



# Rainbow Connection



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## Urgent Notice!

As of the Aug. 15 Board meeting, **no men (0) and just three (3) women Pilgrims** were registered for the Fall Walks. Certainly there are explanations for this, but the most important issue right now is, "What are we going to do about it?"

**The deadline for registration for the Men's Walk is Sept. 19, and for the Women's Walk, Oct. 17.** We *must* have at least 12 Pilgrims registered for each by those dates or we will be forced to cancel the Walks. *Please*, don't let that happen! Don't wait for someone else to do it. Contact those persons whom you know that are leaders and/or servants, or potential leaders, in their churches. Take a registration form with you, and encourage them to sign up for Walk #36.

Registration information is at right. If you need assistance or clarification, contact any of the Sponsor Mentors listed in the Rainbow Connection. Don't delay, start today. Sponsorship is a gift of Agape, it helps strengthen our Community and our local churches, and, it builds up the Body of Christ!

Also, if finances are a problem, there are limited funds available to assist anyone who truly needs help. Lack of money should not be an "Obstacle to Grace," so if there is a need don't hesitate to ask.

Pray, pray, and pray some more. Take a close look at your Emmaus Cross. Remember, "Christ is counting on you." And so is your Emmaus Community. To God be the glory!

*"I am the vine; you are the branches. This is to my Father's glory, that you bear much fruit, showing yourselves to be my disciples."*

John 15:5a, 8

De Colores,

Hal & Carol Goodwin, Community Lay Directors

## Vote for Community Lay Directors -- Page 3!

In this issue of the *Rainbow Connection* you will find the nominees, their photos and bios and the ballot to vote for the WNY Walk to Emmaus Community Lay Directors. Don't miss it! **Votes must be in by Sept. 15!** See page 3.

## WNY Walk to Emmaus #36

**\*\* REGISTRATION DEADLINES \*\***

**Men's Walk - SEPT. 19**

**Women's Walk - OCT. 17**

**First UMC - Springville**

474 East Main St., Springville, NY 14141

**Men's Walk: October 9-12**

**Women's Walk: Nov. 6-9**

**Reunion: Nov. 15**

## Newest Application is Online

**- Bill and Pam Wallum, Registrars**

Some important reminders, with the Walk #36 registration deadline quickly approaching:

Please remember we are the ones to contact if you are in need of a new nametag (button).

Please note that the new application form (with our new e-mail address) is now available on the Emmaus Web site at [www.wnyemmaus-chrysalis.org](http://www.wnyemmaus-chrysalis.org). This is the only application that will be accepted as it contains all the correct information. If you need a new form, please contact us at 585-493-2751 or at [wwallum@rochester.rr.com](mailto:wwallum@rochester.rr.com). The best place to get your copy is the Emmaus Web site, where you can download either a pdf or a Word file.

Submit your applications now -- let's have a great turn out for our Fall Walks! Praise God for our Emmaus Community and for all the blessings he bestows on us all.

## Chrysalis Steering Committee Going Official

- **Kathy Weil, Chrysalis Committee Lay Director** [kdw1973@juno.com](mailto:kdw1973@juno.com)

Our recent meeting for the Chrysalis Steering Committee was very heartening! We had a great turn out and accomplished much. We have enough signatures to send in the official application to The Upper Room for our committee to be the "real thing." We also elected Cheryl Babcock to fill the position of Secretary/Treasurer.

Even though the Flights in Hudson Falls were canceled, we are still encouraged that they are interested in being involved with WNY Chrysalis' revival!

We are currently focusing on two items:

- A Reunion/Hoot for Butterflies and Team members who participated

in WNY Flights #1-14. We need your help with addresses for participants. We know many of the youth have moved on, but hope to contact them through family. If you have a family member or friend who went on a Flight, and you know where they are, please let us know! Also, if you were on a Chrysalis Team, we would like to hear from you! The date has not yet been finalized, but most likely will be a Saturday in September, at the Genesee County Park in Bethany, NY.

- Our second point of focus is finding another community holding weekends that we can attend with our WNY Butterflies, in addition to the Hiram, OH Flight. As soon as we find a feasible location, we will let the Emmaus Community know.

The next meeting of the Steering Committee is Sept. 15 at 7 p.m. at Trinity UMC in Attica.

We hope you are as excited about Chrysalis coming back to WNY as we are! If you would like to know more about Chrysalis, you may contact any of the members of the Steering Committee. We would even be glad to come to your Church or youth gathering to talk about Chrysalis. Feel free to e-mail us and we'll do what we can to make this happen!

