



**YMI ST. JOHN BOSCO COUNCIL # 613
MAY 2024 NEWSLETTER**

Next Meeting: May 14th @ 7:00 p.m. (St. Cecilia's Green Room)

Please remember to wear your YMI Shirt & bring a buddy!

Dinner: Mexican meal organized by Br. John Kavanagh (\$10 per)

Council News & Activities:

Membership Recruitment Challenge:

- Via a challenge issued by our **YMI Grand President Steve Cresci**, the Presidents of YMI #32 and YMI #613 agreed to a **New Membership Challenge Bet**. The two YMI Councils are competing to bring in the **most new YMI members during a 3-month period from March 1-June 1, 2024**. Under terms of the bet, the winning YMI Council will receive dinner from the losing YMI Council.
- **In April, YMI #613 initiated 5 new members at our April meeting, while YMI #32 did not bring in any new member. Consequently, we enter the month of May ahead of YMI #32 in bringing in new members by a score of 6-1!**
- To win this challenge, **all YMI #613 Brothers are urged to invite friends, relatives, children, co-workers, or neighbors to join the YMI #613.** **By decree of our YMI #613 President, any YMI #613 Brother sponsoring a new member in May will get a FREE dinner at our meeting!** The only YMI membership requirement is that a prospective member needs to be male, over 13-years old, and a Catholic. **Let's win this challenge guys!**

Ladies Night: Our popular **Ladies Night** event will be held on **Sunday May 5th at Westlake Joe's**. Despite rising prices, Ladies Night will be the same price as last year! (just \$130 per couple/\$75 per single). As usual, all Ladies attending the event will receive a lovely gift. Please plan to bring your special person in your life to this great event. **Make your reservation ASAP!** Singles are welcome to come too. **See the attached event flyer to make reservations.** For any questions, please contact **Br. Bob Fiorito at 650-867-6702.**

Council Elections: At the April 2024 meeting, YMI #613 unanimously elected the following officers for the **term beginning July 2024 and ending June 2026**. If the list looks familiar, it's largely incumbents! A listing of those elected officers/committee members is provided below:

2024-26 Offices

- **President:**
- **1st Vice-President:**
- **2nd Vice-President:**
- **Past President/Business Manager**
- **Financial Secretary:**
- **Recording Secretary:**
- **Marshall:**
- **Sentinel:**
- **Investment Committee (3):**
- **Executive Committee (5) :**

Brothers

- Bob Fiorito**
- Joe Soracco**
- Rod Ordon**
- Mike Amato**
- John Kavanagh**
- Mike Dimech**
- Mario Balistreri**
- Dominic Panina**
- 1. John Cleary**
- 2. John Kavanagh**
- 3. Paul Wuerstle**
- 1. Art Jimenez**
- 2. Bill Pallas**
- 2. John Smith**
- 4. Stephen Goulding**
- 5. Cosmo Amato**

We congratulate all our elected officers and thank them for serving the YMI!

YMI Delegates: At the April 2024 meeting, YMI #613 also approved the following **5 YMI #613 Brothers** to serve as delegates for the upcoming **YMI Convention** to be held in South Lake Tahoe between June 17-20 at the Bally's Hotel.

1. **Br. Joe Soracco**
2. **Br. John Kavanagh**
3. **Br. John Cleary**
4. **Br. Steven Goulding**
5. **Br. Dominic Panina**

Given that we already had 5 YMI #613 Brothers who are delegates by virtue of their Grand Council position (i.e., **Brothers Dimech, Fiorito, Balistrieri, Cosmo & Mike Amato**), we will be well-represented at the YMI Convention with 10 delegates in total. Delegates should make their reservations for the hotel and for convention events.

YMI Jackets: If any Brother would like to order a lightweight blue YMI #613 jacket, we found a local vendor that can produce them without a minimum order requirement. The cost is \$40 per jacket and should be paid by our May 14th meeting. If interested, please let **Br. Mike Amato** know at **650-296-6297** or at mamato871@aol.com. He will also need to know your size and the name you want on the jacket.

