

Fisherman



February, 2007

Palanca Can Change the World – one small step at a time

Romans 12:8 ...if it is encouraging, let him **encourage**; if it is contributing to the needs of others, let him **give generously**; if it is leadership, let him **govern diligently**; if it is showing mercy, let him **do it cheerfully**. (Emphasis added)

In 1996, God brought my family and me to Cleveland, a place we least expected to be. In 1999, He moved us away. In 2000, He moved us back. About a year later, I found myself connected to Tres Dias through a series of events I can only attribute to the leading of the Holy Spirit. A Weekend was happening and I wanted to send in some Palanca. So I called the Palanca coordinator, Dave Harsch, to confirm logistics. Diane Harsch answered the phone, answered my questions, and then we got to talking a bit about Palanca. Diane said something that stopped me. "I like to give Palanca **all the time**, not just on Tres Dias Weekends."

With a couple simple examples, Diane's words were an epiphany for me that day. I remember thinking, "Aha! Palanca! It's a life-style, a modus operandi, an everyday thing, a way to bless others on a continual basis, simple things on a simple budget, often anonymous but sometime not, Spirit-led." Since then, I have come to a deeper understanding of the richness Palanca can be in my Fourth Day.

What does Palanca look like in every-day life - in our Fourth Day? Often it's like the bumper sticker, "Practice random acts of kindness and senseless beauty." Get-well-soon cards, thanks-for-serving cards, a phone call out of nowhere to someone the Spirit might have put on your heart, an invitation to fellowship at your house, an email with words of encouragement to a friend who moved away, cleaning up after an event, a gentle arm-around-the-shoulder or note to a co-worker in need saying you're praying for them, a quiet moment of prayer, an immediate out-loud prayer in a crisis.

It makes sense that Palanca is a Tres Dias essential. Among other things, perhaps God wants us to have an unforgettable experience, something that will be burned into our brains so deeply that when we finally come to an understanding of the depth of His love, we are overflowing. Palanca could then be a natural outpouring of His love through us to others. Weekend Palanca at its best is a sacrificial act, taking time - a lot of time – like writing a short note to each Candidate mentioning prayers and perhaps another sacrifice to be made during the Weekend on their behalf. Something to consider...

How now shall we live? Give the Holy Spirit free reign to lead us. Obedience. Speed. Confidence.

Women's 16: Don't forget about Sponsorship. God has once again crafted a team, so it seems He is moving. Tune into His leading of you to be His voice calling to someone in the desert. Time is short – in more ways than we know. Please pray about it and reach out again to people you have spoken to in the past, and new people brought into your life. Often times, it's the person you may least expect that ends up on the Weekend.

De Colores, Mike Wise (Arizona Lutheran Cursillo #34, March 1991)

Tres Dias essential #27: That the sponsoring secretariat encourage the community to participate in the weekend through *spiritual* and *service* Palanca.

Community News

SOUNDS OF SECRETARIAT

The Secretariat met - no new actions were taken.

PRAYER REQUESTS & UPDATES

Please pray for our Leadership and the following needs:

Ginny Gibbons (W#10) Meals for the Gibbons family are being coordinated through Lisa Pringle at (216) 221-8280 or via email at lpringle@tarolli.com

Update on Bill Bodemer [M#6]: A pasta dinner and live/silent auction are being planned in support of Bill Bodemer. Anyone interested can contact Barry DeBord at 440-461-5171 or barlindebord@adelphia.net

Update on Jim Crytzer:

HE'S HOME!!! Jim came home on January 20th. A special blessing has been having his daughter, Sherry, come from Seattle to help us for the first week. Unfortunately she has a family and a job to get back to; we will truly miss her. It was a special time as we watched the Lord tug on her heart. We would appreciate your continued prayers for her salvation ... All of the procedures are getting easier; quite time consuming now but will get shorter with more 'practice'. Again, God has shown us to treasure everyday that is before us for we never know what tomorrow may bring. We frequently see His blessing during this entire experience; the perfect scripture given to us that is appropriate for the current trial, an encouraging call or email; kind words written on a get-well card: these are all emotional hugs for us. We are so very grateful for you, dear friends, who have become the hands and feet of our Lord. Blessings of great peace and deep joy, Judi

For addresses to send cards: Go to the Tres Dias Directory (www.tresdiascleveland.org). Click on "Directory" on the left side menu bar. Type the password: **3dpassword**.

Special thanks to Pam Belknap (W#1) & Tonya Busic (W#1), Trainers at the recent Tres Dias Training held January 20th at Highland Sixth Presbyterian Church. The teaching was interactive and informative and gave a comprehensive overview of the Essentials of Tres Dias and beyond! We hope to offer another training session sometime this summer. Watch for details!

International Secretariat

Anyone who is interested in becoming a member of the Tres Dias International Secretariat, please contact Pam Belknap (440-442-4922) or pbelknap@ameritech.net by March 1, 2007. You must have attended a TDI Assembly within the past four years. You would be required to attend 6 meetings around the country over the next two years.

