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The mission of Cum Christo is to bring Christians together in an ecumenical environment that renews their relationship with Jesus Christ and motivates them to grow as disciples of Jesus in their churches, their everyday life and other places where God leads them

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include weekend number**

From the Lay Directors

Elaine Beem W80, Sonny Beem M112

This is the first article that the Beem Team is writing for the Quri, and we are excited to do so. Many long, hard hours of prayer went into our saying yes to be the new Lay Directors. We had all the emotions that many of us think of when we are asked to step outside of our comfort zone. Why us? Are we worthy? We don't have the time. Many more people are holier than we are. It came down to what a friend said one night. She said someone has to do it and the two of you love Cum Christo. Simple but these were words which were spoken from the heart. We do love Cum Christo! Now the gavel has been turned over to us and we ask for your prayers to help us do God's work in our Movement.

We've been blessed to have been led by Bob and Rob Franz for the past couple of years, and they deserve a great deal of gratitude and praise for all they did for this community. In the last Quri they informed of us of the many issues, some difficult, they had overseen.

We ask that they be lifted up in prayer and that God continues to bless them.

We are a Movement which encompasses many different denominations, personalities and ideas. Team Beem believes that if we study the tenets of the movement, listen to the people, pray for discernment of God's will, and allow the Holy Spirit to work through us, then all will be well. But because we are a large and diverse group, not everyone will be happy with some of the decisions we will make. But please know that they will be made with much thought and prayer.

We have many goals, but our highest priority is to make sure that our weekends are full. Once a witness speaker at Ultreya spoke of looking at an apple tree and seeing beautiful apples which were visible from a distance. But if one approached the tree and looked closely into the middle of that tree, one would find even more fruit that is just as beautiful and ripe and is ready to be picked. That is why we challenge each and every one of you to pray, and then to give some literature and information about Cum Christo to someone you see at church but you might not know well. Remember: talk to God about a candidate before talking to a candidate about God. (Cont. p 4)

Spiritual Director

Father Charles Cotton , M83



Ordinary Time?

In early January I emailed Trish Barber requesting the due dates for the Quiri article to be written by the Spiritual Director. She emailed me the dates, and so I decided to write the article that was due January 30. Then I sent the other dates to the other Spiritual Directors and asked them to choose dates for the rest of the year.

I finally sat down on Friday, January 16, and wrote the article and emailed it to Trish; at least I thought I emailed it to Trish. Friday the 16th was busy since I was going away to warm weather on the 19th for a week. You know how it is, try and get everything done and clear off the desk before you leave, because who knows, you might not come back. I thought I got that done, so I moved onto 10 other things. But to my surprise, on returning to the office on the 27th there was a note from Trish asking me which Spiritual Director was going to write an article for the 30th? You could imagine what I thought and most likely what I was thinking and saying. After looking through out my computer system, my secretary said “it’s not there to be found, what did you do?” I said, “I thought I sent it on the 16th.” So here I am on Tuesday January 27TH, at 2:08 p.m. trying to write something for the Quiri. I’m going to stay with my original thought of “Ordinary Time.”

Time comes and goes, so often before we know it. It seems like we just finished Advent and lighting of each Advent candle in anticipation of Jesus coming in our ordinary time of our world. That led us to decorate our churches and homes with trees, lights and flowers. We were busy shopping to catch the best sales at the stores. Then there were those wonderful smells of the fresh baked goodies. And then there was placing of the crèche -- the nativity set -- up under the tree or in its special place in our homes or churches. Over the next couple of Sundays, most churches celebrated the feast of the Holy Family, the Baptism of the Lord, and the Epiphany. These weeks are referred to as Advent and Christmas Times. The Sundays after the Epiphany and up to Lent, and then those after Pentecost and up to Advent of next November '09 are referred to as “Ordinary Time.”

Why “Ordinary Time?” Are there no special times in the life of the church or us, as God’s children? Are there no celebrations of our Christian faith and witness for the Lord? Does the Lord take a back seat the rest of the year for you and maybe your family? During the “ordinary” days, do we every pass the threshold of a church and share with other Christians our life and hopes or our needs and concerns?

I thought I had something completed and done well until that note on my desk on the 27th. It was “Ordinary Time.” I thought I had done or written a decent article but maybe that was the problem, “I had done.” I forgot one important person in writing something and that was my God. His time and my time are two different times. That’s when I came to realize that it is not me but He who guides and directs and strengthen me. It is He who was sitting with me in my office and saying, calm down, it will get done. And you know what, I’m doing it and it is just fine because He is with me in a peaceful heart.

