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This past summer on the Capuchin Outreach Program, Ian Hart of West Point, New York, completed his Eagle Scout project at Capuchin Youth & Family Ministries. A member of Most Holy Trinity parish and Troop 23, Ian undertook the project of constructing benches for the outdoor chapel of CYFM. Already very involved in retreats, kitchen palanca, and leadership, Ian tells of why he chose to do his project at a place dear to his heart.



Ian Hart

Why did you choose to do your Eagle Scout project at CYFM?

I chose to do my project at CYFM because it has brought me many things in the years that I have been going there, and I try to give back as much as I can. My Eagle Scout Project was one more opportunity to give back.

How was it to connect your life as an Eagle Scout to your involvement at CYFM?

It was great to be able to connect the two parts of my life that have done so much in making me who I am, as well as to leave a lasting mark at CYFM.

How do you hope your project benefits people who come to CYFM now and in the future?

I know this project wasn't anything over the top, but as St. Teresa put it, "We cannot do great things, only small things with Great Love." I don't expect any-

one's life to be changed over sitting on a bench someone made, but I do hope that they will become the site of many beloved memories of closing Masses for years to come.



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EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S COLUMN

Studying the mystery of the Holy Trinity in some people's minds is irrelevant to everyday life. In fact, it has everything to do with whom we are and how we relate to one another. After all, we learn in the first pages of the bible that we are created in the image of God. To contemplate the depths of the Holy Trinity is to study the heart of humankind. Capuchin Youth & Family Ministries' third Core Value brings us into the mystery of the Trinity and what it is to be human.

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We believe that the Christian community, the loving relationships to which we call all who participate in any of the programs of CYFM are not superfluous add ons that make what we do more enjoyable, but an essential element of the Gospel message. The author of Genesis tells us: "God created man in his image; in the divine image he created him; male and female he created them." Gn 1:27 God is a Trinity of Persons. God reveals Himself to us as essentially relational: He is Father in relation to the Son, and from their love proceeds the Holy Spirit. Or in another way: God is Creator (related to all by His act of creation); Redeemer (in relationship to us for whom He suffered and died and rose); and Sanctifier (making holy we who have received the gift of the Spirit.) We are created in the image of a God who is



essentially relational; therefore, at the heart of whom we are as humans is to be in relationship.

One of the gifts of CYFM is the community that God creates among us. In this we become a 'sacrament' of God's love to those with whom we journey. St. John writes of this mystery in his first letter, John 4: 7-21. He tells us: "*No one has ever seen God. Yet, if we love one another, God remains in us, and his love is brought to perfection in us.*" (vs 12) Our preaching of God's love is valid only insofar as we live that love in our community life, and in our family lives. Our United States Bishops remind us of this fact in their Pastoral Letter on Youth Ministry, *Renewing the Vision*: "The content of our message will be heard only when it is lived in our relationships and community life." (pg 34)

As much as a gift that this is, it is also a responsibility. People who come to CYFM need us to reach out to them with a love and acceptance that is worthy of reflecting God's love. So we are a community who prides itself on being loving and accepting of others. In this atmosphere, people can believe in a God who is love. People are also more apt to be open to the Good News that we preach in our retreats and programs when they feel loved and accepted. What a gift of God that the community in which we find such nurture and support is also a tool for effective evangelization of all who come to us.

~ Tom Brinkmann

WOMEN'S RETREAT

I am so grateful that I was able to attend the Women's Retreat. As a Cap Corps Volunteer, I spend almost all of my time working at CYFM and giving myself to others. While this is rewarding and something I love doing, it can become draining if there's no way to gain any spiritual nourishment back. The women's retreat afforded me just that. I didn't have to work. I didn't have to figure out icebreakers or activities or prayer services. I didn't have to run around to find last-minute supplies. I just got to be on a retreat with several other women from all walks of life. There were older women there who had families and stories and plenty of wisdom to share. There were women there who have been involved with CYFM for years, some as much as decades, who could offer insights into the spirituality of CYFM that I could not. There were two tables of younger women, a first for this retreat, who came from many different backgrounds and situations, but who all came together to deepen their own faith with God and with one another.

I consider myself blessed to have been a part of this beautiful group of women, many of whom I bonded with and learned much wisdom from. This retreat was particularly special for me because my mother also attended, which was the first retreat she has ever participated in here at CYFM. As a non-Catholic, my mother was embraced and welcomed as a member of the community. She was made to feel at home and she got as much out of the weekend as the rest of the women, if not more. I am grateful for the Women of the Waters leadership team who made this weekend a beautiful success. I can honestly say that it was one of the most fulfilling retreats that I have ever been on.