Fly with Christ!

### Steering Committee Members

Pastor Carol Sierk  
Chrysalis Spiritual Director  
[atticatrinityumc@verizon.net](mailto:atticatrinityumc@verizon.net)

Kathie and Jack Woika  
Agape  
[jwoika1@rochester.rr.com](mailto:jwoika1@rochester.rr.com)

Cheryl Babcock  
Secretary/Treasurer  
[cbabcock002@rochester.rr.com](mailto:cbabcock002@rochester.rr.com)

### Members at large

Jesse Babcock  
Frank White  
Karen Jackson  
Norb Fuest  
Joyce Spencer  
Jeff Smith  
Char Smith  
Kristen Merle  
Jim Keiper  
Cherie Trabert  
Florence Ritchie  
Emily Tinkham  
Sue Russell

## The Butterfly Perspective



Hello! My name is Kristen Merle, I attended WNY Girls Chrysalis Flight #4 sat at table #5 Kindred Koinonia and I attend the Alexander UMC. It is hard to believe that it has been almost 10 years since my flight; it seems like it was just this past winter.

Chrysalis has been an integral part of my life. One of the main things that has stuck with me all those years are the valuable friendships that were made and are continuing to be made with my involvement in the Chrysalis and Emmaus Communities.

My involvement in Chrysalis has allowed me to develop a Christian network of friends that have been there for me through all that life has thrown at me. There is always someone to reach out to for advice

and guidance.

After my flight, I had many opportunities to be on team, which allowed me to share my faith and experiences with young ladies that were at a point in their life that I was a few years before. So in a way it is a never ending network of friends.

### Thanks to Picnic Hosts

On behalf of the Community, I would like to thank the Medina-Millville Gathering for hosting the picnic this year. I heard everyone was able to sing all their favorite Emmaus songs and had a good day.

Next: The deadline for the Men's Fall Walk and on to the Christmas party! - **Keith Grinnell, Fourth Day**

## Community Lay Director/Board Chair Nominees Set

### - Hal & Carol Goodwin, Community Lay Directors

Since Jan. 1, 2006, it has been our pleasure to serve as Community Lay Directors/Board Chairs for WNY Walk to Emmaus. Our term will end Dec. 31, so it is time to select new Community Lay Directors/Board Chairs.

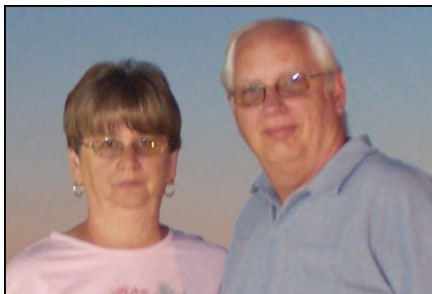
We are pleased to announce that the Board of Directors has nominated Lynn and Pat Blakeman and Stephen and Pat Morse as candidates. They have been contacted and accepted the nomination. We are confident that either couple would serve the Community well. They are active in the Community and have served on the Board.

The final decision goes to the members of the WNY Emmaus-Chrysalis Community. Each Community mem-

ber has one vote. If there are multiple members of the Community in a household, each member must vote separately but may include their votes on a single ballot or a single e-mail. If voting by U.S. Mail (preferred), please complete the ballot and mail it to the address on the ballot. **Mailed ballots must be postmarked by Sept. 15, 2008.** If voting by e-mail, list the name of each person voting, his or her original Walk number and selection (vote). E-mail votes **must be sent to** [carolhal@lakeplains.net](mailto:carolhal@lakeplains.net) **by Sept. 15, 2008.** Voting is on the honor system, and receipt of ballots will not be acknowledged. Please prayerfully consider your choice and vote ASAP.

**SEE BALLOT ON PAGE 4**

### Lynn and Pat Blakeman



We went on Western New York Walk to Emmaus #17, and attend Christ United Methodist Church in Olean.

The Lord worked through our Walks to bring us closer together by drawing us both closer to Him.

We previously served on the WNY Emmaus Board as Fourth Day Coordinators, and currently serve as members of the Team Selection Committee. We have been blessed to serve on several Emmaus teams and Lynn is serving as Lay Director for Men's Walk #36 in Springville. We are also the current leaders of the Enchanted Mountain Gathering in Olean.

Pat is a former teacher, having served schools in Virginia, Illinois, Iowa and New York. Lynn, a US Navy veteran of 22 years, is currently a Project and Commissioning Engineer for Dresser-Rand.