So often our lives are, or just seem to be, “ordinary times,” but they usually are not. We can get so caught up in things, life, business, family actives or meetings and forget to take the time to relax and smell the flowers. Our day begins as extra-ordinary by simply waking up and putting our feet on the floor and beginning a new day. Who knows what the Lord has in store for you that day? Who knows how we might change someone’s life or our own by a simple hello, or a smile or a kind act for somebody or giving of a listening ear or sharing how we might have over come some difficulty? I don’t believe life is ever just “Ordinary Time.” Jesus is not “ordinary,” He is “extra-ordinary.” He is my Lord and Savior. He is my joy and happiness. He is the one who accepted the cross and gave new life and hope to all. He is grace, my grace and life today, tomorrow and to the end of time. As He is all of this for me, He is also that for you. Don’t be “ordinary” but “extra-ordinary” with the Lord and He with you.

Music Ministry

Tami Robbins, W100



Happy Winter everyone!
What a cold and snowy
season we are having.

It is hard to believe that
in just 2 more months, we
will be gearing up for the spring Cum Christo
weekends. The weekends are a busy time for
the musicians. Music is needed for the
Commissioning Service on Thursday night,
followed by Fiesta, Serenade and Closing
ceremonies throughout the weekend. Of
course most of us are ready for action since we
have been playing at other Cum Christo events
such as weekly Ultreyas, The Spiritual
Directors dinner, the Seder meal and the Day
of Reflection.

Many of our musicians also share their talents
with their churches, youth ministries and
Kairos. Sometimes, we are called to provide
music for DeColores, or “5th Day services.”
We have a full time musician on each and
every team. So there are a lot of opportunities
to serve and worship Jesus through our music.
It is important to our community to keep our
musician team growing, changing and vital to
keep on playing before the Lord. We invite
any musicians who may not yet be involved
with this ministry to join us! We would be
blessed to have you.

For information, please e-mail me at:
robbinscastle@yahoo.com. I can't wait to hear
from you! DeColores!

Looking for a Group?
Check on the Cum Christo web site
at
www.cumchristo.org

Post Cum Christo

Dick Gehman CHEC43

Well, another Wednesday, another
snow storm. Probably an ice storm as
well, since I have been hearing the
sounds of scraping outside my
apartment. But I'm safe and warm
here (with my cup of coffee) and don't
need to go anywhere until Meals on
Wheels late this morning. The phrase
in my mind is “Shelter From the
Storm”. That is what our community
is and that is what our community
does. There are a series of storms out
there in our society, far worse than
any snowstorm. Let's find shelter
together. Re-dedicate your self to
grouping, join us at Ultreya, sign up
for a monthly Ultreya team (which is
more fun than work). You'll find that
the winds don't howl as loudly.

When my job moved to Ohio, that was
a very stormy period for me. I was
blessed, indeed, to find the Cum
Christo community. The weekly
Ultreyas were (and are) an Oasis in
the desert. It was through Cum Christo
that I joined a reunion group. My
group is my anchor. I won't go on and
on about my group. If you're in a
group, you know what I mean. If
you're not in a group, I urge you to try
it. Come down to Ultreya and join our
fellowship, do a floating group with
people you normally don't see. While
I typed this, my neighbor finished
scraping her car. A couple minutes
ago, I peeked out the window. She
had 2 other people helping her.

DeColores



Leader Discernment

Jerry Abraham, M138

In previous Quiri-Quiri newsletters, there have been many articles written by members of the Cum Christo Community leadership. Have you thought about how those Cursillistas come to be leaders of our community? Last year, Lay Directors and Secretariat, based on the recommendation of our Long Range Planning Committee, established the Leader Discernment Team (LDT) and asked the six members of LDT to discern future leaders of Cum Christo. The LDT accepts leader recommendations from current leadership and community members, compiles a list of potential candidates, and prays to God to identify the most likely Cursillistas to be leaders in Cum Christo. Every year six members of Secretariat and Leader School pass their leadership responsibilities to new Cursillistas who answered a call from God to share their talents in very special ways. As we look forward to 2009, Cum Christo leader ask that you pray about accepting a leadership roll in our Community. Do you feel called to be a Cum Christo leader? Please answer God's call. Share your talents.



Weekend Representative

Nancy Ryan W58

I invite you to take a walk down memory lane with me.

REMEMBER.....How you felt when a friend asked you to attend a Cum Christo Weekend?

