

BRAZOS VALLEY EMMAUS COMMUNITY JANUARY

HULLABALOO! HULLABALOO! HULLABALOO! HULLABALOO!

2018 HULLABALOO - FEBRUARY 3, 2018 - FUMC-MADISONVILLE

The Hullabaloo is our yearly Fund Raising Event with the proceeds going toward Scholarships for Pilgrims/Team Members who need financial assistance attending a Walk. Your presence and contributions toward the Live Auction and Silent Auction are essential!!! The Auction Team will begin accepting items at 4:00, and because you'll be there early, you can always help them in setting up since this is a big job! The schedule for that day will be 1) accepting auction items, 2) eat and look at items to see what you can't live without, 3) the live auction will take place and the silent auction will end, and 4) we will have our worship service! Then you get to

BVEC UPCOMING WALKS

Walk #110 – LD Steve Wright April 12-15, 2018 at Cross Roads Retreat in Chriesman Walk #111– LD Joanne Claridge, April 26-29, 2018 at Cross Roads Retreat in Chriesman Walk #112– LD TBD, October 11-14, 20168 at Cross Roads Retreat in Chriesman Walk #113 – LD TBD, October 25-28, 2018 at Cross Roads Retreat in Chriesman

The Brazos Valley Emmaus Community started the New Year holding the first BVEC Board of Directors meeting on January 6th before our Gathering at Grace UMC in Hearne.

A big THANK YOU to our outgoing Board Members for their service and dedication to BVEC!

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THE HIPPER ROOM.

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UPCOMING IMPORTANT DATES:

*February 3rd we will have our HULLABALOO so mark your calendars and plan to be there.

*March 3rd—Gathering at Chappell Hill UMC

*April 12-15-Men's Walk #110 with Steve Wright as the Lay Director

*April 26-29-Women's Walk #111 with Joanne Claridge as the Lay Director

*May 5th - Gathering - TBD

*June 2 - Gathering at Hilltop Lakes Chapel

*July 7 - TBD

*August 4 - Gathering at Crossbridge Christian Church, Houston

*September 8 - Gathering - TBD

*October 11-14 - Men's Walk #112— Lay Director TBD

*October 25-28 - Women's Walk #113, Lay Director TBD

*November 3- Gathering - TBD

YOUR 2018 BVEC BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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Logistics, Transportation, Facility set-up/breakdown:

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As members of the BVEC, there are so many opportunities to serve, whether it's on the Outside Team, the Conference Team, Kitchen Help, Dinner Service, in whatever way you can you've always gone above and beyond for every Walk. All agape - your prayers, letters, food, donations, bags, lanyards, book covers, name tags, folders, dining room/pillow agape, all agape affirms God's love to each of the Pilgrims.

For these upcoming Walks, we need 65 pieces of dining room/pillow agape. It has been requested by the Camp that we have no pillow agape with food in it - in any form. Your cooperation, commitment, and dedication to support this community with agape

Sponsorship

Sponsors are the backbone of the Walk to Emmaus. Without Sponsors there would be no Walks, no monthly gatherings, no hullabaloo, no 4^{th} day and no Pilgrims. However important this roll is, it does carry responsibilities that must be fulfilled. Here are some observation all Sponsors must keep in mind.

Pray for your Pilgrim every day and by all means sign up for the Prayer Vigil. Those who sign up for the Prayer Vigil will be visible to the Pilgrims, and it would be short-sighted not to have all Sponsors signed up of at least one slot.

You are responsible for transporting your Pilgrim BOTH to and from the Walk. Treat them to dinner (not a requirement but certainly a useful gesture) both before and after the Walk, as it will be give you a chance to share the experience while it's fresh in their minds.

Make sure both you and your Pilgrim have completed and read all the required paperwork, and that you have his or her Pastor's signature. Talk to the spouse as well and remember...THERE ARE NO SECRETS!

Explain to your Pilgrim what to bring and not bring on the Walk.

Write your agape letter to your Pilgrim and collect similar letters from at least 8 to 10 family members and friends. Make sure to bring these to the Walk on Thursday and take them to the Sponsor's hour at 7:00 PM.

Make sure any of your Pilgrim's personal responsibilities are covered. If you can't do it find someone who can. They don't need to worry whether or not the dogs are being fed or if some someone is tak-