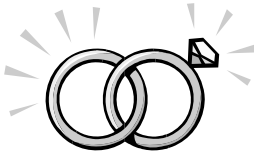


Words From the Spiritual Director...

By Father Ray Brenner

Dear Fourth Day Community,

Sometimes you do not find out for years that you have had an influence on someone's life. This has really struck me as I consider the weddings I have ahead of me this summer. In addition to a number in Jasper, I will witness marriages at Sacred Heart and Resurrection in Evansville as well as one at the Cathedral in Nashville, TN.



I hear this kind of witness from some of you as you tell about individuals you have encountered in your daily life who have shared something about their life and you have prayed with them or supported them as they make a retreat or Cursillo.

Sometimes we may be a little hesitant to make these suggestions. It is at those times we have to really follow the advice we hear on our weekends, "Speak to God about the person before speaking to the person about God."

I would again like to make a plea on behalf of our treasury. My preference would be that we not have to raise the fee for the weekend. If you are looking for a charitable cause to support, please consider the Evansville Cursillo.

God bless you, Fr. Ray Brenner

Words From Lay Director Nick Wolf

More than a few years ago, when I was in my early 20's, I remember discussing with my boss the many problems that had cropped up in our workplace. This wise man told me, "Nick, we don't have any problems, all we have are opportunities". Admittedly, this adage may be a bit overused, however it's truth was clear then, and it still rings clear today. So, I would like to talk about some Cursillo opportunities.

First, let's define "opportunity". Webster's dictionary tell us that opportunity is "a combination of circumstances favorable for a purpose; or a good chance or occasion to advance, as to advance oneself or an ideal".

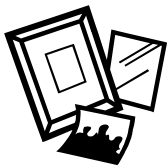
God and your local Cursillo have some opportunities that we might examine. The Secretariat, School of Leaders, and all of our Leaders behind the scenes are working hard to improve, streamline, and make our movement more current. To that end, let me say a little something about what is happening locally.

1. In April of this year we shared a Cursillo Reunion at St. Celestine, we will have a Grand Ultreya this Aug 28th, and a Fall Cursillo Reunion this Dec 4th. These are activities of the Post-Cursillo and even though we still do not have a Post-Cursillo head, there are volunteers whom God has blessed us with, who giving all they have, see a need, and then give a little more.
2. The Evansville Cursillo is now on "Facebook" with a volunteer to oversee the site.
3. We would like to establish a "Cursillo Parish Liason" program of volunteers in order to be more closely in tune with the needs of the 4th day in their individual parishes.
4. We have implemented the "Cursillo Corner" in the newsletter in order to give a voice to Cursillistas who wish to volunteer info about their walk with Jesus and in Cursillo.
5. The School of Leaders (all volunteers) continues to work toward a goal of creating a solid formation for personal growth in Jesus Christ, and a venue for continuing His work and that of Cursillo.

When each of us made our Cursillo weekends, God gave us a combination of circumstances favorable to His purpose. An encounter with Jesus, a Metanoia (conversion of heart), and a means for perseverance, all designed to let the world know of His love. This was His grace of opportunity. Brothers and sis-

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Remembering Our History: Evansville Cursillo



Pictures and rosters from the early Cursillo Weekends are needed for the following:

Women's Pictures: Weekends #5, 6, 15

Women's Rosters: Weekends #3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11

Men's Pictures: Weekends #15, 20, 21, 22

Men's Rosters: Weekends #1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 11, 19

Pictures and rosters for all other weekends are in the History Archives. If you have any of the above, please contact Tom Anslinger at 963-6432 or thomasanslinger@insightbb.com. Arrangements will be made to copy the pictures and rosters needed.

The Cursillo Corner: A CURSILLO REUNION

I've enjoyed 'The Cursillo Corner' in the last couple of newsletters, so I thought I'd share my thoughts on the Cursillo Reunion that was held at St. Celestine on Sunday, April 25th. I was the Moderator for the Reunion, so I'm sure I had a different view from the other 4th day attendees, but I found the whole day refreshing and certainly spirit-filled.

When we broke into small groups to share our piety, study, and action, I found myself with two ladies that I know, but had never grouped with before. We only had a short time for sharing, but just hearing how they were living out the Cursillo tripod was inspiring to me, and I'm sure I wasn't the only one to feel Jesus in the midst of us.

