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Volunteer Appreciation Banquet

September 16, 2010



Faith in Action celebrated our 7th year of service by honoring our volunteers for their willingness to share

“Hugs, Smiles and Laughter!”

The banquet was held Thursday evening at Lake Ridge Christian Church Family Life Center and catered by McDaniel's Catered Elegance. Ron and Jan Easter provided entertainment for the evening. Each guest received a new Faith in Action Pocket Calendar upon arrival. Drawings for door prizes were held throughout the evening. A big THANK YOU to all who donated door prizes and helped in any way to make this evening a FUN celebration! (see inside article)



Nila's Corner

The seasons change and so do the needs of many of our care receivers. We receive phone calls and notes routinely expressing to us how blessed they are to have a program like Faith in Action to call when they need a helping hand. Many have told us they don't know how they could get through many of their days if we had not been there. God has blessed Edgar County with a great outreach program and I am thankful to be working with it and all of you. However, I also realize that volunteer's availabilities, physical abilities and interests change as well. So if you would like to make any changes to your original information that you gave on your applications, please let us know. We want your experience with Faith in Action to be all you would like it to be! Survey Sheets were given out at our banquet and I am so very happy with the number that was returned! THANK YOU for sharing your thoughts and comments with us.

It has been an exciting month! September 12th was Pray for Faith in Action Sunday. We encouraged all of our area churches to mention Faith in Action at some point in their services and prayer time. On September 13th Mayor Craig Smith declared the week of September 12th through the 18th as "Faith in Action Week". Our Volunteer Appreciation Banquet was held on the following Thursday. Then Governor Pat Quinn declared Sunday, September 19th as Faith in Action Sunday! Coming Soon! Our Spaghetti Dinner and Silent Auction, October 15th! God has done great things for Faith in Action of Edgar County and we look forward to another rewarding year of reaching out and helping those who struggle to maintain their independence due to long-term chronic illness and physical limitations.



Happy Autumn!



God Bless, ~ Nila



Leaves



How silently they tumble down and come to rest upon the ground, to lay a carpet, rich and rare, beneath the trees without a care, content to sleep, their work well done, colors gleaming from the sun.

At other times, they wildly fly until they nearly reach the sky. Twisting, turning through the air till all the trees stand stark and bare, exhausted, drop to earth below to wait, like children, for the snow. *by Elsie N. Brady*

Very soon we will be receiving calls for help with yard work and leaf raking. It is an excellent opportunity to plug youth groups into a morning or afternoon activity that is very worthwhile and very much appreciated by those who can no longer care for their own lawns. If you are a youth sponsor and would like to help out in this way, please call our office and give us your time(s) of availability.

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



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Calendar of Events

COMING in * Sept and Oct.

- Sept. 1 – Board of Director’s Meeting 8:30am
- Sept. 12 – Pray for Faith in Action Sunday
- Sept. 13 – Proclamation by Mayor for FIA Week
- Sept. 16 - Volunteer Appreciation Banquet
- Sept. 27 – Pizza Hut Benefit w/ Ron Hensely
- Oct. 6 – Board of Director’s Meeting 8:30am
- Oct 15 - Spaghetti Dinner and Silent Auction
- Oct 25 - Pizza Hut Benefit w/ Karl Marshall
- Oct. 26 - Card Angels @ 10:00am FIA Meeting Rm.

Reminder: Volunteer’s Monday Morning Coffee
Break 8:30 – 10:00 each Monday morning



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 JUNE AND JULY

Service	June. Hours	July Hours
Transportation	140	127
Visiting	23	13
Shopping/Errands	3	1
Light Housekeeping	0	0
Yard Work	0	10
Telephone Contacts	3	4
Sewing and Mending	0	0
Respite	0	0
Meal Prep	0	0
Special Projects	47	39
Office Assistance	45	14
Board Meetings/Fundraising	23	5
Total Hours	June. 284	July 213
Total Miles Driven	3,601 Miles	3,125 Miles

Volunteers reporting hours in the month of June 33 July 30
Contacts made with care receivers in June 149 July 117

THANK YOU FIAEC VOLUNTEERS!

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