



ABUNDANT LIFE TRES DIAS

April 2013 Newsletter

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CANDIDATES – CANDIDATES – CANDIDATES!!

Calling all sponsors – Applications due immediately if not sooner. Contact Terri Weber (see list on last page).

Men's Weekend #28

Hosea 10:12

I said, 'Plant the good seeds of righteousness, and you will harvest a crop of love. Plow up the hard ground of your hearts, for now is the time to seek the LORD, that he may come and shower righteousness upon you.'

Helloooooooooooooo ALTD Community!

Weekend #28 is well on its way, and we are excited for what God has planned! We have an amazing team, and we've definitely seen God's hand in its selection. We are preparing to help the candidates of Men's Weekend #28 to plow up the hard ground of their hearts, for we know this will be an amazing time to seek the Lord! We are excited to experience the righteousness, love and grace that our Heavenly Father will shower upon us!

We thank you for your prayers and support as we finish up last minute details, fasten our safety belts and prepare to hold on for what will surely be an amazing, spirit filled, and spirit- lead weekend!

May God bless you for your support!

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-Mark & Mike



SPONSORING A CANDIDATE:

If God has placed someone's name on your heart to invite to Weekend #28, pray for them, talk to them, then offer them an application. Applications can be printed from the ALTD website:

<http://www.rockfordaltd.webs.com/.Application>.

It is through us that the weekends are filled so REMEMBER: "Make A Friend -- Be A Friend -- Bring a Friend to Christ."

PLEASE READ THOROUGHLY THE RESPONSIBILITIES OF BEING A SPONSOR BECAUSE THIS CONTINUES ON EVEN AFTER THE ACTUAL WEEKEND IS OVER.

(Yes, this is the same box and photo we ran last month; we still want you to sponsor someone!!)

Remember YOUR first Tres Dias weekend? The crowd at sendoff, the men or women at serenade, the welcoming faces at clausura? Your opportunity to help make our current pescadores' memories vibrant is at hand. The men's weekend begins **April 25, serenade April 27, clausura April 28. For women, it's May 2 sendoff, May 4 serenade, May 5 clausura.** Please come. It would be fabulous if we could "pack the place" for each event. The times are as follows:

7:45 pm send off (get candidates there between 7:00 – 7:30)

6:45 pm Serenade (gather 6:15, 6:30)

4:30 pm Clausura

Can't make it? Send palanca!!! Practical palanca is always needed (contact Randy or Lynette Rasmusson), cash donations are perfect (see the online payment option on our website www.rockfordaltd.webs.com), and dining room, rollo room or bed palanca also very important. Can't fit palanca into your budget? The best, the very best palanca you can give is your prayer. Pray for the team, the candidates, their families. Pray, pray, pray. Open your Bible and pray the scriptures over them. Pray without ceasing. (And come to clausura to hear how God worked through your prayers!) Thank you all for your support.

Send prayer requests, information, etc., to tresdiascommunication@gmail.com

Post-Weekend Chair Update

Chad & Deb Smits

Isn't it wonderful when you can get together with the community for fellowship, praise and worship, prayer, and thanksgiving? Well, that's exactly what happens at our Secuela events. If you have never been to a Secuela or even if it's been awhile, isn't it time you reconnected?

On April 5, we had our first Secuela of 2013 at Alpine Lutheran Church. We were blessed with a great group of community members and had a great time. JC & the Encouragers led our praise and worship time; Dan & Judy Piecha gave an inspiring Fourth Day talk; and Pastor Rick Meier shared a devotional. A BIG Thank You to everyone who participated in making this event happen!

We have been busy getting locations set for the remainder of our 2013 season. Please make sure to mark the following dates on your calendar and plan on joining us for one or more upcoming events!

- **May 17** – Secuela – This is our next event and will also be our Victory Secuela – the one immediately following the upcoming weekends. You will want to make sure to attend this one to meet the new Pescadores from the #28 Weekends! We are working on the location, so be watching your e-mail as the details of this event are confirmed.
- **June 15** – ALTD Picnic and Annual Business Meeting – we originally had this scheduled for June 22; however, we moved it to combine it with PraiseFest – a community outreach event with a great lineup of Christian musicians being coordinated by Wade Lammon & Tom Miller. ALTD will come alongside this effort to provide food for the event. We will provide burgers and hot dogs and ask that ALTD community members bring picnic side dishes and desserts. However, the difference from normal picnic is that we will request that you bring at least double of what you would have normally brought. That is because this is an opportunity for ALTD to show apostolic action to the community who will attend this event. The coordinators of PraiseFest want this to be a completely free event, so ALTD is going to step in and help! After the lunch meal, we will join together as a community inside the church building to have our Annual Business Meeting where we will elect the Secretariat members joining this summer. Be watching for further info on this wonderful chance to serve others and have fun in the process.
- **September 6** – Secuela – the location for this event is yet to be determined.
- **October 4** – Secuela – this event will be held at The River in Delavan, WI.
- **December 6** – Christmas Celebration & Victory Secuela – this yearly event will be held at Westminster Presbyterian Church in Rockford, IL. We come together as a community to celebrate the birth of our Lord Jesus and also welcome the new Pescadores to the community.

As with all events, be watching your e-mail and the ALTD web site as details become available.

DeColores! Chad & Deb

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START PRACTICING YOUR SWING!!

We have an ALTD committee formed, and working on a fundraiser golf outing for this summer.

We'll be looking for hole sponsors, players, lemonade sellers (I'm just guessing at that).



As soon as a date is selected, we'll be sending out more information, plus registration forms, sponsor forms, anything it takes to get a great group of folks to spend some time on the links for a good cause. Me, I think fun in itself is a good cause, but we really are trying to raise money for future weekends.

Say, George, Ron and Chad - is there a costume aspect with a prize for the snazziest 1920s outfit? No? Rats.

“Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles, and let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us.” Hebrews 12:1



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(PS from your Communication Chair. Don't you just love it that we have an official "Pie Cha" in our community? TWO, in fact.....y'all have a great day.)

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