize this event. If you would like to help contact Br. **Steve Cresci** at 415-297-5816.

As usual our chef **Joe Ortisi** and kitchen crew outdid themselves cooking our fantastic dinners for the business and social meetings in January. E Delizioso!

I wish a Happy St. Valentine's Day to all our Brothers, their spouses and families. Friendship and love are two very important parts of our life, so do not forget to let people around you know you appreciate their friendship and love. Sometimes we are too busy and forget to acknowledges the dearest people in our lives. A hug, a text, a phone call, a hand shake or a kiss might be good enough but do not wait... just to do it!

God Bless you and your loved ones!

Pro Deo, Pro Patria,  
*Luis Alvarenga*  
President

## Upcoming Events

**Thursday, Feb. 13 6 pm**  
Business Meeting  
Chicken Dinner

**Thursday, Feb. 27 6 pm**  
Valentine's Social  
Special Dinner with a gift for the ladies!

**Thursday, Mar. 12 6 pm**  
Business Meeting

**Saturday, Mar. 14 4 pm**  
Red and White Mass  
Sebastopol

**Thursday, Mar. 26 6 pm**  
St. Patrick's Day  
Celebration and Corned Beef  
and Cabbage Dinner!

*Please make your meal  
reservations at least three  
days before the event.  
(650) 583-2510*



The Red and White Mass is in Sebastopol at St. Sebastian's Church on March 14. Br. **Mike Amato** #613, GFVP is coordinating the bus reservations for the SF Bay Area Councils, so please contact him by phone at 650-296-6297 to make a \$10 per person bus seat reservation, while space permits. Bus leaves from All Souls at 2 pm.

Brothers attending need to make a reservation to attend the Red & White Dinner, which will likely be an excellent one. The dinner fee is \$25 and there is a reservation flyer on the YMI website that provides further details. <http://www.ymiusa.org/>

**YMI GO FUND ME PAGE** at: <https://www.gofundme.com/f8wzbx-christmas-food-drive>

Council Chatter....

The Brothers of YMI Council #32 would like to express their deepest sympathy to our fellow Brothers **Felix** and **Rene Perez** on the loss of their father and our YMI Brother **Adan (Adam) Perez**. (A Fifty-Six year member of YMI Council #32)

Let's keep PGP **John West** and PGP **John Musgrove** in our thoughts and prayers. Both brothers are having some health issues.

Great to see Brother **Joe Da San Martino** back at our Council Meetings.

Brother **Steve Cresci** asks that all Bocce Ball players save the date, Saturday May 9, 2020 for the first annual YMI Council 32 Bocce Ball Tournament! See attached flyer for details and signup info.

Our Council has been asking for ways to attract more members. Well, maybe we need to have more activities to entice folks. We're great at putting on dinners, celebrating at Mass & promoting Fraternalism and that's just part of our mission. Community activities also foster fraternalism and will draw more people. Softball, Bocce, Our Food Program, Bowling, etc. These extra outside activities allow some members to participate in our organization and enjoy doing something they like to do. Let's support this latest endeavor for an annual Bocce tournament hosted by our Council. So form a team, sign-up. Pay and play. Donate breakfast or lunch, donate drinks to defray costs. Maybe donate raffle prizes from local businesses or make t-shirts at cost for players as part of their entrance fee. Bring potential members. Thanks brothers, for all that you do!

A reminder from Brother **Tom Fourie** to Council 32 Brothers.....

The Pro Patria Raffle has only received raffle tickets from some of the membership. Although the raffle does not take place until March 14, 2020 at the Red and White Mass, it is imperative that all the Brothers contribute. Please mail your tickets in as soon as possible and urge your fellow Brothers to buy their tickets as well!

This is how we support the students in the essay contest who are our future.

Visit the web site at <http://www.ymiusa.org/> to print your own tickets or ask in person at a meeting to get some printed ones sent to you.

Brothers,

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Take 30 seconds please and look at page three of the newsletter. These are our advertisers. Tell your friends to at least call and get a quote before going elsewhere. Tell your friends they should mention the YMI. The folks advertising are YMI members or support the YMI. So once again, we kindly ask that you take 30 seconds and look at our advertisers and promote them. Just say, "Hey, give this company a call, they advertise for our YMI non-profit group and they're nice folks". No obligation. Just call them.

Let's help out our brothers and those who support us. Pro Deo, Pro Patria.

Thanks to **Luis Alvarenga, Paul Larson, Steve Cresci, Tom Fourie & Bob Bartoli**, for sending in some YMI news or photos. It's easy! Just email [ciaosteve@comcast.net](mailto:ciaosteve@comcast.net)



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Ladies Special

**Ladies with a reservation  
get a special Valentine's  
gift courtesy of the  
Council President.**

No Coupon Needed!

Reservation needed with how  
many guests are ladies.

February Business Mtg.  
Member Coupon

**With Valentine's Day  
One day away....  
Get an extra 10 raffle  
tickets with every \$20  
purchase. Maybe you'll win  
an extra gift for her!**

Give this coupon to the ticket  
salesperson with purchase.

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***Pro Deo, Pro Patria.***