I never tire of the talks, as different speakers put their own stamp on each one. And, listening to how God is working in the lives of others always motivates me to put in a little extra effort in my attempts to bring Christ into my own environments. From the Mass at St. Raphael's, to the wonderful meal that we shared together, to the good talks given by the team members, to the closing song of the Reunion ("Go Make A Difference"), I felt blessed to be among such a great group of Christians.

The Cursillo Reunion is a "Post Cursillo" activity, and since that Secretariat position is still unfilled, I want to especially thank Deacon Mike Seibert and Jennifer Vangamplor for stepping forward to fill Post Cursillo's shoes for that special day. Thanks also to the St. Celestine cursillistas that worked hard in the set-up and clean-up of the facility, and for making us feel welcomed and very much at home in their parish community.

Judy Wolf, Cursillo #60, St. Catherine's Group



"If we only have the will to walk, then God is pleased with our stumbles."

C. S. Lewis

(From the Lay Director continued from page 1)

ters in Christ, Cursillo needs help, and we need you. Here are some opportunities for each of you that are favorable for God's work and that of His Cursillo movement. We need:

- ◆ Someone to accept the Post Cursillo position.
- ◆ Individuals with computer/website experience
- ◆ A place, hall, cafeteria, etc. to have our Fall Cursillo Reunion. *Check with your parish for an open date on Dec. 4th, 2010. 7:30am until noon.*
- ◆ Individuals who might serve on a phone (personal contact) committee.
- ◆ Anyone who can contribute to the Cursillo Corner.
- ◆ Cursillistas who may be willing to talk about being their parish Liaison for Cursillo.
- ◆ Individuals who are willing to enter into a friendship group, and to attend Ultreya.
- ◆ Anyone willing to serve our Lord and the Cursillo movement.

If you, through God's grace, can be of assistance to our movement in any way, please contact a secretariat member, or myself at wolfworks3@aol.com or 449-9513.

Lyndon B. Johnson once said, "We must open the doors of opportunity. But we must also equip our people to walk through those doors". As Cursillistas, God has given us an occasion to not only advance ourselves as Christians and our Christian Ideal, but to advance His love for us and for the world in which we live. Please recognize the opportunities you have been given, for you have been well equipped, and we need you to volunteer for Christ!

Palanca by Jerry Brenner

Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of us your faithful, and kindle in us the fire of YOUR love. Page 5, Pilgrims Guide

Palanca consists of any of the following: prayers, sacrifices or works of mercy which are offered for the Team members, Sponsors and especially the Candidates.



A Personal Palanca letter is one that is sent to an individual telling him/her what is being offered for spiritual success. Palanca is not the letter. Palanca is the actual doing of a specific act such as praying a rosary for the success of the Weekend, giving up something from the start of Formations to the end of the Weekend, or some other form of sacrifice for the success of the weekend.

It is important to understand that Palanca is NOT the bringing of a large gift or something special for the Candidate as they make their weekend and it will not be given to them at the Sarto during the weekend. This is a distraction for the particular candidate and the other candidates and can take away from the purpose of the weekend itself. This should be done as you take them home or have it at their house when they get home.

Also, the Chapel becomes special to us during our weekend. If you choose to visit the chapel please do so at the Sponsors Dedication Service on Thursday Evening or come to candle-light service and you can be part of the ANGELS that sing to the Candidates on Saturday night.

The main thing is to PRAY, PRAY, PRAY for the success of the weekend so that the Candidates are inspired by the Holy Spirit and are renewed in their faith. And PLEASE complete Palanca for the success of the weekend.

We can all pray and do sacrifice for the Candidates and the success of the Cursillo movement in the Evansville Diocese and the World.

**"We are Called to Serve One Another"
Evansville Women's Cursillo #78
March 18th-21st, 2010**

Dear Sisters & Brothers in Christ,

What a wonderful week-end this was. The Holy Spirit was surely present. With the help of the Holy Spirit and the prayers of the 4th day community along with the work and prayers of the 23 wonderful team members, this week-end became an awesome time. To the 30 new cursillistas you were wonderful. We watched you grow in faith and love in the Lord.

