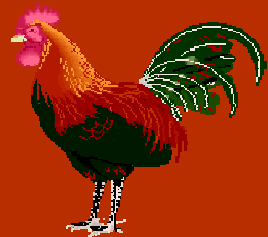


OREGON  
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EVENTS:

- **Utreya!** July 26, 2008 10am St. Thomas, Eugene
- **Back to the Mountain** August 21-24, 2008 Fort Stevens
- **Co-ed Weekend** October 2-5, 2008—Portland

# Rooster Crows



JULY 2008

## Presidents' Corner—Cursillo Lives!



Who knows what God's plan for Cursillo is. This community is amazing. We disappear into our busy lives and struggle with our personal challenges and no one knows who is at the helm attending the details that keep the Cursillo movement healthy. Then, activity is generated as a weekend approaches. Renewal is evident as the plans begin to percolate and weekends are knit together. Numbers of Cursillistas make commitments, schedule time off from their demanding jobs, devote their weekends to team meetings and eventually proceed toward the re-

spective churches with sleeping bags and suitcases in hand. No one doubts the commitment to raise new leaders in the Christian faith by supporting the candidates on their weekend. During these times the strength of the Cursillo movement cannot be questioned.

God's plan for Cursillo may not be clear to any of us, but the commitment of all of us is real. The commitment is evident at weekends, at team meetings and inside the hearts and minds of us Cursillistas. As long as we are willing to give of our time and effort the Cursillo movement will live on.

The Secretariat members are all Cursillistas who share that commitment. We too, are inclined to disappear into our busy personal lives to deal with the challenges and struggles

that life presents.

But, when the time of renewal arrives and the weekend's commitments force us to temporarily set aside our personal lives to raise leaders and support the candidates we will do it again and again.

We are now approaching the October Co-Ed weekend. Amidst the disappointment of a canceled Men's weekend we will again rely on our commitment to give back the spiritual gifts we've enjoyed to raise leaders and support the candidates at this weekend.

This amazing community will also be enriched and strengthened in August by the Back to the Mountain at Fort Stevens in Astoria. **Thanks be to God!**

~Cindi Caruso

~Co-President, Secretariat

## Men's Weekend 2008

It was with great regret and a heavy heart that I elected to cancel the Men's Weekend for 2008.

As the weekend drew nearer and nearer, I began having more and more intense moments of discomfort over the way the weekend was coming

together. My biggest concern was the lack of sufficient candidacy to justify the labor and expenses involved in running a weekend. The ratio of candidates to team was sufficiently out of balance to cause concern for the effectiveness of our effort. A second major

problem arose when the kitchen team was diminished to one, Erich, by illness/injury with less than a week to try to rebuild. I did not want to fill in with team members because that would have spread everyone too thin. And finally, I was bothered by the fact that we

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never did meet as a full team and have time to bond and build that sense of teamwork that is so essential to a weekend. For some reason or other, schedules just didn't let it work that way. Given all these "indicators" and my personal sense of imbalance in what was developing, my prayers and consultations with members of the Secretariat and others whose judgment I deeply respect gave me the ultimate will to elect to cancel the weekend rather than blunder on hoping and praying that everything would work despite all the indications to the contrary. I

believe God's will was done, even though we may not fully comprehend His purpose.

I remain eternally thankful for my team's commitment to me and to the weekend. I really appreciate all their care and talent and enthusiasm. They are what made me continue to think we might be able to hold the weekend in spite of the difficulties. I have asked them to consider offering their talents to Anna Rose, Rectora of the Coed Weekend in October. I personally will offer a Rollo and my guitar. Finally, I pray that in spite of all this, each of us can continue to give of ourselves when

it seems appropriate to further the life of Oregon Cursillo and make possible the life-changing weekend in other's lives.

I am currently working to have an opportunity for the team to explore what happened to see what might be learned from the experience and what might be passed on to future teams as useful information. I ask for your prayers for us. A date and place will be announced shortly.

Please feel free to call me (503-861-3290) if you would like to talk with me about any of this. I'd be glad to hear from you.

~Pete Hoffman, Rector

## Secretariat News



**“Be Shepherds of the Church of God, which He bought with His own blood.” Acts 20:28**

The Secretariat has been extremely busy since the last issue of the Rooster. Before the Beyond Day May 31st, an incredible number of Cursillistas attended a meeting to help elect new members to the Secretariat. As of the last publication of the Rooster, there were several spots open.

I am pleased to announce that almost all the spots have been filled! Praise God!! Thank you to all those who attended and all those who were called to serve Cursillo with their time, talent and gifts. Serving on the Secretariat is wonderfully rewarding and all of us in Cursillo pray over you in your work for Christ. Please see the list on the back page of the newsletter for the latest listing.

The scripture verse to the left illustrates the need for leadership in the church. The National Episcopal Cursillo website touts that Cursillo grows Christ-centered leaders. All of us are called to the leadership of the church in various ways. May God

shine on each one of us in our life and work for His church. We are all Making a Friend, Being a Friend and Bringing those Friends to Christ.

May those who serve His church on the Secretariat of Oregon Cursillo be blessed in their mission, their work and the love they have for this fantastic organization. Amen!

