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MEN'S WALK #213

Men's Walk #213 will take place next weekend, February 20-23, 2014 as planned with 31 pilgrims signed up to at-

tend the weekend. Chili Cole and the team are excitedly preparing the last minute items needed for the walk and would like to say thank you to the community for each

pilgrim

that is singed up.

Please be in prayer for the team and the pilgrims over the next few days as the walk approaches and kicks off Thursday night.

If you have signed up for agape, please start taking that to the drop-off locations listed on the Men's Walk 213 information page of the website.

Send-off Lunch will be held at Michael's Charcoal Grill locat-

ed at the corner of Wadley and is one of the most special A Street on Thursday, February times of the walk and we hope

one who is able will join us for a time of worship, fellowship, and an expression of Agape Love to the team and pilgrims. Last but

Candlelight will be February

22th at 8pm. As you know this

certainly not least, Closing will begin at 4pm on

that every-

Sunday, February 23rd (the community is asked to arrive at 3:30pm. This is a time to see how God has moved in the lives of the 31 men who are attending the walk. Come join us as we celebrate how God is working, show our support for the pilgrims as they begin their fourth days, and fellowship once again as a community.

February 20-23, 2014 Lay Director: Chili Cole Circle 6 Ranch Spiritual Director: Dan Nicholas Stanton TX MEN'S WALK #213

> 20 at 11:30am. We will meet in the parking lot to pray then move inside for a time of food and fellowship.

Our pilgrims will begin arriving between 6-7pm Thursday night and everyone in the community is invited to join us after they head off the to conference room for Sponsor's Hour as we pray for each of the pilgrims.

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Print this page and place it in a location to help you remember the Community Events for Men's Walk #213

Candlelight Service

Jesus said, "'Love the Lord your God with all your passion and prayer and intelligence.'
This is the most important, the first on any list. But there is a second to set alongside it: 'Love others as well as you love yourself.'
These two commands are pegs; everything in God's Law and the Prophets hangs from them." - Matthew 22:37-40

Men's Walk #213 Closing Service Sunday, February 23, 2014 Service Starts at 4:00pm (Please Arrive by 3:30pm) Circle 6 Ranch Stanton, TX

There is nothing stronger, nothing greater than a community of believers coming together with love for one another as they worship our Lord.

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FEBRUARY COMMUNITY GATHERING



Our February Community Gathering will once again be held at *Wilshire*Park Baptist Church, 801 S Bentwood,

Midland, TX.

The **Babe Chick Meeting** will be at 6:15pm in the choir room, just behind the sanctuary.

At 7:00pm we will begin a time of **wor-ship** in the Sanctuary.

Following the service, we will have snacks and a time of fellowship in the Fellowship Hall. Please bring your favorite finger food to share.

Child care is provided.

We had a great group join us last month and we were glad to see you all there. We have space for more though, so call your friends and fellow community members who haven't joined us in a while and invite them to join us this month! We hope to see you there!

WOMEN'S WALK #214

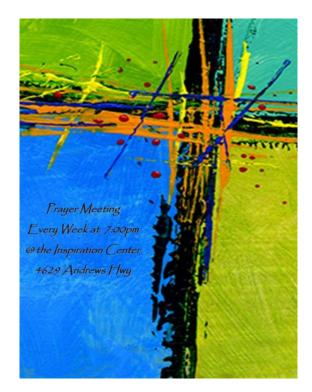
Coming the March 20-23, we will be hosting Women's Walk #214 a Circle Six in Stanton, TX.

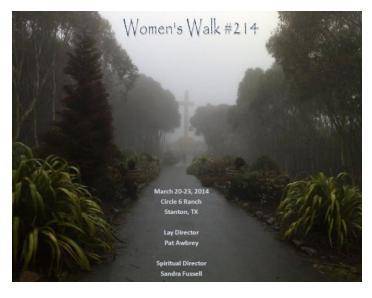
At the time of publishing for this newsletter, there are **9** pilgrims signed up for this walk but we have room for 36 so there is still room for your pilgrims.

Pat Awbery and the team have

already begun working to prepare for this walk and ask the community to join them as they pray for the weekend, the team, and the pilgrims both known and yet to be known.

Look for the agape sign-up sheets to be passed around at community and please sign up to help fill the needs of the walk.





MEN'S WALK #215

Butch Uselton and the team of Men's Walk #215 are also hard at work preparing the next men's walk coming April 10-13, 2014.

At the time of publishing, there are no pilgrims signed up yet for this walk, but we know those men's names will be coming soon and God will reveal the men He is preparing

for this weekend.

