

Summer 2007



CURSILLO OF EASTERN OREGON

# The Bantam

## Cursillo #41

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### Welcome Cursillistas!

Cursillo 41 welcomed 23 new candidates, and received them into our community. We had perfect weather. Ascension school was as beautiful as ever. And the love flowed for four days straight.

Many thanks to all the teams that made this

weekend one in which we were all reminded that we are beloved children of God. Led by the core team of Gene Arntt, Shelli Brit, Ron Hankinson, and Vicki Carlson we sang, and shared, and listened, and prayed, and returned home refreshed and ready to serve the Lord.

We missed those of you that couldn't attend, and look forward to your good company next year. Plans are already in progress for next April.

May we be reminded each day of all that we found in our hearts when we made our Cursillos.

**We're on the web**  
[easternoregoncursillo.org](http://easternoregoncursillo.org)

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### May God's Goodness Be Yours

*May God's goodness be yours,  
And well, and seven times well, may you spend your lives:  
May you be an isle in the sea,  
May you be a hill on the shore,  
May you be a star in the darkness,  
May you be a staff to the weak  
May the love Christ Jesus gave fill every heart for you;  
May the love Christ Jesus gave fill you for every one.*

# Grand Ultreya Planned

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The Cursillistas from Heppner are busy bees, getting ready to host all of us next month. Invitations are being prepared, meals planned, rooms reserved, and everyone is going through their songbooks, and pulling out name tags... getting ready to get together to renew our spirits.

The Grand Ultreya is the annual event that all members of the Cursillo of Eastern Oregon Community are invited to. We get together, eat, sing, and listen to rollos. (Hey that sounds like a mini-cursillo!!)

We do planning around the coming Cursillo, and elect our Rector and Rectora

We also have our annual meeting at this time. Discussing long range goals, and filling any positions on the Secretariat.

This year we will be hosted by the Cursillistas in Heppner. We will meet on Friday evening, September 21, and then spend the day Saturday September 22nd. We are always welcome to stay and worship on Sunday, or head home.

There is only one hotel in Heppner, so you will want to be making reservations or calling friends in the area... or pulling out your trailer or tent.

We will be hearing soon all the details of the weekend, but in the meantime, pull out your calendar, encourage your 4th Day group, and get ready for a full weekend of all that makes Cursillo an important part of our lives...

Friends  
Singing  
Sharing  
Listening  
Praying  
Serving

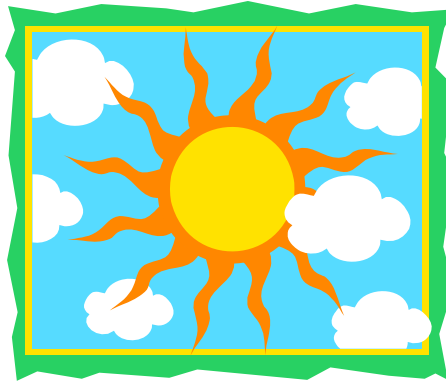


# News from Ultreyas

Prineville and Redmond hosted a Fiesta May 24th for Central Oregon, and fifty people joined in celebration to welcome the new Cursillistas in our area.

It was a time of seeing people that I haven't seen in years, and meeting people new to me. Thanks to Mona Mole for putting this together, to John Burgess, Ruth and Dick Brown for music and to Dick Brown for a mini Rollo. Thanks to all who prepared coffee, poured punch, and set up tables. Peggy Ziegler

Thanks to all who came to support the new Cursillistas.  
The spirit lives!



## Looking for a 4th Day, Reunion Group?

There are  
5 meeting in Bend  
3 in Redmond  
1 in Pendleton  
1 in Heppner  
1 in Prineville

Contact Susan Hankinson if I have left any one out, or if you are looking for a group to join, or begin.

