



Growing Times

Colorado Episcopal Cursillo

Lay Director's Letter

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The time has come. I have been on the Secretariat for just over 4 years now and according to our by-laws, I must take a couple years off. This is a good thing as it brings new people and ideas to the group and reenergizes it.

I am thankful that I had the opportunity to serve the Colorado Cursillo Community in this capacity and I want you to know that we are alive and well and growing.

At our annual meeting held October 5, 2007 during General convention we elected **EIGHT** new members to the secretariat. That is fantastic. With the two clergy appointed by the Bishop, we are almost at maximum membership. I look for great things from this group.

Last year we appointed an assistant lay director for the east and one for the west. That worked extremely well and I believe it will continue this year.

I want to give a special thanks to Bonnie Bentson, Assistant Lay Director for the west, for making my job so easy. Bonnie has a true heart for Cursillo and was a wonderful assistant. Special thanks also to Becca Dooley, Assistant Lay Director for the east.

So, this is my last message to you for a while. Thanks for all you do and keep on doing it. Christ is still counting on us.

ULTREYA

DEE SETTELMAYER

From the Editors . . .



Once again Sharon Conrad is working her computer magic and putting together another edition of *Crowing Times*. It was a pleasure to read all the contributions to this issue because so many good things have happened since the Spring issue. Episcopal Cursillo is obviously alive and well in Colorado. As the Rev. Scott Turner of St. Albans, Windsor, said at an Ultreya, Cursillo is one place in the Episcopal Church where love and acceptance predominate.

Wishing you a blessed Advent and Christmas season and praying fervently that this winter will bring enough snow to keep reindeer and skiers happy but not so much that we all begin taking courses in igloo building as we did last year.

De Colores.
Nancy Hause

Any ideas, suggestions, contributions to *Crowing Times* are most welcome. Send them to Nancy Hause, nrhause@msn.com 737 Sanborn Dr., Estes Park, 80517

Weekend #121 — May 17-20, 2007



The theme "Amazing Love" was reflected throughout the entire weekend. All of our experiences throughout the weekend were Christ-centered, and His amazing love bore the fruit of healing, reconciliation and joy.

With 21 candidates and 27 team from around the state and from Utah in attendance, it was a joyful thing to watch the Spirit take hold and move in such a place as that Cursillo weekend. All experienced some level of transformation by the end of the weekend. With the spectacular scenery which surrounds Redcloud Camp, it was thrilling each and every morning to awake to the beauty that God has created. A few of the cursillistas had been contemplating attending a weekend for a long time, and expressed their gratitude and appreciation for such an uplifting time. "Why didn't I come before this?" was heard. The answer is always "in God's time".

The core team consisted of Cindy Murray, Rectora, Sharon Conrad and Tom Reyburn, Assistants, Martha Reyburn, Head Kitchen Angel, and Jan Smith, Music Leader. The spiritual direction for the weekend came from Fr. Ed Nettleton, assisted by the Rev. JoAnn Ford and Deacon Judy Schneider.

Throughout our time together, God's grace and amazing love were present with each and every person, including the wonderful camp staff. Many of our new cursillistas have already formed reunion groups and have the full support of those of us who pray for them each and every day.

Ultreya,
Cindy Murray



Weekend #122 — Aug. 30-Sept. 2, 2007

With months of planning and meetings behind us, the weekend started with the arrival of the team for set-up. And then, before we knew it, candidates were in front of us. With 81 people in attendance—team and candidates—it was a **blesed** weekend. We felt the spirit work on the weekend for many months, but now it was a time to see the Lord in Action.

As the weekend began, we saw community form quickly and heard great discussions. Groups were taking time to get to know each other and started working on their 4th day **before** the weekend was over. We sang, we ate, we shared, we ate, we cried, we ate and loved one another. We never missed an opportunity to laugh and sing. The team worked tirelessly and deserves a round of applause for the dedication to the weekend. It is because of everyone in attendance that the weekend was a definite success.

We all pray for a weekend to be what God wants it to be, and ask that we are able to get out of his way and let things happen. This was a weekend where we DID sit back and watch HIM work in ways that we will never know and never be able to describe.

“Thank you” to all of the candidates who were able to attend, the prayer support from everyone, and the love, tenderness and acceptance of all. You are all a blessing to those around you. Please welcome the newest Colorado Cursillistas into your community. Use this opportunity to grow a reunion group or start one if there is someone in your community that is not in one.

