



World **Youth** Alliance

2014

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Dear Friends,

Our 15th year was one of many important accomplishments.

Each of our regions continued to grow in membership, activities, outreach, and advocacy. National chapters are being developed globally. Social media presence and activities are expanding. National outreach with our advocacy efforts has begun, particularly in Asia, Africa, and Latin America. Our mission to defend the dignity of the human person is needed more than ever, and our ability to implement this mission grows stronger each year.

WYA sees policy not as the mere articulation of language, amendments, or facts, but as part of an entire policy wheel. Policy drives funding, and funding is for policy implementation. The capacity for implementation is a critical element towards crafting and influencing good and effective policy.

Critical policy debates that influence both international and domestic policy, invariably focus on women's reproductive health and sexual education. We realized 15 years ago that having a strong response in these areas—one that could engage the entire policy wheel—was both crucial and lacking. We now have that response.

At the conclusion of 2014 we made important strides in these areas. Building on many past years of work, we concluded our first evaluation of the Human Dignity Curriculum for grades 3-8. The evaluation of the remaining grades will take place in 2015 to build a K-12 program. This curriculum both provides the formative groundwork for understanding a human anthropology, in order to answer the question "who am I?" as well as to provide a basis for the introduction of content and curriculum necessary to engage and discuss the integration of human sexuality within the person, at age appropriate levels.

Our sister organization, FEMM, released a FEMM iPhone app, received all insurance credentials for their first pilot health clinic in Columbus, Ohio, and published a groundbreaking series of standardized medical protocols for the diagnosis and treatment of ovarian dysfunction. This was done in conjunction with the Reproductive Health Research Institute, ably headed by our medical director Dr. Pilar Vigil.

All of this activity is chronicled for you in the enclosed Annual Report. We hope you will enjoy reading it as much as we have enjoyed working on these important projects this past year. As ever our gratitude to each of you for your ongoing friendship and support.

Yours,

Anna Halpine
Founder and CEO, World Youth Alliance Foundation

02 Geographic Expansion

Regional Report



Africa

WYA Africa welcomed an additional 2,789 members; introduced WYA's mission at the *Kenya International Conference Center*, August 11-12, 2014; and hosted the 5th Africa Emerging Leaders Conference, October 9-10. At WYA Africa's first annual Youth Camp participants visited the UN (Nairobi); received intensive training in dignity, solidarity, and freedom; and discussed international issues such as population and development. The region has expanded and strengthened programs at Agha Khan Academy Nairobi, Kenya High School, Strathmore High School, and Itaaga High School.



Asia Pacific

WYA Asia Pacific welcomed 7,429 new members by introducing WYA to schools through extensive regional and international tours. In May, WYAAP responded to the Typhoon Haiyan by organizing house-building activities, disaster management training, and art therapy sessions for affected children. In July, WYAAP hosted the first Jakarta WYA film festival screening in collaboration with the London School of Public Relations-Jakarta. WYAAP continues to expand its Track A Training program, launching a chapter at Philippine Normal University-Cadiz City in August and establishing a Track A Training Course at Ateneo de Zamboanga University in November.

Europe

WYA Europe welcomed 779 new members and organized the lectures "What's at Stake in the European Elections?" and "Legalized Euthanasia: Is Conscientious Objection also in Danger?" in response to European Parliament's growing power and influence. WYA Europe launched in March the National Committee in the UK and formally established chapters in Germany and in London and Southampton, England. The German Chapter was established and inaugurated our youth Foederverein. In support of the expanding chapter network, WYA Europe organized specialized training courses for the Croatian Chapter and has begun planning to launch a new Chapter in Austria by March 2015.

MEMBER PROFILE



Jarius Andrew Greaves | Africa

I saw that WYA enabled people to respect all human persons, to advocate for just societies, and to work towards integral development of a culture that welcomes individuals, regardless of their religion, economic status, education, or geographical location. The Alliance's commitment to the dignity of the human person, builds solidarity among developed and developing nations equipping them to foster free and just societies aimed at integral development. Now, over 1 million youths from over 170 member countries, including my own war-ravaged, Ebola-stricken country, have signed WYA's charter, which offers hope and vision to foster a culture that respects human life and freedom. I realize that in all we do we must consider the future. As leaders, our actions, policies and developmental drives should aim to meet the needs of the present generation, without compromising the interest of the future.



