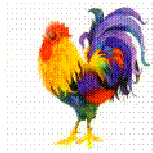




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# Crowing Times



## From the Lay Director . . .

### De Colores!

The Colorado Episcopal Cursillo Secretariat met 4 times during the 2007-2008 year.

#### **November 17, 2007:**

Secretariat officers were appointed:

Tom Reyburn – Asst. Lay Dir. – West Slope

David Dooley – Asst. Lay Dir. – East Slope

Holly Kuehn – Secretary

Sharon Conrad continues in a non-voting position as Treasurer.

Fr. Rex Chambers and Fr. Ed Nettleton both retired as Spiritual Advisors for the Secretariat. The Rev. Don Seils was appointed by Bp. O'Neill to serve as a Spiritual Advisor.

The Secretariat set goals for the coming year:

- Increase our efforts to educate clergy by visits and by having at least one member of the diocesan clergy attend a weekend.
- One weekend was cancelled so that Cursillistas on the west slope could spend time and effort visiting clergy and inviting them to the 2009 May weekend.
- Develop a fund raising plan to enable us to continue to hold weekends and other Cursillo events. This project is still in progress
- Find ways to emphasize the 4<sup>th</sup> day to all Cursillistas. To encourage the formation of reunion groups and ultreyas
- Hold the 1<sup>st</sup> ever Grande Ultreya hosted by Bp. O'Neill in Dillon.

#### **February 16, 2008**

There was a review of the agreement between the National Episcopal Cursillo and the Roman Catholic Church. Based on that agreement, the candidate and team applications were revised to include members of the Episcopal Church (TEC) and the Evangelical Lutheran Church. While this was a long thought out and discussed decision, it was strongly felt that we had to support the agreement as it currently stands.

Locations for the Aug. 2008 weekend were discussed and it was decided that it would be held at Highlands Presbyterian Camp in Allenspark. In addition, the Secretariat created a policy stating that weekend Lay Directors are responsible for the finances of their weekends and that all weekends must pay for themselves.

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**Grande Ultreya  
June 2008**

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### **May 10, 2008**

The Secretariat voted to create a scholarship fund for team and candidates who might need some assistance in paying attendance fees.

The rest of the meeting was spent planning the upcoming Grande Ultreya.

### **September 20, 2008**

The Rev. Sarah Freeman joined the Secretariat as a Spiritual Advisor.

This meeting was spent reviewing our goals. In addition Tom reported on the progress of the fund raising plan. We discussed the possibility of selling Cursillo materials at weekend closings. It is necessary for the Secretariat to raise funds in order to continue our support of the National Episcopal Cursillo and to continue to provide weekend scholarships. There will be more information on this as plans become formulated.

It is with grateful hearts we sincerely thank Bishop O'Neill for his strong support of Cursillo in Colorado. We appreciate his wisdom and his time as he challenges us to put our apostolic plans into action.

Respectfully submitted

Martha Libby  
Lay Dir.

## **De Colores!**

The Colorado Episcopal Cursillo Secretariat met on Nov. 15 to begin the year's work.

We talked a lot about how we can do more to help people live out their 4<sup>th</sup> Day. We discussed ways to educate people about Cursillo and how it can be of benefit to their parishes and their lives as Christians.

God blessed us with a Spiritual Advisor, Fr. Don Seils, who has expertise in video production. Because of that blessing, we'll be creating a DVD to send out to parishes and Cursillistas that will help when answering questions about Cursillo. We're very excited about this project.

We're also looking at hosting a new event to the Colorado Episcopal Cursillo called Back to the Mountain. It's a weekend event designed to renew and revive our 4<sup>th</sup> Day! Look for more info on the web page [www.cocursillo.org](http://www.cocursillo.org)

There is much work to be done this year. If you'd like to volunteer to help out, please contact any Secretariat member.

We're looking forward to a blessed and Spirit-filled year.

Ultreya!  
Martha Libby

# NECS 2008

## Daytona Beach, FL

*By Gloria Wooding, Delegate*



Delegates registered and attended Thursday, October 23 seminar social. The Seminar officially began with Eucharist by Bishop John Howell, followed by District meetings.

I had the privilege to witness on the subject of Prayer: Faith, Trust and Patience. It was suggested we ask not what NECC can do for us, but what we can do. The key is actually asking.

