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GOODBYE TO PATRICK



Patrick Magennis has worked with Partners In Development (PID) for the past four years. He first worked with PID in Haiti for six months. When the Mississippi Field Director position opened, he was PID's first choice!

People in Glendora will remember him most for the driver's license program which enabled people to obtain their driver's license and apply to jobs that were previously not possible due to the lack of transportation, construction of new houses and repairing of old houses, and constant encouragement for kids to continue school. When asked what he will miss most he answered, "The small community. You know everyone's name and everyone knows you. I will miss that. In the big city you don't know anyone, you're basically just a number."

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WHO'S WHO IN THE NEXT GENERATION OF PID

By Gale Hull

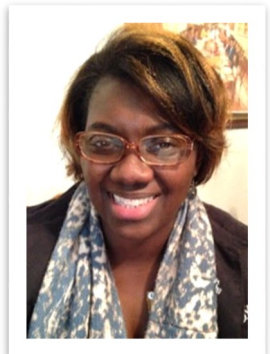
In a world that is always changing, I often ask myself will there be anyone left who is dedicated to eliminating extreme poverty? Will the next generation even care? Or will they think they can hit a like or share button on Facebook and the problem of extreme poverty will be solved? This week I went to speak at Cuvilly Arts and Earth Center to a group of preschool and kindergarten students. As I sat in front of this group of 4 and 5 year-olds, anxious to learn more about Haiti

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WELCOME NEW FIELD DIRECTOR

We are happy to welcome Cassandra Wilson as our new Field Director in PID Mississippi. She lives in Clarksdale, Mississippi and attended Coahoma Community College where she received an Associate's degree in Criminal Justice. She finished her bachelor's degree at Jackson State in Criminal Justice and Sociology.

Cassandra has a great attitude which personifies all staff and volunteers at PID: "Don't just work a job just to get a check. You should love it; you should be passionate about it. You give it your all, and it won't seem like work when you like what you're doing. Before I start a new job I always ask myself, can I see myself doing this?"



After working in Glendora for a training week she said, "I really enjoyed my training. I am even more excited and know that I've made the right decision and am looking forward to the future with PID. Hearing about the programs was exciting, but after experiencing a sample of it and having hands on, it is just absolutely where I want to be."

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WELCOME NEW INTERNS

Kayla Marti— Haiti

“Bonswa,” says Kayla Marti from Dickeyville, Wisconsin. Kayla will graduate from Loras College in May, 2017 with a double major in business administration and marketing and a minor in psychology. She first traveled to Haiti in January 2017 with Loras College for a service learning class and fell in love with the country and its culture instantly! The welcoming smiles and warm hugs she received in Haiti inspired her to intern with PID to continue to help those in need. She is excited to develop an enhanced perspective of the Haitian culture using her business education, while also stepping out of her comfort zone to assist others. She is eager to work side by side with the employees of this excellent organization to create hope for a better tomorrow!

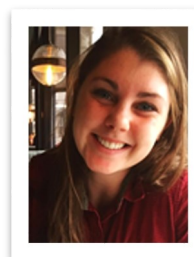


Iowa. She plans to graduate in May 2017 with a degree in biochemistry. She has worked as a certified nurses' aide in Dubuque. She traveled to Haiti this past January for a week to work alongside Partners In Development helping build a duplex in Canaan as well as digging a latrine for Madame Adeline. This internship is providing her the opportunity to return to Haiti to learn more about their culture and to nurture the relationships she created several months ago. She looks forward to traveling back to Haiti where the culture is so loving and welcoming to both her and other newcomers. It's a community, she can't wait to be a part of!

PID in Guatemala because Guatemala is the country that exposed her heart to the international community in need. She felt a strong desire to return in order to continue providing services. She also chose Guatemala to further her understanding of the beautiful Mayan-rooted culture and people and to deepen her knowledge regarding the Spanish language.

Rachel Haley— Guatemala

Rachel is a sophomore in the Commonwealth Honors College at the University of Massachusetts, Amherst. She is on a pre-medical track and majors in Global Health and Spanish. After traveling with a group from Scranton University to Guatemala last summer, she chose to go again this summer with Partners In Development as an intern. At school she studies the intersection between health, political climate, and ethnic identity. In her internship she will work on a social justice program directed by James Hull and explore these same topics in the context of Guatemala.



Nicole Pineau— Guatemala

Nicole, from Portland, ME is a transfer student, currently in the midst of a semester off. She begins her fourth semester at



Northeastern in Boston this fall to continue her undergraduate study of political science. After earning her undergraduate degree, she plans to attend law school and the Peace Corps. Prior to this internship, she traveled to Guatemala with Safe Passage, Haiti with PID, and Georgia, USA with Habitat for Humanity. She chose to intern with

Catherine Paulsen—Haiti

Raised in small town in Iowa, Catherine currently attends Loras College in Dubuque,



NEXT GENERATION OF PID CON'T...

and how they could help, I knew there will be a next generation of PID workers. I smiled as I remembered all the kids who have helped over the past couple of years.

