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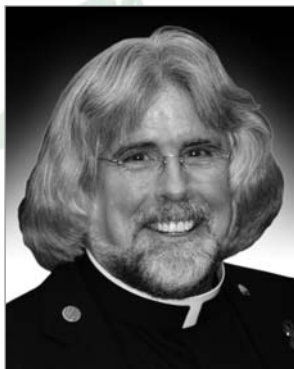
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by supporting our
Holiday Party!

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A MESSAGE FROM FR. FRANK



FR. FRANCIS PIZZARELLI,
SMM, LCSW-R, ACSW, DCSW
Founder and Executive Director

Dear Friends and Benefactors:

It's hard to believe that another fall is before us. So much has happened since our spring newsletter. Countless miracles and transformations continue to encourage us to stay the course and reach out to the growing number of young people at risk. My heart aches every time I open the local paper. It is filled with so much pain and suffering. This summer I had the painful experience of burying four young people who died senselessly due to heroin overdoses. Each young man that passed away came from a good family. They all had tremendous potential and possibility that will never be realized. Each young person was consumed by an addiction that they could not move beyond.

The heroin epidemic is infecting every community across the country. This drug is no longer being used by those on the fringe. Young people from every social group imaginable are becoming infected. The resources for those who have become addicted and their families are slim to none.

Heroin addicts need long-term residential treatment. A 28 day program is not enough. From my perspective, we cannot effectively treat heroin addicts as outpatients. Too many who are forced to walk that road die before they get better.

Thanks to your many hands and hearts, we have been making a heroic effort to address the heroin epidemic, both residentially and with our out-patient support services. The need for holistic effective treatment is growing exponentially.

All of our programs are full with waiting lists growing every day. Our staff is phenomenal. So much of the good we do is thanks to each of them and their commitment to Ministry and wanting to make a difference.

This year Pax Christi, our hospitality center for the homeless, celebrates 20 years of service. In addition to our very dedicated core staff, over the years we have been blessed with more than a hundred dedicated volunteers who treat every homeless person with dignity and respect. We are providing a growing number of beds for young veterans returning from Iraq and Afghanistan. Many of these young veterans are suffering from posttraumatic stress disorder. The VA is trying but does not have enough comprehensive services for our young veterans.

Montfort Therapeutic Residence continues to be a model for the state in our approach to troubled adolescents that already are in the criminal justice system. Our unique model of treatment involves not only the young person, but his family as well.

Siena House quietly touches women who are in the early phase of recovery and/or suffering at the hands of domestic abuse.

The Community House, the heart of our ministry, continues to empower countless young men into wellness. We have our largest number of young men attending local colleges this fall. Hope Academy

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✂️ CLIP & SAVE ✂️ Wish List...

Below are items that HHM is in need of throughout our outreaches. If you are able to donate any of these items, please feel free to call Joanne D'Aguanno at (631) 928-2377 x34. **As always, thank you for your generosity and support!**

- Bath Towels
- Dishwashing liquid
- Detergent, Fabric softener
- Pine Sol
- Copy paper - 8 1/2 x 11
- Garbage bags - 13 gal. & 39 gal.
- Disposable razors
- Toothbrushes/Trial-size toothpaste
- Shaving cream
- Soap/Combs
- Men's clothing
- Men's Underwear, Socks
- Peanut Butter
- Twin sheets
- Thermal to-go mugs
- Coffee mugs
- 12" or larger non-stick frying pans
- X-large commercial heavy bottom stock pots
- Men's deodorant
- Outdoor push brooms
- Sponges
- Real silverware
- Paper goods (toilet paper, paper towels, disposable plates, cups, plastic tableware, etc)

Share Your Time and Talent

TEACHERS NEEDED

St. Louis De Montfort Academy is in need of teachers willing to share their time and talent with junior/senior high school students. Math, Science, Chemistry, Social Studies, Speech, English, Spanish, Computer Graphics, Music, Art, Cooking, Photography, Physical Education/Coach 1 - 3 hrs. per week between the hours of 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.

GARDENERS NEEDED

Like to garden? Join our Garden Club! Help create and transform the gardens throughout our ministry houses. Fall is here and we need gardeners, landscapers, tree & hedge trimmers.

*Teachers and gardeners, please contact
Joanne D'Aguanno, Director of Volunteer Services
(631) 928-2377 ext. 34.*

The Fourteenth Annual Breakfast Club Raises over \$210,000!

