



New Horizon Emmaus Community

Newsletter – November 2006

Bring Your Favorite Snack! November Community Meeting

Thursday, November 16th
Board Meeting – 5:30 p.m.
Sponsorship Training – 6:15 p.m.
Praise & Worship – 7:00 p.m.
Food & Fellowship afterwards
First United Methodist Church, Littlefield
Friona/Anton will Host

Come and join us in electing our new board members for the Class of 2009!

FUTURE COMMUNITY MEETINGS

<u>DATE</u>	<u>HOST</u>
DECEMBER 16	LEVELLAND/SUNDOWN
JANUARY 18	ABERNATHY/FARWELL
FEBRUARY	HEREFORD/LITTLEFIELD



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“Knowing that from the Lord you will receive the reward of the inheritance; for you serve the Lord Christ”. Col. 3:24 (NKJV)

We have had our last walk this year, and God has truly blessed us this year. It would be nice to know how many lives God has touched this year through the service of all of you. A lot of times we get focused on the Lay Director of the walk, or the people that work the walk, but it takes a community to make everything work. We are blessed to have a community of people that are willing to do the right thing at the right time, because of their love for God and their love for others. We might be able to go back and count the decisions made on the walks. But we will never know how many lives those decisions will touch. This community deserves a pat on the back for the efforts it has put out this year. I would like to encourage everyone to come to the November 16th community meeting; we will be electing the new board members at that meeting. We have some awesome people that have stepped up and are willing to have their names put on the ballot this year. The November meeting is the community’s opportunity to come and honor these people with your support. But like I mentioned earlier it is not about the people that are in certain roles it is about the community and the support it offers. It is through that support that Christ is able to use every one of us. Thank you for being you and I pray Gods Blessing for every one of you

Dee Woolam, Spiritual Director

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A Note From the Lay Director



New Horizon Emmaus Community,
Now that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem. They were talking with each other about everything that had happened. As they talked and discussed these things with each other, Jesus himself came up and walked along with them; but they were kept from recognizing him. Luke 24:13-16 NIV Many times we expect Jesus to be a certain way. We have an idea of how he should be, the way he should sound, where he should be found. I remember when I went on my Walk I wanted to hear God talk to me. I'd often heard people say "God told me ..." or "He said ..." and I wanted to experience that, and what better place than on a 72-hour retreat with Jesus. All weekend I kept listening ... trying to hear what I expected to be that deep "Charlton Heston-type" voice speak to me. That never happened. But while I was trying so hard to hear Him speak to me in the way I expected, I almost missed the way He did speak to me ... through the various Talks, through the discussions at my table, through the music, and through the clergy. God still talks to me, often in ways that's hard to recognize. Before my Walk I didn't care for Christian music, but now it's all I'll listen to. I don't just listen to the song, but I listen to the message in the lyrics. Whether it's hymns, contemporary, praise and worship, or Christian rock and hip-hop, God speaks through it in a powerful way. Many times it's simply scripture put to various styles of music. Preachers were the same way. I had only been around one style of preacher in one denomination of church, and thought everything else was pretty weird. But again I was wrong. God has moved in such a powerful way in me through some mighty men (and women) of God of all denominations, and non-denominations. I would have missed so much if I had kept Jesus in the box I had created for him. Emmaus taught me to be open and look for Jesus everywhere, not just in my church. I have heard him from pastors in robes surrounded by beautiful stained glass, and also from preachers wearing cowboy hats standing in auction pens. I have been moved closer to him by hearing 20,000 men singing "How Great Thou Art" at a Promise Keeper's conference, and by watching hundreds of students worship him with rock and rap at youth rallies and concerts. I encourage you to be open to God presenting Himself to you in ways you might not expect, or be accustomed to. Be discerning, but don't be judgmental. Just like the two travelers in Emmaus: Then their eyes were opened and they recognized him, and he disappeared from their sight. They asked each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us while he talked with us on the road and opened the Scriptures to us?" Luke 24:31-32 NIV DeColores! Bruce Slaughter

2007 New Horizon Walk Dates

Jan 11	Women's Walk # 34	Melody Link, LD
Feb. 8	Men's Walk # 24	Homer Haile, LD
April 12	Women's Walk # 35	Peggy Goetsch, LD
June 14	Men's Walk # 25	Doyle Davis, LD
July 12	Women's Walk # 36	Mary Lu Grappe, LD
Sept 12	Men's Walk # 26	Bruce Slaughter, LD
Oct. 1	Women's Walk # 37	Sabina Schilling, LD

ATTENTION EVERYONE!!!

