

Rooster Crows Spring 2012

NY Cursillo English



A Message from the Lay Director

Where do we go from here?

As the Lay Director for the past 4 years, I look back at the Community of Cursillo and pray for our future. Each of us takes on a style of our own as we journey on our 4th day. Some take it slow, for some it maybe off the beaten path, but it seems that we come back to the tripod we are living. Balance is the hardest thing as we approach each day. It is what Cursillo means to us that gets us through it.

A day in the life of a Christian is the hardest step to take sometimes. Do we feel that we are doing enough or too much? Trusting in God and letting Him inside of us to change our hearts sometimes gives us the fulfillment to go on.

So where do we go? The answer is back to school for us with the Cursillo de Cursillos known as the CDC. I am pleased to hear that applications are being filled for the fall weekend. My hope is that those who cannot attend in the fall will be going next year and continue on for all. Education, by using the Cursillo information found on the National Web Site www.cursillo.org in the School of Leaders Section is a start. The subjects are short and loaded with current and up-to-date information for our use. Each Ultreya and School of Leaders should be using this valuable tool for education. After all, GO ON Ultreya!!

Now for me: It has been a wonderful Journey being the Lay Director for New York. Not all was smooth sailing but the bumps and rocks made me trust in God and the people he had placed in my path. I have said this before to all of you. I said on my Weekend that I could never do any of this and my answer was clear. Man Planned that day but God looked and laughed at me and I think He still does from time to time at us all.

To my wife and Best Friend Patty, I thank you for standing by my side through all this. To my family, you know I love you all.

*DeColores,
Jim Odell*



Cursillo de Cursillos

October 18–21, 2012
Mt. Alvernia Retreat Center

Application

Please copy and submit a separate form for each attendee.

Note: if you desire to room with a particular person, please submit the registration forms together indicating your wish.

Name**Address****Email****Telephone****Cursillo weekend (year) and Diocese****Church Ministry**☐ Eucharist☐ Lector☐ Music**Cursillo Ministry:****Special Accommodations:****Emergency Contact and Number:**

Please return no later than October 1, 2012

Cost of weekend is \$200.

Make checks payable to **NY Cursillo—English** and mail to:

Terry Fisher

72 Brothers Road

Wappinger Falls, NY 12590

New York Cursillo English Announces

Cursillo de Cursillos English

Thursday October 18 - Sunday October 21, 2012

Open to ALL Cursillistas, Men and Women

Mt. Alvernia Retreat Center
158 DeLavernge Ave.
Wappinger Falls, NY 12590

Arrival time is 6:00PM Thursday
Departure time about 6:00PM Sunday

Cost of the weekend is \$200.00
(Includes meals and lodging)

For Information and Reservations
Please contact:

Terry or Ginger Fisher
845-297-4711
Fishermach@aol.com
ginger314@live.com

Cut-off date is October 1, 2012

Women's Weekend #202
North
Mount Alvernia
March 22 - 25, 2012
Rectora: Joan Paddock



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The New Cursillistas

Maryann	Baietti	Pine Bush, NY
Wendy	Brett	Mt. Marion, NY
Altagracia	Coleman	Hyde Park, NY
Olivia	D'Cruz	Hyde Park, NY
Becky	Lancaster	Poughkeepsie, NY
Nell	Mallen	Wappingers Falls, NY
Aileen	Manheim	Pine Bush, NY
Jessica	Nicosia	Montgomery, NY
Mary	O'Connell	Pearl River, NY
Christine	Roose	Pleasant Valley, NY
Susanne	Schudel	Burlingham, NY
Stacey	Stefanski	Hyde Park, NY
Teresa	Yanosh	Pine Island, NY