REMEMBER.....Your weekend experience?

REMEMBER.....How your weekend helped you to grow spiritually and brought many new Christian friends in to your life?

REMEMBERHow much it means to you to have weekly group reunion and the prayerful support of your Christian brothers and sisters?

REMEMBER.....Jesus is Counting on YOU to invite your friend to the 2009 Spring Weekends.

Upcoming weekends: Men's 147, March 12-15, 2009
 Women's 140, April 23-26, 2009

Applications are available at the Center or online at www.cumchristo.org.

The closing of the Men's 147 will be held at St. Elizabeth Church. If you would like to help with the closing contact Sally Zuccaro.

Lay Directors cont.

Most of us remember a talk on our weekend when we heard "MAKE A FRIEND, BE A FRIEND AND LEAD A FRIEND TO CHRIST." Let's all live that talk. There are approximately 5,000 Cursillistas in our Movement; if only 2% sponsor someone every year, we would have never cancel a weekend again.

In closing, we suggest that our Movement's motto this year should be

"Let Jesus Christ's light shine!

Sponsor a candidate in 2009!"

DeColores, and God bless you,

Leader's School

Julie Glowacki, W79

The Leaders School is defined as “a community of Christians, who, united in the atmosphere of a Group Reunion, seek every day to become more centered, more committed, and more united, so as to accelerate in themselves, in the Movement, and in their environments, the living out of what is fundamental for being a Christian”.

That sounds like a pretty “heavy” definition, but basically it is saying that the Leaders School has a commitment to be Christian leaven for our Cum Christo movement, for our environments, and for the world through its Christian action. To each of its members it imparts basic principles and the spirit (a fire in the heart) to carry them out.

In the Movement, it sounds out any questions or problems and serves as a channel for them, inspires and strengthens the core groups, deepens the conversion of its members, and prepares future leaders of the Movement.

I would like to introduce to you the current members of your Leaders: School:

Elaine and Sonny Beam	Bob Franz	Bill Gibeaut
Julie and Cliff Glowacki	Frank Jakob	Jerry Judge
Jim Kearns	Daffine Papaly	Nancy Ryan
Becca Schott	Susan Willeke	

Spiritual Director Team Leader Fr. Charles Cotton

Special mention should be made of members whose terms ended as of December 2008: Tom Corroto Jenny Held, Nancy Meyer, and the previous head of Leaders School, Jim Kearns (who is continuing as a member). May God bless them for their dedication and hard work on behalf of the Movement.

We would also like to welcome our new members, Jerry Judge, Daffine Papaly, Nancy Ryan, and Susan Willeke, whose terms began in January of 2009.

Please feel free to contact me if you have questions or concerns about the Movement or the weekends. Contact information can be found on the web site.

Service

Joe DiCesare, M60

Volunteers Needed

There will be a spring cleaning day on Saturday, March 7th to clean the center out of all the clutter that has accumulated during the last few years. Doors open at 8:00 AM. Lunch will be provided for the volunteers. This does not replace the sponsor cleaning on the evening of March 9th.



Cum Christo Seder Meal

A celebration commemorating Passover;
A symbolic meal intertwined with a prayer service
Will be followed by a substantial dinner.

**WEDNESDAY – April 08, 2009
(NO ULTREYA)**

**First Congregational United Church of Christ
444 East Broad Street
Columbus**
(East of Cleveland Avenue & West of the Art Museum)

**Doors open at 6:00 PM
Service begins at 6:30 PM**

The cost of preparing each meal is about \$20 -
YOUR DONATION IS GREATLY APPRECIATED

RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED!!

Reservations limited to 150

(A TABLE CAN BE HELD for 6 OR MORE - TABLES HOLD 10)

**Cursillistas and their guests may attend.
*The service and meal are not recommended for young children***

Deadline for Reservations: April 01, 2009

FOR RESERVATIONS CONTACT:

**Susan Willeke at 614-898-7746 or email at [<tswilleke@insight.rr.com>](mailto:tswilleke@insight.rr.com)
or go to [<http://www.cumchristo.org>](http://www.cumchristo.org) to RSVP online**

HURRY... IT FILLS UP FAST!



CUM CHRISTO INFORMATION SHEET

Are you interested in working on a Cum Christo Weekend Team? Are you called to be a Leader? Do you have special talents and gifts you would like to share in some capacity in Cum Christo? Is Christ calling you to serve? If so, please fill out this information sheet.