Included in a statement by the National Episcopal Cursillo Committee was the following:

“National Episcopal Cursillo is a movement of the Episcopal church. We recognize, however, that a number of individuals with connections and interest in the Episcopal Cursillo Movement are no longer affiliated with the Episcopal Church. As a sign of reconciliation, we welcome those still able, as individuals, to be in communion with the local Episcopal Diocesan Bishop and fellow Cursillistas, whether lay or ordained, to participate in the activities of the Cursillo Movement. Furthermore, and always at the Diocesan Bishop’s discretion, we encourage an openness to their continued participation and interest in the activities of the Episcopal Cursillo. It should be understood by all that as a part of their participation, they agree to do so fully for the advancement of cursillo, be supportive of the mission of the Episcopal Cursillo, and agree that they will not promote any political agenda.”

(Earl) Dan Pool was selected to represent the North Central District.

I attended workshops on:

- 1) Rediscovering “Spiritual and Religious in a World of “Spiritual NOT Religious”, led by Brian Hastings.
- 2) “Sponsorship Foundation of the Cursillo Movement” led by Martha Libby.
- 3) Beachside Chat with the Rev. Tom Ehrich.

The proposed 2008-09 Budget was approved at the General Meeting and the 2009 Conference will be held in San Antonio, TX October 23-25.

## Events Around the Diocese

### **Holiday Arts and Crafts Fair, Nov. 22 (9 am - 5 pm) and Nov. 23 (10 am - 1 pm), Intercession Episcopal Church, Thornton.**

Don't miss out on this annual event. Artwork, jewelry, home-canned, baked, woven, stitched, knitted, crocheted, and carved items are among the many original treasures you'll find being offered. What a wonderful way to show someone they are special by giving them a unique gift, created by our many talented artists and vendors. Please join us on Saturday, November 22 from 9am-5pm and on Sunday November 23 from 10am to 1pm. Intercession Church is located in Thornton at 100th Ave and Steele St (three blocks west of Colorado Blvd).

### **Intentional Interim Ministry Training, Dec. 1 - 5, Iliff School of Theology, Denver.**

This training from the Interim Ministry Network (IMN) explores the 5 Developmental Tasks congregations work on between pastors. This is a commuter program and does have evening sessions. For further information and registration go to the IMN website (IMNEDU.org) or contact The Rev. Gary Goldacker at 303/483-1542.

### **Open House, St. Elizabeth's Episcopal School, Dec. 5, 8:30 am - 1:30 pm, Clayton Campus, Denver.**

Parents of prospective students are encouraged to attend. We are now accepting kindergarten, first and second grade applications for 2009-2010. For more information, please call 303-322-4209.

### **Quiet Day, Dec. 5th, 9:00 am - 2:00 pm, Grace and St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, Colorado Springs.**

Join us in a time of peaceful preparation for the Advent season. The morning will begin with Morning Prayer and continue in silence until a light lunch at 12:30. A booklet of meditations will be available and participants can use the sanctuary, parlor and Fellowship Hall for quiet reflection, reading and prayer. Please call the Grace office at 719-328-1125 so we can plan for lunch. For more details call Deacon Sally Ziegler at 719-648-9350.

### **Praying with the Mystics: Daughters of the King Advent Quiet Day, Dec. 6, 8:30 am - 1:00 pm, Church of the Holy Comforter, Broomfield.**

You are invited to Church of the Holy Comforter and Episcopal Church of the Resurrection Daughters of the King Advent Quiet Day with The Reverend Sandy Blake Saturday, December 6. This is an opportunity to add meaning to your Advent experience with contemplative prayer, praying scripture, chant, Eucharist and anointing for healing and ministry. So we can plan, please RSVP either by e-mail to [holycomforter@qwestoffice.net](mailto:holycomforter@qwestoffice.net), or call the church office, 303-466-2667 by Dec. 3rd.

