



**In that day you will say “Give praise to the Lord, proclaim his name; make known among the nations what he has done, and proclaim that his name is exalted.”**

**(Isaiah 12:4 NIV)**

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**The Newsletter of the Northern New Jersey Tres Dias Community**

The purpose of **TRES DIAS of NNJ** is to glorify God through Jesus Christ by developing Christian leaders who will influence their environments to be more Christ-like.

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## President's letter

Dear friends,

In 2 Timothy 1:7 (KJV), we read these words: "*For God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind.*" It seems the world gets a little scarier every day. Anyone who monitors the day's events, and the tone that those events are relayed to us, could not be blamed for feeling uneasy about the direction we as a people are heading. This verse from 2 Timothy was the first thing I would see in the morning for many years. It was written on a handmade plaque which hung on my bedroom wall, and I would read it before my feet hit the ground. It was a daily reminder that the fear of this world does not own my spirit; that God gives me the power, and the love, and a sound mind to handle anything the world can hand out. He can do that for all of us for as long as the need is there. Perhaps it is time I visit the basement and retrieve my old friend.

We of Tres Dias of Northern New Jersey also have this wonderful community to support and guide us on our journey. As the dog days of summer quickly approach, I am reminded about the giving folks who I have had the pleasure of serving with on the Secretariat this past year. I would like to give special thanks to Bruce Sinclair and Lee Haase who are taking a well-deserved break, and will not be joining us in September when we reconvene after the summer. Both of these men served our community well, and I will miss their dedication and their friendship.

During the past year TDNNJ hosted four of the "best weekends ever". Many men and women got to spend three days with Jesus, and we can all feel blessed to have been a part of those three days. In the near future I will be writing to you about ways our community will try to retain new Pescadores, so they can remain a part of our family for many years to come.

Have an enjoyable and safe summer, and I hope to see you in the fall!

God bless you,

**Bruce**

Bruce Kemmerer,  
President, Tres Dias of Northern NJ

## Men's spring weekend – # 117 – Bubba John Crandall, rector



### ***Weekend verse: Mark 2: 1 - 12***

*I want you to know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins.*

Please pray for our new Pescadores from the weekend:

**Scott Dorey**  
**Wes Langley**  
**Frank Sperlazzo**  
**Glenn Stackhouse**  
**Arnez Ellis**  
**Bill Caso**  
**Doug Becker**  
**Lynn Vallimont**  
**Craig Smith**  
**Eric Seal**

sponsor Lee Haase  
sponsor John Crandall  
sponsor John Crandall  
sponsor John Crandall  
sponsors Sylvia Hollister and Barry Wilder (LVTD)  
sponsor Mike Wade  
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## Women's spring weekend – # 114 – Glenda Haase, rectrix



### ***Weekend verse:***

***Rejoice always. Pray constantly. Give thanks in all circumstances for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you. 1 Thess. 5:16-18***

And remember to lift the new Pescadores from this weekend up in your prayers:

***Anne Marie Cacciabeve  
Clara Calabro  
Gan Arnold  
Gloria Schutt  
Patricia Agliata  
Sharon Walz  
Jeannie Stewart  
Cathy Bertie  
Vicky Montalvo***

*sponsor Judy Fadden  
sponsor Mary Lou Falco  
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sponsor Mary Lou Falco  
sponsor Glenda Haase  
sponsor Brenda Kay Reaves  
sponsors Fran Zemo and Susan Wittig  
sponsor Gemma Matthews  
sponsor Lisa Markus*

## The NPNA – what is that? Well, read this article find out!

It is no secret - it has certainly been a topic of frequent conversation lately - we are, by and large, failing to retain and absorb new pescadores into our community! We have discussed this challenge quite extensively at a couple of Secretariat meetings earlier this year and one thing became quickly evident – there is no single answer to this challenge – we need to take a step back and look at the big picture. So Secretariat set up a committee (the New Pescador Nurture and Advocacy, or NPNA committee) to explore the issue. The NPNA, consisting of Tom Bauer, Marcia Brands, Meyer Pincelli, Bruce Sinclair, Bruce Kemmerer and myself, sees its mandate to be *the promotion of practices that will foster Pescador retention, involvement, and growth* (with focus on new Pescadores in particular) and *to communicate and promote adherence to these practices to the Community at large via all available means*. We have had, to date, two very fruitful meetings. At these meetings we have explored relevant practices, roles and responsibilities in several specific areas:

- Secuelas,
- team selection,
- team formation,
- things we can do at the weekend itself,
- and team reunion meetings.

