

# Faith in Action of Edgar County

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## *Faith in Action Chili Cook-Off 2011 Champion*



*Roger Hopper*

*"10" Pure and Simple*

Two-time winner Roger Hopper was the winning chili chef at the 2011 Faith in Action Chili Cook-Off! His "Pure and Simple" #10 was once again a crowd favorite as he received the highest total number of votes to win the championship trophy and have his name included with all former chili chef champions on the FIAEC Chili Cook-Off Grand Champion plaque. (see article)

## *Faith in Action Partners with HRC*

Faith in Action of Edgar County is happy to partner with the Human Resource Center to help out in the area of transportation. Many times the requests for transportation have been so great that we have had multiple residents scheduled to go to the same area in a relatively similar time frame. HRC has made passenger vans available to help meet this increasing need. FIA Volunteer drivers trained to operate the HRC vehicles include Marion and Lillie Davis, Ron Hensley and Monte Reichenberg. Faith in Action is grateful to Ken Polky, Executive Director of the Human Resource Center for working with FIA in our mission of helping Edgar County residents maintain their independence while living with chronic illness and/or physical limitation.

*Nila's Corner*

*Happy Spring! Yea!*

Whew, we made it through another winter! While driving to work today I was taken back by the beauty of all the colorful flowers and trees full of flowery blossoms. I also noticed the tiny fresh new leaves starting to come out on most of the trees as I drove down the street. Once again, God has awakened the earth and painted a beautiful tapestry for our enjoyment. I love Spring!

Excitement is building in the office of Faith in Action as we are making plans for our Spring and Summer activities! In this newsletter you will read about our newest adventure which is our Friends Day Out. Several small trips will be scheduled this Spring, Summer and early Autumn to local areas of interest for care receivers that would appreciate a few hours out sightseeing and enjoying lunch. We are also working on our 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Volunteer Family and Friends Picnic! Plans are in motion to make this a very "memorable" event! You truly won't want to miss it! Also during the Shrine BBQ Weekend we will have our annual Bake Goods and Ice Water Sale on the NE Corner of the Square. We will need baked goodies and helpers for this event, so if you are interested let me know.

The Faith in Action program continues to grow and we are always in need of volunteers, especially drivers, special project builders and those willing to help with shopping and errands. If you aren't volunteering yet...let me show you what a blessing it can be! Thank You to all who have made Faith in Action a strong outreach throughout Edgar County!

**Now...I'm ready to soak up some sunshine ☺**

*Happy Spring*

*and*

*Have a Very Blessed Easter!*

*Nila*

# Welcome New Faith in Action Volunteers

Jack Lilley

We would like to welcome Jack to our crew of volunteers! He has joined us as a special project volunteer and has already been very busy helping with the construction and reclaiming of several wheelchair ramps. We appreciate his willingness to help out in this area of our services. Welcome Aboard Jack!

## ★ Thank You for Your Gifts ★

In the last newsletter I included a "Wish List" of needed Office Supplies. I want to thank all of you who helped out! It was like Christmas! A special thank you to Bell Ridge Christian Church's Ladies Group for donating several Gas Cards, Greg Idleman who had a box packed full of supplies shipped to the FIA Office from Staples and Phil Cochran for donating his gently used HP Officejet copy machine! What a blessing! Everything was needed and very much appreciated! If you would like to help out in this unique way, we are always in need of Forever Postage Stamps and Ink Cartridges for our HP 97 and HP 96, as well as any and all items used in an office. Thank You for your generous gifts!



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#### Calendar of Events

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

Apr 6- Board of Director's Meeting

April 16 - Caregiver's Expo- 8:30AM -2:30PM

Apr 25 - Pizza Hut Night Benefit 4:00PM - 8:00PM

Apr 27-28- FIAIL Director's Conference (Springfield)

May 4 - Board of Director's Meeting

May 10 - Card Angels Meet at 10:00AM

May 23 -Pizza Hut Night Benefit 4PM - 8PM

May 30 - Memorial Day - Office Closed

June 1 - Board of Director's Meeting

June 7 - Card Angels Meet 10:00AM

June 10 -FIAEC BAKE SALE

June 11 - FIAEC BAKE SALE

June 18 - FIAEC Family Picnic

June 27 - Pizza Hut Night Benefit - 4:00PM - 8:00PM

Reminder: Volunteer's Monday Morning Coffee

Break 8:30 - 10:00 each Monday morning

**LIVE UNITED**



Support the United Way of Edgar County.  
Working together we CAN  
make a difference!

