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Happy 5 Year Birthday and Volunteer Appreciation Celebration!



Thank You Volunteers for a beautiful 5 years of reaching out to residents of Edgar County! This was a great celebration. The Coon Holler Kids provided a great evening of entertainment and the balloons supplied by Brad's Florist added just the right touch. You are all the true Heroes of Edgar County!

Successful Spaghetti Dinner and Silent Auction!



What a successful evening! The lighting was not good for pictures but the tables were all set and volunteers chefs worked feverishly in the kitchen preparing their fantastic spaghetti dinner for nearly 270 people who came to enjoy the evening. The dinner and silent auction raised a little over \$2,100! **Thank You** to everyone who provided food, items for the auction or rolled up your sleeves and worked



throughout the evening.

It was a really great night!

Has Your Availability Changed?

Please let us know if your availability changes due to illness, vacations, work schedules, etc. We try to contact you only when you have told us you are available. Like wise if you would like us to utilize your time and talents more often, please let us know.

Did You Know?

That is all for this month. We will be back with the next newsletter in December.

Nila's Corner

Late in the Summer my husband Ron and I had the opportunity to spend several days on the beach in Destin, Florida. What a beautiful time it was. The weather was perfect, the sand a powdery white and water as clear and calm as I had ever seen. It was a great time to stop, rest and realize just how thankful I am. To start, I am grateful to a loving God through which all things are made possible, for family that is so very close and supportive, for a church family that loves me inspite of my weaknesses, the ministry of Faith in Action and all the ways God has led it, all the people I have gotten to know and love because of God assuring me that I could indeed go out of my comfort zone and embrace a work that He had planned for me,..... the list goes on and on. The song "Count Your Many Blessings" has been ringing in my head for several days. Do you realize that if we were to start listing all of our blessings, the list would never, ever end! We are a blessed people and have so much for which to be thankful.

So... "♪Count your many blessings name them one by one..♪."

Happy Thanksgiving!

Nila

"In this life there are many things that will catch our eye, but very few that will catch our heart.....pursue those."
author unknown

Faith in Action of Edgar County Receives Hometown Hero Recognition!

Faith in Action of Edgar County was recognized as a 2008 Hometown Hero by the East Central Illinois Area Agency on Aging at their Annual Recognition Luncheon September 17, 2008. ECIAAA recognized 30 community programs on aging including the Sutton Community Center for Edgar County, Peace Meal Senior Nutrition, Retired & Senior Volunteer Programs, and Faith in Action programs in the 16 counties of east central Illinois.

Mike O'Donnell, ECIAAA Executive Director, stated: "There are heroes among us whose actions make our communities better places to grow up and grow old. They seek no fortune or fame, but continue their noble efforts because they know they are making a difference in people's lives. ECIAAA is proud to recognize and thank Faith in Action of Edgar County for making a difference in the lives of older adults and their families."

FIA Wish List: postage stamps, unused greeting cards, copy paper white and color, mailing labels (1"x2 5/8"), black and color ink refills for our printers; Lexmark 70 and 20 or HP 21 and 22.



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Calendar of Events:

Nov. 5 FIA Board Meeting 8:30am
Nov. 13 Burger King Night - Paris
 Nov. 20 New Volunteer Orientation
Nov. 24 Pizza Hut Night/ Norma Hosting
 Nov. 27 Thanksgiving Holiday
Dec. 2 Card Angels FIA 10:00am
 Dec. 3 FIA Board Meeting 8:30am
*Reminder: Volunteers Monday Morning
 Coffee Break 8:30 - 10:00
 each monday morning*



**The Edgar
County United Way supports Faith in
Action. Please support the United Way
of Edgar County**

FAITH IN ACTION VOLUNTEERS.....ON THE MOVE! MONTH OF SEPTEMBER 2008

Service	Hours
Transportation	161
Visiting	27
Shopping/Errands	10
Light Housekeeping	0
Yard Work	2
Telephone Contacts	11
Sewing and Mending	0
Meal Prep.	0
Special Projects	104
Office Assistance	123
Board Meetings/Fundraising	<u>5</u>
Total Hours	443 Hours
Total Miles Driven	3,074 Miles
39 Volunteers reported hours for the month of October !	
<u>159 contacts made with care receivers!</u>	

THANK YOU FIAEC VOLUNTEERS!