YMI Sporting Events:

- **YMI Golf Tournament:** The **YMI Golf Tourney** will be held on **Sunday, May 19th at the Valley of the Moon Golf Course in Santa Rosa**. Shotgun start at 1:00 p.m. Afterwards, Council #40 will prepare a banquet at St Rose Church. The normal cost is \$100 per golfer (includes golf, cart, and banquet), but YMI #613 Brothers can play golf for just **\$25** as the Council will subsidize your participation. The tourney is open to wives, families, and friends too. **See the attached event flyer to make reservations** Contact **Br. Bob Fiorito** by **May 5th** if interested at **650-867-6702**.
- **YMI Night at the Ballpark:** **Grand President Steve Cresci** has organized for the YMI a **San Jose Giant ballgame** on **Saturday July 13th**. The Giants will be playing the Visalia Rawhide at **5:00 p.m. that day at Excite Ballpark in San Jose**. Tickets include a BBQ meal and the event price ranges from \$38 to \$44 depending on whether you want an alcoholic beverage with your meal. **See the attached event flyer to make reservations** Contact **Br. Steve Cresci** for tickets or if questions at **415-297-5816**.
- **Bocce Ball Tourney:** Please save the date of September 14th to participate in our popular YMI Bocce Ball Tourney. YMI #613 is again hosting this tourney at Orange Park in South San Francisco. as **Br. Mike Dimech** is the Bocce Ball Tourney Chair. **See the attached event flyer.**

Summer Picnic: Please save the date and plan to attend the annual **YMI Summer Picnic on Sunday August 25th at the lovely Bay View Shelter at Junipero Serra Park in San Bruno**. Although the price of beef has risen sharply lately, we are holding picnic prices at 2023's level...**just \$35 per person** for a tasty BBQ steak. The meal also comes with many delicious side dishes, as well as many tempting desserts. As has been the tradition, a huge raffle will be held after the lunch. **See the attached event flyer to make reservations.** Please contact **Br. Mike Amato** at **650-296-6297** for reservations or questions about the picnic.

Other Upcoming YMI Events: Here are some dates of other YMI Events being planned for later in 2024. Please save the dates!

- June 9 - YMI's Family Mass @ St. Cecilia Church
- October 13 – YMI's Entry in the Italian Heritage Parade in SF
- November 17 – YMI #613 Hour of Memory @ SFIAC in SF
- December 15 -Christmas Party @ Dominic's Oyster Point in South SF

Membership News:

- **Welcome:** We are very elated to welcome our 5 newest YMI #613 members:
 1. **Br. Saji Vithayathil (sponsor: Br. Mike Amato)**
 2. **Br. Joseph McFadden (sponsor: Br. Mario Balistreri)**
 3. **Br. Charles Bumanglag (sponsor: Br. John Kavanagh)**
 4. **Br. Daniel Panina (sponsor: Br. Dominic Panina)**
 5. **Br. Victor Totah (sponsor: Br. George Totah)**

Welcome Brothers to YMI #613!
- **Membership Count:** With the recent additions to our membership ranks, we now have reached a modern membership high of **118 YMI Brothers in our Council!** That is fabulous but let's get to 120!
- **Meal Coordinators- Line-Up:** Here is the line-up of YMI #613 Brothers volunteering to serve as meal coordinators for the remainder of 2024:
 - June: Br. Art Jimenez
 - July: Br. Mike Baglin
 - August: Br. Dom Bordachar
 - September: Br. Dom Panina
 - October: Br. Mike Dimech
 - November: Br. Stephen Goulding (Turkey)
 - December: Br. John Bower
- **Congratulations, Salutes & Sentiments:**
 - **Milestone Birthday:** We again congratulate **Br. Frank Cisek**, on celebrating his **100th Birthday on April 26th!** **Happy Birthday Br. Frank!**
 - **Welcome Back:** We welcome back **Br. Tom Fourie (YMI Business Manager)** on his 4-month ocean voyage covering several continents and oceans.
 - If anyone has a personal/family milestone, event, or accomplishment to share, please send info to **Br. Mike Amato (text to 650-296-6297 or e-mail to mamato871@aol.com)**
- **Birthdays:** Happy Birthday to the following YMI #613 Brothers who will be celebrating birthdays in May:

Br. Mike Baglin	5/1
Br. Pete Malatesta	5/2
Br. Mike Echon	5/9
Br. Ron Mertes	5/12
Br. Joseph Curran	5/12
Br. Saji Vithhayathili	5/13
Br. John Bringas	5/18
Br. Paul Biagi	5/22
Br. Michael Mendoza	5/31