

# Michael Bonura, Founding Partner, Bonura Hospitality Group

#### Why did you join the Community Foundation of Orange and Sullivan's (CFOS) Board of Directors?

I was originally approached by Karen VanHouten Minogue about the Community Foundation. I chose to join the board because CFOS gives you the option to devote your time and efforts to a plethora of nonprofits and charitable organizations, as opposed to a single one.

## What do you enjoy doing when you aren't working or volunteering?

I enjoy being a dad for my two sons, Michael (age 7) and Matthew (age 5) whenever I can.

### What is one quote that you try to live by?

It's not a quote, but rather the Japanese concept of "kaizen," which is the practice of constant improvement. I am always trying to better myself, my charitable endeavors and my businesses.

#### What are your favorite worthy charitable causes?

Other than CFOS of course, I would say Hospice of Orange and Sullivan Counties, Inc., and Cornerstone Family Healthcare (Formerly the Greater Hudson Valley Family Health Center). The work they do is invaluable in making our community a better place, and I feel personally connected to them.

### What is one thing that people don't know about you?

I was on the debate team in high school and college.

#### What are two things that make you the happiest?

I would have to choose three things that make me the happiest: my wife, Jennifer, and my two sons, Michael and Matthew.