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Support United Cursillo #81 and #82 at St. Croix Valley UMC in Lakeland, Minnesota

The Men's Cursillo #81 will take place January 23-26. The Sunday morning serenade (5:30 a.m.) and the evening serenade (5:30 p.m.) are open to the 4th Day Cursillo Community. The weekend theme is James 4:8 "*Draw close to God and He will draw close to you.*"

Women's Cursillo #82 will be January 30-February 2. The weekend theme is I John 3:11 "*Love One Another.*" 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 #81

- ☉ Andy Tscholl (rector)..... (H) 1-682-5345 (W) 729-9365
- ☉ Dave Cavalier (kitchen rector) (H) 437-2009..... (W) 686-0405
- ☉ Cecil Selness (4th day rector) (H) 942-0841..... (W) 296-4888
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Women's Weekend #82

- ☉ Glenda Allbright (rectora)..... (H) 439-1824..... (W) 439-8807
- ☉ Connie Buelow (kitchen rectora)..... (H) 436-7394
- ☉ Dianne Goette (4th day rectora)..... (H) 436-8359
- ☉ Carol Slaytor (palanca rectora)..... (H) 731-1743..... (W) 457-4888

Remember that to palanca time to the teams is always appreciated. Assist the Palanca team on station 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 Closures 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 from 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! All 4th Dayers

One of the surprises and moving experiences for the weekenders is to find out how many people are in prayer and support of their weekend through the notes that are read in the Rollo Room. Please give some thought about sending a short note. Some of you may like to honor the weekenders with a palanca contribution to a food shelf, homeless shelter or a charity of your choice. Or ... you might like to enclose a check with your palanca note to help cover the weekend expenses. Checks can be made out to United Cursillo# ___. I will make sure both the notes and other palanca are delivered in time for each week-end.

Address your palanca to:

Men of United Cursillo # ___
Women of United Cursillo # ___

Mail to:

Jean Girardot, 3545 Girard Ave. S., Mpls., MN 55408

United Men's #81 Team Roster

Rector:

Andy Tscholl, *St. Francis Catholic*

Assistant Rector:

Tom Brower, *Colonial Church of Edina*
Dick Lee, *Faith Covenant - Burnsville*
Harold Brandt, *St. Croix Valley UMC*

Spiritual Director:

Gordon Gathright, *Hasting UMC*
Chris Kneen, *Lydia Zion UMC*

Music Director:

Dick Ellis, *St. Croix Valley UMC*
Brian Nass, *Evangel UMC - Rochester*

Rollistas:

Jerry Grotjohn, *Bloomington Assembly of God*
Ken Linde, *Hasting UMC*
Jim Buelow, *St. Lucas Community - Lake Elmo*
Todd Knutson, *LeSueur Presbyterian*
Bob McKellips, *St. Croix Valley UMC*
Mark Heimkes, *Faith Covenant - Burnsville*

Table Leaders:

David Brandt, *First Presbyterian - Stillwater*
Larry Yarger, *Wayzata Community Church*
Satoru Sudoh, *Shiloh-Bethany Presbyterian*
Dave Dick, *St. Lucas Community, Lake Elmo*
Ronald Helminiak, *1st Presbyte -ian, Stillwater*

Palanca Rector:

Tom Tibbetts, *St. Croix Valley UMC*

Assistant Rector:

Frank Walsh, *First Presbyterian - Hudson*

Music Director:

Ralph Fravel, *St. Croix Valley UMC*
Bob Elm, *Bloomington*

Palanca Team:

Dave Haslund, *St. Croix Valley UMC*

Brian Smillie, *St. Croix Valley UMC*

Steve Spark, *1st Presbyterian - Stillwater*

John Stamm, *1st Presbyterian - Stillwater*

Jim Barker, *Riverside Presbyterian - Sartell*

Robert Mueller, *Colonial Church of Edina*

Mike Shanley, *St. Lucas Community - Lk Elmo*

Kitchen Rector:

Dave Cavalier, *Hastings UMC*

Assistant Rector:

Ron Schoenecker, *1st UMC - Stillwater*

Kitchen Team:

Joe Anzelmo, *Hope Presbyterian*

Jim Jackson, *Wyoming UMC*

Dick Mathiowetz, *St. Phillips Lutheran*

Leroy Salzman, *Wyoming UMC*

Mike Ward, *Hastings UMC*

Harry Hansel, *Hastings UMC*

Jim Kneen, *Lydia UMC*

Dave Ninnemann, *1st UMC - Lindstrom*

Steve Thompson, *1st UMC - Lindstrom*

4th Day Rector:

Cecil Selness, *Hope Presbyterian*

Assistant Rector:

Russ Foster, *St. Croix Valley UMC*

4th Day Team:

Duane Malmstrom, *Minnetonka UMC*

Jerry Snyder, *Minnetonka UMC*

Bob Olson, *Evangelical Covenant - Eagan*

Dave Holland, *Evangelical Cov. - Fairmont*

Paul Gladfelter, *Evangelical Cov. - Fairmont*

Cortney Fulk, *Minnetonka UMC*

Ed Noble, *Minnetonka UMC*

Paul Schwamb, *Evangelical Covenant - Eagan*

Van Vanatta, *Oak Grove Presbyterian*

United Women's #82 Team Roster

Rectora:

Glenda Allbright, *St. Croix Valley UMC*

Assistant Rectora:

Karen Crowell, *Edina*

Darlene Tibbetts, *St. Croix Valley UMC*

Peggy Zender, *New Brighton*

Spiritual Director:

Rick Mylander, *St. Cloud*

Bob Springer, *Riverside Presbyterian - Sartell*

Music Director:

John Darlington, *St. Croix Valley UMC*

Rollistas:

Catherine Gladfelter, *Evangel. Cov. - Fairmont*

Gretchen Hartwig, *St. Martin's*

Peggy Jensen, *St. Croix Valley UMC*

Renee Linde, *Hastings*

Linda Schwamb, *Eagan Covenant*

Betty Sievert, *St. Croix Valley UMC*

Table Leaders:

Diane Borth, *Evangelical Cov. - Mankato*

Mildred Brandt, *St. Croix Valley UMC*

Patti Helminiak, *1st Presbyterian - Stillwater*

Dorothy Lecy, *First UMC - Lindstrom*

Jeannie Martens, *St. Croix Valley UMC*

Julie Niederkorn, *Hastings UMC*

Palanca Rectora:

Carol Slagter, *Grace Church*

Palanca Team:

Judy Berger, *North Mankato*

Arla Berry, *Hope Presbyterian*

Dorie Dahlberg, *St. Croix Valley UMC*

Teresa Sexton

Linda DeBoer, *Grace Church*

Kathy Drake, *Edina*

Carol Matteson, *Mankato*

Jane Porter, *King of Kings Lutheran*

Kitchen Rectora:

Connie Buelow, *St. Lucas Community*

Assistant Rectora:

Sue Dick, *St. Lucas Community*

Kitchen Team:

Lynn Durner, *Hastings UMC*

Jeanie Johnson, *St. Croix Valley UMC*

Deb Kneen, *White Bear Lake UMC*

Linda Kneen, *Church of the Open Door*

Kelli Mathias, *St. Lucas Community*

Marsha Meier, *St. Mary's*

Barbara Nash, *St. Columba*

Teresa Parsons, *Aldrich Ave. Presbyterian*

Mary Powell, *St. Lucas Community*

Judy Thompson, *First UMC - Lindstrom*

4th Day Rectora:

Dianne Goette, *St. Croix Valley UMC*

Assistant Rectora:

Karen Moy, *St. Croix Valley UMC*

4th Day Team:

Pat Allen, *1st Presbyterian - St. Cloud*

Eileen Berry, *Hope Presbyterian*

Aline Fairbanks, *Christ Presbyterian*

Kate Gilbertson, *Stillwater Evangelical Free*

Ruth Jones, *Hastings UMC*

Marge Noble, *Minnetonka UMC*

Charlene Schjedahl, *Hennepin Ave UMC*

Alice Schoenecker, *First UMC - Stillwater*

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.

We ask that you include the Southern T.E.C. weekends in your prayers. 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 through 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. The weekends vary from either a Friday through Sunday, or a Saturday through a Monday. Please check dates carefully.