~ Elizabeth D'Onofrio



ASK THE PADRE

The question many of us have in mind these days is: “Is God a Yankee Fan?” When I was a Brooklyn Dodger fan back in the 50’s, the Yankees always won except for 1955 (nobody is perfect) and now that I am a Mets fan, the Yankees still seem to have the Edge (or is that the car commercial for Jeter?). In fact, in the movie, “Bruce Almighty,” God was seen actually wearing a Yankee cap.

So, I dug out my theology notes and tried to find an answer. I soon discovered that God is a Yankee fan but (hold on all you Yankee fans) God is also a Mets fan and even a fan of the lowly Baltimore Orioles and Pittsburgh Pirates. God is a fan of everyone and loves everyone equally. Only God can do that. We have to divide up our time among our friends but only God can spend an equal amount of time with all of us.

In the Book of Wisdom, chapter 11, it says: “*For you (God), love all things that are and loathe nothing that you have made; for what you hated, you would not have fashioned. And how could a thing remain, unless you willed it; or be preserved, had it not been called forth by you? But you spare all things, because they are yours O Lord and lover of souls, for your imperishable spirit is in all things!*”



So there you have it. Hmmm! I guess that means if I am called to be like Christ in all my actions and words I can’t refer to myself as a Yankee hater anymore. We do say our ministry here at CYFM is based on loving relationships with all people. Our third Core Value is:

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So I guess I really do love Derek Jeter as much as I love David Wright, well maybe not quite as much because only God can love everyone equally as much ☺, but I am trying and I’m only human. So all you Yankee fans, “I love you!” There I’ve said it! But the question still remains for me: “If God does love the Yankees and the Mets equally how come the Yankees win so much more?” Hmmm! I guess I need to go back to my theology notes.....

A baseball lover,
~ Friar Fred

COMMUNITY: A SCHOOL OF LOVE

My grandfather, a life-long farmer who never went to college, liked to say his education came through making poor business decisions. Sometimes we learn the hard way. When I was in college it felt like I learned more outside than I did inside the classroom. Perhaps you too have experienced a great life lesson when on the practice field, rehearsing for a show, or working at a job. Life is constantly teaching us.

Our Christian community is a place where we learn about relationships. For me, one of the most impressive and humbling aspects of our ministry at CYFM is teenagers’ willingness to reach out to the unknown stranger and extend themselves in friendship. They do this as peer ministers on our DDA and other retreats as well as eager participants on our service programs Capuchin Outreach Program in Garrison & Capuchin Appalachian Mission in Harlan, Kentucky. They willingly go out of their comfort zone to reach across social, racial, geographic boundaries. In doing so, they learn much about the grace of relationships and experience gospel life. God’s grace brought them together. They teach me (and us) that through God’s grace we become brothers and sisters united in Christ in a deep and meaningful relationship.



It reminds me of our third core value at CYFM:

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St. Francis’ central insight was the grace of fraternity. Yet, fraternity was not without its serious challenges and heartaches. Francis did not surround himself with like-minded people that shared his social class, ascetical practices, or prayer life. Rather, he accepted brothers and sisters with their unique grace and talents, sins, and limitations. At times, he described his brothers as a penance. Yet, he trusted that God spoke to him through his brothers and sisters and that within the Church was the fullness of Christ’s living presence. The Church was the privileged place to experience holiness and God’s loving presence.

St. Francis was not a scholar of doctrine or Church law. He was, however, exceedingly well educated in finding God through the living reality of Christian relationships. St. Francis instructs us that, hidden in the joys and challenges of community life, our brothers and sisters become our teachers in a grace-filled school of love.

~ Br. Lake

7TH/8TH GRADE RETREAT

Over the winter I was graced with the opportunity to be a leader on one of the two back to back 7th & 8th Grade Retreats. I had one worry for the weekend, "How would I, a senior in high school, be able to connect or understand the issue of kids that are 4-5 years younger than me?" Well that worry soon went away with the joy and commitment to their



faith the participants on the weekend showed. Their enthusiasm was evident not only during prayer services, but during our small group discussions as well. From the moment the weekend started the participants were involved and they all

seemed like they wanted to be there and they wanted to get closer to Jesus and God.