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

##### MONTHS OF JAN. ~ FEB. - MAR.

Service	
Transportation	337
Visiting	23
Shopping/Errands	38
Light Housekeeping	0
Yard Work	0
Telephone Contacts	19
Sewing and Mending	0
Respite	0
Meal Prep	0
Special Projects	144
Office Assistance	270
Board Meetings/Fundraising	_____
Total Hours	<b>831</b>
Total Miles Driven	<b>8,238</b>
Avg. Number of Volunteers reporting hours monthly:	<b>35</b>
Contacts made with care receivers	<b>410</b>

#### THANK YOU FIAEC VOLUNTEERS!

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

# Memories of a Super Successful Chili Cook-Off! 2011



**February 19, 2011 was the evening for fun as Faith in Action hosted their 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Chili Cook-Off Lake Ridge Christian Church Family Life Center**

Winners in the Mild category included, First Place, Contestant Number 10 –“Pure and Simple”, Roger Hopper; Second Place, Contestant Number 7 – “Nan Nal’s Chili”, Jennie Brewington; and Third Place, Contestant Number 13 – “Winter Chili”, Norma Henson.

Winners in the Hot category included First Place, Contestant Number 4 – “Some Like it Hot”, Edie Emrick; Second Place, Contestant Number 3 – “Whoa Mama”, Angel Templeton”; and Third Place, Contestant Number 11 – “Rookie 2”, Bill Rue.

Winners in the Unique category included First Place, Contestant Number 5 – “Relampaqueo Blanco”, Harry Walker; Second Place, Contestant Number 8 – “Chilly Chili”, Lillie Davis.

**Grand Champion Chili Chef for 2011 - Roger Hopper**

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**Faith in Action of Edgar County is very grateful to the entire Community for 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.**

**Our gross ticket sales and monetary donations reached \$2,587 and was our most successful Chili Cook-Off to date! After expenses FIAEC made \$2,056 to help provide services for residents who live with chronic illness and physical limitations in Edgar County! This year made close to \$500 more than last year! YEA!!**





**Thank You to our Fifteen Chili Chefs who served their favorite chilies to an enthusiastic chili loving crowd!**

All chefs received Certificates and Ribbons of Appreciation. The chili chefs along with the number and name of their chili included (1) Monte Reichenberg "Granny's Pork and Bean Chili"; (2) Chuck Dean, "Knock Your Socks Off and Wiggle Your Ears"; (3) Angel Templeton, "Whoa Mama"; (4) Edie and Cleo Emrick, "Some Like it Hot"; (5) Harry Walker "Relampaqueo Blanco"; (6) Ellen Webb, "Sweet Simplicity"; (7) Jennie Brewington, "Nan Nal's Chili"; (8) Lillie Davis, "Chilly Chili"; (9) Nancy Jewell "Mom's Chili"; (10) Roger Hopper, "Pure and Simple"; (11) Bill Rue, "Rookie 2"; (12) Ben Henson, "Blue Flame"; (13) Norma Henson, "Winter Chili"; (14) Rick Kennedy, "Packer Passion"; and (15) Brian Johnson, "Truckers Love It"

**It took an army of helpers to make things go smoothly.**

**Many of those who helped were:**

**CCO 2011 Committee:** Judy Benton, Mary Lou Wilson, Norma Henson and Nila

**Ticket Table Sales:** Diana Acord, Kendra Simpson

**Ticket and Tray Table:** Karl and Barbara Marshall, Katie Marlowe.

**Vote Counter:** Karl and draftees

**Carry-Out Table:** Terry Bergdolt, Ron Hensley

**Floater:** Cleo Emrick, Charley White, Rita Goodman, Jim Acord, Jean Willoughby, Julie Garver, Mary Griffin

**Electrical:** Monte, Karl, Ron

**Set Up and Tear Down:** Rita, Terry, Barbara, Karl, Barb, Monte, Ken and Liz Gough, Linda White, Judy Benton, Paul Willoughby, Ron Hensley, Cleo Emrick, Marion Davis, and people who pitched in after the event.

