



# Fisherman

October 2008

## FROM THE PRESIDENT...

“We are therefore Christ’s ambassadors, as though God were making his appeal through us. We implore you on Christ’s behalf: Be reconciled to God.” 2 Cor 5:20

This morning, I feel I am contemplating my own mortality, as the news and reality sinks in that our dear friend Harley Beall departed our presence and is now in the awesome presence of our Lord. Really, I think it has me asking myself what the really important things are in my life. Harley knew; he always loved people and made time to be with them, and he always shared His Lord Jesus with them too. He was an ambassador for Christ!! His love and humor were contagious. All who knew Harley were thankful that God put him in their path, and we are especially glad he was a part of our Tres Dias Community.

I am personally so thankful for my Tres Dias experiences. Not only has it been fun, but I know that my efforts to serve God, and people, through this ministry is a blessing of eternal value in my life. Last Spring at the closing of the Women’s weekend, I jotted down some of the comments the women made. Here are some examples of how God’s awesome power worked in and through them, reconciling them to Himself: “I’m not alone”, “I was loved by people I didn’t even know”, “I could be still”, “I re-examined myself”, “I had new direction”, “I know the depth of His love for me”, “I felt the love of God like never before”, “I was refreshed”, “I realized my community needed me”, “I need Christian fellowship”, “I can step out in faith and He will be there”... “YOU JUST HAD TO BE THERE”...

Tres Dias can be a life changing experience for someone you know; invite them!! Pray for our Rector Brian and his team!! Help Dan Allen, our Weekend chair!! Support our candidates with Prayer, palanca and attendance at the Opening, Closing and Mañanita!! The ability to have this

weekend rests on the participation of our entire community. Look through this Newsletter, and see where God is calling you to serve and be a part of God’s work in someone’s life. Let us be ambassadors for Christ!!

Diane Hrubik

Pray for our new and returning officers to fulfill the purposes of Christ in Tres Dias Cleveland

Pres: Diane Hrubik  
Vice Pres: Bernie Melster  
Sec: Lisa Pringle  
Treas: Jim Hart  
Asst Treas: Denise Palma  
4th Day Chair: Dan Kearney  
Reunion Group Chair: Cindy Gecik  
Outreach Chair: Birgit Rudden  
Inventory Chair: Jim Crytzer  
Palanca Coordinator: Diane Harsch

## SOUNDS OF SECRETARIAT:

All Seculas will be on Saturday evenings with the exception of Oct. 3, which will be a Friday night so we will not conflict with the Men’s Team preparations.



At the October 3 Secuela we will vote on a change in By-laws. The changes are:

- 1) Article 3 Section 3 we will **add Reunion Group Chair to the Standing Committee** list.
- 2) Article 4 Section 4 and Treasurer job description, **The treasurer may make deposits in the absence of the Asst Treasurer.**

# Community News...



## TRES DIAS INTERNATIONAL 40<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL ASSEMBLY

Hosted by **Tres Dias Cleveland**  
Held at **Bay Presbyterian Church ~ July 10-12, 2009**

Please *pray* daily for this gathering.

- ✚ Pray how you can be involved in its preparation.
- ✚ Save the dates.
- ✚ Plan to attend the event.
- ✚ Meet Pescadores from all over the world!

In particular, plan to attend the Barbeque/Potluck/Secuela as part of the weekend, during which we will celebrate the **15<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Tres Dias Cleveland!** We will invite all Pescadores from the 35 TD CLE Weekends, as well as all current and former Spiritual Directors. We would love to have an overwhelming turn-out from our Community, to welcome our guests and to praise our gracious Lord in a mighty way!

Thank you to everyone who signed up for a committee at the September Secuela! Another sign-up opportunity will be at the October Secuela or contact Pam Belknap: (440-442-4922) or [pbelknap@ameritech.net](mailto:pbelknap@ameritech.net). 'It takes a Community!' Thanks!