Latin America

WYA Latin America welcomed 1,591 new members and is in the process of founding two new Chapters in Aguascalientes and in Hermosillo, Mexico. The newly established Guatemala National Committee represented WYALA at the December National Youth Day of Guatemala. WYALA is in the late stages of creating a National Committee in Costa Rica. The regional office for Latin America has successfully completed phase 1 of the pilot project for the Human Dignity Curriculum (HDC) and continues to plan the implementation of HDC in schools in Mexico. Track A Training has expanded and WYALA certified 130 members over the past year.

Middle East

WYA Middle East welcomed 7,636 new members and 49,000 Facebook followers to WYA Middle East's Facebook page. Having received the United Nations Democracy Fund in September, WYA Middle East has expanded education programs to meet the needs of its growing number of members. The regional office launched new Track A Training programs in online format and through workshops based in Cairo, Rabat, Tunis, and Beirut.

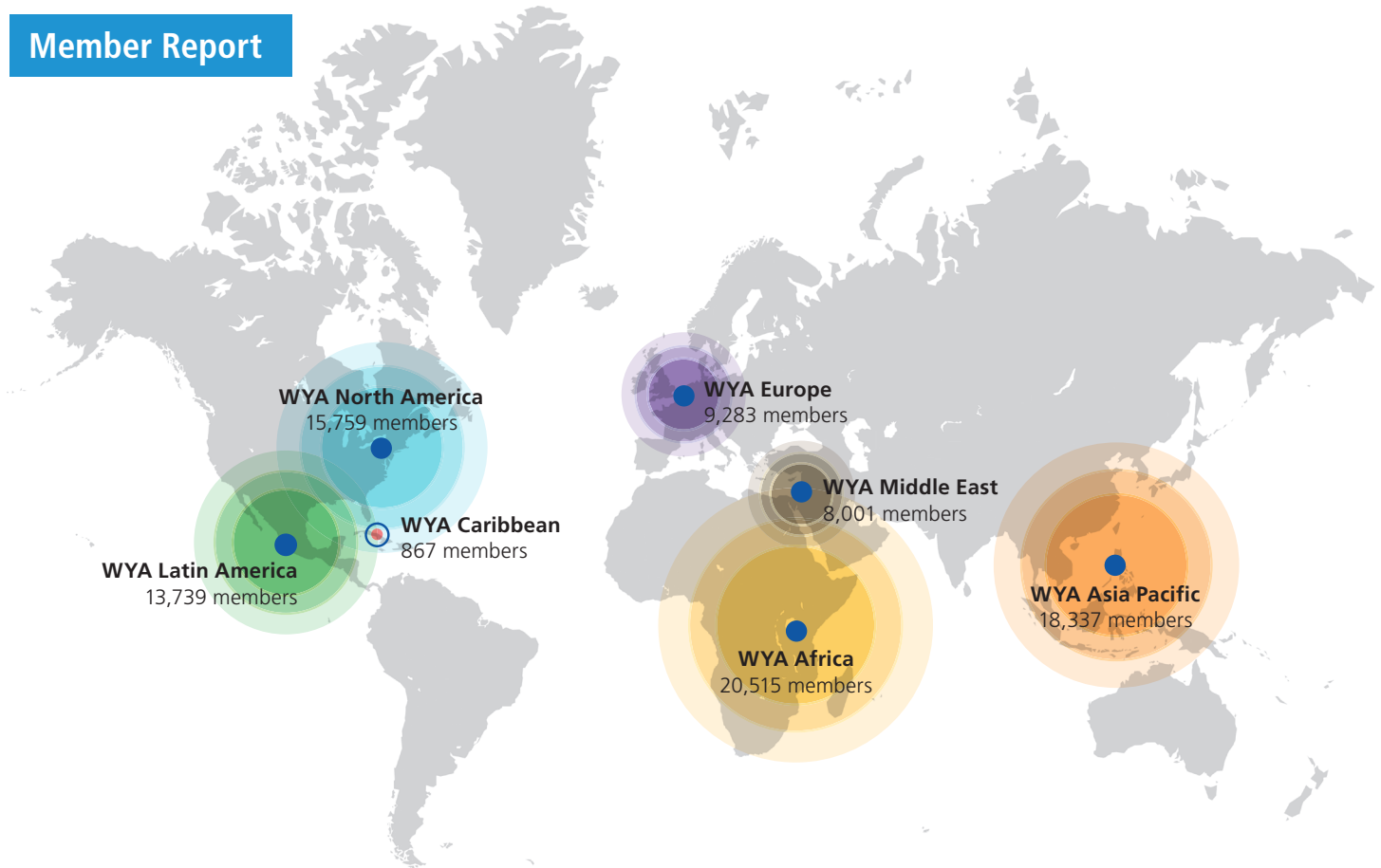
At the end of April, WYA Middle East and youth experts and stakeholders from Egypt, Jordan, Morocco, Tunisia, and Yemen participated in the first Arab Regional Youth Volunteering Forum in the Moroccan imperial city of Marrakesh. In September, WYA Middle East hosted the first Lebanese National Gathering, where a New National Committee was elected and attendees considered new methods to overcome the conflicting national identities. Additional National Committees are in formation as new members complete Track A Training workshops in Egypt, Morocco, and Tunisia.



