# Palanca Press

News of Unidos en Cristo, formerly United Cursillo Community of Minnesota

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#### SUPPORT UNIDOS EN CRISTO #173 AND #174 CHRIST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH 6901 NORMANDALE ROAD, EDINA, MN – 952-920-8515

Men's Unidos en Cristo #173 will be June 7 - 10, 2001. The weekend scripture is, "My salvation and my honor depend on God; He is my mighty rock, my refuge." *Psalm 62:7* 

Women's Unidos en Cristo #174 will be June 14-17, 2001. The weekend scripture is, "For the joy of the Lord is your strength" Nehemiah 8:10



The Sunday morning serenade is open to Sponsors only. The Sunday dinner serenades, open to the entire Fourth Day Community, will be at 4:30 p.m. **Sponsors please arrive by 4:00 p.m.** 

#### Need Palanca Ideas?

You might want to assist the Palanca team with prayer support... offer to help cook, serve, or wash dishes for the Kitchen team... assist the 4th Day team in setup/clean-up before/after the Agape dinner, or after the Sunday morning serenade or the Sunday evening Clausura. \*\* Please contact the appropriate team rector/a to coordinate your efforts with their needs. \*\*

#### Men's Weekend #173

0	Brian Rodeck	(Rector)	763-560-2009
9	David Berg	(Kitchen Rector)	952-888-5354
0	Tim Deer	(4th Day Rector)	952-892-3627
9	David Anderson	(Palanca Rector)	651-439-3671

The Men's Kitchen Team has requested palanca of help with the Agape Dinner and the second seating and help with the clean up on Sunday evening.

#### Women's Weekend #174

0	Audrey Mondelli	(Rectora)	952-881-2728
9	Sue Tesarek	(Kitchen Rectora)	952-934-1757
0	Pat Hamblin	(4th Day Rectora)	952-494-0779
6	Kerry Manthei	(Palanca Rectora)	320-214-0757

The Women's Kitchen Team has requested palanca of: 20 bottles of Catawba juice, 120 petite croissants, fresh fruit, and six loaves of plain french bread.

Palanca Noue: There will be SIX tables (48) at the Men's Weekend and SEVEN tables (56) at the Women's weekend. When sending palanca to the Rollo Room, be sure to include enough for eight at each table, AND eight at the Leadership table. Palanca for the Rollo Room must include enough for all Weekenders and team or it cannot be distributed in the Rollo Room, but will go directly to the Weekender Palanca bags.

DIRECTIONS: Take Highway 100 to 70<sup>th</sup> Street (north of 494 and south of the Crosstown). Go east on 70<sup>th</sup> Street – the church is on the corner of the NE quadrant of Highway 100 and 70<sup>th</sup> Street.

#### Attention 4th Dayers!!

Just think about how many people support Unidos en Cristo. Hundreds of letters from prisons and other Christian "walks" around the country and the world arrive for each Weekend! Please prayerfully think about the palanca you send for the upcoming Weekends. You might write an encouraging note... honor the Weekenders with a contribution to a food shelf, homeless shelter, or favorite charity... or, consider enclosing a check with a palanca note to help cover the weekend expenses. Checks can be made out to Unidos en Cristo #173 or #174.

Address your palanca to:

Men of Unidos en Cristo #173 or Women of Unidos En Cristo #174

Mail to:

Larry Bennett, 8950 Audubon Road, Chanhassen, MN 55317 email: palanca@prodigy.net

Please allow adequate time for mail delivery! Palanca will be delivered in time for each weekend.