### Officers:

- ⇒ Financial Secretary (collects checks from guests)
- ⇒ Treasurer: Lisa Corwin
- ⇒ Recording Secretary: Deane Elek
- ⇒ Registrar (collects and records registration)

### Committees:

- ⇒ Registration/Admin.
- ⇒ Facilities (Bay Presb. & Holiday Inn Westlake)
- ⇒ Special Event (possible concert at Blossom)
- ⇒ Music
- ⇒ Food: Ernie Palma, Chair
- ⇒ Auxes (serving, hanging banners, clean-up, etc.)
- ⇒ Housing (securing rooms in local homes for some guests)
- ⇒ Transportation (working w/Holiday Inn transport & providing extra rides, as needed)
- ⇒ Palanca (written or small trinkets for our guests)

Monthly updates will be provided on our website, as well as in the newsletter. Most "jobs" will have some planning and will be labor intensive during the weekend. Other "jobs" (like palanca) can/must be done prior to the weekend.

This is a fun opportunity for our entire Community to work together. Pray how you can help.



## GREETINGS FROM YOUR OUTREACH AND REUNION GROUP CHAIRPERSONS!

Birgit Rudden is Outreach Chair and Cindy Gecik is Reunion Group Chair for Tres Dias Cleveland. These

positions will work in tandem and this article explains the functions of each position.

### Outreach Chair: **Birgit Rudden**

- Lets the community know what sponsoring a candidate entails and the responsibilities of the sponsor.
- Serves as a contact point for pescadores wanting to become involved in the Tres Dias community by sharing their time, talents, and treasures.
- Helps assimilate new pescadores into the Tres Dias community by communicating opportunities to become involved.

More info: contact Birgit at (440) 892-9402 or by email @ [ruddendbc@yahoo.com](mailto:ruddendbc@yahoo.com)

### Reunion Group Chair: **Cindy Gecik**

- Gather information about existing reunion groups
- Keep a listing of reunion groups
- Assist pescadores who wish to join a reunion group

In the upcoming months, Cindy will be using the various Tres Dias events to gather information about existing reunion groups to help pescadores join a reunion group.

If you are currently a member of a reunion group and have not recently provided information about your group Cindy needs the following information:

- The names of the members of the group and which weekend each member attended
- Contact information for each member of the group (complete address, phone numbers - home, work, cell, fax) and email address)
- The name of the reunion group (if named)
- Where the group meets
- When the group meets (day of week, time of day, and frequency of meetings)
- Whether or not the group is accepting new members
- The preferred contact person for the group.

Please email the above information about your group to Cindy. Her email address is [cgecik25@hotmail.com](mailto:cgecik25@hotmail.com)

Both Birgit and Cindy look forward to serving **Him** by serving you. De Colores!

# Community News...

## MEN'S WEEKEND-CEDAR HILLS

Greetings brothers and sisters in Christ!

The Tres Dias Men's #17 weekend is upon us and yes I am pumped! We are in the preparation phase as a team and I am so energized to see the men that God has brought together to serve!

The weekend verse is II Corinthians 5:20

*"We are therefore Christ's ambassadors, as though God were making His appeal through us. We implore you on Christ's behalf: Be reconciled to God."*

Why do we serve our Lord Jesus Christ? Why do we serve others? I have been pondering these questions and God has given me four answers from His Word. In II Corinthians 5:14-19, the verses just preceding the weekend verse, I found these answers. First, Christ's love compels us (v14). His agape love stirs me to respond in like manner even though my attempts to emulate His love are feeble at best.

Second, we no longer live for ourselves but for Him who died for me. This is counterculture as our society has taken the self absorption/gratification to a new level.

Third, we have been made a "new creation" in Christ and so the old self is gone and the new has come. I have been changed by Jesus Christ!

Fourth, God has committed to us His children the ministry of reconciliation. With this in mind I see that God has called me to represent Him wherever I go and with whomever I come in contact with as the Holy Spirit leads.

It is with a thankful heart that I approach this weekend and see that the whole undertaking of this wonderful weekend could not happen without you the Tres Dias community being available to let the Holy Spirit work through you to bring His message of reconciliation to a whole new set of candidates - pescadores-to-be!

