

COMEGA #36

Fall, 2010: Sept 10,11,12

The Challenges of Manhood

Over the past forty years there have been many challenges to the way men are in the world. What has our culture told men to be? On one hand knowledgeable, strong, powerful, wise in relation to the world of commerce and competition; and on the other sensitive and caring in the world of home and relationships. The image of a man projected by the mass media is still the hero battling the forces of evil or a buffoon stumbling into himself. But who among us is cast in either of these molds.

Where are the hero images for the man who works his job, loves and spends time with his family and friends. What images do we have of ourselves when our teenagers are more adept at the electronic media that dominate our world and making a living has become a fierce scary battleground as the job market and the flow of money becomes tighter? We are supposed to be providers, protectors, achievers as well as thoughtful sons, model fathers, lovers and companions.

Regardless of our biological age we are continually forging and reforming our identity as men in response to our fast paced unstable world. Good men can feel powerless and confused in the face of this cultural confusion. Male self-esteem and self-worth depend on knowing ourselves, but the cultural mirror in which we see ourselves is badly distorted.

At COMEGA #36 we will be exploring the challenges men are facing today. In the growing tradition of COMEGA we will do this by sharing our stories and our truths. There will be numerous workshops and communilogs where our explorations can go deeper than the surface of our daily lives. Then we can take the time to get beyond these challenges redefining them into opportunities so we can grow stronger in the face of them and maybe redefining for ourselves what it is to be a man.

See you there !!!

COMEGA # 36

Challenges to Manhood

Through various workshops and activities, in small and large groups, COMEGA provides an open, trusting, non-competitive environment for men of all ages, races and backgrounds to openly share and learn from each other.

General Information

Mike Dearborn ... 1-860-514-1810 ... mike.dearborn@sbcglobal.net

Paul St. Marie ... 1-860-608-7382 ... paulsm@franklins.net

Scholarships

Dennis Knapp ... 1-860-974-0494 ... indepthdennis@yahoo.com

*** Scholarships must be applied for by September 1, 2010

Registration

Tom Campo ... 1-860-429-7929 ... tpc1958@msn.com

Registration is \$165.00 for returning men ... \$140.00 for men attending for the first time. Registration form is in brochure. Fill out and send to address listed

Workshops

Let yourself shine ... lead a workshop so others can gain from your ideas

Harvey Weinstein ... 1-860-778-8168

hlweinstein@yahoo.com

Dietary Needs

Pre-register and add a note stating your needs and we will make every effort to accommodate you. There are vegetarian alternatives at all meals.