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***Mark Your Calendars Now***

***September 21-22***

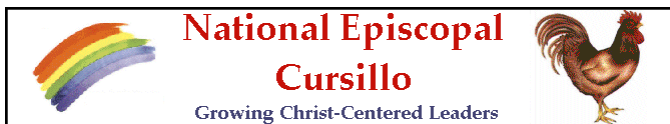
***Grand Ultreya***

***Heppner, Oregon***

## Your Secretariat

President	Bob Thomson
Corresponding Secretary (VP)	Beth Hartwell
Recording Secretary	Vacant
Treasurer	Rita Bowne
Clergy Advisor	Vacant
Pre-Cursillo Chairperson	Michael Roberts
Fourth Day Chairperson	Susan Hankinson
Continuing Action Coordinator	Kait Skylar

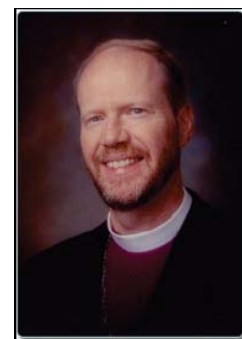




## NECC Quarterly Meeting

The National Episcopal Cursillo Committee (NECC) gathered on Wednesday, April 25, at St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, in Phoenix, Arizona, for its second quarterly meeting in 2007, as guests of the Cursillo Movement in the Diocese of Arizona. The Cursillo Movement there is engaging in an energetic Fourth Day with lots of group reunions and Ultreyas. It was quite active in the beginning days of the Episcopal Cursillo and is in the process of reorganizing after something of a dry spell. Three-day weekends will come again in time, but they are living out Fourth Day, which, of course, is the core of Cursillo, and things are looking up.

The Rt. Rev. Kirk Smith, who is the Bishop of the Diocese of Arizona, celebrated Eucharist with us on Thursday and then graciously spent more time with us that morning as we got acquainted with what's going on in Arizona's resurgence and as we continued discernment about the mission of the Episcopal Cursillo Movement. Janet Kaiser and Jim Graves from the governing body of the Episcopal Cursillo Movement in the Diocese of Arizona and the Rev. Canon Chuck Robertson, Arizona's Canon to the Ordinary, joined us for Eucharist and for that post-communion discussion, as did the Rt. Rev. Alan Scarfe, who is our Liaison from the House of Bishops to the NEC. It was clear that Bishop Smith, although he has not yet made a three-day Cursillo weekend, has helped Cursillo and other ministries to thrive there.



The NECC completed, during this meeting, the round of brainstorming and visioning that it began in January, 2006, under the leadership of Sharon Neukam, who was then NEC President, with the able assistance of Gary Rose, the NECC Treasurer, and others. The Executive Committee worked through what should be done immediately with what the NECC has learned about itself in that process. The result of that work was reflected in some of the Executive Committee's motions at the closing plenary session on Saturday as well as in the work of the subcommittees on Thursday and Friday.

**These NewsNotes are brought to you by the NECC, which takes this opportunity to remind you:**

**[a] that you can download from [www.episcopalcurso.org](http://www.episcopalcurso.org) – a pre-registration form for the National Episcopal Cursillo Seminar 2007 – October 25-28, in scenic Colorado Springs – and send in your non-refundable \$10 deposit (only \$10!) to hold your space; registration brochures will be available in July.**

**[b] that an Episcopal Cursillo Leaders Workshop (ECLW) is an excellent way to strengthen your movement, and that you can watch the website ([www.episcopalcurso.org](http://www.episcopalcurso.org)) and *The 4th Day Magazine* for schedules or you can send requests for information to [moorenjnc@yahoo.com](mailto:moorenjnc@yahoo.com);**

**[c] that a subscription to *The 4th Day Magazine* is a wonderful way for sponsors to give to candidates added help in living the fourth day; and**

**[d] that contributions to Friends of Cursillo provide for the mission and work of the NEC, and that those contributions can be made as often as you like, either as occasional gifts or as annual pledges or just about any other way you'd like to do it.**

**Ultreya!**