North America

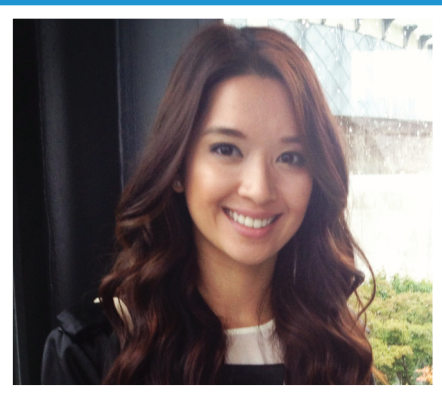
WYA North America welcomed 3,296 new members; significantly increased its blog submissions, Facebook activity and online presence; and expanded training programs at Magdalen College (New Hampshire) and Saint Vincent Ferrer High School (New York). WYA North America has developed a chapter kit to support active university chapters and has expanded the existing chapter at Cathedral High School (New York), where over 200 students have signed the WYA Charter.

Member Report



All WYA regional offices saw significant growth in membership in 2014, thanks to extensive regional tours, chapter network expansion, effective advocacy at key national and international forums, and successful online campaigns. A few membership growth highlights include: **WYA Latin America** recruited 450 new members from local universities and high schools over the course of a two-day career fair in Costa Rica with the Universidad Internacional de las Americas (UIA). International tours offered **WYA Asia Pacific** the opportunity to introduce WYA's mission to over 20 new schools and universities, recruiting many new members and establishing chapters and training courses. **WYA Europe** expanded membership through extending its chapter network through Germany, Spain, Croatia, Switzerland, Austria, and the United Kingdom. Through an extensive social media campaign **WYA Middle East** saw membership rapidly expand, with over 2,600 new members joining over the course of a few months.

MEMBER PROFILES



Pauline Go | North America

I instantly felt connected to the vision and mission of WYA as soon as I read through the website. Then and there, I signed up to be enrolled in WYA's Track A training course. It inspired me to pursue an internship with WYA, where I had the incredible opportunity to see first hand all the work that WYA does—providing youth training programs, supporting chapters, advocating at the UN. WYA offers us a wonderful education, which enables one to articulate and defend the dignity of the person in all aspects of life. I have greatly appreciated the many opportunities for cultural exchanges and engaging conversations. My time at WYA has made me realize that you are never too young to become a leader in your community. I am grateful to WYA for offering me the opportunity to raise my voice and help other young people to be empowered to dream bigger and make a difference in the world.

04 Advocacy in 2014



Through 2014 the **International Advocacy Team**'s primary focuses have been to monitor the United Nations' negotiations on the Sustainable Development Goals and to resist the 2014 Bill on Reproductive Health in Kenya.

Africa

WYA Africa followed closely the Kenyan Reproductive Health Care Bill, 2014, which codifies the "right to abortion" found in the 2010 Constitution and declares an unprecedented "right to gestational surrogacy." WYA has carefully followed and opposed this bill, submitting a memo to the Clerk of the Senate and speaking against the bill at a hearing at the end of June. WYA has prepared an alternative maternal health bill that focuses on the real needs of women. Working with Kenyan Christian Professional Forum (KCPF) and other likeminded organizations, WYA has continued to oppose the Kenya RHC Bill, supporting an alternative bill that addresses significant basic health care concerns.