**Vegetable Sackers:** Mary Lou Wilson, Dorothy Holt, Judy Benton, Lillie Davis, Jean Willoughby and Diana Acord

**Hot Dog and Drinks:** Judy Benton, Dorothy Holt, Linda White and Elva Gilkerson

**Cake Cutters:** Lillie, Jean, Wanda Henson, Donna Woodyard

**Kitchen Help:** Mary Lou Wilson, Rhonda Givens, Vickie (Wilson), Rachel Givens, Julie and Jacob Garver

**Chili Chefs:** Monte Reichenberg., Chuck Dean., Angel Templeton., Edie Emrick, Harry Walker, Ellen Webb, Jennie Brewington, Lillie Davis, Nancy Jewell, Roger Hopper, Bill Rue, Ben Henson, Norma Henson, Rick Kennedy, Brian Johnson

**Extra Tray Providers:** Otterbein UMC, Vermilion UMC

**Picture Taker:** Mary Griffin

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**Food Suppliers:** Bell Ridge Christian Church(Sara Goddard), Success Christian Church(Debbie and Cathy); Nevins Christian Church(Linda), First Assembly of God(Lillie and Jean), Hume Christian Church(Anna and Wilma), Lake Ridge Christian Church(Katie) Paris Christian Church(Mary Jane and Helen), New Providence Presbyterian Church( Monte and Rita); Kansas Christian Church(Diana), Vermilion United Methodist Church (Mary Lou) Norma Henson, Kendra Simpson, Thelda Pitts, Dorothy Holt, Ron and Nila Nugent, Dorothy Farnham, Judy Benton.

**Picture Takers:** Mary Griffin

**If I have left anyone out, please know that it is not intentional and that everyone was very much appreciated!**

# Thank You!

## ~ Events Coming Up This Summer ~

Shrine Week End Bake Sale ~ SE Corner of the Square June 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup>

Faith in Action Family and Friend Picnic ~ June 18<sup>th</sup> noon at Twin Lakes Park

## HELP....

**With Spring comes an increase in service requests. If you are a volunteer and would like to help with transportation or help our ramp builders with a few building requests please call our office.**

**Do you know someone who would like to be a Faith in Action Volunteer?**

**Have them call Nila at 466-6388**

# Faith in Action Family and Friend Picnic

Saturday ~June 18, 2010~ Noon

## Twin Lakes Park



Faith in Action will be hosting our second annual Volunteer and Friend Summer Picnic! All FIAEC Volunteers and Families as well our Care Receivers 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 a "Wild and Wacky Style Show"! There will be styles to interest men as well as ladies. Our models will be wearing never before seen designs that are sure to stir your imagination and tickle your funny bone! ☺

More information will be coming in the mail very soon.

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



## *Friends Day Out*



Plans are finally in motion to begin our newest activity that could provide an opportunity for many of our care receivers to enjoy a day out at various times throughout the Spring, Summer and early Autumn. We will be going out in small groups to ensure resident safety. Our first outing is scheduled for April 26<sup>th</sup> to visit Lincoln Trail Park and enjoy a leisurely lunch at the park restaurant. Judy Benton will be hosting this outing along with Lillie and Marion Davis. Another trip is in the planning stages for May that will be in honor of Mother's Day. Later on we would like to take a group to Moonshine for a unique lunch from "back in the day". Our goal is to plan a safe, light hearted, relaxing day that will create enough good memories to share long after the day is over. If you would like to be a helper on any of these trips please let us know. You may contact Judy Benton at the FIA Office - 466-6388.



## *Celebrate America!* *June 14<sup>th</sup> and July 4<sup>th</sup>*

