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News Of Minnesota United Cursillo

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Support United Cursillo #77 and #78 at First Presbyterian of Stillwater, Minnesota

The Men's United Cursillo #77 will take place September 19-22. The Sunday morning serenade (5:30 a.m.) is open to the team and sponsors **only** while the evening serenade (5:30 p.m.) is open to all the 4th Day Community.

Women's Cursillo #78 will be September 26-29. The weekend theme is Nehemiah 8:10 "... the joy of the Lord is my strength." The Sunday 5:30 a.m. serenade is for sponsors and team only, while the Sunday evening serenade is for the Fourth Day Community at 5:30 p.m.

Please call the team rectors to see how you may assist the team with special Palanca such as food contributions towards some of the meals or time commitments to help with the Agape dinner or clean-up.

Need Palanca Ideas? Please Call:

Men's weekend #77

•	Russ Johnson (rector)	(H) 927-5298	(W) 927-5298
	Neal Horton (kitchen rector)		
	Gary Wright (4th day rector)		

• Dick Middleton (palanca rector)(H) 944-4064 (W) 335-9761

Women's weekend #78

•	Peanut Comer (rectora)	(H)	571-80	Ю1
•	Barb Hedberg (kitchen rectora)	(H)	784-89	53
•	Barb LaPorte (4th day rectora)	(H)	439-51	32
•	Myrna McInenly (palanca rectora)(H) 436-6100	(W)	423-84	189

Remember that to palanca time to the teams is always appreciated. Assist the Palanca team on stations of the cross or in chapel coverage. Palanca food or garden flowers or cooking or serving or washing dishes to the Kitchen team. Assist the 4th Day team in set-up for the Agape dinner or music for the Closura or in cleanup afterwards. However, please contact the appropriate team leader to coordinate this effort.

Remember to nurture and support all the participants going through on these weekends at your own churches afterwards. Perhaps one of the greatest gifts you can give them is to help them find renewal groups.

Hear Ye! Hear Ye! From A-Far

I think all of us were very surprised and moved by all of the palanca that was sent during our own weekend. One of the special things was notes from far-away places. So, if you are reading this from out-state, please give some thought to sending a palanca note for the upcoming week-ends. Another thing, for those who are so inclined, is to send a palanca donation to a food shelf or home-less shelter or charity of your choice. When the week-enders receive so much, it is refreshing for each one of them to share with those less fortunate.

Address your notes or letters to "Men of United Cursillo #__" or "Women of United Cursillo #__". Mail your notes for each United Cursillo week-end to Jean Girardot, 3545 Girard Ave. S., Mpls., MN 55408, and she will see that all notes get to the week-end.

United Men's #77 Team Roster

Rector:

Russ Johnson, Christ Presbyterian

Assistant Rector:

Don Dealing, Rochester Covenant Dan Fredenberg, Redeemer Covenant B.P. Leo Gehlhoff, First Presbyterian - Stillwater

Spiritual Director:

Greg Iverson, First UMC - Duluth Kevin Dunn, Hobart United Methodist

Music Director:

Mike Coomes, First Presbyterian - Stillwater Todd Hansen, First Presbyterian - Stillwater

Rollistas:

Bill Hull, Christ Presbyterian
Rick Jakubowski, Christ Presbyterian
Carlie Madison, Hope Presbyterian
Cecil Selness, Hope Presbyterian
Bob Stanhope, Rochester Covenent
Bill White, First Presbyterian - Stillwater

Table Leaders:

Dick Anderson, First UMC - Lindstrom Dave Borsos, Oak Grove Presbyterian Randy Harmison, Rochester Covenant Jim Edwell, Wayzata Community Greg Walsh, Hastings United Methodist Sam Dull, Evangel UMC - Rochester

Palanca Rector:

Dick Middleton, Christ Presbyterian

Assistant Rector:

Andy Braden, First Presbyterian - Stillwater

Spiritual Director:

Joe Coulter

Palanca Team:

Jim Doudiet, Christ Presbyterian Clark Duffey, First Presbyterian - Hudson Mark Eaton, Christ Presbyterian
Tom Finn, Church of the Open Door
Ken Harrington, Hastings United Methodist
Lou Soukup, Evangelical Covenant - Mankato
Andy Whitman, Wayzata Community Church
Mike Shanley, St. Lucas Community Church
David Wells, Evangel UMC - Rochester

Kitchen Rector:

Neal Horton, Hope Presbyterian

Assistant Rector:

Bob McCoy, S. Sub. Evangelical Free

Kitchen Team:

Dennis Vogland, Trinity
John Haas, Hope Presbyterian
Peter Hagstrom, First Presbyterian - Stillwater
Dave Haslund, St. Croix Valley UMC
Walt Joy, Faith Covenant
Rob Peterson, Eagan Covenant
Neal Powel, St. Lucas Community
Brian Swanson, Hope Presbyterian
Roth Trulson, First Presbyterian
Pete Lindberg, Bethany Covenant

