

Northern Lights

Summer 2009

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2009-10 BOARD MEETINGS

July NO MEETING

August 1 First Christian, TC

September 5 Kalkaska UMC

October 3 First Christian, TC

November 7 Kalkaska UMC

December 5 First Christian, TC

January 2 Kalkaska UMC

February 6 First Christian, TC

March 6 Kalkaska UMC

2009-10 ULTREYA SCHEDULE

June 29 First Christian, TC

July 27 Kalkaska UMC

August 31 First Christian, TC

September 28 Kalkaska UMC

October 26 First Christian, TC

November 30 Kalkaska UMC

December 28 First Christian, TC

January 25 Kalkaska UMC

February 22 First Christian, TC

March 29 Kalkaska UMC

Greetings from Our President Couple

Greetings to all believers of the DeColores Community,

Change is a word that many of us do not like to consider, especially if it affects them. Webster defines change as: *to put or take (a thing) in place of something else; substitute*. Oddly enough, repent has a very similar definition according to Webster: *to feel so contrite over one's sins as to change, or decide to change one's ways; be penitent*. Jesus said in Luke 13:3 "unless you repent, you too will all perish." In II Corinthians 7:10 Paul tells us: "Godly sorrow brings repentance that leads to salvation and leaves no regret, but worldly sorrow brings death." Whether you use the Bible's definition of repent or Webster's, they mean the same. Change. We must all make that conscience decision for ourselves, but like Paul said, repentance leads to salvation. What will you choose? Will you really repent (change) from your old ways? I pray that is everyone's desire and ambition that is reading this.

A number of men made this decision just a couple weeks ago and by the time you read this I'm sure a number of women will have made this same decision. Let us all "be transformed by the renewing of your (our) mind(s)." Only then will we "be able to test and approve what God's will is-His good, pleasing and perfect will."

DeColores, Ed & Mellody Halvorsen

Weekend #69's Focus is "In Christ Alone"

As the Rector of the men's DeColores Weekend #69 in the fall, I want to thank our Lord, Jesus Christ for selecting me for such a position of great honor and responsibility. I made my original Weekend #17 in September of 1996 at First Christian Church and consider many of the brothers and sisters in DeColores as my closest friends. I am a member of West Side Community Church in Traverse City and have been an Engineer in the U.S. merchant marine on many ships for 35 years until taking a shore position three years ago in Traverse City. My wife Helen and I have three children, two daughters living in the New York City area, and one son, also in the merchant marine, living in Grand Rapids, MI

DeColores made an immediate and irrevocable change in my life and lifestyle and I can never fully convey the gratitude that I have to the DeColores community that put forth such an effort to help me find my faith and my salvation. I could not believe how much I needed what I found on my original Weekend and it remains one of the most pivotal moments in my life.

My Theme for Weekend #69 is "In Christ Alone", which is also my Song. The Scripture verse for Weekend #69 is *John 15: 5-8*, which speaks of the vine and the branches. Ryan Kolle is my Co-Rector and God has helped us to select a group of Godly men on the inside team to help shine His light. Outside team selection is in progress as I write this. The Weekend will take place at Bear Lake Christian Church on Sept. 17th-20th. I thank the DeColores community for the prayers and support I have received since being selected and will do my utmost to serve the candidates on Weekend #69.

In Christ Alone,
John Hayes

Weekend #70 "Jesus, You are the treasure that I seek"

Dear DeColores Community,

As I look out on a beautiful sunny day I can't help but think of how God must be smiling down on the teams that are forming for the fall Weekends. It has been such a blessing to listen to those being called who are so excited and anxious to be servants for God through a DeColores Weekend. As of this letter writing, we have an almost full team in place and will very soon have our first team meeting.

I'd like to express how grateful I am to be able to serve as Rectoress of Women's Weekend #70. The DeColores movement has been such a wonderful, God-centered, life-changing experience for so many, that it is truly humbling to be able to watch the entire process unfold as He uses all who are willing to say "Yes" when He calls them. I can't wait for the team meetings to begin so the process can continue.

Weekend Theme: "Jesus, You are the treasure that I seek"

Scripture: "For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also." Matthew 6:21

Weekend Song: "You Are My All In All"

For those of you who don't know me, and for those of you who do, here is a brief background on me and my DeColores experience. I am married to David Hogerheide (Weekend #21) and we have two children, Kyle (14) & Makenna (11). I made my original DeColores Weekend in 1997 while five months pregnant with Makenna. The Weekend was #22 held at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Kalkaska. I have had the privilege of working Weekends #30 (Auxiliary), #36 (Coordinator), #44 (Rollista), #50 (Coordinator), #56 (Head Coordinator), #62 Co-Rectoress, and now the huge honor of Rectoressing #70. I attend the Kalkaska United Methodist Church where I also teach Pre-School/Kindergarten Sunday School. I assist our church treasurer with her duties and have a few other responsibilities/board positions within the church.