**Women's Weekend #203
Central-South
Mount Saint Francis
March 22 - 25, 2012
Rectora: Patricia Bisesto**



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The New Cursillistas

Venida	Berardocco	Staten Island, NY
Irene	Cunningham	North Salem, NY
Connie	Dias	Peekskill, NY
Karen	Finelli	Staten Island, NY
Kathleen	Greeley	Staten Island, NY
Nancy	Heller	Yorktown Hts., NY
Mary	Knolker	Carmel, NY
Tricia	LaPerch	Yorktown Hts., NY
Lisa	Leonard	Carmel, NY
Jacquie	Lombardi	Valhalla, NY
Jane	Maser	Carmel, NY
Susan	Monteleone	Staten Island, NY
Cecilia	Ortiz	Crompond, NY
JoAnne	Prato	Staten Island, NY
Gina	Viebruck	Carmel, NY

Men's Weekend #203
Mount Alvernia
March 8 - 13, 2012
Rector: Paul Rouis



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The New Cursillistas

Alexander
Bob
Stefan
Juan
Dave
Gary
Willie

Badillo
Baker
Baumann
Colon
Nicosia
Pallens
Sistrunk

Wappingers Falls, NY
Saugerties, NY
Pine Bush, NY
Bloomingburg, NY
Montgomery, NY
New City, NY
Harriman, NY

Men's Weekend #204
Central-South
Mount Saint Francis
March 8-11, 2012
Rector: John Gallagher



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The New Cursillistas

Walter	Aucaylle	West New York, NJ
Peter	Berghane	North Salem, NY
Paul	Betjeman	Yorktown Hts., NY
Jeff	Cadge	Ossining, NY
Deacon Cliff	Calanni	Ossining, NY
Howard	Capek	Staten Island, NY
Joseph	DeMatteo	Ossining, NY
Sandy	Krigel	Cornwall, NY
Rafael	Leon	Ossining, NY
John	Mark	Ossining, NY
Deacon Thomas	Tortorella	Bronx, NY

Franciscan Sisters' Pasta Gala

Sunday April 15, 2012

Mount Saint Francis Convent

Peekskill, New York

The Franciscan Sisters of Peekskill held a Pasta Gala on Sunday, April 15th to support their work. The Sisters served a superb pasta dinner, which featured rigatoni with meatballs and spaghetti sauce. To complete the meal, the diners were treated to an array of delicious desserts.

Everyone had a festive time at this event, especially enjoying the beautiful view of the Hudson River while dining. The Sisters thanked all the Cursillistas who attended the Gala and extended an invitation to come to their next dinner event.



Cursillistas enjoying the fellowship and pasta dinner



Sisters serving their guests at the Pasta Gala



John and Liz DeJulio were in attendance



Many other Cursillistas supported the Sisters' Gala



Sister Pietra in her new role as "money-changer"



Spectacular view from Mount Saint Francis

Photos courtesy of Vito Porpora

New York Archdiocese Cursillo (English) Spring Ultreya and Memorial Service

Saturday May 5th, 2012

Mount Saint Francis

Peekskill, New York

About 60 Cursillistas attended the May 5, 2012 Spring Ultreya. In conjunction with the Ultreya, a Memorial Service was held for those who went on to their Fifth Day during this past year. Special thanks are extended to Sue Gallagher and Tom Streppone who prepared the Service; and to Tom Regan who gave the witness talk.

Catherine Burke	Percellus Jones, Jr.	Mary Paulmann
Viktor Baumann	Patricia Koman	Lynn Rangitsch
Anthony Biancardi	Bernadette Barrett Luber	Thomas Richard
William Clifford	Joseph Marro	Joan Stone
Carol Healy	Eileen McClain	Marcella Travis
Marly Francis Jones	Ricardo Martinez	

A Reflection on her Cursillo Weekend #203 by Karen Finelli

As I entered my Cursillo weekend, I was filled with apprehension. I found myself surrounded by people who were genuine and lovely but certainly no one who could relate to my life - my corporate job, my teenagers, my aging parents, etc. etc. These were surely folks with enough time on their hands to "do this stuff" on a regular basis. But I had encountered many people from the Cursillo community in the past - all of who seemed "normal". So I left my judgment at the door and proceeded onward.

I found myself pre-occupied with trying to figure out when my spiritual ah-ha moment would arrive. I had visions of a deep awakening that would alter my life and change the path of my future. I clearly had no clue what I was about to experience. And then my personal journey began with a simple "Walk with Mary".

