

SPONSOR INFORMATION FORM

PLEASE PRINT

Candidate's Name: _____ Age: _____ Parish: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Email Address: _____

Sponsor's Name _____ Parish: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Email Address: _____

Date of your Cursillo: _____ Do you regularly attend Group Reunion? _____

Where is your Group located? _____ Where do you attend Ultreya? _____

How long have you known your Candidate? _____ Is this the first time you're sponsoring a Candidate? _____

To your knowledge, does your Candidate have any emotional or physical problems or special needs? _____

If "Yes," please explain: _____

Briefly describe how your friendship developed, and how you prepared your Candidate for the weekend: _____

Did your Candidate express a willingness to attend Group Reunion and Ultreya after you explained PostCursillo? _____

If married, what is the spouse's attitude toward the Cursillo? _____

To what environment do you expect your candidate to bring Christ? _____

In signing this form I give my "Yes" to Christ, and I render my services to Him, by Sponsoring this Candidate whom He has called and has entrusted to me. I am also making a commitment to assist my Candidate during his/her 4th day, and to adhere to the requirements, and follow the guidelines of the Cursillo Movement as outlined on the, "Information Sheet for Sponsors."

Sponsors Signature: _____ Date: _____

Please submit completed Sponsor and Candidate forms **together** no later than two weeks before the weekend to:

Email Address: decolores99@sbcglobal.net

or Mail Forms to: Sandra Ondrla - 314 W. Fremont Ave., Elmhurst, IL 60126

INFORMATION SHEET FOR SPONSORS

Requirements and Guidelines for Potential Candidates

1. The candidate has the potential to be a leader and is capable of acting as an evangelical leaven in his/her environments.
2. The candidate must be 21 years of age or older and mature enough to understand the evangelical message and commit to it.
3. It is recommended that the husband, as the spiritual head of the family attend a Cursillo weekend before his wife. The Cursillo Movement holds in highest regard the Sacrament of Marriage. If only one spouse is to live the Weekend, the sponsors responsibility is to inform the couple of:
 - A full explanation of the purpose and method of the Cursillo Movement.
 - A complete explanation of what is expected of those who attend the 3-day weekend.
 - Most importantly is the explanation of what is expected during the 4th day (Group Reunion and Ultreya)
 - Make Sure that both agree that one spouse attending the weekend while the other spouse does not, will not have an adverse effect on their Sacrament of Marriage.
4. The candidate must be Catholic who is in a position, or can be in a position to receive the Sacraments of the Catholic Church.
5. There must exist the opportunity for follow-up and support of the Cursillista by the Cursillo community through Group Reunion and Ultreya. **(Remember: The main job of the sponsor begins after the candidate has attended the Cursillo weekend.)**
6. The Candidate should not be under any unusual stress. (Out of respect for the candidate and in courtesy to other attendees as well, the Cursillo weekend is not to be used as a “cure” for marital or emotional problems, substance abuse, etc. Doing so incurs the risk of causing more harm than good)
7. Consult your potential candidate’s pastor if you have any major questions, concerns, or doubts regarding his/her eligibility to live a Cursillo weekend.

Sponsor’s Responsibilities to the Candidate

As a sponsor you have the responsibility to:

- Pray before contacting a potential applicant.
- Explain the purpose and method of the movement.
- Explain the importance of 4th day. (Group Reunion and Ultreya)
- If possible, explain Cursillo to both husband and wife.
- Personally bring your candidate to the Cursillo weekend, or arrange transportation. Candidates should not drive themselves to the Cursillo.
- Do Palanca for your candidate and write a general and personal Palanca note.
- Provide assistance to your candidate’s family as needed during the 3-day weekend.
- Attend Clausura and take your candidate home or make arrangements to get him/her home. Also notify the candidate and spouse of the approximate time of return on Sunday evening.
- After the weekend; Help your candidate to find a permanent Group Reunion. Invite and take your Candidate to the Ultreya held for new Cursillistas. Tell your candidate about coming back to work on weekends.
- Inform the candidate that they will be asked to turn off their cell phones for the weekend, also inform the candidate, an emergency contact number will be provided in the candidate letter sent by the Rector(a).

*Excellent resources for further study on being a Sponsor and learning more about the Purpose and Method of the Cursillo Movement, can be found in these books: “Leaders’ Manual”, “Sponsor’s Booklet”, “The Fundamental Ideas of the Cursillo Movement” or on the National, and Rockford Cursillo websites. Also, **all** Cursillistas are invited to attend the “School of Leaders”*