

Rooster Tales

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Gathering/Training Schedule

Flagstaff Area (all @ Trinity Heights UMC, child-care provided):

Cindi Martinez's email for more information is cjemartinez@juno.com

Phoenix Area:

January 11 - Dove of the Desert at 7:15 p.m.

March 14 - 4th Day Dinner @ Sunrise UMC

March 15 - Training 9:00 - 12:00 p.m. @ Sunrise UMC

April 11 - Christ Community UMC in Avondale at 7:15 p.m.

Steve & Toni Berg's email for more information is toni.berg@bnaneuro.net

East Valley Area:

1st Sunday of each Month- Gathering at 11:45 a.m. (Potluck) at Desert Chapel UMC (in Apache Junction @462 N. Palo Verde Dr., 2 blks west of Ironwood Dr. between Apache Train, Main, & Superstition Blvd., University).

Rich & Nancy Foster's email for more information is ndnfoster@aol.com or (480) 982-9141

NW Valley: (October –April)

First Sunday of each month @ First Presbyterian Church of Sun City, 12225 N. 103rd Ave., 2 blks south of Grand Ave., Gathering at 6:30 p.m.

Wanda Morrill's email for more information is morrillw@msn.com

Tucson Area: (all of the following begin at 5:00 p.m. with a potluck & 6:30 p.m. for Gathering)

January 19 - Sierra Vista UMC, 3225 St. Andrews Dr., Sierra Vista

Dave Camp's email for more information is J.D.Camp@msn.com

Yuma Emmaus/Cursillo Community:

Paula Volenstine's email for more information is jpvolenstine@msn.com

Walk Schedule

Walk 177 February 7-10, 2008, Gilbert UMC, Gilbert, Bobby Turner, Lay Director

Walk 178 February 21-24, 2008, Gilbert UMC, Gilbert, Kathy Tracy, Lay Director

Walk 179 March 27-30, 2008, Trinity UMC, Yuma, Randy Gaines, Lay Director

Walk 180 April 3-6, 2008, Trinity UMC, Yuma, Ann Larrabee, Lay Director

Walk 181 April 17-20, 2008, St. Paul's UMC, Tucson, Michael Crabb, Lay Director

Walk 182 April 24-27, 2008, St. Paul's UMC, Tucson, Anita Lange, Lay Director

Walk 183, June 19-22, 2008, Prescott UMC, Prescott, Lay Director TBD

Walk 184, June 26-29, 2008, Prescott UMC, Prescott, Lay Director TBD

Are You Sponsoring a Pilgrim?

If you have sponsored a pilgrim you know what joy it can bring not only to their life, but also yours. If you have not sponsored a pilgrim, pray about it, and JUST DO IT!! Our pilgrim numbers have been down in recent walks, and it must be because there just aren't enough sponsors. It surely can't be because there aren't enough pilgrims out there! Look around your church, your Christian community of friends, your friends' church, at the Christmas shows and celebrations. Who has not had the awesome opportunity to be a pilgrim and experience the Walk to Emmaus? I challenge you to sponsor 3 pilgrims next year for the walks you see scheduled above. GO SPONSORS GO!!

Lynn Garner
Arizona Walk to Emmaus
Community Lay Director



Walk 177 - February 7-10, First UMC of Gilbert

LEADERS TEAM

Bobby Turner	Lay Director
Tim Smith	Head Spiritual Director
John Deogracias	Assistant Lay Director
John Dey	Assistant Lay Director
Jim Ellis	Assistant Lay Director
Peter Martinello	Assistant Lay Director
Gary Pritchard	Assistant Spiritual Director
Gary Roper	Assistant Spiritual Director
Tom Wick	Assistant Spiritual Director
Don Campbell	Music Leader
Tom McGraw	Head Cook
John Youngker	Assistant Head Cook
Mike Whitelow	Prayer Warrior

TALK TEAM

Steven Berg	Dell Dean
Ray Eynon	Bruce Fortier
Slade Gibson	Dave Henderson
Earl Hicks	Ted Jung
David Mueller	Bob Pamachena
Bruce Phillips	Denny Rust
Steve Searle	Jerry Skelton
Rick Wallace	Robert Wood

COOK TEAM

Jim Bishop	Art Brooks	Jim Brown
Michael Burford	Kenny Butler	Tom Davee
Jack Garner	Ron Harbert	Eric Heath
Bob Hollett	Bill LaNoue	Erik Linder
Leroy Livingston	Max Lowdermilk	Gary McMillion
Jerry Metzler	Al Moore	Jerry Paris
Greg Parzych	John Paterson	Larry Pierce
Terry Price	Sean Seitz	Larry Stober
Howard Tigerman	Gene Tracy	Don Wilcox
Reuben Wood	Patrick Ybarra	

PILGRIMS

Be sure to get applications in to the Emmaus Office so this walk will have a FULL group of pilgrims!

Rev. Joe Harding

You may have received this announcement from the Desert southwest Annual Conference:

“Rev. Joe Harding passed away this morning in Oregon. Rev. Harding, a Distinguished Evangelist, worked closely with The United Methodist Church including the Desert Southwest Conference by maintaining numerous speaking engagements at some of our local churches over the years as well as appearing as a guest speaker at Annual Conference. Plans are in the making for a private burial with hopes for a Memorial service just after the new year.”

The current Arizona Emmaus Community may not remember that it, too, owes a debt of gratitude to Rev. Harding. He was Rev. Larry Hinshaw’s friend and it was he that invited Larry to Washington to his Walk to Emmaus Weekend, which sparked the desire in Larry to bring the Walk to Arizona.