#### UNIDOS EN CRISTO MEN'S #173 TEAM ROSTER

#### Rector

Brian Rodeck, Brooklyn Park Evangelical Free

#### Assistant Rectors

Steve Miller, Brooklyn Park Evangelical Free Sal Mondelli, Normandale Hylands UMC Steve Robie, Pilgrim UMC

#### Spiritual Directors

Gregg Swope, Peoples Congregational Bill Warner, Wayzata Evangelical Free

#### Music Director

Duke Lunden, Colonial Church of Edina Mark Magnuson, Colonial Church of Edina

#### Rollistas

DeJ De Jong, Stillwater Evangelical Free John Mittelstadt, Grace Evangelical Free Bill Slack, Faith Presbyterian Mark Turgeon, Faith Covenant Barry Wilson, Woodland Hills

#### Table leaders

John Brower, Christ UMC of Venice, FL Chris Marshall, Colonial Church of Edina Rory Palm, River UMC Mike Peterson, Hope Presbyterian Tom Schuenke, Hope Presbyterian Loren Selvig, Elm Creek Community Church Dean Solyntjes, Faith Presbyterian

#### Palanca Rector

David Anderson, Eagle Brook Church

#### Assistant Palanca Rector

Darrell Sykes, Wayzata Evangelical Free

#### Palanca Spiritual Director

Tim Olson, Church of the Open Door

#### Palanca Music

Eric Lindberg



Mark Anderson, Normandale Hylands UMC
Charley Brandt, Woodland Hills Church
Tom Brower, Kailua Community Church
Tim Doyle, Emmanual Christian Center
Bouwe Hamersma, Faith Presbyterian
Pete Moy, St. Croix Valley UMC
Rusty Rusterholtz, Church of the Open Door
Kevein Sweet, Riverside Alliance Church
George Williamson, Eagan Evangelical Covenant

#### Kitchen Rector

David Berg, Normandale Hylands UMC

#### Assistant Kitchen Rector

Clay Dodd, Normandale Hylands UMC

#### Kitchen Team

Ray Barriuso, Faith Covenant Tim Christensen, Hennepin Avenue UMC Rick Elliott, Faith Covenant Steve Harris, Faith Covenant Tom Johnstone, Salem Lutheran Dave Nelson, Normandale Hylands UMC Don Sinnwell, Rosemount UMC Duane Steuart, Normandale Hylands UMC

#### 4th Day Rector

Tim Deer, Faith Covenant

#### Assistant 4th Day Rector

Tom Lillehei, Hope Presbyterian

#### 4th Day Team

Rob Baker, Woodridge Church Gene Haman, Christ Presbyterian Burel Lane, St. Nicholas New Market Tery Rolek, Minnetonka UMC Greg Schneider, Faith Covenant Norm Schuenke, Faith Covenant Alan Swanson, Minnetonka UMC Ron Trainis, Christ Presbyterian Dana Widstrom, Christ Presbyterian Steve Wilson, Faith Covenant



#### UNIDOS EN CRISTO WOMEN'S #174 TEAM ROSTER

#### Rectora

Audrey Mondelli, Normandale Hylands UMC

#### Assistant Rectoras

Martha Lindberg, First Presbyterian, Stillwater Brenda Ward, Faith Presbyterian Marie Wilson, Normandale Hylands UMC

#### Spiritual Directors

Deb DeMeester

Clarence Schultz, St. Lucas Community Church

#### Music Directors

Colleen Bocchi, Woodridge Church Sue Christian, St. Croix Valley UMC

#### Rollistas

Mary Goblirsch, Faith Covenant Laura Lunger, Bethlehem Baptist Church Beth Montgomery, Christ Presbyterian Church Bonnie Vander Vegte, First Presbyterian Eileen Wahldick, Faith Covenant

#### Table Leaders

Alice Bolton, Normandale Hylands UMC
Mary Choate, Grace Church
Diane Doyle, Brooklyn Park Evangelical Free
Brenda Duncan, Faith Covenant
Elma Hamersma, Faith Presbyterian
Sheree Johnson, Normandale Hylands UMC
Diane Martin, Rosemount UMC
Darla Pulles, Our Lady of Grace Catholic Church
Linda Shirley, Oak Grove Presbyterian

