

DIAKONIA

July, 2010

FROM OUR COMMUNITY LAY DIRECTOR

First and foremost on behalf of the Board I want to thank you for your tremendous generosity and outpouring of love during the past two candlelight services. You donated over \$2600 which more than fully covered our liability insurance premium and the balance of the money was put in the Pilgrims Scholarship Fund. We realize many of you have had to tighten your wallets as well and we are so very appreciative of your charitable giving.

The Board has been very diligent these past few months of evaluating and analyzing a detailed financial synopsis of our annual budget. From our findings we had to make some very difficult decisions. Over

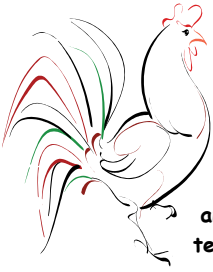
the past two years we have had to cancel several walks due to low attendance, much of it having to do with the current hard economic times. It is most costly and time consuming to cancel walks, therefore the Board has decided until we can fill each walk with 25 or more pilgrims we will only schedule four walks per year with two held in the spring and two in the fall. The walk dates are based upon the fact that historically the spring and fall walks have had the highest attendance. Also beginning in 2011 our weekend fees will increase from \$145 to \$165. This was not an easy decision to make but we had to take into account the rise in supplies and operating

costs. Further down in this newsletter you will find a basic overview of our budget. In addition, the Board has proposed to implement an annual review of our financial statement by an independent evaluator. We feel this is an important step in making sure we are being as fiscally responsible as possible. If there is a Member of the Community who is an Auditor, a CPA or is familiar with Financial Statements and would be willing to donate a few hours of your time once a year to review our financial books please contact me or anyone on the Board. I personally want to express my appreciation and gratitude to the Board and to all of our Members who volunteer so much of

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Theresa Rogers





2010 Walk Schedule

Sept 16-19 Men #47 Lay Director - Jerry Graham,
 Servant Team Leader Tom Mladjen - tomkim6@juno.com
 Oct 7-10 Women #48 Lay Director - Cindie Vaughan
 Servant Team Leader - Robin Hixson - rgraceh@swbell.net

Servant Team assistance is always needed and appreciated. Please contact the Servant Team Leader if you have an interest in serving this fall whether on the outside team by assisting with set up and tear down or the on-site team.

2011 Walk Schedule

Feb 24-27 Men #49 Lay Director - David Christiansen
 Mar 3-6 Women #50 Lay Director - Tracey Mostyn
 Oct 6-9 Men #51 Lay Director - Dennis Hale
 Oct 13-16 Women #52 Lay Director - Cindy Shoemaker

The Board is in the process of making an historical scrapbook of all Walk's.

If you have been a Lay Director in the Denton Community and have an extra book bag, book cover, button from your Walk, we would love to show it off in our Historical Scrap Book. You can give your extras to any one of the Board Members or mail it to the Board's PO Box. Thanks!!!

Denton Area Emmaus Community 2011 Budget

22,705	Lake Sharon Fees - \$129 per person
800	Upper Room Pilgrim Fee - \$10 per Pilgrim
400	Pilgrim Fourth Day Book - \$5 per
150	Purple Worship Book - \$1.25 per
280	Pilgrim Cross - \$3.50 per
120	Pilgrim Note Book - \$1 per
30	Reunion Card - .25 per
65	Pictures - .35 per
50	Lay Director Cross - \$12 per
<u>400</u>	Lay Director Stipend - \$100 ea
25,000	

Average Mandatory Operating Costs per Year

600	Trailer Supplies - \$150 per Walk
200	Ink for printing Agape Letters
150	CCLI License
95	PO Box Rental
50	Book Table Kitty Fund
10	Postage
65	Trailer Tags
1,905	Liability Insurance
<u>1,550</u>	Clergy Conference Site Fees (Clergy are not asked to pay Lake Sharon Fees)
4,625	
<u>465</u>	10% Emergency Contingency Fund
5,090	
<u>25,000</u>	
30,090	
<u>~ 176</u>	
170.00	Total actual cost per person
165.00	New Application Fee as of Jan 2011

