PALANCA 2027 | THINGS TO KNOW AND WHAT TO BRING

CURSILLO
WEST CENTRAL MINNESOTA

APPLICATIONS:

- Must be completed for all Palanca. Yes, even if you're only working part of the weekend. Yes, even if you're not sleeping at camp.
- Contact Val Rieck for scholarship requests (valerierieck@yahoo.com or 507-215-7905). (Available to you once every 3 years, up to half of registration cost.)

PRACTICE WEEKEND: **Saturday, January 30th, 2027 | Willmar, MN @ The Living Hope Church**
Team Meeting: 10:00 am *Optional* General Palanca Meeting: 1:00 pm

PACKING LIST:

- Bedding/sleeping bag (quilt and pillow provided by camp)
- Toiletries, towels, personal items
- Small Flashlight
- Banquet Clothes: Black pants/skirt, White shirt, Black Bow Tie (Men)
- DeColores festive clothes if desired *(eg. colorful, rooster or chicken themed)*
- Snacks and drinks for Candidates (if your candidate has a favorite, bring that)
- Snacks and drinks for Palanca
- MAIL! (for candidates, team, Palanca)
- Bible, pen, paper, extra note cards for extra mail
- Cursillo cross necklace/pins
- A WILLING SERVANT HEART AND ATTITUDE

CLOSING: Prior to Cursillo closing at camp, there is 4th day liturgy at the chapel across the street. Time TBD. Due to limited space and safety issues, please make other arrangements for your children (and children of candidates) during closing. An offering will be taken during the women's closing. Please prayerfully consider giving so others can experience Cursillo.

MAIL: You can write mail to candidates, conference team, all palanca, and for rollo speakers. **UPDATE FOR 2027: All mail should fit in a 5 x 7 envelope or smaller.** (candidates, palanca, and conference team). **Gifts for candidates should be limited to the coffee mug/water cup that they are given by their sponsor.** *Thank you for helping all of our candidates feel loved and seen*

How to Label the Envelopes:

- MIDDLE: All mail needs to include First & Last Name of the recipient and on the line below a label of "Candidate", "Conference Team", "Palanca", or "Rollo."
- LOWER LEFT: Day 1, Day 2 or Day 3 *(delivered Fri evening, Sat afternoon, & Sun afternoon)*
- LOWER RIGHT: Label who you are in relation to the mail receiver – eg. Husband, Sponsor, Friend, Family, or this corner can be left blank. *Candidate mail will be sorted to place husband and sponsor mail on top!*
- Alphabetize by Last Name and separate by Category and Day - Palanca, Conference, Candidates, Husband, Rollo and Day 1, 2, 3 - Mailroom will have bins in the hallway for mail.

What to Write to Candidates:

- Candidates will have experienced the following events by the days indicated below:
  Friday: Silent retreat, DeColores | **Saturday:** Stations of the Cross, Binding
  Sunday: Banquet



HOW TO. . .

DROP OFF A CANDIDATE:

- **Thur, 6:30 - 7:00 pm.** Main Building Parking Lot & stop near the sidewalk that lead to the front main doors. *(orange marker)*
- Remember to ask for their phone/watch/electronics to hold for the weekend.
- Team members will be there to help unload & carry luggage/items into the building *(or wait just a second & they will come)*! The Candidate will not need to carry anything into the building. We want to serve them!
- The team will help the candidate from here.

UNLOAD & ARRIVE AS TEAM & GENERAL PALANCA

- **Palanca/Team can temporarily park and unload using the East side door *(marked in black)*.**
  - If you are dropping off a candidate - do that FIRST & then you can unload your items.
  - Please, to help prioritize candidates & avoid parking lot congestion - if you are NOT dropping off a candidate, do not unload during candidate drop off between 6:30 & 7pm.
  - **General Palanca Team Meeting starts at 7:00 pm.** Pro Tips: No candidate? Arrive *before* 6:30 pm to unload your items and get settled, or if you are arriving between 6:30 & 7 pm, park away from the building & unload your items after the meeting.

- Enter the East Side door and follow the ground level hallway to find drop-off locations for:
  - Mail and Candidate Mugs *(in the hallway)*
  - Palanca Snacks *(snack room towards the end of the hallway on the left)*
  - Table Favors *(Dining Room Rector/a Room)*
- Head up the stairs to find drop-off locations for:
  - Candidate Snacks *(snack room as at the far end of the hall on the left)*

- Find your room and bring your luggage and bedding there:
  - General Palanca - head down the hall and through the Dining room to the West wing and claim a bed in one of the bunk rooms on the lower level.
  - Team - find your assigned room on the lower or upper level of the East wing.

- **Move your car out of the main parking lot** - Please park on the Street or in the Stave Church Parking Lot to the Southwest (near the Stave Church/4th Day Chapel) for the weekend.

THANK YOU!