And we have just scratched the surface! Suffice it to say we have found a plethora of things we can do (tweak, clarify, promote, ...) to encourage and help our new pescadores integrate into the community. Space does not permit an exhaustive list of recommendations developed by the committee so far (there are over 20 of them.) Please speak to a member of the committee if YOU have any recommendations! It's not yet clear how (or even if) all of these recommendations will be implemented, but no matter what specific plans and/or recommendations may come to be, two things above all clearly call for community wide effort:

- 1) that we all reach out to new pescadores soon and often after their weekend, making them feel welcome, keeping that Tres Dias high alive and well in them, inviting them to Secuelas, Reunion groups, closings, and whatever else might be happening ...
- 2) that we consistently and whole-heartedly lift up our new pescadores, one another, and our NNJ Tres Dias program in prayer.

The committee will continue its work in the Fall under the leadership of our secretariat VP's, Tom Bauer and Marcia Brands.

Respectfully submitted,

**Rich Cantwell**

## Financial statement –

Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2016

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ;

As we finish our Fiscal Year and begin gearing up for the fall weekends, I wanted to report on where we are financially.

Balance as of July 1, 2015                    **\$14,755.16**

Income:

Weekends                                        37,491.00

Secuelas                                         1,969.00

Weekend Closings                             636.00

Donations & Fundraisers                    1,760.60

Total Income                                   **\$41,856.60**

Expenses:

Sacred Heart                                   39,550.10

Insurance, Chief advances,  
Supplies etc                                    5,064.91

Total Expenses                                **\$44,615.01**

Net Loss                                         (\$ 2,758.41)

Balance as of June 30, 2016                **\$11,996.75**

God has blessed our Community for 30+ years and I believe He will continue to do so.

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***Meyer J Pincelli***

## Secretariat election results -

At the annual meeting during our June secuela, we have elections to the secretariat, which is the governing board for Tres Dias of Northern NJ. Nominations were announced by Ed Grasley, the chair of the nominating committee. The floor is then open for any additional nominations to come from any Northern NJ Pescadores in attendance. Here is slate that was voted in at this year's annual meeting. Please lift them up in prayer, that each of these people faithfully and diligently fulfills the duties of the office they have been elected to.

1st VP	<b>Tom Bauer</b> (2 <sup>nd</sup> term)
Secretary	<b>Carolyn Jackson</b> (2 <sup>nd</sup> term)
Applications	<b>Joe Marcello</b> (new to the board)
Secuelas	<b>Lisa Loper</b> (new to the board)
Education	<b>Tom Bloodgood</b> (2 <sup>nd</sup> term)
Communications	<b>Wayne Reese</b> (1 <sup>st</sup> full term)
Housekeeping	<b>Marshall Turner</b> (2 <sup>nd</sup> term)
Nominations	<b>Ed Grasley</b> (2 <sup>nd</sup> term)
Outreach	<b>Jim Leeming</b> (2 <sup>nd</sup> term)
Palanca	<b>Paul Markowitz</b> (2 <sup>nd</sup> term)
Membership	<b>Bubba John Crandall</b> (new to the board)
Members At Large	<b>Carol Goodrich</b> (2 <sup>nd</sup> term)
Members At Large	<b>Judy Fadden</b> (2 <sup>nd</sup> term)

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### Returning executive board and members

President	<b>Bruce Kemmerer</b>
2nd Vice President	<b>Marcia Brands</b>
Treasurer	<b>Meyer Pincelli</b>
Purchasing	<b>Herb Eigenrauch</b>
Trailer	<b>Kris Hoffman</b>
Reunion Groups	<b>Anne Tummey</b>
Team Selection	<b>Mary Gallinot &amp; Rich Cantwell</b>
Spiritual Directors	<b>Denny Wene &amp; Claire Gallagher</b>

