

EMMAUS OF THE ROCKIES

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HELLO EMMAUS COMMUNITY



As 2007 Chair of the Emmaus of the Rockies Board of Directors, I want to encourage each of you to become more involved in the activities of our Emmaus community this year. We need your help in these areas: Gatherings, Weekends, 4th Day speakers, Selection Committee for teams, Agape trailer, Registration, the summer BBQ/song fest, and sponsoring new pilgrims. We want to make 2007 a dynamic Emmaus year in Colorado!



The Board of Directors sets policy for our community – we are a governing board – not a management board – the board lets the committees manage. As our number one priority for 2007, we want to grow committees in our community so they



“...and He had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.” Luke 24:35



“They devoted themselves to the apostle’s teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers.” Acts 2:42



“...they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, praising God and having the goodwill of all the people.” Acts 2:46



First century Christians understood how important fellowship, with like minded people, meant. When they met they had communion but

can learn to manage Emmaus’ different programs and processes.

In the past 3 months, I have heard from several board members about the progress they have been making in involving more of our community in forming small committees. This is exciting news, not only for our board but for the community. I urge everyone that holds a position on the board to actively pursue involving others in our Emmaus community in forming these committees. So, if you are asked or if you want to help serve on a committee I hope you will understand how important and valued your input is towards decision making.

Spiritual Director

then visited and had a great time together. It was through this fellowship that they recognized the presence of Christ and gained strength to face a hostile world.

It is this example that Emmaus Community and Reunion groups base their meetings. We meet, eat together, pray, confess, and then celebrate Communion. If it was good enough for our founding brothers and sister, it should be good enough for us. However, we find fewer and fewer Emmaus people participating in Com-

The Board of Directors contact information is located on the web site. I believe that the more we involve the community in Board decisions and directions, the more vital Emmaus of the Rockies can become. This is a great way for the community to have more communication with the Board.

The Board of Directors of Emmaus’ role is to hear recommendations from the committees and then to accept, reject or modify the proposals. Your time is valuable and the Board of Directors thank you for your commitment to helping us make Emmaus of the Rockies more dynamic in the coming year.

You are welcome to attend Board meetings

held every 2nd Saturday in Pueblo - We welcome and encourage your involvement. I believe that leadership development is for everyone involved – both on the Board and in the community, and I encourage each of us to stretch towards this goal.

May you have the peace that only Jesus brings to us -

Vicki Thorson

Chair – Board of Directors Emmaus of the Rockies



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Changing of the Guard by Monty White

With our first newsletter of 2007, we'd like to let everyone know about the changes to the EOTR Board. First, we want to thank those who have given three or, in one case, four years of service on the Board. We pray for God's continued blessings on Brian Blackburn, Lisa Carpentier, Matt Mueller, and Leslie Scott. Each of these people have given selflessly of their time and talents to help our community become more Christ-centered

and Spirit-filled. If you see them, please give them a big Emmaus hug and your thanks for their service.

Also, please give a warm welcome to Ralph Baumer, Bryan Brown, Dave Fuller, and Donna Thomas. These are the newly elected members of the Board, who will help to carry on the ministry and support previously provided by the departing members.

The Board is here to serve you and to make sure our community remains

within the guidelines of the Walk to Emmaus as stated by the Upper Room. You can find all of the Board member names, positions, and e-mail addresses on the web at <http://www.emmausrock.org/officers.html>.



4th Days and Gatherings by Donna Thomas

As one of your newly elected EOTR Board members (and thank you for your vote), I would like to introduce myself—Donna Thomas, Walk 50, Table of Anna—as the person on the board who will be supporting you with Gatherings and 4th Day Gatherings, as well as Reunion Groups. I am very excited about trying to get all of us fired up for 4th day fellowship!

It is the goal of the Board to have a 4th Day driven community rather than a Walk driven one. (Stand by: In a future letter, I will explain this further.) In this way, we don't have to rely only on walks once or twice a year to remind us of what we experienced on our walk: "Were not our hearts burning within us while he talked with us on the road [to Emmaus] and opened the scriptures to us?"

I am brand new to this position and the main purpose of this letter is to ask for your ideas, suggestions and input about our 4th Day events and how the Board and I might better

support yours.