Our future heroes:

- ◆ Beverly Middle School Student Counsel collected supplies for hurricane relief
- ◆ The First Church youth group in Ipswich collected supplies for hurricane relief
- ◆ Mullien Hill Christian Academy raised almost \$2,000 for hurricane housing relief
- ◆ Strings Welcome Spring Concert musicians under age 18 fundraised to sponsor 3 kids in Haiti
- ◆ Cuvilly Art and Earth Center for preschool and Kindergarten fundraised to sponsor 2 kids in Haiti
- ◆ The Manchester Essex Regional School raised over \$1,400 for hurricane relief
- ◆ River Valley Charter School raised money for cleft lip and palette surgeries
- ◆ Shore Country Day School worked in Mississippi for two years in a row
- ◆ Hannah Elementary School raised funds by making candles and each student donated the profits to the charity of his or her choice

A Special thanks to all the students and their advisors helping to make this world a better place.

VOLUNTEERS WHO CHANGE THE WORLD

Our dedicated volunteers make so much possible in the central office in Ipswich, MA. Volunteers make it possible to sell our PID craft products on [etsy.com](https://www.etsy.com), fix bugs on our computers, and meet project deadlines.

Heather fills and packs the orders for PID crafts. This time sensitive task is very important to the success of the PID craft store. We have many orders and are grateful for her efforts. Check out our products in-store at our central office in Ipswich or online at [etsy.com/shop/PIDcrafts](https://www.etsy.com/shop/PIDcrafts)

Russ assists with our computer malfunctions and has taken the time to pre-stamp envelopes with the PID address. Once our PID craft store has a scanner, Russ looks forward to assisting in tracking our inventory in an easier way.

Sue coordinates service trip bags weekly and any miscellaneous tasks. She and Merrily created identification cards for sponsored

children in Haiti. They spend hours cutting, pasting, and laminating, then took them home to finish the project and returned 500 completed cards the next day. Gale Hull, the president of PID, was then able to take the identification cards on her flight the next morning!

ANNUAL BENEFIT VOLUNTEERS

We need the following volunteer positions filled for the Annual Benefit on
Saturday, October 21, 2017

- Prep Cooks prior to event day
- Food Prep Volunteers
- Kitchen Volunteers
- Other positions

Email volunteercoordination@pidonline.org if you or someone you know would like to join this group of volunteers and change the lives of families living in extreme poverty. You can have fun while you make a difference in the world. Hope you will join us.

BE A TEAM LEADER FOR PID'S SOCIAL JUSTICE PROGRAM

PID's Department of History and Social Justice is certifying teaching assistants (TAs) who serve as team leaders for PID's service trips to Haiti, Guatemala, and the Mississippi Delta.

Participants first complete a course of readings and reflections on the history and social justice dynamics of the regions in which they wish to be qualified. Certified participants then recruit friends, family, church members, fellow students, and the like, who will constitute their team.

During the trip, these leader-educators deliver, to team members, PID's social justice curriculum for that region and assist with general needs of the service and study team. College students, who wish to serve in this capacity, have the option of working with a more comprehensive course of study for their certification, which will earn them up to three academic credits through PID mentored courses coordinated with their colleges and universities.

Favored applicants will have traveled already

with a PID work team or have other experience in international travel.

For further information, contact James Hull, PID's Department Chair/ Instructor in History and Social Justice at james@pidonline.org

GOODBYE PATRICK CON'T...

Patrick's future plans are, "Right now I am full-time at the University of Memphis. I want to keep up with that. I am doing 19 credits now and I will do 16 credits in the summer. That will mean I am 2 years done with my Bachelor's degree. I started last semester."

All of us at PID wish Patrick the best in his future pursuits and are thankful for the four years in his life that he gave to work with those living in extreme poverty.

LET YOUR LIGHT SHINE

While every donation is special to Partners In Development, many supporters have given gifts from the heart in honor or memory of their friends and loved ones. We would like to acknowledge these noteworthy contributions and efforts:

Lizzy Koah donated a healthy delivery kit in honor of Linda Barnes.

Kylah Monroe and William & Elizabeth Hastings made donations to honor Linda & Olivia Monroe's service in Mississippi.

Matthew Grinnell and Judy Spiller both gave gifts in honor of Ann Grinnell.

Amanda Hardman made donations to honor Susan Duchesney, Danielle Provencal, and Alex & Amie Hardman.

Danielle Provencal gave a donation in honor of Amanda Hardman's birthday.

David R. Anderson gave in honor of Paula Kuphal, RN.

Daniel Oldman & Catherine Starkweather donated in memory of Sela Nelson.

Mark Magennis gave a gift in memory of Irene Magennis, grandmother of Patrick Magennis.

Samuel Frederick donated in honor of Peach Frederick, and Jessica Cross donated in honor of Stephen Frederick.

Michael & Melanie Spiller gave healthy delivery kits in honor of Judy Spiller.

Donations were made in memory of Elizabeth S. Lasch by Mary Jo & Robert Hrubiec, Barry S. Lide, William Scott Staten, David & Sherilyn Levy, James W. Kloiber and Jeanne Kehoe.

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Join us for our ANNUAL CELEBRATION

Sunday, April 23, 2017
2 - 4 pm

Guest Speaker : James Hull, Co-founder and Director of Social Justice Education

Join us to celebrate PID program accomplishments and their impact on individuals living in extreme poverty. Learn about our social justice education program.

Ascension Memorial Church at the Dorman Gymnasium
31 County Street, Ipswich, MA 01938

Refreshments will be served.

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