Thank You for all the prayers, palanca, food and other services you have shared to make this week-end the best it could be. The love of the Lord was present in all the works that was done. I think I can speak for all the team members in saying it was wonderful to serve the Lord in this way. **WE ARE CALLED TO SERVE ONE ANOTHER.**

*Your Sister in Christ, Delores Folz
Coordinator Evansville Women's Cursillo #78*

Cursillo

Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give it to you. Do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid. John 14: 27

Jesus knows that we all have genuine concerns in our day to day life. How do we handle it? Do we trust and believe that He will be there for us?

We have parents in a nursing home. Dad is bedridden and requires skilled care. Some might question his quality of life. He is waiting to "meet Jesus". He is ready to die. Mind you, we say he is "READY" not "WANTING" to die. He once joked that he is like a bad penny that you just can't get rid of. We may come for a visit and he will tell you how that day, he walked all over his childhood farm and milked big black cows. He recently offered a rabbit that he shot to be taken home to eat. He is in a good place. Our prayer for him is peace... our prayer is answered.

The Coordinators for the 2010 Fall Weekends are prayerfully discerning the teams that God will call to serve Him. Please pray for peaceful hearts for them and the team as they prepare for the weekends.

We are always looking for those interested in being a part of the set up or tear down crew. If you'd like to be a Eucharistic Minister, Lector or Musician for Saturday Night Mass, please let us know who you are! Our e-mail addresses: jay-oung@roadrunner.com or lloydyoung@a-d-distributors.com. Our home phone is 518-4158.

Peace be with you, Lloyd and Julie Young

Women's Cursillo #78

Mildred Merkel	St. Joseph Jasper
Joyce McDurmon	Resurrection
Janice Fuchs	Holy Rosary
Terri Bell	St. Ferdinand
Rosalie Spurlock	Holy Redeemer
Nancy Sorgenfrey	St. Matthew
Kimberly Berg	St. Joseph
Johnna Cameron	Holy Rosary
Lori Conner	Sts. Peter & Paul
Elizabeth Fischer	St. Joseph
Karen Pritchett	St. Wendel
Julie Mader	St. Matthew
Brittany Erkman	St. Agnes
Kathleen Hennig	Holy Rosary
Lisa Bindley	St. John The Baptist
Janet Heldt	St. Wendel
Jacquelin Bernardin	St. Benedict
Janet Schmitt	St. Bernard
Lisa Jackson	Sts. Peter & Paul
Lori Rudolphi	Sts. Peter & Paul
Patricia Kerstiens	St. Mary's
Jennifer Egli	St. Wendel
Shannon Neff	Holy Rosary
Anne Stofleth-Martin	Holy Redeemer
Kathryn Thompson	St. John The Baptist
Mindy McDurmon	Resurrection
Donna Gaupel	St. Joseph
Norma Carp	St. Anthony
Pauline Kempf	St. Philip
Cynthia Titzer	St. Bernard
Tina Murphy	Holy Cross

Upcoming Events

Grand Ultreya: August 28, 2010
at St. John's Daylight

Men's Weekend: Oct 7-10, 2010
Coordinator Bill Kaiser
Assist. Coordinator Ken Smith

Women's Weekend: Nov 11-14, 2010
Coordinator Jackie Dent
Assist. Coordinator TBA

Cursillo Reunion: Dec. 4, 2010
Location TBA.

School of Leaders: 3rd Tuesday of each month

Secretariat Members	
Spiritual Director	Fr. Ray Brenner
Lay Director	Nick Wolf
Secretary	Pat Krack
Treasurer	Dennis Seib
Pre-Cursillo	Joe & Ruth Thompson
3-Day	Lloyd & Julie Young
Post-Cursillo	<i>Vacant</i>
Palanca	Jerry Brenner
Procurement	Tom & Delores Folz
School of Leaders	Thomas Anslinger

Ultreya	Where	Day	Time
Our Lady of Hope	Washington	1st Monday	6:30 pm
St. Joseph	Jasper	2nd Monday	7:00 pm
Sts. Peter & Paul	Haubstadt	4th Monday	After 6:30 Mass
St. John's	Newburgh	2nd Thursday	7:00 pm
Resurrection	Evansville	Last Thursday	7:00 pm
St. Paul's	Tell City	2nd Thursday	7:00 pm

Keeping in touch with Cursillo

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