In honor of this event's 14th Anniversary, we graciously applaud the dedication and commitment of Frank and Jim Barker and their families, our exceptional Breakfast Club Committee and the generous donors who gave their time and resources to benefit the Fourteenth Annual Breakfast Club Event.

The Breakfast, held on June 21st at the beautiful Meadowbrook Club in Jericho, New York, welcomed more than 50 guests and raised over \$210,000! Since its first gathering fourteen years ago this outstanding annual event has raised over \$2,387,000!



We would like to thank the Breakfast Club Committee for their overwhelming generosity:

Fr. Francis Pizzarelli,
SMM, LCSW-R,
ACSW, DCSW
Hope House Ministries

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*Mark Your
Calendars...*

**THE 10TH
ANNUAL
HOPE
HOUSE
MINISTRIES
ENDOWMENT
FUND
EVENT**

Thursday,
March 15, 2012
6:30 pm

Villa Lombardi's,
Holbrook, NY

For ticket, sponsor and
journal information, please
call Anne Hudlow in the
HHM Development
Department at
(540) 241-3577.

A Glimpse at the Community House, the Heart of our Ministry

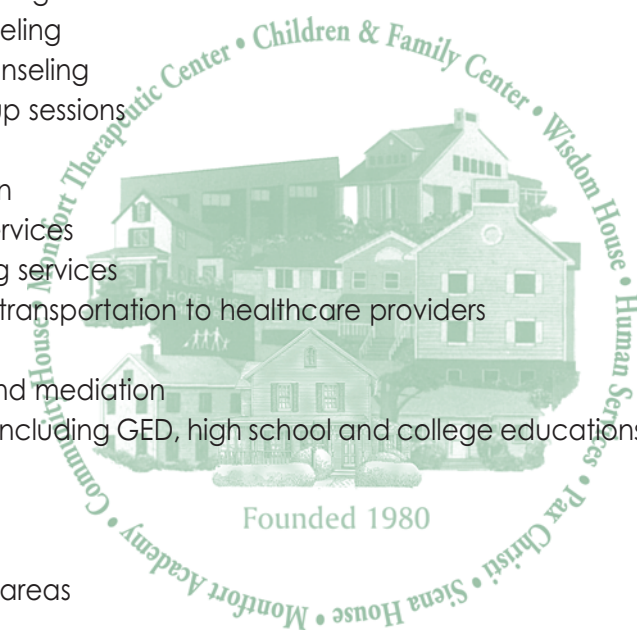
For most young people, adolescence presents many challenges that pose the risk of holding them back from reaching their full potential. At perhaps the most formative and vulnerable period



of their lives, young people require stability best experienced in a loving family setting. Such settings provide the structure to help young people grow in self discipline, critical thinking, problem solving skills and personal responsibility. For those youth who are homeless or at risk of becoming homeless, stability is simply not something that is attainable on one's own. Add to this experience a drug or alcohol addiction, personality disorder, mental illness, criminal activity, sexual or physical abuse and the possibility of a loving family becomes even more illusory. The Community House at Hope House Ministries provides a loving and compassionate environment for thousands of adolescents who have gone on to lead productive lives.

Below are some of the services that are provided at Hope House:

- mental health counseling
- physical abuse counseling
- substance abuse counseling
- one-on-one and group sessions
- anger management
- pregnancy prevention
- family reunification services
- pre-marital counseling services
- healthcare including transportation to healthcare providers
- legal services
- crisis management and mediation
- educational services including GED, high school and college educations
- job training
- 24-hour supervision
- three meals per day
- safe and clean living areas
- laundry services
- clothing



As this program in particular costs over \$1 million per year to operate, here are some costs that you might find interesting:

Education costs	\$48,217
Medication	\$28,345
Utilities	\$57,479
Food	\$46,800
Milk	\$32,874 (imagine not one, not two but 30 plus)



Thank You, **Barbara Coyle**

Can you imagine cooking for 35 young men? Well, one woman that knows all about that is our very own Barbara Coyle. Barbara has been volunteering for over 20 years, namely preparing and serving warm, wholesome meals to the young men of the Community House. In addition to cooking a couple times a month, she helps prepare for the Annual Hope House Ministries Thanksgiving Feast which serves over 100 residents, family and staff members each year. Barbara also assists the Development Department with mailings a few times a year and prepares meals for the Pax Christi Hospitality Center, where her husband, Tom, donates his time as well.

Barbara works at Mather Hospital's Emergency Room and lives in Selden with her husband. They have one daughter and three sons as well as five grandchildren (four boys and one girl), whom they love very much. Barbara loves life, whether it's watching her grandchildren or traveling to Vermont and the Carolinas, she is a joy to spend time with and is young at heart.