Asia Pacific

WYA Asia Pacific attended, in August, the 20th *Asia Pacific Youth Conference* and, in November, represented WYA at the *Asia Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC)* in Beijing, China. The program, "New Vision for Asia Pacific: Creativity, Connectivity, Integration, Prosperity," included cultural and historical visits, cultural presentations by the delegates and a youth forum on education and employment, which became a platform for the delegates to share their countries' experience and work together on possible innovative solutions.

Europe

In September, **WYA Europe** welcomed as new Director of Advocacy, Antoine Mellado, who comes from Family Watch, where he was active at the European Parliament. Mellado has participated in the creation of the Family Intergroup at the European Parliament, a special group of Members of European Parliament and NGO's promoting family-friendly policies.



North America

WYA North America had a strong presence at the highly contentious debates on the United Nation's Sustainable Development Goals (SDG), which will replace the Millennium Development Goals (MDG). These will have a major influence on development funding, policymaking, and program implementation. WYA worked closely with delegates to eliminate the inclusion of controversial terms on gender equality and health. The Advocacy team continues to follow closely the SDG negotiations, seeking to amend language during the commission meetings through 2015.

In October, the Advocacy Team published a White Paper on European Law and Regulations Concerning Reproductive Health. In November, in response to the UN's post-2015 Sustainable Development agenda, WYA submitted a comment expressing concern with the misuse of the word "dignity" as something attained rather than inherent and reservations regarding the implication that "reproductive rights" (abortion) are needed for women's empowerment.

Latin America

WYA Latin America opposed, with other likeminded organizations, the development of governmental efforts to legalize abortion in the Mexican state of Guerrero. At the September *Organization of American States Extraordinary General Assembly (OAS)* in Guatemala, WYA resisted policies promoting the legalization of drugs in the Americas, advocating for policy that upholds the intrinsic dignity of each person. In the fall, WYALA monitored the *Campaign on the Convention on Sexual and Reproductive Rights* and successfully advocated with other NGOs to remove the term "sexual and reproductive rights" from the Mexican General Law for Children and Adolescents.

Middle East

WYA Middle East participated in the first Arab Regional Youth Volunteering Forum, held in the Moroccan Imperial City of Marrakesh, April 29-30, and organized by UN Volunteers in partnership with the United Nations Development Program (UNDP) and the Moroccan Ministry of Youth and Sports. WYA Middle East joined youth from the Arab region and representatives from governments and civil society organizations to consider initiatives to strengthen the institutional frameworks for youth volunteerism, volunteer management and youth volunteering mechanisms.

In partnership with the Global Forum for Religions and Humanity (GFRH), a registered non-governmental organization in Lebanon, WYA Middle East conducted a survey of young people in Lebanon and published a report titled "Lebanese Youth: A Future of Conflicting Identities," in October 2014. The project tackled the sectarian and political divisions that have been threatening the essence of the nation's existence ever since its independence in 1943. Following the publication of the report, focus groups formed to draft a set of national principles that the Lebanese people could identify with. The national principles offered a guide for responsible citizenship and political relations that respect the dignity and rights of every person.

05 Education in 2014

On domestic, national, and international platforms, WYA has successfully resisted agendas inimical to individual worth, personal choice, and human life, while effectively promoting policy that protects and fosters authentic human development. At the same time WYA has developed programs that have the capacity to implement the policies that support authentic human development.

In response to the United Nation's recognition of an unmet need for basic education and health care, the World Youth Alliance has developed a comprehensive Curriculum on Human Dignity and Sexual Education. The Human Dignity Curriculum (HDC) and Sexual Education Module have been designed to meet the criteria for sexual education established by the United Nations (UN) and World Health Organization (WHO). The comprehensive K-12 course enables students to form a personal identity reflective of their human dignity and prepares them to engage in respectful relationships that accord with human beings' freedom and responsibility. Building on the best practices in peer-reviewed literature, the curriculum has been tailored for implementation in public and private schools and other educational settings. It will soon be ready to be used by schools and communities around the world.

In a similarly focused response to the unmet need for sexual education and health-care, World Youth Alliance has collaborated with FEMM. FEMM (Fertility Education and Medical Management) enables women to understand and monitor their health and fertility, empowering them to make decisions about their general and reproductive health. FEMM is a knowledge-based program ready and accessible for use by women and communities around the world without compromising individual and cultural values.

