

# Emmaus of the Rockies

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## 2011 Emmaus of the Rockies Picnic

*Well, everyone, it's that time again, time for the EOTR annual picnic.*

*We will once again hold the picnic in that famous Old West town of Rye, Colorado, at the infamous trailer wrangler hangout, the Brush Canyon (Christenson) Ranch, on 6 August 2011. (Mark your calendar now!)*

*We'll need some ranch hands...er...volunteers for Clergy, Music, setup, and teardown.*

*In something new for this year, we'd like reunion groups and individuals to bring either pre-made agape or the materials to make agape during the picnic.*

*Of course, we'll have games for the kids and families, too.*

*To make sure we have a good selection of vittles, we've broken down the list of food to bring by the first letter of your last name:*

*A-E Chips/dips/snacks*

*F-J Drinks*

*K-O Beans/Pasta/side dish*

*P-T Dessert*

*U-Z Salad*

*EOTR will supply the condiments, meats (burgers and dogs), and buns.*

*If you want to bring more than one dish, go right ahead! Your second or third dish can be whatever you want.*

*Check out the improved [Emmausrock.org](http://Emmausrock.org) website! Read all about it on page 5.*



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## Sponsorship and Scholarship

Sponsorship to a Walk to Emmaus is one of the most loving things you can do for a friend or loved one. However, it's not simply helping your Pilgrim process the application! Besides taking your Pilgrim to the Walk (or arranging for it), you must take care of the needs of the spouse and family left at home while your Pilgrim attends the walk. There are many more requirements for Sponsors – click on the “What is a Sponsor?” link at the EOTR website, [www.emmausrock.org](http://www.emmausrock.org).

The EOTR Board believes that no one should be denied the opportunity to attend a Walk to Emmaus due to cost. To help reduce the out-of-pocket expenses, the Board has developed a policy, specifically for Scholarships (click on “Application Forms” then “Scholarship Policy” at the EOTR website). In essence it says that funding needs should be met first by the Sponsor, then by Reunion Groups, then by the Church, then by applying for a scholarship. Scholarships can cover up to ½ of the cost for the Walk.

With the Fall Walks coming up at Hermit Basin, now is the time to show your love to a fellow Christian and encourage them to apply. The cost of the Fall Walk is \$200.

## 2011 Emmaus of the Rockies

### Board of Directors

Here is the 2011 Emmaus of the Rockies Board of Directors and the areas of service each member will coordinate.

Dan “Bearpaw” Blackwell	Chairman, Education, Prayers
Roy Christenson	Trailer
Paul Clayton	Ass't Community Spiritual Director
Danny DeJesus	Webmaster, Chrysalis Rep
April Gardner	Secretary
Tracy Hash	Community Lay Director, Team Selection
Melissa Hershberger	Books, Garments, Agape
Monica King	Registrar
David King*	Gatherings, IT/AV maintenance
Julie Lovell	Facilities, Reunion Groups
Gina Nichols	Treasurer
Damian Rotolo	Music
Randy Short	Community Spiritual Director
Ted Stuart	Outreach
Scott Thomason	Past Board Chair, Newsletter

\* Dave is completing the last year of Randy Bringman's term

### IMPROVED PRAYER VIGIL SIGN-UP

The Fall Walks are the last two weekends in October. Please support the Pilgrims and Teams by praying for them during the weekends. We're now using the 3-Day On-Line website ([www.3dayol.org](http://www.3dayol.org)) for our prayer vigil sign-ups. You can go to the site by clicking on one of the Prayer Vigil links on the EOTR Homepage ([www.emmausrock.org](http://www.emmausrock.org)), which will take you directly to the Prayer Vigil sign-up page for that specific walk. It is very easy to use, and will help prevent sign-up list issues.

# FALL WALKS

The Fall, 2011 Walks are shaping up nicely. They will be held at the Hermit Basin Retreat Center near Westcliffe. Men's Walk #146 is scheduled for 20-23 October, and Women's Walk #147 is scheduled for the following weekend, 27-30 October.

Factoids: Vaughn Platt is the Men's Lay Director. Ralph Baumer will ensure the Team follows the Model as the Board Representative. For the Women, Celena Torres-Ferrer is the Lay Director and Tonni Kirkbride is the Board Representative.

We held Team Selection on 11 June, but there is still time to apply to serve on a team if you're interested – download an application from the EOTR website ([www.emmausrock.org/Applications.htm](http://www.emmausrock.org/Applications.htm)) and send it in. Team Training for both Walks is planned for 20 August, 17 September, and 8 October 2011. We're still working on the training locations.

