

Hughes News



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~ Grand Knight's Message ~



With the Holiday season approaching, it would be nice to reflect on some of the heroic accomplishments of those we celebrate.

Ever wonder what could have made families decide to travel across an unknown ocean towards the New World by ship, braving such dangers as storms and illness? Approximately 37 of the 102 passengers that embarked on the 64 day journey aboard the Mayflower were known as separatists seeking escape from King James, the head of the Church of England, in order to practice Freedom of Religion!

This Thanksgiving, strengthen your Catholic faith with family through Charity. Do something with your Parish or volunteer with us at the soup kitchen on Saturday, November 29th. You can also donate food or clothing to our Help the Needy program. You incur no cost when donating your talents or time yet the rewards can be immeasurable.

Christopher Columbus was a mariner from the beginning of his working life with a dream and a thirst for glory and fame. His obsession to discover a new route to China took 7 years before the Spanish court would consider his project. He promised Queen Isabella riches, and the possibility of converting people from other lands into Christians.

How many know that Columbus actually made 4 voyages from Spain en-route to Asia? He sailed unaware that there was another land mass that would become the New World. He died at that age of 55 not fully knowing the magnitude of his endeavors. His work led to the completed voyages of Portuguese and Spaniards towards Asia and set the stage for other explorers such as Amerigo Vespucci of whom our Continent was eventually named after.

I invite my Brother Knights to take part in celebrating Columbus by joining us at our Columbus Day 1st degree on October 12th.

We can all learn from these stories and with determination and Unity in purpose, we can all make a difference.

Wishing you a wonderful Thanksgiving,

**Grand Knight
Tony Vesco**

Columbiettes President's Message

October 09 -November 09

Dear Sister Columbiettes and Brother Knights

At our September 9th meeting we had our First Degree. We have four new sister Columbiettes. I would like to thank my Degree Team for a job well done. It would have been nice to have had more members attend this meeting and show support to the new members coming in.

There will be a short meeting on Wednesday, October 14th with an open social at 8 P.M. "Pride and Passion: The Italians in America" you will not want to miss this. This is sure to be an entertaining evening! Call Liz to reserve your seat.(718) 256-5508.

On Saturday November 14th, the Long Island Chapter will be having a luncheon from 1:00 to 5:00 at the Baron DeKalb Council. The cost is \$ 40.00 per person. This luncheon is being held to raise money for our Educational Grant. The entertainment will be an Elvis Impersonator. Please try to attend. Call Marie Mandarino for reservations (718) 782-1137.

This Thanksgiving let's help those in need of food for their Thanksgivings table by donating food or perhaps a monetary contribution to the church or a local food shelter. Remember Jesus said "Whatever you do to the least of my brothers you do for me."

To My Sister Columbiettes & Brother Knights I wish you a wonderful Thanksgiving.

Bless you all,

Sincerely,
Phyllis Gucciardo
President

Archbishop John Hughes Council # 481
Officers for The Columbian Year of
2009-2010

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Columbiette Officers
for the Columbian Year of 2009-2010



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New Members please contact and in case of illness or death
contact Phyllis Gucciardo 718-837-4281



Hughes News Spotlight

Congratulations to Brother Knight Stephen Liotta,
Grandson of Brother Knight Pat Gucciardo and Columbiette
President Phyllis, on his engagement to Valerie Reggio.

News and Events

Special thank you to co-Chairman Augie Iallonardo and Vinny Gentile
for Waffle and Ice Cream night. All who attended enjoyed themselves.

On Saturday September the 12th our Council hosted the annual summer
picnic dance for the Guild for Exceptional Children. Our Grand Knight
would like to thank all who were there to volunteer. As usual the event
was a success. The Guild enjoyed it and were most grateful.

The Guild for Exceptional Children Inc. will be holding their 51st anniversary dinner dance at El Caribe country club on October 23rd. Because of our long term relationship with the Guild, they would like to **honor our Council at this dinner dance.**
If any Brother Knights wish to attend, please contact the Grand Knight.

Annual Memorial Mass



Tuesday November 3rd, 2009 at 7:30pm

Join Our Council Chaplain, Monsignor Robert Romano and our officers at our annual Memorial Mass in our Council Chambers.

