



The Butterfly

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For prayer requests or praises. The RIMA community has **RIMA Ring**. When a request is called in, the prayer request is passed on to prayer warriors throughout the community that have offered to pray.

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Wel come New Pescadores!

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“Let your light shine before men in such a way that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father who is in heaven.” Matthew 13:16



Renewal Weekend

There is a renewal weekend being planned for sometime next year. This will not be a Tres Weekend, but rather, a weekend sponsored by Tres Dias. Designed as an extended sequela, the Friday night and Saturday event will present spouses the opportunities to experience a time together but, of course, all are encouraged to participate.

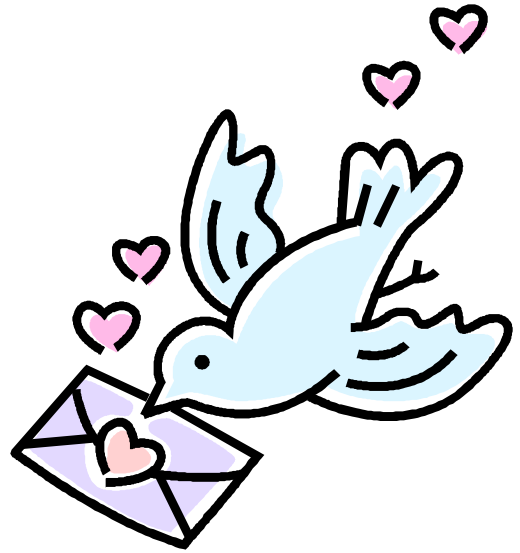
In order to give the leadership of the community a rest, the spiritual directors will facilitate the weekend. Workshops will be offered as the community requests. This will not be held at Cathedral Camp in order to psychologically segregate this from a regular weekend. The facility location will depend upon which area the majority of interested folks are coming from.

Here is what is needed at this point: 1) Do you have an interest? If such a weekend was offered, would you participate and 2) what workshops would you like to see offered? Suggestions are: prayer, living the spiritual life, bible study, death & dying, Tres Dias School, etc. Your thoughts are solicited.

Please e-mail me if you are interested and give me your suggestions for workshops. (lbernier7@msn.com). Feel free to contact me if you have any questions. 860-774-3248 During the summer this will be formalized and further information will be available.

Rev Larry Bernier

Special Invitation



Event: 4th Day Pot Luck Supper

Place: Liberty Christian Center
159 Winthrop St. Taunton MA

When: June 14th 4pm-6pm

RSVP: God would Love to see you there and He is awaiting your smiles!

Questions: Steve or Andrea Higgins
508-823-0137

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Bring your family and friends, smiles, food to share, love, and laughter!



Reverend Gil Bourquin was given the recognition of Citizen of the Year by the Putnam Grange. Gil is a very active member of RIMA Tres Dias and as you see he never stops being an active member for all.



The 5 Fingers of Prayer

1. Your thumb is nearest you. So begin your prayers by praying for those closest to you. They are the easiest to remember. To pray for our loved ones is, as C. S. Lewis once said, a "sweet duty."
2. The next finger is the pointing finger. Pray for those who teach, instruct and heal. This includes teachers, doctors, and ministers. They need support and wisdom in pointing others in the right direction. Keep them in your prayers.
3. The next finger is the tallest finger. It reminds us of our Leaders. Pray for the president, leaders in business and industry, and administrators. These people shape our nation and guide public opinion. They need God's guidance.
4. The fourth finger is our ring finger. Surprising to many is the fact that this is our weakest finger, as any piano teacher will testify. It should remind us to pray for those who are weak, in trouble or in pain. They need your prayers day and night. You cannot pray too much for them.
5. And lastly comes our little finger - the smallest finger of all which is where we should place

ourselves in relation to God and others. As the Bible says, "The least shall be the greatest among you." Your Pinkie should remind you to pray for yourself. By the time you have Prayed for the other four groups, your own needs will be put into proper Perspective and you will be able to pray for yourself more effectively

A Note from the women's weekend Rector

If you look at a peaceful flowing river yes the river may go over bumps and have curves to maneuver but when you add music and song you realize the beauty of it all that is the flavor of the women's weekend. Peaceful, loving and great; the Lord's arm wrapped around us all -- this was the weekend. Thank you all who have supported the weekend with prayer, palanca and a special THANK YOU to those that attended the opening, mananita, closing, and came to serve it was truly wonderful to see the community come out and support us all. You are all gifts of God and one more I'd like to thank the Emmaus community that leaned a hand with last minute cleanup -- one community helping out another it was beautiful!