You will be hearing from me frequently with information and feedback, but as a starting point, I am asking you to respond to some questions so I can take back some suggestions to all levels that may help us increase our 4th Day involvement and excitement. Please email your feedback to: dgdavidson@yahoo.com.

1. What did you like best about the Gatherings you have attended?

2. If you know of people who do not attend, why do you think that is?

3. If you do not attend 4th Day events, what would you say is your main reason? (What do you not like? What keeps you away?)

5. What would you like to see more/less of in the planning of events?

6. Would you be interested in working with the local coordinators of 4th Day events to assist in planning and preparing for them?

7. Please take this opportunity to tell me everything you have always wanted to say about Gatherings and

have not had the chance. I am a fresh person who has no reason to take anything personally that you might say, and no names will be attached to any comments I receive.

I look forward to the task of making our 4th Days and reunion groups exciting, meaningful, and to working with the larger community toward that goal.

In Christ's Love,
Donna Thomas



Men's Walk 126		Women's Walk 127
Darvin Ritchie	PR	Marion Reynolds
Frank Merrill	PR	Diane Ritchie
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Kent Mueller	ATL	Nancy Strickland
	ATL	Mandy Kohl
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Randy Short	C	Steve Earnshaw
Marv Essing	C	Lola West
Danny Jackson	C	Jennifer Winterfeld
	C	
Jim Daniel	HM	Betty Roath
Steve Gardner	M	Mary Nell McCormick
Damian Rotolo	M	Mary Cilek
Dan Blackwell	HS	Jean Gross
	HS	Karen Thomason
Terry Clower	S	Rusty Merrill
John Christenson	S	Marcy Freeburg
Charlie Johnson	S	Jaque Everhart
Bruce Langill	S	Ruth Lopez
Jeff Mann	S	Yvonne Weiser
Kal McBride	S	Nancy Johnson
Gary Ness	S	Cindy Abbey
Dave Nolan	S	Betty Ramsey
Dave Reynolds	S	Sandy Mueller
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Gene Smith	S	Cindy Medina
Jerry Starkweather	S	Donna McDaniel
Ted Stuart	S	Gale Richardson
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Vince Tomassetti	S	Deb Conklin
Steve Weiser	S	Sharon Heintzen
	S	Yvonne Allen
	S	Pat Roberts
	S	Barbara Smith
	S	Gina Rotolo Harmon
	S	Maxine Chandanals
	S	Pat Wilton
	S	Karen Lungu

As of 3/13/07 we have 8 pilgrims signed up for Walk 126 and 16 for Walk 127. We need to have a minimum of 20 for each walk and a maximum of 36 for each. The cut off for receiving applications is two weeks prior to the walk. Therefore, the last day to receive applications for men is April 12th – just one month away (less by the time you get this), and the last day for the ladies is April 19th.

Not only is Emmaus an experience that you probably want to share with friends and fellow Church goers but keep in mind if we have to cancel a walk we still have to pay the facility while reimbursing the pilgrims and team members. This puts EOTR at a huge risk financially so let get those applications in. **Do you remember what a blessing Emmaus was in your life?** Share that blessing with others.

Sponsorship: This does take a commitment and comes with responsibility. As a sponsor you are to:

- Bring your pilgrim to the walk
- Attend send off
- Attend Candlelight
- Attend closing
- Collect letters and deliver them to the walk
- Attend to the needs of the pilgrims home/family while they attend the walk
- Bring the pilgrim to the 4th Day Gathering
- Ensure that your pilgrim is a believer – this is not a program to convert people – it is to grow a person into action at their Church and in their spiritual life.

You are the main contact person with the pilgrim you are their information source so keep them informed. Obviously, you may not be able to do every one of these things but we ask you to do your best and maybe get someone to stand in for you when you can't.

By the way – to speed things up be sure to send your applications to the new PO Box 1416, Canon City, CO 81215-1416 .

Have a GOD day!
Dave Fuller, Registrar

Luke 24:13-35 Men's Walk Scripture "The Walk to Emmaus"
30When he was at the table with them, he took bread, gave thanks, broke it and began to give it to them. **31**Then their eyes were opened and they recognized him, and he disappeared from their sight. **32**They asked each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us while he talked with us on the road and opened the Scriptures to us?" (excerpt)

Amos 4:13 (The Message) Women's Walk 127 Scripture
Look who's here: Mountain-Shaper! Wind-Maker!
He laid out the whole plot before Adam.
He brings everything out of nothing, like dawn out of darkness.
He strides across the alpine ridges.
His name is God, God-of-the-Angel-Armies.

