



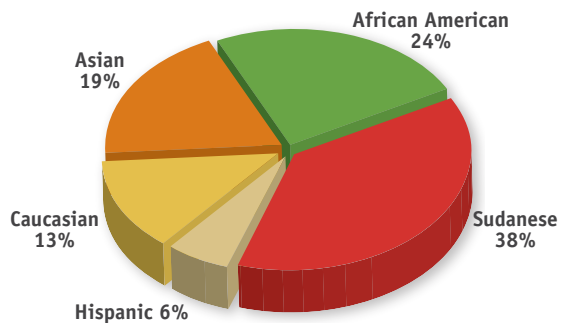
Father Champlin with some of "his kids" in 2007

A LEGACY OF LOVE

Since 1997, Father Champlin's Guardian Angel Society has been building paths to success for low income students to high school graduation and beyond. Guardian Angel Scholars receive tuition assistance along with mentoring and tutoring support regardless of race or religion. The Guardian Angel Society remains committed to providing *wings for education* to students in need who attend Cathedral Academy at Pompeii (CAP) elementary school and continue on to Bishop Grimes Prep, Bishop Ludden Junior/Senior High School or Christian Brothers Academy. Today, the Society has 20+ volunteer mentor/tutors.

CURRENT GUARDIAN ANGEL SCHOLARS

The Guardian Angel Society Scholars in these schools who rely on tuition support represent a very diverse population. Many hail from economically challenged Sudanese refugee families. Because these students are faced with more difficulties than others, their abilities to succeed in junior high school are compromised. Without intervention, studies show that these "at risk" students may drop out of school and not acquire necessary work-related skills and opportunities for a college education.



Guardian Angel Society Scholar Demographics 2012-2013 School Year

IMPACT AND EMPOWERMENT

Guardian Angel Society's Mentor/Tutor Program was implemented to ensure each Scholar successfully graduates from high school and is therefore prepared to be productive citizens in our community. At this time, there is an urgent need to expand and continue this program. Current research reports that "at risk" students who receive additional help through specialized programs such as the Mentor/Tutor Program during the junior high years are more likely to graduate from high school and have a 14% higher employment rate.

PROGRAM ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- In 2012, the mentoring program begun by Guardian Angel Society founder Father Champlin was expanded to include a summer program "Building a Path to Success for Father Champlin's Kids" which helped graduates of CAP prepare for the academic and personal challenges of junior high school.
- 17 junior high Scholars participated in the Summer 2012 program held at St. Vincent's dePaul Refugee Center. The program was so well received, 100% attendance was achieved.
- Each participating Scholar made measurable progress in the acquisition of literacy and math skills.
- The Summer 2012 program transitioned into the School Year 2012-2013; 15 mentors worked with Scholars in an after school setting one day per week.

The mentors report that many of the Scholars are now more motivated to work toward academic goals and high school graduation. Lual, a student mentee at Bishop Grimes Prep says he is happy that his mentor still visits with him each week because "I know I need the help keeping up with my assignments".

EXPANSION AND FUTURE OPPORTUNITIES FOR SUCCESS

The Guardian Angel Society will expand the Mentor/Tutor Program in the following ways for Summer 2013 and School Year 2013-2014:

- Offer the program to additional students in junior high school and CAP to increase program enrollment by 50%.
- Provide qualified tutors to support student development in math, literacy and ESL.
- Add afternoon wrap-around sessions to the summer program. These sessions will include youth enrichment activities (sports, field trips, arts, etc.).
- Increase the number of volunteer mentors for the summer and school-year programs.



Be An Angel...
Help Father's Kids
Build Their Path to Success

We invite you to partner with the Guardian Angel Society and community collaborators to help *Build a Path to Success for Father's Kids*. There are volunteer opportunities. If you would like to directly impact the life of a child, please fill out the form below or contact Catherine Ranieri, Educational Program Coordinator, at the Guardian Angel Society (315) 422-7218.

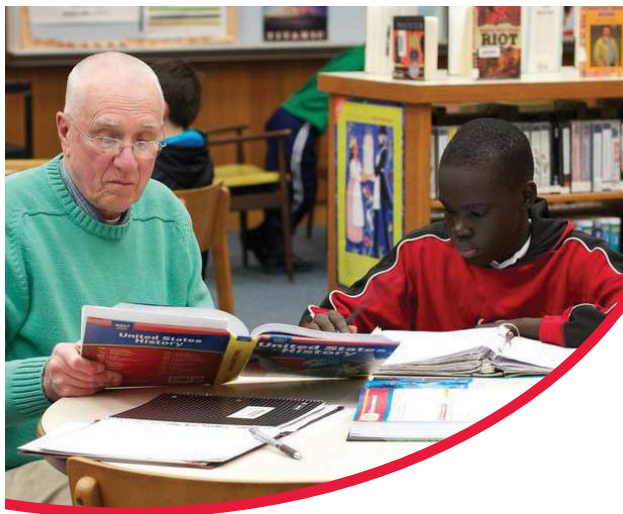
YES! I would like to help build a path to success for Father's kids.
I would like to volunteer as a:

MENTOR
 TUTOR
 YOUTH ACTIVITY LEADER (sports, arts, other)
Please indicate: _____
 Other capacity: _____

Name: _____
Address: _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Phone: _____
Email: _____

I am unable to participate at this time but would like to support Father's kids. Please accept my donation of \$ _____.

Matching Gift Form enclosed.
 Check enclosed
 Charge my: Visa Mastercard Exp. Date ____/____/____
Security Code _____ Card # _____
Signature _____



Bishop Cunningham visits the Summer 2012 program at St. Vincent's.



Father Champlin's Guardian **ANGEL** Society wings for education

MENTOR/TUTOR PROGRAM

Summer 2013 • School Year 2013-2014

The Guardian Angel Society is an organization that raises funds to help support the education of children from diverse cultural, religious and economic backgrounds. These funds provide tuition assistance and support programs for Cathedral Academy at Pompei (CAP) students and for their continued pursuit to receive a quality education at Christian Brothers Academy, Bishop Grimes Prep and Bishop Ludden Junior/Senior High Schools.

THE MENTOR/TUTOR PROGRAM is implemented in collaboration with community leaders from the following organizations:

- Bishop Grimes Prep
- Bishop Ludden Junior/Senior High School
- Cathedral Academy at Pompei (CAP)
- Christian Brothers Academy
- Diocese of Syracuse Catholic School Office
- Guardian Angel Society
- LeMoyne College
- St. Vincent de Paul Refugee Ministry



Mission Accomplished!!
Some of our Guardian Angel scholars graduate in June 2013.



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