## Epiphany

Epiphany Ministries shows Christ's love for juveniles incarcerated in Colorado's Youth Offender System (YOS). They are looking for adult volunteers to support the upcoming 15-18 September Epiphany. You can find out more by visiting [www.epiphanyministry.com](http://www.epiphanyministry.com).

## We Need Agape!

The shelves of the EOTR Agape store are bare. We need *your* help in refilling them! We're asking reunion groups to redouble their activities to create/buy/build/invent/whatever Agape for the upcoming Walks. With three walks planned for 2012, it's all the more urgent that we receive enough Agape to hold quality walks.



## Chrysalis News

Do you know a teen who is itching to grow closer to Christ? Well, the next Chrysalis Flights will be held in January and February 2012. Now is the time to submit an application to attend! Learn more by visiting the Chrysalis of the Rockies website ([www.emmausrock.org/chrysalis.htm](http://www.emmausrock.org/chrysalis.htm)).

The Chrysalis community needs adults from the Emmaus Community to assist with next year's Flights (Early 2012).

The next Chrysalis Board meeting will be 9 July, from 9:00 to 12:00, at Tri-Lakes UMC in Monument. Those interested in assisting with Chrysalis are encouraged to attend.

For more information contact Pete Etcheverry at [etchjp@comcast.net](mailto:etchjp@comcast.net)



## FACILITIES-“THE BALANCING ACT”

Granted — EOTR is not a circus — but sometimes we can use analogies in describing the many facets for providing all that is needed for those committed to serving our Lord through the EOTR experience.

As the Board chair of Facilities since 2009, I have considered this position a balancing act, in that there are several things to consider as we choose the facilities that will best support our needs. Cost, amenities, time of availability, and location are all key elements involved in this process.

Hermit Basin, nestled in the Sangre De Cristo mountains above Westcliffe, has been a favorite conference center for many EOTR alumni. This facility offers semi-private rooms, their own cooks, and separation from the outside world in a most beautiful mountain setting. EOTR has been holding fall walks at this site for many years now. The cost here is higher due to the amenities described above.

John Wesley Ranch is located west of Colorado Springs, near Divide, Colorado. It is also a mountain retreat setting — with a little more rustic look. This facility features bunkhouse style sleeping areas, a large dining room, and a picturesque little white chapel. This is a **non smoking facility** and we limit the number of pilgrims to 25 due to it being a smaller facility. EOTR has held spring walks at this facility for a few years now. The cost here is substantially less, in part because we provide our own cook team.

The board for EOTR has heard from some participants that a summer set of walks would be beneficial — so in 2012 we are planning 3 full sets of walks — to include a summer walk. At this time we are looking at a church setting (which would make the cost to attend or serve less than at a retreat center). If anyone has input about a good church for this or other places to hold walks, please call me with your information — I will be checking these places out this summer. And thank you to those who have submitted ideas already. Please keep this balancing act in your prayers — **and be praying about which walk or walks you will serve on in 2012!**

In Christian Service,

Julie Lovell

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#### Look Up A Verse



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Improved Emmausrock.org website - Check out all the things you can do: sign up for a prayer vigil, check out the minutes from the last Board Meeting, review the EOTR Bylaws, research the Scholarship Policy, link to Chrysalis of the Rockies, look at recent newsletters, pay for your

servant registration, watch some cool videos, get in contact with a member of the board, donate funds to EOTR, find a reunion group, learn about sponsorship, find out about the Pilgrims for the upcoming walk, and so much more. It's one-stop shopping for **Emmaus of the Rockies!**

Did you ever wonder...?

How to send general interest messages to the EOTR Community?

Send an e-mail with your message to [emmausrock@yahoogroups.com](mailto:emmausrock@yahoogroups.com). Your e-mail will be reviewed by a moderator (generally a Board member) before allowing it to be sent to the entire group.

Send prayer requests to [emmausrock-prayer@yahoogroups.com](mailto:emmausrock-prayer@yahoogroups.com). You can join the Emmausrock prayer group by sending an e-mail to [Emmausrock-prayer-subscribe@yahoogroups.com](mailto:Emmausrock-prayer-subscribe@yahoogroups.com).

You can post events on the calendar also – Gatherings, Candlelight, Closing, Picnics, etc.: <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/Emmausrock/cal>

EOTR has a Facebook group also – while logged into Facebook, search for [Emmaus of the Rockies](#), then join the group!

Contact a member of the Board by sending an e-mail to [EOTRboard@hotmail.com](mailto:EOTRboard@hotmail.com) or contact the registrar directly at [EOTRregistrar@hotmail.com](mailto:EOTRregistrar@hotmail.com). Provide feedback on this newsletter to [LScottThom@earthlink.net](mailto:LScottThom@earthlink.net).

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