4th Day Rector:

Gary Wright, First Presbyterian - Stillwater

Assistant Rector:

Don Irwin, First Presbyterian - Stillwater

4th Day Team:

Jules Butcher, Zion Lutheran
Alan Connors, First Presbyterian - Hudson
Dick Ellis, St. Croix Valley UMC
William Fuller, Wayzata Free
Steve Hemping, Minnetonka Methodist
Mike Koncar, Church of the Open Door
Terry Koop, Lindstrom United Methodist
Irv Lecy, First UMC - Lindstrom

United Women's #78 Team Roster

Rectora:

Peanut Comer, Shiloh Bethany

Assistant Rectora:

Betty Galinski, North Heights Lutheran Mary Edlund, Hopkins United Methodist Carolyn Dockter, St. Croix Valley UMC

Spiritual Director:

Mary Marcoux, Peoples Congregational - Bayport Jamie Swanson, LeSueur Presbyterian

Music Director:

Beth Cone, Minnewashta UCC Hide Sudah, Shiloh Bethany Presbyterian

Rollistas:

Gayle Nelson, Fridley Covenant
Judy McElyea, Shiloh Bethany Presbyterian
DeLise Kroening, Christ Presbyterian
Carmella Anderson, Hopkins United Methodist
Penni Johnson, First UMC - Lindstrom
Cherie Middleton, Christ Presbyterian

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Nancy Youel, Shiloh Bethany Presbyterian Nancy Erstad, Lynnhurst Congregational Carla Mills, First Presbyterian - Stillwater Nan Beard, Wayzata Community Audrey Moe, St. Croix Valley UMC Audrey Hansen, Evangelical Free - Stillwater

Palanca Rectora:

Myrna McInenly, Peoples Congregational - Bayport

Assistant Rectora:

Onallee Serier, Peoples Congregational - Bayport

Spiritual Director:

Patti Dando-Thompson, Congregational - New Project

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Judy Holston, Faith Covenant - Burnsville
Dinah Haag, First UMC - Lindstrom
Nancy Fravel
Jill Hornickel, First Presbyterian - Stillwater
Jill Edstrom, Our Savior's Lutheran - Stillwater

Kitchen Rectora:

Barb Hedberg, Shiloh Bethany Presbyterian

Assistant Rectora:

Char Martin, Elm Creek Chapel

Kitchen Team:

Jean McDougal, Shiloh Bethany Presbyterian
Rebekak Hagstrom, First Presbyterian - Stillwater
Juleen Jeske, Resurrection Episcopal
Chris Larson, Wayzata Community
Judy Schlekewy, Cannon Falls Congregational
Alice Bolton, Normandale Hylands UMC
Maggie Wooley, First Presbyterian - Hudson
Debbie Johnson, Warman Church
Gloria Haslund, St. Croix Valley UMC
Bonnie VanderVegte, First Presbyterian - Stillwater

4th Day Rectora:

Barb LaPorte, First Presbyterian - Stillwater

Assistant Rectora:

Carole Cragg, First Presbyterian - Stillwater

4th Day Team:

Elsa Anderson, First UMC - Lindstrom
Sue Boeve, First Presbyterian - Stillwater
Tamia Trulson, First Presbyterian - Hudson
Jean Martens, St. Croix Valley UMC
Karen Brohaugh, First UMC - Lindstrom
Eleanore Hiller, Trinity Lutheran - Stillwater
Connie Halloway, Olive Branch Lutheran
Jean Marie Ulland, First Presbyterian - Stillwater
Gayle Herman, Crosstown Covenant
Diane Dahl, Crosstown Covenant

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If you can write copy, proof read, use a word processor, fold paper, or attach labels to the newsletter, the Council can use your help with the *Palanca Press*. Please call Mike Montgomery (926-3426) or Bob Zalk (933-0256)

Convenor's Comments

A few years ago I was privileged to serve as Rector of a men's weekend. On Thursday, a few hours before the weekenders were to arrive, I suffered a serious loss of faith. I was suddenly struck with the absurdity of bringing several dozen strangers together in a church for three days and expecting remarkable changes in their lives.

I knew we had a great team, but nothing about the practice rollos, the music schedule, the meal plans or the facilities was particularly remarkable. How could we expect anything unusual out of such ordinary circumstances?

Of course, it turned out to be a wonderful weekend with remarkable results, despite my momentary doubts. Once again, God had used a Cursillo team and its modest talents for His purposes.

