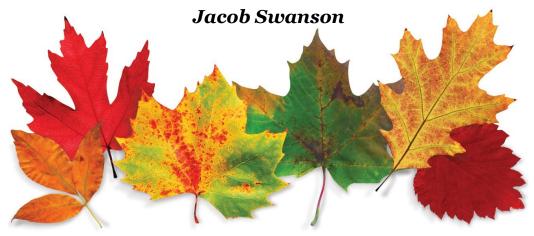
# Illiana News

November 2019

# Preparing for Christmas in the Village

Hello everyone! I'll be brief - the biggest announcement in this month's newsletter is the set-up/work day for Christmas in the Village, which is on Sat., November 23. Among other things, we will need help with clearing and burning leaves, cleaning the grounds, and putting up decorations. You can read more about it in Joan's submission on page 3, but don't forget to read the Quilters article on your way there. A flyer for the event can be found on the last page; it will copy nicely onto Christmas stationary to give a festive look.

In the meantime, stay warm until we meet again at the Monday meeting, on the 18th.



### **Next Meeting**

The next meeting of the Illiana Antique Power Association is scheduled for Monday, Nov. 18, 2019 at 6:30 pm in the Assembly Hall. Bring a dish to pass for the carry-in dinner.

See you there!

### **Illiana Quilters News**

Submitted by: Kathy Kyle

The Quilters held their 3rd Annual Bazaar on Oct. 26th with a room full of handmade items to sell! Again the weather was a big factor in our day, but for the most part it was another success! Thanks to all who came and participated.

During the Oct. meeting we started a "Mystery Quilt". Not knowing what we were going to be making as far as design resulted in a fun day and, as usual, a wide variety of colors and designs. The Nov. meeting will reveal what everyone was able to make with the instructions and it will be a fun day seeing the completed projects. Watch our Facebook page for the pictures and fun that follows!

December 9th will be our Christmas luncheon at Joan Fry's home. The gift exchange will be an article made from the 1 yd. of fabric that everyone received as a gift last year, so this should be another interesting and fun day. In addition to this, we ask that everyone bring a small sewing notion to be used in a game that we will play during our festive day.

Hard to believe that we are already looking toward Thanksgiving and soon Christmas - and with that comes Christmas in the Village. We hope that everyone will attend or participate in some way to make this another successful exciting, festive couple of evenings for the area residents, especially the children. The Quilters Cottage will be decorated with stars this year, so if you have star decorations or ornaments please bring them on Friday evening when we decorate an hour or so before the public arrives.

Illiana Quilters wishes everyone a very...

#### **Correction!**

We have a correction from last month's newsletter.

The notebooks donated by Jeff Troike came from

Ceres Solutions, not from Nutrien as reported.





#### **Illiana Quilters Important Dates**

Monday, Dec. 9th: Christmas Luncheon, @ the home of Joan Fry.

## Get Ready for Christmas in the Village

Submitted by: Joan Fry

Get ready! Mark your calendars! Count down the days until Christmas in the Village! The carolers are contacted, the guys with the chili are already making their plans. So we are started! It seems everyone in the community is looking forward to the season and especially to our Christmas in the Village. We do have a few big questions...Will we have a snow? Will Santa make it again? Where will we put him? What will be new this year? The details are to be worked out but the plan is a go! For some families, this is their favorite holiday celebration. Help us get ready. Work day is November 23. Call if you have questions. There will be something for everyone to do.

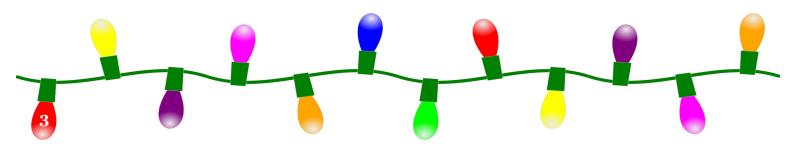
As usual, we need you to check your cupboards for old votive candles. The other kinds will work but votives are the best. Color and scent are not important because they will be hidden inside a jug. Speaking of jugs, save and wash some of those plastic jugs for us. The plan now is that the luminaria will be put together at the November workday. We will recycle them after the big day. We will not save them for another year. They are hard to store and tend to get too brittle to use again. But they sure do look "purty"!

Contributions of cookies for Kathy's Kitchen are needed as well as prayers for good weather. We would like temperatures just about 32 with gently falling snow and no wind. Stars shining would be good too.

Voluntary contributions for the food bank in Warren county will be the only admission fee. Folks are needed to do all sorts of jobs. The people movers need to move. The hot chocolate needs to be served. The decorations need to go up. Gate greeters and food collectors are wanted. A place outside for families to take pictures needs to be set up. Firewood for the bonfire needs to be collected and someone needs to watch it. Special exhibits need to be lighted. There are bunches of jobs that make the evenings special. Give Joan Fry a call (765-363-5406) if you have an idea that would make things more special or if you would like to volunteer. Joan is always looking for folks who like to work...and would really like for someone new who would like to learn the ropes and then take over some of the planning etc. We need fresh ideas and constant improvement. We always want things to be surprising and have new things to see and do.

A flyer is attached. You can copy it as many times as you wish, put them out everywhere, tell folks about Christmas in the Village. That is something everyone can do to help with publicity.

So, get your long johns out, mark your calendar, and plan on being a part of Christmas in the Village, our gift to our community. The 2019 Event will be the best ever!



# Illiana Antique Power Association

Presents:

# CHRISTMAS IN THE VILLAGE

December 6 and 7,

4:00-8:00 pm

Bring your family and enjoy an old-fashioned Christmas celebration. Remember the way Christmas was "way back when." Make Christmas in the Village your family tradition.

No admission charged. We will, however, be collecting non-perishable food items for the local food bank.

Located on the Illiana Antique Power Association's grounds 7 miles south of Boswell on US 41 or 13 miles north of Attica on US 41, then east on the Rainsville road.

For more information, call Joan Fry 765-363-5406 or Tom Swanson 765-585-8371.

