

Diakonia

Newsletter of the Denton Area Emmaus Community



From the Community Lay Director

Most communities take sponsorship for granted; they assume that everyone knows the how and why of sponsorship. Especially as we are a new community, the importance of understanding the value of good sponsorship cannot be overemphasized. The aim of sponsorship is to build up the body of Christ. Emmaus is for active Christians and members of churches whose own renewal will mean new energy, commitment, and vision in the church and everyday environments for Christ's sake.

How do we sponsor?

1. Pray for the person's openness to God's call to discipleship, not for how to get him or her to go on a Walk.
2. Make an appointment with the person or couple for the purpose of discussing participation in Emmaus.
3. Extend an invitation. Explain the walk. Take the attitude that you are giving the person a wonderful gift rather than that he or she needs to go.
4. Ask the person to make a commitment by filing out the registration form. If the person is married, speak with both partners and encourage an equal commitment by both.
5. Continue to pray for your pilgrim, prepare agape letters, and enlist the support of their pastor. Collect eight to twelve personal agape letters.
6. Support the Walk through your prayers during the 72-Hour Prayer Vigil and your presence at Send Off, Sponsor's Hour, Candlelight, and Closing. Support the pilgrim's family with any help that might be needed.
7. Encourage the pilgrim in his or her Fourth Day involvement. Give your friend an opportunity to talk through the experience. Help the pilgrim find a group, or be prepared to start a group with him or her for a period of time until others join. Take the pilgrim to Gatherings as your guest for a couple of months.
8. Help the pilgrim reenter his or her church and consider way to act out new commitment and enthusiasm.
9. Inform the pilgrim of ways to serve the Emmaus community and future Walks.
10. Help the pilgrim sponsor others.

Sponsorship is an act of love for God. It demonstrates agape love, making us instruments of prevenient grace.

In these troubled times in our nation, can you think of a better time to sponsor someone on a walk? Remember.....Christ is counting on you - Are you counting on Christ?

DeColores,
Barbara Carruth
Community Lay Director

**April
2003**

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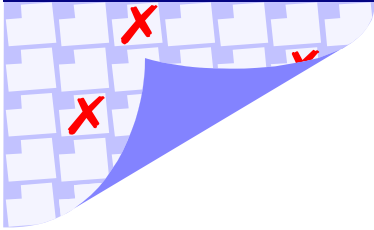
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**It's time to now register for our
June and July 2003 walks!**

DAEC

Calendar of events



2003

Men's Walk #7
June 26-29, 2003
Lake Sharon

Women's Walk #8
July 10-13, 2003
Lake Sharon

Training / Gathering
August 23, 2003
Training 1:00p-4:00p
Dinner 4:30pm-5:30pm
Gathering 6:00pm
FUMC—Lewisville, TX

Scholarships

Scholarship money is used for both pilgrims and team members. If God has put it on your heart to give in some way to the Denton Emmaus community, please remember that scholarship money is always needed and appreciated.

From the DAEC Registration Station

Identifying one's spiritual gifts and talents is a refreshing and fulfilling effort. However, when one finds himself (that's me) in a role that is at the other end of the spectrum from his gifts and talents, challenges are certainly unavoidable. Administration is not one of my gifts or talents. Registration is primarily an "Administrative" function. Thus, you see the reason for this note to future sponsors. Get the applications in as early as possible, and make sure the application is **complete**. Complete includes the church the applicant attends (this is not a 'yes' or 'no' question) and the pastor's signature. If the application goes in my "incomplete" folder, there is a really good chance that it will never be seen again. I have even been known (recently) to lose track of a "complete" application.

Our next Men's Walk is June 26 - 29. Our next Women's Walk is July 10 - 13.

Keeping the Faith,
Sonny Gann

By the way, if you have my DAEC Incomplete Applications" folder, please return it to me. Thanks.

