



DIGNITY / FORT LAUDERDALE

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Message from the President

The protective factor of Dignity

Last month, in a homily on Sunday June 30, I introduced you to a Carver Ranches raised local author name Dr. Carl Hart, a neuropsychopharmacologist, who is a tenured professor at Columbia University. In his latest autobiographical book called High Price, he writes "social support itself is actually protective against many health problems and multiple types of risky behavior, including addiction. Indeed, a great deal of pathological drug use is driven by unmet social needs, by being alienated and having difficulty connecting with others" (p. 90).

In June, we were new business cards. One the front of this card is our logo with a new updated look. On the back of the card is a capsulated invitation and mission statement of social support: You Are Not Alone. While this invitation and mission statement is primarily meant for our GLBTQ roaming Romans, we have evidence in our midst that God extends the charity of our little chapter to offer our social support, protection, healing, and love to others who are not GLBTQ. God gives sight to the blind by giving *our* sight to the blind and those who feel lost.

Please consider this initiative: how do we get our cards in the hands of those who need them? I look forward to your answer and successes.

Andrew

Upcoming Events:

Every Sunday 7:00 PM..... Liturgy
July 20th 5:30 PMDinner & Movie Night
Oct 4 - 6Chapter hosts National Board Meeting

DINNER AND MOVIE NIGHT **SATURDAY, JULY 20, 2013 5:30 PM**

Our monthly outing will be held on Saturday July 20th at 5:30 PM. We will meet at California Pizza Kitchen located on US1 23rd Street – just north of Barnes and Noble in Fort Lauderdale.



Afterwards we will go and see the comedy "RIPD" with Ryan Reynolds and Jeff Bridges. If you wish to come to dinner and/or the movie, please contact George by 3 PM on Saturday at 954-822-6780 or at the chapter's email address Dignityftl@bellsouth.net.