Knights, Columbiettes, Squires, Friends and Families.

All are Welcome!

Long Island Assembly # 703 - 4th Degree

Congratulations to Faithful Navigator Bob Williams and his officers on their installation which was held on September 26th, 2009.

Special Congratulations to our own Deputy Grand Knight Camillo Casano for receiving the Sir Knight of the Year award for his work as Chairman of the Independence Day Parade committee.

Camillo will once again chair the committee this year and the next parade meeting will be October 14th, 2009 at John Hughes Council.

Kings County Board of District Deputies

Summer Degree – August 26th, 2009

Congratulations to the Chairman of the Board of District Deputies Robert Fox and his team for the terrific job that was done at the annual summer degree. The degree was done in excellent form.

There were a full host of dignitaries in attendance including the Honoree Monsignor Joseph P. Calise, Supreme Chaplain Emeritus Thomas Daley and State Deputy Art Harris.

Our Lady of The Rosary



On Wednesday October 7th at 7:30 pm
Archbishop John Hughes Council will visit
The Shrine of St Bernadette Parish
for a Night of Prayer.

Please join Celebrant Monsignor Thomas Caserta for an evening of prayer in the grotto at The Shrine Church of St. Bernadette.

If weather is not permitting we will convene in the church.

After prayers, all are invited to the Council for refreshments and perhaps some light entertainment.

**Knights, Columbiettes, Squires, Families and Friends
All are Welcome!**



Walk for Hunger

On Saturday October 3rd, 2009

The Reaching Out Community Services Center held a Walk-a-Thon which began in our Council parking lot. The route traveled around Dyker Beach Golf Course.

If you were unable to participate in the walk-a-thon and wish to make a donation please contact the center which is located on New Utrecht Ave.

Donate food. It is needed more than ever.

For more information visit the Reaching out community web site.

Other services offered at the center are: Social services, Clothing, Tax assistance, Summer tutoring for children and computer classes.

Offer to volunteer your time. Donations are always welcomed

Supreme Council

On September 23, 2009 Supreme Knight Carl Anderson was named by Pope Benedict XVI to a five member council that supervises the activities of the Vatican Bank.

The Vatican Bank known formally as the Institute for the Works of Religion was established in 1942 and is used by Vatican agencies, church organizations, bishops and religious orders around the world. It offers currency exchange services and interest bearing accounts and, like all banks, has an investment portfolio.

One of the reasons Mr. Anderson may have been chosen is that he runs the Knights of Columbus insurance program which has more than \$14 billion in assets and some \$71 billion worth of insurance in force.

New York State Council – a note from Our State Deputy

Update concerning the Culture of Life Fund

As you are aware our Council dues continues to include a \$3.00 assessment fee for the Culture of Life Fund. It may be nice to make you aware of some of the ways that this fund is being utilized. This information can be found in the Empire State Bulletin of the New York State Council in a note from our State Deputy Art Harris.

This fund has enabled the Knights of Columbus to assist such groups as The Sisters of Life, Birthright International, Project Rachel, The National Life Center and The National Catholic Bioethics Center, as well as projects closely associated with the bishops of the United States and Canada, including The U.S. Bishop's Pro-Life Secretariat and The Catholic Organization for Life and Family in Canada.

Other projects that have been initiated are The Ultrasound Initiative in which the Supreme Council matches state and local council contributions for ultrasound machines for crisis pregnancy centers, The Assisted Suicide initiative in Washington State and the Embryonic Stem Cell initiative in Michigan. In New York monies have been provided from the fund to the Bishops to fight our fight against same sex marriages for the protection of Christian marriages and families.



The Cause for Canonization of Father Michael J. McGivney. (1852 – 1890).

“Apostle to the Young and Protector of Christian Family Life.”

An example of Father McGivney’s Character

Father Michael McGivney was a parish priest of the Archdioceses of Hartford who died in 1890 at the age of 38. He was an ordinary parish priest for 13 years, who without fanfare, devoted all of his energies to the spiritual and material care of those entrusted to him by God. He did his job with great love for God and his prisoners, regularly opting for the toughest assignments like visiting death row inmates.

Early in his tenure as a parochial vicar, a tragedy happened to one of the families at St. Mary’s.