I was shattered by the most glorious celebration of the Stations of the Cross that I had ever experienced. I was, for the first time in my Christian life, totally aware of the pain and suffering of our Blessed Mother as she walked the path to Her Son's Crucifixion along with Him. Although tormented by Her pain, I was filled with the joys of Her Sacrifice knowing that Christ had died to save my soul and the souls of all I love.

I stayed in that state of mixed emotion for the entire weekend. I was constantly reminded of the pains and sacrifices of our Lord as I listened to many remarkable women give witness to their own suffering. But every testimony ended in a similar way - with the sharing of joys that manifested from these hardships. I marveled at the incredible bonds of kinship that formed with 30+ sisters that I had never met before. I am still amazed at their generosity of time, of spirit, and of self-revelation. Their total willingness to be vulnerable brought such peace to me as I realized that they, like me, were searching for a path, for a quiet, loving tender ah-ha moment that would slowly creep into our hearts and our souls during this weekend. We were all moved together in this spirit of oneness with our Lord, Jesus Christ. He is our bond of kinship. Now that I have been awakened to His Glory in my life, I am eager to share this incredible gift with others that was shared with me during that glorious spring weekend.

To my weekend sisters, I am grateful for your open hearts and to the incredible community of Cursillistas who welcomed me to my 4th day. I am moved by your spirit of unencumbered love and friendship.

DeColores!, Karen Finelli

Report from the Central School of Leaders

Things are going well in The Central School of Leaders

The Joint Spring Ultreya was held on May 5th and was a great success.

- We thank John De Julio for his organization,
Liz Dieter our MC,
Sue Gallagher and Tom Streppone for the beautiful Memorial Service
and all the Ultreyas for their help.
- Cursillistas from all three centers were in attendance
A good time was had by all.
- A \$ 276.00 donation was given to the Franciscan Sisters.

Fall Weekend dates are:

- Men's Weekend: Oct. 25 - 28, 2012
Mount St. Francis
Rector: Gino Lucadamo
- Women's Weekend: Nov. 1 - 4, 2012
Mount St. Francis
Rectora: Lisa Castaldo

Spring Weekend dates are:

- Men's Weekend: April 4 - 7, 2013
Mount St. Francis
- Women's Weekend: April 18 - 21, 2013
Mount St. Francis

