

The Great McGivney Hunt



McG members hunt!

Thanks to **Sacred Heart University** volunteers, McGivney members were able to celebrate Easter with a giant Easter egg hunt! The SHU students organized games to play and set up the hunt. Everyone had a blast! In addition, thank you to everyone that contributed to the Youth Council's Easter Basket Drive. McGivney members were able to give back during this holiday by making baskets for children at Bridgeport Hospital.



Youth Council and McG members organize baskets.



SHU volunteers and members play Simon Says.

The 1995 Band

McGivney Board member, Brian Gardner, is the drummer in a '90's tribute band called **The 1995**. He showcased his musical talents on July 19, 2014 when his band performed at the **Windmill Tavern** in Stratford to benefit McGivney.



Brian Gardner, Board of Directors, on drums!

Guests had a blast as The 1995 took us all straight back in time. The event was a success, and both raised awareness and almost \$600.00 for the Center.

Thank you so much to The 1995 for performing and to the Windmill Tavern for hosting us!



The 1995 plays '90's rock favorites!

The Annual Auction & Dinner



Guest speaker, Karl Hobbs; Volunteer of the Year, Barb Susi; former Board President, Matthew Reale.

On May 8, 2014, the McGivney Center hosted its largest fundraiser at Vazzano's Four Seasons. This event celebrated the true spirit of McGivney. We heard from Keith Pettway, a McG member, who explained that McGivney helped him succeed on and off the basketball court at Fairfield Prep. The 2014 Volunteer of the Year, Barb Susi, contributes countless hours further our programs and impact. Karl Hobbs, UCONN Men's Basketball Assistant Coach explained that supporters like you may never see the impact they make, but you are helping people live to their greatest potential. We are excited to say that the Annual Auction and Dinner was a success, raising more than \$35,000. With great speakers, friends, auctions, raffles, food and drinks- a great time was had by all!



Youth Speaker, Keith Pettway.



Guests enjoy dinner and a silent auction!

Vazzy's 20th Annual Charity Golf Classic

We enjoyed beautiful weather, friends, food, drinks, and golf on Monday, July 28, 2014 at Mill River Country Club. Many thanks to **John Vazzano** and everyone at **Vazzy's** for their hard work and for supporting the McGivney Center with their Charity Classic.



Terry O'Connor, Executive Director, and guests enjoy dinner and a silent auction.

The event was a great success! The tournament nearly sold out with more than 140 players in attendance. Prizes and a raffle kept the day exciting! Golfers had a great time and raised nearly \$25,000 to support the educational programs at the McGivney Center. Thank you to all the sponsors and golfers that made this the most successful year yet!



Team Pink Pom Pom Project!



Ana Jimenez, Youth Speaker, spoke of the value of McG in her life and her college plans.



Golfers enjoy the beautiful day!

Summer Camp Fun!

McGivney had a very successful Summer Camp 2014! The 6 week camp began on June 30th and ended on August 8th. Each day, campers participated in gym, computers, game room, arts & crafts, performing arts, team building, literacy and math. Special events like "Wacky Water Day", "Tie Dye Day" and "Olympics Week" kept everyone excited. Tennis and golf were also offered to the kids at Central High and Fairchild Wheeler. Campers traveled to a number of field trips including the Bronx Zoo, Bounce U, a Bridgeport Bluefish Game, Lake Quassy and Lake Compounce.

Thank you to all of you that supported McGivney Summer Camp by "Adopting-A-Camper". Because of your support, no child was turned away due to inability to pay. Also, thank you to the **Fairfield County's Community Foundation** for allowing us to hire qualified and enthusiastic instructors. Our staff provided a fun and educational summer for our campers while also acting as positive mentors. Thank you to the **City of Bridgeport Mayor's Office** and the **Bridgeport Arts & Cultural Council** for providing support to our arts & crafts program. Campers enjoyed learning about photography and digital media while preserving summer memories in Summer Camp yearbooks.

A safe and fun summer was truly had by all!



New Programs for Fall

Keep your eyes and ears open for new programs at McGivney! This school year, we are finishing kitchen renovations and planning a brand new cooking program. Members will be able to learn about nutrition, healthy living, and practice recipes to try at home.

We are also working on a new Friday Club collaboration with the Barnum Museum. Members will be able to spend Fridays at the Barnum Museum learning about the one of a kind pieces housed there and about museum culture.

Please come by to visit us for a tour and to learn more about our new programs!



UPCOMING EVENTS

Stump the Schwab- Monday, November 17 5:30 pm at Marisa's in Trumbull! Test your sports trivia knowledge with an evening of fun, food, drinks, and friends! \$600 per team. Benefits the **McGivney Center** and **Shehan Center!**

Holiday Party- December 9th 6:00pm at St. Catherine's in Trumbull. Get into the holiday spirit while supporting McGivney's programs!

For more information, please call (203) 333-2789, visit our website (www.mcgivney.org), check out McGivney Staff on Facebook or @McGivneyCenter on Twitter!