In our local church, Pat is a Trustee and serves on the Leadership committee (known as the Administrative Board in some churches) and Lynn serves on the Worship Committee. We both are members of the Praise Band, and strive to faithfully serve in any way we feel God calling us. Should God, and the WNY Emmaus Community, call us to serve as Co-chairs of the Emmaus Board of Directors, we will do our best to put Christ first in all that we do to the glory of God.

### Stephen and Pat Morse



We attended WNY Men's Walk to Emmaus #13 at First Presbyterian Church in Batavia. Stephen sat at Table #2, Luke, and Pat sat at Table #5, Esther. We worship at Middleport United Methodist Church.

On our Fourth Day, we have tried to remain active by serving on team, working in the kitchen, praying during Emmaus weekends, and attending gathering. We have served in the position of Treasurer on the Emmaus Board of Directors, and we currently serve as Sponsorship Mentors.

It is with earnest prayer and hopeful expectation that in the near future we will become part of the WNY Chrysalis revival, to which we give our tireless support and encouragement.

Our personal mission statement is "Being created in God's image, we will live, love, care and give as modeled by Christ Jesus, to whomever we meet wherever we are."

We would prayerfully seek to bring this commitment to the leadership of Western New York Walk to Emmaus, mindful that we are only two of the great number of leaders in the WNY Emmaus community.

## Ballot for Community Lay Directors/Board Chairs Election WNY Walk to Emmaus

Community Member(s) Name(s)	Walk/Flight No.	Vote
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
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Mail Ballot to: Hal & Carol Goodwin  
310 Park Avenue  
Medina, NY 14103-1516

*For information and  
instructions, see Page 3*

## Please Return Placemats; Make Agape

**- Cheryl & Jesse Babcock, Agape Chairs**

Summer is nearly gone now and the Fall Walks are getting ever closer! One good way to prepare for them is by making agape. Remember to make

60 of anything that you are doing. If it is from a Gathering, put the Gathering name on it, otherwise it is a gift from God.

Also a reminder to all that have placemat packets, please remember that they are due back to us by Sept. 1.

### Western New York Walk to Emmaus Board

Term	Position	Name	Phone	E-mail
2008	Lay Director	Hal & Carol Goodwin	(585) 798-4593	carolhal@lakeplains.net
2009	Spiritual Director	Greg Van Dussen	(716) 592-7615	pastorgreg@s1umc.org
2008	Agape	Cheryl & Jesse Babcock	(585) 589-7413	cbabcock002@rochester.rr.com
2008	Clergy	Nilla Owen	(585) 584-3329	tworevs@frontiernet.net
2008	Evangelism	Pat Corsette	(716) 826-6840	pcorsette@verizon.net
2008	Facilities	Bill & Sue Barber	(716) 689-2093	barberb@nationwide.com
2008	Registration	Bill & Pam Wallum	(585) 493-2751	wwallum@rochester.rr.com
2009	4th Day	Keith Grinnell	(585) 750-3519	kksbg@localnet.com
2009	Library	Bob & Teasha Fisher	(716) 592-2362	kyclark@localnet.com
2009	Newsletter	Rose Caldwell	(716) 649-3889	rgscaldwell@msn.com
2009	Supplies	Dave & Janice McKinney	(716) 434-5471	dmckinney4@roadrunner.com
2009	Community	Paul & Sue Gagne	(716) 648-3460	psgagne@verizon.net
2009	Team Selection	Norb Fuest	(585) 591-1198	nfuest@rochester.rr.com
2010	Clergy	Wilson Jones	(585) 226-2125	wilsonjones65@gmail.com
2010	Kitchen	Jim & Lora Keiper	(585) 591-3121	jimlorakeiper@aol.com
2010	Music	David Rood	(716) 941-5703	dgrood62@yahoo.com
2010	Secretary	Jessica White	(585) 591-1858	jdgirl25@yahoo.com
2010	Treasurer	Jeff & Charlene Smith	(585) 798-3831	jsmith24@rochester.rr.com

We always can use help making the agape from the community and doing the Saturday night placemats, if you would like to help, please contact us either by e-mail at cbabcock002@rochester.rr.com or by phone at 585-589-7413.

We pray that God has truly been a part of your summer activities and we look forward to seeing everyone.

## Sponsorship Mentors

These Sponsorship Mentors will help with your sponsorship questions, and review and sign your pilgrim applications before submitting them to Registrars Bill and Pam Wallum. To contact them, please call your Gathering leader (as listed on page 6). Thank you.