The Central School of Leaders next meeting is:
Tuesday, June 12, 2012 at 7:15 PM

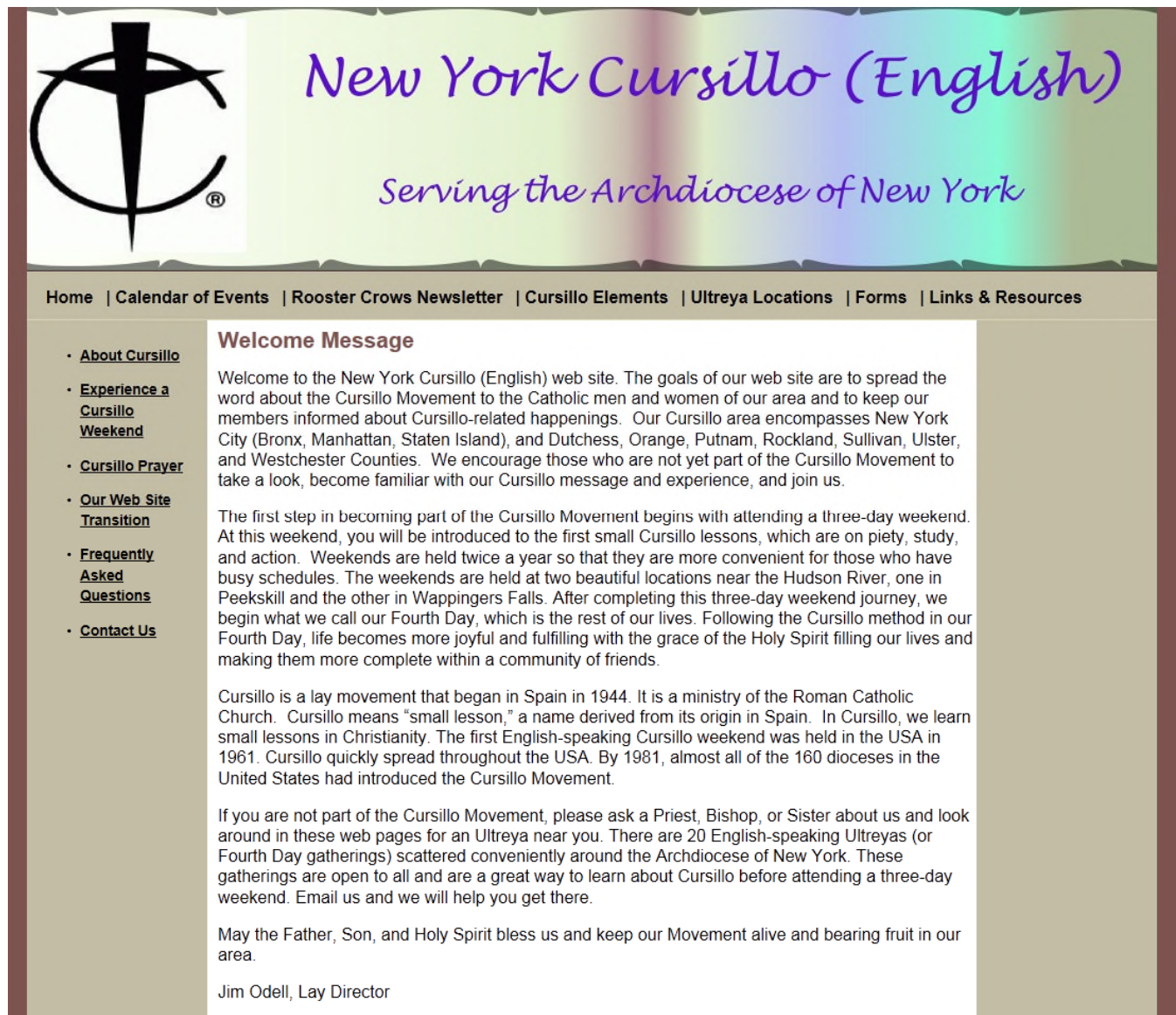
Carmel & Mahopac Ultreya May 18, 2012 Our Lady of the Lake / Mount Carmel Lake Carmel, New York



Seventeen Cursillistas attended the Carmel/Mahopac Ultreya on May 18th, which was held at Our Lady of the Lake Church in Lake Carmel. After the invocation of the Cursillo Prayer, the group processed to Our Lady's Shrine near the church entrance and presented Mary with a bouquet of roses. Prayers and hymns were then offered in her honor and also asking her intercession to her Son, Jesus, for our special requests.

The group returned to the church hall for group sharing, followed by fellowship with coffee and snacks.

Opening page screenshot of the upcoming website for New York Cursillo (English)



The New York Archdiocese Cursillo (English) Website was developed by Joe Lysonski. Joe is currently the Pre-Cursillo Chairperson on the Secretariat.

The Secretariat is deeply grateful for Joe's dedication to this effort during the past year and wishes to commend him on his achievements in bringing this new website to fruition.

New York Archdiocese Cursillo (English) New Website Announcement

In the very near future, New York Cursillo (English) will have an updated website, which will be available at:

<http://www.cursillo.org/newyork> and <http://www.natl-cursillo.org/newyork>.

We are transitioning from our old website at NYCursillo.org, which we will keep active until the existence of our new site becomes well known. The new website will contain all the information that is currently offered at our old website, but with a brand new look and a more user friendly format. Visitors will be able to access the desired content quickly and efficiently. The National Cursillo has kindly allowed us to host our new website on their internet server without any cost. We will be one of the 106 Cursillo websites from around the country that are hosted on or linked to the National server. In this respect, we are adopting National's operating guideline for Cursillo web sites.