The New Horizon Newsletter Website has changed. The site is user friendly and easy to navigate. All upcoming walk dates, community dates, contacts and the newsletter are available for viewing and printing. Forms can also be printed including a volunteer sign up sheet. Everyone is encouraged to access the website and get familiar. There will be a signup available so that the newsletter can be sent directly to your email. (Currently under construction, but will be in place by the end of December.) As of January 2007 the newsletter will no longer be sent out by mail. The mailing project since May of 2006 was in an effort to clean up the community data base and obtain correct address information. The board feels that the task has been accomplished successfully. It is now up to each and everyone to keep their information current with the Data Base Administrator. The current mailing is approximately 1,350 pieces within a 100 mile radius of the ARK. The cost is tremendously taxing on the communities operating budget. Login at

www.newhorizonemmaus.org



**God & The New Horizon Community need
your Hands & Feet!**



There are currently several opportunities available that are in need of someone and their gifts. The community is in need of an individual to assume the role as the Men's Registrar. This position is being resigned by Noel White and will need assumed by March of 2007. This job requires someone with good computer skills as well as a good home computer. Set-up and training will be provided. The only cost will be the individual's time, care and organizational skills. If you are interested, please contact Bruce Slaughter. iberedrdr@hotmail.com



I cannot begin to tell you what a blessing it has been for me to prepare the newsletter. I have had the awesome opportunity of working with 4 community lay directors and 4 community spiritual directors. Our community is blessed with so many Godly people. The time has come for me to pass this on to someone else so that they can also receive the blessing. New Horizon is in need of someone to take over the responsibility of the newsletter in 2007. Strong computer skills and a home computer are recommended. Prayer, guidance and training will be provided upon request. If you are interested, please contact Bruce Slaughter or Shirley White.

**“We can make our plans, but the final outcome
is in God's hands.”
Proverbs 16:1 TLB**

Prayer Vigil Coordinator: Vandi Combs. You may contact her at 806-272-4877-home or 806-566-5158 -cell, www.v_c0@yahoo.com
Name Tags: Send \$6.00 along with name and address to Terri Stansell, 1461 Hwy 54, Littlefield, TX 79339.
Data Registrar: Tanya Chadwick, P.O. Box 819, Farwell, TX 79325
Newsletter Articles: Send to Shirley White by the 5th of each month to PO Box 24, Friona, TX 79035, nwhite@wtrt.net

**New Horizons Emmaus Community
Board of Directors Ballot**
**Please indicate your vote by an X. Election is
determined by a majority or plurality of
votes actually cast.**

