

# Faith in Action of Edgar County

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## *Thirty Hour Famine*

### First Christian Church Youth and Sponsors

*May 22, 2010*



First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) Youth Group sponsored a 30 Hour famine the weekend of May 22nd. To the delight of two of our Faith in Action residents, several members of this group asked to help with a little Spring Cleaning. In the above photos 10 young people and sponsors rolled up their sleeves to help Ray Barry clean a few windows and help Frieda Martin get her yard ready for the warmer days of summer. Both were delighted to receive the help and opened their homes and as well as their hearts to the young people. It was a great Saturday afternoon with everyone receiving a blessing from the adventure. Taking part in the service efforts were Sarah Sablotny, Steve Lindsey, Rachel Givens, Alex Sanders, Tabi Wimsett, Jake Wimsett, Jordan Sexton, Jesse Paige. Along with the young people were sponsors Beth Sablotny and Dana Stites.



**Thank you young people and sponsors for jobs well done!**



## *Nila's Corner*

It is exciting to see how Faith in Action of Edgar County has grown over the past almost 7 years! As the program continues to grow, we are very thankful for the support of our community and our wonderful volunteers. We're often reminded what a blessing Faith in Action is not only to our seniors but to all residents who struggle daily with independence threatening, long-term, chronic illness and/or physical limitations. If you have thought about volunteering we'd enjoy talking to you. We are extremely flexible and work with your schedule. It's very rewarding and a great way to meet new people. You can see by our statistics on the following page that we offer various services. However, lately our main focus is taking our care receivers to medical appointments as well as help with shopping and errands. Our services are provided at no charge to the care receiver. To date we are taking three of our residents to dialysis treatments totaling 6 days a week. We are also at this time helping two residents who need transportation to radiation and chemo treatments multiple times weekly. In June we transported 23 residents to 62 various locations in and out of the area. This required the assistance of 22 volunteers and two staff people. We are happy and blessed that we are able to meet these needs. However we do need more help driving. If you are interested please contact our office. We offer mileage reimbursement to help defray the expense of high gas prices.

**Please keep our program, our volunteers and all the residents that we serve in your prayers.**

**God Bless and Have a Happy, Safe Summer!**

*~ Nila*

## ~ Attitude ~

There once was a woman who woke up one morning, looked in the mirror, and noticed she had only three hairs on her head. Well," she said, "I think I'll braid my hair today?" So she did and she had a wonderful day. The next day she woke up, looked in the mirror and saw that she had only two hairs on her head. "H-M-M," she said, "I think I'll part my hair down the middle today?" So she did and she had a grand day. The next day she woke up, looked in the mirror and noticed that she had only one hair on her head. "Well," she said, "today I'm going to wear my hair in a pony tail." So she did and she had a fun, fun day. The next day she woke up, looked in the mirror and noticed that there wasn't a single hair on her head. "YEA!" she exclaimed, "I don't have to fix my hair today!"

Attitude is everything. Be kinder than necessary, for everyone you meet is fighting some kind of battle.

Do you want to know the moral of this story? .....it is to ~ Live simply, Love generously, Care deeply, Speak kindly.....Leave the rest to God. Life isn't about waiting for the storm to pass. It's about learning to dance in the rain.

Author Unknown~

If you would be interested in learning more about our outreach services...give us a call 466-6388



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#### Calendar of Events

*\*COMING in \* June and July\**

**July 4 ~ Independence Day**

**July 7 ~ FIA BOD Meeting**

**July 26 ~ Pizza Hut Night –Diana Acord Hostess**

**August 4 ~ FIA BOD Meeting**

**August 23 ~PizzaHut Night Terry Bergdolt Host**

**August 31~ Card Angels 10AM FIA meeting rm.**

**September 16~ Volunteer Appreciation Banquet**

**October 15~Spaghetti Dinner and Silent Auction**

**Reminder: Volunteer's Monday Morning Coffee**

**Break 8:30 – 10:00 each Monday morning**

**LIVE UNITED**



Please plan to support  
the United Way of Edgar County.  
**Working together we CAN  
make a difference!**

#### FAITH IN ACTION VOLUNTEERS.....ON THE MOVE!

##### MONTHS OF APRIL AND MAY

<u>Service</u>	<u>April. Hours</u>	<u>May Hours</u>
Transportation	110	160
Visiting	14	10
Shopping/Errands	1	3
Light Housekeeping	0	6
Yard Work	39	11
Telephone Contacts	5	15
Sewing and Mending	0	0
Respite	0	0
Meal Prep	0	0
Special Projects	83	91
Office Assistance	30	54
Board Meetings/Fundraising	<u>1</u>	<u>9</u>
Total Hours	<u>Apr. 283</u>	<u>May 357</u>

Total Miles Driven 3,059 Miles 3,696 Miles

Volunteers reporting hours in the month of Apr. 53 May 45

Contacts made with care receivers in Apr. 192 May 191

**THANK YOU FIAEC VOLUNTEERS!**

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