The site will continue to offer the calendar of Cursillo events, the current issue of the Rooster Crows newsletter, the locations of the various Ultreyas, Cursillo weekend application and sponsor forms, the Cursillo brochure, and other information. Among the added items to the new website will be a description of the elements of the Cursillo Movement, Frequently Asked Questions, and other information about the Cursillo Movement. A screenshot of the new web page layout is shown to the left. It is organized with tabs and headings so that visitors can click on the various items to access the desired information. As technology has vastly improved since our website was originally created, developing our new website is a step forward in helping our Cursillo community stay connected and informed. It is still a work in progress, though, and as with any new technology, please be patient if any glitches may occur as improvements are made. The plan is for the website to evolve as content is added. We expect the new website to be available by early June or sooner.

As we make this transition to our new website, we would like to give a sincere "thank you" to Ed Maselli and Al Lett. Ed created our original website more than a decade ago in 1999 and, since then, he and Al have diligently kept it in operation. Ed has also generously donated the web server fees necessary to keep the website up and running. During these years, Al has spent many hours keeping it up-to-date with the latest Cursillo-related happenings in our area.

We also give a special "thank you" to Frank Squitteri who has shared with us his spiritual development program essays, which now number more than 100. Although his concepts do not represent official Cursillo teaching - since Cursillo does not offer a specific spirituality - many Cursillistas include his essays amongst their Cursillo resources regarding piety, study, action, and other aspects of the Movement. Frank's first essay was posted in 2001 and his most recent in April 2012. This treasure of essays will be available at a new website that Frank is developing; we'll provide a link to it once it is ready. They will also continue to be available at our old website during the transition period. By the way, as part of Frank's evangelical action effort, he has created a web log (blog) intended to reach beyond Cursillo membership. For those who may be interested, they can find the blog at:

<http://www.spiritualityoutsidethebox.com>.

Thank you Frank for your many contributions to the Cursillo Movement.

NEW YORK CURSILLO (ENGLISH) CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2012

July 8	Picnic & Ultreya at Bowdoin Park, Wappingers Falls; 12:00 PM Contact Jeanette Fitch 845-463-4336
July 19-22	National Cursillo Encounter, Xavier University, Cincinnati, Ohio Contact: Jim Odell 845-942-1303
August	Annual Family Mass and Picnic at Hanofee Park, Liberty 12:00-6:00PM, Mass at 1:00 PM Contact: Joan Paddock 845-292-5548
October 6	Harvest Social at St. Mary's of Marlboro; 7:00 PM Reservations contact: Cathy Elwell 845-462-6619
October 10-14	Regional Encounter; St. Thomas Seminary, Bloomfield, CT Contact: Jim Santos 845-692-2338
October 18-21	Cursillo de Cursillos; Mt. Alvernia, Wappingers Falls
October 25-28	Men's Cursillo #205, Gino Lucadamo, Rector Mt. St. Francis, Peekskill
November 1-4	Women's Cursillo #204, Lisa Castaldo, Rectora Mt. St. Francis, Peekskill
November 1-4	Women's Cursillo #205, TBD, Rectora Mt. Alvernia, Wappingers Falls
December	Staten Island Communion Breakfast
December 8	Advent Joint Ultreya, Mt. Alvernia, Wappingers Falls

MANANITAS: GATHER 7AM; CLOSINGS 4 PM

Palanca:	North: Yolanda Leavy 310 S Centerville Road Middletown, NY 10940 e-mail: nypalancanorth@hvc.rr.com Central: Manny Sequeira 58 Maple Hill Drive Mahopac, NY 10541 e-mail: Doubledomer1@verizon.net
Kitchen Palanca:	North: JoAnn Vignini 845-561-7674 Central: Joan Lett 845-628-8259 e-mail: ajlett@verizon.net

Ultreyas

ULSTER COUNTY

Saugerties
St. John the Evangelist
Second Thursday, 7:30
Judy DeFino (845) 246-4113
Brian Kimlin (845) 245-6688

SULLIVAN COUNTY

Liberty
St. Peter's Rectory
Fourth Saturday, 6:30
Maria Torres (845) 701-9598
Joan Paddock (845) 292-5548

Bloomington
Our Lady of the Assumption
Third Thursday, 7:00
Kathy Harris (845) 367-1964