The retreat consisted of playing games, didactic and witness talks, learning activities, prayer service, acting out skits on not folding to peer pressure and how to stay true to yourself and your faith. I thought I might have a problem remembering how I felt on my first 7th & 8th grade retreat (five years ago) but that wasn't an issue. These kids were amazing! They were so receptive to what I had to share about dealing with family issues and how each family isn't perfect. So many of the kids showed their maturity when they opened up and shared challenges they had within their families. I was so impressed by their ability not only to be open, but to be respectful to each other. They responded in a way that was way beyond their years. It was a true testament to their faith and the way they were raised. I am so grateful that I was able to participate in this retreat and will keep these kids in my heart and prayers because they are the kids who will be taking my place and the place of all the seniors who will be graduating this spring.

~ Julia Mundy



COLLEGE/YOUNG ADULT RETREAT

The weekend of February 18, 2011 was a new experience for college-aged retreat participants. CYFM ran a weekend retreat that was specifically designed with us in mind, and whose main focus involved deepening our faith in Christ. Having only participated in College COP for the first time this past January, I was extremely excited to see what Father Fred, Brother Lake and the Cap Corps Volunteers had planned for us. The weekend consisted of a series of inspirational talks given by the CCVs, theological reflection groups, mass and Adoration in the chapel, and time for quiet reflection. Of course, there was also time set aside for all of the retreat participants to relax and enjoy one another's company.

What really stuck out for me during this retreat was how relatable it was. Perhaps this was because the talks were given by people who were our age and who have gone through or are going through difficult situations just as we are. The talks given by the CCVs discussed dealing with obstacles that college-aged people deal with every day such as our identity as Catholics, Christ centered relationships,

dealing with balance and disheartenment, and finding God in the world around us. After hearing each of these talks, we reflected on them and discussed our thoughts. It seemed as if the general consensus of those on the retreat was a feeling of gratitude as we saw how the CCVs discussed a more vulnerable part of their world. We felt very connected with them as they spoke about challenges they have faced in the past and how they overcame them.

Although the retreat ended over a month ago, I remind myself of the euphoric state of mind I had that weekend by praying and reading the reflection pieces given to us, such as quotes from Mother Teresa and Pema Chödrön. During difficult times, or even happy times, it is nice to know that I'm not alone in my journey, and that is the wonderful message that I received during my weekend at CYFM.

~ Dana Trani



DDA #220

I remember walking into CYFM for the first time on DDA 217. I felt a whole jumble of emotions, but I was mostly excited. I had grown up as a “cradle Catholic” all my life, attending a Catholic elementary school and high school, and attending Mass every week with my family. What was I going to find through this weekend? Well, I ended up having one of the best weekends of my life. I found myself through my faith and I met so many girls who became my sisters, ones that I will keep in my life forever. I learned what my faith really is, and that I should want to go to church and to pray, instead of thinking that I had to do these things.

When I was called on team for DDA 220, I was ecstatic! I was so excited that I would get to help other girls grow in their religious faith through this DDA, just like I grew in my faith on my first encounter. Through all of our team’s planning, we got ready for DDA 220, and we all couldn’t wait for this weekend to begin. DDA 220 was filled with singing, happiness, tears, joy and laughter. But the weekend was mostly filled with love. Love for each and every one of our DDA sisters, but most importantly love for God. It was so amazing to see how in one short weekend, we

grew so much in our faith. DDA 220 was a very “Mom-filled” weekend. A lot of the girls, including me, had their mothers come on the retreat to share this special weekend. The relationship between my Mom and I grew so much stronger, as well as our faith in God.

As the weekend came to a close, we were sad that we had to go back into reality, but we all knew that we all have a bond that can never be broken. It was not the end of a weekend, but only the beginning of a brand new life that is now filled with the love of God. DDA 220 was the best weekend of my life, and I will never ever forget it. We all learned so many things during this weekend, but probably the most important being “F.R.O.G.” This means to “Fully Rely On God.” If we always remember this, we will get through hard times in our life, and the good times, all because God is right there with us, and through him, we can do anything.

~ Emily Walsh



DDA #221

DDA is an amazing experience. Everyone should have a chance to experience a weekend, for all the benefits and personal gains that come from it. DDA is a time to meet new people that share your faith, and to strengthen your relationship with God. Our weekend of DDA 221 was nothing short of this. Here, we made new bonds with guys all around, with the same passion and love for our faith and our God.