#### Palanca Rectora

Kerry Manthei, Cross Roads Community Church

#### Assistant Palanca Rectora

Karen Malmstrom, Minnetonka UMC

#### Palanca Spiritual Director

Perry Wieland, Cross Roads Community Church

#### Palanca Music Director

Deb Johannsen, Riverside Presbyterian Church



#### Palanca Team

Kathy Walker
Deb Wieland, Cross Roads Community Church
Deanna Lynch, Pilgrim UMC
Susan Duval, St. Edward's Catholic Church
Shirley Sultany, Normandale Hylands UMC
Ann Johnson, Valley Christian
Polly Wright, Faith Covenant
Sandy Stamp, Riverside Presbyterian

#### Kitchen Rectora

Sue Tesarek, Faith Presbyterian

#### Assistant Kitchen Rectora

Kathy Nelson, Faith Presbyterian

#### Kitchen Team

Karol Allen, Faith Presbyterian
Kyle Brooks, Faith Covenant
Cathy Eckart, First Presbyterian
Tina Davis, Christ Presbyterian Church
Deb Deanovic, Christ Presbyterian Church
Jan Evans, Normandale Hylands UMC
Pam Irvin, Normandale Hylands UMC
Suzan James, Church of the Open Door
Lynn Jarvis, Christ Presbyterian Church
Stacey O'Brien, Crossroads Community Church

#### Fourth Day Rectora

Pat Hamblin, Colonial Church at Heritage Square

#### Assistant Fourth Day Rectora

Kathy Schmid, Colonial Church at Heritage Square

#### Fourth Day Team

Val Anderson, Stanchfield Baptist Church Nancy Berg, Colonial Church of Edina Carol Hertig, Christ Presbyterian of Edina Jan Heitschmidt, Braham Covenant Church Judy Lewis, Aldrich Presbyterian Marti Lidstone, Christ Presbyterian Church Dee Ostland, Mt. Olivet Lutheran Church Mary Ostlund, St. Lucas Community Church Carol Stewart, Faith Presbyterian Church Robin Theis, Woodridge Church of Medina Jacki Warren, Wyoming UMC Mary West, Wayzata Community Church

### Singles Ultreyas

The Singles Community meets for renewal and fellowship on the  $2^{nd}$  Saturday of each month at 5:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome. Wear your Cursillo cross and name tag, bring your song book, yellow book and a dish to share. Questions -- call the host listed below. Upcoming Ultreyas are:

June 9 July 14 Trinity Lutheran, Stillwater

July 14

House of Prayer Lutheran, Richfield

August 11

Cross View Lutheran, Edina

Host: Judy Laabs-Foss – 651-429-6762

Host: Layton Hoof – 612-869-5605

Host: Joan Haley 952-470-8832 or Jim Dibble 952-835-6925

#### PARTICIPANT LIST FROM UNIDOS EN CRISTO #171 AN D #172

ALBERT LEA, MINNESOTA

Judith Banya, Wheelock Parkway UMC Tom & Cheryl Boyd, Faith UMC Ellen Bureau, Church of the Open Door Jim & Kathy Casady, Faith UMC Mark & Diane Clarno, Wayzata Evangelical Free Michael Coellner, Plymouth Covenant Michele Cohen, Eden Prairie Presbyterian Walter Cohen, Eden Prairie Presbyterian Roger Cupp, Plymouth Covenant John & Lisa Dugstad, Albert Lea Assembly of God Kristi Eisert, Minnetonka UMC Nick & Becky Folwick, Minnewashta Congregational Dynelle Freitag, Albert Lea Assembly of God Wayne & Jane Fridlund, Colonial Church of Edina Susan Garmers, Evangel UMC James Gaughan, Portland Avenue UMC Bobby Giles, Evangel UMC SueAnn Gonzales, Fairmont Evangelical Coventant Trent & Apryl Gorton, Salem Lutheran Scott Hathaway, First Presbyterian Hale & Diane Hedlund, Oxlip Evangelical Free