### **Arts on Vine - The Art of Susie Rember, Dec. 5 - 7, St. Barnabas, Denver.**

Arts on Vine presents a one-woman show of cityscapes and etchings of Spain and Mexico, Oregon seascapes and glass work by Capitol Hill artist Susie Rember at St. Barnabas Episcopal Church, 1280 Vine St., Denver, Dec. 5 - 7, 2008. An Opening Reception with refreshments will be Friday, Dec. 5 from 5 - 7:30 P.M. The exhibit will also be open Sat., Dec. 6 from 1 - 4 P.M. and Sun., Dec. 7, from 10:30 A.M. - 12 noon and 5 - 7 P.M. Susie Rember has a Bachelor's Degree in Fine Art from the University of Colorado; she works from S.Rember Studios in Denver's historic Clements District. Oil portraits of children, adults, and pets; cityscapes and etchings have been her lifelong endeavors. She has been commissioned to do many works including trompt'loiles. Susie Rember has won awards and has given workshops on composition, oils and intaglio. Her work is in many private collections throughout Colorado.

### **Holiday Teas, Dec. 6 - 7, and 13 - 14, Grace Episcopal Church, Georgetown.**

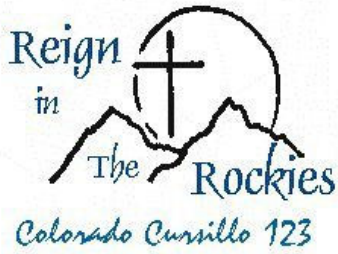
Holiday Teas at Grace Hall - next to the Episcopal Church on Taos Street in Georgetown, Colorado. Two weekends in December during Georgetown Christmas Market - Saturdays, December 6 and 13th and Sundays, December 7 and 14th. Morning Tea is offered on Saturdays only from 9:30 to 11:00am; includes Scones, Cream and Fruit with assorted Teas. The cost is \$5.00.

High Tea is offered on Saturdays and Sundays, from 12:00 Noon to 3:00pm; it includes Traditional Tea Sandwiches or Savory Tart Scones, Bread and Pastries with Assorted Teas. The cost is \$20.00. These Holiday Teas are the major fundraiser for Grace Episcopal Church. For questions or reservations, Call Sally Nisler at 303-569-2816 or Mary Clark at 303-569-2113 or e-mail Sally: [the\\_nislars@earthlink.net](mailto:the_nislars@earthlink.net) or Mary: [maryrclark@msn.com](mailto:maryrclark@msn.com).

### **Listening with Expectation, Dec. 13, 9:00 am - noon, St. Aidan's, Boulder.**

The coming of Advent offers us the opportunity to listen with expectation to self, to each other, to the world, and to the Spirit. We will consider what it means to give and to receive the gift of truly listening. And we will learn more about the barriers that break the flow of the Spirit in communication. All are invited to attend. Those involved in pastoral care, visiting ministries, listening and visiting programs will find the workshop relevant. Anne Doyle will be the facilitator of Listening with Expectation on Saturday, 13 December, 9 a.m. to noon, St. Aidan's Episcopal Church, 2425 Colorado Boulevard, Boulder. The program is free, but please register in advance by sending an email with your name, contact info (email, phone, address), and church affiliation (none necessary) to [attentiontolife@gmail.com](mailto:attentiontolife@gmail.com). More information is available about the workshop at [the Attention to Life blog](#) or you can call Anne Doyle at 720.346.8420.

# Cursillo #123—August 29-September 1



## Cursillo 123

### GOD IS GOOD ALL THE TIME!

As usual, the Spirit of God worked powerfully in another Cursillo weekend. Weekend #123, "Reign in the Rockies", produced 29 enthusiastic new cursillistas. The new cursillistas were eager and responsive to the process---and to some spontaneous fun times as well (like the Decolores conga line at clausura and the stolen bell that needed to be fished out of a bowl of jello by hand).

One new cursillista noted that the weekend was the first time that she ever heard that she is worthy of being loved, that we're all worthy of being loved simply because we're created by God

and loved by God. What a beautiful message to take away from the weekend. The music, rollos, spiritual directors, and leadership were blessed and inspired. Can you imagine a more beautiful way for those involved to have spent the labor day weekend. Sincere thanks goes out to the sponsors. And remember, your job is just beginning.



Stewart and Terrie Abbot

## From the Treasurer . . .

### Balance Sheet - As of 11/1/2008

	11/1/2008 Balance
<b>Cash and Bank Accounts</b>	
Checking	3,755.30
Money Market	3,877.47
Scholarship Fund	1,590.00
<b>TOTAL Cash and Bank Accounts</b>	<b>9,222.77</b>



## National Episcopal Cursillo Newsnotes

The National Episcopal Cursillo Committee (NECC) held its third quarterly meeting of the year in the Diocese of Atlanta. We were hosted by St. Matthew's Episcopal Church, Snellville, GA.

