



**YMI ST. JOHN BOSCO COUNCIL # 613
MAY 2023 NEWSLETTER**

Next Meeting: May 9th @ 7:00 p.m. (St. Cecilia's Green Room)

Please remember to wear your YMI Shirt!

Dinner: Mexican-Style Meal organized by Br. John Kavanagh (\$10 per member)

Council News & Activities:

Ladies Night: Our popular Ladies Night event will take place on **Sunday, May 7th** at **Original Joe's in Westlake**. Please plan on taking your favorite lady and yourself out for an awesome dinner with your YMI buddies and their favorite ladies. Besides dinner, we traditionally provide a lovely gift for each lady in attendance. **Reservation deadline is May 3rd. See the attachment for event details and how to make dinner reservations.** If any questions about the event, please contact our President, **Br. Bob Fiorito at 650-867-6702.**

YMI Sports:

- **Bowling:** The YMI Bowling Tournament is scheduled to take place on Sunday May 21st at Pacific Bowl in Stockton CA. The cost is \$75 for a team (\$15 per person). Contact **Br. Mike Amato at 650-296-6297** if you are interested. YMI #613 has budgeted funds to cover bowling tourney fees, so your bowling may be subsidized.
- **Golf:** The YMI Tournament will be held on Sunday June 4th at Sugarloaf Golf Course in Santa Rosa (Check-in: 11:30 a.m.; Tee Time 12:30 p.m.). Afterwards, YMI Council #40 will host a dinner. The fee is \$100 per golfer & \$40 for non-golfers and some of these fees may be subsidized by our Council. **Contact Br. Bob Fiorito at 650-867-6702** if you want to participate in the golf tournament.

June Membership Recruitment Month: At the April meeting, the YMI #613 Brothers approved designating the month of **June as Membership Recruitment Month**. Please bring at least one friend, relative, or neighbor to that meeting on **June 13th** as a prospective member. Dinner will be free for those recruited individuals, and we will discount their **2023 membership dues to \$35** as about half the year has passed.

YMI Pro Patria Essay Contest: Locally, YMI #613 sponsored many students from local high schools (i.e., Riordan, SHC and SI) to submit essays in this year's Pro Patria Essay Contest. Five of our sponsored students won prizes, including the following:

- 1st Place: Matt Blake – SI (\$2000) **(son of Br. Bryan Blake)**
- 5th Place: Chloe Leotta – Riordan (\$500)
- 6th Place: Max Reese – Riordan (\$500)
- 10th Place: Izabella Chan – Riordan (\$200)
- 11th Place: Wyatt Ricci – SHC (\$200)

Br. Mike Amato presented the awards for contestants Blake and Ricci at our April meeting, and he ventured to Riordan High School on April 18th to distribute awards to the Riordan students (photos of the Riordan event can be found on Facebook) . We congratulate all students that participated in this contest!

YMI #613 Delegates Needed: The YMI Grand Council Session (aka YMI Convention) will be held in South Lake Tahoe between June 19-22. Based on our Council's size, YMI #613 has been allotted **5 at-large delegates**. In addition, we have 4 assigned delegate spaces for current Grand Council officials from YMI #613 (i.e., **Dimech, Fiorito, C. Amato & M. Amato**). At the April Meeting, the following YMI #613 Brothers volunteered to be delegates and were approved (**Cleary, Goulding, Kavanagh & Sorocco**).

- As we have one more open delegate spot, **please contact either Br. Bob Fiorito 650-867-6702 or Br. Mike Amato (650-296-6297)** if you would like to be considered for the final spot when we meet in May. Your families are welcome to join you in Tahoe and YMI #613 does provide a modest stipend to cover most of your hotel and event expenses.
- If you have already been selected to be a delegate, please make your reservations at Bally's Hotel and follow the instructions provided to you by **Br. Mike Amato**.

YMI Summer Picnic: YMI #613 has reserved the Junipero Serra picnic site in San Bruno again on August 13th for its annual summer picnic. Please plan to attend and enjoy a wonderful day enjoying a BBQ steak, the sun and an awesome raffle. **See the attachment for event details and how to make reservations. If any questions about the event, please contact our Br. Mike Amato at 650-296-6297**

Other Save the Dates: For 2023, the following YMI events are scheduled as follows:

- **A's Baseball Game – August 20th vs Baltimore Orioles**
- **YMI Bocce Ball Tourney – September 30th in South SF's Orange Park**
- **Italian Heritage Parade – October 8th in North Beach**
- **Hour of Memory - November 12th at SF Italian Athletic Club**
- **Christmas Party – December 10th at Dominic's @ Oyster Point**

Meeting Matters:

- **Meal Coordinators- Line-Up:** Here is the line-up of YMI #613 Brothers volunteering to serve as meal coordinators through the end of 2023.
 - May: Br. John Kavanagh (Mexican)
 - June: Br. Art Jimenez
 - July: Br. Mario Balistreri
 - August: Br. George Totah
 - September: Br. Dominic Panina
 - October: Br. Mike Dimech
 - November: Br. Steven Goulding (Turkey)
 - December: Br. Paul Wuerstle
- **COVID –** While wearing masks are now optional, COVID is still out there, as well as other flus/viruses. Please stay home if you have tested positive for COVID or are feeling ill.

Membership News:

- **Birthdays:** Happy Birthday to the following other YMI #613 Brothers who will be celebrating birthdays in May:

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