

Update to the community: (a draft note for the news letter from Dave Goodner)

I'd like to give an update on the pledge drive for the potential project to turn the Lakeview Ministries shelter house into a Conference center.

We have received a total of 26 pledges totaling \$51,700 plus approximately 352 hours of labor. Our goal for the project is \$150,000 total. Unfortunately, we have received just over one third of the amount needed to make the construction project a "go". We are taking this response as clear direction that the construction alternative will not be pursued further. The campaign is now closed.

I want to thank the community for the engaged discussions and suggestions about alternatives for the conference room space in the chapel that is no longer available to rent.

For those who offered pledges and a few that have already sent funds, we appreciate your willingness to support the ministry through your generous offers of funds and labor. We will be reaching out shortly to get your direction for how to return or utilize the funding you've entrusted us with.

The Emmaus board has formed a small committee to begin the detailed work of how we will utilize the space we have in the Mohegan lodge and the Dining hall to fill our needs for the Spring walks.

We will provide more information about these plans and about future plans of Lakeview Ministries that may provide options for us in the newsletter and at gatherings.

Your prayers for guidance are appreciated.