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**UPCOMING WEEKENDS IN 2004 , 2005 , 2006**

<b>WOMEN'S #53</b>	<b>OCT 7 - 10, 2004</b>	<b>Rectora - Christy Brill</b>
<b>MEN'S #54</b>	<b>APRIL 14 - 17, 2005</b>	<b>Rector - Pete Bolig</b>
<b>WOMEN'S #54</b>	<b>MAY 12 - 15, 2005</b>	<b>Rectora - Vickie Delynko</b>
<b>MEN'S #56</b>	<b>OCT 20 - 23, 2005</b>	<b>Rector - Paul Swinehart</b>
<b>WOMEN'S #56</b>	<b>NOV 10 - 13, 2005</b>	<b>Rectora - Lynn Ayer</b>
<b>MEN'S #57</b>	<b>APRIL 20 - 23, 2006</b>	<b>Rector - Dean Gatton</b>
<b>WOMEN'S #57</b>	<b>MAY 18 - 21, 2006</b>	<b>Rectora - TBD</b>
<b>MEN'S #59</b>	<b>OCT 19 - 22, 2006</b>	<b>Rector - TBD</b>
<b>WOMEN'S #59</b>	<b>NOV 2 - 5, 2006</b>	<b>Rectora - TBD</b>

Above Weekends site Holy Cross Catholic Cursillo Center      Downtown Columbus

<b>MEN'S #55</b>	<b>JUL 14 - 17, 2005</b>	<b>Rector - Skip Dodds</b>
<b>WOMEN'S #55</b>	<b>JUL 21 - 24, 2005</b>	<b>Rectora - TBD</b>
<b>MEN'S #58</b>	<b>Summer 2006-TBD</b>	<b>Rector - Bob Gsellman</b>
<b>WOMEN'S #58</b>	<b>Summer 2006-TBD</b>	<b>Rectora - TBD</b>

Above Weekend site St. Leonard's Retreat Center - Avon, OH

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# De Colores!

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## From the Lay Director

Dear Friends in Christ,

Just when you think you've seen everything... How many times have you started out a conversation with that line? Well... here it is again. I am always amazed at my "being amazed" by God. Ironic, isn't it? As a man of faith, shouldn't I come to expect the unexpected from God? Yet, here I am, writing a letter to all of you about being amazed again at God's sovereign grace and His uncanny ability to know exactly what I need as opposed to giving me what I expect.

As most of you know, my daughter, Kyleen, was to tour with Youth Encounter's Captive Free, a Christian Music group, this year. In fact, she was to be in Washington state right this very minute. Instead, she's back home with us, working at the Dayton Bar Association, and is considering going to Bible College next semester. I was angry at the way Youth Encounter simply decided that my daughter, the Apple of my Eye, had too many health issues that she'd probably not make it through the year. I was angry that the National Band Director couldn't see what a negative impact this would be to the team. Kyleen was selected to be the recruitment person as well as the scheduler. Both these positions required the ability to personally interact with people, getting them to consider joining Youth Encounter, getting future event dates set up. She was also the primary driver because she was the oldest and most experienced driver in the group. She was the only pianist in her group, the primary guitarist on several songs, and was one of the lead vocalists. So much responsibility, yet she was being sent home. I was angry that Kyleen didn't get the chance to be out there giving her all for God. Nothing what I expected... You see, as a father, I had high expectations for Kyleen through Youth Encounter. My hopes were that she would visit many places in the Northwest region of the United States; that she would touch many lives with her witness; that she'd learn and mature even more from the experience. My hopes... my expectations... I didn't get what I expected, but I got everything I ever wanted.

I know, that's sounds strange, but it's true. My expectations were exactly that...mine, not God's. He knew what I really needed. He also knew what Kyleen needed from this experience in Youth Encounter. Kyleen is more grounded today than before she left for Youth Encounter. A short four weeks has matured her more than any other time in her life. She is focused on Christ more than I've ever seen her. She has a peace and calm that wasn't there before she left. She knows her gifts and isn't so timid to use them. She is bold for Christ. What more can a father ask for? I didn't get what I expected, but I got everything I ever wanted.