As the new Convenor of the United Cursillo Council, I still have moments of doubt. So many pieces have to fit together to keep this incredible movement alive. The Council must plan, finance and publicize the weekends, find church sites, select and train leadership and allocate the weekend slots. The lay leadership must organize and lead the teams. The clergy must find time in busy schedules for one more commitment. The churches must make their facilities available. The Fourth Day community must sponsor new Cursillistas, support weekends with prayer and palanca, and be active in renewal groups, ultreyas and closuras.

That's a lot of ordinary people performing a lot of ordinary tasks. It still surprises me a little, but when we all do our jobs in the tried and true fashion the payoffs remain the same: a wonderful Christian renewal, new commitments and changed lives.

Another collection of ordinary people will assemble in a few weeks for two Cursillo weekends in Stillwater, and the results will again be remarkable. Please support them in prayer, in palanca and in person.

We welcome five new additions to the Cursillo Council: Kathy Anderson, Doug Dahl, Deb DeMeester, Gary Dockter and Carol Krebs. The entire Council is listed elsewhere. All of us on the Council are honored to serve as your United Cursillo governing board. We solicit your suggestions, comments and (occasional) criticism, and we need your prayers.

In His Service Bob Zalk

Southern Minnesota Cursillo Ultreya

You are invited to come join in the *third* Southern Minnesota Cursillo Ultreya which will be held on Sunday, October 13, 1991, from 3:00 to 7:00 p.m. at the First Congregational Church, United Church of Christ, 319 Downtown Plaza, Fairmont, Minnesota.

There will be singing, sharing, and communion followed by a potluck supper. Please bring a dish to pass. We'll provide silverware, dishes, and beverages. Also, remember to wear your name tags and bring your songbooks. If you need child care, let us know.

Please respond by Friday, September 27, 1991 if you plan on attending to:

First Congregational Church, UCC (507+235-5382)

(call church between 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon, Monday thru Friday)

Larry & Carolyn Thompson (507-238-9580)

Lyle & Charlene Norris (507+238-2285)

We hope to see many of you on Sunday, October 13, in Fairmont, Minnesota.

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Charis Update

The Charis prison ministry continues to need our prayers and palanca. There are also opportunities to serve on the teams for these weekends. Contact Ed Fuller of Charis in Minnesota at 3800 Fairhomes Road, Wayzata, MN 55391 (612+473-2193), for further information.

Teens Encounter Christ

For adult and youth team applications, call Mark Opseth (507+373-2910) or Bobo Burns (612+935-3979). For weekender applications call Nancy Bone (612+890-5356) The Sunday afternoon clausuras are open to all Cursillo 4th dayers.

Southern Minnesota T.E.C.

God planted the seeds for the first Teens Encounter Christ weekend for the United and Lutheran Teens of Southern Minnesota and Northern Iowa. Our first T.E.C. was held back in October of 1990 in Albert Lea, MN. Southern T.E.C. is for teens that are now in the 10th, 11th, and 12th grades in High School.

We ask that you include the Southern T.E.C. weekends in your prayers. We would be very happy to see each of you serenade at our agape dinners which are held on the second night of the weekend beginning about 6:00 p.m. and also again for our closing service on the final night of the teen weekend beginning about 4:30 p.m. Financial gifts are also welcomed to assist in purchasing needed supplies to help us grow. Make checks payable to Southern T.E.C. and they can be sent to Joe Johnston, 411 Lakeview Blvd., Albert Lea, MN 56007. If you know of a young person who would like to experience God's love thru a T.E.C. Weekend, please contact Kathy Paulsen, P.O. Box 192, Geneva, MN 56035 for a candidate application. We also have applications available for team as well. It is exciting seeing the young people of Southern Minnesota share God's love.

Singles Cursillo Community

The Singles Community meets for ultreya on the second Saturday of every month at 5:30 p.m. Each ultreya includes floating renewal, the agape meal, the sharing of our Lord in the eucharist, and a faith-centered talk by a lay Cursillista. If you have questions about the Singles Cursillo Community, please call Pat Howell at 789-0869.

Participant List from Cursillo #73 & 74 At Faith Covenant of Burnsville - April 1991

Ted & Jean Larson, Faith Covenant - Burnsville Mal & Kathy Van Schooten, Hope Presbyterian Dick & Bev Mowe, Evangelical Covenant - St. Cloud Jim & Ruth Bartholomew, Hastings United Methodist Wayne & Norma Shuller, Hopkins United Methodist Steve & Jean McDougall, Shiloh Bethany Presbyterian Jim & Laurie Gaspar, Prkwood Presbyterain Gene & Barb Parrish, Comm. of the Cross Lutheran Les & Meredith Gerdin, Fridley Covenant Gary & Lynne Andren, Hope Presbyterian John & Bonnie Biedler, Wyoming United Methodist Randy & Regina Marmison, Rochester Covenant Jeff & Sue Beemer, Evanglical Covenant - N. Mankato Alan Lindquist, Hennepin Avenue Methodist Ellie Hetland, Hennepin AVenue Methodist Don & Mary Seeman, Arlington United Methodist Bill & Christie Pankonin, 1st Congregational - Cannon Falls Warren & Sally Nelson, Minnetonka United Methodist Dick & Pat Hamblin, Colonial Heritage Square Chanhassen Kent & Marlys Riedesel, Wayzata Community Church Bill & Ruth Davini, Plymouth Congregational Harlan & Judy Berger, Evangelical Covenant - N. Mankato