Personally, I thought this weekend was very successful. I still remember the power, energy, and companionship that I had made from my encounter. I wanted to pass on this great experience to other guys. As our team grew in numbers, so did our strength and passion. We were each given our talks and attacked them from every angle to make sure that they were above and beyond the normal lesson. By teaching new ways to express our love for God, we were also able to share personal stories that connected us deeply with the candidates. After a day or two, we weren’t just the

team and the candidates, but a meshed group of great guys learning, sharing, and spreading God’s love.

CYFM is a “magical” place. When I walk through the doors of the retreat house, I literally feel weights being lifted off of my shoulders. This feeling is unbelievable. I am able to focus on what’s really important in life and put all the distractions on hold for at least 4 days and 3 nights. I love this aspect of CYFM and the retreats held there. I hope the candidates continue on to one day be team leaders and share their experiences with other candidates. This is a great program and definitely has influenced my life and I recommend everyone to experience it.

~ Charlie Boucher



SAINTS FOR YOUTH

This March, I attended Saints for Youth, and had a blast. During the weekend, we learned about the lives, the teachings, and the ministries of six saints: Saint Clare, Saint Michael the Archangel, Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton, Saint Anthony, Saint George and Saint Teresa of Avila. For each saint, we got to participate in a skit on their life, and hear a talk or do an activity led by an adult team member.



weekend was full of funny moments, like when we made parachutes for apples, had someone throw them off the roof, had to catch them over a pool of water, and then three-legged-race to the finish line. (If you had made Saints for Youth, you would know how this connects to St. Michael the Archangel.) There were also very serious and faith-filled moments, like adoration in the chapel and

This weekend showed me that there are many saints that I can identify with and learn from. I also learned that there are certain saints to pray to for different circumstances. Saint Jude is the patron saint of hopeless cases, we pray to him when we want something to happen against all odds.

During the weekend, my faith was nurtured, old friendships were renewed, and I made numerous new friendships. The

prayer services. The whole weekend was packed full of fun and friendships, and on top of that, you come out of it with a stronger faith, and a great understanding of the impact saints can have on our lives and what they can do for us. I am very happy I was able to attend this retreat.

~ Kristen Gold



COLLEGE COP

At the beginning of January, college students from throughout the Northeast came together at Capuchin Youth & Ministries to spend four days serving at various ministry sites throughout the Hudson Valley. Ministries included manual labor, health care hospitality, tutoring, food and hunger awareness, and various others. In addition to serving those at the different agencies, participants were given the opportunity to reflect, pray, and get to know one another through recreational activities. Throughout the entire experience, each participant was exposed to a social justice concern that affects the Hudson Valley and beyond and was able to share those experiences with others each day after working at their respective site.

My worksite for College Capuchin Outreach Program was San Miguel Academy, a Catholic all-male middle school in inner city Newburgh. In the charisms of the LaSallian Christian Brothers and the Dominican Sisters of Hope, San Miguel provides a loving, caring, and productive environment for boys in Newburgh to become men full of intellect, compassion, understanding, and self-esteem. As a Cap Corps Volunteer, I took two young women, Megan Johnson of

Boston College and Sarah Lyons of the University of Scranton, with me to the school each day to do tutoring, assist teachers in the classroom, and re-organize work and play areas for the students. During our time at San Miguel, we became aware of the struggles these young men faced on a regular basis and how important a positive school environment can be to them.

Throughout the four days, I was blessed to not only have an amazing experience at my worksite, but also to meet young men and women in college who shared their personal and ministry experiences. I was enriched with a sense of gratitude and appreciation for God's presence in my life this year as a Cap Corps Volunteer. My experience on College COP was one of the most amazing experiences of my life and it will always be one of my most treasured memories as a CCV.

~ Vijay DaCosta



CAP CORPS VOLUNTEERS OF THE PAST: WHERE ARE THEY NOW?

It's hard to believe that it has been 15 years since I had the privilege to serve as a Cap Corps Volunteer, formerly known as Lay Assistant. It was indeed a great year (1995-1996) marked by 160+ retreats which translated to ministering to 6000+ young people, a massive blizzard, and the welcome of Lincoln to the "Red House," the chow-shepherd pup found by the Robinsons on the Newburgh Beacon bridge one wintry night. To say that my year with CYFM had a positive effect on my life is an understatement.