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From the Lay Director

Kyleen continues to grow in her faith. She is using the musical gifts God gave her. Only now, they are being used at our home church here in Dayton rather than on the road. She is going to cut a demo CD for distribution to several Christian Publishing companies. And, next year, she hopes to be enrolled in a Bible College where she can further develop her musical ministry and work toward pastoral ministry as well. I didn't get what I expected, but I got more than I ever wanted.

If there is a life lesson here, I guess it would be this: Satan focuses us on the negative things in life as if they were all important. God doesn't. He uses every aspect of our lives to bring us closer to Him. It's just a matter of our recognizing it. Learn from every experience. Let God be in every decision made, every hope aspired, every dream dreamt. He doesn't give us what we expect. He gives us more than we ever want.

De Colores,

Kevin



## From the Rectora

Greetings in the Name of Our Lord, Jesus Christ!

With less than 2 weeks to go until the send-off of Ohio Women's Via de Cristo #53, the team with which the Lord has given me charge is ready to serve. We had a powerful last team meeting that was the icing on the cake after 2 months of preparation and team building. I am fully confident that the Lord is going to move mightily the weekend of October 7-10, and I pray that you will continue to uplift us all, team members and pilgrims alike, in your prayers.

Speaking of prayers, there are still a handful of times available on the 72-hour prayer chart, so if you have not yet had the opportunity to sign up for this please contact Cathy Doering at [cdoering1@aol.com](mailto:cdoering1@aol.com) or by phone at 330-239-0027 to do so.

We continue to receive applications on a daily basis and are anticipating a full weekend. Please share God's blessings with these women by attending the send-off, serenade, wake-up, and closing, for the more people that attend these events, the more the pilgrims see God's love in your special community. Also, don't forget those letters! As we heard at the men's closing just this past weekend, these letters are a pivotal part of the Via de Cristo experience.

I want to thank all of the dedicated women and men who answered the call to serve our Lord on this weekend and assist in so many different capacities. It is for those of you behind the scenes that I am especially grateful, for your service often goes unnoticed by the pilgrims and the general public. Please know that you are appreciated for all that you have done and will continue to do in the furthering of God's kingdom.

Finally, I want to thank the Secretariat for this very special honor of serving as Rectora. To see the Lord move in such a powerful way is inspiring and to be an integral part of this weekend is humbling. I pray that I can continue to be His vessel and fulfill His call in His honor.

In His Service,  
Christy Brill

### PALANCA LETTERS

Please.....Mark all letters: Sponsor, Spouse, Family, Friend, or Community.

Remember the blessings of Palanca mail - sent from the community, but inspired by the Lord.

