

YOUNG MEN'S
INSTITUTE



YOUNG MEN'S
INSTITUTE



**YMI ST. JOHN BOSCO COUNCIL # 613
MARCH 2018 NEWSLETTER**

Please join us at our next business meeting & dinner on ...

Mar 13th (Tues) -7:00 p.m. @ St Cecilia's Green Room

Meal to be coordinated by Br. Mike Amato (Corned Beef & Cabbage)

Membership Recruitment Meeting: Meeting New Brothers

President's Message

Brothers & Ladies of YMI #613... For our March business meeting, we will once again host a membership recruitment meeting. We first hosted such an event in 2017, following the suggestion of then **Grand President Mike Dimech**. Last year, we were able to gain four new members from our initial membership recruitment meeting. For this year, please consider bringing a relative, friend or neighbor on March 13th. On the menu that evening will be the traditional Irish corned beef and cabbage dinner to be catered from the famous Tommy's Joynt Restaurant. The meeting is expected to be light on business matters so to allow more time to engage in fellowship and meet prospective new members.

Please note we will be taking nominations during our April business meeting for council officers and committee posts covering the two-year period from June 2018 to May 2020. Per the by-laws, elections take place in May of even years. If anyone is interested in any council office (including being president) or serving on a committee, please let me know before April's meeting. Also, all incumbents should let me know if they would to continue to serve for another two-year term.

Council News & Activities:

Jim Calabretta Essay Contest: Notices to student contestants have been mailed for 15th annual YMI #613 Jim Calabretta Essay Contest. 51 students (College:14; High School: 16 and Middle School: 21) will be presented awards at the annual essay banquet on April 14th. Speaking of the banquet, **Br. Rod Ordone** is coordinating with **Br. Cosmo Amato** and our talented crew of chefs from the **Campus, Bottarini, Goultas and Goulding families** to once again host another amazing Italian-style banquet for about 200 people. All brothers and their families are invited to attend the banquet, regardless if you have sponsored a student or not. **For reservations, please contact Br. Rod Ordone by phone at 415-314-6054 or by e-mail at RodOrdone@gmail.com. See the attached flyer for event details.**

YMI Red & White Mass: This year's Red & White Mass (the YMI Anniversary Celebration) will be held in Chowchilla on March 10th starting at 3:30 p.m. St. Columba Council #94 is hosting this year's event and will be serving either a BBQ steak or chicken dinner after the Mass. The cost to attend the dinner is just \$20 and a reservation form can be downloaded from the YMI website at www.ymiusa.org. For those thinking of attending, we are arranging a bus to take the brothers from the three San Francisco Area councils to Chowchilla. The bus will likely leave at about 12:30 p.m.

from All Souls Church and return there by approximately 10:00 p.m. The cost to ride on the bus is just \$20 per passenger. Snacks and beverages will be available on the bus. **Please contact Br. Mike Amato at 650-871-9164 today sign up for the bus**, as space is still available.

YMI Sports:

- **Bowling:** The YMI Bowling Tournament is on **April 29th**. It will be held in Stockton at Pacific Avenue Bowl. YMI #613 usually sponsors one or two teams. For those interested in competing, **please contact Br. Mike Amato at 650-871-9164**.
- **Golf:** The YMI Golf Tournament is on **June 3rd** this year. With **Br. Bob Fiorito** taking over as the event chair, the tournament venue has changed. This year, we will be teeing off from the **Oakmont Golf Course in Santa Rosa**. The fee per golfer is \$100, but YMI #613 typically covers most of the golf fee (amount to be determined). If interested in playing, **please contact Br. Bob Fiorito at 650-867-6702**.
- **More Golf:** As sadly 17 YMI brothers from YMI Santa Rosa #40 lost their homes in the October fire, the YMI is organizing for the first-time hole sponsorships to raise funds that may help with relief efforts in the Santa Rosa and North Bay communities. For as little as \$100, please consider sponsoring a hole. We are accepting donations too from schools and businesses. If interested in participating, **please contact Br. Bob Fiorito at 650-867-6702**.

