

ROOSTER TALES



The Monthly Newsletter of the Pioneer Country Emmaus Community

"Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread." Luke 24:35 (NRSV)

April Gathering To Be Held Saturday, April 21st!

As you know, gatherings are not held in months that we hold a Walk, but since Men's Walk# 125 and Women's Walk #126 were spread out over March and April, the Pioneer Country Board of Directors decided to hold a Gathering in April, so that the new Fourth Day Pilgrims could become active in the community. The April gathering will be held on Saturday, April 21st at Chapel Hill UMC, 2717 W. Hefner Road in Oklahoma City.

There will be a Pioneer Country Emmaus board meeting at 3:00 PM, Community Training at 5:00 PM, Praise and Worship at 7:00 PM, followed by snacks and drinks. Please try to attend so that you can meet and greet our newest community members fresh off of their walks!

Community Training Offered

Have you ever wondered what is involved in putting on a Walk to Emmaus? Have you ever wondered how each Walk is conducted so that each set of pilgrims receives the same wonderful experience, no matter how many pilgrims there are or which members of the community are filling the roles for the Walk? Have you ever wondered, "What is in those delicious desserts we had on Saturday evening???"

On Saturday, April 21st, we will be holding a community training session at Chapel Hill UMC prior to the gathering. The training will begin at 5:00 PM and will cover information specific to the Walks, such as, what the Lay Director, Assistant Lay Directors, and the Board Representative do during a Walk weekend, and how the Kitchen, Dining Room, Snacks, Music, Agape Room, Prayer Room, and Team Assistants work and stay on schedule, and how the Table Leaders and Assistant Table Leaders facilitate table discussions and prepare for and give talks. We hope to see you there!

And now a word from.... Your Music Representative

What? Me attend the Walk to Emmaus? I don't think so! I am not a Bible scholar; I don't know enough about the Bible. I'm way too busy; I just don't have the time. I'm not worthy. Yes, I had a million excuses when my cousin offered to be my sponsor on the Walk. Finally, I gave in, thinking if it would make her happy for me to do this, then I would go.

Thursday evening I was a nervous wreck and wondering just what I had gotten myself into. Being somewhat of an introvert, I was extremely uncomfortable and would have loved to have just gone home. Friday was a little better; Saturday was wonderful! By the time the weekend ended, I was so appreciative to my cousin for inviting me and offering to be my sponsor.

For me, the Walk was a spiritual revitalization as my cup was filled and my soul was fed. Worshiping God and spending time in the presence of God in praise and gratitude took on a whole new meaning. Releasing and offering up my everyday struggles and sufferings to God became easier for me. Still I do not completely understand the overwhelming grace of God, but I do now know that the Holy Spirit refreshes, renews, and refills my energy even in the midst of daily life if I will just make room in my heart for this to happen. I learned that God loves me unconditionally, just the way I am. The habits and practices of my inner, devotional life changed after attending the Walk. Because of going on the Walk, I have been more willing to take an active leadership role in my home church.

One of the best things that happened as a result of going on the Walk is all of the new brothers and sisters in Christ that I have gained. Serving behind the scenes on Walks has enabled me to make special new friends. The monthly Gatherings, with the wonderful praise music, the inspiring message, and the fellowship, is something that I look forward to each month.

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My position on the Pioneer Country Emmaus board is music/entertainment. Even though I am not a musician, music is the way I worship and communicate with God best, so this position is a good fit for me. Since I am not a musician, I need the help of the community. Music is a vital part of any Walk or Gathering. The list of musicians we have is quite out-of-date as far as email addresses and phone numbers of willing musicians. During my three year term on the board, I would like to get the list of musicians updated. If musical ability is your gift from God and you are willing to share this gift, please call or email me with your current information. My phone number and email address can be found on the website and in the newsletters.

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Kay Sullins
Pioneer Country Emmaus
Music / Entertainment

"What's In The Nest?"

Have you ever considered God's imagination? Like, wasn't it smart of God to...

- ... give us old age to help us look forward to heaven? (So don't waste another day!)
- ... make our backsides with more padding so sitting will be more comfortable? (For all the time spent in the conference room!)
- ... make our eyes blink to moisten them as well as understand how quickly life goes by? (So look at others through God's eyes!)
- ... make us so that smiling takes more effort than frowning to remind us to work at being kind? (So show some Agape love!)

And finally... make our stomachs with folds that expand as they fill up so we don't explode from eating? (While on the walk to Emmaus!)