**Are you in a reunion group?
Is there one in your area?
If you do not know of one in your
area ask your sponsor if there isn't
one why don't you start one! – It only
takes a spark to get a fire going!
Reunion groups are a special gift an
opportunity to keep regenerating
your 4th Day**



TRES DIAS SECRETARIAT
MAY 12, 2008

Present: Dianne Beals, Brenda Higgins, Earle Ferguson, Warren Blais, Ruth Blais, Paul Chaltas, Steve Higgins, Andrea Higgins, Dave Beasley, Steve LeBlanc, Eric Anderson, Eric Borman and Betty Bailey.

The meeting was opened with prayer and devotions by Earle Ferguson.

The minutes of the previous meeting were accepted as presented.

The Treasurer reported that the money from the men's and women's weekends are in and the insurance has been paid leaving a balance of over \$5000.00. His report was accepted as presented.

The Vice President reported that although he has contacted several men asking them to be rectors, he has not had an acceptance as yet.

Steve LeBlanc, rector for the spring weekend, reported that his auxiliaries did a great job and that the rollos were exemplary. In the future, there should be an announcement that no one is to leave during a rollo, and request that cell phones be shut off for the weekend. The essentials should be followed.

There appears to be a shortage of Pilgrim Guides. There needs to be an inventory of the trailer and unnecessary materials (such as Adventura materials) taken out. Inventory of the trailer should take place after each weekend. Brenda Higgins said Winnie Loan has volunteered to see to the upkeep of the trailer inventory.

Eric Borman is to attend International in Roswell, GA. A motion was made, seconded and passed for him to submit a bill for his expenses. He also may be going to Germany to conduct a workshop.

A proposal for RIMA Tres Dias to host the 2009 International Tri-annual Assembly was discussed, after which a motion was made, seconded and passed.

Judy Borman has been sending palanca regularly to other Tres Dias communities.

Post Weekend: Dianne has only received 4 corrected addresses for the mailing list. She will try to get the data base from Ann Marie and continue to try to update addresses.

Paul Chaltas will contact La Sallette regarding using their facilities for weekends and Steve LeBlanc will continue making phone calls looking for a suitable place. Sara Sabo has a place in Connecticut which he will investigate.

Brenda Higgins needs contact phone numbers for her candidates. It was reported that we again have 2 suites for SDs at Cathedral Camp. It was also reported that there have been faxing problems and some applications were not received by her. Paul Chaltas and Cyndi Carroll are developing a protocol for the future. There is a need to pay attention to directions and have all instructions followed. They will report back to the July Tres Dias Secretariat meeting with results.

Membership in International this year is approximately \$64.00. We still need to work on incorporating in Massachusetts, Rhode Island or Connecticut. In Massachusetts, as a non-profit, there is only need to file with the Commonwealth. Paul Chaltas offered to check the web for more information.

The members present VOTED to suspend this meeting and resume on July 14, 2009 at 7:30 p.m., at which time the officers for the coming year will be elected.

Scripture Presenter for July 14th is Eric Borman.

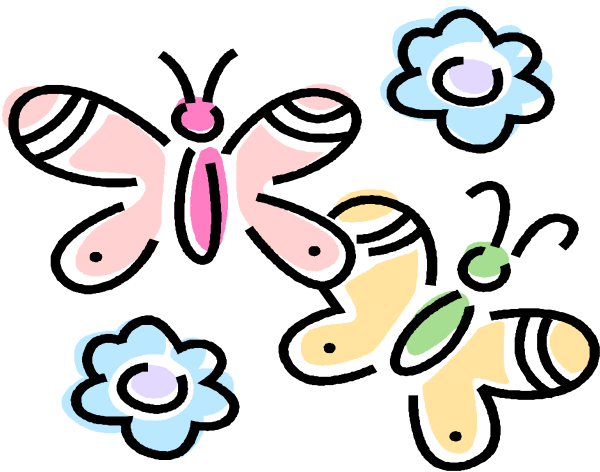
Respectfully submitted,
Betty Bailey,
Recording Secretary.

Next Secretariat Meeting July 14th

All are encouraged to attend. Secretariat meetings are held the 2nd Monday every other month 7pm Bridges of Hope Church 5 Mechanic St. Attleboro MA

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