

# Faith in Action of Edgar County

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## *Faith in Action Board of Directors*



It takes a special dedication and a heart for ministry to be a member of the Board of Directors of Faith in Action of Edgar County. Each board member brings a unique quality and a blend of talents to ensure the ministry of Faith in Action remains active and a vital resource for the residents of Edgar County who struggle to remain independent because of long-term disability or chronic illness. Members of the Board and their years of service include: Lillie Davis (10Years); Monte Reichenberg, President of the Board, (91/2 Years) Linda White, Vice President, (91/2 Years); Karl Marshall, ( 9 Years ) Norma Henson, (7 Years); Rita Goodman, (7 Years); Ron Hensley ( 5 Years); Judy Benton, Secretary, ( 3 ½ Years ) and Terry Bergdolt, Treasurer, ( 3 ½ Years). Not only are each of these members responsible for the ongoing success of FIAEC, they are also active Volunteers. We have a strong unified board which is instrumental to the growth and outreach of Faith in Action.

*Thank You Directors of*

*Faith in Action of Edgar County!*



*Nila's Corner*

It is no secret that Spring is by far my favorite time year! This year, Spring has been a little slow in starting but finally we are seeing flowers blooming and trees beginning to bud! What a great reminder of God's love for us as we see life made new! Faith in Action is also in a major phase of growth, change and renewal! We have been blessed in so many ways and with those blessings have come challenges that we must keep our minds and hearts open to see just what God has in store for us! It is exciting times and sometimes hectic times as we do our best to meet the needs of residents who live with chronic illness and/or physical limitations. We are very much in need of Volunteers to help us meet many of these needs. If you have ever thought about joining our crew of volunteers....do it!! You will see how very easy it is and volunteering demands no more of your time than you would like to give! It truly is rewarding! Give us a Call ☺

*Happy Spring!*

*Nila*

*April 20, 2013*

**11<sup>th</sup> Annual Caregivers Expo**  
**8:15 - 1:30**

**Paris Community Hospital**  
**Visiting Specialty Clinic**

**Featured Speakers:**

**Steven McDonald, MD** ~ Union Hospital

**Debra Joy Hart, RN** ~ Certified Bereavement  
Facilitator & Renown Humorist

**Pat Finch, CPA** -Larson, Woodyard & Henson

**\$10 Registration fee** – Includes continental breakfast, lunch and information on coping and managing as a caregiver and/or family member. Several care providing vendors will be onsite to share information.

*Here We Grow Again! Faith in Action Welcomes:*

*William (Butch) Graham and Blake Webster*

It is exciting to watch Faith in Action GROW! We welcome Butch Graham as he has shared a desire to help in the area of transportation. Since he joined, he has had the opportunity to recognize the great need we have in this area! Blake is a Senior at Paris High School and has come onboard to help Monte Reichenberg and his building crew with the Special Projects portion of our program. Blake has also been able to see the need that is present in that area as well! We are so happy to have them join us as FAITH in ACTION VOLUNTEERS!

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**DID YOU KNOW.....The most priceless gift you can give someone is your time, because you're giving them something that you can never take back! What a beautiful and appreciated gift this is! Right now Faith in Action of Edgar County is in desperate need of VOLUNTEERS, especially in the areas of TRANSPORTATION and SPECIAL PROJECTS. The time required to volunteer is very flexible and rewarding. If you have an hour or two to spare every now and then, you can make a huge difference in the life of someone who would appreciate it so very much. CALL US TODAY TO FIND OUT HOW EASY IT IS TO BE AN FIA VOLUNTEER!**



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*Nila Nugent ~ Program Director*

**Board of Directors**

- Monte Reichenberg President
- Linda White Vice President
- Judy Benton Secretary
- Terry Bergdolt Treasurer
- Lillie Davis
- Rita Goodman
- Ron Hensley
- Norma Henson
- Karl Marshall

**Calendar of Events**

**\*COMING in \*April, May, June\***

- Apr 3- Board of Director's Meeting 8:30AM - Apr**
- Apr 16- Card Angels Meet at 9:30AM -**
- Apr 18 - 23 FIA Hosted Bus Trip with Diamond**
- Tours to Washington D.C. contact Judy Benton,**
- Apr 20-Caregiver's Expo - Paris Hospital**
- Apr 20 -Concert at Presbyterian Church**
- May 1 - Board of Director's Meeting 8:30AM**
- May 21- Card Angels Meet at 9:30AM**
- May 27-Memorial Day - Office Closed**
- June 5 - Board of Director's Meeting 8:30AM -**
- June 7 - FIAEC BAKE SALE - Shrine Weekend**
- June 8- FIAEC BAKE SALE - Shrine Weekend**
- June 22- FIAEC Family Picnic**
- June 25 - Card Angels Meet at FIA Meeting**
- July 3 - Board of Director's Meeting 8:30AM -**
- FIA July 4 - Independence Day - Office Closed**
- Reminder: Volunteer's Monday Morning Coffee**

