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**YMI ST. JOHN BOSCO COUNCIL # 613
MAY 2017 NEWSLETTER**

**Please join us at our next business meeting & dinner on ...
May 9th (Tues) -7:00 p.m. @ St Cecilia's Green Room
Meal coordinated by Br. John Kavanagh.
Meeting Highlights: Donations**

President's Message

Brothers & Ladies of YMI #613 Hope all had a wonderful Easter! Hard to believe it's almost May and summer is just around the corner, which means a few of our popular summer events are drawing near. First, we will host our annual **YMI Summer Picnic on August 13th** at nearby **Junipero Serra Park in San Bruno**. Details are provided below and in the attached flyer, but the picnic promises to be a relaxing event with much delicious food, good friends to share the day and capped by a terrific raffle. Then about a month later on **September 23rd**, we'll be holding our annual **Bocce Ball Tourney**, which has become the most popular YMI sporting event. Details are under development, but for now I would suggest you reserve the date to enjoy this fun family event.

Council News & Activities:

Ladies Night: By the time you receive this newsletter, the sign-up deadline has passed for our popular Ladies Night event to be held on **Sunday May 7th** at the scenic and highly regarded.... **Scoma's Restaurant at Fisherman's Wharf**. However, you may contact **Br. Bob Fiorito at 650-867-6702** as there may be a late cancellation or he may be able to squeeze you in (*no guarantees*).

Convention Delegates: Many thanks to **Brothers Joe Soracco, Jeff Morrow, David Burbank and Fr. Joe Landi** for agreeing to serve as **convention delegates** for the Grand Council Sessions to be held at the **Mont Bleu Hotel in South Lake Tahoe** from June 19-21 They will joined by YMI #613 brothers who are currently Grand Officers or Representatives (i.e., **Brothers Mike Dimech, Bob Fiorito, Dick Pisciotta, Cosmo Amato and Mike Amato**.) This year, our very own **Br. Mike Dimech** will preside as the **Grand President**, so it will be great to see that we will have strong representation there from YMI #613. Moreover, I am pleased to share the news that **Br. John Kavanagh** has agree to submit his name for nomination to be a Grand Director, so we will have an even stronger presence on the Grand Council Board.

YMI Summer Picnic: The YMI Summer Picnic will be held at Junipero Serra Park in San Bruno on August 13th. Please plan to attend as we will be featuring tasty steaks, hot dogs, beans, salads, etc. The picnic site features a wonderful view of the airport and is a short walk to the restroom and parking lot. We have maintained prices at last year's level, so we hope to see many of you make reservations so we can make this event covers its costs. If questions, please contact **Br. Mike Amato at 650-871-9164**.

YMI Meeting Dinner Coordinators Needed: Thank you for the YMI #613 brothers that have already signed-up to coordinate catering the dinner, but we are in **need of dinner coordinators for the months of July and August**. As these months are coming up very soon, we need to find two brothers to step up and take care of the meal. The good news is that we are set through June and from September to December. Those volunteering will earn a modest stipend for their efforts. Call **Br. Mike Amato at 650-871-9164** if you can volunteer to coordinate July and/or August.

Council News:

- **New Marshal:** **Br. John Kavanagh** was elected at the last business meeting to take the place of marshal replacing **Br. Bill Gunn**. Br. Gunn had moved a distance away in November so it is not feasible for him to attend the monthly business meetings, although he remains a member and his lovely wife April continues to help our council with the monthly mailings of this newsletter. Thank you Br. John for stepping up and thank you Br. Bill and April for all you have done and continue to do for us!
- **New Member:** We welcome our newest member.... **Br. John McCarthy** (sponsored by **Br. Mike Amato**). I met Br. John at YMI #1 Christmas Party and learned he was interested in joining a club. John lives in Daly City with his wife Gloria and he has two adult children. Welcome Br. John!
- **Retirement:** After 24 grand years as pastor of St. Cecilia's Church and 49 years of faithful service as a priest in the archdiocese, **Msgr. Michael Harriman** will be retiring at the end of June. Msgr. Harriman has been a great supporter of the YMI over the years allowing us to use the parish facilities and supporting our efforts to be part of the parish community. Thank you, Msgr. Harriman, and we wish you a wonderful and healthy retirement!

YMI Sports Tournaments:

- **Golf:** The tournament scheduled for Sunday April 30th was unfortunately cancelled. Although the chair reported a lack of team sign-ups, it was noted that a critical lack of information about the tourney was likely a key reason for the cancellation.
- **Bowling:** No teams from YMI #613 will be participating this year as there is an event conflict that day with our Ladies Night on May 7th.

In Memory: With much sadness, we report the recent passing of **Br. Angel Dimech**, the father of **Br. Mike Dimech** and grandfather of **Br. Brendan Dimech**. Although Br. Angel was a fairly new YMI member having joined us in February 2016, he was an active participant in our YMI Bocce Ball Tournaments since the event's inception. Br. Angel had a great passion for bocce ball and often finished among the leading teams. He will be sorely missed and we send out condolences to the entire Dimech family. As is our custom, a donation will be made to a charity in his name. Rest in peace Brother!

Birthdays: Happy Birthday wishes to the following YMI #613 Brothers who celebrate **May Birthdays:**

Peter Maletesta, Kevin Roche, Ron Mertes, John Bringas, Paul Biagi

Monthly Reminders

#613 Charity - Please remember to bring canned goods or toiletries to our next business meeting. Our continuing efforts of collecting food and personal items at monthly business meetings and various council events have directly benefitted San Bruno's Catholic Hospitality Worker's House immensely. So far this year we have donated 275 lbs. of canned goods and toiletry items to San Bruno's Catholic Hospitality House

YMI #613 Calendar: Upcoming Meetings & Events:

May 7th (Sun) Ladies Night (@ Scoma's Restaurant at Fisherman's Wharf)

**May 9th (Tues) – YMI #613 Meeting (7:00 p.m. @ St. Cecilia's Green Room)
Dinner coordinated by Br. John Kavanagh**

**June 13th (Tues) – YMI #613 Meeting (7:00 p.m. @ St. Cecilia's Green Room)
Dinner coordinated by Br. Mike Dimech**

June 19th-21st – YMI Grand Council Sessions (@ Mont Bleu Hotel, South Lake Tahoe)

June 25th (Sun) – YMI/YLI Family Mass (9:30 a.m., @ St. Cecilia's Church)

**July 11th (Tues) – YMI #613 Meeting (7:00 p.m. @ St. Cecilia's Green Room)
Dinner coordinated by Br. ??????**

**August 8th (Tues) – YMI #613 Meeting (7:00 p.m. @ St. Cecilia's Green Room)
Dinner coordinated by Br. ??????**

August 13th (Sun) – YMI Summer Picnic (Junipero Serra Park in San Bruno)

September 23rd (Sat) – Bocce Ball Tourney (Orange Park in South San Francisco)