Misc Income

800.00	Candlelight
<u>200.00</u>	Lunch Money
1000.00	Pilgrim Scholarship Fund (Avg 2 Pilgrims per Walk)

WELCOME DENTON AREA EMMAUS COMMUNITY NEWEST

Men's Walk #45 May 13-16, 2010



Steve Martin - Trietsch Memorial UMC
Kevin Cummings - Trietsch Memorial UMC
Michael Briggs - Greenville Oaks Church of Christ
Gary Skeesick - White's Chapel UMC
Gary Stevenson - Trietsch Memorial UMC
Jay Shannon - Trietsch Memorial UMC
Rod Simundson - Abiding Peace Community Church
Chris Wittwer - First UMC - Denton
Brad Martin - Trietsch Memorial UMC
Andy Eads - Trietsch Memorial UMC
Greg Melvin - First Presbyterian - Lewisville
TJ York - First Presbyterian - Jacksboro
Michael Ramey - First UMC - Denton
Brad Evans - Trietsch Memorial UMC
Joe Price - First Presbyterian - Lewisville
Mike Carrell - Trietsch Memorial UMC
Jim Bregard - Trietsch Memorial UMC
Jim Bronaugh - Trietsch Memorial UMC
Todd York - Trietsch Memorial UMC
Kevin Huyen - Trietsch Memorial UMC
Kent Lack - Grace Community Assembly of God

Women's Walk #46 May 20-23, 2010



Bernadette Cusseaux - Covenant Church Carrollton
Sharon Gayle - Trietsch Memorial UMC
Cindy Hartsock - Trietsch Memorial UMC
Jennifer McLarty - Faith UMC
Kelly Coussons - Trietsch Memorial UMC
Joan Marinaro - Trietsch Memorial UMC
Lydia Murawski - First UMC - The Colony
Susan Potter - White's Chapel UMC
Traci Ward - First UMC - Allen
Kim Cook - Calvary Christian Fellowship
Laurie Gorrell - Serenity Church
Hannah Hollister - First UMC - Denton
Mary Smith - Trietsch Memorial UMC
Stephanie Gordon - Pathway of Grace
Roma Maslak - Trietsch Memorial UMC
Janice Oliphant - Trietsch Memorial UMC
Sandra Orrick - Trinity UMC - Denton
Sharon Bossert - First UMC - The Colony
Amanda Evans - Trietsch Memorial UMC
Sheryl Refsland - Abiding Peace Community Church
Lindsey Vaughan - Hope Fellowship Church

In the Garden



It was in 1912 that music publisher Dr. Adam Geibel asked C. Austin Miles to write a hymn text that would be “sympathetic in tone, breathing tenderness in every line; one that would bring hope to the hopeless, rest for the weary, and downy pillows to dying beds.” Miles personal account:

One day in March, 1912, I was seated in the dark room, where I kept my photographic equipment and organ. I drew my Bible toward me, it opened at my favorite chapter, John 20...whether by chance or inspiration, let the reader decide. That meeting of Jesus and Mary had lost none of its power to charm.

As I read it that day, I seemed to be part of the scene. I became a silent witness to that dramatic moment in Mary’s life, when she knelt before her Lord, and cried, “Rabboni!”

My hands were resting on the Bible while I stared at the light blue wall. As the light faded, I seemed to be standing at the entrance of a garden, looking down a gently winding path, shaded by olive branches. A woman in white, with head bowed, hand clasping her throat, as if to choke back her sobs, walked slowly into the shadows. It was Mary. As she came to the tomb, upon which she placed her hand, she bent over to look in, and hurried away.

John, in flowing robe, appeared, looking at the tomb, then came Peter, who entered the tomb, followed slowly by John.

As they departed, Mary reappeared, leaning her head upon her arm at the tomb, she wept. Turning herself, she saw Jesus standing, so did I. I knew it was He. She knelt before Him, with arms outstretched and looking into His face cried “Rabboni!”

I awakened in full light, gripping the Bible, with muscles tense and nerves vibrating. Under the inspiration of this vision I wrote as quickly as the words could be formed the poem exactly as it has since appeared. That same evening I wrote the music.



Next to “The Old Rugged Cross” this hymn has been one of the most popular gospel hymns ever written, beginning with the days when Homer Rodeheaver led singing for the Billy Sunday campaigns and used the hymn extensively.

****submitted by Dan Corbitt



NEXT WEEKEND EVENT.....

August 7 at St. Andrew’s Christian Church Carrollton

5:30 Sponsor Meeting

6:00 Potluck Dinner

7:00 Worship