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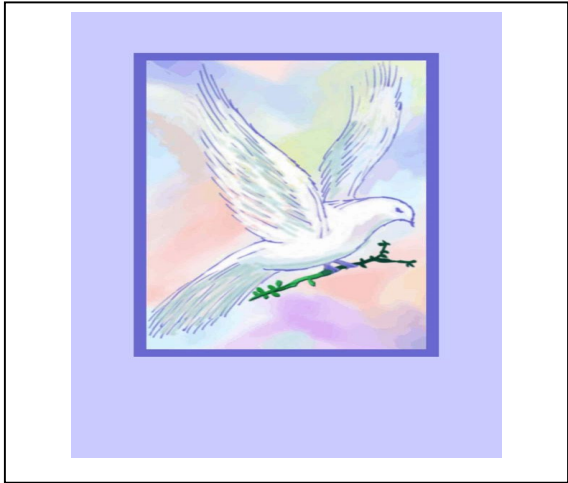
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RECYCLE YOUR NAMETAG CLIPS

How many Via de Cristo/Cursillo/Tirosh weekends have you served on? One, two, three or more? What do you do with your nametags? Whatever you do with the nametags themselves, you only need one nametag clip!

Extra Clips can be recycled. Please bring your extra nametag clips to the next Ultreya or give them to Ralph Jenson any time.



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ULTREYA NEWS

The August 10, 2002 Ultreya co-hosted by Community of Hope and Mt. Zion was a success. We were blessed to have three visitors from the Episcopal Cursillo Movement in Tucson. We extend a warm welcome To them and the rest of their community to join us in further Ultreyas. We learned that their organization in the Tucson area has waned, but there are still members in the local community interested in keeping in contact with an active 3-Day movement. Please welcome them and introduce yourselves at future Ultreyas.

FUNDRAISING IDEAS?

The Gaslight Theatre performances have been a principal fundraising event for the past several years. The lackluster sales last spring have led us to consider giving this activity a little rest for a season and to find some new ones. So, we need some of those creative ideas you've been toying with to give us some fresh fundraising strategies and put them into action.

Remember that just as the body of Christ has many parts that perform many different necessary functions, you can still be a help even if your mind went blank when you read the words "fundraising idea". The body of Christ needs willing hands and hearts to "just do it"

Now I lay Me Down To Sleep

In case you missed the last Ultreya at Community Of Hope, there was a "demo"! One of our faithful shoppers got lost in an unfamiliar aisle in Costco and came upon heavy deluxe camping cot that looked like a viable candidate for a Via de Cristo weekend. After due prodding, poking and (yes) nearly napping, the consensus of the attendees was that these would do nicely for the weekends.

Secretariat voted at their next meeting to invest in the cots. The cost of the 80 cots was \$2,161.00 (\$25 each plus tax), which is less than the cost of the rentals that were used last year (\$2600). There are enough for both team and participants and some spares. The cots have a heavy-duty aluminum frame and heavy green canvas surface (they weigh about 20lbs. each). They are long enough for even the tallest Norwegian from TVLC who gave them the height test.

If you would like to purchase a cot (or two or more) the teams and future participants would be grateful. We believe this investment solves one of the many physical challenges for each weekend

The Green Rollo

We had a recent conversation with a woman at our church who had attended her weekend with the Walk to Emmaus movement. She referred to the “Green Rollo” and we said we didn’t remember that one. Ah-that’s the one we call “The Sermon on the Mount.” We both appreciated the subtle humor in each other’s title and the need that it addresses. Both movements need to be self-sustaining to continue spreading the ideal of Christ and to light fires in the hearts of those who attend a weekend.

When you are asked about your best memory or most touching moment on your weekend, this Rollo probably never comes to mind. But, I encourage you to remember that there has never been a cost to participant to attend a weekend at Southern Arizona Lutheran Via de Cristo. We will want to keep this tradition alive since we consider this a gift to the pilgrim. We must also consider that people who have never experienced a Via de Cristo weekend or another 3-day expression are much less likely to contribute financially to a mission they know little about.

In past years, there are 19 men and 36 women participants. You can do the math to find just the cost of the weekend itself. None of the officers or members of Via de Cristo are paid, however there are organizational expenses that must also be covered in our operations. These include mundane things such as paper and postage for newsletters, rental of storage shed and postal boxes, liability insurance and occasional professional services such as legal or accounting. There are also costs for investments in some equipment which can be used year after year and some rental expenses (see the note about the cots in this newsletter).

If you have never served on team for a weekend, for whatever reason or circumstances, perhaps you may not know that the team members not only give of their personal time and energies but they also give financially to support the weekend they serve on through team “dues”. This year, several of them have even given additional money to defray the cost of the cots which were purchased recently.