**Ohio Women's Weekend #53  
October 7 - 10, 2004**


Names received by Registrar as of Oct 5

Women's Team #53			Pilgrims and Sponsors		
Name	Position on Team	Home City	Pilgrim	Sponsor	Church, City
Christy Brill	Rectora	Columbus	Lisa Peterson	Mary Lee Fidler	Peace Luth., Port Clinton
Kathie Burrows	Head Cha	Westerville	Jayne Miller	Carol Powers	Dublin Christian, Dublin
Rev. Peter Kruse	Spiritual Director	Donnelsville	Steph McCrackin	Carol Powers	St. Francis, Newark
Rev. Deb Dingus	Spiritual Director	Pataskala	Jackie Fahnestock	Don Piddock	First Luth., Donnelsville
Rev. Bonnie Peltomaa	Spiritual Director	Crestline	Julie Bloomer	Don Piddock	First Luth., Donnelsville
Wilma Keller	Chapel Cha	Newark	Sheryl Herter	Laurel Bobb	St. Stephen Lutheran, Stow
Judy Pochard	Music Cha	Hamilton	Kelly Rink	Karen Jackson	Grace Lutheran, Columbus
Cathy Doering	Palanca Cha	Wadsworth	Marla Reichenbach	Lyn Reed	Christ Lutheran, Bexley
Jewellee Smith	Asst. Palanca / Gopher Cha	Norton	Linda Daegele	Gloria Kemmet	Abiding Christ, Fairborn
Jen Briner	Head Kitchen Cha	Westerville	Shannon Latta	Ann Ness	Living Word, Westerville
Shana Berger	Kitchen Cha	Westerville	Dee Stelzer	Bonnie Peltomaa	St. Timothy, Mansfield
Connie Maassel	Kitchen Cha	Westerville	Helen Gordon	Bonnie Peltomaa	St. Timothy, Mansfield
Denise Sawatzky	Kitchen Cha	Canal Winchester	Mary McNutt	Wanda Stalder	Living Word, Westerville
Kathy Schinke	Kitchen Cha	Westerville	Amy Arnold	Judy Pochard	First Church of God, Hamilton
Teri Wilson	Kitchen Cha	Dayton	Anna Webster	Katrina Pochard	First Church of God, Hamilton
Caryl Gatton	Hd. Rollo Room Cha	Westerville	Shari Hopkins	Katrina Pochard	First Church of God, Hamilton
Linda Green	Rollo Room Cha	Pickerington	Andrea Anderson	Rhonda Gallagher	Messiah Lutheran, Green
Cyndie Murray	Rollo Room Cha	Bellville	Heather Kornick	Rhonda Gallagher	Messiah Lutheran, Green
Ann Ness	Rollo Room Cha	Westerville	Mary Kate Clancy	Jane Koch	Holy Family Catholic, Stow
Lise Puskas	Rollo Room Cha	Baltimore	Christine Sayre	Tim McNutt	Zion Lutheran, Columbus
Lisa Burrows	Ideal Rollo	West Chester	Pam Lemaster	Lise Puskas	Grace Lutheran, Columbus
Carol Powers	Laity Rollo	Newark	Robin Wargowsky	Rev. Donald Frantz	Faith Lutheran, Wilmington
Alex Seyerle	Piety Rollo	Columbus	Dotty Sund	Connie & Rich Maassel	Living Word, Westerville
Katrina Pochard	Study Rollo	Hamilton	Suzi Jarman	Deb Dingus	Lord of Life Lutheran, West Chester
Susan Kannenwischer	Action Rollo	Westerville			
Lyn Reed	Leaders Rollo	Bexley			
Lynn Ayer	Environment Rollo	Dayton			
Sue Solvig	CCA Rollo	Grove City			
Kyleen Ayer	Silent Professor	Dayton			
Amy Fauquet	Silent Professor	Urbana			
Chuck & Cindy Hiles	Fourth Day Couple	Newark			

**The emergency phone # at the center is :**  
  
**614-221-1809**

THURSDAY & FRIDAY Oct 7 & 8	
Thursday	Send Off - 7:30 PM at Grace Lutheran in Columbus on Refugee Rd.
Friday	
Ideal	10:00 AM
Grace	11:15 AM
Laity	1:40 PM
Grace in Action	2:55 PM
Piety	4:45 PM

SUNDAY Oct 10	
Gather In Kitchen 5:45 AM	<b>QUIETLY!!!</b>
Wake-up Serenade - 6:00 AM	
Environment	9:15 AM
Grace Filled Life	10:20 AM
Christian Community	11:45 AM
Group Reunion / Ultreya	1:15 PM
<b>Closing - 5:00 PM At Grace Lutheran in Columbus on Refugee Rd. (Directions next page)</b>	

SATURDAY Oct 9	
Study	9:00 AM
Grace Filled Days	10:25 AM
Apostolic Action	1:20 PM
Obstacles to Grace	3:00 PM
Leaders	4:35 PM
<b>Serenade Practice 5:00 PM At Livingston United Methodist in Columbus. (Directions on next page)</b>	
	
<b>Serenade</b>	<b>6:20 PM</b>

**SEND-OFF & CLOSING  
GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH  
4500 Refugee Road , Columbus**

**From Cleveland** - Take I-71 South. In Columbus, take I-270 East and continue to the I-70 exit. Take I-70 West exit to next exit, Hamilton Rd. exit. Turn left onto Hamilton and proceed past Eastland Mall to Refugee Road. Turn left onto Refugee Road. Grace Lutheran is on the left about 1/4 mile.