Participant List from Cursillo #79 & 80 At Hennepin Avenue United Methodist

Carrol & Dorothy Amundson, *Lydia Zion UMC*
 Grace Anderson, *Hennepin Ave. UMC*
 Karen Anderson, *Hastings UMC*
 Adell Ballinger, *Colonial Church of Edina*
 Brenda Beadles, *Hastings UMC*
 Bradley & Tami Beckman, *Evangel. Cov. - Eagan*
 Merlin & Marilyn Bradley, *1st Baptist - Hudson*
 David & Sandra Brandt, *1st Presb. - Stillwater*
 George & Lois Buchin, *1st Presbyterian - St. Cloud*
 Thomas Burgeson, *Oak Grove Presbyterian*
 Thom Burns & Gloria Peck, *Golden Valley UMC*
 Nila Cleveland, *Colonial Church of Edina*
 Joseph Coffin, *St. Joseph's Catholic*
 Thomas Derr, *Normandale Hylands UMC*
 Margaret Eastes, *Golden Valley UMC*
 Wendell Ellis, *Minnetonka UMC*
 Kevin & Kathleen Gratz, *1st Baptist - Hudson*
 Melvin & Kay Hess, *Evangel UMC - Rochester*
 Lori Horning, *United Methodist - Northfield*
 Chris Jackson, *Hennepin Ave. UMC*
 Bob & Mary Ann Jensen, *Peace Presbyterian*
 Paul Juntilla, *Colonial Church of Edina*
 Martha Kleinsasser, *Hennepin Ave. UMC*
 Amy Klepper, *Evangel UMC - Rochester*
 Boyd & Jolie Kneen, *Plymouth Covenant*

Stephen Knudson, *Christ Presbyterian*
 Kenneth & Paula Lanphier, *Atonement Lutheran*
 LeRoy & Erika Larson, *Faith Covenant*
 Mark & Christine Larson, *Bethany Evangel. Cov.*
 Warren & Elizabeth Larson, *Hopkins UMC*
 Joy Liberda, *1st UMC - Lindstrom*
 Anne Lonsbury, *Christ Presbyterian*
 Marc & Faith Mianulli, *Wayzata Community*
 Priscilla Mohrenweiser, *St. Cloud Evang. Cov.*
 Eric & Jeanne Ness, *Hope Presbyterian*
 Thomas & Jan Niederer, *Normandale Hylands UMC*
 John & Julie Niederkorn, *Hastings UMC*
 Mark Ogawa, *Golden Valley UMC*
 Jerry & Nancy Okerman, *1st Presb. - Stillwater*
 Jeffrey & Sarah Olson, *Oak Grove Presbyterian*
 Floyd & Lorraine Paulson, *Colonial Church*
 B J Pedersen, *Hope Presbyterian*
 Marie Sand, *Evangelical Cov. - St. Cloud*
 Raymond & Jan Schmidt, *Fridley Covenant*
 Nancy Lee Sherden, *Rochester Covenant*
 David Stielow, *1st UMC, Lindstrom*
 Richard & Kathy Tenley, *Rochester Covenant*
 Clarke & Iris Tungseth, *Excelsior Covenant*
 James & Sharon Walker, *Minnetonka UMC*
 Joan Wyer, *Wayzata Community*

Convenor's Comments

Some issues give rise to strong feelings and different points of view, even in Cursillo. The scheduling of a singles weekend for June 18-21, 1992 is one of those topics. Our United Cursillo Council recently voted to continue its wholehearted support of periodic singles weekends, but only after lengthy discussion of the pros and cons of the idea.

All of the weekenders on a singles Cursillo are unmarried, but the team usually includes both single and married people. Singles weekends have been conducted successfully in recent years in both the United Cursillo community and in other Cursillo movements.

Supporters of the idea suggest that many single people feel uncomfortable on a conventional Cursillo weekend where much of the discussion among married participants may focus on spouses and children. Many singles have indicated that they will participate more freely in a group of other unmarried people. Others in the Cursillo community have questioned whether weekends should be devoted exclusively to the singles family, that the basic short course in Christianity should be the same for everyone and that all weekends are enriched by a diversity of marital status.

So who is right? After reviewing both sides of the issue, the Council decided that perhaps this is not a right/wrong issue. Some single people clearly enjoy the opportunity to be with unmarried peers and sometimes feel excluded in groups where issues relating to marriage and parenting often dominate.

Other single people don't want to be categorized as a part of a special group and prefer the mix of single and married people found on most conventional weekends. The person's preference may depend, at least in part, upon whether he or she is widowed, divorced or never-married.

In fact, the original idea for singles weekends didn't arise out of any ideological position on the part of the Council but rather out of a desire to reduce the backlog of single people, primarily women, on the waiting lists for weekends. Recently, that problem has been addressed by adding a seventh table in the Rollo Room on several women's weekends, allowing the addition of six single weekenders. (The singles are not all located at the extra table, but instead are spread throughout the room). The result is that singles have reasonable access to both types of weekends.