Your thoughts, prayers, time, efforts and gifts are greatly appreciated. May your time, talents and treasures be used in such a way that God is glorified, the body of Christ is encouraged and you likewise are blessed!

De Colores!

Brian Holsinger, Rector Men's #17

## MEN'S WEEKEND TEAM ...

Pastor Marc Wolff  
Pastor Bob Cox  
Barry DeBord  
Jim Crytzer  
Kevin Robison  
Frank Costanzo  
Greg McCandless  
Dan Allen  
Brian Holsinger

Spiritual Director  
Spiritual Director  
Asst Rector  
Asst Rector  
Music Director  
Chief Aux  
Asst Chief Aux  
Weekend Chair  
Rector

Bob Barnes  
Dave DeWitt  
Rick Garrett  
Gerry Gecik  
John Maynard  
Dan McLaughlin  
Earl Niznik  
Don Rudden  
Eric Stiner

Victor Bello  
Tim Elek  
Lonnie Gallup  
Paul Hospodar  
Emerson McArthur  
Wayne Nichols  
Dave "Zip" Richard  
Barry Shemela

## CANDIDATES ROSTER

William Scott  
James Peters  
Mac McArthur  
Dave Corbin  
Andrew Wolff  
Adam Stout  
Bruce Szczepinski  
Bryan Cammerata  
Ken Robinson



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Volunteer participation for the Men's 17 weekend has been very encouraging! It has been especially rewarding to witness the contributions of Pescadores who have never volunteered to our community before jumping in with both feet in the name of the Lord to help make the weekend a success!

We are still in need of a few people to assist with facility cleanup early Sunday afternoon. We also could use a couple of burly (yet gentle) men to assist with handling luggage between 6-7:30 pm on site on Thursday evening! Please call me at 330-714-3026 if the Spirit has placed this type of service on your heart!

Ladies, don't forget to mark your calendar early Sunday Morning (Oct 19th) to visit Cedar Hills to sing for the men! Finally everyone should be expecting a call in early October from a community member inquiring about Palanca donations as well so please keep your hearts open to their calls and requests!

The following people have graciously opened their homes up to serve as Palanca drop off sites:

North - Charles/Patty Palyu (M/W13)  
1379 East 52nd Street  
Cleveland 44103 (216) 361-3499

Nwest - Ed/Trish Dietz (M/W15)  
42 Pond Drive  
Rocky River 44116 (440) 331-3994

Swest - Becky Caputo - (W9) -  
7216 West Baldwin Reserve Drive,  
Midd Hts 44130 (440) 886-5674

Neast - Sandy Seiz - (W13)  
996 Ford Road  
Highland Hts 44124 (440) 442-4446

Seast - Fred McQuary (M14)  
12059 Waywood Dr  
Twinsburg 44280 (216) 410-0914

Akron - David Miller  
3032 Chamberlain Road  
Fairlawn 44333  
(330) 836-4067

Sincerely,  
Dan Allen  
M17 Weekend Chair

▶ **Thurs Oct 16th: Opening at Cedar Hills**  
Candidates arrive at 6:45pm  
Opening Begins at: 7:20

▶ **Sun Oct 19th: Mananita**  
Community to arrive at Cedar Hills at 7am  
(Don't be Late!)

▶ **Sun Oct 19th: Closing**  
Community to arrive at 4pm at Highland 6 Church

*Please keep the Rollistas as well all of the Men attending M17 in your thoughts and prayers!*

### Fri Oct 17th

9:35 am	Ideals - Victor Bello
10:45am	Grace - Marc Wolff
1:45 pm	The Church - Wayne Nichols
2:40 pm	The Holy Spirit - Bob Cox
4:10 pm	Piety - Lonnie Gallup

### Sat Oct 18th

8:50 am	Study - Dave DeWitt
10:00am	Sacred Moments of Grace Bob Cox and Marc Wolff
2:05 pm	Action - John Maynard
2:55 pm	Obstacles to Grace - Marc Wolff
4:55 pm	Leaders - Barry Debord

### Sun Oct 19th

8:30 am	Environments - Emerson McArthur
9:05 am	Life in Grace - Bob Cox
10:45 am	Christian Community in Action Jim Crytzer
12:40 pm	Reunion Groups - Dan McGlaughlin
1:55 pm	Fourth Day - Brian Holsinger

**People interested in volunteering please call Dan Allen at 330-714-3026**

**Folks interested in donating Palanca letters or food please call Melanie Garrett at 330-873-9498**



# Calendar of Events

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.