Ladies Night: Details are forthcoming, but we are working out plans for our annual **Ladies' Night event at Scoma's Restaurant** at Fisherman's Wharf. Last year's venture at Scoma's was well received, so we are returning to enjoy great food and views from an iconic San Francisco institution. This will be a great chance to treat your special lady to a terrific dinner and a wonderful night out.

Newsletter Subscription: YMI#613 has been e-mailing or mailing the monthly YMI #613 newsletter to all the YMI #613 brothers. If you are **not** receiving the newsletter each month, please contact **Br. Mike Dimech at 650-922-2667 or mdimech7@gmail.com**. Also we would be happy to send a courtesy copy of the newsletter to your wife too **by e-mail only**, as all YMI #613 events are open to the wives and they may want to know when they are scheduled. (*We acknowledge our brothers may forget to share such details*). Just simply contact Br. Dimech with your wife's e-mail address and he can add it to his e-mail list.

Meal Coordinators for 2018: We are still needing meal coordinators for the two months in 2018 (**July and December**). For those volunteering, please know that YMI #613 will fully cover the dinner costs incurred and will provide you a modest stipend for your effort.

Welcome: We welcome **Br. Thomas Ling** who joined YMI #613 at our February business meeting. Br. Tom is an active member of St. Cecilia's parish and we are elated to have him in our ranks!

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

**John Kvanagh, James Vavuris, Leo Ferrero, Matt Ordon
Michael Amato, Steven Press, Michael White, Rev, Armand Oliveri**

Monthly Reminders

YMI#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. In 2018 year we donated approximately 135 lbs. of canned goods and toiletry items to San Bruno's Catholic Hospitality House

YMI Polo Shirts: If your YMI polo shirt has been misplaced or is looking worn, we do have spare shirts for purchase in a variety of sizes ranging from Small to 2XL. Shirts are just \$25 (cash or check payable to YMI #613). Contact **Br. Mike Amato at 650-871-9164** to order a shirt or see him before or after the meeting.

YMI #613 Calendar: Upcoming Meetings & Events:

March 10th (Sat) - YMI Red & White Mass (3:30 p.m. @ Chowchilla, CA)
Bus leaving from All Souls Church at approximately 12:30 p.m. Returning about 10:00 p.m.

March 13th (Tues) – YMI #613 Meeting (7:00 p.m. @ St. Cecilia's Green Room)
Special Recruitment Meeting featuring Corned Beef Dinner via Tommy's Joynt coordinated by Br. Mike Amato

April 10th (Tues) – YMI #613 Meeting (7:00 p.m. @ St. Cecilia's Green Room)
Dinner coordinated by Br. Ryan Casey
Nomination of Officers for 2018-2020

April 14th (Sat) – Jim Calabretta Essay Contest Banquet
(6:30 p.m. at Sts. Peter & Paul Lower Auditorium)

April 29th (Sun) – YMI Bowling Tournament (12:30 p.m. @ Pacific Avenue Lanes in Stockton, CA)

April 29th - YMI/YLI Family Mass @ St. Cecilia's (9:30 a.m @ St. Cecilia's Church)

May 6th (Sun) - Ladies Night (TBD@ Scoma's Restaurant)

May 8th (Tues) – YMI #613 Meeting (7:00 p.m. @ St. Cecilia's Green Room)
Dinner coordinated by Br. John Kavanagh
Election of Officers

June 3 (Sun) – YMI Golf Tournament (10:30 a.m. @ Oakmont Golf Club in Santa Rosa)

June 12th (Tues) – YMI #613 Meeting (7:00 p.m. @ St. Cecilia's Green Room)
Dinner coordinated by Br. Liam Reidy)

June 17-20 – YMI Grand Council Session in Reno Nevada

Save the dates

- **July 21st – Frank Sinatra Dinner Event @ St. Cecilia’s Lower Church**
- **August 19th – YMI Picnic @ Bayview Shelter, Junipero Serra Park in San Bruno**
- **September 29th - YMI Bocce Ball @ Orange Park in South SF**
- **October 7th – Italian Heritage Parade**
- **November 4th – Hour of Memory @ Sts. Peter & Paul & SFIAC**