Ultreya, Dave & Rebecca Dooley

#121 New Cursillistas

Alivia Dion, St. Barnabas, Glenwood Springs
 Connie De Ianni, Utah (Mother of Alivia Dion)
 Phyllis Guerrieri and Jerry Kowal, Good Samaritan, Gunnison
 Bob & Susie Stephani, Holy Spirit, Centennial
 Mary Fisher, Church of the Nativity, Grand Junction
 Bob & Dawn Skerry, St. James, Lake City
 Kathy McLallen, St. John's, Ouray
 Margaret Musgnung and Judi Ricker, St. Luke's, Delta
 Polly Bloom & Cathy Donahoe, St. Matthew's, Grand Junction
 Bill & Shirley Duncan, Daney & Kent Hyatt, Emily Casedy and Carol Maestas, St. Paul's, Montrose
 Mark Andrews, Utah (Son of Candyce Lowery)

#122 New Cursillistas

David Sandoval, Ascension Church, Denver
 Holly Kuehn, Christ the King, Arvada
 Penny Horton, Good Shepherd, Texas
 Lisa Wynn, Good Shepherd, Centennial
 Anna HoSang and Tree King, Holy Redeemer, Denver
 Jo Anne Grace, Susan Grande, Beth Koppes, Dennis & Sherri Ricker, St. Alban's, Windsor
 Ed & Tammie Gregori, Steve & Liz Hyatt, Jack & Jane Kenyon, Kathy Palke and Kass Schreiber, St. Andrew's, Fort Collins
 Karen Dick and Sandra Patterson-Slaydon, St. Bartholomew's, Estes Park
 Mary Katherine Jones, St. John's, Boulder
 Chris Ebert-Santos, St. John's, Breckenridge
 Marcia Drysdale, St. Joseph's, Engelwood
 Jason Merillat and Shari Laginess, St. Martin's, Aurora
 Kandy Halstead, St. Matthew's, Parker
 Jessie Hanson, St. Paul's, Central City
 Vicky Barr, Janet Bedingfield, Ron & Meg Gallegos, Glenn & Judy Gregory, Chrys Hinze, Kelli Shoemaker and Linda Springer, Trinity, Greeley

AROUND THE DIOCESE

The Episcopal Church Wants YOU, and Some Others Whom You Know!

The Joint Standing Nominating Committee of General Convention is seeking applications from persons willing to be nominated for five elections that will take place at General Convention 2009, to be held in Anaheim, California, July 8-17. Applications must be received on or before February 1st, 2008.

- Court for the Trial of a Bishop
- Board Members of The Church Pension Fund
- Members of Executive Council
- Members of the General Board of Examining Chaplains
- Trustees of General Theological Seminary

To learn more about what is expected for each assignment, to learn how to apply, and to get a copy of the application form required, visit the Committee's website at <http://tinyurl.com/2dv9fr>. The site is available in French, Spanish and English.

"From Healing to Holiness - Engaging the Power of Presence," Spiritual Direction Colorado's Annual Spirituality Conference, Jan. 18 - 19, Regis University, Denver.

The spiritual journey is a path of personal healing that takes time and intention. It is also a path of self-transcendence "increasing the soul's capacity for spirit," says Donald Corcoran, OSF Cam, a contemporary contemplative master. The 2008 Spiritual Direction Colorado Spirituality Conference, which takes place Jan. 18 - 19, 2008 at Regis University, will use various contemplative practices to explore how healing and transcendence work together to reinforce and fulfill one another in the emergence of the fully human being. The conference will feature presentations by the Rev. Dr. Cynthia Bourgeault, who serves as Principal Teacher for the Contemplative Society and an adjunct faculty member at the Vancouver School of Theology, and by Ken Phillips, who is the Assistant to the Vice President for Mission and Art at Regis University. The cost of the conference is \$80 - \$90 after Dec. 15, and includes lunch on Saturday. For more information or to register, visit www.spiritualdirectioncolorado.org

Opportunities for Choirs - Regional and Diocesan Events

Diocesan choirs are invited to join with the Cathedral Choir on the following occasions. Choir Directors please contact Stephen Tappe at tappe@sjc-den.org or (303) 577-7726 no later than two months prior to each liturgy.

Saturday, April 26, 2008 at 10:00 am - High Plains Confirmation, Saturday, May 31, 2008 at 10am, Ordinations to the Diaconate

New on the Web Site!

<http://www.coloradodiocese.org>

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer

The Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, beginning with Advent I, December 2, 2007 is now available on the [Diocesan Cycle of Prayer](#) page on the Diocesan Website.

Sanctuary for Leaders of Youth and Children's Ministry

Sanctuary is a weekend developed to draw one into the presence of God; to set aside your every day busy-ness and deepen your communion with Jesus. This weekend is designed to allow participants to experience the Divine in a variety of ways. Please visit the [Sanctuary](#) page for more information

Presentation on "Becoming a Mission-Shaped Church in Today's World"

For the PDF version or the Power Point version of The Rev. Canon Lou Blanchard's presentation to Clergy Conference, please go to the [Resources for Development](#) page.



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From Our New Lay Director . . .

De Colores!

I'm very excited to be serving on the Secretariat this year. We are looking at a year full of anticipation and change as we discern what God has in store for Cursillo in the Diocese of Colorado. The Secretariat welcomes 8 new members.

