

“The Purpose of Souls is to Assist Each Other”

*Another HCS Community Outreach Event:
HCS Students and Staff participate in Soup Kitchen
On Thanksgiving Day 2007*

In following our efforts at instilling in our students the drive and efforts to give back, our students and staff participated in yet another eventful community effort on Thanksgiving Day 2007.

On Thanksgiving Day 2007, twelve HCS student, one parent and one staff member participated with the Gospel House to serve a thanksgiving meal to the homeless. Gospel house is located in one of the poorest parts of Harlem and every year, this church sponsors a Thanksgiving Dinner. Ms. Mariam Naraine helped organize and coordinate this marvelous gesture that we all are proud of.

HCS students met at 8:30am, they were all bundled up and excited. It was nice to see that they ALL remembered to bring a pie. In addition to giving of their time, HCS was responsible for the desert part of the dinner. Most students brought a pie, however one student, Dominique Smart, actually baked two pies!

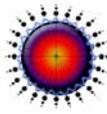
HCS students began to work right away. They were divided into groups and started various duties: setting up the dining room, peeling potatoes, making stuffing, cutting carious and making gravy. One of the memorable events was watching seven HCS students discussing what was the best way to carve a turkey. They finally settled on a method, and proceeded to carve all the turkeys that were donated.

HCS students even went out to spread the word about the Thanksgiving Dinner, by giving out flyers on the streets and going into parks to invite people in. People recounted our student's gracious efforts and generosity. By the end of the day, HCS students had help feed over 275 residents from Harlem.

One of our memorable events was when all the enthusiasts were all tired and weary, sitting down to finally get something to eat ourselves, the students asking, “ So what are we going to do next?” Then they begin to brainstorm about various volunteer activities they would like to participate in. “HCS Community Outreach” is off to an excellent start.

Harlem Children Society takes a great pride in having these young enthusiasts in our team of idealists - of dreamers and achievers! And yet very realistic in inculcating a change in our wonderful world of amazing people, nature and environs – through science, education, and caring for other people - thereby inculcating change for the better of humanity.





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We indeed are very proud of our students who actively participate in helping other people and be a part of a responsible citizenry.

We congratulate the following HCS students who participated on Thanksgiving Day 2007:

*Raykia Koroma
Kenyatta M. Thompson
Dominique Smart
Nicholas Gonzales
Bastau-Lee Leigh
Alexandro Baste
Tetise Millingen
Abby El-Shafey
Yuk Ki Chau
Joanna Alvarez
Savita Ramalall
Diana Dailon
Diana Gualpa
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