Qualifications for leader positions:

- Must have completed Leader's School Orientation Weekend
- Must be actively grouping
- Must be able to make at least a two year commitment



Please print clearly.

1. Name _____
2. Address _____
3. City _____ State _____ Zip _____
4. Home phone _____ Cell _____ Email _____
5. Church Affiliation (Name and Denomination) _____
6. Cum Christo Weekend number ____ Round Table Name _____
- 7.. What are your areas of expertise that might apply to Cum Christo?
- 8.. What are your special gifts and talents you would like to share with Cum Christo

What areas of Cum Christo would you like to become involved in? Below check your areas of interest.

Weekend: ___ Rector ___ Team Member

Cum Christo Sections:

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|--------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------|
| Pre-Cum Christo | ___ Weekend | ___ Post-Cum Christo |
| ___ Leader's School Team | ___ Ultreya Team | ___ Leadership Discernment |
| ___ Quiri Newsletter | ___ Music | ___ Maintenance (Service) |
| ___ Spiritual Director | ___ Core Operating Group | |

Other Positions :

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|---------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------|
| ___ Application Processor | ___ Kitchen Weekend Coordinator | ___ Secretary |
| ___ Treasurer | ___ Sustaining Fund Coordinator | ___ Web Servant |

Please return to:

Lay Directors, Cum Christo Center, 244 E. Rich St., Columbus, OH 43215 or leave on the information table at the Center or in the Cum Christo Center mail box.



Prayer Vigil List

Men's 147th

The list is now being generated from the Cum Christo database. If you are interested in being on the Vigil List, please go to www.cumchristo.org and make the change on the website where it asks you to update your database information

If your name is on the Prayer Vigil List, be sure that you or a Cursillista of your choice covers the hour. If at all possible, fulfill your vigil at the Cum Christo Center's Chapel, which is open from 7:00 am to 10:00 pm. It is allowable for you to be in the Chapel even with the candidates present, except Saturday between 1:00 pm and 3:30 pm during Table Visits. If your name does not appear on the list below, you may still visit the Center to participate in the prayer vigil. Remember: Christ is counting on you!

Thursday Tom & Cassy Burke
 8:00 PM Eric Williams
 9:00 PM Michael Meyer
 10:00 PM Mike Depaola
 11:00 PM Rev. Jerome D. Staluka

Friday Rev. Mr. Tony & Elaine Bonacci
 12:00 AM Steve & Michelle Stroh
 1:00 AM Sandy Murray
 2:00 AM Bert & Katie Kram
 3:00 AM Joseph & Maureen Meyer
 4:00 AM Robert & Lisa Hess
 5:00 AM Steve & Cindy Copeland
 6:00 AM Jerry & Linda Abraham
 7:00 AM Theodore Pkins
 8:00 AM Price Finley
 9:00 AM Ingrid Robb
 10:00 AM Loretta Seipel
 11:00 AM Gayle Piotrowski
 12:00 PM Ada Varney
 1:00 PM Skip & Linda Murray
 2:00 PM Brian & Patricia Maloney
 3:00 PM Lyle & Connie Vradenburg
 4:00 PM Mary Struble
 5:00 PM Mike Thiergartner
 6:00 PM Sandy Goggins
 7:00 PM Judi Lisi
 8:00 PM Catherine Loveland
 9:00 PM Tim & Sandie Peterson
 10:00 PM Jon Coventry
 11:00 PM Larry Woods & Anita Meyer

Saturday Joe Briski
 12:00 AM Larry & Sherrie Rogers
 1:00 AM Barry Klump
 2:00 AM Rev. Mr. Bob & Grace Neely
 3:00 AM Donna Rimmer
 4:00 AM Teresa Weiner
 5:00 AM Pete Walsh
 6:00 AM Martha West

Saturday continued
 7:00 AM Kathy Savoia
 8:00 AM John & Kathy Hodges
 9:00 AM Jack & Linda Wackernagle
 10:00 AM Cynthia Pearsall
 11:00 AM Joan Miller
 12:00 PM Tom & Margie Yatsko
 1:00 PM Tony Gilletty
 2:00 PM Paul & Susan Younger
 3:00 PM Tom & Kathy Corroto
 4:00 PM John & Peach Cleary
 5:00 PM Tom Wagner
 6:00 PM Archie Edgar
 7:00 PM Buck Byrne
 8:00 PM Susan Stalter
 9:00 PM Don & Mary Lizkay
 10:00 PM Kathy Rex
 11:00 PM Peter & Dawn Gallen

