

### CANDIDATES... WHERE ARE YOU???

We are in need of candidates for the Erie Cursillo Movement! We don't want to see a weekend cancelled because we don't have enough interest. Fortunately, our February weekend is coming along well. However, at this point we have **ONLY 1** candidate for our own June weekend. Please take some time today, before reading the rest of this newsletter, to say a prayer asking for the Holy Spirit's guidance in asking potential candidates to make Cursillo. Get out there and score one for the team! Channel your applications to Denise Schoenfeldt (information on the back)! **LET'S GO, TEAM!!!**



### DECEMBER AND JANUARY

In December, we met at St. Bernadette for our annual Christmas party. 28 Cursillistas gathered for mass followed by food and fellowship. We want to thank Gary & Connie Haibach in a special way for volunteering to host the Christmas party again in 2011. We are blessed by your enthusiasm!

In the month of January, we had our Day of Reflection at St. Hippolyte. Our theme was Our Lady of Guadalupe and the protection of life. Nineteen of us spent our day hearing inspirational stories, the three tripod talks, creating summaries and posters, eating, and even visiting with the Blessed Sacrament in the chapel. Special thanks to Pat Ferry (and her crew) for making our day so wonderful. And of course, thanks to Steve Ferry, our kitchen man, for serving us some soul food.

#### HOMECOMING NEEDS YOU

We are looking for a few good men and women to help us with our annual Homecoming Ultreya. Unfortunately, if we don't have some assistance, the Homecoming may be cancelled. If you are able to give of your time to help with setup, cleanup, or planning, please email Darcie at [darcies@windstream.net](mailto:darcies@windstream.net) or call 336-2629 as soon as possible. Thanks in advance for your willingness!



**Prayers** are requested for the success of the 2011 Cursillo weekends and Bill Stumpf.

**Condolences** go out to the friends and family of Al Borkovec.

*If you know of someone who should be included in this section of the newsletter, please be sure to notify us. Thanks!*

### ADVISORS' ALCOVE



St. Valentine is actually considered in history to have been more than one person. One story is that he was a priest in Rome who aided martyrs in persecution. He was beheaded for his actions on February 14, 270. Another story is one of a bishop of Interamna (modern Terni). Thirdly, there are stories about Saint Valentine who suffered in Africa. Regardless of the origin of Saint Valentine, what does February 14 mean to us and how do we celebrate it?

If you are like most, you probably buy a card for your spouse or significant other, maybe your parents, and possibly your children or grandchildren. What about the widow? The shut-in? The single mother? Valentine's Day seems like the perfect opportunity for us to practice the ACTION leg of our tripod.

Why not contact your parish for a list of shut-ins? Or send a special card to those who have lost a loved-one in 2010. What better way to brighten someone's day than to take time from your schedule to remember them?

And speaking of love, there are several opportunities in our Diocese to build a strong foundation, repair or strengthen your marriage. Please keep in mind the following ministries that will soon be hosting programs in our diocese: **Retrouvaille**, a weekend program for hurting marriages, March 4-6th; for info call (814) 437-9377; and **Marriage Encounter** - making good marriages stronger, April 8 - 10; for info call (814) 823-4600; and **NOVA**, for couples free to re-marry in the Church, Sat. March 12 in Erie, for registration info call (814) 824-1261.

DeColores,  
Darcie & Joel

### NEWSLETTER DONATIONS

Newsletter donations help us in several ways. In addition to the printing and postage of the monthly newsletter, we pay to use our online email newsletter service. If you could make a donation, we would truly appreciate it. Please send it to **Sue Simonetta, 11217 N. Watson Run Road, Conneaut Lake, PA 16316**, or see her at an Ultreya or Holy Hour.

### MARK YOUR CALENDAR

**St. Agatha, Meadville**  
Ultreya—Friday, February 11 (7pm)  
Holy Hour—Saturday, February 19 (7pm)



**St. Brigid, Meadville**  
**HOMECOMING ULTREYA**— Saturday, Feb 26 (5:30pm)  
Holy Hour—Saturday, March 12 (7pm)

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**NEWS DEADLINE**  
 Please have newsletter information and prayer requests to Darcie by February 18 or send a message to [crawfordcountycursillo@gmail.com](mailto:crawfordcountycursillo@gmail.com)

**MOVING**  
 If you are moving, please give your new address to Darcie at 336-2629.

**PALANCA**  
 Deliver your Palanca to the St. Brigid Office by **Noon on Thursday** of any Cursillo weekend. If the office is closed, just leave it at the door and be sure it's marked "Palanca".

**SEND YOUR COMPLETED APPLICATIONS AND SPONSOR SHEETS TO...**  
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**ACTION, ACTION, WE WANT ACTION**

The **Men's Choir** will be traveling to St. John the Evangelist Church, 101 Olin Avenue in Girard on Saturday, **January 29, 2011** to welcome our new president, Dave Jackson, at their 5:15 p.m. mass. Rehearsal will be at 4:15 p.m. in the basement. Cursillistas are requested to bring a dessert. \*\*\* Crawford County's annual **Homecoming Ultreya** will be held on **Saturday, February 26, 2011** beginning with mass at 5:30pm. Childcare will be available during mass and fellowship afterwards. Please join us for a night of fun and games! \*\*\* The Cursillo Past Presidents' **Annual K.I.S.S. Dance** will be held on **Saturday, March 5, 2011** from 7:00 p.m. -11:00 p.m. at Holy Rosary Hastings Hall at East 28th and East Avenue in Erie. Tickets will be \$7 per person.

**COORDINATORS CORNER**

The Cursillo Movement is Alive and Well in Crawford County! This is the message we want to send out to all Cursillistas in Crawford County. Wendy and I are your new Crawford County Coordinators. We feel honored and privileged that we were asked to serve in this capacity for 2011. We have already rolled up our sleeves and are working to help finalize this year's schedule.

We have all just experienced Christmas which is traditionally "The Season" of Giving, and the season to keep "Christ" in Christmas. All of us have additional gifts to offer the entire year. We encourage each and everyone of you to consider offering your talents, time and special gifts at our upcoming Ultreyas, Holy Hours and Closings. This is what Christ has called each and every Cursillista to accomplish the whole year, keep "Christ" in our daily lives.

In this New Year of 2011, both Wendy and I are praying for everyone in our Cursillo Family and we ask that you pray for us. We look forward to working with all of you during the year to help our Cursillo Family grow spiritually and to bring some new friends into our "Special Cursillo Family". As we learned at our Cursillos we need to Make a Friend, Be a Friend, Bring a friend to Christ. We are all truly blessed to be part of this *Extraordinary* Cursillo Family. Keep smiling, keep praying and we hope to see you soon.

DeColores,  
Jim and Wendy Hess