One of his parishioners, Edward Downes, died of “Brain Fever”. For years he had struggled to keep his newsstand viable, while cheerfully concealing all financial difficulties from his growing family. Upon his death his wife Catherine discovered that there was no money at all to support her four sons. That meant, according to the practices of the times, that the probate court could assign the children to public institutions lest they be neglected for want of money. Mrs. Downes had to demonstrate that her fatherless children had someone to support them.

The oldest son was able to get a job and Catherine’s relatives were able to scrape together \$2,500 for each of the two youngest son’s. But no guardian was able to be found willing to pay a \$1,500 surety and become Alfred’s guardian. During the probate court Father McGivney stepped forward even though he did not have the money for the bond. The Judge accepted the arrangement along with a local grocer who trusted the priest enough to insure the guardianship.

On that day Father McGivney’s eyes were opened up to the danger to which families were exposed should their breadwinner be injured or die. It was at this time that Father McGivney began to meet with parish leaders to discuss the beginning of a fraternal society that would look after families in need.

Visit the following web site to join the Guild,
<http://www.fathermcgivney.org/mcg/guild/join/register.do>



Christopher Columbus

Statement by Supreme Knight Carl A. Anderson of Christopher Columbus. (May 20, 2006)

The Knights of Columbus today remembers the death of Christopher Columbus. It was Columbus who opened the Americas to Christianity and we pause to remember why it is that we bear his name.

At the time of our Order's founding, anti-Catholic sentiment in the United States continued to increase.

As a result, in 1882, our founder Father Michael J. McGivney and our first Supreme Knight James Mullen, chose the name "Knights of Columbus" because the explorer was a Catholic who was nonetheless universally regarded as a national hero. By taking the name of Columbus, the Knights were able to remind the entire country of the Catholic roots of the New World, and to highlight the fact that faithful Catholics could also be good citizens, a fact that few would question today.



Columbus Day First Degree

On Monday October 12th, 2009, Archbishop John Hughes Council will host **A Columbus Day First Degree** to celebrate the accomplishments of Columbus who is widely accredited with the introduction of Catholicism to the America's.

Form 100's should be brought to our new Membership Director Frank Marzigliano or Grand Knight Tony Vesco well in advance in order to conduct interviews.

Additional degrees:

First degree – Monday November 9th, 2009

Second degree – Tuesday November 17th, 2009

Long Island Chapter

There will be a Long Island Chapter meeting held at our Council on October 26th, 2009.

Every member of the Knights are automatically included in membership of the Long Island Chapter.

All are welcome to attend especially our elected Council Delegates

The Long Island Chapter was organized on January 19th, 1897. At the time there were 7 councils in existence in Brooklyn, which became the charter members. The Chapter was organized with the idea that Councils in any given locality would combine in some manner in which they would maintain their individual identity as Councils, yet could unite in furtherance of purely local activities of benefit to the Councils of the locality.

Today the Long Island Chapter exists to continue the charitable work that has been done throughout its 112 years.

This past year the Chapter raised and donated \$7,000.00 to Faith in The Future

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From our Church Director – Steve Bilardi

Therefore, stay awake!

For you do not know which day your Lord will come.

Matthew 24:42

This Gospel passage gives us a warning of the necessity for vigilance because no one knows when the Lord will call.

Being prepared for this unexpected visitor is essential. We must choose to focus on our own life rather than the fear of death.

We must stay awake to what happens in our daily life. It will prepare us well for when our death comes....

We must be deliberately conscious of how we are living and responding each day of our lives. Each day provides us countless opportunities to grow in virtue. There are endless situation for us to welcome Christ in others. There are continual reminders to live gratefully. There are untold possibilities for us to respond to God's love and grace.

So we must all be attentive and alert to these matters. So we need not live in fear or concern about the timing of our death.

Therefore, stay awake for you know neither the day or hour when the Lord will call.

Pride and Passion: The Italians in America

On Wednesday, October 14th, 2009 **The Columbiettes** are hosting a presentation and narration by Mr.. Marino Amoruso, the writer and director of one of the most entertaining, definitive and complete films ever presented on the history of the Italian people in America. This is something that you will not want to miss. It will take you back to when you were a kid and bring laughter and tears to your eyes.

