ST. MICHAEL'S HOME



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2023 MAY NEWSLETTER

CHRISTOS ANESTI - CHRIST IS RISEN!



UPDATE ON THE PROJECT

Your assistance is urgently needed to keep the construction moving at its current pace so that the new facility can open in 2024. BEFORE we can access the approved construction loan, we need to bridge a funding gap of approximately \$6,000,000 between received pledges and the loan. This amount represents an increase in the original cost of the project primarily as a result of historic inflation.

UNLESS we can bridge that gap, it will either be necessary to dramatically slow

down construction to keep pace with the availability of resources, or in a worse case scenario, TEMPORARILY suspend construction which will not only delay the opening of the new facility but also, add to construction costs associated with reengaging contractors.

While there has been tremendous enthusiasm from the very beginning for this new facility and while there have been very generous individuals, organizations, etc. who have already made donations to the Capital Campaign, regrettably the enthusiasm of TOO many in the community has not yet translated into them participating in the Campaign. Everyone is not in a position to make a large gift but what does matter is that everyone be part of this sacred and noble undertaking to the best of their ability. This is a once in a lifetime undertaking which will dramatically impact the life of countless seniors and it would be a blessing and honor for all who are a part of it. How edifying and what a very proud moment it will be for those who do, when the new facility opens!

Therefore, **NOW IS THE TIME** to participate in the Capital Campaign by making a donation in one of the Levels of Giving and/or remaining Naming Opportunities (see the QR code below)

Heartfelt appreciation to the following for their magnanimous pledges/donations

Aleandra Tsiatis – Angel

St. Nicholas Philoptochos (Flushing) – Angel (2nd Pledge)

Marina & Louis Vlahos - Cherubim

Irene & Alan Antonucci - Seraphim

District Philoptochos Society - \$70,000 (Agape Luncheon proceeds)

Metropolis of New Jersey Philoptochos Society- Angel

Naming Opportunities are quickly being taken so NOW is the time if you want to donate a room in memory or in honor of a loved one. Scan the QR code below to view the remaining opportunities.

PHILOPTOCHOS AGAPE LUNCHEON

On Saturday, April 29th, the Archdiocesan District Philoptochos Society hosted their Agape Luncheon. Under the leadership of District President, Jennifer Constantin and co-chaired by Athina Beaury and Irene Hotzoglou, this event gathered 240 attendees from throughout the District with proceeds to benefit the Expansion Fund of St. Michael's. It was a wonderful afternoon of fellowship and an opportunity for Bishop Andonios to update the gathering on the relocation and expansion project. His Grace asked the ladies to do what they could to encourage their chapters, parishes, family and friends to help complete this project. Also speaking at the event was Demetra Ganias Soterakis, founder of Ganias Media

Lab, a speech coaching and media training company, who spoke on "The Power of a Mother's Love".



His Grace with Zoodohos Peghe including St. Michael's Board President Haeda Mihaltses (3rd from left) & Director Kyriaki Gatanas (1st on left)

BEFORE AND AFTER

As in the April newsletter, featured below are additional spaces planned in the new facility - photos of what those spaces look like NOW with construction underway, compared to architectural renderings of how those areas are envisioned to look when completed. To bring about the transformation of these rooms, **WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT NOW**. Scan the QR code to donate and/or to see Levels of Giving and remaining Naming Opportunities.



Façade & Main Entrance

(Mosaic of Archangel Michael has been delivered and will be installed this month)





Main Dining Room





Kafeneion (Coffee Shop)





Main Entrance & Reception Desk





Taverna





Movie Room





Contact the Development Office(<u>development@stmichaelshome.org</u>) to discuss making a pledge or to confirm the availability of a *Naming Opportunity*. You can download a Pledge Form on the website <u>www.stmichaelshomeuniondale.org</u>, at the bottom of the Naming Opportunities link.



On Saturday, May 6th, clergy and parishioners of 4 neighboring communities (Hempstead, Pt. Washington, Island Park & West Babylon), toured the site to see firsthand the magnitude of the project and the scope of what is envisioned in the new facility.

VIRTUALLY TOUR THE UNIONDALE SITE

As previously announced, "Group Tours" (contact Lily Katos (917-817-5387- lilykat365@yahoo.com or Maria Skiadas 646-996-3363 - smc1651@aol.com) can now be scheduled; however, for those who for whatever reason may not be able to visit Uniondale, follow the link below. A new video offers viewers an appreciation for the magnitude and scope of the project as well as highlights progress in the construction of this new magnificent state-of-the-art continuum care facility.

https://www.stmichaelshomeuniondale.org/videos
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QDtLxDoy9 k&t=19s

SAVE THE DATE

Sunday, November 12, 2023

St. Michael's Home Annual Name Day Gala

Celebrating the 65th Anniversary of the Home

Mr. Steve Zervoudis, 2023 Honoree Galaxy General Contracting Corporation

> METROPOLITAN CLUB One East 60th Street New York, New York

Cocktail Reception Dinner & Dancing 4:00 – 5:00 pm 5:00 -9:00pm

Musical Entertainment by Yanni Papastefanou & Orchestra

All contributions to St. Michael's are deductible to the extent provided by the law as the Home is a tax exempt organization under section 501(c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

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