Don & Mary Meyers, Faith Covenant - Burnsville Bill & Bev Holte, Excelsior Covenant Jim & Jan Taylor, Wayzata Free Art & Lauris Prinsen, Golden Valley United Methodist Bill & Debbie Rose, Eagan Evangelical Covenant Ed & Sue Boeve, First Presbyterian - Stillwater George & Catherine Wilson, Oak Grove Presbyterian Russ & Ruth Tidd, Riverside Presbyterian Charlie Koch, Plymouth Congregational Jane Iverson, Crosstown Covenant Terry & Cindy Kopp, First UMC - Lindstrom Chip Perry & Beth Miller, Colonial Church of Edina Chuck & Holly Stoa, First Presbyterian - Albert Lea John & Anne Ballard, Normandale Hylands UMC Chris & Sue Kneen, Lydia Zion UMC Bill & Marlis Kulus, Jordan Nan Carroll, Rochester Covenant Eve Sather, Hennepin Avenue UMC Melissa Staub, Col. at Heritage Square Chanhassen Bettie Striemer, Fairmont Evangelical Covenant Betty Nan Wheeler, Wayzata Free Mary Ellen Renstrom, Hopkins United Methodist

CURSILLO WEEKEND WATCH

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Weekend: Date (1991): Location: Rector(a): Spiritual Dir: Asst. SD: Palanca SD: Application Dates	#77 (Men's) Sept. 19-22 First Presbyterian Stillwater Russ Johnson Greg Iverson Kevin Dunn Joe Coulter July 9 - Aug 6 (91)	#78 (Women's) Sept. 26-29 First Presbyterian Stillwater Peanut Comer Mary Marcoux Jamie Swanson Patricia Dando-Thompson July 9 - Aug 6 (91)	#79 (Men's) Nov. 7-10 Hennepin UMC Minneapolis Dave Getsch Bob Dando-Thompson Ray Fenton Virgil Leih Aug. 27 - Sept. 24 (91)	#80 (Women's) Nov. 14-17 Hennepin UMC Minneapolis Connie Hanson Perritt Lynda Ellis Jim Dinsmore Aug. 27 - Sept. 24 (91)
Weekend: Date (1992): Location: Rector(a): Spiritual Dir: Asst. SD: Palanca SD:	#81 (Men's) Jan. 23-26 St. Croix Valley UMC	#82 (Women's) Jan. 30 - Feb. 2 St. Croix Valley UMC Rick Mylander	#83 (Men's) April 2-5	#84 (Women's) April 9-12 Marilyn Lee
Application Dates	Nov. 12 - Dec 10 (91)	Nov. 12 - Dec 10 (91)	Jan. 21 - Feb 18 (92)	Jan. 21 - Feb 18 (92)

Note To Clergy: The Spiritual Director and other clergy positions are the most difficult slots to fill on any Cursillo weekend. If one of these weekends can be worked into your schedule, and you would like to serve, please contact a member of the Minnesota United Council Leadership Development Committee -- Doug Dahl, Co-Convenor (454-8127), Rev. Brad McNaught (Wallestad Foundation: H 829-0403), or Rev. Jeff Utecht (First UMC - Lindstrom: H 257-5163).

Note To Church Liaisons: All applications for weekenders should be sent to Sharon Rhodes, 9301 Yukon Ave. S., Bloomington, MN 55438 (941-9579).

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Clergy

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United Cursillo Team Request Form

If you are interested in *serving* on a United Cursillo team or would like to *suggest* another 4th Dayer, please fill out this form and mail to:

Dianne Getsch 5233 Richwood Drive Edina, MN 55436

Your name will be passed on to future rectors/rectoras. This form does not guarantee that you will be asked to serve -- it simply means that your name and information will be passed along to the appropriate team leaders. Please Identify Request Type: Volunteer 4th Day Suggestion Name _____ City _____ State ____ Zip _____ Home phone _____ Work phone _____ Team preference: Table leader Rollo Kitchen team 4th Day team No prefence Palanca team Single's Weekend Standard Weekend (Men/Women) Musical talent Other comments _____ Previous team experience Name/location of your church Future Cursillo Weekend Preferences (Team #'s)

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