Mediation Service & Conflict Resolution Training

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Imitation is the Best Form of Flattery!

By Craig R. Pappas, Executive Director

This past summer I received an email from one of our long-time mediators with just the words "Judy/

VORP" in the subject line. VORP stands for Victim-Offender Reconciliation Program and is a program we run in collaboration with the Macomb County Circuit Court's Juvenile Diversion Unit in which first time youthful offenders meet face-to-face with the victim of their crime to take accountability and ultimately make things right with that victim. I knew that the sender of this email had mediated one of these cases the evening before with another

mediator, Judy, so my initial reaction was "Oh no, what happened?"

What happened is what I have known all along, that our volunteer mediators take their role as community servants very seriously. They approach each case with a high level of professionalism, tact, and sincerity. Often time we take for granted the value of our mediators and do not always fully recognize the true worth of the service they provide to the community. The email I share with you below sums up perfectly the passion and dedication that all of the mediators at The Resolution Center demonstrate on daily basis:

*This was unedited and as exactly how it was sent to me!

Hi Craig;

This is what I posted on facebook tonight after the VORP with Judy:

"I have just had a master class in mediation. I have not observed another mediator in my 16 years who even comes close to the unbelievably high level of skill in mastering the art of mediation. Judy, you are scary good. Seriously, I am in awe of the way you just "get" the process and let it work for you. I knew you were good, but this was just goose bump inducing bloody perfect."

Craig, Judy is unbelievably good. I don't think I have ever said that of another mediator, ever. I got goose bumps. She has the process in her pores and bone marrow. Granted, this was first my real life intro to VORP, which still scares me, don't know why. If I can be half as good as Judy, I'd be grateful. But seeing Judy in action is a thrill. I can't even describe exactly what it was, but there it was. I watched and learned.

She has the process down pat, to the degree that it is as natural as breathing and just as seemingly effortless. To get to THAT point means that she truly, really "GETS" it. Do you know how rare that is? There is no "Judy", but there is the mediator. I know that I have not reached that level yet. Her listening skills and instincts are so good she scares me, but in a good way.

I am in total awe. I have always known she is good but I had no idea how truly, really excellent she really is. Yowza!

Rita

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