**Clergy
(Vote for 1)**

- _____ Jerry Don Cheshire
 _____ Wayne Horton
 _____ Ron Lacy

**Board Members
(Vote for 2)**

- _____ Ted Ballard
 _____ David Carver
 _____ Homer Haile

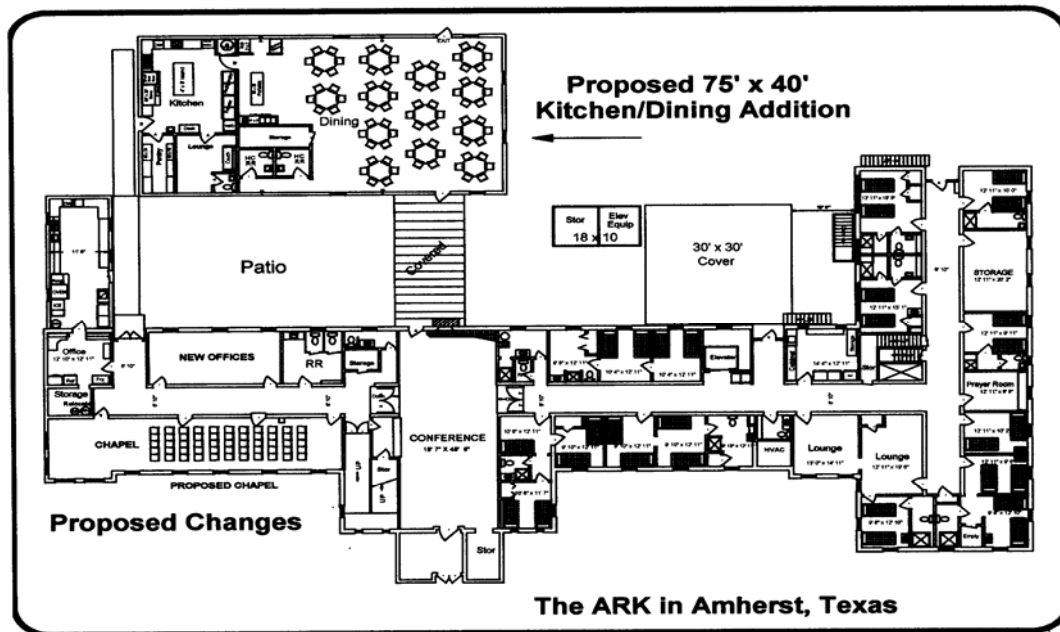
**Board Members
(Vote for 2)**

- _____ Linda Blount
 _____ Ann Favor
 _____ Gloria Hutchens
 _____ Terri Stancell

IF YOU HAVE HAD A CHANGE OF ADDRESS OR PHONE NUMBER,
PLEASE NOTIFY THE DATA REGISTRAR AT tchadwick52@hotmail.com
THIS IS IMPORTANT IF YOU WISH TO WORK A WALK.

NEW HORIZON REGISTRARS

<u>Women</u>	<u>Men</u>
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BROTHERS AND SISTERS IN CHRIST, THE ARK TRUSTEES WANT TO UPDATE YOU ON THE PROGRESS OF THE BUILDING PROJECT. FIRST OF ALL, THE MONETARY DONATIONS ARE COMING IN AT A STEADY PACE. THE BUILDING FUND NOW HAS APPROXIMATELY \$20,000.00. PHASE ONE IS WELL UNDER WAY. THE BUILDING HAS BEEN CLEARED AND DIRT WORK STARTED. WE HAVE A VOLUNTEER TO START ON THE PLUMBING PROJECT, BOTH FOR THE EXISTING BUILDING AND FOR THE NEW KITCHEN AND DINING FACILITY. THERE IS A SIGNUP BOOK FOR VOLUNTEERS CIRCULATING OR YOU CAN CALL RICKY KUNTZ AT 806-647-0745 EVENINGS OR LEONARD ROPER AT THE 505-799-6960 (CELL) TO BE ADDED TO THE LIST OF WORKERS. GOD HAS BEEN FAIHFUL TO OPEN DOORS, TO PROVIDE THE MANPOWER AND THE FUNDS NEEDED FOR THIS WORTHY PROJECT. NOW WE, AS A COMMUNITY, NEED TO PRAY FOR A SPIRIT OF COOPERATION, FOR THE NEEDED LABORERS AND THE MONEY TO COMPLETE THIS GREAT WORK. AS A STAKEHOLDER IN THE ARK YOU CAN SUPPORT THIS EFFORT FOR A LITTLE AS \$50.00 A SQUARE FOOT. DONATIONS CAN BE SENT TO THE ARK BUILDING FUND AT PO BOX 55, AMHERST TEXAS 79312 IN CHRIST, THE ARK TRUSTEES

Pam Humphreys resigns as ARK Manager

We all know different Biblical accounts of God equipping ordinary people to accomplish extraordinary deeds. Pam Humphreys has certainly been God-equipped to oversee the years of growth at the Amherst Retreat Center. But, as scripture tells us, "to everything there is a season". Pam is resigning as ARK manager, and is moving on to a different "season" in her life. We rejoice in the ministry she has had, and in her ministry to come. Thankfully, God is preparing someone to take over the management responsibilities at the ARK. Is it you? Is it someone you know? The ARK's ministry needs someone who will be involved with Emmaus, book retreats, oversee weekend events, maintain the building and grounds, etc. This is a paid position, both monetarily and spiritually. A resume is requested. To learn more about the ARK management position, contact either: Jerry Annen 806-647-5116, or Gloria Hutchins 806-481-3380, or Tommy Stansell 806-385-6512, or Lyndall Favor 806-385-6807, or Kyla Howell 806-385-4259. Please respond promptly. Pam's resignation is effective at the end of this year, and she will need time to train her successor.