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Registrar/Team Selection	Penny Smith 303-988-8562

WHY WE DO CHRYSALIS: Testimony by Shannon Campbell:

When I went to Emmaus, I wasn't sure I would get anything out of it, but then the weekend came to an end and I didn't want to leave. I was 17 years old and so excited about Jesus Christ, I wanted to give other teenage girls a chance to feel the same way. When I attended Emmaus, I had just got out of a rehab and behavioral modification program for a meth addiction and I didn't have any friends who I knew would support me in my sobriety. In fact I had

friends who tried to convince me sobriety was over-rated and dumb. I decided that I wanted to work with Chrysalis and help teenage girls. That is where I met some of the most amazing people, my best friends and my biggest support system. Chrysalis has been the best experience of my life, and there are so many teenage girls and boys who need to experience the love of

Christ and the love of the Chrysalis and Emmaus communities. So I encourage everyone who reads this to reach out to a young man or woman and give them the priceless gift of Christ.



If you would like a team to come to your church and discuss the POWER of Chrysalis please contact one of the 4th day members.

(Shannon will be the next Youth Lay Director for Chrysalis Flight #59!)

Chrysalis News

* **LOOKING FORWARD:** *

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- * **GIRLS FLIGHT #57:**
- * Butterflies- JULY 20-22, 2007 (Team Arrive evening of 19th): Broomfield
- * United Methodist Church
- * **BOYS FLIGHT #58:**
- * Butterflies -JULY 27-29, 2007: (Team Arrive evening of 26th):
- * First United Methodist Church, Colorado Springs
- * The Lay Directors & teams appeal to the community to shower the flights with that awesome agape love. Remember to attend send-off, candlelight
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Background checks are required from any team member that is 18 years old or older! Form will be available online soon.

DIDJA KNOW?

As a team member of a Chrysalis flight you are required to attend at least 2 of the 3 team meetings.

It is the sponsor's responsibility to get their Butterfly to the Hoots, candlelight, meal serving, and closings. Set the example and we will continue to grow.

CHRYSALIS NEEDS A NEW TRAILER., help us out if you can.

The website is under construction, please call one of the board members with questions or comments or email the 4th day committee at chrysalis_4thday@yahoo.com



GET PLUGGED IN!!!

Reunion Groups



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Trinidad				
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Upcoming Walks
Men's Walk 126, April 26-29, 2007
Women's Walk 127, May 3-6, 2007

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GO AHEAD AND SHARE THE GREATEST GIFT,
LOVE!!!

About Emmaus: Program Overview from the Upper Room

The Walk to Emmaus is a spiritual renewal program intended to strengthen the local church through the development of Christian disciples and leaders. The program's approach seriously considers the model of Christ's servanthood and encourages Christ's disciples to act in ways appropriate to being "a servant of all."

The Walk to Emmaus experience begins with a 72-hour short course in Christianity, comprised of fifteen talks by lay and clergy on the themes of God's grace, disciplines of Christian discipleship, and what it means to be the church. The Course is wrapped in prayer and meditation, special times of worship and daily

celebration of Holy Communion. The "Emmaus community," made up of those who have attended an Emmaus weekend, support the 72-hour experience with a prayer vigil, by preparing and serving meals, and other acts of love and self-giving.

The Emmaus Walk typically begins Thursday evening and concludes Sunday evening. Men and women attend separate weekends. During and after the three days, Emmaus leaders encourage participants to meet regularly in small groups. The members of the small groups challenge and support one another in faithful living. Participants seek to Christianize their environments of family, job, and

community through the ministry of their congregations. The three-day Emmaus experience and follow-up groups strengthen and renew Christian people as disciples of Jesus Christ and as active members of the body of Christ in mission to the world.

The Upper Room, a ministry unit of the General Board of Discipleship of The United Methodist Church, sponsors the Walk to Emmaus and offers it through local Emmaus groups around the world. Although connected through The Upper Room to The United Methodist Church, The Walk to Emmaus is ecumenical.



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