Please watch for the agape sign up sheets which will be passed around at community and sign up to help fill the needs for this walk.

Also, be in prayer for the team and the pilgrims yet to be named in the coming weeks.

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Our Chrysalis Flights have been scheduled and both Lay Directors are in the process of building their teams for this summer's weekends.

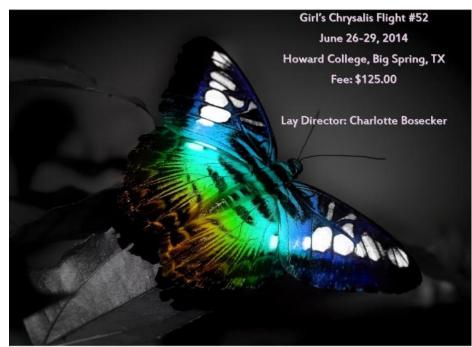
Girl's Flight #52 is scheduled to be held June 26-29, 2014 at Howard College, Big Spring, TX. Charlotte Bosecker will be the lay director for this Flight.

Boy's Flight #52 is scheduled to be held July 24-27, also at Howard College, Big Spring, TX. Bill "Mongo" Perryman will be the lay director for this Flight.

The fee for both walks will be \$125 and applications are now <u>online</u> and will be available from either the Chrysalis Committee or the Registrar at all Community Events.

Now is the time to talk to the youth about these weekends. Many churches, school events, family vacations, jobs, and other summer activities are already being planned by our youth and the long we wait to talk to them about these weekends, the harder it will be to get them involved.

Please be in prayer for both flights as we all work to prepare these weekends. Pray for the Caterpillars yet-to-be-named. Pray for the teams, and pray God will open all of our hearts to reach out to the youth that need to be at these weekends.





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NOTES FROM THE REGISTRAR

During the course of registering the walks, we often have folks calling with questions about the process. Here's a few of the more common questions so far this year and the answers to help everyone as we work fill and prepare the upcoming walks this year.

(Note: the picture of the walk app here, these addresses are also on the Chrysalis Apps.) can't remember everything and everyone that tossed information to him all the time. (The NERD's mind isn't that good.)

Q: When do we pay the fee for our pilgrim?

We hope this information helps you as

Q: Where do we send the completed applications?

A: Applications can be turned in three ways. You can mail the applications to Hi-Sky Emmaus, PO Box 10370, Mdiland, TX 79702.

You can also drop applications off directly at our house, 2302 Storey Avenue, Midland, TX...

NOTE: When dropping applications off, please drop them in the black mail box by the front door if we aren't home when you stop by. We have had some folks either leave them in the agape box or simply wedge them between the frame and screen door. PLEASE DON'T DO THAT!!! Our mailbox locks and is secure, our screen door (which sometimes will open on it's own at the temperature changes) and the agape box are not. Since there is private information on every application, and typically around \$200.00 in each app, we don't want them blowing away or getting stolen!

You may also hand applications directly to Bailey or Rhett when you see them at community events (or around town).

Should you forget our address or the address of the community PO Box, they can be found on the applications.

2013 Request for Reservation

Website: <u>www.hiskyemmaus.com</u> E-mail: <u>registrar@hiskyemmaus.com</u> Mail: Hi-Sky Emmaus

P.O. Box 10370 Midland, TX 79702



Revised: 05/01/13 Registrar: Bailey Lively

Registrar: Bailey Lively 2302 Storey Midland, TX 79701 (432) 894-0353

- Please print the answers to all questions. The information is needed. Register only if you intend to be present for the entire weekend.
- ✓ Each person registering should be sponsored by someone who has already attended a Walk to Emmaus. Return the completed reservation request and check to your sponsor. Sponsor will complete their information and mail to Registrar.
- We must have your signature, your pastor's signature and your sponsor's signature before your request can be considered.
- The fee for all weekends is \$200.00. Send the full amount of the registration fee with this application. Make checks payable to the Hi-Sky Emmaus Community and please make a separate check for each applicant. If a scholarship is needed, complete the scholarship request below.
- When an applicant is placed on a walk, the sponsor and applicant both receive information about the walk prior to the Walk weekend.
- Questions? Bailey Lively 432-894-0353

A: Fees are due when you turn in the applications. Applications are not considered complete until the \$200.00 fee has been turned in. \$50.00 scholarships are available, but a request for the scholarship and \$150.00 will need to be turned in with the app before it can be processed.

