



### **Saturday - Dinner Servers Advance Information**

Dinner Servers should arrive quietly in Ritchie Building by 5 PM. Dinner is approximately 5:40, and Pilgrims will have a break during that window. This gives the Event Coordinator an opportunity to review what you need to do. Servers should be dressed nicely. It is recommended to wear something you would wear to a nice dinner with a spouse or to a business meeting.

Shenandoah Valley Emmaus contracts with Camp Overlook for meals. A reservation count is turned in a week early and the camp orders and prepares accordingly. It is Emmaus policy that leadership pays its own expenses, thus we have team fees to cover the various servants.

If you wish to enjoy this meal, which is the most expensive meal of the weekend, you must let the Registrar know by Thursday night, the week before the Walk who will give this count to the Camp. The Registrar can let you know the cost which you may pay in the kitchen upon your arrival.

In lieu of reservations and meal payments for Saturday Night Servers, which is an Emmaus program feature, the camp has welcomed Servers to enjoy whatever is left-over after the complete meal is served. A financial donation is appreciated and may be left in a small cash box in the kitchen. Checks should be made payable to "Overlook" and are tax deductible. Please note that left-overs may be in short supply.

ALD's will do their absolute best to accommodate the escort requests for a specific pilgrim or team member. They will usually come to Ritchie and find out who may be looking for a special person. However, work together to be sure that it can happen, as sometimes it may not be 100% possible. Priority for special escort is given to Pilgrims over Team Members. Escorts line up along the windows and walk their guest to the farthest available seat, then circle around the back of the room to wait for their next guest. Once everyone is seated and Grace is sung, the

kitchen will start sending plates to be served. Based on the number of servers, 2-3 should work on filling drink glasses while the other 2-3 work on serving plates. Once all are served, double-check that drinks do not need to be refilled, seconds are not requested, etc., just like a waiter in a restaurant. Once the dinner dishes have been cleared, ask guests which dessert choice they would prefer, and refill drinks if needed. Then quietly slip into the kitchen and enjoy your reserved meal (if requested through the Registrar) or leftovers. Note that there is time after the meal before Candlelight for you to leave the mountain for a meal in a local restaurant, if you desire.

When the entertainment has finished (or is finishing), quietly slip back into the room and work to clear dessert dishes from in front of guests. In order to not be a distraction, either go around the BACK side of the room to the window, or go directly to the kitchen. Do not walk in front of any speakers that may be in the front of the room. Once all guests have left, help clean up the dining room.

We hope you will stay for Candlelight. Please change in the Ritchie building and keep your voice down - voices of the opposite sex carry very well from Ritchie, and if Pilgrims go on break, they will hear you.