Please call Liz D'Ambosia to reserve our seats at 718-256-5508. All are welcome to attend.

New York State Council C&B Program

The NY State Council has launched this year's Charitable and Benevolent Chance book drive. Books are available in our House office. Please support this cause. Purchase and sell books. First prize is \$25,000.00, Second \$10,000.00 and Third \$5,000.00

Archbishop John Hughes Council # 481 High School Scholarship Contest

This scholarship contest is for a student that graduated from 8th grade in June of 2009 and is now attending a Catholic High School. The student must have a relative that is a member of Archbishop John Hughes Council.

It encompasses a four year scholarship of \$500.00 per year for Non-Scholarship students and is to be used for tuition purposes only. If your child is on a full scholarship they will not qualify. If interested, please notify our Grand Knight for an application.

The winner will be announced at our Memorial Mass on Tuesday November 3rd.

Sincere apologies from our Grand Knight for this late announcement.

Fraternal Night

The Terrace lounge continues to open each Monday night for members. Monday night football is here. Feel free to invite a potential new member to see our council.

Please accept apologies for the cancellation of both the Pasta night and the Steak and Cigar nights. We look forward to attempting to schedule these events in the future.

For Entries into our December and January newsletter
Contact the Hughes News Editor: Tony Vesco
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Council Events



- 1st Council Meeting – **Officer Installation**
- 3rd Reaching Out Community Walk-a-thon
- 3rd Recognition night for Past State Deputy Ed Castellazzi in Fishkill NY
- 4th District Warden Installation & Communion Breakfast
- 7th **Our Lady of the Rosary Night @ St. Bernadette's**
- 8th Board of Director Meeting
- 12th Columbus Day **October 2009**
- 12th **Columbus Day First Degree @ John Hughes**
- 14th Columbiette Meeting, **The Pride and Passion: The Italians in America**
- 14th Parade meeting at John Hughes
- 19th District Meeting @ Dongan Council
- 23rd Guild for Exceptional Children 51st Anniversary Dinner
Archbishop John Hughes Honored.
- 26th Long Island Chapter Meeting @ John Hughes

- 1st All Saints Day
- 1st New York City Marathon
- 2nd All Souls Day
- 3rd Election Day
- 3rd **Archbishop John Hughes Memorial Mass @ John Hughes 7:30 pm**
- 5th Council Meeting
- 9th 1st Degree @ John Hughes
- 11th Veterans Day
- 11th LI Assembly 4th degree Memorial Mass
- 12th Board of Directors Meeting **November 2009**
- 13th Comedy Night @ Archbishop John Hughes
- 16th District Meeting @ Regina Council
- 17th 2nd Degree @ John Hughes
- 20th Chairman's Ball @ The Pollanaise
- 26th Thanksgiving Day
- 29th Soup Kitchen
- 30th Kings County Conference Election Night

- 1st Annual Tree Lighting Ceremony
- 3rd Council Meeting
- 10th Board of Directors **December 2009**
- 12th Council Christmas Party
- 21st District Meeting @ Christopher Council
- 25th Christmas Day



Archbishop John Hughes Council will host A Night at the Races

Roast beef sandwiches, Beer & Soda Included
Tickets will be \$10.00
And \$12.00 at the door.

Friday November 13th, 2009
Archbishop John Hughes Council will host



Comedy Night

Peter Sasso – Stand up and Juggler
Tom Durnin – Master of ILLusion and Confusion

Contact our House Office - Tix are \$25 or \$30 @ the door

Sick Brothers and Sisters



Columbiette's –

- Sadie Migdalen, Lucille Di Salvo, Mary Elizabeth DiLeo And Anita Orlando

Knights –

- Mr. & Mrs. Pat Senzamici
- Joseph DiGrazia's Wife Carol
- Brother Knight Pat Gucciardo suffered a foot injury

“Our prayers for a Quick and Speedy Recovery”

Deceased: Brother Knight Charles Triscritti

Columbus Day Word Search

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LAND	JAPAN	ORIENT	NEW WORLD
SHIP	PINTA	TRADE	EXPLORER
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SPAIN	GENOA	CAPTAIN	COLUMBUS
NINA	OCEAN	COMPASS	ISABELLA
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