Recognizing the internationally acknowledged need for these critical programs, we are pleased to bring the HDC into the final stages of development and implementation. We will also continue to partner with FEMM to ensure that a strong women's health program is presented internationally.

International Summer Camp

The International Summer Camp took place from July 27-August 2 at WYA Headquarters in New York City. Twenty-two young people from Poland, Spain, the Philippines, Rwanda, Italy, Austria, Canada and the United States gathered for two weeks of exciting cultural activities and intensive training. Participants learned to articulate and defend a vision of the human person that is both positive and critically engaged with contemporary global issues. Sophie Harne, 13, USA reflected: "I could fill a book with all the fascinating things I learned, and I feel like I'm about to burst with all of this knowledge. I have to go and tell my friends all about this amazing view on life that I came home with. I learned so much, and it has changed my life, as well as my view on life, forever."



Emerging Leaders Conferences



In response to the United Nation's declaration of 2014 as the International Year of the Family, each of the regions organized Emerging Leaders Conferences to examine the relationships between healthy families and the economic and social development of societies.



Africa

WYA held its Africa Emerging Leaders Conference on October 9-10 gathering 68 participants who represented Kenya, Uganda, Tanzania, Zimbabwe, Rwanda, and Nigeria. The Conference focused on the Economic Development of the Family with the UN Global focus on the 20th Anniversary of the International year of the family.



Asia Pacific

On October 16-18, WYA Asia Pacific held its 3rd annual Emerging Leader's Conference, "Strengthening the Family: Key to Asia Pacific Development." Over 100 youth leaders representing Hong Kong, Japan, South Korea, Indonesia, Thailand, Vietnam, and Malaysia gathered to consider contemporary challenges to the family and to examine the relationship between families and the development of societies and nations.



Europe

On November 17, European Commissioner of Youth, Education and Culture, Mr. Tibor Navracscsics, opened the Emerging Leaders Conference, "Family and Youth Unemployment Crisis," attended by 120 participants from Croatia, Belgium, Switzerland, Spain, Greece, England, Poland, France, and Romania. The three panels focused on Youth Unemployment, the Family, and the 25th anniversary of the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child.



Latin America

Latin America hosted the annual Emerging Leaders Conference on "The Family: Backbone of Development," on November 8-9. A panel of speakers—lawyers, economists, psychologists, professors, and members of NGO's concerned with the family and human rights—addressed 35 participants from across Mexico, Guatemala, Nicaragua, and Costa Rica. On the last day of the conference, WYA staff organized a Dignity Day for participants to develop friendship and solidarity among the members who will form and lead chapters in the future.



Middle East

On October 23-24, WYA Middle East hosted in partnership with Notre Dame University the Emerging Leaders Conference, "The Family and Economic Development in the Arab Region." Following panel discussions, young attendees participated in thematic working groups to formulate and present policy recommendations on topics such as family support for children, the elderly, persons with disabilities, displaced persons, refugees, and unemployment.



North America

On November 7-9, WYA held its North America Emerging Leaders Conference, "Mad Men, Modern Family: Examining the Role of Men in Social Development." The conference provided an opportunity for 63 active members of WYA from 18 countries around the world to gather to discuss our annual theme: "The Family: Backbone of Development." Speakers, including Brad Wilcox, Paul Nathanson, Katherine Young and Read Schuchards, guided dynamic reflections on issues such as fatherlessness, shifting conceptions of the family, gender, and cultural taboos.

Human Dignity Curriculum



No current educational program prepares children and families fully for a lifetime of healthy integration of sexuality. In response to the existing deficiency of a holistic human development program, WYA has created the HDC program to educate youth about human sexuality in the context of their person and life. This Curriculum promotes respect for human dignity as a key to human flourishing. Through the HDC, students learn to understand themselves as integrated persons capable of healthy decisions. By learning to respect themselves, their friends, and the dignity of all human persons in their choices and actions, students recognize their personal responsibility in achieving personal and political flourishing.

This year the HDC moved into a new phase of completion, as we finished a formative evaluation of the content of grades 3-8 in schools in Mexico City and New York City, from October-December. The evaluation report indicated that the content is effective, age-appropriate and adequately timed and developed to classroom delivery. A school principle commented, "this program is important because it is 100% development. Complex philosophical ideas are articulated with clarity that children can understand." Fourth and fifth grade students in Mexico City and in New York City confirm his statement, reflecting that the HDC teaches what "to do in order for us to live in peace"; "in HDC we learn about big ideas. HDC teaches us that nobody can give or take away human dignity."