John & Carrie Hendrickson, First Congregational Craig & Jan Hoium, First Presbyterian Jay Hutchison & Karen Felt-Hutchison, First Presbyterian Tom & Carla Jackson, Buffalo UMC Andrew & Maria Lucas, Albert Lea Assembly of God Gene & Marilyn Martin, Faith Presbyterian Don & Carole May, Hastings UMC Deborah Miles. Hennepin Avenue UMC Lavonne Morse, Faith UMC Kent & Cathy Otterman, Living Word Christian Church Brad & Loni Perrin, St. Lucas Community Church Byron & Becky Phillips, First Congregational UCC Michael Rognes, First Presbyterian Barry & Andrea Roles, Wyoming UMC Doug & Pam Ruble, Salem Lutheran Leroy & Joyce Scheumann, Oxlip Evangelical Free Garnett Steiner, Faith Presbyterian Tim & Susan Vandenheuvel, Albert Lea Assembly of God Thomas Werner, Rosemount UMC Raymond & Sally White, Faith Presbyterian Denise Wiseman, Faith Presbyterian Dave & Carol Wolter, First Presbyteria

WANTED: PALANCA ANGELS AND PRAYER WARRIORS—Churches, large and small groups, renewal groups and all individuals with a loving heart and a willingness to pray are needed to help provide palanca for our sister Cursillo communities across the country and around the world. Become a "Palanca Angel" and adopt a Cursillo community. All you need to do is support their weekends with prayer and written palanca. All the information you need will be sent to you when you contact Larry Bennett by email at <a href="mailto:palanca@prodigy.net">palanca@prodigy.net</a> or write to him at 8950 Audubon Road, Chanhassen, MN 55317

MISSING TEAM AND WEEKENDER ROSTERS--Thank you to those who have forwarded copies of rosters to us. We are still in search of the following:

Weekender Rosters for: #2, 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, 10, 61, 62, 63, 64, 67, 68, 99, 100, 114

Team Rosters for: #2, 5, 8, 9, 10, 67, 68, 99, 100

If you have one of the above, please send a copy to the address shown on the back page of this newsletter. You may use the U.S. mail, email or FAX.

UNIDOS EN CRISTO DATABASE CONVERSION—This is the first mailing of the Palanca Press using our newly converted database. Every effort has been made to not lose anyone in the process. However, if you know of a member of the 4<sup>th</sup> Day community who did not receive this issue of the Palanca Press, please let us know using the correction form on the back of any Palanca Press or via email from the web page.

WEB PAGE—Be sure to visit Unidos en Cristo on the web at <a href="www.unidosencristo.net">www.unidosencristo.net</a>. this is a new web site and it will be continually updated to keep it as current as possible. You will see that the 4<sup>TH</sup> DAY button is password protected. This is where Team and Lay/Clergy Application Forms will be posted, as well as 5<sup>th</sup> Day notices and other information specifically for the 4<sup>th</sup> Day Community. The password will be changed periodically and published in the Palanca Press. The CURRENT PASSWORD IS 44444444. Under the CONTACT US you will see UEC Local Church Affiliations. Please check to see whether your church's web page is included. If not, please send an email so we can add it. Check out the PALANCA button where you can email your commitment of prayer for the weekends to the Palanca Contact for each weekend. We invite your feedback—send it to unidosencristo@mn.rr.com.

## UNIDOS EN CRISTO WEEKEND WATCH

Weekend:	#175 (Men)	# 176 (Women)	#177 (Men)	#178 (Women)
Date:	August 9 – 12, 2001 Hennepin Avenue UMC Minneapolis	August 16 – 19, 2001 Hennepin Avenue UMC Minneapolis	November 1 – 4, 2001 Evangel UMC Rochester	November 8 – 11, 2001 Evangel UMC Rochester
Rector(a) Spiritual Director Asst. Spiritual Director Palanca Spiritual Director	Glen Karlgaard	Judy McElyea		
Application Dates:	May 29 – June 26	May 29 – June 26	August 21 – September 18	August 21 – September 18
Weekend:	#179 (Men)	#180 (Women)	#181 (Men)	#182 (Women)
Date:	January 24 – 27, 2002 Colonial Church Edina	Jan. 31 – Feb. 1, 2002 Colonial Church Edina	April 18 – 21, 2002 Wayzata Community	April 25 – 28, 2002 Wayzata Community
Rector(a) Spiritual Director Asst. Spiritual Director Palanca Spiritual Director				
Application Dates:	November 13 – December 11	November 13 – December 11		
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Weekender applications should be sent to: Jackie Hall, P.O. Box 205, Oronoco, MN 55960 (507) 367-2515; email: gandjhall1@juno.com

