

Superiorland Emmaus Community Newsletter



Walk to
Emmaus
THE UPPER ROOM.

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See the
[last page](#)
for a
Special need for
the upcoming
Walks.



Don't forget
the
[Prayer vigil.](#)
I see an awful
lot of
green spaces.

The Dates are set. The place is set. The Team is set.

What's missing?

Candidates!

If you have been sitting on the fence, knowing someone who would be good for the Walk to Emmaus experience but you just haven't found the time or the intestinal fortitude to approach them.....Then the time is now!

Download [Sponsor Guidelines](#) ✓

Download [sponsor](#) and [candidate](#) applications ✓

Get out and talk to your candidate ___



Men's Walk #80: **September 14-17** (Lay Director: B.J. Ash)
Women's Walk #81: **September 21-24** (Lay Director: Francine Cerne)

Both Walks to be held at Camp Michigamme

(All Times and Dates are subject to change if circumstances require)



Things to do and dates to remember

WHEN

WHAT

WHERE

- | | | |
|--------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Right Now | Sign up for Pray Vigil | Men - Women |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <u>Right Now</u> | Sponsor a Pilgrim
(click here for Sponsor Forms) | <u><i>Deadline for Men - August 31st</i></u>
<u><i>Deadline for Women - September 7th</i></u> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Right Now | Volunteer for Team
(Click here for Volunteer Forms) | Next Walk |
| <input type="checkbox"/> September 14-17, 2017 | Superiorland Emmaus
Men's Walk #80 | Camp Michigamme |
| <input type="checkbox"/> September 21-24, 2017 | Superiorland Emmaus
Women's Walk #81 | Camp Michigamme |
| <input type="checkbox"/> October 14, 2017 | Board of Directors Meeting | Woodland UMC |
| <input type="checkbox"/> October 14, 2017 | Emmaus Community Gathering
Welcome our new Brothers and Sisters | T. B. D. |

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Candidate and Sponsor forms send to;

Marcia Waters
148 Heritage Dr.
Negaunee, MI 49866

SPECIAL
TO DO
LIST

Team Volunteer forms send to;

Paula Ross
26783 Imperial Heights Rd
Michigamme, MI 49861

VERY IMPORTANT PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING DRAFT BYLAWS

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BYLAWS of THE SUPERIORLAND EMMAUS

ARTICLE I. NAME:

The name of this community shall be The Superiorland Emmaus Community, hereinafter referred to as the Community.

ARTICLE II. PURPOSE:

Section 1.

The object of the community shall be twofold: **One**> to inspire, challenge, renew and equip church members for Christian action in their homes, churches, places of work, and communities through the Emmaus experience; and, **Two**> to develop a tightly linked, caring, ministering Community in which personal Christian growth is encouraged through the development of Fourth Day and Reunion groups and other meaningful regular gatherings, and the following of Gods instructions, through *Christian* action and words.

Section 2.

This Community is affiliated with the National Emmaus Movement, the Upper Room, Nashville, Tennessee.

ARTICLE III. MEMBERSHIP:

Section 1.

All who have completed a weekend experience of the Walk to Emmaus sponsored by the Superiorland, as well as other Emmaus communities, shall be members of the community.

Section 2.

All who have completed a Cursillo weekend, Tres Dias or other expression of the three-day experience, that is recognized by the National Emmaus Movement may become members, after, verification, and then participating in the activities of the community, and upon petition to the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE IV. BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

Section 1. Composition:

Direction of the community shall be vested in a *sixteen (16)* member Board of Directors consisting of *fifteen (15)* directors elected from the community at large, and a Spiritual Director appointed by the Board of Directors, the spiritual director shall have voting rights. The Directors shall all be members of the Superiorland Emmaus Community. Except for a *three quarters (3/4)* vote of the seated Directors, the spiritual director shall be an ordained minister.

Section 2. Terms of Office:

a/ Each year, 1/3 of the Directors shall be elected from the community at large for three-year terms. Seated directors who are completing their first elected term, with a *majority* vote of the 15 directors, may serve a second term. Following the second term, they may not serve again as a director for a period of three (3) years.

b/ Terms of office for the first three years may be modified by the board of directors to provide for continuity on the board, whereas, a seated director shall serve until their replacement has been sworn into office.

c/ Board members must be blameless, not quick tempered, not violent, not given to drunkenness, must be hospitable, self-controlled, upright holy and disciplined and hold firmly to the trustworthy message as it has been taught. (Taken from 1 Timothy 3)

d/ Board members shall assume office on January 1, following the years in which they are seated and shall continue in office until December 31, of the final year of their term; or until their replacement has been seated, this time frame shall not exceed 90 days.

e/ The Spiritual Director of the Community shall be selected and appointed by the Board annually, and shall serve for one year, beginning each January 1. The seated spiritual director shall remain in office until their replacement has been seated, this time frame shall not exceed 90 days.

