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Walk Schedule

Walk 221, Feb. 21-24, 2013, St. Paul's UMC, Tucson
Jim Buttke, Lay Director
Walk 222, Feb. 28-Mar. 3, 2013, St Paul's UMC
Nancy Kern, Lay Director
Walk 223, July 25-28, 2013 Trinity Heights UMC,
Flagstaff, **Alan Adams**, Lay Director
Walk 224, Aug. 1-4, 2013, Trinity Heights UMC,
Flagstaff, **Joyce Trevolt**, Lay Director

Gathering/Hoot/Training Schedule

Flagstaff Area: Childcare provided. Potluck at 5:00 PM with worship at 6:00 PM. Trinity Heights UMC.

Nov. 3 - Training at 2:00 PM, then the potluck and gathering. Join us!

Sarah McGuire's email is samgmmcx5@aol.com and John Weber's email is zzwbeber@juno.com

Phoenix Area: Training 2-5 PM. Potluck at 5:00,

Gathering at 6:15 PM. Team, please bring a dish to pass. Pilgrims, just come and let us feed you (again!)

Nov. 10 - 4th Day Dinner at PVUMC 4455 E Lincoln Ave, Paradise Valley

Jim McFadden's cell is 602-881-0328.

Tucson Area: (Potluck begins at 5:00 PM, with Gathering at 6:30 PM)

Nov. 17 - St. Mark's UMC, 1431 W. Magee, Tucson

Jan. 19 - Sierra Vista UMC, 3225 E Saint Andrews Dr.

Manny Abeles' email is mannyct1@yahoo.com

Yuma Area: (the following begins at 6:00 PM with a potluck & gathering at 7:00 PM)

Nov. 9 - First United Methodist Church,
298 W 3rd St, Yuma

AnnaMarie Sollars' email is amsazmama@aol.com



Plan to "bee" there to join in
the fun



Happy Thanksgiving
to you and yours!



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Printing and postage for the hard copy of the Rooster Tales is our single most expensive budget item. By asking our community to help offset the cost of the newsletter by paying \$7 per year, we are able to keep our budget in line. **Please respond quickly to continue your snail mail Rooster Tales.**

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~**Janet Paterson**

Communication Chairman

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What would YOU like to see?

The valley Gatherings are seeing fewer and fewer attendees. What would entice regular attendance, how often should we have the Gatherings, what day of the week/time of the month, time of day, potluck or not? The Gatherings used to be the first Friday of each month unless there were Walks and always at the same place. Could the bouncing around have caused the problem here in the Valley? We would really like to know!

Please give us some feedback. Why are Phoenix-area gatherings not well attended? Do you have suggestions as to what you would like to see? Do you want it to be a potluck or just go back to having a gathering with no food?

Give us your thoughts. Please contact any of the board members listed on the back so we can provide the kind of evening you look forward to attending!

~Jim McFadden,
Gathering Chair
602-881-0328



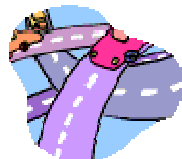
Learning more and more

In any new job, there are a few surprises, things you hadn't planned on. For me when I became the new Community Lay Director, I had no idea how many miles my wife Donna and I would be putting on the car. We have been to functions in Flagstaff, Alpine, Safford, and Green Valley, Phoenix area and Tucson.

I have enjoyed the miles driven and it is a good thing because we still need to get to Yuma and back to Flagstaff at least once more this year. I am enjoying the road between Phoenix and Tucson more as each area of road construction comes to an end and the speed limits stay up.

As we arrive at a new destination, we are greeted by old and new friends and usually great food. As we worship in new settings around the state, I am struck by how the Walk to Emmaus has left its mark on all of us. I am looking forward to keeping the car running and meeting more of the community in the months and years ahead.

De Colores,
Frank Northrup



Board Positions

As you are probably aware, some AZ Walk to Emmaus Board of Directors positions are voted upon and some are appointed.

Our current **registrar** is looking for a replacement. Ann Skipper would be happy to talk with you regarding her job duties and just what is involved and how long it takes each month.



Give her a call at 602-478-2652 if you feel God is calling you to fill this position. This particular job requires great attention to detail and is time sensitive.