Through spring 2015 WYA will finalize the development of the elementary school program in preparation for a summative evaluation of grades K-8 in September 2015.

MEMBER PROFILES

Mónica Marín | Latin America

I recognize that WYA offers young people an incredible opportunity to raise their voices and promote the dignity of all people. I appreciate the immense relevance of WYA's training programs. WYA's understanding of the integral dignity of the person and emphasis on solidarity enable our generation to work for a society where all human rights are respected. I continue to share and advocate for WYA's mission by running Track A training and various events including National Youth Day in Guatemala. It is truly inspiring to be part of a global community with members coming from different religions, countries, and cultures yet sharing the same values, ideas, and passion. WYA's members offer real hope for a better future for the world. There is a generation of young people who won't settle for what the world offers, but will give themselves to change policies in education, laws, and politics for a better culture and just society.



FEMM



For decades the international community has recognized a crisis in the poor state of maternal and reproductive health. To address this global crisis in women's health, FEMM (Fertility Education and Medical Management) has been developed in collaboration with the Reproductive Health Research Institute (RHRI). Accessible to all women, the knowledge-based reproductive health education program provides women with crucial information so that they can monitor their own health and fertility. Incorporating important research advances in reproductive endocrinology, FEMM represents a turning point in women's healthcare and medical management.

This year the Reproductive Health Research Institute completed and released the RHRI medical protocols for ovarian dysfunction, which represent a significant contribution to women's health. Increasing the accuracy of diagnosis and enabling more effective treatment and long-term health care, the medical protocols represent a standardization of reproductive endocrinology, and enable family doctors and nurse practitioners to provide a higher standard of health care. Seven doctors are currently using the medical protocols, validating their clarity and ease of use and assessing the effectiveness in treating patients.

The FEMM pilot health center in Columbus OH, opened in 2013, has maintained a full-time teaching staff and nurses and has part-time medical providers as required for patient demand.

FEMM completed another major stage in its implementation this year with the completion and release of the FEMM iPhone app, making education and medical management accessible to more and more women.

MEMBER PROFILES



Zrinka Cornij | Europe

I received an invitation to meet up with a group of young people at WYA Europe's first conference in Brussels. This was a positive turning point in my life. I was struck by the circumstances of the founding of the Alliance. After fifteen years, Anna's claims are as important and true as the cultural battles continue. Returning to Europe, I saw even more the great relevance of the WYA's work. WYA forms individuals so that they can create a culture of life that affirms the dignity of the human person, nurtures family, and promotes integral human development, solidarity, and mutual respect among people. WYA essentially offered me a sense of hope. WYA's message is ever inspiring a new generation of young people, who will find friendship, solidarity, a voice and empowerment through this organization.



Manhattan International Film Festival: film directors traveled to New York from around the world to present at WYA's festival, which consisted of 13 short film screenings, a master class critique by film director and screen writer, Giovanni Morricone, and a keynote conversation with stage and screen actor, Kevin Collins, and Broadway, film and television actress, Dana Ivey.



Following the film festival, the World Youth Alliance and the Permanent Mission of El Salvador co-hosted a screening event for the winners of the MIFF at the United Nations. Twenty musicians from the WYA Orchestra performed and the 5 winning directors from Croatia, the Philippines, Spain, and Romania, presented their original work to the 100 guests attending the UN screening.

The **WYA Chamber Orchestra** performed at a series of venues during 2014, including the United Nations, Saint Vincent Ferrer Church, Central Presbyterian Church, Taipei Economic and Cultural Office, and the Hallmark adult home. The WYA Orchestra is an ensemble of young musicians aged 10-17 from Manhattan's most prestigious music programs, including the Juilliard School and Manhattan School of Music.

Philanthropic Profile

Greg Pfundstein



When I first met Anna Halpine and encountered WYA in 2010 I found their work very compelling. It's easy to give up on the seemingly ineffectual turning of policy wheels. But WYA stood out to me because it both recognizes real global concerns and develops and implements programs that bring actual change. WYA's Human Dignity Curriculum and FEMM programs address the basic needs that policy seeks to defend. While engaging in conversations about international policy and funding, WYA is also addressing the real problems. When an organization can engage on both levels, spinning wheels can hit the ground.