Section 3. Officers and election of Same.

a/ Officers:

Officers shall be; Chairperson, Vice Chairperson, Secretary, Treasurer. (Treasurer may or may not be an active board member), must be a Superiorland Emmaus active community member. In case of the absence of the Chairperson and the Vice Chairperson, the secretary shall call the meeting to order and call for a motion to appoint a temporary chairperson for the purpose to chair said meeting.

b/ Election of officers:

Except for the Treasurer, the remaining officers shall be seated members of the Board. Term of office are as follows; *Chairperson, 3 years, Secretary, 3 years, Treasurer, 3 years, Vice Chairperson, 1 year. If the seated trustee should elect to serve a second term and their request is grant by the board, with approval they may*

continue to serve a chairman, secretary and treasurer not to exceed 6 years, the 3rd and/or 6th. year will be a training year for the oncoming chairman, secretary and treasurer. Elections shall be at the January meeting of the Board of Directors. Seated officers shall continue in office until new officers are elected. Officers may be reelected during any term in which they are serving. *After serving 3 or 6 year term as board member there must be a 3 year break prior to serving again.*

Section 4. Meeting;

The Superiorland Board of Directors shall hold quarterly regular meetings; January, April, July and October of each year. Additional meeting may be scheduled by the Chairperson or upon a signed written request by a majority of the board of directors. All regular meetings must be posted on the Superiorland Emmaus Web page, one (1) month prior the January meeting and in all newsletters. All special meetings must be posted, no less than 18 hours prior to said meeting.

Section 5. Quorum:

Upon roll-call vote of the Superiorland Emmaus Board of Directors, approving the Bylaws, Eight (8) Board members shall constitute a quorum. At any time when the Board of Directors should fall below the required 16 seated members. A majority of the directors then serving shall constitute a quorum. (If you have 14 seated the majority would be-8, 12 seated –7, 10 seated – 6)

Section 6. Vacancies on the Board:

Upon nomination by the board and meeting board membership requirements, the board shall appoint person/s to fill vacancies who will serve until the next regular election. Persons appointed by the Board shall be eligible for election by the community at the next regular election, and if elected will serve a full term.

Section 7. Past Chairperson:

The immediate past chairperson may serve on the board as a consultant for a period of one (1) year, or the normal term of office, whichever is longer

ARTICLE V. COMMITTEES:

Section 1. Standing Committees:

As members of the community become available, the Board may organize the following standing committees, that shall be chaired by a seated board of directors member; **1/** Team Selection; **2/** Gathering & Group Reunions, **3/** Transportation, **4/** Set-up/Tear-down, **5/**Agape, external & internal, **6/** Kitchen, **7/** Communications & Literature, **8/**Nominating, **9/** Candlelight, **10/**Registrar.

Section 2. CHAIRPERSON/VICE CHAIRPERSON:

The Chairperson of the board of directors shall be an ex-officio member of all committees, and any other activities of the Superiorland Emmaus. In the absent of the Chairperson, the Vice-Chairperson assumes the role.

Section 3. Nominations Committee:

The nominations committee shall be chaired by the Vice-Chairperson of the Board of Directors, and consist of two additional directors of the board. The committee shall submit names of nominees and any other nominations which may be made from the membership of the annual committee meeting. *Nominations shall be submitted to the Superiorland Emmaus Board of Directors.*

ARTICLE VI. ANNUAL MEETING:

An annual Community meeting, for the purpose of election of new Board members. (January Board of Directors meeting *shall be held*)

ARTICLE VII. WALK TO EMMAUS:

Section 1. Pilgrims required:

The walk to Emmaus weekend, the goal is no less than twelve (12) Pilgrims. This is only the goal of the Board of Directors, therefore, all scheduled walks will move forward unless, by a three quarters (3/4) vote of the Superiorland of Emmaus Board of directors, vote to cancel, this vote should be (14) days prior to the walk date.

Section 2. Guidance:

The community shall be guided by the outlines and other materials of the Superiorland Emmaus, and the National Emmaus Movement in the formation and implementation of the three-day, 72-hour experience: Walk to Emmaus.

