

Sponsor's Responsibilities

1. Pre-Cursillo

- a. The sponsor should be active- that is, he/she should be leading an active Christian life and be a living witness to his love for Christ. It is only through personal witness that we will make the Cursillo Method attractive to prospective candidates.
- b. The Cursillo is not meant to “work miracles”. The candidate should, at the time of making the Cursillo, be free of family stress, e.g., recent divorce or family deaths. Usually a period of one year from the occurrence of the trauma is suggested. Additional physical limitations may make it difficult for a candidate to fully participate in the Cursillo weekend.
- c. The candidate must be a Christian and, with very few exceptions, an Episcopalian.
- d. The sponsor should discuss Cursillo with the prospective candidate and answer questions as fully as possible. The Cursillo pamphlet should be used.
- e. The candidate should be strongly encouraged to make the Cursillo in the diocese of his Christian environment. While we realize this may not always be possible, we feel that the candidate's Fourth Day life will be substantially aided by participation within his existing community. If it is not possible, the person's home secretariat should be notified.
- f. When the candidate is married, the sponsor should recommend highly that both husband and wife make a Cursillo because the Cursillo experience is meant to be shared.

11. Cursillo Weekend

- a. The sponsor should make sure the candidate takes everything he or she will need for the weekend.
- b. The sponsor should at least provide transportation to and from the location of the weekend.
- c. The sponsor should arrange to take care of any baby-sitting or shopping problems that may present themselves over the weekend.
- d. The sponsor should arrange for personal Palanca for the candidate.
- e. The sponsor must attend the closing and other events including both the candidate's and Cursillo community.

III. Post Cursillo

- a. Sponsors are responsible for affording their candidates the opportunity for a Fourth Day life, aiding and encouraging the candidate to belong to a permanent Group Reunion and Ultreya. The Sponsor should offer transportation if necessary.
- b. If the sponsor feels he is unable to fulfill this commitment, the candidate should have a co-sponsor.
- c. It is difficult to fulfill all responsibilities and sponsor more than two candidates a year.

Sponsor's Responsibilities (Cont.)

- d. Unless the sponsor is willing to guarantee that the candidate will be given the opportunity to share in a group reunion, the application should not be submitted.

Your Candidate's Name _____
Cursillo he/she is attending and dates _____

Check List:

1. Information has been given to my candidate about the weekend.
 - a. What the weekend is all about, what to expect _____
 - b. What to bring on the weekend – clothes, linens, etc. _____
 - c. Directions to the camp/retreat center _____

2. Special help your candidate may need
 - a. Baby sitters _____
 - b. House sitters _____
 - c. Mail/newspaper/pets _____
 - d. Others _____

3. PALANCA (This meaning your prayers, special intentions, fasting, etc. - not the little gifts you may send)
 - a. Prayers and special intentions:
Thursday _____
Friday _____
Saturday _____
Sunday _____
 - b. Stations of the Cross _____
 - c. Fasting _____
 - d. Other _____

4. CLOSING
 - a. Have you made arrangements to attend?
 - b. If you are unable to attend, due to some emergency, have you made arrangements to contact your candidate at the Clausura? (i.e. letter, some other person?) _____

5. Did you make contact with your candidate the day after he/she returned? _____

6. GROUP REUNIONS (One should be checked)
 - a. Did you help your candidate to find a Group Reunion as soon as possible after they returned? _____
 - b. Did you invite your candidate to join your Group? Reunion as soon as possible after they returned? _____

7. ULTREYAS
 - a. Did you bring your candidate to their first 3 Ultreyas after they returned?
1. _____ Mo. _____
2. _____ Mo. _____