## Some quotes from people on the spring weekends

- Being there for the first time I enjoyed serving as a helper and serving God's pescadores and I think that we all have a duty to answer that calling when it comes in, so we can learn what it takes to be a good Christian and the amount of work that all of you are willing to do to make it happen.
- I felt like I was in Heaven during the weekend.
- When I think of the Weekend I grin from ear to ear.

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## Tres Dias email prayer chain

Would you like to know what's happening in Tres Dias of Northern NJ? If you are not one of the 410+ Pescadores who are already members of the Tres Dias of Northern NJ YahooGroups, join now! You can sign up by emailing:

George & MaryAnn McGehrin at [georgemaryann@hotmail.com](mailto:georgemaryann@hotmail.com)

To join, please include your full name, email address, your phone number, & what weekend you made (mm/yy & Number). Do this, and you'll be enrolled directly in the Tres Dias of Northern NJ Yahoo Groups. The following guidelines apply to use of the Tres Dias of Northern NJ YahooGroups:

The Tres Dias Prayer chain will be used only for Specific prayer concerns and requests, distribution of information about upcoming Secuelas, distribution of information about upcoming weekends & other information that has been approved by the Secretariat.

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## Tres Dias on Facebook



Facebook is another exciting way to interact with other member from Tres Dias. **Nan Acevedo** is our Tres Dias Facebook administrator. Our Facebook page is used to share your joys, announcements, your trials, concerns and prayers.

If you are a current Facebook user and know someone who has made a Tres Dias Weekend and is on Facebook, have them friend Nan, and she will be happy to add them. If you have any questions please feel free to e-mail her at [acevedonanette@yahoo.com](mailto:acevedonanette@yahoo.com), or private message her at the Tres Dias Facebook page.

## 2016 – 2017 members of the Secretariat

### Executive committee

**Bruce Kemmerer** – President  
**Tom Bauer** – 1<sup>st</sup> VP  
**Marcia Brands** – 2<sup>nd</sup> VP  
**Carolyn Jackson** - Secretary  
**Meyer Pincelli** – Treasurer

### Board members:

**Bubba John Crandall** – Membership  
**Mary Gallinot** – Women’s Team Selection  
**Claire Gallagher** - Spiritual Director Selection  
**Herb Eigenrauch** – Purchasing  
**Paul Markowitz** – Palanca  
**Kris Hoffman** – Trailer  
**Anne Tummey** – Reunion Groups  
**Joe Marcello** – Applications  
**Judy Fadden** – Member at Large

**Lisa Loper** – Secuelas  
**Rich Cantwell** – Men’s Team Selection  
**Denny Wene** – Spiritual Director Selection  
**Ed Grasley** - Nominations  
**Tom Bloodgood** – Education  
**Jim Leeming** - Outreach  
**Wayne Reese** - Communications  
**Marshall Turner** – Housekeeping  
**Carol Goodrich** – Member at Large

Please note: we normally list upcoming secuela dates and locations, but this issue is already very late and I haven’t heard about the fall secuelas yet. Word will go out as soon as I get the news.

## Upcoming weekend dates

❖ **Fall 2016 – at Sacred Heart, Newton**

**Men's # 118      November 3 – 6, 2016**

- rector: Kevin Mahoney

**Women's # 114 November 10 – 13, 2016**

- rectrix: Michelle McKeown

***Note that the fall weekend dates have changed.***



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\*Married couples: be sure to include home, work, email addresses for both husband and wife.

\*Newly married women: include your maiden name, as it will be a helpful reference.

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**Check out our web page** at: [www.tresdiasnj.org](http://www.tresdiasnj.org) – this is Northern NJ's website.

Check out [www.tresdias.org](http://www.tresdias.org) for the International Tres Dias website.

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In His Service, Wayne Reese and Lisa Loper, Editors

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