When I met the World Youth Alliance they were developing their curriculum on human dignity and I recognized that this education project could actually change lives, communities, social norms. When individuals are given a formative understand of the dignity of the human person they are equipped to defend human life. The HDC offers individuals the tools to work for the common good and challenge social norms contrary to human flourishing. I appreciate the philosophical approach of WYA's curriculum. It is both universal in breadth and accessible to individual children, women, and men from all religions, nationalities, and walks of life.

In 2010 I began working with Anna to develop their health care program, FEMM, which addresses issues of primary concern to the United Nations—high rates of poverty, maternal mortality, the unchecked spread of HIV. Like the HDC, FEMM's philosophical roots make the program globally relevant and accessible. Providing practical information and basic support to women and communities around the world, FEMM allows individuals and communities to understand the value of life and work towards greater flourishing.

WYA's clear vision and creative work provides the education, support, and information desperately needed for human flourishing.

Board Member Profile

Deb O'Hara-Rusckowski

**How I met WYA—**

I met Anna Halpine through a mutual friend, Mark Bradford, Executive Director for the Jerome Lejeune Foundation, after just joining the JLF Board. We met at WYA's new headquarters on East 71st Street in NY. I was immediately intrigued and impressed with Anna. She was very gracious and generous, offering Mark the new WYA space to use for meetings, receptions, etc. We all went to lunch and as the conversation continued, I knew I wanted to learn more, much more, about WYA and Anna Halpine!

Why I have now joined the Board—

Several meetings and get-togethers later, I have gotten to know Anna and WYA much better. I not only enjoy Anna's company as a friend and colleague, but I have a profound, deep respect for her and the challenging work she faces running WYA. Shortly after some of our initial meetings and discussions learning about WYA, I traveled back into my own past experiences to share some insights with Anna.

Specifically, as the former Respect Life Education Coordinator/Director for the Archdiocese of Boston, I created programs for middle school, high school, college students and their parents on life, love, relationships as it relates to God's Plan. We brought in experts to regularly speak and connect to students. This led to a new chastity curriculum mandated by Cardinal Sean O'Malley, which I'm happy to say is still in place today. Later, I helped form a youth group called "Pure in Heart", initially started in Ireland, but together with the Ireland team, started up in Boston, Haiti, Kenya and the UK. They all continue today.

As a critical care nurse with an MBA, I had a position in Boston's Fetal Care Center where in utero surgeries were performed on high-risk babies and Moms. This was amazing medically and scientifically but had its challenges morally, spiritually and ethically. After successfully planning and managing the Center's first international conference at Harvard University, I resigned because of conflicts between my work expectations and my faith.

On subsequent trips to Haiti, where I've worked for the last 9 years to improve nursing standards and education, I also became very involved in the local and Archdiocesan ministries. Specifically, we were able to collaborate with Maternal Life International—a group I later learned had long ties of friendship and collaboration with WYA, particularly in relation to their new FEMM women's health program. The program was taught to the local hospital so the couples from the community could be supported by healthcare providers. This program has flourished to this day and has over 1,000 couples using their educational system, with a paid local director and a group of "core" teachers.

Because of WYA's work with youth, the FEMM model for women's health and its Human Dignity Curriculum (HDC) which offers a philosophical and anthropological foundation on which to build sound behavior and health care outcomes, I realized the many common intersections of interest between WYA and my passions. I feel it is a higher level, an improvement if you will, of the programs God had me begin in my own spiritual journey and where He is leading me now in this stage of my life. My motto now is, where He opens the door, I will trust to walk through.

And, that's why I am walking through WYA's door now.



Leadership

WYA Foundation

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MEMBER PROFILES

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Through WYA I have come to understand deeply the inviolable dignity of every human person. I am immensely grateful to be a part of WYA's inspiring, supportive community. I was invited to speak at an anti-bullying forum where I had the opportunity to share my conviction about the dignity of those abled and disabled. On many occasions, I have been grateful to WYA for equipping me to articulate and defend the inherent dignity of every human person from conception to natural death. A deeper understanding of the value human life has changed my whole perspective on life. More than a suggestion or a proscriptive philosophy, WYA's mission inspires one to live in a certain way and to see the world in the best light. My mission with WYA entails living in a way that affirms the intrinsic inviolable value of every human person and believing more people and societies will respect human dignity.



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