As potential sponsors, we ask each of you to prayerfully consider which of your single friends may benefit from the special feeling of a singles weekend. If you identify possible weekenders for our June singles Cursillo, please notify Kathy Anderson at 920-1261

We will still follow our normal allocations process for the weekend, but we would like to have a preliminary indication of the level of participation we can expect.

Mark your calendars for the Closura on June 21, 1992. We'll let you know the location in a few weeks. Join the rest of the Fourth Day Community in welcoming the weekenders at the end of their special Cursillo experience.

The issue of commercialism occasionally surfaces in Cursillo in a variety of ways, including notes in palanca bags from suppliers of Cursillo material or other commercial ventures, letters addressed to people on the team or weekender lists or the general Cursillo roster offering products or services, and messages promoting Cursillo music during Closuras or Ultreyas.

All such activities are clearly against United Cursillo Council policy and run contrary to the spirit and purpose of Cursillo.

By the end of a weekend, the palanca bags for team members and weekenders are filled with notes and gifts expressing the love and support of the Fourth Day Community. The messages represent the work of the Holy Spirit in the lives of those who receive and those who give. Commercial messages of any kind have no place in this process.

Similarly, the team and weekender lists, as well as the roster of the Cursillo community, are published by United Cursillo to further the Cursillo movement and its activities. The use of the lists by anyone for purposes other than the furtherance of Cursillo activities and business, particularly commercial enterprise, is improper and prohibited.

So far, these comments have sounded too much like the mundane issues we all face in our daily lives. Perhaps we need a *mountain top* experience to help us focus on our lives in Grace. May I suggest attending the Closuras at St. Croix Valley United Methodist on the last Sunday of January and the first Sunday of February? You will be glad you did.

In His Service,

Bob Zalk

**Attention all Musicians
Guitar - Piano - Banjo - Flute - Etc.**

Please let the Cursillo Council know who you are. We are forming a list of musicians. Write to me or call me and give us your name!

*Dianne Getsch
5233 Richwood Dr.
Edina 55436
[922-4182]*

Thank You!

Cursillo Weekend Watch

Weekend: Date (1992) Location: Rector(a): Spiritual Dir: Asst. SD: Palanca SD: Application Dates:	#81 (men's) January 23-26 St. Croix Valley UMC Lakeland Andy Tscholl Gordy Gathright Chris Kneen Nov. 12 - Dec 10 (91)	#82 (Women's) January 30 - February 2 St. Croix Valley UMC Lakeland Glenda Allbright Rick Mylander Bob Springer Nov 12 - Dec 10 (91)	#83 (Men's) April 23-26 Excelsior Covenant Pete Allard Æ Mike Dyrdal Feb 11 - Mar 10	#84 (Women's) April 30 - May 3 Excelsior Covenant Marilyn Lee Deb DeMeester Steve McDougal Feb 11 - Mar 10
Weekend: Date (1992) Location: Rector(a): Spiritual Dir: Asst. SD: Palanca SD: Application Dates:	(none)	#86 (Single Women) June 18-21 April 7 - May 5	#87 (Men's) July 16-19 St. Cloud Presb. May 5 - June 2	#88 (Women's) July 23-26 St. Cloud Presb. May 5 - June 2
Weekend: Date (1992) Location: Rector(a): Spiritual Dir: Asst. SD: Palanca SD: Application Dates:	#89 (Men's) September 17-20	#90 (Women) September 24-27	#91 (Men's) November 5-8	#92 (Women's) November 12-15

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 (Christ Presbyterian - H: 829-0403), Rev. Jeff Utecht (First UMC, Lindstrom - H: 257-5163), Rev. Deb DeMeester (Oak Grove Presbyterian - H: 829-0549).

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

** Note the changes in Application Dates for Cursillo weekends #83 - #86!!*

Single Ultreyas

Each month the Singles Cursillo Community of Minnesota, hosts an Ultreya that is open to all Christians. They gather on the second Saturday of the month at 5:30 p.m. for Eucharist, Potluck Dinner, Witness Talk, Fellowship, and Renewal. Questions can be answered by the contact person.

United Cursillo Team Request Form

If you are interested in *servicing* 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 Palanca team No preference
 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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