Thank you once again for allowing me to serve on Weekend #70.
DeColores! Vicki Hogerheide

Welcome our New Crusistas from Weekends 67

Dear DeColores Community,

Help me welcome 24 new Crusistas from our latest men's Weekend: Terry Apps, Jeff Bahr, Dan Bowerman, Mike Bradley, Chad Bromley, John Brorby, Chris Frederick, Lowell Harris, Craig Harwood, Brandon Kelley, Jim Kik, Tim Lanigan, Mark Leist, Glen Lundin, Dan McCormick, Michael Miller, Dennis Polzin, Keith Ronk, Jason Shier, Doug Sizemore, David Tugan, Mark Wald, Tim Wegrz, Nick Young, Jr. God certainly at work throughout the Weekend changing lives.

DeColores, Kim Allen Rector Weekend #67

Weekend #68 Spirit Filled

Dear Brothers and Sisters in the Lord,

Women's Weekend #68 was filled with the Holy Spirit, the awesome power of God. Twenty-four new crucistas: Heather Bonar, Rose Anna Book, Lisa Bowerman, Casey Jean Bradley, Mary Jo Brorby, Dorothy Frederick, Heather Hagler, Wanda Haynes, Rita Hill, Bonnie Lackey, Ellen Lanigan, Daris Locktosh, Diane Lundin, Pamela McCormick, Lori Nicholson, Jodi Ryan, Amber Sargent, Janie Shier, Rori Sizemore, Virginia Smithingell, Jamie Sutton, Jeanette Swartout, Robin Tugan, Kelly Walter.

are committed to a relationship with the Lord and are excited and eager to be a part of the loving DeColores community. Many hearts were touched, including mine and other members of the team, as we were all moved by the Love of the Lord. I am ever so grateful and humbled to have been called to Rectoress this week-end. Thank you for that opportunity to serve.

DeColores, Mary Schaub Rectoress Weekend #68

Weekend #69 Inside Team

Rector: John Hayes

Co-Rector: Ryan Kolle

Spiritual Directors: Robert Collier, David Rosenberg

Ideals: David Byers

Layman: Bryan Maidens

Piety: Ed Halvorsen

Study: Bob Bagley

Action: Steve VanDePerre

Leaders: Jerry Taylor

Environment: Bryon Harrington

CCIA: Jim Book

Musicians: Ed Halvorsen, Bob Bagley, Jim Harris

Coordinators: Curt Britten (Head), Aaron Biehl, Tom Reidel, Roger Marcotte

Cooks: Ken Godin (Head), Tony Cline, Bill Lewandowski, Tom Hammond

Chas: Tyler Harris (Head), Ryan Fortin, Terry Apps

Auxiliaries: Lowell Harris, Dan McCormick, John Phillips, Tim Lanigan

2nd Annual Christian Concert Scheduled for October 24th

Circle Saturday, October 24th on your calendars. If you attended the last year's event at the Kalkaska Middle School Gym, you know what a blessed evening of music it was. Once again there will be praise bands from area churches, solo and small group vocalists, and Bible stories for the children. Tickets for older children and adults are \$10 each, but special rates are available for families.

Prayer Requests
Send prayer request to Dave
Stockford at
decoloresnews@freeway.net
Or call 231-587-8694

The Case of Disappearing Microphone

Did you help pack up the rollo room after Women's Weekend #68? We can not find the long microphone that was attached to the microphone stand. The microphone belongs to First Christian Church and is missing. If you know where it ended up let Ed Halvorsen know. Thanks.

Upcoming Events

June 29th Ultreya at First Christian Church at 7 p.m.

August 1st Board Meeting at First Christian Church at 9 a.m.

September 14-17 Men's Weekend #69 Bear Lake Christian Church, Kalkaska John Hayes, Rector

October 1-4 Women's Weekend #70 Kalkaska United Methodist Church Vicki Hogerheide, Rectoress

October 24th Christian Concert Kalkaska Middle School Gym

Get those Interest Surveys In!

Don't forget to get on line at our website at www.nmdecolores.com and download the Interest Survey, fill it out and mail it to Ed and Mellody Halvorsen. This is the best way to show that you want to be involved in the Weekends, whether on the Inside or Outside teams. Forms are also available at Ultreyas.