



# Fisherman

JANUARY 2009

## FROM THE PRESIDENT...

*"Therefore, since we have so great a cloud of witnesses surrounding us, let us also lay aside every encumbrance, and the sin which so easily entangles us, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, fixing our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of faith, who for the joy set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God."*

Hebrews 12:1-2

Last November I talked about things I am thankful for, and now in a New Year, I am focusing, as many of you, on the year ahead and what God is calling me to do.

My son is a runner and last October we had the joy of seeing him run and finish his first marathon. All of this running is unfathomable to me, by the way!! Now the race itself is grueling, but with over a million and a half spectators it was also very exciting!! I did come to realize though, that really it was the training that made all the difference, and that is observed by very few. Only a few times did I see Matthew at the end of miles of running as he arrived at our home in Bay from his place in Cleveland. Very few times did someone else run with him and seldom was he "high-fived" as he was running the streets of Cleveland in practice. It was his commitment to what lay ahead that kept him running and

training in all kinds of adverse conditions. So it is with our walk with the Lord. Very little of our "training" is seen by others, often we are walking alone and what are we really like when only God can see? So much of our work in the Tres Dias community is done energetically but quietly behind the scenes too. Individually and corporately, it is our Faithfulness to a Faithful God when maybe no one else is watching, that readies us for the road ahead. Let us as individuals and in our Tres Dias Community consider how and where God is calling us to serve Him in this coming year to bring honor to His Name, running the race before a heavenly cloud of witnesses!!

DeColores

Diane Hrubik

15th Anniversary  
Congratulations!  
Tres Dias Cleveland

# 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 has signed up for a committee! Another sign-up opportunity will be at the November 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
- Co-Registrars: Todd & Aimee Herrick

### Committees:

- 1. **Registration:** greeting out of town Pescadores as they arrive at Bay Presbyterian Church; confirm their registration info.; give them their packets & Palanca.
- 2. **Auxes:** setting tables, serving snacks & meals; hanging banners; clean-up; running errands, etc.
- 3. **Food:** assist Ernie Palma with food preparation.
- 4. **Transportation:** working w/Holiday Inn airport transport & providing extra rides to & from Bay Presb., as needed. (Recommend west-siders.)
- 5. **Housing:** securing/providing rooms in local homes for some guests. (Recommend west-siders.)
- 6. **Music:** be part of Music Team, providing music throughout the weekend & at the Secuela.
- 7. **Palanca:** providing 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.



## COMMUNICATIONS!!

After many years of excellent and dedicated service **Deane Elek** will be relieved from her communications duties. Our many thanks and hats off to her for a job well done, THANK YOU Deane!!

Her replacements are two fold.

**Rosa DiGennaro-Hines** an enthusiastic candidate from women's #17 has volunteered to manage the database.

If you have any changes in your address, phone, email etc you can contact her at (440) 953-2759 or [steve.rosa.hines@sbcglobal.net](mailto:steve.rosa.hines@sbcglobal.net)

**Lisa McNeely** an active Pescadore since women's #12, will take over the Blast and Newsletter distribution.

If you have a Prayer Request you can reach her at (330) 416-0731 or [clevelandtresdias@yahoo.com](mailto:clevelandtresdias@yahoo.com)



# Community News...



## 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 posi-

tion.

### 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!

## Greetings from Your Reunion Group Chair!

As the Reunion Group chairperson my responsibility is to keep a list of active reunion groups and to assist individuals seeking to join a reunion group in finding one.

If you have not already spoken with other pescadores about forming a reunion group but would like to join one, perhaps I can help. Please do not hesitate to call me at (440)-835-5692 or email me at [cgecik25@hotmail.com](mailto:cgecik25@hotmail.com) Let me know if you are looking for a group that meets in a certain geographic area, on a certain day of the week or at a certain time of day. I will do my best to match you with an existing group.

If you do form a reunion group please let me know as well. Specifically I would like to know the names of the members of your group, who the spokesperson is for the group and contact information for each member of the group. Also, it is helpful to know if the group is open to accepting new members.

De Colores,  
Cindy Gecik W#14



# Community News...

## WOMEN'S WEEKEND #18 - MARCH 26-29, 2009

Dear Community,

Happy New Year and Praise our Lord.

It is my joy to announce that the team for Women's #18 has been formed.

The lead team has been meeting together for the last few months, planning and praying .

The full slate of team members will begin meeting in February and continuing through March.

The weekend will be March 26 through 29 at Camp Asbury.

We ask for your prayers for the team, for our meeting time together, for the weekend , and for the candidates that will be attending the weekend. It is always exciting to watch God's plans unfold. I am truly blessed to be apart of it.

The team of Women's #18 ask the community to keep us in prayer as we prepare to do His will.

In His Service,  
Jody Gallup



### PAY IT FORWARD

Pay It Forward is the only way we can continue to keep the registration fee for candidates to \$50.00.

Pay It Forward donations can be made at each Secuela and are a tax deductible donation. Just make your check payable to TRES DIAS CLEVELAND and marking "Pay It Forward" on the memo line.

Checks can also be mailed to:  
Denise Palma  
28901 Naylor Drive  
Solon, OH 44139-1178

Thank you!

## PRAISES & PRAYER REQUESTS

Prayer request from Linda DeBord (W#1):

Please pray for Barry DeBord (M#1) and his family. Barry's dad died last night in Pittsburgh (12/29/08). I don't have any other information at this time.

Prayer request from Terry Walker(W#14):

I am requesting prayer for my family. On Thanksgiving Day, I lost my father in the AM and an uncle in the PM. The Tuesday of Thanksgiving, my mother had a knee replacement and almost did not make it out of recovery. The holiday season has been a trying one for me. For those of you who have met my sister and know that she's suffering from Pulmonary Arterial Hypertension, well she's in the hospital with pneumonia and an infection in her tube that administers her medicine 24 hours a day. However, we are making it by the Grace of God. Although times get rough, I know it's the rough times when we need prayer the most. Thank you and may you all be blessed this coming new year!

***Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of compassion and the God of all comfort, who comforts us in all our troubles, so that we can comfort those in any trouble with the comfort we ourselves have received from God. ~2 Cor 1:3-4***

# 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.*

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, 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	

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

**March 26-29, 2009 Women's Weekend - Camp Asbury**

**Oct 15-18, 2009 Men's Weekend - Cedar Hills**

**Next Newsletter Deadline: January 26**

**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 10/27/08**

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

Income: 1/1/08 - 10/27/08

Weekend Fees	\$18,785.00
(less scholarships)	(8,525.00)
Pay It Forward	4,971.00
Gifts/Donations	2,700.00
Interest	<u>72.48</u>
	<b>\$18,003.48</b>

Expenses: 1/1/08 - 10/28/08

General Expenses:

Dues	\$ 300.00
Insurance	544.00
Office Supplies	43.48
Newsletter printing	370.28
Newsletter postage	350.82
Secuela refreshments	100.03
Miscellaneous	376.49
Weekend Expenses	
Copy Charges	2.25
Equipment Rental	75.00
Site Rental	14,249.00
Supplies	1,017.84
Transportation	<u>620.00</u>
	<b>\$18,049.19</b>

**Income less Expenses: \$ ( 45.71 )**

**Balance as of 10/28/08 \$13,031.49**

The current balance in the Pay-It-Forward program is \$1,441 which will be used for scholarships for candidates on the Women's #18 week end.

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. 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**

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Bay Village, OH 44140

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