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News of Minnesota United Cursillo

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Support United Cursillo #86 at Normandale Hylands United Methodist Church in Bloomington, Minnesota

Single Women's Cursillo #86 will take place June 18 - 21. The weekend theme is Spiritual gifts: "Each one, as a good manager of God's different gifts, must use for the good of others the special gift they have received from God" (I Peter 4:10). The Sunday 5:30 a.m. serenade is opened to women sponsors and team members only, while the Sunday evening serenade is open to the whole Fourth Day Community at 5:30 p.m.

Normandale Hylands United Methodist Church is located at 9920 Normandale Blyd, in Bloomington. It is south of 494 on Normandale Blvd, on the west side of the street. Watch for signs for the church.

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:

Women's Weekend #86

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 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 Single Women's Cursillo #86 Team Roster

Rectora:

Judy Gentry, Christ Presbyterian

Assistant Rectoras:

Phylis Elsing, Grace Church, Edina Linda Nelson, Christ Presbyterian Eileen Wells, 1st Presbyterian, LeSueur

Spiritual Directors:

Jim Dinsmore, Evangelical Cov., N. Mankato Gayle Marsh, Holy Trinity Episcopal, Elk River

Music Directors:

Mim Manfred, Normandale Lutheran Nancy Borsos, Oak Grove Presbyterian

Dallistas:

Chris Crohn, St. Matthew's Episcopal Irene McKean, Hennepin Ave UMC Lynn Roghair, Prince of Peace Lutheran, Burnsville Cathy Eilers, Nativity of Our Lord Catholic Judy Myers, Normandale Hylands UMC Jo Romer, Mt. Olivet Lutheran

Table Leaders:

Violet Backe, Minnetonka UMC
Shirley Hungate, Normandale Hylands UMC
Bev Stenlund, St. Croix Valley UMC
Evelyn Bolstad, Minnetonka UMC
Carol Schones, Hope Presbyterian
Kris Vennie, Faith Covenant, Burnsville

Palanca Rectora:

Debbie Carpenter, North Heights Lutheran

Assistant Rectora:

Kathy Phillips, Newman Center

Spiritual Director:

Tom Monnat, Gethsemane Episcopal

Music Director:

Betsy Campbell, St. Mary's Catholic

Palanca Team:

Susan Barker, St. Paul's Episcopal
Judy Halm, Hope Presbyterian
Darlene Jackson, Faith Covenant, Burnsville
Jo Johnson, St. Croix Valley UMC
Gayle Peterson, Normandale Hylands UMC
Lydia Sobiech, St. Matthew's Episcopal

Kitchen Rectora:

Norma Jean Barr, Christ Presbyterian

Assistant Rectora:

Beverly Hauser, Normandale Hylands UMC

Kitchen Team:

Jo Beier, Ist Presb, Hudson
Mary Buss, Faith Covenant, Burnsville
Martha Eckberg, Ist Presb, Stillwater
Mary Goblirsch, Faith Covenant, Burnsville
Margaret Hopkins, Golden Valley UMC
Mavis Knudson, Christ Presbyterian
Audrey Mondelli, Nativity of Mary Catholic
Donna Jean Osthus, Prince of Peace Lutheran, Burnsville
Lena Putnam, Normandale Hylands UMC
Beverly Roeckers, Colonial Church

4th Day Rectora:

Leanne Bondhus, Eagan Evang. Covenant

Assistant Rectora:

Dianne Overstreet, Normandale Hylands UMC

4th Day Team:

Adell Ballinger, Colonial Church
Lisa Christenson, Normandale Hylands UMC
Robin Forsberg, Golden Valley UMC
Vonnie Kahnert, Prince of Peace Lutheran, Burnsville
Lois Langer, Christ Presbyterian
Lynette Nosek, Eagan Evang, Covenant
Larissa Vilaseca, Normandale Lutheran

