

BALLOT FOR 2009 BOARD MEMBERS

PIONEER COUNTRY EMMAUS

Each ballot must be signed by the voter and the voter's name legibly printed beneath the signature. There are two columns for voting. If two people are using this ballot for voting, then both must sign the ballot at the bottom. Each person votes for seven (7) candidates. If an error is made, cross out the wrong mark and initial beside it. If eight or more votes are made by a voter, only the first five will be counted. A vote will be indicated by marking an "X" in the box by the candidate's name. Names may be written in on the ballot.

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#1 #2

RICK AKERS: Walk #113. Member UM Church of the Servant and Reunion Group "Resurrection Roosters. I have served behind-the-scenes as TA, kitchen, dining room and assisting Facilities since my original walk. I'm active in my church, helping conduct Christian Believers and Alpha Courses and teaching three basic photography classes. I'm also active in "Rebuilding Together". The Walk to Emmaus has been a huge impact on my faith walk. I would like to be part of that experience for others.

MARK BYE: Walk #17. Superiorland Emmaus (Upper Peninsula Michigan). Member Church of the Good shepherd, Yukon, and Reunion Group "Promise Keepers". I have been involved in about 8 Walks to Emmaus, Chrysalis and Kairos weekends, and have given three talks. My past experiences in churches I have been affiliated with have included serving on the board for two different churches, primarily as Treasurer. My current church and community activities include serving as a Stephens Minister for Church of the Good Shepherd as well an active participant in the Davis Correctional Facility, Kairos, and Horizons programs. I would like to serve on the Board to continue following God's lead. I believe this is a ministry God wants me to be working in.

WARREN COLLINS: Walk #51. Member UM Church of the Servant and Reunion Group "Servant Men of God". I was first involved in the United Methodist Marriage Encounter since 1983 and went on the Walk to Emmaus as a result of this association because of a friend's encouragement. I have been a table leader twice and a speaker once, giving the "Changing our World" talk. I am a Lay Speaker at our church and was Lay Leader at the Hope Community Church when the conference tried to get it started again. I served on the Board of Directors of Mustard Seed Corporation, a faith based charity in Briton, serving the city-wide poverty areas.

KEN EDMONDSON: Walk #61. Member Lost Creek UMC and Reunion Group "Mixed Chicks and Wise Guys". I am very active with my home church Men's Group. We are very active with missions, fund raisers, and church improvements. I am chair of our Board of Trustees and a member of the choir. In my 30 year career as a firefighter, I was an officer for over 20 years and shift commander for 15 of those years. Emmaus has made a great impact on my life and it is my desire to continue that gift of service.

Dorothy Holman: Walk #32. Member Prague Assembly of God and Reunion Group "Prague-Paden Believers". My husband and I cook and serve meals for 60 people each Wednesday night. I teach Missionette's and help with the youth after we cook each week. I have previously served on a Chrysalis Board. I want to be on the Board to continue the outreach that Emmaus has on people's lives, as well as our communities. Furthering our Walk with Christ is a crucial goal all Christians should seek in their lives.

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LAURA LANE: Walk #90. Member Chapel Hill UMC and a Reunion Group (not named). I am on the Children’s Council of my church, a Sunday School Teacher, Bible Study leader and am beginning Disciple IV. My husband, Scott, and I began a non-profit organization 10 years ago called “Christmas Cheer” that provides holidays for low-income elementary students and their families. I serve as Executive Director of this organization. I am also co-president of DD Kirkland Elementary PTA. I would be thrilled to serve the community in this capacity. I am so honored to be a part of this community. My Walk came at a very low point in my life and was absolutely altering to my outlook and my feeling of unconditional love in the world. This is how people “should treat one another”, and everyone should be able to experience it!

GORDON LOVELESS: Walk #113. Member St Andrews UMC and a Reunion Group (not named). I would like to be considered for the Board. I’m new but I’m very excited about Emmaus and what it offers.

DIANN RUDD: Walk #34. Member Lost Creek UMC and Reunion Group “God’s Chicks at Lost Creek”. At Lost Creek, I serve as Music Director, Sunday School teacher and Lay Speaker. I am currently working toward becoming a Certified Lay Minister. The Emmaus community has been an important part of my life for the past 15 years and plays an important part in the life of our church as well. I have served in each area in the Conference Room as well as serving in many capacities on the outside teams. It would be an honor to serve on the Emmaus Board.

MIKE SULLIVAN: Walk #7, Crosspoint Emmaus. Member Crossings Community Church and a Reunion Group (not yet named) that meets on Saturday mornings at Crossings. I’m Missions Coordinator for our Singles Class and on the leadership team for our class. I also volunteer at “The Club” where we bring in kids from John Marshall Middle School for mentoring, activities and a great meal. Before I became active in Pioneer Country in November, 2008, I served as TA, Assistant Table Leader and Table Leader at Crosspoint. Since joining Pioneer Country, I have worked as TA and Assistant Table Leader, and have assisted Facilities in getting the churches ready for our Walks. I’m happy to serve however the community would like. When I went on my Walk, outside our cabin I saw a chair laying face down in the leaves and trees. On Sunday morning, the chair was sitting upright. It seemed like I was being told my task was now to fill the chair...to take a seat at the table and do what I could to further the Body of Christ. If there’s a chair at the Board table that I’m supposed to fill, I’m happy to say “yes” and do my part.

Write in nominees: Please number in order to be counted.

Please sign your name and print on line below; include your walk number and Emmaus Community Name.

_____ Walk # _____ **(Signature Voter #1)**
_____ (Please print name and community)

_____ Walk # _____ **(Signature Voter #2)**
_____ (Please print name and community)

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