Friday, October 3	7:00 p.m.	Highland Sixth Presbyterian	
Saturday, November 8	6:00 p.m.	Bay Presbyterian	Thanksgiving Dinner
Saturday, December 13	7:00 p.m.	Cleveland Metroparks	Alvion Woods Shelter Strongsville
Saturday, January 10	7:00 p.m.	Lighthouse Alliance Church	19147 Eastlook Rd. Rocky River, OH 44116
Saturday, February 7	7:00 p.m.	Hudson Community Chapel	
Saturday, March 14	7:00 p.m.	Highland Sixth Presbyterian	
Saturday, April 4	7:00 p.m.	Christ Presbyterian	
Saturday, May 9	7:00 p.m.	True Vine Baptist Church	

## SECRETARIAT DATES

Monday, October 6	7:00 p.m.	Highland Sixth Presbyterian	
Monday, November 10	7:00 p.m.	Bay Presbyterian	
No Secretariat in December			
Monday, January 12	7:00 p.m.	Highland Sixth Presbyterian	
Monday, February 9	7:00 p.m.	Bay Presbyterian	
Monday, March 16	7:00 p.m.	Highland Sixth	
Monday, April 6	7:00 p.m.	Bay Presbyterian	
Monday, May 11	7:00 p.m.	Highland Sixth	

*PLEASE REMEMBER: Reach out to someone that was on your weekend and remind them of the upcoming Secuelas - your personal phone call might be the difference between their coming or staying home and missing all the fun and excitement!*

**All are welcome to the Secuelas!** Dan Kearney, Fourth Day Chair

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

† **October 16-19, 2008**

### **MEN'S WEEKEND-CEDAR HILLS**

Now is the time to get your candidates applications in!! Applications and Sponsorship responsibilities are available on the **WEBSITE!!**

† **March 26-29, 2009**

### **WOMEN'S WEEKEND- CAMP ASBURY**

Next Newsletter Deadline: **October 27**

Email to: [cwoodle@msn.com](mailto:cwoodle@msn.com)

**Please put "Tres Dias Newsletter" in the Subject line to avoid being deleted if unknown sender.**

# Treasurer's Report

## TREASURER'S REPORT AS OF 9/21/08

Beginning Balance – 1/1/08 **\$13,077.20**

Income: 1/1/08 - 9/21/08

Weekend Fees	\$ 9,260.00
(less scholarships)	(4,260.00)
Pay It Forward	3,671.00
Gifts/Donations	2,390.00
Interest	47.56
	<u>\$ 11,108.56</u>

Expenses: 1/1/08 - 9/21/08

General Expenses:

Dues	\$ 300.00
Insurance	272.00
Office Supplies	43.48
Newsletter printing	315.74
Newsletter postage	308.82
Secuela refreshments	100.03
Miscellaneous	376.49

Weekend Expenses

Equipment Rental	75.00
Site Rental	6,902.00
Supplies	1,017.84
Travel	310.00
	<u>\$10,021.40</u>

**Income less Expenses: \$ 1,087.16**

**Balance as of 9/21/08 \$14,164.36**

The current balance in the Pay-It-Forward program is \$3,671 which will cover scholarships for 20 candidates on the next Men's weekend.

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

28901 Naylor Drive  
Solon, OH 44139-1178



If you wish your donation to be used for the Pay-It-Forward program, please indicate "Pay-It-Forward" on the memo line of your check.

Thank you for continued support.

**Tres Dias Mission Statement**  
"To strengthen the local church by providing a continuing atmosphere for individuals to share and experience the living Christ."



## **Tres Dias – Cleveland**

C/O Diane Hrubik  
30100 Ashton Lane  
Bay Village, OH 44140

**First Class Mail**  
**Time Dated Material**