We've also had a few instances of "I'm sponsoring this person, but I didn't fill out the sponsor's page." This typically happens at community in a passing moment. As we move forward, please know that apps which don't have the sponsor's information filled out will be handed back to you to be completed. We use this information to keep the database up-to-date, ensure letters get to you in a timely manner, and to contact you, the sponsor, should there be and questions or concerns. Also, as many of you know, sometimes Rhett is alone at community and he

you sponsor pilgrims in the coming months. The only question that is improper is the question that remains unasked!!

As a final note, we wanted to talk numbers for a minute. In just 5 days there were 22 pilgrims signed up for Men's Walk 213, 9 of which came in during the last 24-26 hours after the walk made.

We saw this sort of trend last year as well where once the announcement was made that a walk had made, a flood of applications would soon follow. It begs the question, are we holding apps to see if the walks make? If this is the case, we need to change the mentality of the registration process. Instead of thinking, "Well I'll turn in my pilgrims app WHEN the walk makes" lets think about it like this, "I'm going to turn in my pilgrim's app so the walk WILL make."

De Colores, Rhett and Bailey Lively

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EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS





While this newsletter is built to inform you of the events in Hi-Sky Emmaus, De Colores is a newsletter for and of the Hi-Sky Emmaus Community. If you know of a special event in your church or through some other ministry in the area that you would like to share with the community, send an email with all the information about the event to communications@hiskyemmaus.com no later than March 14th.



If you would be willing to help serve on the music trailer committee, please let Kerry Mansour know. This committee works to ensure the music equipment is setup and taken down before and after the walk weekends and other community events.

A NOTE FROM THE COMMUNITY LAY DIRECTOR

Exactly 10 years ago this month, I was so anxious about getting my application submitted for my pilgrim walk. I had only recently learned about the upcoming women's walk, and really felt the presure to get my paperwork in. It seemed like my pastor took FOREVER to sign his name on the application, which was all that was standing in the way of my name being added to the list of pilgrims for WW#147. After all, there were only a couple of spots left, and time was of the essence!

Finally, everything was complete, and I remember rushing to the registrar's house to put my sealed envelope in the little white wooden church sitting on her front porch. Certainly she would pluck it out of the box the very minute I drove off. I had to be on this walk, and I had spoken with her on the phone at least 7 times that day...just to make sure she was expecting my delivery. I can still remember my heart racing as I impatiently awaited her phone call...was Lin or was I moved to

the following walk. After all, I had a divine appointment with God, and I had to know....NOW!! At last I did receive the news, and wouldn't you know I was in. I was the very last pilgrim registered for WW#147...#36, and that was over one month before the walk date.

Flash forward 10 years, just last week, actually, and it's less than one week before the registration deadline for MW#213. We have 9 pilgrims registered as a faithful team prepares for the walk scheduled less than two weeks away. Those community members that signed up for food agape and other servant roles for the upcoming walk are wondering....is this walk going to make? Is it going to happen? After all, God has a divine appointment with us at Circle 6 on February 20th, and we have to know....NOW!! Two days away from the registration deadline, and we've more than

doubled the number of pilgrims registered. Pressure off, walk made? Right? Really? Just over 60 pilgrims and team have an appointment with God on February 20th....Praise the Lord. But, how close did we come to missing that appointment? How close did we come to leaving Christ with open yet empty arms, empty because of our slowness to respond?

Print several applications out...NOW, gather this year's walk dates and registration deadlines...NOW, ask God whom He would have you send on a walk or flight, and submit those applications...NOW. Remember, Christ is counting on us, and we certainly don't want anyone to miss their divine appointment because we waited too long to respond to ours.

De Colores,

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A NERD'S HATRED OF VALENTINE'S DAY

Having been a NERD all my life (yeah I know shocker), I've always hated Valentine's Day. So many people use the presences of Valentine's Day on the calendar as an excuse to not express their love for one another throughout the year. Yes I know that's not a world-wide, all inclusive problem, but it is enough of a problem that I think Valentine's Day should be abolished.

Honestly though, far too often

we find ourselves in the position that Sheldon and Amy were in the clip here. As couples, as well as in our everyday friendships, we tend to still only focus on our own needs and wants instead of working to ensure that everyone are enjoying our moments together, usually leading one to become angry and lash out causing the other to get angry and lash back.

Even through his awkward sarcastic response to the situation, Sheldon makes a good point in this clip. We all need to stop being so focused on what would make ourselves happy and simply work together to make the moment something that is memorial.

As we start the next 365 days until the next "obligatory love day," let's focus less on making certain holidays and anniversaries special and more on making everyday special for the ones we love.