

Fellowship Committee Chair: Annual Report : FINAL DRAFT

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Women's Alliance

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Description / Activities 2017 - 2018

Women's Alliance started their activities with a Garden Party in the beautiful garden of Jo Howser's home. We also held our annual Holiday Party at Victoria Rachael's home. Our Annual retreat was held at Glen Lakes Camp in Glen Rose where 20 of us gathered to learn from and share with others. From a lesson on Tai-Chi to bingo and scrabble games from nature walks to songs and dancing.

We connect with the wider UU women's community with SWUW, the national Women's Federation, other WA groups, and the General Assembly.

Plans for 2018 - 2019

- Continue attracting new members and friends.
- End of Year potluck on June 16th in Founders Hall. To include annual elections for next years board.
- Plan our annual retreat, holiday party, and a garden party at Jo's.
- Continue informing our members on wider UU women's opportunities through district, regional and national events held by the respective organizations.
- Through dues, yearly fundraisers and time we help with other tasks around the facilities.

Program-Women's Fellowship Breakfast

Contact Person-Vicki Verinder

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Description / Activities 2017-2018

Vicki started the breakfast fellowship for women in response to the Women's Alliance call for more time together during the year. It's stand alone event open to all women of the church, held monthly, about the third Saturday of the month, usually at Poor Richards in Plano starting at 8:30 to 9:00 a.m. We started with 4 and the numbers are gradually growing. We now have 8-10 at each breakfast.

Plans for 2018 - 2019

To continue the once a month gathering more women as time goes on.

Men's Fellowship

Contact Person - Bryson Bristol - 214-613-6283

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Description / Activities 2017 - 2018

Business as usual. The Men's Fellowship gathers on the 3rd Saturday of each month at Poor Richard's Cafe. Currently, there are about 8-12 regular participants. A few new people have come and gone this year. Bryan Bristol emails the reminders.

Plans for 2018 - 2019

Not expecting or planning on changes this year.

Meetings are posted in UUupdate and Order of Worship.

**Special Thanks to Dick Hildebrand who gathers up the group when Bryan is unavailable.

Outdoor Adventure

Contact Person - Dick Hildenbrand - 214-718-7590

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Description / Activities 2017 - 2018

Fall Campout and Spring Campouts are always successful. Average participation is about 75 people, split 50/50 between adults & children. Roughly, a 1/3 of the participation is shared with other North Texas UU churches.

Plans for 2018 - 2019

**Dick is ready for a break. The group will discuss how to keep it going for years to come, at the spring campout. April 27-29 Eisenhower

For Consideration:

There are several hundred dollars in a dedicated fund for church picnics. CUUC skipped this year's picnic due to scheduling conflicts. In the past, CUUC hosted a picnic on Memorial Day (no fireworks) or on 4th of July (which can be too hot for some). The picnics are very popular and great fund raisers. The suggestion was made to have a 2018 4th of July Picnic & Party on the lawn, borrowing some canopies from the Buddhist Temple in Richardson for shade.

Katey agreed to help support this endeavor with a little help from friends.

UU House Jam

Contact Person - Dick Hildenbrand - 214-718-7590

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Description / Activities 2017 - 2018

UU House Jam is scheduled every week and only occasionally skip due to folks traveling and schedule conflicts. UU House Jam is looking forward to participating on Music Sunday. Membership is composed of community members as well as friends of the church, coming from our greater community. Membership is not fixed.

Shout out to our newest members, Charlie Richardson and Cotherine Kozall!

Plans for 2018 - 2019

No gigs this year, this was a bummer. UU House Jam is ready and hopeful for some gigs this year. Maybe a community picnic would be a great venue! So, the hopeful plans for the upcoming year is getting a couple of gigs.

For Consideration

UU House Jam would really appreciate having the powered speakers fixed.

Bridge Group

Janice Hildebrand - 972-238-7592

Contact Person - Clint Burleson

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Description / Activities 2017 - 2018

The bridge group usually has about 12 people on any given Sunday but there are probably 14-16 regular members. Occasionally friends of friends will come as subs, but the numbers remain steady. The group has a rotation schedule for hosts and snacks.

Bridge Group meets monthly, on the 3rd Sunday of the month, however, occasionally the date changes to accommodate scheduling conflicts.

Plans for 2018 - 2019

Bridge Group welcomes any one interested in getting in on the game! Generally, new membership comes by word of mouth.

For Consideration

Nothing to Report

Literary Ladies

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Deb has already remitted her report.

Circle Suppers

Contact Person - John Snyder - 469-232-8124

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Description / Activities 2017 - 2018

Circle Suppers meet the second Saturday of the month September- May. Only 12 people are signed up for the upcoming May dinner. This group gained members and lost some too. The numbers are down from last year. Currently, John posts invitations on the church bulletin board in January and August. He also submits ads to the church newsletters.

Plans for 2018 - 2019

No change to the format anticipated, although the group would really like to expand.

For Consideration

John has been doing this for 6 years and is hoping for some new people, new ideas, and collaboration... possibly new leadership.

Friday Night Flicks

Contact Person - Alice Mayo - 972-422-4647

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Description / Activities 2017 - 2018

Steady 10-15 People. Great group, sharing snacks and company for noteworthy films. Advertising is going well. Lionel makes posters. Connie has done a great job making sure the announcement is in the bulletin, James sends out the email blast and Alice sends out the blurb for the newsletters. The group cooperates to set up and tear down. Always enjoyable company!

Plans for 2018 - 2019

Change in leadership. Alice is handing the baton to capable hands: Celeste Kennedy, Lady Marli, Judith Boyle, Maria & Anita. With this change comes a fresh new name: The Best Little Movie House in TX!!

For Consideration

Next Up, in May: Goodbye Christopher Robinson. Alice says it the best film she has seen in years and hopes many will attend.

First Friday Folksingers

Contact Person - Charlie Battista - 972-989-2344

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Description / Activities 2017 - 2018

Status Quo. Same group of people. First Friday for 27 Years. The group could benefit from new leadership and an infusion of new ideas. The group meets whether there are 4 people or 10. Not much has been done to recruit new musicians. Shout out to Connie! She has been very accomodating and easy to work with. Next session is First Friday in May.

Plans for 2018 - 2019

Group will discuss if they want to keep going and should they decide to keep going, how they can invigorate the group. Charlie will update Katey in May.

For Consideration

No requests from the church at this time.

Genealogy Interest Group

Contact Person - Ona Tannehill - 972-943-5894

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Description / Activities 2017 - 2018

This group is meeting bimonthly. They have 6-8 members in attendance at any given meeting. Folks are still enjoying each other's company and celebrating victories together. The group is open to anyone who is interested in discovering their roots.

Plans for 2018 - 2019

This group is expected to keep going in usual fashion, with no anticipated need or change.

For Consideration

No requests from the church at this time.

Possible New Groups

**Alyssa Church, Kimberly Meadows... more to come.*

These ladies would like to start up a crafting night. It is my understanding, there are several crafty folks among us that may be so inclined to co-create an open group for fellowship, laughs, snacks, and deep dive in a variety of crafts which members would bring, themselves, to work on.

**Also, I see the Family Time Group disbanded. I would like to try this out again, to increase fellowship for our families who can't really participate in the groups we currently offer. Let's talk.*