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THE UPDATE

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# Helping the Incarcerated Help Themselves

For her work mentoring troubled populations for re-entry into society, Carla Clanagan, Founder and Executive Director of In His Eyes Outreach, received the Ivy Young Willis & Martha Willis Dale Award in a March 30 ceremony and lecture in the Mansion.

*(From left) Darryl Mace, PhD, Associate Professor and Chair, History and Political Science; Carla Clanagan, Ivy Young Willis and Martha Willis Dale Award recipient; and Cabrini President Donald B. Taylor, PhD*



Awarded annually, the Ivy Young Willis & Martha Willis Dale Award honors a woman who has made a noteworthy contribution to the civic life of her community: local, regional, national, or international. For more information about the award and lecture, visit [cabrini.edu/WillisAward](http://cabrini.edu/WillisAward).

The In His Eyes Outreach program, started by Clanagan in 2007, is the first formal mentoring program offered in the Montgomery County Correctional Facility in Eagleville, PA.

"In His Eyes Outreach is all about re-entry services," said Clanagan. "If you do the crime, you have to pay the time. But we need to make a difference while people are serving that time. We need to understand that jail does not solve any issues or problems: it's programming, it's counseling, it's mentoring, it's all of those things working together." In His Eyes trains volunteers and places them inside the jail to teach and mentor inmates, but the support and mentorship often lasts beyond the inmates' release dates.

"The re-entry classes that we do are all about life skills," like managing finances and budgeting, said Clanagan. "It's all about education. So many just are stuck in this position of not being able to overcome their situation. Drugs, alcohol, and issues, they don't care what your race is, what your class is, what your address is."

According to Clanagan, the program's name—In His Eyes—is about seeing yourself as Christ sees you.



*(From left) President Taylor; Vidhi Anderson, wife of Martha Willis Dale's son Ian Anderson; Ian Anderson; Clanagan; Dale's husband John Dale; Martha Willis Dale's son William "Rob" Anderson; and Dr. Darryl Mace*

"It's about the people that I work with seeing themselves for who God created them to be, not for the labels that we have given them, not for the labels that society has given them, and not for the crimes that they committed. In God's eyes, we were all created equal and we all have something to give back."

Although In His Eyes started as a program for women inmates, Clanagan's outreach efforts have grown to include men, children, and entire families. Her DAKMAK (Dads and Kids, Moms and Kids) Program helps support caregivers of children with a jailed parent and provides co-parenting strategies for couples with one jailed caregiver.

In a partnership with Cabrini's Inside-Out Prison Exchange Program: Exploring Issues of Crime and Justice Behind the Walls students and the churches of the Main Line Mission Connexions, Clanagan has introduced a privileged visitation playroom that enables incarcerated parents who complete a parenting class to visit with their children in a safe and supported environment.

"Women were losing custody of their children because they are in jail and unable to have supervised visits with their case worker. Now they can, and a lot of women and children are able to stay connected," said Clanagan.

"I do this work because the people that I serve really need someone in their corner," said Clanagan. "I do whatever it takes to save a life. It's what I do. It's what I've been called to do, it's what I like to do, it's what I'm gifted to do."

Directly addressing Cabrini's students, Clanagan said, "All things are possible. If you have a passion to do it, you can do it. The blessings that you've been given are not just for you, it's for you to give out to the world, it's for you to share, it's for you to engage with the community, it's for you to help someone else." ~ *from Cabrini College Connections*



## In front of the Supreme Court, Sisters of Various Congregations Demonstrate Support for Immigrants

Lending their voices, support and prayers, dozens of sisters from various congregations gathered with hundreds of immigrants and advocates in front of the U.S. Supreme Court building April 18 as justices [heard oral arguments](#) regarding Obama Administration immigration policies.

"This is a central concern and we want to stand in solidarity with our immigrant sisters and brothers," said Mercy Sr. JoAnn Persch, executive director of the Interfaith Committee for Detained Immigrants in Chicago. The organization [operates houses and provides services for detainees](#) who are waiting for their case. "We believe this immigration system is evil. We are people of faith and operate on the basis that every human being is our sister and brother."

"We see families ripped apart and hear their stories," Persch said.



Outside the Supreme Court building in Washington, D.C., Sr. Simone Campbell, Executive Director of NETWORK, joins in the support for immigrants. (GSR photo/Gail DeGeorge)

The case at hand questions the legality of Obama's executive actions on immigration in the form of two initiatives: Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA), and Deferred Action for Parents of Americans and Lawful Permanent Residents (DAPA), which the president launched in 2012 and 2014 respectively. A decision is expected in June.

