

Riverbend Ripples

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Coordinator's Comments:

As I write these notes, we are two weeks from our **2014 TEC GALA on Friday, Feb. 7** at Max's in Olivia. I do hope that we have a good turnout. Tickets and information can be found on the Riverbend website and Facebook page. Contact Jerry Langworthy or me to get your tickets.

The 2014 TEC Congress is on August 1-3 in Kansas City, Kansas. **The theme is "Humility of Heart"** with a focus on humbly accepting Christ into our lives and accepting the call to TEC. The TEC Congress is the annual gathering of the international

TEC family. It is a great opportunity for anyone involved in TEC at the local level to come and meet others from around the country and beyond who love TEC. Although many attendees are leaders from their local TEC family (Boards, Core Teams, etc.) there are also many participants who do not have a formal leadership role, but just want to celebrate all that TEC has meant to them. At the TEC Congress, you'll find spiritual renewal, new friends, music, prayer, and great new ideas for your TEC Community.

Registration costs are expected to be \$85 for participants

between the ages of 18 and 28 and \$185 for those over 28. Riverbend TEC will help cover the expenses of attending the Congress. Anyone 18 and older from our Riverbend TEC community interested in attending should contact me or any TEC Council member. .

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Riverbend TEC website:

www.riverbendtec.org
www.riverbendtec.org/430.html
www.tecconference.org
www.facebook.com/groups/2204607343

Find up to date news, applications, contacts, links, and information on Saints!

Riverbend TEC 2013-2014 Schedule

251	February 15-17, 2014	Winsted	253	June 28-30, 2014	Winsted
252	April 5-7, 2014	Bird Island	254	August 2-4, 2014	New Ulm

Wheat Letters are a vital part of our weekend, building the faith community. Write a Die Day, Rise Day, or Go Day letter for the upcoming weekend. You can also write Personal Die Day letters for any of the new TECites or Team Members participating on the weekend. Letters for Rise and Go Day should address the entire group. You can now submit your letters from the /430.html webpage or you can send them in the

mail to Riverbend TEC, 302 S. 10th St, Olivia, MN 56277.

The Riverbend TEC Council is the leadership organization for Riverbend TEC which meets the 2nd Thursday of the month from 6:30pm to 9:30pm at the Catholic Pastoral Center in New Ulm. This group works at providing leadership training, evaluation, publishing a newsletter, updating the TEC weekend and being a resource for any TECite to contact with concerns or ideas.

"The world tells us to seek success, power and money;

God tells us to seek humility, service and love."

Pope Francis

Coming Events

February 2014

2	RB 250 Small Reunion	New Ulm
2	RB 251 Planning Meeting	Winsted
7	TEC Gala	Olivia
15-17	RB 251	Winsted
16	RB 251 Reunion	Winsted

March 2014

2	RB 251 Small Reunion	Winsted
5	Ash Wednesday	
13	TEC Council	New Ulm
15-16	FIAT #29	N. Mankato
23	RB 252 Planning Meeting	Bird Island

April 2014

3	TEC Council	New Ulm
5-7	RB 252	Bird Island
6	RB 252 Reunion	Bird Island

AUCTION ITEMS still needed for our Gala! If we are going to have a successful and fun Silent and Live auction at our Stewardship Gala, we need items or services donated. If you have something to contribute, please email jerrylangworthy@hotmail.com and let him know. If you can't attend but still want to donate, then we can work with you on arrangements. Thank you for your generosity.

Riverbend Prayer Chain: we have discontinued our email prayer chain. **Instead, you can post requests on our Facebook group page,** www.facebook.com/groups/2204607343. If you haven't already joined it, just click and ask to join and an administrator will approve you.

Intercession of the Saints: *Miracles are deeds which are above all natural laws and powers and only God can perform. At times, we say that saints and the Blessed Virgin Mary perform miracles. What we really mean is that they pray to God, and in answer to their prayers, God performs a miracle. We Catholics believe that no Saint ever claimed to do a miracle by their own power.*

Riverbend TEC T-Shirt WEBSITE: We have a storefront on CafePress. You'll find a wide variety of options, styles, sizes, and colors. A part of every purchase made will go to Riverbend TEC. www.cafepress.com/riverbendtec.

Safe Environment - Volunteers are to go to the VIRTUS website (www.virtus.com) to read an article and answer a simple question. You should receive an email from Virtus telling you that you have an article to read. You need to login with your name and password. If you have any trouble doing this, please send an email to or call Fr. Denny Labat at riverbendtec@gmail.com or 320-523-1271.

If you have not read the Safe Environment training article since September 2013, please do so ASAP. It is required to work on team for a Riverbend TEC weekend in 2014.