Of the many lessons I learned that year, perhaps one of the most significant was the Franciscan belief that it is in giving that we truly receive. For it was in serving the youth that I met through CYFM that I acquired the skills that would prepare me for a career in ministry and religious education. My first job after CYFM was as a Religion Teacher and Director of Campus Ministry at Preston High School in the Bronx. It was at Preston that my friendship with Christ and my love for the classroom became intertwined. It was also where I met the love of my life, my wife Shana. Together, we directed Campus Ministry and taught religion. From there, I went back to my alma mater, Fordham University, to pursue a Masters Degree in Theology while serving as the director of the University's Global Outreach Program, a service immersion program where approximately 300 students would go out on their winter, spring, and summer breaks to encounter and

build relationships with the world's poor, disadvantaged and marginalized in places as close as the South Bronx and as far as Calcutta, India. The lessons I had gained in working with the poor and sick in CYFM's Appalachia and COP programs served me well. My time at Fordham University also saw the birth of my two sons Michael, now 7, and Andrew, now 5.

In 2006, I returned to the classroom and began teaching and ministering to the young men at Fordham Preparatory School in the Bronx. I currently serve as the Chairperson of the Religious Studies Department as well as a member of the Campus Ministry Department, where I still use the skills I acquired at CYFM to prepare liturgies and lead retreats. Most recently, my wife Shana and I began serving as the youth ministers in our local parish, Sacred Heart in Suffern, New York. Nine young people have attended DDA this year, and it has been a great experience for me to help bring others to the same retreat that had such an impact on my own life. The experiences I've had and continue to have with CYFM have literally transformed my life. I will ever be grateful for all that I have received, which would never have been possible if CYFM hadn't taught me how to give.

~ Michael Kravatz



CAP CORPS PERSPECTIVE

I always knew I wanted to commit to a year of service after graduation from college. From a young age, service was something I've felt very passionately about and I've always enjoyed helping others. While looking at various programs, Capuchin Youth & Family Ministries stood out to me. Unlike other programs, it was unique in the sense that it allowed me to serve others while growing in my faith and fostering my relationship with Jesus. It also allowed me to focus on youth ministry, something I have always loved. Being a Cap Corps Volunteer this year has definitely had its challenges. However, at the end of the day, I always seem to feel fulfilled in the job I am doing. This is because I know that the Holy Spirit is working through me at all times. Being a part of a community by living, working, and praying together is something that I am growing and learning from every day. It has been extremely beneficial because it has allowed me to open my mind to new people and experiences.

I have always loved working with youth and being a Cap Corps Volunteer is perfect for this. By running various retreats throughout the week for high school and middle school aged students, I am able to spread the Good News and also fulfill my love for teaching others. It is an amazing feeling to see a big smile spread across a student's face when something clicks in their mind about what they are hearing. Middle school and high school are such crucial times in a teenager's life. They are constantly being faced with various struggles at home, school, and with their friends. It is comforting to know that by being a Caps Corps Volunteer, we are teaching them that they are never alone and can always have a friend in Jesus.

~ Chrissy Guariglia



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How much did your faith grow during this project?

My faith didn't grow nearly as much as my trust in God, that everything would go as it should and that there would be no accidents as we worked on the project. The team I was working with had very little experience when it came to carpentry and construction. I just had to trust that everything would go as planned, which, thankfully, it did.

Did you learn anything you never expected to learn while doing this?

Not to sound like I have a swelled head, but I can't say that I did. This project was all about taking the things I already knew and using them together in conjunction with each other. I've done a good bit of leadership and service work, as well as practically growing up in a woodshop, and the Eagle Scout project's main purpose is to use what you know to accomplish something, instead of learning something new.

What's Happening

May – November, 2011

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May 22Family Festiva & God's TYM Olympics

JUNE

June 26–July 1Capuchin Outreach Program (COP)

JULY

July 9-17Capuchin Appalachian Mission (CAM)

July 21Cap Corps Volunteer Send-off

AUGUST

Aug 26-28G.I.F.T. (Growing in Faith Together)

SEPTEMBER

Sept 2-4R & R (Renew & Refresh Retreat)

Sept 4Cap Corps Volunteers Commissioning

OCTOBER

Oct 1-2Freshman/Sophomore Retreat

Oct 13-16Girls' DDA Weekend

Oct 28-297th & 8th Grade Overnight

Oct 29-307th & 8th Grade Overnight

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BIRTHS

9/8/10 – a daughter, Josephine Elizabeth Kline, born to Jeremy Kline and Mary (Sardo) Kline (DDA 148 and 158). The happy grandparents are Frank (DDA 181) and Josephine (DDA 152, 162, 175, 180, 189, 198, 205, 208, 217) Sardo.

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