TREASURER'S REPORT AS OF 12/31/06

Beginning Balance – 1/1/06 **\$ 3,553.95**

Income: 1/1/06 - 12/31/06

Weekend Fees	\$20,747.00
Gifts/Donation	16,704.08
Donations-spl events	
Dinner	2,792.66
Golf Outing	2,116.00
Zoo Training	100.00
Interest/Misc.	<u>65.72</u>
	\$42,525.46

Expenses: 1/1/06 - 12/31/06

General Expenses:

Weekend Site Rental	\$25,139.83
Weekend Equip Rental	525.00
Weekend Supplies	1,521.35
Newsletter printing	563.91
Newsletter postage	333.40
Special Events	
Dinner	336.16
Golf Outing	984.00
Training at Zoo	536.51
Insurance	510.00
Website Maintenance	480.00
Tres Dias Int'l Dues	270.00
Miscellaneous	<u>165.00</u>
	\$31,365.16

Repayment of loan 5,200.00

Total Expenses: \$ 36,565.16

Income less Expenses: \$ 5,960.30

Balance as of 12/31/06 \$ 9,514.25

Thank you for your generous donations. We need your continued support for Tres Dias Cleveland.

Please consider making a tax-deductible contribution to Tres Dias Cleveland to help cover the cost of the upcoming weekends. Contributions may be sent to Denise Palma at 28901 Naylor Drive, Solon, OH 44139-1178

NEWSLETTER INFORMATION:

Editor – Eileen Koborie (W#9)

Publication and Distribution – Barb Jackson (W#9) and Deane Elek (W#1)

For the March newsletter, please send all articles to Eileen Koborie at ekoborie@sbcglobal.net or call 330-322-5225 by February 21.

Mark your Calendar

Please prayerfully plan to attend these events. Each Pescadore is an important part of our Community. We desire your fellowship, ideas, and contributions!

SECUELAS - Open to friends and family who have not attended a Tres Dias Weekend.

February 9

Bay Presbyterian

Speaker: Hollie Uram

*Food theme: Bring a dish and/or beverage that you'd **LOVE** to share with the Community!*

WOMEN'S #16 TEAM COMMISSIONING!

March 9

Christ Presbyterian

SECRETARIATS - 7 p.m.

February 13

Bay Presbyterian

March 13

Christ Presbyterian

UP & COMING DATES:

	Secuelas		Secretariats	
	Date	Location	Date	Location
April	4/13	Highland Sixth	4/17	Highland Sixth
May	5/18	Orwell	5/22	Orwell



WOMEN'S WEEKEND #16

March 22-25, 2007

THEME: PEACE

**And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding,
will guard your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.**

- Philippians 4:7 (NKJV)

RECTORA LETTER

Grace and Peace to you!

The women of Tres Dias Cleveland Team #16 are working towards spiritual unity and celebrating God's peace with the candidates that God has chosen to join us! Please pray for us as we begin this journey together! We have been called by God to do His work and we rejoice ... again I say REJOICE! We are worried about nothing because we are praying about everything and with Thanksgiving we make our requests known. And because we do this, our hearts and minds will be guarded by the peace of God which surpasses all understanding! We look forward to celebrating this weekend with all of you at the opening, Mananita, and closing! Pray about sponsoring someone special. Someone you know who may need a reminder of how to experience God's PEACE! Keep an eye on the website for updates on how you can serve and be a part of this celebration of God's Love!

*Diane Harsch
Rectora, Women's #16*

WOMEN'S #16 TEAM

<u>NAME</u>	<u>TEAM POSITION</u>
Margo Ashbrook (W #11)	<i>Table Leader, Rollo-Reunion Groups</i>
Pam Belknap (W #1)	<i>Aux, Rollo-Piety</i>
Elizabeth Burton (W #9)	<i>Table Leader</i>
Aimee Calvert (W #13)	<i>Table Leader, Rollo-Ideals</i>
Nicole Enold (W #10)	<i>Table Leader, Rollo-Environments</i>
Cindy Gecik (W #14)	<i>Table Leader</i>
Dave Harsch (M #2)	<i>Weekend Chair</i>
Diane Harsch (W #2)	<i>Rectora, Rollo-Fourth Day</i>
Eva Holsinger (W #8)	<i>Music Director</i>
Diane Hrubik (W #7)	<i>Table Leader, Rollo-Leaders</i>
Cassandra Kearney (W #12)	<i>Table Leader, Rollo-Study</i>
Staci Lowell (W #14)	<i>Table Leader</i>
Beth McKee (W #9)	<i>Spiritual Director</i>
Lisa McNeely (W #12)	<i>Aux</i>
Bernie Melster (M #11)	<i>Weekend Chair</i>
Nanci Melster (W #9)	<i>Chief Aux</i>
Denise Palma (W #8)	<i>Assistant Rectora, Rollo-The Church</i>
Lisa Pringle (W #10)	<i>Table Leader, Rollo-Action</i>
Birgit Rudden (W #12)	<i>Assistant Chief Aux</i>
Debbie Ruffo (W #14)	<i>Table Leader</i>
Bertha Simpson (W #14)	<i>Aux</i>
Lezlee Sims (W #12)	<i>Aux</i>
Heidi Minick Starke (W #8)	<i>Table Leader</i>
Suzanna Theobald (W #9)	<i>Aux</i>
Holly Uram (W #14)	<i>Aux</i>
Brenda Watkins (W #9)	<i>Table Leader</i>
Jan Wolff (W #8)	<i>Asst. Rectora, Rollo-Christian Community in Action</i>
Marc Wolff (M #9)	<i>Spiritual Director</i>

Registration Deadline: March 8, 2007

Tres Dias – Cleveland

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First Class Mail
Time Dated Material

Tres Dias Mission Statement

“To strengthen the local church by providing a continuing atmosphere for individuals to share and experience the living Christ.”