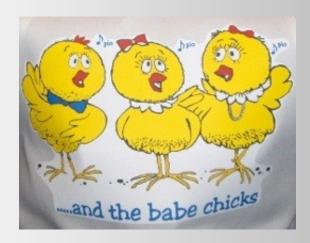
Meet the Men and Women from Walks #125 & #126

Men's Walk #125

Steve Chessmore Kevin M. Hallenbeck, Jr. Jessie Hotella William Hoyle Bob Hurston

Darryl Leslie

Ken Morris K.G. Robinson Joe S. Rolston III Ken Simpson Andy Stewart



Women's Walk #126

Phillis Adams Linda Blue **Kay Bowlin Tammy Bowman** Susan Bryant **Misty Burk Kaye Byrd** Jean Case **Becky Chessmore** Candi Claunch **Debi Collett** Jennifer Dean **Jayne Deringer Amy Ediger Carolyn Hines** Fran Holye **Lorrie King** Sharon Krohn

Kelly Mckinley Gail Montgomery Cheryl Moore Karen Morris Carolyn Mullin **Karen Nowlin** Rebecca Perry Sherri Rector Linda Rinehard **Dawana Risinger Shirley Rolston** Tamera Rubenstein Lee Ann Simpson **Lindsey Voss** Joyell Walker **Kathy Whitwell Lindsey Whitworth**

Meet the Table of Servants from Walk's 125 & 126

Dick Nowlin Jennifer Stier Lay Director:

Spiritual Director: Mark Whitley Diana Pruitt

Assistant Spiritual Directors: Larry Gaston Felecia Hensley

Sharen Hale Larry Holder David Johnson Wendee Perceful Susan Whitley **Brett Thomasson**

Maurie Cole **Assistant Lay Directors:** Jeff Bull

Jim Hinckley Kathy Munsell Ron Luka Mary Nethercutt

Table Leaders: Cooper Ames Cathy Childers

> Dave Charmichael Anita Conway Alan Childers Mary Cornelius **Brian Ellis** Rebecca Michel Norman Styers Fran Parkhill Linda Simmons

Assistant Table Leaders: Warren Collins Jill Blevins

Tom Ellis Catrina Bourne Randy Reed Joan Brodmerkel Stephen Snider Linda Edmondson Rodney Wanger Donna Elswick

Suzy Wooldridge

David Smith **Board Representative:** Christy Jackson

Tim Good Kelley Essary Musicians:

> Steve Guengerich Patti George Nancy Hughes

Bill & Leslie Parks **Prayer Room:** Kerry & Susan Cox

Don & Judie Ellis Bill & Leslie Parks

Scott Baker **Team Assistants: Bonnie Bowers**

Bob Nance Kim Engel

Margaret Macemon

Joann Pace Debbie Rowland **Kay Sullins** Adriana Weir

Dillard Moore Jim Hinds **Kitchen Manager:**

Dining Room Manager: Betty Flowers Dave & Marge Carmichael

> Sharon Flowers Don & Judy Ellis

Jackie Munsell **Snack Manager**: Kevin & Sheryl Johnson

Marvin Scheele Agape Manager: Nancy McKinnis

Trudy Pope

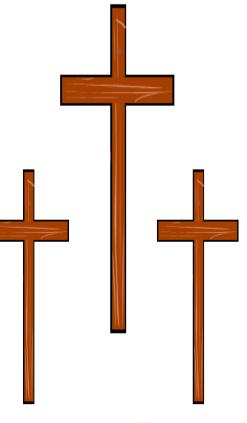
Do you have a 4th Day Story?

How about a good study or devotional idea that's worked for you?

Why not share them with the PCE community?

Just email it to:

roostertales@ gmail.com



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May 19, 2012

June 16, 2012

June 27-30, 2012

CALENDAR



April 21, 2012

April Gathering

Chapel Hill UMC 2717 W. Hefner Road, Oklahoma City, OK

Praise and worship will begin at 7:00 PM. The community is asked to bring snacks or drinks to share afterwards. Childcare is available, PLEASE RSVP with Debbie Rowland at 681-2135 or 802-8113 to make the necessary preparations for your child.

Gatherings are open to all so please invite a friend!

April 19, 2012 Women's 4th Day

Mustang United Methodist Church 700 E. State Hwy 152, Mustang OK

April 21, 2012 Pioneer Country Board Meeting

Chapel Hill UMC

2717 W. Hefner Road, OKC, OK Meeting begins at 3:00 PM

Community Training Chapel Hill UMC

Training begins at 5:00 PM

April Gathering Chapel Hill UMC

Praise & Worship begin at 7:00 PM, followed by Snacks and Drinks

May Gathering

Quayle UMC

5001 N. Everest Ave., OKC, OK Praise & Worship begin at 7:00 PM, followed by Snacks and Drinks

June Gathering - 7:00 PM

St. Andrews UMC

2727 SW 119th, OKC, OK

Praise & Worship begin at 7:00 PM,

followed by Snacks and Drinks

Combined Boys & Girls Chrysalis

McFarlin Memorial UMC

419 S. University Blvd., Norman, OK

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