The **next Secretariat meeting** will be August 23rd in the morning at the Back to the Mountain event in Fort Stevens (see pg. xxxxx for details). As always, Secretariat meetings are open to all Cursillistas—everyone is welcome and encouraged to participate!

~Loriann

## Fundraising—Repeat after me...FREE 4 ALL

It is my passion to pave a path for all to further the leadership for Christ. The ability our Lord has given us to praise Him and continue His message is something that should be available to all whether as a pilgrim, sponsor or team member. Although it is unspoken that money is never to stop us, some do feel hesitant. Please feel free to cut out, copy or make many copies of the pledge card in this issue of the Rooster and send to our Treasurer Debbie Fullmer and write the checks to Oregon Cursillo.

Our Cursillo community has already raised just under \$1,000.00 selling candy. Before long Cursillo will be FREE 4 ALL, that simple. I am challenging other Cursillo communities around the world to top Oregon's commitment for a FREE 4 ALL Cursillo. Bravo to those churches who already have fundraisers; case in point St. Helen's, OR. Christ Church.

Think of this, Cursillo at Canby Grove all expenses paid or other places in Oregon. Back to the Mountain totally FREE 4 ALL. Everything we do can and



**“All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit...” Acts 2:3**

will be FREE 4 ALL.

There are many ways we can raise money; **soooooo wanna help?** A pledge card is a start and we need to find out where all our Cursillista's are. Each church has a Cursillo parish rep, or CPR's. The CPR of each church will be handing out pledge cards once we find a company offering to print them for us in return for acknowledging them (printing company). If you know of some businesses who want to do this please contact me straight away.

Your goal as a Cursillista is to **participate** in your own way. Maybe it is making phone calls and gathering addresses et al of those who have moved, etc. Maybe organizing a spaghetti dinner, get the food donated, run, walk, bingo night,

bake sale, create art and get a booth at the holiday's and donate the money or part of. Get your friends to join you, get your own parish to support your effort. **REMEMBER**, Cursillo is not for everyone, it is for building up leaders in our church.

Those who do not feel called to “go through Cursillo” can still help the effort. God has called all of us to spread the News. Hesitate not to ask for help and participate. An isolated Christian is a paralyzed Christian. Find out who your CPR is, or YOU be it and contact Deb Fullmer who is the CPR person in charge. Deb Fullmer e-mail:

[curtanddeb@comcast.net](mailto:curtanddeb@comcast.net).

Ultreya my sisters and brothers in Christ, LET US PRAY AND STAY TOGETHER. Talk to God right now and ask for guidance. Make a friend, be a friend bring a friend to Christ.

~Colleen Kelly-Ginter

Fundraising for Christ

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## ULTREYA!—July 26, 2008—10am—St. Thomas, Eugene

Eucharist followed by a potluck lunch 1465 Coburn Rd. Eugene

A BBQ will be available, please bring your own meat to BBQ.

# Everything is possible for the one who believes. Mark 9:23

We are now accepting applications for candidates.

You too can make a friend, be a friend, and bring a friend to Christ.

Candidate, sponsor, and team member forms are available at our web site: [www.oregoncursillo.org](http://www.oregoncursillo.org)

Preparations for a Spirit filled weekend are under way. There are still some positions available for those who would like to serve on the team.

## Core Team Meetings:

August 9, 1:00 p.m.

September 13, 1:00 p.m.

## Full Team Meetings:

August 9, 2:00 p.m.

September 13, 2:00 p.m.

## Cursillo Weekend

October 2-5, 2008

## Beyond Day

October 18, 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

### All meetings will take place at:

All Saints' Episcopal Church

4033 SE Woodstock Blvd.

Portland, Oregon, 97206

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## Back to the Mountain—August 21—24, 2008

BTM is an opportunity for us to get better acquainted, discover how our gifts mesh and how to use these gifts to better serve the kingdom. We will be focusing on how we represent the gifts of God to those around us. I find myself frustrated and indecisive often and think we might be better servants if we find a project we like and work together to make things happen for the kingdom. The weekend is fast approaching - August 21 - 24 at Fort Stevens. Please contact [jracon@msn.com](mailto:jracon@msn.com) if you'd like to participate.

## Women's Weekend 2009—April 16-19, 2009

And now these three remain: faith, hope and love.

But the greatest of these is Love!

1 Corinthians 13:13

Women's Spring Cursillo 2009

April 16<sup>th</sup> thru 19<sup>th</sup>

St. Francis of Assisi Church

Wilsonville, Oregon

Corrine Bush "Rectora" [ohmiss17@verizon.net](mailto:ohmiss17@verizon.net); 503-624-8665

"Beyond Day" May 30<sup>th</sup> 2009

Would you like to be on the team? There are many ways you can help. Angels come for a length of time that is good for them, from one hour to several. Palanca, Kitchen, Clean- Up, Musica, Spiritual, Table Leaders, Rolloistas (short talks) these are teams you can be on. Please come for the weekend and be filled with the Holy Spirit!

Praise God!!!



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"Make a friend, be a friend, bring a friend to Christ"

**YES!**

I will support the weekend's so they are FREE FOR ALL.  
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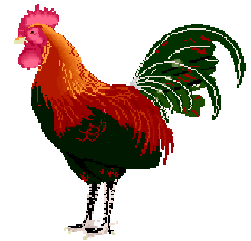
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