

# 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)

### **HAPPY NEW YEAR!**



Start the new year out right!!!!!

Come and be blessed at our first 2016 Pioneer Country Community Gathering on **Saturday, January 16, 2016**. There will be lots of fun, food, fellowship, and worship!

The Gathering will be held at UM Church of the Servant, 14343 North MacArthur Blvd., Oklahoma City. Come and join your Emmaus friends and family and enjoy a Potluck Dinner beginning at 5:30 PM in the Community Hall. Bring your favorite main dish, dessert or drinks to share with your Emmaus friends. AND bring a friend or relative so they can see just how great Emmaus is!! Our Gatherings are open to everyone!

Music will be provided by The Gospel Guitar Guys with a pre-concert starting around 6:30 PM in the Centrum, followed by our Praise & Worship Service at 7:00 PM.

Childcare for toddlers through 4th Grade will be provided beginning at 6:45 PM (after the meal) **WITH PRIOR RESERVATIONS.** Please call Judie Ellis at 405-250-1333 **NO LATER THAN MONDAY, JANUARY 11**, to reserve your child's spot.

We must have a minimum of four (4) childcare reservations to be able to provide childcare for this Gathering. We look forward to seeing you there.



#### IT'S ADOPT A BANNER MONTH!!

As you may have heard, we had some "critters" take up residence in the trailer last year, and they made themselves at home in the container that held the banners! Some are okay, some need some cleaning, and some are just tired and need to be replaced!

It's cold outside, and there are going to be some long, boring weekends now that Football games are over, and the Basketball playoff season has yet to begin. Why not let your creative juices flow, and help us create some new banners for the walks?

The old banners will be on display at the January Gathering. Since some of the Reunion Groups that made them originally may no longer be active, please look at all of them and choose one to take home. You can "rehab" it by replacing the bad areas, remake it, or if you are creative, please make a new one! These poor abused things need someone to Adopt and love them for awhile!

The banners really add to the enjoyment of the walks. Remember how fun it was to come into the dining room and see different ones as the Weekend progressed? Do you remember?? I certainly do!

This is an easy and fun way to help your Emmaus Community! Please take one home and return by the March Gathering. They are depending on you!

## **Meet Your Board!**

Each month we will have a Board Member highlighted so that you will get a chance to know them better. They are here to serve the Community, so smile when you see them!

Linda Rinehard — Newsletter

This is my second year on the Board, and it is a privilege to be able to serve. Since I am starting this column, I guess I need to be the first to tell you about myself.

My Walk was #126 at Mustang United Methodist Church. Some of you may remember that as the one where we had the Tornado scare! It reminded me of being awakened multiple times by my mother to go to our Storm Cellar. As in all the cases with her, this was a false alarm also—thankfully!



I work for Philips Healthcare as a Clinical Support Engineer. I have been with Philips for 15 years, and now work from home. I do Customer Support for a Software product that is used in Hospitals all around the world. I worked in local hospitals prior to that as a Respiratory Therapist and doing Cardiac Ultrasound (Echocardiograms).

I am a member of Church of the Servant and belong to the choir and orchestra. The picture from above is when we got to sing last summer in St. Peter's Basilica at the Vatican for the 5:30 p.m. Mass. (What a wonderful experience!) I play the viola in the orchestra, and also play guitar. In my somewhat limited spare time I also enjoy Golf, and I am a quilter. Music is my main focus right now, because I play in 2 amateur String Orchestras along with our fantastic Church Orchestra.

I am married to a wonderful man, Dale, and we have 2 Cairn Terriers. Lexi is our 10 year old female, and "Mad" Max— 6 months. It's like having a toddler around when you have a puppy! Toys everywhere, and always demanding time and energy.

My Walk to Emmaus was one that I was "called" to do. For some reason I really wanted to attend it even though I really didn't know anything about the Walk or even Emmaus. I asked my 'pew mate" Linda Simpson about it, and she was more than eager to Sponsor me! I readily signed up, but then started having second thoughts...why was I being called to do this?

I found out the reason when I went to the Send off. A college friend and I had become somewhat estranged and I felt the need to reconnect to this person. Was I ever surprised when she walked into the gym as a Pilgrim also! We were even placed at the same table, so God does work in mysterious ways...... We are now friends again, and I am so glad it worked out this way!

I am Blessed to be a Blessing to others. God told me to start playing the viola again after a 43 year hiatus. It is a rare Sunday that someone doesn't come up to us after services and thank us for the music. When I first started back I kept quoting a Psalm to myself—"Make a joyful Noise unto the Lord!" It was noise at first, but now has become a melodic praise to God's goodness and Grace.

Thank you for allowing me to introduce myself and serve as you Newsletter Board Representative!

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Linda Rinehard



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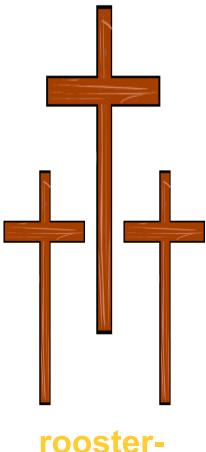
Do you have a 4th Day Story?

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:

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## **CALENDAR**

### **January Gathering**

United Methodist Church of the Servant 14343 N. MacArthur Blvd. Oklahoma City, OK

The Gathering meal this month is POTLUCK! Bring your favorite dishes, deserts, etc. for everyone to enjoy.

Gatherings are open to all so please invite a friend!

#### **UPCOMING**

Our Spring Walks are scheduled for April 7-10
April 21-24

**New Covenant United Methodist Church Edmond, OK.** 

Start thinking about who you can Bless by Sponsoring them!

January 16, 2016 January Board Meeting - 4:00 PM

Church of the Servant 14343 N. MacArthur, OKC

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February 20, 2016 February Board Meeting—4:00 p.m.

St. Matthew UMC 300 N. Air Depot, MWC

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