### Fairport

John & Mary Trowbridge  
Gary & Sue Clarcq

### Alexander

Jim & Lora Keiper  
Rev. Greg & Jackie Van Dussen

### Millville/Medina

Hal & Carol Goodwin  
Pat and Steve Morse

### West Bank

Chris Collins, Sparky Hess  
Don Crawford, Carolyn Rickman

### Enchanted Mountain

Mike & Jan Mortimer  
Lynn & Pat Blakeman

### Springville

Rev. Greg & Jackie Van Dussen  
Bud & Nancy Van Vredenburg

### Niagara Area

Bill & Sue Barber  
Keith & Karen Grinnell

### West Seneca/Buffalo

Pat Corsette  
Bob & Deanna Laurie

### Hamburg/Buffalo Southtowns

Gary & Rose Caldwell  
Paul & Sue Gagne

### Napoli

Bryant & Cheryl Keesler  
Bill & Alex Gage

## WNY Walk to Emmaus #36 Teams

Women's		Men's	
Position	Name	Position	Name
Spiritual Director	Stan Scoville	Spiritual Director	Nilla Owen
Asst. Spiritual Directors	Emily Frank Karen Grinnell Bob Schooley	Asst. Spiritual Directors	Rick Koch Troy Sellers Derek Cheek Linda Haight
Board Rep	Jan Mortimer	Board Rep	Stephen Morse
Lay Director	Pat Corsette	Lay Director	Lynn Blakeman
ALD - Agape	Pat Blakeman	ALD - Agape	Keith Grinnell
ALD - Chapel	Cheryl Isaman	ALD - Chapel	Dean Perry
ALD - Bell Ringer	Kathie Woika	ALD - Bell Ringer	Mike Mortimer
Table Leaders	Sue Crawford Chris Collins Sharon Zacher Holly Roush Lisa Waterhouse Guin Smith	Table Leaders	Allen Keiper George Vineyard Paul Gagne Bob Neamon Bill Wallum Bob Comstock
Asst. Table Leaders	Martha Haggerty Juls Foos Laurel Stephens Nancy Thoman Nancy Preston Cheryl Brown	Asst. Table Leaders	Bill Gage Eric Parr Tom Gell Jerry Vitthuhn Dean Magnuson Rob Jackson
Logistics	Rose Caldwell Laura Walker	Logistics	John Trowbridge Bill Perkins
Musician	Alex Gage	Musician	Bill Lang
Asst. Musician	Kristin Jones	Asst. Musician	Paul Brown

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### Remaining Walk #36 Teamings

#### Men's

Sept. 5-6    Alexander UMC  
Sept. 26-27    First UMC, Springville

#### Women's

Sept. 26-27    Alexander UMC  
Oct. 24-25    First UMC, Springville

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## Gathering Schedule

**Fairport:** East Rochester UMC

357 Fairport Road (Rt. 31F)

2nd Sunday of the month

5 p.m. - Meeting (Child care upon request)

Bob & Christa Fathergill 585-387-0928

**West Bank:** Greece UMC - 2nd Saturday of the month

8:30 a.m. - Continental breakfast

9 a.m. - Meeting (Call ahead for child care)

Sonya Ingle - Child care contact 585-621-1766

Will & Carolyn Rickman 585-392-9784

**Niagara:** Lockport - Emmanuel UMC

2nd Saturday of the month

6 p.m. - Meeting

Dave & Janice McKinney 716-434-5471

**Alexander:** Alexander UMC - 3rd Saturday of month

7 p.m. - Meeting (Child care as needed)

Kathy Wessel & Bob Neamon 585-547-9221

**Springville:** Springville UMC - 3rd Saturday of month

9:30 a.m. - Meeting

Brian & Susan Scharf 716-592-9811

**Enchanted Mountain (Olean):** Christ UMC

3rd Wednesday of the month

7-8:30 p.m. - Meeting

Lynn & Pat Blakeman 716-373-6470 smitann1@verizon.net

**Buffalo:** New Hope UMC

2846 Seneca St., West Seneca - 3rd Saturday of the month

9:30 a.m. - Meeting

Pat Corsette 716-826-6840

**Hamburg/Buffalo Southtowns:** Hamburg UMC

116 Union St., Parlor - 3rd Tuesday of the month

7 p.m. - Meeting

Gary & Rose Caldwell 716-649-3889

**Medina/Millville:** Millville UMC - Last Friday of the month

7 p.m. - Meeting

Jeff & Char Smith 585-798-3831

**Napoli:** Napoli UMC - 4th Monday of the month

7:30 p.m. - Meeting

Rick Peters 716-938-6800

**Next Newsletter Deadline is Sept. 20**

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