Section 3. Oversight:

The Board shall have general oversight in all matters relating to the Superiorland Community walk to Emmaus.

Section 4. Lay Director:

The board shall approve/disapprove a Lay Director, from the recommendations provided by the Team Selection committee, for each Superiorland Walk to Emmaus. Past Lay Directors may serve on the conference room team serving in any position as needed, after reasonable attempts have been exhausted to fill the positions.

Section 5. Board Representative:

The Board representative must have worked all positions within the conference room, (*Whereas, he/she would be expected to take over for any team member who cannot complete the walk.*) and must have served, or is serving a three year term on the Superiorland Emmaus board of Directors, prior to being eligible to serve as Board representative in the conference room.

Section 6. Spiritual Director:

The Spiritual Director for each Community Walk to Emmaus shall be appointed by the Spiritual Director of the Superiorland Emmaus Community after consultation with, and approved by the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE VIII. AMENDMENTS:

Section 1. Proposed Amendments:

Proposed amendments to the bylaws may be presented to the board by any member of the board, three (3) months in advance of consideration by the board at a regular or special meeting called for that purpose. Those proposed amendments which are approved by at least a three-fourth (3/4) vote of the board shall then be circulated to the Community for a vote by the membership at large as provided below.

Section 2. Adoption:

Amendments to the bylaws must be approved by the affirmative vote of three-fourths (3/4) of the Community who actually vote by the ballot deadline. The ballot deadline will be clearly printed on an e-mail or mail ballot to be circulated to all members of the community under the supervision of the Board. Amendments so approved shall take effect upon confirmation of the vote at the next regularly scheduled Board meeting, or special meeting, following the deadline contained in the e-mail or mail ballot. (E-mail is the preferred method of communication. (Cost saving) Upon written request, U.S. Postal service may be used)).

Reviewed & Updated by: Randall L. Yelle, January 10,/23, 2017 and June 26, 2017

Presented to the Superiorland Board of Directors, 2017

Adopted on this ____ day of _____, 2017 _____

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FRIST VOICE BALLOT - September 16, 2017

SECOND VOICE BALLOT - September 23, 2017

If you are unable to attend either of the above events and wish to still vote on the proposed Bylaws please use the e-mail link by simply pressing the vote button below and simply say “ YES “ or “ NO “.



BALLOT

FOR
**THREE (3) POSITIONS ON THE
SUPERIORLAND EMMAUS BOARD of DIRECTORS**
(Three year terms to begin January, 2018)
(Ballot Deadline is October 1, 2017)

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- Chuck Ryall*
- Dale Eltman*
- Mark Frustaglio*

(Write-in)

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SUPERIORLAND EMMAUS BOARD

Community Spiritual Director

Rev. Ron Fike - (Continuing)
Basketlifter@yahoo.com

Community Lay Director

Gary Lubinski - (2015-2017)
gary@franklinsquarehotel.com

Asst. Comm. Lay Director

Nominations Chair

Randy Yelle – (2015-2017)
randyyelle44@gmail.com

Treasurer

Chuck Yeager – (2014-2019)
yeagerc@charter.net

Secretary

Registration Chair

Marcia Waters - (2016-2018)
mmwaters@negauneehousing.org
And/or mmwaters702@gmail.com

Board Member

Jane Taylor - (2016-2018)
taylortrio3@gmail.com

Facility Setup/teardown

Co-Chair

Marvin LaGrew – (2015-2017)
marv46@up.net

Kitchen Chair

Jill Paris – (2014-2019)
jillparis20@gmail.com

Facility Setup/teardown

Co-Chair

Happy Wahmhoff – (2014-2019)
happywahmhoff@gmail.com

Candlelight Chair

Mike Deatruck – (2016-2018)
up_rentals@yahoo.com

Team Selection Chair,

Agape Coordinator

Barb Merlo - (2015 - 2017)
merlomom@charter.net

Prayer Vigil Chair

Emily Ritsema - (2016 - 2018)
eritsema@kingsford.org

New Board Member

Kip Dollar - (2017 - 2018)

Sponsors Hour Chair

Paula Ross - (2014 - 2019)
quilterpaula62@gmail.com

Gatherings & Merchandise

Jan Stone - (2016 - 2017)
Jans48@att.net

Communications

Jim Baker - (2017 - 2019)
mindseye@up.net

*** Non-Board Member Staff Positions**

Webmaster

*Dave Poplawski
pop@mtu.edu

Newsletter Coordinator:

*Jim Baker
mindseye@up.net

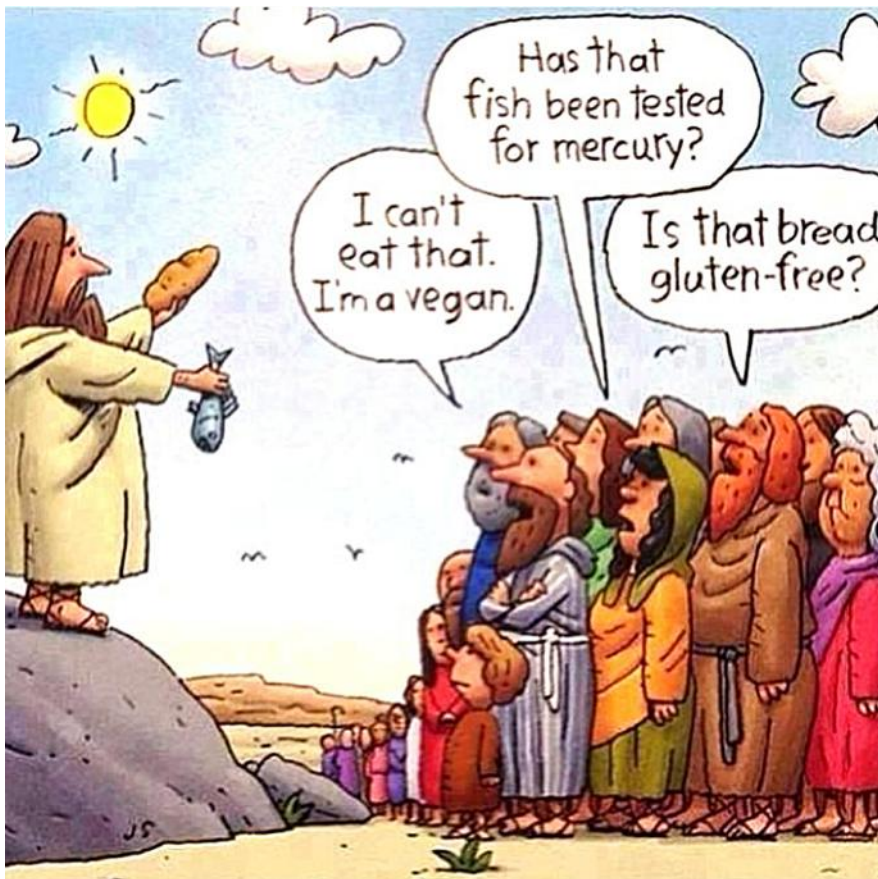
Transportation (Trailer)

Data Base Coordinator

*Martha Obmann
Snowtea48@gmail.com

As most of you know, our Superiorland Emmaus Community and our Board of Directors recently lost (?) one of our long-standing members. For many years Jane Romback could be seen at Walks, Gatherings, Over-nighters, Board meetings and was always a willing worker. Many of us were shocked and saddened by her death. But we can take solace in knowing that we haven't really lost Jane, we know where she is and our memories of her are still with us and we will all be reunited again.

Jane still had one more year remaining on the Superiorland Board of Directors. Kip Dollar has graciously volunteered and has been approved by the remaining Board members to fill the remainder of Jane's term.



SPECIAL NEED

For the upcoming
Walks

Golf Cart(s)

As you know Camp Michigamme is a wonderful place to hold a Walk to Emmaus. But just like the original

Emmaus Road, it provides some challenges for someone with mobility issues. Golf carts really help. If anyone has a golf cart (or even a side-by-side ATV) and would be willing to loan it to us for the upcoming Walks, please let us know by contacting either me [Jim Baker](#) (newsletter editor), [Joe Pelkola](#) or [Dave McCartney](#) (Men's Auxiliary Team) or [Anita Quinn](#) (Women's Auxiliary Team).

Thank you and God Bless.

SPECIAL EDITORS NOTE: This newsletter is for the use of the Superiorland Emmaus Community. It is not just a place for dates, times & places, the website does a good job of that (www.superiorlandemmaus.org). It is hoped that this newsletter will be published at least quarterly. If you have a story or any information, or announcements for the Community please send them to me, Jim Baker, at (mindseye@up.net) well in advance. Any submissions to the newsletter are subject to editing by newsletter editor and the Community Board of Directors for content, timeliness, appropriateness and available space.