**From Cincinnati** - Take I-71 North. In Columbus, take I-270 East and proceed as in Cleveland directions.

**From Eastern Ohio** - Take I-70 West past the I-270 outerbelt. Proceed to Hamilton Road exit and proceed as in Cleveland. directions.

**From Western Ohio** - Take I-70 East . Proceed through downtown Columbus and continue to Hamilton Road Exit (317 S). Bear right onto Hamilton road and proceed as in Cleveland directions..

**SATURDAY SERENADE PRACTICE  
LIVINGSTON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH  
200 E. Livingston Ave, Columbus**

**From the North.** Take I-71 South to Columbus. Take the US-23 / Fourth St exit (100B). Stay straight to go onto E. FULTON ST. Turn LEFT on to US-33. US-33 becomes E. LIVINGSTON AVE.

**From the South.** Take I-71 North to Columbus. Take the US-23 NORTH / LIVINGSTON AVE exit (100B), towards FOURTH ST.

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

May I extend God's Blessing on you as He so graciously extended His Grace on this Men's # 53 weekend through all of you who wrote palanca, sent palanca, sang palanca, worked as palanca, came to sendoff and closing as palanca, and most importantly prayed as palanca.

Guess what? It worked. It was a wonderful, grace filled weekend for all of us. I can personally testify that I felt I was acting as his servant because I was not in control but knew and felt that He was.

The weekend went well because of His presence and all of the team and your work. We can only continue to pray for the new Cursillistas that the Lord has and will strengthen their lives and purpose for Him.

In Christ,

Bob Sauer (Past Rector but humbled to serve Him more.)

**ULTREYA! in OHIO** For further details on these and other Ultreyas in Ohio, contact: Paul Swinehart

614-476-5979 [Pauls2303@yahoo.com](mailto:Pauls2303@yahoo.com)

**Cincinnati - Monthly** First Saturday, 7:30 pm at Trinity Lutheran Church, Mt. Healthy, contact Kevin Hoch, 513-913-8797

**Columbus - Monthly** Fourth Tuesday, 7:30 PM at Linden Lutheran Church, 1230 Oakland Park Ave., Columbus, contact Paul Swinehart 614-476-5979 or Darryl Larson, 614-262-4420 at the church or 614-865-0469 at home.

**Dayton Lutheran Ultreya - Monthly** Third Tuesday, 7:30 pm at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, 901 E. Stroop in Kettering.

For details, call Bob & Mary Ann Sauer at 937-439-9742 or Email: [MASAUER@aol.com](mailto:MASAUER@aol.com)

**Kent** - Call for dates and time: Contact Pastor Doug Fidler (330) 673-5445

**Marysville Area - Monthly** Third Sunday at First English Lutheran, 687 London Avenue, Marysville.

Call Judy Hurl 513/642-4621 or Jeanne Haynes, 513/642-4701

**Stow - Quarterly** Contact Gracia Luoma (330) 686-8807

**Western Lake County** Periodic joint Lutheran-Episcopal Ultreya. Hook up through George Cyphers, 216-951-2906

**Western Reserve - Monthly** Second Saturday 7:00 pm, Brecksville United Methodist Church, call Martha Mallen (440) 257-2235.

**Urbana - Monthly** First Friday 6:30 pm at Church of the Epiphany, corner Scioto and Kenton, Urbana. Joint ultreya with Episcopal, Roman Catholic, Methodist, and now Lutheran! Contact Dick or Marv Swan, 513/484-3189.

# The Newsletter by e-mail in 2005

## 1 more newsletter left in 2004 (after this one)

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