## Faith in Action of Edgar County

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### Faithfulness of our Volunteers!



As Dependable as the U.S. Mail FIA Volunteers Continue to Build

If you look real close you will see snow blowing around these hard working guys as they braved the elements keeping our residents safe and mobile! Behind all the hats, coats cover-alls and gloves you will find Dick Hillier, Wendell Finley, Terry Bergdolt and Cleo Emrick. To date all of our special project volunteers have constructed 129 wheelchair ramps!

**THANK YOU!** 



Christmas Gathering



Several FIA Volunteers were able to take a break during their hectic Christmas activities to meet for a nice lunch at Tuscany's on December 19<sup>th</sup>. This was an idea put together at the last minute by a few of our volunteers and because of the great turnout, we have decided to make this an annual pre-Christmas event!

Thanks Judy, great idea!

Please let us know if you have a change in address, phone number, availability or volunteer interests. Contact the office by calling 466-6388 or email fiaec@joink.com.

#### Nila's Corner

New Beginnings! It is time to put away all the excess baggage of 2008 and start all over with a new 2009! Weight seems to be at the top of my baggage list as well as eating healthier and trying harder to keep my best foot forward! I am also looking forward to all the great places God will lead FIA this coming year. He has sure kept things exciting this far! I am looking forward to working with all of you and being a part of ministry whose focus is working together to keep residents who are struggling with chronic illness and/or physical impairment, safe and independent. What a reward that is!

I am very happy to share a poem that was written for Faith in Action by a very good friend of FIA ~

#### Faith in Action

Do you need someone to talk to Or just someone to understand Faith in Action is always there Ready to lend you a helping hand

If you just need a little help
And don't know where to go
Just call Nila or her staff
They will never tell you no

If you need a little work done
And you don't have the funds to pay
Just remember Faith in Action
They are ready night or day

Monte and his crew will help you
No matter what the chore
All it takes is a phone call
And they will be there at your door

Don't be afraid to ask for help
Faith in Action is there for you
They are waiting for your call
No matter what you want them to do
By - Thelda Pitts

Happy New Year! Nila

#### **COMING SOON!**

We are beginning to get the fever of the coming excitement of February 21<sup>st</sup> and our 5<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL FAITH IN ACTION CHILI COOK-OFF! But now we are looking for Chili-Chefs. This is such a fun time! If you would like to join the excitement of being a chili chef, be sure to let me know soon. We are looking for at least 15 chefs who would like to share their favorite pots of chili. Prizes are awarded and the overall grand champion chef will have their name engraved on the traveling grand champion chili chef plaque! It really is a good time and could be noted as the greatest chili tasting event of the year!! See the enclosed brochure and we hope to hear from you soon! ©

Happy New Year!

We want to thank everyone for your Christmas Cards and well wishes for the New Year!

FIA Wish List: postage stamps

A BIG THANKYOU to Kendra Simpson and Jennifer Minnis for your donations of a wide assortment of Office Supplies and Copy Paper! They are greatly appreciated!



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#### Calendar of Events:

| Jan 1 - New Year's Day - Office Closed    |
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| Jan. 7 FIA Board Meeting 8:30am           |
| Jan. 20 Card Angels FIA 10:00am           |
| Jan. 26 Pizza Hut Night/Coupons available |
| Feb. 4 FIA Board Meeting 8:30am           |
| Feb 14 Valentine's Day                    |
| Feb. 21 Chili Cook-Off                    |
| Feb. 23 Pizza Hut Night                   |

Reminder: Volunteers Monday Morning Coffee Break 8:30 – 10:00 each Monday morning



The Edgar County United Way supports
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## FAITH IN ACTION VOLUNTEERS.....ON THE MOVE! MONTH OF NOVEMBER 2008

| Service                           | Hours     |
|-----------------------------------|-----------|
| Transportation                    | 129       |
| Visiting                          | 14        |
| Shopping/Errands                  | 3         |
| Light Housekeeping                | 3         |
| Yard Work                         | 39        |
| <b>Telephone Contacts</b>         | 11        |
| Sewing and Mending                | 0         |
| Meal Prep.                        | 0         |
| Special Projects                  | 168       |
| Office Assistance                 | 93        |
| <b>Board Meetings/Fundraising</b> | _ 3 _     |
| Total Hours                       | 463 Hours |

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Total Miles Driven 3466 Miles

53 Volunteers reported hours for the month of Nov! 191 contacts made with care receivers!

THANK YOU FIAEC VOLUNTEERS!

If you want to drop your timesheets after hours, use our little mail slot on the inside door.

# ~Youth in Action ~

Thank you to Bell Ridge Christian, State Line Christian and Lake Ridge Christian Churches Youth Groups for putting your "Faith in Action"