## UTEC

JNITED TEENS ENCOUNTER CHRIST (UTEC) is an opportunity for teenagers (grades 10-12 recommended) to share their faith with other teens in a way patterned after Cursillo/Unidos en Cristo. If you wouldlike to serve as an Adult Leader on a weekend—as a Fable Leader (ATL); and Adult Leader for the Kitchen, Wheat (TEC's prayer warriors) or Support (TEC's 4th Day team), call:

UTEC ConvenorRex Cooper952-454-9379Weekender AppsSue/Ron Trainis952-996-9474Adult Team AppsDave Dederichs952-929-3317Youth Team AppsBrad Wing952-474-0786

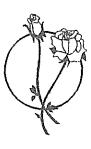


20-22 Jul 2001 TEC #52 Hope Presbyterian 26-28 Oct 2001 TEC #53 Arlington Hills UMC

Memorials given in memory of Cursillistas may be sent to the Unidos en Cristo Council Treasurer and will be icknowledged in the Palanca Press. Please send memorials to: Roger Roth, Treasurer, 7528 Mariner Drive, Maple Grove, MN 55311. If you know of a Cursillista who has entered his or her Fifth Day, please call Sheree Johnson, Communications Editor (952-944-7244) for names to be included in the Palanca Press. Others in the Fourth Day Community may have no other way of knowing special friends in Christ have now entered His glorious presence.

## In Loving Memory

We celebrate the life of our brother in Christ, Charles Wheeler (#29), who has entered is Fifth Day and is in our Lord's glorious presence.



DeColores Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

As I was sitting down at my computer to write this column that I had put off doing, I was thinking I would write something about the beautiful blossoms on some of the trees in the spring. When I turned on the computer, the first thing that popped up on my screen was a Norton Virus Protection update alert. I'm supposed to update my virus definitions so that I will be protected against any new viruses I might download from the Internet. I was irritated! I had too much to do to be bothered with this. As I sat there waiting for the update to download, I realized something about myself. Anytime someone or something intrudes on my plans and my desires, even if it's for my good, I'm irritated! In Deuteronomy God tells us that He has set before us life and prosperity, death and destruction. If we choose His will, walk in His ways and keep His commands, we will experience the life and prosperity He wants us to have. His commands are for our good, our benefit. Yet, so often I feel that God's commands just get in the way of me doing what I want to do. His commands are an annoying intrusion on my freedom. Why do I have to bother with them? You know, that Norton virus definition update didn't take long at all to download. Maybe five minutes total and I'm protected. By doing God's will we'll be protected from death and destruction that sin can bring into our lives. But we do need to regularly update ourselves on God's word, just as I updated my virus definitions. Not because God's word changes, but because the evils coming at us are always taking creative new forms, kind of like new computer viruses.

Perhaps the reason I have been putting off writing this is that I have been so busy fighting for the souls of men and women. Satan himself and his demons are targeting me. Thankfully, I know that the One who is in me is greater than the enemy is. Would you be a target in the spiritual battles of darkness, or are you someone the demons can ignore because you're really no threat to them? In Acts 19 some people made an attempt to cast out demons as the apostles were doing. The demons answered by naming the persons who posed a real threat to them-Jesus and Paul. Paul was the one those demons would target! Would Satan target you? He would only do so if you are actively engaging him in spiritual warfare for the souls of lost sinners. If you are witnessing to your unbelieving neighbor, if you are trying to help a co-worker kick a drug habit, if you are sponsoring someone to go to Unidos, or if you say yes to being on a team (even if it is not being held in a church close to you), then you will be targeted. But if you're standing on the sidelines just soaking up the grace of God and resting easy in your own salvation, then you're no threat to the enemy. Where are you in the spiritual warfare being waged right now? Are you on the front lines? Are you contending mightily? If so, expect to be targeted! But do not fear! Satan may be mighty but Jesus is Almighty!