2003 BOARD ELECTIONS

INSIDE YOU WILL FIND A BALLOT FOR OUR 2003 BOARD ELECTIONS. PLEASE CHOOSE 2 MEN AND 2 WOMEN AND THEN RETURN IT TO:

**DENTON AREA EMMAUS COMMUNITY
P.O. BOX 2609
DENTON, TX 76202**

ALL BALLOTS MUST BE RECEIVED BY MAY 16, 2003.

DeColores!



**Team Members
for Men's Walk #7
June 26-29, 2003**

ALDs	TALK
CHUCK LOWRY	Priority
JASON BUFFINGTON	Fourth Day
ALLEN HOGGATT	
CLERGY	
LOIS COOPER (SD)	Means of Grace
JANET BELL ODEM	Justifying Grace
DAVID WEBER	Obstacles to Grace
JIM DRAKE	Sanctifying Grace
TABLE LEADERS	
DAVID HIXSON	Changing Our World
JOHN McDONALD	Body of Christ
CLAY SHOEMAKER	Life of Piety
RAYMOND WARD	Discipleship
RICHARD OGDEN	Grow Through Study
ASST. TABLE LEADERS	
JERRY LANDRUM	Christian Action
JEFF RUSHING	
MICHAEL MONNIG	
DAN RYAN	Priesthood Believers
MIKE SHERWOOD	
MUSICIANS	
DAN CORBITT	
ROBBIE PIERCE	
LAY DIRECTOR	
ALAN CARRUTH	Perseverance
BOARD REP.	
SONNY GANN	
SERVANT TEAM LEADER	
ROY BRADSHAW	

**Team Members for
Women's Walk #8
July 10-13, 2003**



ASST. TABLE LEADERS	TALK
Elaine Ferrar	
Julie Rushing	
Sherry Smith	
Kathy Stanley	Life of Piety
Linda Winterburn	Grow through Study
TABLE LEADERS	
Sherry Goin	Discipleship
Cindy Herzog	Christian Action
Anne Hyde	Changing our World
Theresa Rogers	Priesthood Believers
Cindy Shoemaker	Body of Christ
MUSICIANS	
Vicki Taylor	
BrendaSoules	
ASST. LAY DIRECTOR	
Lynn Hall	Priority
Mary Hunt	
Janice McKee	Fourth Day
SPIRITUAL LEADERS	
Lynda Schupp	Means of Grace
Rob Lindley	
LAY DIRECTOR	
Jan Deering	Perseverance
SERVANT TEAM LEADER	
Vikki Culwell	
BOARD REP	
Barbara Carruth	



WALK NUMBER	DATE	LAY DIRECTOR	SPIRITUAL DIRECTOR	SERVANT TEAM LEADER	BOARD REP
Men #9	02/26-29/04	Dan Grace	Kirk Taylor	John Alderman	Steve Hines
Women #10	03/24-28/04	Mary Hunt	Joe Zinser	Kathy Faulkenberry	Joy Morrison
Men #11	06/24-27/04	??	Linda White		??
Women #12	07/22-25/04	Janice McKee	Marilyn Dickson		Barbara Carruth
Men #13	09/23-26/04	Chuck Lowry	John Featherson	Steve Hines	Bob Kovacs
Women #14	10/14-17/04	Debbie Burks	Scott Jones		Margie Lindley

Who is a Servant Team Candidate?

1. Persons who have filled out forms signifying desire for service on a team.
2. Persons who have been Pilgrims on walks but have not served in any capacity yet.
3. Spouses of inside Team Members.
4. Sponsors of Pilgrims on the walk they would be attending.
5. Persons in the community who are inactive for an extended period of time.
6. Persons with experience who have a close or working relationship with the Servant Team Leader.

Highlighting number 5 above, lets think about who that is. Are you a person who moved here from another community and would like to become involved again? Are you a person who several years ago had been active and served on teams in the Dallas community or another nearby but for good and valid reasons has not been able to participate recently? Are you a person who wants be involved but just hasn't made the right connection yet? Are you being called by God to serve others anonymously, but don't know how?

