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Please note that the PO Box number for Pioneer Country Emmaus and Chrysalis has changed.

It may take awhile to change all of our forms such as applications. Please send any correspondence to:

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UPCOMING DATES

ELECTIONS SUSPENDED

- Gatherings are on hold due to Covid 19 restrictions.
- Men's Walk tentatively set for July 2021. Location pending.
- Women's Walk tentatively set for July 2021. Location pending.



Your Pioneer Country Emmaus Board has continued to conduct business, in a safe Socially Distant way. We have been meeting in various electronic ways, via emails, texts, phone calls, and zoom meetings. We are still a working board, and we are striving to meet the needs of our community, in spite of the difficulties presented by the Covid lockdown/ slowdown situation.

Sure hope to see all you lovely roosters and cluck hens real soon!!!



I pray that all of you have fared well during the ice storm, and have been able to get some rest after the clean up. As we enter the holiday season, I know that I am feeling some trepidation and some sadness. Pioneer Country has said goodbye to several people that we have loved this year. Many of us will experience Thanksgiving and Christmas socially distanced from loved ones. I am sustained by scripture. I am told to worry about nothing, and pray about everything. So I thank God daily for my many gifts. I am immensely grateful. I am looking forward to a relaxed holiday with a focus on my family. Advances in technology let me visit with my extended family on a weekly basis, and attend my church. Tim and I are blessed to be able to work from home. So this month, I encourage you to find some joy in the small moments. Reach out to friends and family you haven't talked with in a while, and just be Blessed.

At our October meeting, the Pioneer Country Board of Directors made the difficult decision to suspend the rules of election for one year. Board members who would normally roll off of the board will have the option of prayerfully considering whether or not to remain in their position for one more year. However, we still need more people! If you are interested in being a part of the board, please let one of us know. The demands of the year will be relatively light. We are tentatively planning a walk in July, but everything is on hold until we are clear of Covid.

Susan Good, Community Lay Director



Greetings Emmaus Community,

It has been far too long since I have seen my friends of Pioneer Country Emmaus. It is my prayer that we will be able to gather in the early months of 2021.

The Emmaus board has continued to take care of the business of the community. We have items to address even in the time of the pandemic.

Speaking of the board we did not have an election in October because we did not have the opportunity to have monthly gatherings. We need people to step up and help the community by volunteering to be a board member. There are six board members who should go off the board in December. A couple of these people are finishing their second term on the board. We have others who are on the board for their second or third time.

My friends if you want the Pioneer Country Emmaus Community to survive this pandemic and lack of activity of the community, you will need to step up and be a part of the community. Some of you will need to become board members to relieve those who have been serving for several years.

I will be going off the board as your past community lay director in December and ask that you please pray for our community and pray about being a board member so that Pioneer Country Emmaus will continue to be an active community and that gathering and walks will resume soon.

I have been blessed serving on the board for my second term and will continue to support Pioneer County Emmaus.

Blessings to all, DeColores.

Ken Edmondson, Past Lay Director



A BRIEF BIO FROM YOUR EDITOR

Who am I? Good question! And depending on the day, you may get a completely different answer. Like most everyone, I'm a mix of many different things, shaped by my experiences, and by those around me. I'm a wife, mama, Nana, friend, introvert deluxe, genealogy fanatic, reader, knitter, and so much more. And through it all, I do my best to be a good Christian person as well. I grew up in Indiana, on a dairy farm, married at 18, became mom just a couple years later, worked in a factory for several years and had 2 more children. Divorced after 18 years of marriage, moved to Oklahoma, stayed single for 10 years, and now married again. Retired after 25 1/2 years at Stillwater PD. I love my Emmaus friends and can't wait till we can gather again.

DeColores!! Linda Edmondson, Newsletter Editor



Thanksgiving Day is a national holiday in the USA, and Thanksgiving 2020 occurs on Thursday, November 26. In 1621, the Plymouth colonists and Wampanoag Native Americans shared an autumn harvest feast that is acknowledged today as one of the first Thanksgiving celebrations in the colonies. For more than two centuries, days of thanksgiving were celebrated by individual colonies and states. It wasn't until 1863, in the midst of the Civil War, that President Abraham Lincoln proclaimed national Thanksgiving Day to be held each November.



THANKSGIVING AT PLYMOUTH

In September 1620, a small ship called the Mayflower left Plymouth, England, carrying 102 passengers—an assortment of religious separatists seeking a new home where they could freely practice their faith and other individuals lured by the promise of prosperity and land ownership in the New World. After a treacherous and uncomfortable crossing that lasted 66 days, they dropped anchor near the tip of Cape Cod, far north of their intended destination at the mouth of the Hudson River. One month later, the Mayflower crossed Massachusetts Bay, where the Pilgrims, as they are now commonly known, began the work of establishing a village at Plymouth.

https://www.history.com/topics/thanksgiving/history-of-thanksgiving



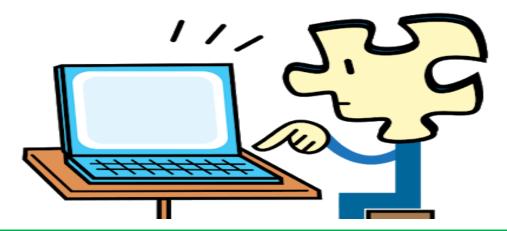
Plea for submissions:

And now a note from your Pioneer Country Emmaus Newsletter Representative..... As the editor of our newsletter, Roostertales, it is pretty much up to me to fill these pages each month. Some months that is an easy task, and then there are months that are not quite as easy. It would make life a lot easier for me if I had a few others submitting a story here and there.

You can hand write your note and give it to me. I will gladly type it up and get it into the newsletter for you.

We all have a story to tell. Will you please tell yours? It doesn't have to be a long one. You don't need to be an expert writer—I will promise to proofread your submission. And let us be honest here, I'm no professional, and haven't had any complaints yet.... We Emmaus folks are kind and loving folks, not critical of others, right?





You can type your story on your own computer and send it to me. I can use it no matter if it's in a Word document, Docx format, or a PDF file. You can even just simply type it straight into an email if that's easier. Just get it done!

Thanks for listening, Linda Edmondson, Newsletter Editor

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