TEC Gala: Our Third Annual Stewardship Gala is almost here. The deadline for buying tickets is January 31st. Don't wait until the last moment. This year we are moving our location! With Fr. Denny's re-assignment to Olivia, we thought we'd give Max's Grill in Olivia a try. You are invited to join the Riverbend community on Friday, February 7th for an evening of socializing, laughter, prayer, and delicious cakes as we recognize the recipients of this year's Light of Christ and Spirit of TEC awards. We'll also do some fundraising. *An order form is available in this newsletter!*

/430.html – We have a hidden page of the Riverbend TEC website with more information for those who have made TEC. To get to this page, point your browser to the internet address www.riverbendtec.org/430.html. Included on the page are team application forms, the teams, and new TECites for the next TEC weekend. You can also send wheat letters to the upcoming TEC weekend. Check it out! This page has information which is only for those who have already made a TEC weekend so just share the address with other TECites.

~~~~~ **Future Directors** ~~~~~

|               |                                               |                          |                                                      |                                          |
|---------------|-----------------------------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|
| <b>RB 252</b> | <b>LD</b> – Justin Prokosch<br>and Katie Vogl | <b>ALD</b> – Norb Kramer | <b>SD</b> – Fr. Andy Michels<br><b>ASD</b> – PJ Bock | <b>MD</b> – Brett and Lori<br>Mathiowetz |
|               | <b>WD</b> –                                   | <b>AWD</b> – John Verly  | <b>WSD</b> –                                         | <b>AWSD</b> –                            |
| <b>RB 253</b> | <b>LD</b> –                                   | <b>ALD</b> –             | <b>SD</b> –                                          | <b>ASD</b> –                             |
|               | <b>WD</b> –                                   | <b>AWD</b> –             | <b>WSD</b> –                                         | <b>AWSD</b> –                            |

~~~~~ **Welcome to the Family! RB 250 TECites** ~~~~~

| | | | |
|-------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Adrian Bentz | Laura Kahle | Amanda Roiger | Rebecca Schmitz |
| Polly Christensen | Stephanie Kellner | Laura Romsdahl | Joseph Specht |
| Wyatt Entinger | Margaret McHugh | Mary Rosenhammer | Nicholas Timmerman |
| Carter Erickson | Holly Meyer | Katie Rosenstengel | Connie Vogel |
| Anna Fry | Thomas Meyer | Christian Sanders | Tyler Vogel |
| Emilia Godemann | Taylor Milbrath | Mary Savoye | Elijah Welu |
| Samuel Goedtke | Diana Orozco | Alex Schindler | Hannah Wilts |
| Addy Hanig | Laura Pelzel | Elizabeth Schmitz | Taylor Ziermann |
| Denise Johnson | Brigitte Pinsonneault | Madeline Schmitz | |

~~~~~ **Pray For Upcoming RB 251 Teams** ~~~~~

**Conference Room**

Kristin (Kahle) Adams - ALD  
 Nicole Caouette - G  
 Janice Crowe - R  
 Andrea DeOtis - MD  
 Dave Grams - AT  
 Nathan Hansen - R  
 Darcy Hauth - GD  
 Rose Heimerl - AT  
 Elaine Kahle - LD  
 Laura Kuisle - R

Fr Dennis Labat - SD  
 Peggy Lenz - G  
 Mary Pauluk - ASD  
 Kenneth Pelzel - M  
 Justin Prokosch - AT  
 Hannah Salfer - R  
 Monica Simmons - AT  
 Brianna Utz - G  
 Kathryn Vogl - R

**Wheat Team**

Mike Bjork - AC  
 Jim Colby  
 Melissa Entinger  
 Chelsey Gravley  
 Steven Hauer  
 Gloria Kotila - WSD  
 Michelle Kramer - AWSD  
 Courtney Lindmeier - WD  
 Christina Moore  
 Caitlin Neu

Lindsey Norton - AWD  
 Mary Peller  
 Michelle Schermann - C  
 Amber Wilfahrt - WD

~~~~~ **Pray For Upcoming RB 251 TECites (as of January 23rd)** ~~~~~

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|----------------|----------|---------------|---------------|
| Carly Adams | Marshall | Julia Peller | Dassel/Cokato |
| Kyle Adams | Marshall | Erica Somers | Marshall |
| Jason Entinger | Mound | Katie Wraspir | Cokato |

***St. Therese of Lisieux, Patron Saint of TEC,
 pray for the team and TECites of Riverbend # 251!***

Team Applications need to be received FIVE weeks before the TEC weekend.
You can now fill out and send in your team application ONLINE! Check out the 430 page of our website.
Submissions for the Ripples are due 5 weeks before a TEC weekend. Email them to jerrylangworthy@hotmail.com

Shop online at: www.cafepress.com/riverbendtec

Check out our Facebook group, www.facebook.com/groups/2204607343

Riverbend TEC Stewardship Gala Ticket Order Form

Celebrating 37 years of TEC in the New Ulm Diocese!

Friday, February 7th, 2014 ~ 5:00pm to 11:00pm

Max's Grill, 2425 W Lincoln Ave, Olivia MN

5:00 Doors open

Silent Auction, Socializing

7:00 Dinner served

8:00 Spirit of TEC, Light of Christ

Live Auction

9:00 Dance, Socializing

*Questions? feel free to email jerrylangworthy@hotmail.com or call 612-850-3302
Rooms can be reserved at the Sheep Shedde Inn for 65.00/night. 320-523-5000*

Name

Entree [circle one]

Chicken Alfredo / Prime Rib / Walleye

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Chicken Alfredo / Prime Rib / Walleye

Chicken Alfredo / Prime Rib / Walleye

Chicken Alfredo / Prime Rib / Walleye

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Total number of tickets x 25.00 = _____ total cost.

Confirmation Email address _____

upon receipt of your order/check, an email confirmation will be sent if you provide an address

Make checks out to Riverbend TEC and mail to: Riverbend TEC

c/o Jerry Langworthy

11837 Harvest Lane #16

Eden Prairie, MN 55347

DEADLINE: January 31st

If more than 5 tickets are being ordered, add additional names and entree's on the back