

# Westshore Decolores Newsletter

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## FROM THE PRESIDENTS

Hello Decolores community,

Melody Holcomb and I Ruth McCaleb would like to once again thank you for voting for us and trusting us to be your 2021 President couple. We are excited to hit the ground running and see how God is going to use us. 2020 was a hard year and we know that we are going to face many challenges for 2021 but we both have been in prayer and we are going to do our very best to continue to further God's kingdom. Decolores means so much to both of us and has changed our lives beyond words. We will follow God's plan to continue to give His children the tools they need to grow in him.

At this time we would like to let everyone know we will be hosting our monthly meeting the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of every month at New Creations Church, 1641 East Pontaluna Rd Spring Lake at 7PM. We would love to have you join us. We also are still looking for VP letters and have many open board positions. If you have been feeling that God is leading back to Decolores or if you never been a part of the board and want to check it out, we would love to have you reach out to us.

We thank you again for allowing us to be your President couple. We pray you all had a Merry Christmas and A Happy New Year. We hope to see you in 2021

God Bless

Melody and Ruth

## **FROM THE VICE PRESIDENT**

**This position is currency open. See qualifications in this newsletter. If you are interested contact President Couple**

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## **SPIRITUAL DIRECTOR CORNER**

### **ENDURING**

“Let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who for the sake of the joy that was set before Him endured the cross” Hebrews 12:1-2

How are you doing at enduring? Enduring all the isolation, the politics, the media, the mass disasters, the rioting, the hate? James shares with us, “Blessed is the one who perseveres under trial because, having stood the test, that person will receive the crown.”

I believe it's safe to say we are under trial. No matter who you are or where you live, you cannot escape what is going on in the world today. The question is how are you enduring? As self-proclaimed Christians we are being scrutinized even more so for how we react under such pressure. Are you a person who spreads hope and has faith or succumbs to fear with gloom and doom?

We are challenged as ambassadors for Christ to endure with joy. True joy exists despite our circumstances. We have joy because we know who is ultimately in control. We have joy because we know this is not all there is. We live not for what is seen, but for what is unseen, the finish line.

Jesus endured during his time on earth. He ran the race. He dealt with crooked people, religion, the sick and the suffering. He was beaten, spit on, and hung on a cross all because he knew there was more to the story. People of faith know there's more to the story than a killer virus, crooked politicians, and sick people too. This race is not for the faint of heart. So why don't we live like it? Endure this race with joy. Be the light in this dark world and spread joy. In the end, you will receive a crown.

Grace and Peace,

Pastor Donna Rick

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## FROM THE PAST PRESIDENT COUPLE

Dear Westshore DeColores Community,

Tom and I were very honored to serve as your President in 2020.

When the year began, we were anticipating a very busy year. Early on we already had three weekends in the early planning stage. Due to Covid, all of those weekends have been put on hold.

We continue to pray for an end to this Pandemic. Until that happens...

We believe the mission of Westshore DeColores is to create a desire for greater lay activity in our churches. Our intent is to lay a foundation for a Christians life by calling persons to renewed faith and/or to call persons to conversion to Christ. We are Christ centered and biblical based... We are focused on knowing Christ and making Him known to others. This is our call and in doing it lies our greatest joy!

Whether we fulfill this mission by putting on weekends or in some other way, we pray that God will lead this ministry into the future with a clear vision of His will.

Please continue to pray for the members of Westshore DeColores Secretariat as they make important decisions moving forward. Pray especially for Melody Holcomb and Ruth McCaleb as they serve as your Co-President in 2021.

May God bless you this year and every year.

Tom and Anna VanDerHeide  
Past President Couple

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**Westshore is partnering with Ravenna Baptist church for an evening of prayer and worship. January 10 at 5:00 pm (That's this Sunday!) Snacks and fellowship after. Come enjoy some time with Jesus and your DeColores family and bring a friend!**

### **Upcoming events**

**January 10** Night of Worship at Ravenna Baptist

**January 11** Board Meeting

**February 8** Board Meeting

**March 8** Board Meeting

**April 12** Board Meeting

**May 10** Board Meeting

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### **Vice president qualifications**

This is a 3 year commitment, the first year you will serve as Vice President, second year as President and third year as past President. This position is voted on by the community.

The Board will be accepting letters for Vice president couple for 2021 at the October board meeting. we ask that you be present when your letter is read. The October meeting is on October 12 at 7:00 pm at Fellowship Reformed Church 4200 Apple ave Muskegon, Mi. 49442.

The qualifications for Vice President are as follows.