We kicked off the weekend with sharing and discussion of the book for this quarter, *Premeditated Mercy*, by Joseph Nassal. Everyone found that there was definitely some food for thought in how we interact with our brothers and sisters in Christ.

Friday and Saturday were filled with general business meetings, as well as the subcommittee meetings and district meetings. Finances were a major topic of discussion both Friday and Saturday. Thanks to everyone who has submitted their diocesan contributions. Unfortunately, we still have several dioceses that have not submitted their contributions so we are in a critical financial situation. We are also looking for ways to raise more funds through individual contributions. In an effort to do some cost cutting, the NECC elected to reduce the number of meetings in 2009 from 4 to 3. Also during the weekend we elected officers for 2009, you can find those results in the NewsNotes attached with this letter. And finally we approved the location for the 2009 Seminar to be held in San Antonio, Texas.

On a related topic, if you have not done so recently, please consider having an ECLW in your area. This year, we finished a three year survey of Dioceses to look at the health of the movement. Although there was a general downward trend nationwide in Cursillo, we found that the healthiest movements are those that host ECLW's and encourage their leadership to attend ECLW's. You can either do a workshop alone, or you can partner with another Diocese. Hosting an ECLW is a "no lose" proposition. If you host one, and have a financial loss, NECC will reimburse you up to \$500.00. The North Central district ECLW coordinator is Dee Settelmeyer. Contact her today! Her email address is [pakadee@msn.com](mailto:pakadee@msn.com).

Please remember that the NECC is here to serve you! If there is anything we can do to assist your local community, please let us know. I hope to be able to visit each of you during my term on the committee. If you have not already done so, please feel free to add me to your Secretariat email lists to keep me apprised of what's going on in your dioceses.

De Colores,  
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### **Reminders:**

- Send updated lists of leadership, including names, addresses, telephone numbers and email addresses to me and the National office ([necoffice@episcopalcursillo.org](mailto:necoffice@episcopalcursillo.org))
- Post this letter on your local website. Also include it in your local newsletter and email it to your local community. I'm also attaching a copy of the quarterly edition of "Newsnote" to be distributed to your community.
- Please remember to send your Diocesan contributions to the National Office. They have fallen behind from last year.
- Seminar 2008 will be in Daytona Beach. It's a Cursillo family reunion!! It's not too early to register.
- As individuals, we can all support Cursillo through Friends of Cursillo. Even a \$5 contribution is appreciated.
- Host an ECLW and watch your movement grow. Let me know if you are interested in hosting an NECC meeting in your diocese. We are making arrangements now for 2010.

## 2009 Cursillo Weekends



### **Cursillo #124**

May 14-27, 2009

Red Cloud Ranch, Lake City

Tom Reyburn, Lay Leader

P. O. Box 324

Lake City 81235

(970) 944-2443

tom@reyburn.net

### **Cursillo #125**

September 10-13, 2009

Rocky Mountain Village, Georgetown

Martha Libby and Sue Richardson, Lay Leaders

Martha: 444 N. Ider St., Aurora, CO 80018 (303) 856-7470 mlibby4444@comcast.net

Sue: 3853 S. Genoa Ct. #D, Aurora, CO 80013 suerich9@comcast.net

Applications for team, candidates and sponsors will be updated and placed on our web site at [www.cocursillo.org](http://www.cocursillo.org) . You can download and print them out. More information will be available after the first of the year, and be praying about whether you are being called as a candidate, team member or sponsoring someone.

## 2009 SECRETARIAT

<b>Name</b>	<b>Position</b>
Martha Libby	Lay Director
David Dooley	Asst. Lay Director, East
Tom Reyburn	Asst. Lay Director, West
TBD	Ultreya Coordinator
Gloria Wooding	Secretary
Sharon Conrad	Treasurer
John Mitchell	Palanca Coordinator
Bernie Maly	Parish Rep Coordinator
Sean McGaughey	
Candyce Lowery	
Nancy Hause	Crowing Times
Rev. Don Seils	Spiritual Advisor
Rev. Sarah Freeman	Spiritual Advisor

### **Future Secretariat Meeting Schedule**

All Faiths in Vail

February 21, 2009

June 20, 2009

September 19, 2009