We thank you Barbara for your generosity of spirit and your kind, loving nature. We are truly blessed to have you as a part of our family!



Thanks, **Deb DiRoma**

"Share with God's people who are in need. Practice hospitality (Romans 12:13)."

When we hear a verse like this one, it reminds us of one of the most charitable individuals in our volunteer fleet, Deb DiRoma. What a kind, compassionate person Deb is and what a truly cheerful giver towards Hope House!

She works closely with the Development Department staff monthly in order to complete projects that are important to our ministry. Deb is a joy to work with and donates all graphic design projects which are at least 10-12 projects a year! She also helps in other ways. As this year's president of Xi Master chapter of Beta Sigma Phi, Deb and her friends spend the majority of their time thinking up ways to help our ministry. Next year's HHM fundraiser will be a Magic Show/Auction scheduled for April 19, 2012. She has served as the Chairwoman of the sorority's annual fundraiser, which has raised from \$16,000 to \$22,000 each year! As if that wasn't enough, Deb also volunteers each year at our Annual Golf Outing and serves on the Hope House Advisory Board.

Deb lives in Shoreham with her husband, Dave. Together they have two sons. Mike, 25, earned an AAS at Alfred State and has been training at Parris Island, SC Marine Boot Camp for the past 12 weeks. Mike's graduation date was August 26, 2011 and Deb's family enjoyed attending this celebratory event. Deb's younger son, Tom, 23, earned his Bachelor's Degree in Education/Social Studies in May, 2011 from SUNY Oswego. Deb's husband, Dave, is the treasurer of Perseus Books Group in New York City.

Deb, you are such a blessing to us! We are so grateful to you for your ever present support and your willingness to give to those who are in need! Thank you so much!

PAX CHRISTI'S 20TH ANNIVERSARY



As of July 2011 Pax Christi Hospitality Center is celebrating 20 years in operation. As some people may not be aware of the specifics of the work we do at the Pax Christi Hospitality Center, I have gathered some statistics from the past year and also focused on some detailed statistics from the month of April, 2011.

Pax Christi Hospitality Center is an emergency housing facility for males, 16 years of age and older, who are homeless in Suffolk County, NY. The primary criteria for admission is that the person needs to be sober (drug and alcohol free for that day) and they need to be what we call stable for a dorm setting (emotionally and psychiatrically stable enough that the staff determines that it is safe for all). Pax Christi is a non-medical facility, therefore persons need to be medically stable and need to arrive with appropriate medications if applicable.

Pax Christi is an overnight shelter where our focus is on meeting the person's immediate needs of food, clothing and shelter. Our mission statement, in brief, is to help people break the cycle of homelessness. We work to engage the person and support them in making positive choices; helping the person look at the variables that caused their homelessness, their role in that circumstance, and work with them to begin to take steps to rectify that circumstance. Each guest is responded to individually and there is no definitive outlined time frame for the person's stay.

Pax Christi has 24 beds available nightly. In April, 2011, 105 different individual men stayed here. During this same month 577 beds were utilized, averaging over 19 beds occupied per night. The average for the year is 20.5 beds occupied per night. In that same month of April 2011, the average length of stay per person was 5 nights. 30% of the 105 people stayed only one night, 30% stayed 2 to 3 nights, 30% stayed 3 to 10 nights, and 10% stayed for 10 nights or more.

In addition to responding to all the basic needs of those who sleep the night at Pax Christi, we also respond to the requests and needs of walk-ins. This may include assisting people with food, clothing, showers, phone use, supportive counseling and case management services as needed. Walk-ins may include women and families. Pax Christi responds to approximately 10 to 15 walk-ins per day.

We serve approximately 20 to 30 lunches per day. This includes food for our guests and walk-ins.

Currently Pax Christi has 24 full and part time employees. These employees vary in their educational backgrounds including Social Workers, Drug and Alcohol Counselors and Mental Health

Clinicians. Many of our staff have worked here for years; one for over 19 of our 20 years and several over 10 years. We currently have over 42 active volunteers. These volunteers assist with many varied tasks which may include such things as cleaning, making beds, painting, lawn care, making and serving food, sorting clothing donations, organizing our clothing room, and assisting staff in the evenings in providing supervision in the dorm and around the property. We have countless other people behind the scenes; donating clothes and food. We are blessed with a vibrant and active community who is aware of the needs of the homeless and take active steps to assist.