Participant List from Cursillo #83 & 84 at Excelsior Covenant Church

Gary Anderson, Prince of Peace Lutheran
Jay & Wendy Anderson, Excelsior Covenant
Bryce & Carol Baker, Excelsior Covenant
Bob & Caroline Baker, Ist Baptist, Hudson
Wilson Bryce, Colonial Church
Bob & Karen Buttery, Hennepin Ave. UMC
Mildred Carlson, Crosstown Covenant
Donna Carlton, Colonial Church
Chris & Theresa Coxe, Colonial Church
Gary & Linnea Dietrich, Eagan Evangelical
Covenant
Alan & Karen Dirks, Normandale Hylands UMC
Ole & Megs Ellingson, Faith Covenant
Susan Ellingson, Ist Presbyterian, St. Cloud
Paul & Jahnie Erickson, Lydia Zion UMC
Becky Hagmann, Fridley Covenant
Bruce & Pauline Heilig, Ist United Methodist,
Lindstrom
Erv & Iva Jeanne Hill, Ist Lutheran, Albert Lea
Dave & Audrey Kamphenkle, Evangelical Cov., St.
Cloud
Chuck & Helen Kennedy, Rochester Evangelical
Covenant
Bruce & Marilyn Klutz, Fairmont Evangelican
Covenant
Al & Eleanore Lahti, Evangelical Covenant, N.
Mankato

Ron & Karen Larson, Calvary Lutheran, Golden Valley
Virginia Leih, Evangelical Covenant, St. Cloud
Brian & Julie Lynch, Grace Christian Reformed
Laura MacNaughton, Christ Presbyterian
Anita Madden, Minnetonka UMC
Tim & Cynthia McCarthy, Hope Presbyterian
Gene & Carolyn Miller, Golden Valley UMC
Pat Miller, Wayzata Community Church
Jim & Rev. Sharon Mills, Arlington UMC
Mitch & Irene Mitchell, Shiloh Bethany
Presbyterian
Nick Moeller, Creek Valley Baptist
Craig & Nancy Opel, Eagan Evangelical Covenant
Ralph & Jacqueline Ott, Excelsior Covenant
Keith & Carmen Pinckney, Hope Presbyterian
Jerry & Kristy Quaal, Buffalo Covenant
Rev. Travis & Mary Sue Reames, Wyoming UMC
Rev. Mick Scott, Buffalo Covenant
Margaret Stielow, 1st UMC, Lindstrom
Kevin & Susan Stiles, Oak Grove Presbyterian
Jeannie Sutton, Minnetonka UMC
Darrell & Gaye Sykes, Wayzata Evangelical Free
Alice Teigen, 1st Presbyterian, LeSueur
Carol Wald, Wayzata Community Church
Roy & Jo Wendland, Riverside Presbyterian,
Sartell
Susan Wood, Evangel UMC, Rochester

Southern Minnesota T.E.C.

Another great weekend is scheduled for Southern Minnesota and Northern Iowa. Southern T.E.C. is a ministry for teens from all denominations that are in 9th-12th grades.

Futures Dates:

July 30-August 2, 1992 at Evangelical Covenant of North Mankato October 22-25, 1992, location to be announced

Agape Dinner Serenade is 6:00 p.m. on Saturdays, and the Closing Service is held at 4:00 on Sunday afternoons, and is open to Cursillistas and T.E.C. Alumni. Wheat (Palanca) in all forms is appreciated and can be sent to Kathy Paulsen, Box 192, Geneva, MN 56035.

Weekender applications deadlines are 3 weeks prior to the weekend.

Team applications deadlines are 7 weeks prior to the weekend.

Questions? Team Applications Ardie Osterberg 507-373-2449
Weekender Applications Linda Balk 507-377-2447
Clergy Contact Rev. Jon Gerdts 507-377-0099
Communications Kathy Paulsen 507-256-4405

Single Ultreyas

The Singles Cursillo Community meets for renewal and the fellowship of other Cursillistas on the 2nd Saturday of each month. All are welcome! Just bring yourself, some food to share, your songbook, nametag and Cursillo Cross. Upcoming ultreyas are:

June 13 Trinity Lutheran, 4th St. & Myrtle St., Stillwater

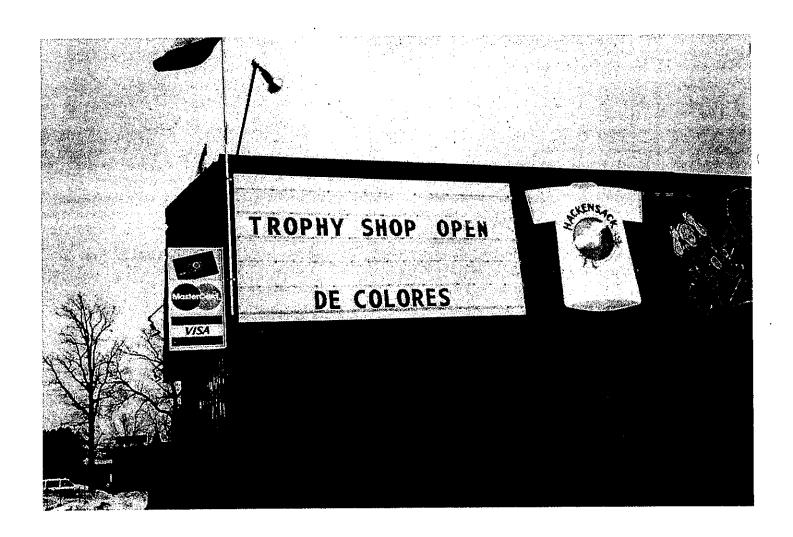
Contact: Judy Laabs-Foss 429-6762

July 11 Presbyterian Church of the Way, 3382 N Lexington Ave, Shoreview

Contact: Ed Adair 636-7171

Aug. 8 Cross View Lutheran, 6645 McCauley Trail, Edina

If you have any questions about an ultreya, call the host listed for each month.



Convenor's Comments

The statistics on United Cursillo are great: 11th year, more than 80 weekends, over 3000 weekenders, our own supply trailer, money in the bank, churches from Duluth to Lake Wilson, etc, etc.

But how are we really doing? Well...the answer probably depends upon what part of the Cursillo process you look at.

I would give us high grades on holding weekends. We do ten or eleven per year and have waiting lists for most of them. Our weekend leadership has been strong and energized, and the weekenders continue to be moved and changed by the experience. We still struggle filling clergy positions, and we probably schedule too many weekends in the metro area, but overall we are doing pretty well.

We must remember, however, that the weekends are not the whole game. In fact, the primary purpose of Cursillo is not to sponsor emotional, mountaintop experiences, but rather to give weekenders the experience of building a Christian community and to show them a workable plan to strengthen their relationship with God through piety, study and action. A key piece in that plan is participation in a renewal group.

In this area I suspect United Cursillo doesn't score as well. The explanation (or perhaps excuse) is that planning and execution of a weekend is much more manageable than orchestrating renewal groups. The follow-up necessary to assure renewal group experiences for the entire Fourth Day community is currently beyond our capacity as an organization. That situation isn't likely to change soon.

As a Fourth Dayer, you are pretty much on your own to find a renewal group that is a good fit for you. But you should find one! For most of us, that regular experience of prayer, sharing, study and support is critical to the health of our personal Christian faith. If you can't find a renewal group, check with Fourth Dayers in your church community OR call the Rector or Rectora of your Cursillo weekend OR of a team on which you served OR call any member of the Cursillo Council. Somewhere along that trail you will find brothers or sisters in Christ who will welcome you with open arms.

In His Name,

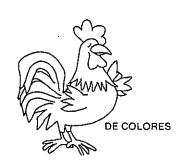
Bob Zalk Convenor

Cursillo Weekend Watch

Weekend:		#86 (Women's)	#87 (Men's)	#88 (Women's)
Date (1992)		June 18 - 21	July 16-19	July 23-26
Location:		Normandale Hylands	St. Cloud Presbyterian	St. Cloud Presbyterian
		UMC		
Rector(a):		Judy Gentry	Larry Richter	Suzanne Nelson
Spiritual Dir:		Jim Dinsmore		1
Asst. SD:		Gail Marsh		
Palanca SD:		Tom Monet	!	
Application Dates:	lio i	April 7-May 5	May 5-June 2	May 5-June 2
Weekend:	#89(Men's)	#90 (Women's)	#91 (Men's)	#92 (Women's)
Date (1992)	Sept. 17-20	Sept. 24-27	November 5-8	November 12-15
Location:				
Rector(a):	Vince Gin		Cecil Selness	
Spiritual Dir:		•		
Asst. SD:				
Palanca SD:				
Application Dates:	July 7-Aug. 4	July 7-Aug. 4	Aug. 25-Sept. 22	Aug. 25-Sept. 22
Weekend:	#93 (Men's)	#94 (Women's)	#95 (Men's)	#96 (Women's)
Date (1992)	Jan. 28-31, 1993	Feb. 4-7, 1993	1	1
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Spiritual Dir:				1
Asst. SD:				
Palanca SD:	N 15 D 15/00	N 45 D 45(05)		
Application Dates:	Nov 17-Dec 15(92)	Nov 17-Dec 15(92)		
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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 you 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. 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).



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 TRF 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. If you have not been called within six months of submitting this form, please send in another completed form (they are not carried forward from team to team) Please Identify Request Type: U Volunteer 4th Day Suggestion Name State Zip City Home phone _____ Work phone _____ Team preference: Kitchen team Table leader | Rollo 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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