Though the original DACA guidelines from 2012 are not being challenged, [26 states claim](#) that 2014's expanded DACA and DAPA violate the Constitution.



But Charity Sister Mary Ellen Lacy, who is also an immigration attorney, said the arguments by those objecting to DAPA are basically "using a lot of bluster." The objections "have no legal justification," she said.

There is a long history of executive action involving immigration issues, including DACA in 2012, so 2014's DAPA should be no different, she said.

"We have a culture of fear. Pope Francis tells us this is the year of mercy. There are plenty of resources in the U.S. for us to be as generous as we want to be," she said. "We are never made better by taking away the God-given dignity of others; we become less."

Should the court decide in favor of the United States, an estimated 3.7 million undocumented immigrants could qualify for protection from deportation, according to the Migration Policy Institute, as early as June 2016.

According to a new [paper](#) by the Center of Migration Studies, 85 percent of those eligible for DACA under its original guidelines have lived in the U.S. for 10 years or more, as well as roughly 80 percent of those eligible for DAPA, and nearly three-quarters of those eligible for DACA-plus (the expanded initiative).



Sister of Charity Mary Ellen Lacy is an immigration attorney. (GSR photo/Gail DeGeorge)

Nearly all those in the labor force are employed: 94 percent of DAPA recipients, 85 percent of the original DACA, and 72 percent of DACA-plus, according to the same study.

"We cannot *not* be here," said Sr. Pat Murphy, also a Sister of Mercy from Chicago. "It is a moral issue. I think this period of history will be a very shameful one when we're teaching American history in a few more years because we are sending people away from this country who are coming for political and economic freedom. They're being driven from their countries and when you look at the [base of the Statue of Liberty](#) that says 'give me your hungry, your poor' [sic] — what's happened to us?"

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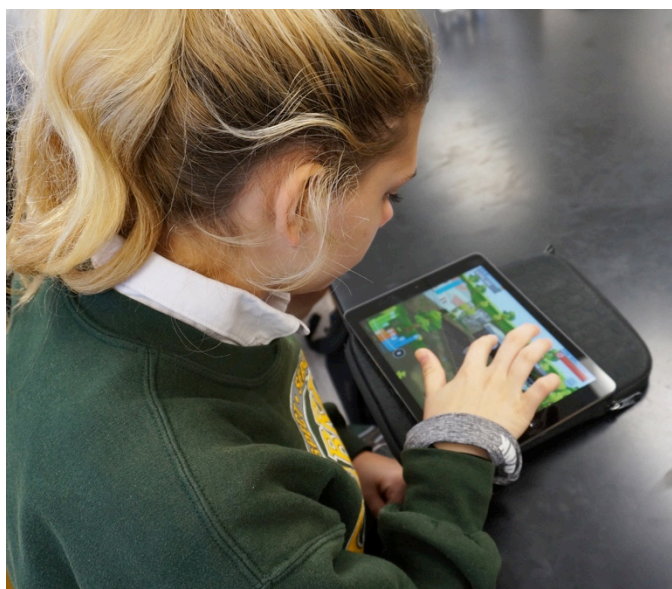
*~ from the Global Sisters Report by Soli Solgado and Gail De George*

To read the full article, please visit: <http://www.motherscabrini.org/news-and-publications/sisters-of-many-congregations-stand-with-immigrants-at-supreme-court>

# Cabrini High School Pilots *Journey 2050*

Cabrini High School students are among the first in the US to participate in the pilot-test of the “Journey 2050” environmental learning program developed by Agrium and introduced to schools through the Nutrients for Life Foundation.

The Environmental Science classes of Ann Smart are testing the “Journey 2050” web site learning simulation, under the oversight of Tiffany Ballow, local representative of the Nutrients for Life Foundation. “Journey 2050” is a new program in the pilot-testing phase and Cabrini is only the 6th school in the US to use it. Feedback from the students and science department faculty will assist in perfecting the program before it goes into wider use.