ORANGE COUNTY

Bullville/Goshen/Middletown
St. Paul's Church
Third Saturday, 7:30
Martha Santos (845) 692-2338
Deb Swanerbury (845) 856-8320

Pine Bush
Infant Saviour
Second Thursday, 7:30
Rosemary De Caro (845) 744-3323

Walden
Most Precious Blood
First Thursday, 7:00
Kathy Livingston (845) 778-0320

Minisink
Holy Cross, South Centerville
First Saturday, 7:00
Peg & Ed Lazarri (845) 355-2203
Gladys Ann Adams (845) 699-7100

Newburgh
Sacred Heart Bingo Hall
Fourth Thursday, 7:00
Virginia Florio (914) 805-5649
John Hanley (845) 562-6503

BRONX COUNTY

The Bronx
St. Francis Xavier
Fourth Tuesday, 7:30
Ed Shimanski (718) 931-8373

NEW YORK COUNTY

Upper Manhattan
St. Charles Borromeo, 211 W. 141st Street
Second Thursday, 7:00
Norma Marshburn (212) 410-1974

Ultreyas

DUTCHESS COUNTY

Poughkeepsie
Mt. Alvernia, Wappingers
Fourth Monday, 7:30
Terry Tornatore (845) 297-0347

Hopewell Junction
Saint Kateri
Second Thursday, 7:00
Ginger Fisher (845) 297-4711

Northern Dutchess
Joan Greene (845) 229-2539
Second Saturday 7:00
(Jan, Mar, May, Aug, Oct.) Regina Coeli, Hyde Park
Pot Luck following 5:00 Mass
(Feb, Apr, June, Sep, Nov.) St. Stanislaus
Pleasant Valley
Pot Luck following 5:30 Mass

WESTCHESTER COUNTY

Northeast Westchester
St. Patrick's Cenacle, Bedford
Fourth Wednesday, 7:30
Diane and Bob Goldbach (914) 720-5221
Gino and Cyndi Lucadamo (914) 763-0480

White Plains
St. Bernard's, White Plains
Third Saturday, 7:30
Call for location Don Jones (914) 948-1090

Valhalla
Holy Name, Valhalla
(location rotates with White Plains)
Third Saturday, 7:30
Joe Bisesto (914) 948-4489

Peekskill/Putnam Valley
Susie Caras and John Keck Home
Third Wednesday, 7:30
Alice Parisi (845) 440-7485
Susie Caras (914) 737-6889

PUTNAM COUNTY

Mahopac/Carmel
Our Lady of the Lake, Lake Carmel
Third Friday, 7:30
Diane Trabulsy (845) 661-1276

RICHMOND COUNTY

Staten Island
Holy Child School of Religion
Third Thursday, 7:30
Ginny Buonviaggio (718) 356-3966

Archdiocese of New York Cursillo (English) Secretariat

<u>POSITION</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>	Term Start
Spiritual Director	Fr. Hugh Grace	St. Boniface Church Wesley Hills, NY 10952	
Lay Director	Jim Odell	Stony Point, NY 10980	2009-Aug
Secretary	Jim Rangitsch	Poughkeepsie, NY 12601	2009-Aug
Treasurer	Al Lett	Mahopac, NY 10541	2011-Aug
Communications	Margaret Frisch	Mahopac, NY 10541	2010-Aug
Pre-Cursillo Chairperson	Joe Lysonski	Harrison, NY 10528	2009-Aug
Post-Cursillo Chairperson	Gino Lucadamo	Waccabuc, NY 10597	2010-Aug
Cursillo Chairperson	John DeJulio	Carmel, NY 10512	2011-Aug
Northern Lay Coordinator	Terry Fisher	Wappingers Falls, NY 12590	2010-Aug
Central Lay Coordinator	Vito Porpora	Lincolndale, NY 10540	2011-Aug
Southern Lay Coordinator	Tom Castaldo	Staten Island, NY 10312	2010-Aug
Lay Ecclesial Movement	Don Jones	White Plains, NY 10606	2006-July