If you answered "yes" to any one or more of the above, you are a candidate for Servant Team service and you need to call me at 972-625-2845 or e-mail: shines57@att.net and get re-connected to Emmaus.

Steve Hines
Dallas Emmaus Walk #27
Table of John

TRAINING

Orientation Training Day to be held May 17, 2003, at Trietsch Memorial UMC for Men's Walks #7 & Women's Walk #8, from 8:30a.m. to 12:00 noon. THIS INCLUDES BOTH THE CONFERENCE ROOM AND SERVANT TEAMS.

**** N O T I C E ****

DAEC CELEBRATION EVENT 08/23/03

Come Join in the DAEC Celebration Event including Community-Wide Training Day, Covered Dish (Pot-Luck) Dinner, Fun, and Fellowship, followed by a Gathering with Music, Worship and Communion. Community-Wide Training 1:00p.m. to 4:00p.m. Covered Dish Dinner 4:30p.m. to 5:30p.m. Gathering 6:00p.m. *Stay tuned and watch for more details to come in the next Newsletter.*

De Colores
Nancy Daniel
Training

APRIL FINANCIAL REPORT

Balance as of 4/07/03

Regular account \$7,026.01

TOTAL BALANCE \$7,026.01

Income

Nametags \$ 49.00

Books \$ 50.00

Pilgrims #6 \$1,080.00

Team Lunch #6 \$ 270.00

Candlelight #6 \$ 463.00

Book Tables #6 \$ 181.00

Team #6 \$2,929.00

Gift \$ 100.00

TOTAL INCOME \$5,122.00

Expenses

Trophies Plus \$ 167.01

Upper Room Supplies \$ 74.88

Lake Sharon Walk #6 \$4,741.00

Upper Room Supplies \$ 78.59

Bnk Statement \$ 285.00

TOTAL EXPENSES (\$5,061.48)

Balance as of 04/07/03

Regular account \$6,801.53

Scholarship \$ 0.00



Balance to

Respectfully submitted,
Steve Griffith
Treasurer

Upcoming Dallas Chrysalis Flights & Journeys:

Girl's Flight #56 June 26-28, 2003 (THU-SAT)

Boy's Flight #57 July 10-12, 2003 (THU-SAT)

Is God calling YOU to work in
Prison Ministry? Then KAIROS is for you!
For more information please contact
Mitch Martin 972/567-7836
or
Steve Griffin 972/317-8787

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of them were going to a
village called Emmaus...

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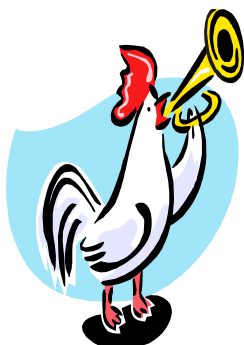
Phone: 940-390-9143
Fax: 972-355-4884

www.dentonemmaus.org

Walk to Emmaus Celebrates 25th Anniversary, Four-Day Event

For registration and hotel information, visit
www.upperroom.org/emmaus/25th. Early bird
discounts, group rates, youth, and children rates
are available.

For more information, contact: Sherry Elliott,
The Upper Room, Director of Marketing
Phone: (615) 340-7220; E-mail:
selliott@upperroom.org;
Fax: (615) 340-7178



Do you or your reunion group make agape? We
always need agape for our Walks. If you would
like to contribute agape, please contact Barbara
Carruth, Lay Dir./Supplies, 972-724-2235 or

Agape Corner

bcarruth@flash.net, or
contact anyone on the
Board and let us know
who you are and what
you are willing to
provide.

Please Follow These AGAPE Guidelines

- ◆ No personal names (church/reunion groups only)
- ◆ Include the number of each item you have brought
- ◆ Name & phone of who to contact if there are extras
- ◆ Do not distribute copyrighted material (including song lyrics)

DON'T FORGET FOOD AGAPE!