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FIAEC 5th Annual Chili Cook-Off 2009!



Norma Henson

Grand Champion Chili Chef 2009

What a super night it was! We served approximately 300 people and enjoyed an evening of great fellowship! Thank you to everyone who worked, cooked, baked, provided supplies and came to share in this really fun night. I want to especially thank our 2009 chili chefs and congratulate our 2009 chili cook-off champion, NORMA HENSON! The fifteen chili chefs serving their favorite chili recipes included Rita Goodman and Doris Lau, "2 Die 4"; Shanda and Mike Graber, "Free Gas"; Debbie McConkey, "Root'n Toot'n Cowboy Special; Johna Todd & Amy Blystone, "Best Friend Chili"; Angel Templeton, "Woo-Hoo!"; Lillie Davis, "Sugar and Spice"; Cleo and Edie Emrick, "Some Like it Hot"; Howard Compton & Andy Heidebaugh, "Howard and Andy's Award Winning Chili"; Roger Hopper, "Jailhouse Chili"; Naomi Gates, Tonya Francis & Deadra Gates, "Not Your Mama's Chili"; Monte Reichenberg, "Mildly Fantastic"; Mark Ingle, "Easy Breezy"; Harry & Cathy Walker, "Chipotle Chili Adobo"; Casey Henson & Dani Simpson, "Fred and Bob's Chili"; and Norma Henson, "Comfort Chili".



Winners in the Mild category included: First Place, Contestant Number 15 – "Comfort Chili", Norma Henson; Second Place, Contestant Number 1 – "2 Die 4", Rita Goodman & Doris Lau; and Third Place, Contestant Number 3 – "Root'n Toot'n Cowboy Special;", Debbie McConkey.

Winners in the Hot category included: First Place, Contestant Number 5 – "Woo-Hoo!", Angel Templeton; Second Place, Contestant Number 7 – "Some Like it Hot", Edie and Cleo Emrick and Third Place, Contestant Number 2 – "Free Gas", Shanda & Mike Graber.

We are looking forward to and making plans for CC-O 2010!

A message from Cindy....

I would like to thank everyone for being so faithful in turning in your timesheets! You make my job so much easier! It is exciting to see them all come in each month. I appreciate each of you. THANK YOU!

Nila's Corner

I am continually amazed at the growth in the ministry of Faith in Action of Edgar County. Last month we welcomed seven new care receivers into our family. This brings our over-all total to 390! Not all are still active, but each has left their imprint in our ministry. I continually hear residents share their gratitude for a program that cares for them in so many ways. Reaching out to help others with a Servant's Heart is by no means a new concept. The beauty is being involved in a program that makes it so very easy to do.

Now did you know this about.....

Influenza Viruses

Over the past decade, influenza and pneumonia have been associated with an average of 3,500 deaths a year in Illinois. Since 1992, the highest number of flu and pneumonia deaths was the 4,021 recorded in 1993. Flu-related complications can occur at any age, but the elderly and people with chronic health problems are much more likely to develop serious complications after influenza infection than are young, healthier people. During most flu seasons, which typically run from November to April, between 10 percent and 20 percent of the population is infected with influenza viruses.

The flu shot provided in the 2008-2009 influenza season was formulated to provide protection against influenza strains that are expected to circulate in the U.S. This year's vaccine includes the following virus strains: A/Brisbane/59/2007 (H1N1)-like, A/Brisbane/10/2007(H3N2)-like, and B/Florida/4/2006-like antigen.

Information from:

Illinois Department of Public Health
535 West Jefferson Street
Springfield, Illinois 62761
Phone 217-782-4977

The good note is....the flu season is almost over ☺

Happy Spring!



Nila

Welcome New Faith in Action Volunteers!

Barbara Marshall and Ron Doris

Faith in Action of Edgar County is very happy to welcome our newest volunteers! Barbara is interested in being a visitor volunteer and has already created a warm spot in the hearts of the three ladies that she visits. Ron has been welcomed by the special project crew and has become quite experienced as he just completed working with them on his seventh ramp!

Both *Barbara* and *Ron* are welcome additions to the ministry of Faith in Action!

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Have you tried sending your timesheet from [www.fiaec.com](http://www.fiaec.com)? Go to the "Current Volunteer" section and click on "Click here to report your volunteer hours"! It is easy, fast and convenient!

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ARE YOU MISSING A CAKE PAN FROM THE CHILI COOK-OFF ? IF SO.... CALL ME - 466-6388
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**FIA Wish List: postage stamps, black and colored ink cartridge refill kits or Lexmark 20 or 70 cartridges.**

**A BIG THANK YOU to Bob Wilson and Ron Nugent for their donations of electrical cords and various supplies; and to Cindy Soughers for donating Postage Stamps! All In-Kind donations are very much appreciated.**



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*Nila Nugent ~ Program Director*

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#### Calendar of Events:

March 4 FIA Board Meeting 8:30am

March 17 Card Angels 10:00am

March 23 Pizza Hut Night with Karl  
\*COMING SOON\*

**September 17 – Volunteer Appreciation  
Banquet**

**October 16 – Spaghetti Dinner and Silent  
Auction**

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

**LIVE UNITED**



The Edgar County United Way supports  
Faith in Action. Please support the  
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#### **FAITH IN ACTION VOLUNTEERS.....ON THE MOVE! MONTH OF JANUARY 2009**

| <u>Service</u>             | <u>Hours</u>      |
|----------------------------|-------------------|
| Transportation             | 138               |
| Visiting                   | 10                |
| Shopping/Errands           | 14                |
| Light Housekeeping         | 3                 |
| Yard Work                  | 8                 |
| Telephone Contacts         | 37                |
| Sewing and Mending         | 0                 |
| Meal Prep.                 | 0                 |
| Special Projects           | 39                |
| Office Assistance          | 98                |
| Board Meetings/Fundraising | 4                 |
| <b>Total Hours</b>         | <b>351 Hours</b>  |
| <b>Total Miles Driven</b>  | <b>3602 Miles</b> |

**41 Volunteers reported hours for the month of January!**

**160 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.