

The Rooster Crows

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THE FOURTH DAY

By Dick Shriver

**YOUR
MOVEMENT
NEEDS YOU!**

**ATTEND
SCHOOL OF
LEADERS!**

**WORK IN
AND FOR
CURSILLO!**

We all talk about the "Fourth Day", but what does that really mean? To us it should mean taking what we have learned on our 3-Day Cursillo Weekend and applying it to the rest of our lives every day. It means living out our baptismal promises through Piety, Study, and Action. It means putting the tripod to work in our everyday life. How do we do this?

First, let's look at Piety. Is there more that we can do to increase our faith? Do we attend Mass during the week? Do we spend time in front of the Blessed Sacrament in adoration of the Lord? Do we spend time daily in prayer? Do we open our hearts to the Holy Spirit?

Now, let's examine our Study habits. Do we spend time reading scripture? Are we reading spiritual books that will help us grow as a Christian or increase our knowledge of the faith?

What sort of Actions are we taking to reach out to our neighbor; to be Christ for someone in distress; to offer a charitable act to someone in need? Do we present a smile to strangers that says "Hello" in a welcoming manner?

Our Cursillo weekend gave us the

method to persevere in all of these endeavors—**Our small group reunions.** We meet with others to share our walk with God in our small group reunions. They help each of us be accountable on our journey of faith. No man is an island, so we help each other to persevere through our group reunions.

Our Ultreyas offer another method of succeeding in our Christian lifestyle. We share with others that we don't see regularly to get another perspective. Ultreya offers another opportunity to impact our journey of faith in a positive manner.

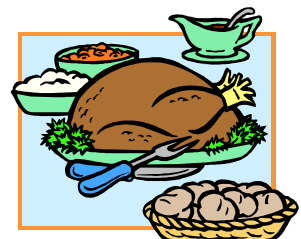
Regional and National Encounters are yet another opportunity to expand our sphere of reference and embolden our spirit by sharing with the greater Cursillo Community. We participated in our Regional Encounter in Indianapolis on Oct 23-24. Twenty of our own Knoxville Cursillistas (English and Spanish) attended the encounter. With eight states represented it offered a spirit filled weekend which increased our awareness of God working in our lives. Victor Lugo, the Lay Director of the National Cursillo Movement, was one of the primary speakers at the Encounter. He reminded us that our

environment consists of everyone we come in contact with daily. The way we react to that stranger, the manner in which we deal with the disgruntled check-out person in Walmart, or the homeless person we pass on the street and to whom we offer a smile rather than a judgmental glare. All of these seemingly small encounters can and will change our world one person at a time. It is important to remember our motto: Make a friend, be a friend, and bring a friend to Christ. Let's not miss the opportunities.

Are you living your fourth day to the fullest? If not, take the first step and join or start a small group reunion of your own. Attend a monthly Ultreya. And most important, when presented with an opportunity to be Christ for someone, don't let it slip through your fingers.

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HAPPY THANKSGIVING!



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**CURSILLO'S
HELPING HANDS
ARE YOURS!**



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School of Leaders, November 20, Our Lady of Fatema, Alcoa

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