



FAITH IN ACTION OF EDGAR COUNTY

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“A Neighbor’s Independence Depends on You.”



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We welcome a new year and all the excitement that it will bring! Our volunteers work very hard to help those who live with chronic illness and physical impairments to live safely within their homes for as long as it is possible. As you know FIAEC is primarily dependent upon donations and fundraisers for our means of reaching out to residents throughout Edgar County. Thanks to the great outpouring of support from the *Edgar County United Way, Individual Donations, Corporations, our Partnering Congregations and Agencies* as well as our many Fundraisers we are growing stronger and are able to reach out to all who need the services we provide. *Faith in Action* Volunteers are making a HUGE difference throughout the county! We want to thank the entire Edgar County (and beyond) community for embracing our program and being the vital linking partners that makes it possible for us not only to continue services, but look forward to continued growth as we sprint into 2008!

Pizza Hut Nights will continue the fourth Monday of each month. January our host for Pizza Hut will be Monte Reichenberg. Monte is not only the Minister of New Providence Presbyterian Church, but serves as President on the Board of Directors and Chairman of Special Projects for Faith in Action. I have included a couple of coupons in this letter. Coupons will be available inside that evening. See Monte! Please share them with friends and family and join Monte at Pizza Hut Monday, January 28th from 4:00 PM – 8:00 PM. Pizza Hut donates 20% of the receipts turned in with a coupon to Faith in Action of Edgar County. To date this has added up to \$2,005! These donations have been a tremendous blessing to Faith in Action.

As a reminder our Burger King Nights will continue for a time on the second Thursday night of each month. These nights are fun and a great opportunity to visit with one another, while helping Faith in Action. Burger King donates 20% of the receipts turned in with a coupon to Faith in Action of Edgar County. To date this has added up to \$668! February 14th will be our **VALENTINES PARTY at BURGER KING!** Bring your Sweetheart to Burger King for dinner and Party with FAITH IN ACTION! If you came to our Christmas Party, you know what a fun time we can have! ☺ Benefit Coupons will be available inside and on the door of Burger King that evening.

New Volunteer Orientation

The next new volunteer orientation will be held:

Thursday, January 24th
At the FIA Meeting Room
1:00pm – 3:00pm

All new Faith in Action volunteers and anyone interested in learning more about our ministry are encouraged to attend. Call 217-466-6388.

Faith in Action Volunteers.....On the Move! Month of November, 2007

42 Volunteers Reporting!

164 Contacts with Care Receivers!

Service	Hours
Transportation	126
Visiting	10
Shopping/Errands	16
Yard Work	45
Telephone Contacts	6
Small Home Fix-its	2
Special Projects	82
Office Help/Board Meetings/Fundraising	110
Total	397!

THANK YOU FIAEC VOLUNTEERS!

Remember to Check out www.fiaec.com.
The first two months of being online our site had over 20,000 visitors! WOW!



Just a reminder and invitation to let you know our *Creative Card Angels* will be getting together **January 29th at 10:00 A.M. to "create" Cards for Valentine's Day**. If you would like to spend a couple hours of having the most fun you will have all week, be sure to join in! ☺ Cathy Walker and Debbie McConkey are leading this adventure. If you are planning to attend or have any questions please call Cathy 275-3500; Debbie 275-3755; or Nila 466-6388.



IT'S COMING!!!!!!



4th Annual Faith in Action Chili Cook-Off!

Saturday, February 16, 2008

4:30 - 7:30 PM

Lake Ridge Christian Church Family Life Center

122 E. Steidl Road - Paris

All You Can Eat!

Chili, Crackers, Veggies, Cheese, Desserts, and Drinks ~ HOT DOGS EXTRA (\$1.00)

Adult Ticket - \$6,

Children (10 & under) - \$4

Call the office at 466-6388 to request tickets or receive information.



CALLING ALL CHILI CHEFS!



Our Chili Cook Off is quickly approaching. Each year the event grows and we anticipate this year to be bigger and better than ever! Therefore, we are hoping that at least 15 chili chefs will be entering their luscious pots of chili. The competition is friendly and so much fun! Prizes are awarded in two categories of MILD and HOT! If you are interested, please fill out the enclosed form and mail or bring it in to me.

Last Years Grand Prize Winner was Monte Reichenberg!

As an added menu item we are offering hot dogs. This will satisfy those who would like to come, but might not want chili. The hot dog coupons will be sold separately at the ticket table for \$1.00 each. All you can eat chili, veggies, cheese, drink, pie and cake are all included in the ticket price. If you want all the trimmings, but would rather have hot dogs and no chili, you can purchase a regular price dinner ticket and tell them at the ticket table that you will be eating hot dogs (all-you-can-eat) instead of chili. Let them know how many hot dogs you would like to eat. You will need a hot dog coupon for each dog you want.

Help ~ Help ~ Help

There are several areas where we could use an extra helping hand through out the night. If you are interested in helping in any of the following areas please call me:

Work at the Ticket Sales and Collection Tables - Work in the Kitchen - Help with hot dog serving - Work at the bowl, napkin and tray table - Clean-up and pick up trays - Assist the chefs with sample cups, etc. - Before the event, cut up celery and carrots- Serve Chili - Float to wherever needed - Help sell advance tickets (They are available at the office)

If you would like to sign up to help in any of these areas at anytime through the night, give me a call and let me know your interest and time frame you would be available.

I will be calling our contact people to request donations of cakes, pies, veggies, cheese, and crackers. If you have a preference call me soon.(466-6388). THANK YOU.....

I have enclosed flyers. Please share them with everyone you know! Make as many copies as you like!

Wishing all a Great 2008!

Nila Nugent, program director FIAEC



Chili Cook-Off



Saturday ~ February 16, 2008

4:30 PM — 7:30 PM

Faith in Action of Edgar County's 4th ANNUAL Chili Cook-Off



CALLING ALL CHILI CHEFS !

JOIN THE FUN

ENTER YOUR FAVORITE CHILI!

- *There is no entry fee!*
- *All entrants should prepare a 3 gallon pot of chili to serve. (This fits nicely in a roaster pan).*
- *One entry per contestant*
- *All ticket holders will cast a vote for their favorite chili.*
- *Prizes will be awarded.*
- *The grand prize winner will have their name engraved on a traveling Faith in Action Chili Cook Off Plaque!*
- *Chili Chefs will be asked to arrive at least 30 minutes early to set up*
- *Chefs will alternate serving places, therefore no one knows for sure whose chili is being served by the chefs or helpers. (This adds fun to the friendly competition! ☺)*



Be Ready For An Evening of Good Hearted Fun, Food and Fellowship!

TO ENROLL YOUR GROUP'S OR YOUR OWN FAVORITE CHILI ENTRY SIMPLY FILL OUT THE FORM BELOW AND MAIL TO:

Faith in Action of Edgar County
210 East Court Street ~ Suite B
Paris, IL 61944

Questions: Call Nila Nugent 466-6388
You may call to request advance tickets.



DEADLINE FOR CHILI CHEF ENTRY IS Monday FEBRUARY 11TH

All proceeds from this *FUN* - fundraiser will support the work of Faith in Action of Edgar County

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Clip and Mail

Name of Sponsor or Individual _____

Name of Your Chili (each entry should have an "original" name) _____

Circle: **HOT** or **MILD** **note: Medium is considered Mild**

Contact Person _____

Phone Number _____