



Men's Club Newsletter

January 2017 Edition

Next Meeting

What: Bocce Ball

When: Tue January 3rd 7:00 pm

Where: Campo de Bocce, 4020 Technology Place, Fremont

Appetizers & Pizza \$5, Purchase Drinks from the Bar

Free to Perspective Members & Guests

President's Message

As we enter 2017 I am excited to serve as your President. Since I am relatively new to the club, I may be asking lots of questions about how & why we do stuff. I wanted to take a moment and thank Gary Dorigi our President for the past two years. He made the transition for me very easy. We are still in need of a VP at Large and a Secretary. If you are interested in learning about either job, give me a call.

We had a very busy December. To kick off Advent we set up the Crèche followed by helping set up the Christmas decorations on the alter. As always, when we have a project to do, we put out the call for service and many of you answer. It is a pleasure to serve with such a dedicated group. We also had a fun Christmas Party hosted by David & Debbie Rosetto. Great food, drinks, & conversation.

In January we have our monthly general meeting schedule at Campo de Bocce on Tuesday 1/3 at 7:00 pm. We will enjoy an assortment of appetizers & pizza while we challenge each others skill at rolling small round balls on their new indoor courts. On Sunday 1/22 we are celebrating Mass together at 9:00 am followed by brunch. Spouses are encouraged to attend as well. Don't forget to wear your Men's Club shirt. If you don't have a shirt or need a new one, contact our Membership VP, Dennis Dubro. The cost of shirts is \$20.

At our December General Meeting, we reviewed the key takeaways from our November weekend retreat. The theme of our retreat was "Hospitality". We came away from the retreat with a list of 11 items we want to work on this year in order to be more hospitable or welcoming. At the December meeting we chose two items that we think we can begin working on immediately.

1. Hospitality to those who can't come to our meetings
2. Find someone alone to welcome

Starting this month, if you know of a member who cannot drive to meetings in the evening, please either let me know or make arrangements yourself to contact them and invite to give them a ride to and from the meeting. Also, I



Board Meeting Minutes

- 12/20/16 at Steve Conn's home.
- Joint meeting of the 2016 and 2017 boards.
- Attendees – Steve, George, Don, Gary, Jim, Richard, Mike, Dennis, Axel, Jon, & Greg.
- Summary of Discussion
 - Christmas Decorating – Jim recruited the team, but he will be out of town. Lou Zen Zen will lead on the day of the event. Steve, Jerome, Alex, Clifton, & Al will help. Al will bring his truck. The Environment Team will provide direction and keys.
 - General Meeting 1/3 @ Campo de Bocce – Discussion about cost of food being significantly greater than our normal Pizza. The board felt we should try and have the members cover more of the cost, but felt bad setting a price higher than the traditional \$5/person for food. A vote was held and decided to keep the \$5/person this time. However, we will discuss at a future General Meeting if we should charge higher prices for an event like Bocce in the future.
 - Men's Club Mass on 1/22 @ 9:00 am – We have already scheduled this with the office. Jon will coordinate with all the ministries to substituted Men's Club Members where possible. Jon will also communicate to Members via newsletter and make lunch reservation. Steve will create Pulpit and Speaker Announcements as well as Bulletin Announcements.
 - Review & Ratify Board Member Duties – Steve presented his opinion of what the duties are for each position. Feedback and discussion provided several changes. Attached is the revised set of duties.
 - Review & Modify First Draft Annual Calendar – Steve presented a First Draft of our Annual Calendar. A few changes were made. Attached is the revised Second Draft Annual Calendar
 - Discussed what we can do now to be more welcoming. Board will seek out members who need assistance with transportation to the January 3rd Campo de Bocce event.

2017 Men's Club Board of Directors

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Membership

The Men's Club of St. Joseph Catholic Church at Mission San Jose share common interests in three aspects of life within our parish community. These are **Fellowship, Service, and Spirituality**. Our club welcomes men of all ages, and our members range in age from the 20s to 80s. General Meetings are typically held on the 1st Tuesday of the month starting at 7:00 pm in the Parrish Hall. We begin with Pizza & Beverages, followed by a speaker, and finishing with a brief discussion of upcoming items.

To join the Men's club:

1. Send your contact information to our Membership VP (name, address, email, & phone)
2. Write a check for \$40 to St. Joseph's Men's Club (\$20 for dues, \$20 for shirt {specify size})
3. Confirm the date & location of the next meeting: <http://bit.ly/2iKOW9s>

Please join us at our next General Meeting. We look forward to meeting you!

St. Joseph's Men's Club Membership Application

First Name	Street Address
Last Name	City
Spouse's Name	Zip Code
Email Address	Check # or Cash
Cell Phone	Shirt Size
Home Phone	Date

Preliminary 2017 Calendar

<p style="text-align: center;"><u>January</u></p> <p>3rd: Meeting, Campo de Bocce 17th: Board Meeting 22th: Men's Club Mass & Brunch</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>February</u></p> <p>3rd: Meeting, Membership Drive 21st: Board Meeting TBD: Ski Trip</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>March</u></p> <p>7th: Meeting, 21st: Board Meeting</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>April</u></p> <p>1st: Men's Club Chuckwagon BBQ 4th: Meeting, 9th: Palm Sunday Celebration 15th: Easter Vigil Reception 18th: Board Meeting</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>May</u></p> <p>2nd: Meeting, 16th: Board Meeting TBD: Faith Formation Receptions TBD: Grade 4 Mission Walk BBQ TBD: Santa Cruzan Celebration TBD: Pancake Breakfast</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>June</u></p> <p>6th: Meeting, 20th: Board Meeting TBD: BBQ for the Homeless TBD: Reader's Lunch TBD: Youth Award Scholarships</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>July</u></p> <p>11th: Meeting, Harry's BBQ & Games 18th: Board Meeting 28th: Weekend Camping Trip</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>August</u></p> <p>1st: Meeting, 15th: Board Meeting TBD: BBQ for the Homeless</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>September</u></p> <p>5th: Meeting, 19th: Board Meeting TBD: Welcome Back School BBQ TBD: Spouse's Dinner @ Dominican's</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>October</u></p> <p>3rd: Meeting, Retreat Prep 17th: Board Meeting TBD: Pancake Breakfast &/or BBQ for International Festival</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>November</u></p> <p>7th: Meeting, 17-19th: Men's Weekend Retreat 21st: Board Meeting 24th: Support Crèche Set-up TBD: BBQ Lunch for Olive Harvest</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>December</u></p> <p>5th: Meeting, Election + Retreat Download & Discussion 19th: Board Turnover Meeting TBD: Christmas Party TBD: Support Christmas Set-up</p>