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

**MONTHS OF OCT-12 - MARCH-13**

<u>Service</u>	
Transportation	708
Visiting	19
Shopping/Errands	26
Light Housekeeping	33
Yard Work	0
Telephone Contacts	11
Sewing and Mending	18
Laundry	2
Meal Prep	1
Special Events	14
Special Projects	251
Office Assistance/ Board Meetings/Fundraising	<u>358</u>
<b>Total Hours</b>	<b>1441</b>
<b>Total Miles Driven</b>	<b>16,505</b>
Average Number of Volunteers reporting hours monthly:	<b>25</b>
Average Monthly Contacts made with Care Receivers:	<b>93</b>

**THANK YOU FIAEC VOLUNTEERS!**

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

**LIVE UNITED**

Support the United Way of Edgar County.

# Faith in Action Family and Friend Picnic

Saturday ~June 29, 2013~ Noon

## Twin Lakes Park



Faith in Action will be hosting our **4th annual Volunteer and Friend Summer Picnic!** All FIAEC Volunteers and Families as well our Care Receivers, Family and Friends are invited to attend. Each family is asked to bring a covered dish or two to share, and comfy lawn chairs. The committee is working to plan a very memorable afternoon. Get ready to kick back after a delicious picnic lunch and enjoy entertainment that will be sure to tickle your funny bone! What a great time to visit and get to know more of all the people that make up the whole Faith in Action Family!

Mark your calendars and plan to join us for this relaxing, fun Summer Kick Off!



### "Senior version of Jesus Loves Me"

Here is a new version just for us who have white hair or no hair at all. For us over middle age (or even those almost there) and all you others, check out this newest version of Jesus Loves Me.

#### JESUS LOVES ME

Jesus loves me, this I know, Though my hair is white as snow  
Though my sight is growing dim, Still He bids me trust in Him.

**(CHORUS)**

YES, JESUS LOVES ME.. YES, JESUS LOVES ME..  
YES, JESUS LOVES ME FOR THE BIBLE TELLS ME SO.

Though my steps are oh, so slow, With my hand in His I'll go  
On through life, let come what may, He'll be there to lead the way.

**(CHORUS)**

When the nights are dark and long, In my heart He puts a song.  
Telling me in words so clear, "Have no fear, for I am near."

**(CHORUS)**

When my work on earth is done, And life's victories have been won.  
He will take me home above, Then I'll understand His love

**(CHORUS)**

I love Jesus, does He know? Have I ever told Him so?  
Jesus loves to hear me say, That I love Him every day.  
YES, JESUS LOVES ME.. YES, JESUS LOVES ME.. YES,  
JESUS LOVES ME FOR THE BIBLE TELLS ME SO.

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# Memories of a Super Successful 2013 Chili Cook-Off!

## *Nineteen! of the county's best chili chefs entered their favorite chili recipes*



**Norman Wilson was declared the Grand Champion Chili Chef of 2013 with his Contestant Number 2, Mild Chili.**

He received the Grand Champion Trophy, a Certificate and his name is entered for the second year in a row on the Grand Champion Chili Chef's Plaque. This plaque contains all former Championship Chefs including Monte Reichenberg, for the years of 2004 and 2007; Debbie McConkey, 2006; Rita Goodman and Doris Law, 2008; Norma Henson, 2009; and Roger Hopper for the years of 2010 and 2011.

**The chefs included:** The Methodist Men's Group, Chef Rick Brinkerhoff (Mild 1), Norm Wilson (Mild 2), Chuck Dean (Mild 3), Monica Dunn (Unique 4), Nancy Huston (Mild 5), Norma Henson (Mild 6), Twin Lakes Rehab, Naomi Gates (Unique 7), Richard Hires (Mild 8), Bill Rue (Hot 9), Monte Reichenberg (Mild10), Charley white (Hot 11), Duke Jones (Mild 12), SaraGoddard (Unique 13), Edie Emrick (Hot 14), Michael Step (Mild 15), Nancy Jewell (Mild 16), Tonya Moore (Unique 17), Becky Step (Unique 18) and Jamey Littleton (Unique 19). All chefs received Certificates and Ribbons of Appreciation. First, Second and Third place prizes were given to chili chefs who received the greatest number of votes in the three categories of Mild, Hot and Unique.

**The Winners in the Hot Category** were: 1st Place- Bill Rue, Chili #9; 2nd Place- Charley White, Chili #11 and 3rd Place- Edie Emrick, Chili #14

**Mild category winners** included: 1st Place- Norman Wilson, Chili #2; 2nd Place- Duke Jones, Chili #12; and 3rd Place- Monte Reichenberg, Chili #10

**Winners in the Unique Category** were: 1st Place- Jamey Littleton, Chili #19; 2nd Place-Becky Step, Chili #18; and 3rd Place – Monica Dunn, Chili #4.