It is so imperative in my eyes that these broken wounded members of our community experience care, respect and dignity when they walk through our doors for assistance here at Pax Christi. We work to achieve this every day and it comes from the top-down, with the message and direction from Fr. Frank, and it comes from the bottom-up, with each person involved adding a piece of kindness and support that enhances our work. The guests see it. They see a clean building. They see a safe place that they can put their head down. They see the same group of committed staff and volunteers day after day. They see these things and they respond with appreciation. And hopefully it is within this framework that they can begin to take steps to positively change their life circumstances.

Stephen Brazeau, LCSW-R

Associate Director, Pax Christi Hospitality Center

BIG BROTHER BIG SISTERS & HHM SUPPORTING THOSE IN NEED

CLOTHING DROPBOX



Start Something Big!

We accept your:

- Clothing
- Shoes
- Accessories
- Linens

~no furniture please~

Together Hope House and Big Brothers Big Sisters have teamed up to support those in need by placing a clothing bin at our Pax Christi Hospitality

Center. Big Brothers Big Sisters will pay the ministry \$50 per month per bin. The bins are emptied 1-3 times per week depending on how quickly the bins fill.

It is a privilege to work with this organization to raise awareness and support for those who need our helping hands.

continues to transform lives battling addiction one life at a time. The stories of transformation are inspirational.

Our Counseling Center, and Family and Children's Center continue to provide comprehensive mental health services to those in need.

Montfort Academy continues to provide quality high school education and college preparation for those who have difficulty navigating traditional public education. So many of our graduates have gone on to higher education and graduated with college degrees. Needless to say, all of this opportunity is available to so many in need, thanks to your extraordinary generosity. Even during these tough economic times, you continue to support us in extraordinary ways. Without your financial support and prayers, we would not have been able to serve the thousands of people who have come our way these past 31 years.

Be assured of my continued prayers for you and your family.

Thanks for making such a profound difference in so many peoples' lives.

Forever grateful,



Father Francis Pizzarelli, SMM, LCSW-R, ACSW, DCSW
Executive Director-Founder
Hope House Ministries

MANY THANKS TO A SUPPORTIVE COMMUNITY!

Two community minded groups organized events in July 2011 to support our ministry. We are so thankful to these individuals for their generosity and support!

ROCK FOR HOPE

Rock for Hope was held on Saturday, July 10th at the SKYBOX Restaurant Sports Lounge in Mount Sinai. The event highlighted the band Indigenous and welcomed a great crowd for its First Annual Fundraiser which was successful in raising \$1,300!

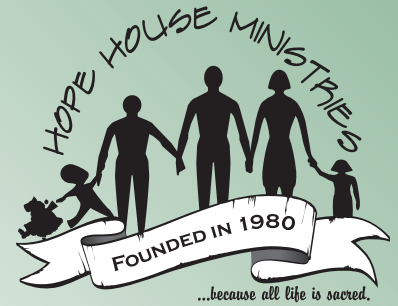
RALLY FOR HOPE

The Rally for Hope tennis charity event was held on July 15th at the Eastern Athletic Club in Blue Point. The donations and raffles from this gathering raised \$1,600!

50/50 RAFFLE TICKETS

If you'd like additional 50/50 raffle tickets,
please call (631) 473-8796.

Past winners received: 2010 - \$10,205 • 2009 - \$11,390
2008 - \$8,622 • 2007 - \$6,602 • 2006 - \$7,199 • 2005 - \$7,000



28TH ANNUAL HOLIDAY PARTY

MONDAY,
NOVEMBER 28, 2011
7:00 - 11:00 P.M.

Just a reminder that as our Holiday Party is fast approaching, we would like to invite you to take part in our event this year by:

- Donating new or gently used 5x7, 8x10 or 10x13 picture frames and/or large baskets for presentation of the auction prizes
- Donating auction prizes for the silent auction (new items)
- Purchasing event tickets
- Purchasing car and/or 50/50 raffle tickets
- Purchasing a journal advertisement in our annual journal

If you would like information on any of the above, please contact the Development Department at (631) 473-8796.

Thank you for your support of our largest annual event!



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For questions regarding tax deductions, please refer to the Internal Revenue Service Publication 526 entitled Charitable Contributions.

Attention Snowbirds!

Do you fly south for the winter? If so, in an effort to save on newsletter mail returns, would you be willing to share your winter address with us!

Your help would be greatly appreciated.

Please call Theresa at (631) 473-8796 or send an email to hhmterry@optonline.net.

