

PRECURSILLO

As reviewed and revised by committee 2008 – 2009

1. **What is Cursillo ?**

Have available to perspective candidates an information packet to be handed out to the candidate. It should include all of these essential elements:

- “What is Cursillo” booklet or written article
- An entire updated application with instruction how to fill it out and where to mail the completed application.
- Information for candidate to go ‘on line’ and visit the Albany Website as well as the national movement website.
- “Guidelines for Couples” written and presented for review with spouse
- Name of a local area contact person (This could be Ultreya Leader)
- Name of Pre-Cursillo chairperson with appropriate contact information.
- Information relative to the follow-up as required (Group Reunion and Ultreya), and it should also contain the weekend ‘follow-up reunion’ as we have felt to have good success in repeating the 3rd day talks with witness speakers.

Make Cursillo known through:

- Individual contact
- Pulpit talks
- Information evenings, perhaps by invitation INCLUSIVE of the sponsor.

2. **SPONSORSHIP**

- Each person considering sponsorship must KNOW and BE ACTIVE in Cursillo. They should be participating in group reunion and Ultreya at least 8 months out of the 12 for a yearly obligation.
- Sponsor needs to be certain of their obligations to the Candidate and the Movement. “SPONSORS BOOKLET” should be made available.
- Insure that the candidates are as prepared as possible – keeping a good dialogue open between each person. Multiple sponsorships are NOT recommended.
- Advise Candidate what POST CURSILLO means to them.
- Go over the ‘Marriage Guidelines’ assuring there will be no friction in the Marriage after the spouse goes through the program.
- Inform them where their closest Ultreya is, provide contact information, plan to bring them to at least the first TWO.

3 **CO-SPONSORSHIP**

- Should be considered if more than one candidate is being considered.
- Contact the Ultreya NEAREST the residence of the Candidate, plan to bring them to an Ultreya BEFORE they attend the weekend.
- Provide accurate information, address, phone, of the candidate to the Ultreya representative.
- If sponsor is on team, Transportation TO AND FROM the weekend needs to be thoroughly discussed. Involve community with this important obligation. It gives a chance for community to interact.

4. FOLLOWUP

- Holdovers need to be contacted immediately after the 'reunion' to keep them informed of the progress of the weekends. Too much time has lapsed in the past, leaving them feeling 'left out'
- Pre-Cursillo has usually been responsible for the collection and allocation of funds received for each team member and candidate. Monies need to go DIRECTLY TO THE PRE-CURSILLO CHAIR, for recording, and then proper depositing by the Treasurer of the Movement. Work closely with the Team who wishes to deposit among themselves prior to the weekend. An accurate accountability needs to be created. Pre-Cursillo Chair will keep current and open dialogue with each candidate and sponsor in a consolidated effort to keep all informed of the events of the weekend if scheduling should need to be readdressed by either party.
- Continue to develop areas where there is no active Cursillo Ultreya in the Albany diocese. Use the sponsor, candidate, School Of Leaders, and Secretariat working together to address the new territories that need to be developed.