The bottom line is that we depend heavily on the members of the Via de Cristo community to financially support the continuing mission of our local organization. You are the people, who have implanted in your heart exactly what the weekend and the Via de Cristo method in the 4th day means to you and could mean to prospective participants.

I pray that you will continue in your 4th day, by supporting each other, and in supporting the continuing mission of the Southern Arizona Lutheran Via de Cristo financially in whatever way you can, through direct donations or fundraising.

Yours in Christ,

John Reeves, Lay Director

Double your Money – Double Your Fund
By John Reeves

I was blessed to be able to purchase a new car recently. I don't do that very often, my previous two cars went 13 and 10 years. So- what does this mean to me I hear you ask. I have a challenge for you!

I figure there is someone out there who is looking for a treasure (my '93 Mazda 626) and I could donate some of the money to Via de Cristo. But- I think someone once said "what is cheaply got is cheaply valued" – or something like that.

So here is my challenge: Until November 30, 2002 I (John Reeves) will personally match Any cash (use a check actually) donations to Southern Arizona Lutheran Via de Cristo Up to a maximum of \$2,200.

(SO – WHOM DO YOU KNOW THAT WANTS TO BUY A CAR????)

Notes from the Pre-Weekend Coordinator by Joanna Jongsma

I would like to encourage the community to attend information meetings, especially if you have already spoken to potential participants. We all know what the weekend is about and what it has meant to us but this is new territory for a potential participant and they need reassurance. We can put the word out there, but the personal invitation is by far the most successful. Don't be afraid to let them know you are on team, or have a connection to the weekend, as that may be comforting as well. We are all committed to "make a friend, be a friend and bring a friend to Christ" and holding their hand along the way is good!

Other updates: as of this writing, there are 17 applications on file (7 men, 10 women) and 15 of these are "hold-overs" from previous years. Only two new applications have been received since the last weekend. Pray hard for the Holy Spirit to tug on the hearts of potential participants. Deadlines for applications to me is October 4, they must be signed by the participant, the parish rep and the pastor. Since we really and truly do not want applications at the last minute, please encourage potential participants to fill out an application even if they are not sure they will attend.

A refresher on Sponsor Guidelines:

One must be grouping and have attended leadership training in order to sponsor {this applies to both husband and wife sponsors). Letters confirming participant acceptance to the weekend will be mailed out the week of October 7, as well as sponsor guidelines to their sponsors. Any questions or concerns? Call me at home at 749-3940 or e-mail me at joannajongsma@cox.net.

ULTREYA

Where: American Lutheran Church
115 N. Tucson Blvd.

When: **October 5, 2002**

Time: 6:30 P.M.

Southwestern Dinner – Bring your favorite dish!!!
American will Furnish Dessert



It is hard to believe we are just around the corner from Via de Cristo # 13 and #14. The women's verse for the weekend is

**“BE JOYFUL IN HOPE,
PATIENT IN AFFLICTION,
FAITHFUL IN PRAYER”**

Romans 12:12

October 31 – November 3, 2002 – St. Pius X

It is an important time for all of us to pray for the participants and the team.

Our meetings are going well. It is so wonderful to see Christ at work. Rollo's being prepared, meals being planned and prayers being answered.

All of us who have been through a weekend have received a special gift of love that can only come from our Father above. We all have the opportunity to offer our self sacrifices to be used to the Glory of God.

We are God's Hands and Feet here on earth. As I think about the world today, I realize how important it is to spread Gods Word. If each of us would make a friend, be a friend, bring a friend to Christ", we become the instruments of Gods action in this world.

Peace, Love and Joy to each of you,

Lynne Broyler
Rectora



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“I am the bread of life. He who comes to me will never go hungry, and he who believes in me will never be thirsty.” John 6:35 (Men’s #13 verse)

I like bread. Except for squishy white bread and bread with too much crunchy stuff in it. I like just about every variety available. These days there are plenty of folks who avoid eating bread (or other carbohydrates), but so far I’m not one of them.

Bread has a role in many familiar Bible stories: the Jews flee Egypt so quickly that there is not time to allow the bread to rise, there are baskets of bread left over after the 5000 are fed. Jesus breaks and shares bread at Passover. In Jesus’ time, bread was a dietary staple and was eaten at just every meal. Because of this, perhaps those who heard Jesus speak of Himself as “bread” realized how essential He was to them.

We may not need or want bread in our diet today, but Jesus, the bread of life, is essential. When we seek an answer, when we are afraid, when we are grateful, when we are tired, when we need to confide, when we want to share joy, when we must confess, we know that we can go to Him. He has promised to satisfy our hunger and our thirst, We need to know how or when He will do this, we need only to trust in His promise.

Please pray that this message is made real during the weekend for both the team members and the participants of Men’s SALdC #13.

Ralph Jensen, Rector



Southern Arizona Lutheran Via de Cristo
Men's Weekend #13
 October 17 – 20, 2002

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