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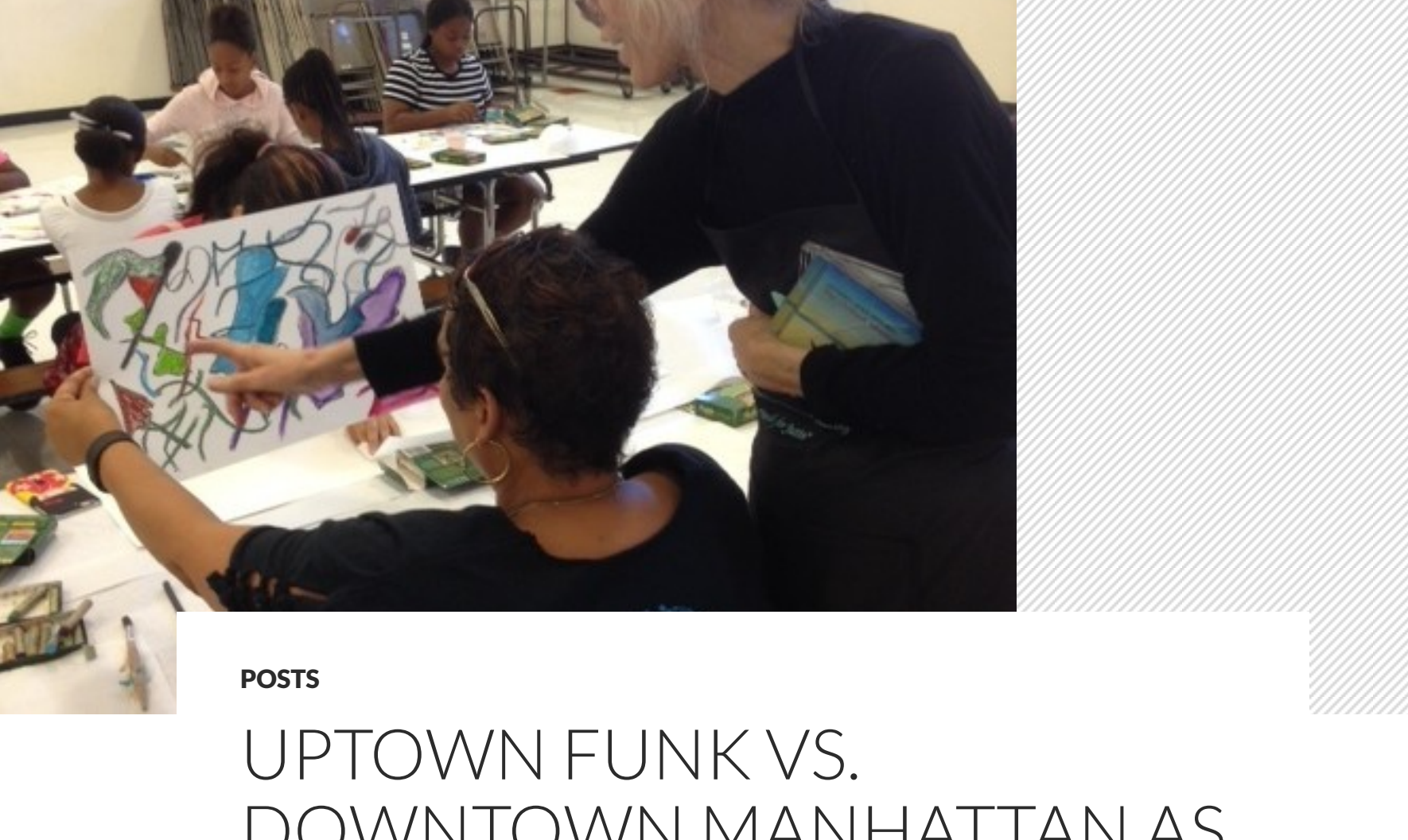
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October 10, 2015 SUSAN TOLER-CARR 2 COMMENTS

UpTown Funk vs. Downtown Manhattan as the JCWWP Beat Goes On

Today, I did a cameo appearance to see first hand what Darrell, Ms. Hall, Ms. Cleveland and the HW Volunteers were stirring up at the first Justin Carr Dare to Dream Workshop. Upon arrival, I smiled when I noticed the big entry sign that hugged the wall--inviting all students to sign up for this special day. I also had a flashback moment to the first time I took Justin to this campus (in the summer of 2012)--when he was scouting out a school to adopt...



As the session began, Darrell spoke to the students about Justin--who he was, and what he stood for. He also spoke about the JCWWP mission--and how we are all working hard to realize Justin's dreams--for world peace. Darrell told the students that by including someone in their circle, or even helping someone out are indeed a step in the right direction.