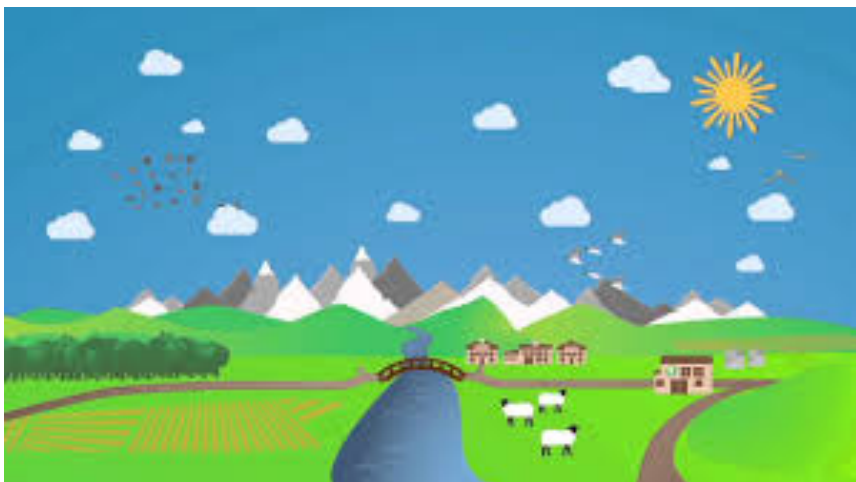
Cabrini Environmental Science student Ariel Waterman '17 learns how to grow crops sustainably to feed the growing human population using the Journey 2050 program.

“The “Journey 2050” program is a new applied environmental science exercise that requires students to make decisions on how to feed the estimated 9 billion inhabitants on Earth by the year 2050,” noted Ann Smart, Cabrini Science Department Head. “Students must take into account best practices in agriculture and coordinate these practices throughout different areas of the world to enhance worldwide production in order to assure a sustainable, global food supply. At the end of the simulation, students will be exposed to various opportunities and careers related to agri-business and global resource planning and allocation.”

As part of Cabrini’s **STEM** (Science Technology Engineering Math) initiative, the school’s participation in this program allows the school to stay on the forefront of advances in STEM instructional methods. “Focusing on STEM

education and training prepares our graduates to succeed in college and in the workforce,” cited Ardley Hanemann, Cabrini’s President. “Career opportunities in the STEM fields continue to increase and accelerate in the US. We want our students to be positioned to excel in these fertile fields.”

*~ submitted by Nall Gearheard*



# College Students Advocate for Fair Trade Practices and Products

We may think that foods like bananas and coffee – being so natural – are made and distributed with humane practices. But everything is not as it may seem. Many of the products we consume today are processed in factories in underdeveloped countries - in factories with workers who labor in unsafe and hazardous conditions, as was the case in Bangladesh in 2013 when the Rana Plaza factory collapsed, killing thousands.

Since then, the question of where products originate has been a topic of discussion and with it a new phrase has made its way into the lexicon of many: fair trade. We know what it means to be fair and we know what trade is. So what is *fair trade*?



Fair Trade is the practice of selling and distributing products manufactured or grown by individuals in foreign countries who are paid fairly. Instead of working in sweatshops and living on wages far below those of the common minimum wage, workers are paid a reasonable income, are given more opportunities for advancement, work in safe environments, and are given financial assistance when needed.

Colleges and universities in the U.S. have taken the initiative to gain more knowledge on these practices and have successfully implemented fair trade options on their campuses.

Cabrini College is one of these colleges and universities. In June 2011, Catholic Relief Services (CRS) awarded Cabrini College and Saint Joseph's University in Philadelphia a \$14,000 grant in order for them to further their efforts to implement fair trade in their schools and spread the importance of this system. After much student advocacy the Cabrini College joined forces with Sodexo, the College's dining services provider,

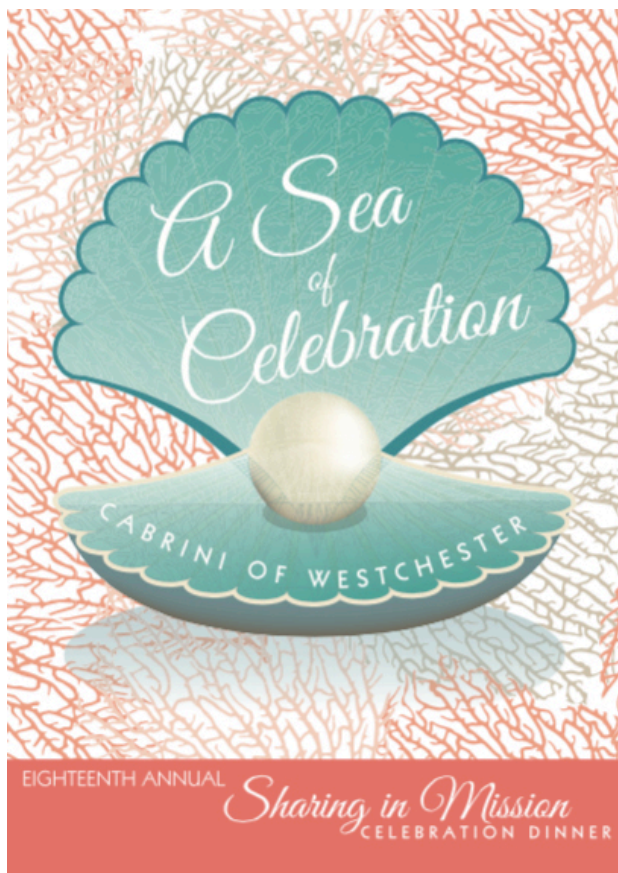
to provide fair trade options like coffee, chocolate, sugar, bananas, teas, quinoa, and rice in the campus dining locations.