Debbie Rives is our **treasurer** and her term is an elected position. You do not have to be a CPA to do this job, but it does require many hours. If you have the interest and training to possibly consider being the treasurer, please

give Debbie a call at 480-860-9017.



Kathy Tracy serves as our **Agape Chair** and she makes sure that the 72-hour prayer vigil is filled for each walk as well as asking for and printing the responses that come from all over the USA and the world whenever we have a walk. She sends our wishes out to other communities. This position is also elected. Her number is 480-497-1075.

Elections are held in May with the new person taking over the position in June. Training time would be encouraged and welcomed, so if you might be interested in a position listed above, make that call today and get further information as to the job requirements and duties. Thank you for your consideration.

~Janet Paterson, communications

Just For Your Information . . .

If you are serving as a table leader on a Walk, you are **not supposed** to give a testimony. You had the opportunity when you were a pilgrim.

If the Lay Director asks you to model giving that testimony at closure, then the other table leaders do not follow. Only the pilgrims do.

Please try to be aware of this and encourage only the **pilgrims** to tell the community what the week-end meant to them and what they plan to do with it.

Scholarships Available

During these difficult economic times, we remind our community members that if they choose to sponsor a pilgrim who cannot afford the cost of the weekend, there are scholarships available. We want to include all who feel they may benefit from attending the Walk to Emmaus. Perhaps this might apply to you, someone considering being a sponsor. Or someone praying about serving as a team member. Please remember that scholarships are available to those who need them. Please say something to the Registrar when sponsoring someone if assistance is needed. Please mention to the Lay Director of the team or the ALD who is in charge of collecting team fees. Don't just ignore the situation. Speak to someone letting them know you need financial assistance.

Each person serving on a team that needs a scholarship will be provided with one. But please do not abuse the program. Often, there are 6 team meetings preparing that team for the weekend. If you offer to pay just \$10 at each team meeting towards the cost of the weekend, which is now \$60, you would have that cost paid for by the time the weekend rolls around. **Any payment you can provide is appreciated!** Again, we need to be good stewards of the money and assets of AZ

Walk to Emmaus. Help your Board of Directors be diligent in achieving that goal. ~Debbie Rives, Treasurer



BANNERS

If you are sponsoring a pilgrim on a Walk, please be sure to have their banner delivered when you deliver your pilgrim on Thursday.

Remember that all banners are to be no larger than 24" by 36" and are **not to be framed**. Dowel rods or other means of hanging the banner should be used. This makes it easier for hanging banners for display and follows the guidelines for continuity. Please adhere. Thanks for your cooperation.

Sponsor's Hour

If you are sponsoring a Pilgrim on a Walk, please be sure to stay for the Sponsor's Hour after the team and pilgrims are called out of the chapel or sanctuary.

This is the time when you are able to pray over the cross that your pilgrim will receive on Sunday. Don't miss this wonderful experience by leaving to go home too early. Someone will pray over the cross, but it should be YOU!



ELECTRIC LIGHT PARADE

On **Saturday, December 1**, our tailgate party begins at 5:30 PM and is located on the NW corner of Missouri and Central. Bring your family and your camp chairs and join us for a bowl of chili (Provided by the Secretariat) as we watch the annual Electric Light Parade. We will have fire pits, caroling and a joyful time of celebration. Community members are asked to bring a side dish or dessert to share. Drinks will be provided. Let us be a light and a blessing to our city. We have decided NOT to enter a float in this year's parade due to time constraints and costs involved. Come join the fun!

~Jim Langdal, Tres Dias
602-908-6211 – cell

Walk #219 Pilgrims Sing Song at Closura

If you weren't there, you missed this original song sung to the tune of *Amazing Grace*. First two verses written by table of Esther and last two verses by ASD, Tina Rees. Enjoy!

Prevenient grace, how it woos me
and draws me close to Thee.
I tried to get away but you pursued
and freed me to respond.

Prevenient grace empowers me
and gives me spiritual strength.
It is the grace that comes before
and frees me to love God.

God's precious grace, it rescues me.
A poor soul mired in sin.
God longs to take and lift me up,
renew me from within.

God's precious grace will draw me close;
His blood will justify.
Jesus now lives within my heart;
perfects and sanctifies.



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