I got a little side tracked from what I had originally intended to write-you remember, about those spring blossoms. This morning as I looked across the street I noticed a tree with branches completely covered with beautiful pink blossoms. The blossoms billowed out from the branches. It caught my eye because it looked as though someone had taken the tree and dipped it in a huge bubble bath. You couldn't even see the branches because of all the beautiful pink blooms! I thought about how that tree would look a few weeks from now when the leaves appear, green and lush and full of life. The vision of that tree reminded me of what God has done for us in Jesus Christ. In Christ God has cleansed us with the perfect "bubble bath." He washed us not just outwardly, but through and through. He has washed our sins away. And this washing has given us new life! Just as the blossoms on that "bubble bath" tree will give way to the new life of green leaves, so the washing of rebirth that God gives us in Jesus Christ leads to new life in us. That's why spring is such a great time of year. God has given us a reminder of new life in every blossom, bloom and leaf. All around he's telling us that the death of sin is over and new life has begun, all because of Christ.

I mentioned sponsoring or working on an Unidos weekend—I encourage all of you to consider taking a few days out of your lives to serve the Lord in this way. Sponsoring or working on a weekend involves some sacrifice, but there are rewards as well. Jesus practiced sacrificial giving daily. In our quest to be like Jesus, we need to remember His sacrifices and be willing to make personal sacrifices for the good of others. One thing I always hear from the Weekenders is that they are overwhelmed by the number of people who give of their time and make personal sacrifices to put on the weekend. HOW ABOUT SHARING SOME OF THE JOY YOU RECEIVED.

Darrell Sykes 952-988-9931

DOES YOUR CHURCH HAVE A WAITING LIST FOR UNIDOS? Did you know that in the past year some weekends hav actually run at less than capacity? There is a general misconception that we always have a waiting list but this is not the case. If your church has several applications waiting to be sent to us, please get them turned in to our Allocation Coordinator during the appropriate applications period. It is sad to hear someone say, "we had to wait for 3 years to attend when we have had space available.

## Unidos en Cristo Team Request Form

Use this form if you are interested in serving on a Unidos en Cristo team or would like to suggest another Fourth Dayer (One name per form only - Please feel free to make copies)

#### Team Covenant - Unidos en Cristo

As a team member I enter into a covenant with other team members to provide a grace-filled experience of Jesus Christ for the participating weekenders. Therefore, I pledge to the best of my ability and with God's help:

- to model a Christian lifestyle, using God's word as my guide,
- to maintain a team spirit, and
- to prayerfully support the leadership of the Rector/Rectora and Spiritual Directors during the months of preparation and the weekend itself.

I understand that the focus of Unidos en Cristo weekends must be on the weekenders so I am willing to set aside my individual preferences for the good of the team and for a weekend that gives glory to God.

Please identify request type:		Volunteer Self	O Fourth Da	Fourth Dayer Suggestion	
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Name / Location	of your church:				
Other comments:					
Please fill out thi	s form and mail to:	Dennis Lund 12074 Gantry Apple Valley	Lane	il: nhalund@	aol.com

This form does not guarantee you will be asked to serve – it simply means your name and this information will be passed on to weekend team leaders. REMEMBER teams are formed 2-4 months prior to the weekend. If you have not been called for an upcoming weekend after submitting this form or have had to decline serving on a team when called, please send in a new completed form as they may not be carried forward from team to team. (3/01)

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## Correct and Current Information Needed

Send correction form to:

Unidos en Cristo Marie D Wilson 9709 Colorado Road Bloomington, MN 55438-1740

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Call: 952-835-0301

email: unidosenCristo@mn.rr.com

FAX: 952-835-0402

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