Walk 178 - February 21-24, First UMC of Gilbert

LEADERS TEAM

Kathy Tracy	Lay Director
Frank Peters	Head Spiritual Director
Meryl Ahart	Assistant Lay Director
Kathleen Boos	Assistant Lay Director
Becky Fisher	Assistant Lay Director
Ginny Smythe	Assistant Lay Director
Deb Schauer	Assistant Spiritual Director
George Smoot	Assistant Spiritual Director
Linda Worsnop	Assistant Spiritual Director
Marilyn Dickens	Music Leader
Lynn Garner	Head Cook
Mary Wilson	Assistant Head Cook
Shirley Youngker	Assistant Head Cook
Sharon Newberry	Prayer Angel

TALK TEAM

Shirley Caldwell	Becky Case
Eutie Gamble	Karen Harbert
Trish Jung	September Mitchell
Valerie Mueller	Sharon Paap
Addie Powers	Marilyn Seese
Cathy Smoot	Teresa Wallace
Cindy White	

COOK TEAM

Kay Baysinger	Joyce Bengtson	Barbara Burford
Michelle Chasse	Judy Clancy	Jean Drentor
Kay Duff	Myrna Eshleman	Erin Farris
Betty Gleason	Jan Hicks	Lil Imhoff
Sue Jax	Nancy Jeffrey	Kristen Kilber
Chris Lane	Debra Kern	Norma Liska
Penny Malone	Mary McGill	Karen Mensing
Bonnie Morley	Barbara Newman	Janet Paterson
Rosalind Peters	Gayla Remp	Marlene Seitz
Jo Sharpe	Ada Thompson	Julie Wagner
Jean Wheatley	Carol Ann White	Chris Wilfong
Joyce Wise		

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Spanish Walk - 2008

If you speak Spanish, give us a call! Don't wait another day! We have started to plan the Spanish Walks for October, 2008. **WE NEED TO HEAR FROM YOU SO WE CAN DEVELOP A LIST OF SERVANTS FROM WHICH TO DISCERN THIS TEAM!** Contact Lynn Garner at 928-710-2915. It is becoming urgent to know if we have enough Spanish speaking servants to provide this wonderful walk experience for Spanish speaking pilgrims. We are meeting now, and we need you, Spanish speaking community members for leaders, talk team, and some of the cook team. Without you we have no Spanish Walk! Pray now, and let us know God's answer!

Lynn Garner

Arizona Walk to Emmaus

Community Lay Director

Update - Mailing of the Rooster Tales

Your Arizona Walk to Emmaus Board would like to thank all of you who have taken your names off the newsletter "snail mail" mailing list and are now accessing the Rooster Tales on line. This is saving us so much money for printing and postage. We still have a long way to go so those who still need to do this, just email us and we will be glad to take care of it for you. You can get notified when the Rooster Tales goes on line, Just go to the Arizona Walk to Emmaus website, <http://azemmaus.org/>, click on the "Rooster Tales" Newsletter button. On the page where you can choose what month you want to view, you will notice down below in bright pink the words **notify me**. When you click on that, a page will appear that is a form you need to fill out. Once you fill out the page and hit **subscribe** at the bottom of the form, you will receive an email confirming that you will be receiving that notification. OR, you can just go directly to http://azemmaus.org/rt/rt_subscribe_new.org and go through the above steps. PRAISE GOD for our awesome webmaster, as he put this feature together for us!!

If you have a new address, phone number or email address, please let us know so that we can update the Arizona Walk to Emmaus database. Remember, you will still remain on the active discernment list. DECOLORES!

Julie Jensen - Communications

Debbie's Treasure Chest

Why do we HAVE to pay for the weekend? Shouldn't this be an OFFERING & I get to choose how much I want to offer?? OK, I see your point, but think about this; we have provided you with room & board for 3 days which includes 8 meals. A hotel at \$30 a night would cost you a total of \$90 plus tax & you could try paying \$2 per meal (remember there are 8). I would then prepare a bill for you for \$106 (plus tax) for spending the weekend with us. Instead, we ask for \$95 to cover pilgrims & \$55 for a team member. We extend to you the CHRISTIAN rate since you are an outstanding Christian. We know that this is a lot of money for many of you but we want to keep providing a pleasant experience in decent surroundings with outstanding meals. If this "charge" is preventing you from sponsoring a pilgrim's weekend, please contact a member of the Board to let them know your dilemma.

Debbie Rives, Arizona Walk to Emmaus, Treasurer

"Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star."

Wishing to encourage her young son's progress on the piano, a mother took her boy to a Paderevski concert. After they were seated, the mother spotted an old friend in the audience and walked down the aisle to greet her. Seizing the opportunity to explore the wonders of the concert hall, the little boy rose and eventually explored his way through a door marked "NO ADMITTANCE."

When the house lights dimmed and the concert was about to begin, the mother returned to her seat and discovered that the child was missing. Suddenly, the curtains parted and spotlights focused on the impressive Steinway on stage. In horror, the mother saw her little boy sitting at the keyboard, innocently picking out "Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star." At that moment, the great piano master made his entrance, quickly moved to the piano, and whispered in the boy's ear, "Don't quit." Keep playing." Then, leaning over, Paderevski reached down with his left hand and began filling in a bass part. Soon his right arm reached around to the other side of the child, and he added a running obbligato. Together, the old master and the young novice transformed what could have been a frightening situation into a wonderfully creative experience. The audience was so mesmerized that they couldn't recall what else the great master played. Only the classic, "Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star."

Perhaps that's the way it is with God. What we can accomplish on our own is hardly noteworthy. We try our best, but the results aren't always graceful flowing music. However, with the hand of the Master, our life's work can truly be beautiful. The next time you set out to accomplish great feats, listen carefully. You may hear the voice of the Master, whispering in your ear, "Don't quit." "Keep playing."

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