- David Dooley – St. Martin in the Fields - Aurora
- Holly Kuehn – Christ the King - Arvada
- Martha Libby – St. Martin in the Fields - Aurora
- Sean McGaughey – Christ the King - Arvada
- Gloria Wooding – Trinity - Greeley
- John Mitchell – St. John's - Ouray
- Tom Reyburn – St. James – Lake City
- Candyce Lowery – St. Barnabas – Glenwood Springs

The Diocesan Palanca Coordinator is:
 Charlotte Jones, St. Patrick's Pagosa Springs
 201 County Road 600
 Pagosa Springs 81147

Our Treasurer, Sharon Conrad, from the western slope is continuing, and Holly Kuehn from the eastern slope will serve as Secretary. In addition, we said goodbye and Ultreya to Fr. Rex Chambers and Fr. Ed Nettleton, as they follow God's calling in other directions. At this writing, we are seeking out new clergy representation.

As we look ahead, we're going to be taking stock of the position of Cursillo in the life of the Church and the Diocese. We'll be looking at how Cursillo can help the Church both in local parishes as well as on the diocesan level.

We'll be developing ways to strengthen our 4th Day. We'll have the opportunity to meet with other dioceses as part of a District Meeting to be held in Iowa in the spring. We'll take a hard look at what we do well and what we need to strengthen.

Congratulations to Missi Kern, former Lay Director of our Secretariat, on her election to the National Episcopal Cursillo Committee (NECC). And congratulations to Diana Settelmeyer, also former Lay Director of our Secretariat, on her appointment as District ECLW Coordinator.

As you can see, there is much to be proud of. There is also much to do. Pray for your Secretariat as we work to understand the direction God has put before us. We'll be praying for you and your walk in your 4th Day.

Ultreya!
 Martha Libby
 Lay Director

From the Treasurer . . .

Balance Sheet - As of 10/15/2007

	12/31/06	3/31/07	6/30/07	10/15/07
ASSETS				
Cash and Bank Accounts				
Checking	195.78	472.75	2,859.22	1722.81
Money Market	6,225.68	3,818.50	4,815.81	5,842.21
TOTAL Cash and Bank Accounts	6,421.46	4,291.25	7,815.03	7,565.02
TOTAL ASSETS	6,421.46	4,291.25	7,815.03	7,565.02
EQUITY	7,171.46	4,761.25	8,335.03	7,335.02
TOTAL EQUITY	6,421.46	4,291.45	7,815.03	7,565.02

National Episcopal Cursillo Seminar October 25-28, 2007

One hundred fifty five Cursillistas from across the country and the Bahamas gathered in Colorado Springs from October 25-28 for the National Episcopal Cursillo Seminar. The seminar is an annual event presented by the National committee and hosted by local communities.

Planning for the Colorado Springs seminar began over two years ago when the National Committee asked our diocese to host the Seminar. It all came together last month, and thanks to the hard work and dedication of the local host community committee it was a huge success.

The seminar officially opened Friday morning with a Eucharist celebrated by Bishop O'Neill. It was wonderful to have him there to welcome attendees to our beautiful state. The Seminar is a great opportunity to meet with our brothers and sisters from all over and see how the movement is going in their "neck of the woods".

This year we did something a little different and had an afternoon of free time to allow sightseeing. The response was amazing. We sent people off to Garden of the Gods, Air Force Academy, Pikes Peak, and a few others. Many people in attendance had never been to Colorado, and never seen a real mountain. Many were hoping for a little snow as they had never seen it either but the weather was beautiful.

Many thanks to all who helped make the seminar a success. The host community committee included Fr. Don Seils, Cyndi Willey, Sue Richardson, Missi Kern, Cynthia Obermeyer, and Becca Dooley. Mark Johnson built us a rainbow jail, Bernie Maly was our sheriff, John and Carroll Mitchell jumped in and helped wherever there was a need. Our music team was FANTASTIC: Greg Schooley, Wayne Kern, Joe Owens, Boone Williams, Frank Williams, Missi Kern, Dee Settlemeyer.

The seminar next year will be in Daytona Beach. Try to go if you can. You won't regret it.

Dee Settlemeyer
Host Community Coordinator

2008 SECRETARIAT

Name	Position
Martha Libby	Lay Director
David Dooley	Asst. Lay Director, East
Tom Reyburn	Asst. Lay Director, West
	Ultreya Coordinator
Holly Kuehn	Secretary
Sharon Conrad	Treasurer
Charlotte Jones	Palanca Coordinator
Joanie Heard	Parish Rep Coordinator
Sean McGaughey	
John Mitchell	
Candyce Lowery	
Gloria Wooding	
Nancy Hause	Crowing Times
Rev. Don Seils	Spiritual Advisor
	Spiritual Advisor

Future Secretariat Meeting Schedule

February 16, 2008, All Faiths in Vail
 June 14, 2008, All Faiths in Vail
 September 20, 2008, All Faiths in Vail