Sunday
 12:00 AM Mike Kelly
 1:00 AM Chris & Camille Warren
 2:00 AM Nancy McBride
 3:00 AM Tom Schulte
 4:00 AM Phyllis Durgham
 5:00 AM Jerry & Jane Nieman
 6:00 AM Cora Munoz
 7:00 AM Dan & Kelly DiCesare
 8:00 AM Frank & Karen Martens
 9:00 AM John & Karen Cheatham
 10:00 AM Father Vinny McKiernan
 11:00 AM Bob & Linda Cummins
 12:00 PM Gerry Riendeau
 1:00 PM Tim & Tess Galvin
 2:00 PM Sue Ann Shetler
 3:00 PM Jim & Donna Andriot
 4:00 PM George & Jean Blubaugh
 5:00 PM Rev. Andy & Judy Unger
 6:00 PM Pat Sellers
 7:00 PM Kathy Harbold
 8:00 PM Jim & Rita Kearns

In Thanksgiving:

- For Our Cum Christo Community
- For answered prayers
- For the blessings in our lives
- For our Spiritual Directors and Leaders



We Lift Up

- Those who have died and their loved ones
- Those suffering from illness
- The men and women serving in the military
- The unemployed, underemployed and those whose jobs are uncertain
- Those struggling in their marriage
- Those struggling with financial uncertainty
- Our children, parents and all loved ones

Upcoming Men's 147th Weekend, March 12-15, 2009

The Team

Rectors: Jerry Judge & Dan Hill

Clergy: Fr, Charles Cotton, Rev. Jim Long, Deacon Pat Wiggins

Table Leaders: Greg Bergmann(musician), Ken Bitler, Don Lisazkay, Skip Murray, Steve Norris, Joe Petreli, Robert Prior, Ted Sawyer, Martin Walker

Guardian Angels:

Kathy Lutter & Carol Urbanik

Tentative Candidates (as of 02-08-2009)

Bob Jones Craig LaRobardier Michael Lisi Michael Maxwell Myron Miller Jon Santini David Wood <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Awaiting Candidates</i></p>	Frank Martens Jerry Nieman Laura Lewis Gary Schwarmueller Tom/Peggy Dlusky Deacon Tony Bonacci Rev. Jim Long <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Awaiting Sponsors</i></p>	St Andrew St Paul the Apostle St Paul the Apostle St Paul the Apostle Ascension Lutheran St. Joseph Plain City First Community
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Closing Date: Sunday, March 15, 2009
 St. Elizabeth's Church
 6077 Sharon Woods Boulevard.
 Columbus, Ohio

Contacts: Sally Zuccaro and Clara Nyambuya

**BRINGING CHILDREN OR GUESTS
 TO THE CLOSING IS INAPPROPRIATE**

NEED AN APPLICATION?

Download a CumChristo weekend application on the website at www.cumchrisot.org or call 614-464-2474 to have an application faxed or mailed to you.

Brochures available on website: Cum Christo Brochure
 Pastor Brochure
 Cum Christo Sponsorship
 Handbook for Sponsors



WEEKEND REMINDERS

Sponsors

Please remember your commitment to 'pre' and 'post' Cum Christo weekend clean-up.

Cleaning for the Men's 147th will be Monday, March 9th and Monday, March 16th. The center will open at 5:30 pm with a chapel visit at 7:00 pm. Please note this change of time!!!!

Palanca

Are you or your group looking for some action? We are the hands and feet of Christ, Cursillistas are needed to clean the Cum Christo Center, work a meal if you are not a sponsor, write a letter for the team and/or candidates and share your palanca for the weekend. What can you do?

Sunday Serenade

Begins promptly at 6 am. Please do not bring children. For those interested, breakfast will follow the serenade at Bob Evans:
 2199 Riverside Dr.,
 Upper Arlington, OH,
 614-481-3124.

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Cum Christo Dates

Ultreya - Every Wednesday, 7:30
p.m.



March 12-15, 2009
Men's 147th Weekend

April 23-26, 2009
Women's 140th

May 1-2, 2009
Leaders School/Weekend
Orientation

September 17-20, 2009
Men's 148th Weekend

October 15-18, 2009
Women's 141th Weekend

November 6-7, 2009
Leaders School/Weekend Orientation

March 11-14, 2010
Men's 149th Weekend

April 22-25, 2010
Women's 142nd Weekend

April 30., May 1, 2010
Leaders School/Weekend Orientation