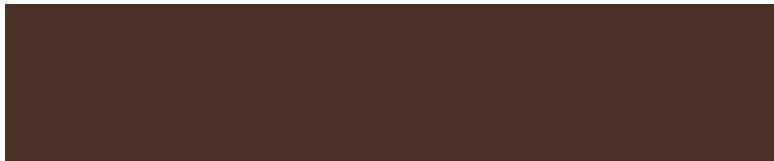


My first "real job" was at Camp Stella Maris, a summer camp on Conesus Lake, which is a ministry of the Diocese of Rochester.

The summers were great. I learned a great deal about myself and the world in which I live. Each summer, staff were evaluated twice. I was so nervous as these evaluations approached, I often found myself with tears in my eyes throughout the whole evaluation.

At times, I could barely talk and respond to my evaluator. One summer (these evaluations approached or approached)



For Hiryu “Mike” Waseda, being the graduate assistant manager at the Warming House is a special and rewarding position.

Each afternoon he faces multitasking, delegating, and responding to whatever the day throws at him. When speaking to him about his experiences the past two years at the Warming House, he elaborated on the personal connections he’s made with guests and the continued need that still exists today.

“I try to talk to everyone. Just because I’m there every day and try to pay attention to all who come in,” said Waseda. “I try to figure out what people are struggling with and just listen to be there for those that