HOW TO GIVE

Yes, I'd like to make a charitable contribution to keep hope alive!

I would like to donate the following amount to Hope House Ministries:

\$25 \$50 \$75 \$100 Other



Donor Name _____

Address _____ Phone _____

Check Enclosed - *Make checks payable to: Hope House Ministries*

VISA MC Amex # _____

Exp. Date _____ SC# _____

Please send me more information on HHM.

I would like to volunteer my time and talent to HHM.

All gifts are tax deductible to the fullest extent allowable by law.

Please send all contributions to: Hope House Ministries, PO Box 358, Port Jefferson, NY 11777 - 0358



Coming Soon... **Another way to give.**

Check out our website at

www.hhm.org

for the opportunity to make your gifts online using PayPal.



**HOPE HOUSE MINISTRIES
THE LIVING TRIBUTE PROGRAM**

Through the years an increasing number of families have found satisfaction in honoring loved ones by donations made to Hope House Ministries.

The memory of a loved one will live through the thoughtful gift donated by a friend, relative or associate. This gift will assist us in our mission to provide compassionate and competent care for the poor, the marginal and wounded among us.

Please make your check payable to Hope House Ministries. For further information, please call the Development Department at (631) 473-8796.

All gifts are tax deductible.

HOPE HOUSE MINISTRIES: THE LIVING TRIBUTE PROGRAM

Enclosed is my gift of: \$10 \$25 \$50 \$100 Other \$ _____

Memorial (Name of Deceased) _____

Wedding Holiday Thank You

Anniversary Get well Graduation

Birthday To Honor Parents/Others Other _____

Name for above donation _____

NOTE: Your thoughtful remembrance will be acknowledged. A tribute card will be sent to the person or family you designate. The amount of the gift will not be disclosed.

Your Name _____

Your Address/Town _____

NAME OF PERSON OR FAMILY TO SEND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT FOR THE ABOVE DONATION

Name _____

Address/Town _____

Send more envelopes

Mail to: Hope House Ministries, PO Box 358, Port Jefferson, NY 11777-0358

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

NOVEMBER 2011

Annual Holiday Party

Monday, November 28, 7 - 11 p.m.
Held at Villa Lombardi's, Holbrook
Contact: Theresa Zeis
(631) 473-8796

DECEMBER 2011

Irish Christmas Concert

(featuring Andy Cooney and many more)
Sunday, December 11, 2:00 p.m.
St. Joseph's College Auditorium
Contact: Janet Brennan
(631) 928-2377, ext. 22

MARCH 2012

The 10th Annual Endowment Fund Event

Thursday, March 15
6:30 - 9:30 p.m.
Villa Lombardi's, Holbrook, NY
Contact: Anne Hudlow
(540) 241-3577

APRIL 2012

Beta Sigma Phi Annual Fundraiser Magic Show/Your Choice Auction

Thursday, April 19, 6:30 p.m.
Villa Lombardi's, Holbrook
Contact: Deb DiRoma
(631) 821-7598

MAY 2012

Annual Golf Outing

Monday, May 14
Held at Port Jefferson Country Club/Lombardi's on the Sound
Port Jefferson, NY
Contact: Theresa Zeis
(631) 473-8796



Please tune into Telecare as Fr. Francis Pizzarelli, SMM hosts the

Reason for Hope Show

**Tuesday 1:30 PM,
Wednesday 9:30 PM,
Saturday 7:30 PM**

www.telecaretv.org

* All programs subject to pre-emption.



Now there's a way to help us when you're online.

Please check out the following websites which can support Hope House Ministries:

goodsearch.com • justgive.org
igive.org • networkforgood.org

As always we thank you for your support!

Self Help Meetings

at Hope House Ministries

Call for times and locations:
(631) 928-2377



Long time volunteer, John Germano, carefully handcrafted and installed this new sign outside our Community House. This is just one of the many signs that he has made for us over the years. Visitors and residents alike are greeted by this beautiful display, featuring our ministry's logo, and reminding us that this is a home to many in need, where miracles happen! **Thank you John!**

An Irish Christmas Concert Sunday, Dec. 11 at 2pm

St. Joseph's College Auditorium
Patchogue, NY

**Starring Andy Cooney & his band
Comedian George Casey, Celtic Folk Artist Kate Purcell,
Darrah Irish Dancers and Emcee Mike McCormack.**

(proceeds to benefit Hope House Ministries)

**For ticket information, please call
HHM (631) 928-2377, ext. 22
and ask for Janet.**

Reserved seating, limited tickets at the door.