Faith in Action of Edgar County is very grateful to the entire Community for generously supporting the Chili Cook-Off. Also to Lake Ridge Christian Church for allowing us to use their Family Life Center, to all who made chili, provided food and to all who worked very hard before, during and after the event to make this year's Faith in Action Chili Cook-Off a successful and entertaining fundraiser.

**This year's CCO raised a record amount of \$3,243!! THANK YOU!!!**

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### *Diamond Tour Bus Trip to Washington D.C.!*

Judy Benton, Board of Director and Volunteer of Faith in Action of Edgar County will be the hostess on a trip to our Nation's Capitol, April 18<sup>th</sup> to April 23<sup>rd</sup>. To date 34 people have signed up to spend the week in Washington D.C. The total cost of \$519 (double occupancy) includes five nights lodging with three being in the D.C. area, deluxe motorcoach transportation, eight meals, two full days and one evening of guided tours to the WWII Memorial, Capitol Hill, Embassy Row, the Korean War Veterans Memorial, the Vietnam Veterans Memorial, the Smithsonian, the New Martin Luther King, Jr. National Memorial, the Lincoln Memorial and more. Also included is the bus drivers tip, snacks, games and prizes, as well as a \$30 donation to Faith in Action for each trip booked.

### *Coming in November – Diamond Tours Nashville Show Trip and Holiday Time Bus Tour!*

This trip is scheduled for November 4<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup>. The price will be one low price of \$506 and will include 4 nights lodging, 8 meals, 2 great shows and exclusive Diamond Tours Dinner Party, a guided tour of Nashville, admission to the Country Music Hall of Fame, Willie Nelson and Friends Museum, and a guided tour of the Mead Estate. If you would like to receive information, contact Judy Benton. Scheduling will start in June.

We Need Your  
Help ☺



~ Events Coming Up This Summer ~



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Shrine Week End Bottled Water and Bake Sale ~ Edgar County Fairgrounds - June 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup>

**We need helpers to work in the booth for two hour increments throughout both days.** The times will be 10:00 – 12:00; 12:00 – 2:00; 2:00 – 4:00; and 4:00 – 6:00. If you are interested in helping during any of these times, please call or email me. You might have a couple times in mind just incase your time slot is filled. I hope to be able to have two people working each session. We are starting later this year due to activity picking up in the evening.

**We also need baked goods for the bake sale.** If you would like to donate items such as fruit pies (no cream pies, please as we can't keep them cold enough); cookies; cakes (pieces or whole cakes); brownies; dry noodles; breads; puppy chow; fudge; or anything else you think might be appropriate. These items can be brought to the office on the Thursday before or look for our tent at the Fairgrounds on Friday or early Saturday Morning. Each item must be wrapped and ready to sell. For example if you donate cookies, you can put several on a plate, sealed in a gallon baggie or wrapped in plastic wrap. Smaller quantities could be put in little sandwich bags. Kids love to purchase those. Pies and cakes should be sealed securely in plastic wrap. Our booth will be scheduled for an inspection from the dept. of health at least once during the event. Therefore, it will be necessary for the name of item and date that it was prepared for sale to be visible. This is such a fun weekend! We meet so many great people! **Last year our bake sale made \$472 to help promote the work of FIAEC!** **Please call or email me if you would like to donate goodies or your time. ~~~~Thanks!**

**Did You Know?.... in 2012....our Volunteers were on the MOVE!**

***Faith in Action of Edgar County***

**2012**

**Serving Residents of Edgar County with long-term illness and/or physical limitation**

**91 Volunteers Actively Served in 2012**

17% of volunteers are between the ages of 17 and 50  
23% of volunteers are between the ages of 51 and 65  
37% of volunteers are between the ages of 66 and 75  
23% of volunteers are the ages 76+  
43% of volunteers are men  
57% of volunteers are women

**254 Residents Listed Active Care Receivers**

**Care receivers ranged in age from age 3 to age 99**

5% of care receivers are between the ages of 3 and 33  
44% of care receivers are between the ages of 34 and 55  
33% of care receivers are between the ages of 56 and 75  
45% of care receivers are between the ages of 76 and 99  
63% of care receivers are women  
37% of care receivers are men  
40% of care receivers live alone

**2012 Service Statistics**

**1,912 Services Were Provided**

**3,488 Total Service Hours**

**40,584 Total Transportation Miles**

**67% of Services were for Transportation (1,006 Volunteer Transports)**

**23% of Services were for Special Projects (Yard Work/ /Special Events/Vol. Admin,**

**Wheelchair Ramps/Steps/Handrails: 36 wheelchair ramps were constructed in 2012)**

**6% of Services were for In Home Visiting/Phoning/Caregiver Relief**

**4% of Services were for Shopping/Errands/Meals /Sewing/Laundry/Light House Cleaning**

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*Faith in Action Volunteers are reaching out, touching lives and truly making a difference in Edgar County!*