Ms. Hall then did her magic as she demonstrated today's exercise of "drawing to music". They showed Justin's that drawing, he did in 10th grade as an example



I smiled as she moved her petite body from side to side dancing to the beat of Bruno Mars' "Up-Town Funk". With a pastel pencil in one hand and paper in the other, she made markings that paralleled the sounds beating from the boom box. Subsequently, the first patch of students eagerly started their

project while the 7th and 8th graders set out to increase their math skills with tutoring with the high school volunteers. The students and volunteers produced some beautiful pieces of art.



A few minutes later, as I stepped outside, I heard my name being called out. At first I did not recognize the woman behind the stylish dark shades, but after she revealed her sparkling eyes, I realized it was a family friend, Jackie Jackson. She said she was just doing a favor for a friend and picking up her grandchildren. This was her first time ever setting foot on this campus. Ironically, Jackie had three children who graduated from HW. She said she saw the welcoming sign for the "Justin Carr workshop when she entered the campus, and she thought to herself that "Justin's beautiful spirit" is everywhere. She had no idea she was going to see me.

A moment later, Angie Dave's who is a consistent volunteer with the program, came out and I introduced her to Jackie. Then it dawned on me that they shared many dear friends in common. Angie went on to say that her sister Cathy Dave's attended the Westlake School for Girls. Within seconds from mentioning "Cathy's" name, I got a text message from Cathy--who lives ALL the way in NYC. At first I could not decipher the message because it came in three "out of order" messages (Cathy must have a Blackberry phone and not an Apple lol) Then, I had to call her for clarity because we all could not believe that we had JUST mentioned her name. I quickly dialed her number. Before I could get a word out, she blurted: "Sue, you are not going to believe this. I was just walking Downtown Manhattan on 8th Avenue in New York sporting my JCWWP T-shirt. I usually do not pay attention to people on the streets in the city, but I did however notice two women who were lunching on an outdoor patio, and motioning me to come over. They said: "Where did you get that shirt?" Cathy explained that the Carr family are dear, dear friends." Then they proceeded to tell her that they were from California, worked at Harvard Westlake and knew Justin and our family well. They were charged up with full-blown excitement. Turned out one of the lady's was Cheri Gaulke, the Upper School Visual Arts Department Head.

Before I ended my call with Cathy she said: "Sue, it was such a glorious day in the city. To hear the joy in their voices and to witness the pure smiles on their faces has they spoke compassionately about Justin, made my day. I am so grateful that Justin is so ever present, and remains with us... as he will forever walk with us and travel in our hearts! I carry Justin with me always."

Thank you Volunteers as the BEAT goes on all for JCWWP!!!!



I can't make this up!!!!!!!

Angie Dave's Moving to the Beat of JCWWP

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2 THOUGHTS ON "UPTOWN FUNK VS. DOWNTOWN MANHATTAN AS THE JCWWP BEAT GOES ON..."

Jackie Jackson OCTOBER 11, 2015 AT 8:33 AM Dear Susan,

Thank you, Darrell and the lovely and dedicated JCWWP volunteers for working so diligently to support the Justin Carr Dare to Dream Workshop. It was such a pleasant surprise to see you and to be re-energized by Justin's beautiful spirit through all of you.

What started out as a rushed morning to pick up my friend's grandchildren from 2 locations, and could have escalated into a harried day, as I returned home for my husband's that we could take them to a matinee performance of "The Sound of Music" at the Music Center's Ahmanson Theatre downtown, all the while trying to anticipate avoiding traffic and road closures during the President's 6 hour visit to L.A.; changed to a zen like experience once I saw the Justin Carr sign-up poster and later bathing in the glow of all of you as you spoke of Justin.

You all had such a peaceful, content, and happy demeanor that it quietly engulfed me. I suddenly stopped worrying about the time and possible hiccups in my day. It was such a positive 10 minutes.

We made it without a hitch and had time to reflect on how important it is to continue to give to others, which is what we had set out to do, but to remember to do it "Justin style with calmness and happy determination as it only blocks out any negative vibes (like L.A. traffic) and strengthens our commitment.

Thank you and most importantly, thank you Justin for continuing to be such an inspiration!

Love, Jackie

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Angela OCTOBER 11, 2015 AT 7:15 AM Fun article Su!!

Like I said yesterday, Justin was working his magic again! The timing of it all was unbelievable. I wouldn't have believed it if I hadn't been a part of it (well, I would've)- tee hee! The circumstances and timing on both coasts were in sync for this occurrence to happen!

JCWWP/dare, if you haven't had a chance to volunteer at the JCWWP 'Dare to Dream' program, please do so! You will leave fulfilled knowing you've made a difference in these young kids' lives.

Cheers to an exciting new year!! JCWWP Xx Auntie Ang

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