- \*Must have completed (3) three DeColores weekends as team member or Have completed at least (2) two DeColores Ministries weekends plus one (1) substantially similar weekend in the Cursillo tradition as a team member.

- \*Have been a Rollista on a weekend in the Cursillo tradition.

- \*Have been a coordinator on a weekend in the Cursillo tradition or completed a Fourth-day Training (leadership training) workshop.

- \*Have been a member of Westshore DeColores Ministries community for at least three (3) years at the time of the nomination

- \*Be a person whose life typically exemplifies the DeColores community

- \*A written resume of the nominee's qualifications SHALL be presented at time of nomination

- \*Vice president Couple- (1 )one SHALL meet all requirements. (1) one SHOULD meet all requirements

- \*Single person- SHALL(must) meet all requirements

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## **Rector/Rectress**

Due to COVID-19 if you would like to be a Rector/Rectress for the Second Quarter (April, May or June) Please contact the Presidents or Past President couple.

## **Rector/Rectress Qualifications**

- \*Have been a Rollista on a weekend in the Cursillo tradition.
  - \*Have been a coordinator on a weekend in the Cursillo tradition or completed a Fourth-day Training (leadership training) workshop.
  - \*Have been a member of Westshore DeColores Ministries community for at least three (3) years at the time the letter is read
  - \*Be a person whose life typically exemplifies the DeColores community
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If you have something that you wish to share in our newsletter send the information to [wsdnewslettereditor@gmail.com](mailto:wsdnewslettereditor@gmail.com)

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For upcoming events please go to the website  
[www.westshoredocolores.com](http://www.westshoredocolores.com)

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## **FAQs**

### **How can I work a weekend?**

You need to be asked by the Rector/Rectoress of a weekend, fill out a want to work form available on the website, there is an online submission or a print and mail version, mailing address at end of newsletter.

### **How else can I help on a weekend?**

There are several opportunities to serve on a weekend from set up to tear down, kitchen and meal help, 24hour prayer, and guard duty. See the website for who to contact on each weekend to sign up and for times.

Just a reminder that when you serve on a weekend you are part of an outside team which means you are coming to serve only in your assigned area. You do not get to wander the church to see what is happening or listen to any talks, do not come

expecting to mingle with the team and candidates. This is to protect the sanctity of the weekend.

Do not come expecting to be fed but to serve, food is purchased from monies donated and the cook buys what is needed for the number of people on the weekend, leftover food may be needed for a later meal or snack. You are there to support the team and candidates.

### **Are there other ways to help?**

Yes you can attend Holy Hour and Closing/serenade and sponsor a candidate. Candidate applications are available on the Website. You can check the website for Holy Hour and Closing times for each weekend. Just a reminder only those that have attended a weekend can attend Closing.

You can also donate to the weekend food fund, there is a paypal link on the website or you can mail a check to WestShore DeColores P.O. Box 961 Grand Haven, MI 49417 be sure to put food donation in the memo.

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Do you know a Cursillista who needs a newsletter mailed to them due to lack of internet access? Feel free to print off and mail this to them. To have them sent to them directly from the newsletter editor sent an email to [wsdnewslettereditor@gmail.com](mailto:wsdnewslettereditor@gmail.com) with their name, address and phone number.

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### **Secretariat Meetings 2nd Monday of each Month**

7:00 pm at:

New Creations Church, 1641 East Pontaluna Rd Spring Lake

Everyone is Welcome. Please Join Us!

### **Open Board Positions:**

**Church Contacts:** Is the Lord leading you to serve on the board but just not sure where to start? If your church is not represented, consider becoming a church contact for your church. Requirements are to keep in contact with those that have made a WestShore weekend, engage with those that have not. Keep your church informed of WestShore activities by writing a letter to members, placing info on a bulletin board or in your bulletin and maybe even placing info on the screen for announcement time. Come to board meetings the second Monday of each month and give a report of your activity.

**National Board Representative:** Responsibilities are to attend the National Board Meetings Quarterly and report back to the Board. Come to board meetings the second Monday of each month and give a report of your activity

**Food Inventory:** Collect and inventory left over food and drink then inventory, give inventory list to the next cook and transport food to weekend. Come to board meetings the second Monday of each month and give a report of your activity

**Vice President Couple:** See above for more information

**If you are interested in any of the open positions contact any board member for information or attend the next board meeting.**

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### **WestShore DeColores Secretariat**

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**2021 Vice-President Couple** OPEN POSITION

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**Food Inventory** OPEN POSITION

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### **CHURCH CONTACTS**

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