By November 2013, Cabrini College had been recognized as one of 17 colleges and universities nationwide to hold a fair trade status. The College now offers a course that focuses on educating students on the dynamics of fair trade.

On your next grocery store run, look for a fair trade logo somewhere on the packaging of the products you purchase so as to ensure that what you are purchasing was made or grown fairly. Either logo will contain the phrases "Fair Trade Certified" or simply "Fair Trade International." But, beware of companies who claim to be providers of fair trade, as some may only offer a single line of a fair trade option compared to the many other unethically made lines of products they offer.

Purchasing fair trade options and encouraging others to do the same will ultimately lead companies to use this method and guarantee that there is fairness among employers and the workers who do so much for so little. ~ submitted by Danielle Perez, Cabrini College student and communications intern





## Cabrini of Westchester\*

Annual Sharing in Mission Dinner "A Sea of Celebration," will be held on Wednesday, May 25<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM at Tappan Hill in Tarrytown, New York.

This year's honorees include Donald & Marie Amoruso, The Carmelite Sisters for the Aged and Infirm and in recognition of 25 years of leadership to Cabrini Eldercare, Patricia Krasnausky.

**\* We would like to invite the Missionary Sisters of the Sacred Heart of Jesus to be our guests at this event. Please RSVP to Susan Herceg at (914) 693-6800 ext. 502 or [sherceg@cabrini-eldercare.org](mailto:sherceg@cabrini-eldercare.org) if you plan on attending.**

## Continuing the Jubilee Year of Mercy

During this Year of Mercy we are considering ways in which we can more fully enter into the spirit of the Jubilee Year and will be offering practical suggestions for showing mercy to others. This is the final installment in this series. We hope through this series on the Spiritual and Corporal Works of Mercy you have found tangible ways in which to express mercy during this Jubilee Year.

### The Spiritual Works of Mercy

#### PRAYING FOR THE LIVING AND THE DEAD

Prayer is one of the most powerful ways we can support others. Joining together in prayer for the living and the dead entrusts us all into God's care.

- Request a mass intention for a friend or family member who is going through a tough time
- Request a mass intention for a friend or family member who has passed away
- Keep your own book of prayer intentions, writing down the names of those who you are keeping in your prayers
- Ask a friend or family member if there is anything you can pray for them about
- Through prayer, entrust your cares and concerns for those around you to God



After 24 years of dedicated service,  
Cabrini Mission Corps will be closing in June.  
Please plan to join us as we give thanks  
for all that has been.

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**SAVE THE DATE**  
Cabrini Mission Corps



*A Celebration of 24 Years of Service*  
#missionneverends

**Saturday, June 18th, 2016**  
**Cabrini College**  
**11:30 a.m. Mass, followed by Luncheon**

There are three things that last:  
*faith, hope and love,*  
and the greatest of these is  
*love.*  
1 Cor. 13:13



# Trees of Life

Celebrate Earth Day (April 22) and Arbor Day (April 29)  
by putting down roots - literally!



Three reasons to plant a tree:

**They fight global warming.** Trees take carbon dioxide from the air and reduce the need for heating and air-conditioning (both sources of carbon monoxide.)

**Trees make your home more valuable.** A yard with trees can increase home value by 15 percent or more.

**The birds will love you.** Who doesn't want to be serenaded with bird song?

Trees are a solution to many of the global issues we face today, improving air quality and water quality and helping mitigate climate change, deforestation, poverty and hunger.

~ Dan Lambe, President of the Arbor Day Foundation

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## Prayer Requests

In addition to those for whom we request prayers in The Update, please remember also all those for whom we receive requests for prayers through our website.

To view the website prayer list please visit: <http://www.motherscabrini.org/wp-admin/post.php?post=1077&action=edit>

## In Loving Memory

### *Avelino Costa*

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Avelino Costa, the brother of Sr. Joaquina Costa, MSC, who died on Monday April 18th. Please remember him and the Costa Family in your prayers. May he rest in God's eternal peace.

