

# **PALANCA TEAM APPLICATION (for Jan. 2012)**

If you are interested in serving on the palanca team for the men's or women's weekends please fill out the form below and send it as soon as possible to:

Men's **Gary Mennen**  
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## PALANCA TEAM APPLICATION FORM

WEEKEND DATES: Men's: Jan. 19-22 & Women's Jan. 26-29

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

### PLEASE ANSWER THE FOLLOWING:

1. Are you willing to work all 3 days? \_\_\_\_\_  
If not, which days can you work? \_\_\_\_\_

2. List any previous Palanca team experience (mail room, kitchen, music, etc.)  
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3. When did you make your Via de Cristo weekend? \_\_\_\_\_

4. Will you have a candidate at this Via de Cristo? \_\_\_\_\_

5. List any health or diet needs that we should know of?  
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6. A \$25.00 deposit (non-refundable) is requested with this application. The balance will be collected at registration on Thurs. p.m. Total cost is \$125.00. If you are only coming for part of the week-end the cost is \$45.00 per day.

7. In the event that there are more applicants for serving on the Palanca team than vacancies, would you be willing to be placed on a waiting list should a replacement need arise? \_\_\_\_\_

8. Is this your first time to work Palanca? \_\_\_\_\_  
Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

**ROLE OF THE PALANCA TEAM: TO SERVE** Throughout this weekend you will be asked to give your love in many different forms: prayer, chapel time, discussions, washing dishes, cleaning, waiting tables and much more. In short, to provide support to the conference room team, the kitchen team, and of course, to the **Guests**.

**The registration fee of \$125.00 will be collected when you arrive and register on Thursday evening. Unless you have made other arrangements, please be prepared to pay at that time.**

The Secretariat has formulated some guidelines for palanca workers for our weekends. These guidelines are not meant to prevent anyone from serving on a weekend but simply to present a workable solution to a potential problem.

First anyone who has attended a Via de Cristo weekend is eligible to work on the palanca team. You don't have to be asked, all you have to do is submit an application form to your palanca rector prior to the weekend you wish to work on. The palanca rectors will then send letters of acceptance to those who have been chosen to serve based on the following selection process:

- a] guests from the previous year will be given first priority
- b] those who are sponsoring guests will be given second priority
- c] those who can work the entire weekend will be asked next, followed by those who can commit to only part of the weekend.

We would ask that people **not** plan to come in to work just for Saturday evening.

The palanca team members are asked to contribute the same amount as the guests and team for meals and lodging for the weekend. This may vary from one weekend to another but is currently set as \$125.00 for the 3 days and 3 nights. Because some guests are not able to pay the full amount, we need to ask team and palanca to please contribute the suggested amount, more if possible.

**Palanca rectors are asked to limit the total number of palanca workers to 40 people (including Spiritual Directors, rectors, captains, etc.)**