

ROTARY NOTARY



Member Birthdays:

<i>John Alefs</i>	11/26
<i>Ric Wolford</i>	11/28

Turkey Delivery Volunteers:

Justin Baxter
Jim Boone
Brian Burrus
Tom Church
Jim Crawford
Jessica Dunbar
Nancy Fitzgerald
Schoen Fitzgerald
Michael Hambley
Scott Hampel
Denise Hearson
Fred Heismeyer
Joyce Heismeyer
Lynn Jeane
Michael Moeder
Anthony Ndungu
Shane Pullman
Jaden Randle
Joanne Rogers
Dave Sproul
Brittany Sweeney
Fred Thurlow

Quote of the Week:

Thanksgiving just gets me all warm and tingly and all kinds of wonderful inside.

— Willard Scott

ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL TURKEY DRIVE FOR THE BOOKS



John McEwen stands beside a pile of turkey dinners just waiting to be delivered. For many years John has offered to be our “go-to” guy when it comes to getting a flatbed and truck to pick up the dinners from Dillons so Rotarians can deliver them. Thanks, John!

When it's the last week of November and the daily high temperature reaches 70, you can't help but smile when you're getting ready to deliver turkey dinners on behalf of East Wichita Rotary.

The parking lot of Hillside Christian Church was like a party as Rotarians, along with friends and family members, gathered for one of our most beloved service projects, the annual turkey dinner delivery. (Editor's note: I don't know when EWR began this project, but it's been going strong since I became a Rotarian in 2006.)

Event chair **Denise Hearson** has headed up this project for

the last four years. There's a lot of behind-the-scenes work that goes on prior to delivery day. It takes a lot of planning and patience to reach out to area community groups to see if they work with individuals or families who might not otherwise be able to have a traditional Thanksgiving dinner. This year, 12 organizations provided family names and addresses for the project.

Another aspect of the preparation is creating the map and route for each of the delivery teams. You guessed it—Denise does that too.

Kim Hurtig, our Club Executive, orders and purchases the dinners from Dillons food stores. The

cost of the dinner, which feeds between 4 and 6 people, went up this year to just over \$80. Kim wondered what effect this increase would have on our club members' abilities to purchase enough dinners to reach our goal of “And One,” adding one more dinner to last year's purchase of 60.

The great news is that our generous EWR members contributed enough donations to purchase not 61, but 75 dinners.

So while you're enjoying a delicious dinner and time to celebrate with your loved ones, take heart knowing that somewhere in our community others will be celebrating with their loved ones, thanks to EWR's commitment to service and your generosity.

Announcements:

Ho Ho Ho!
It's time to sign up for the annual Christmas/Holiday party! This year we will enjoy a luncheon in place of our regularly scheduled meeting on Wednesday, December 8. Social Committee Chair **Angela Binyon** promises an elegant luncheon with entertainment provided by the Wichita Collegiate Madrigals and a cash bar to round out the celebration. You may bring a spouse or a guest for a charge of \$20. Please sign up by December 1.

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**MORE TURKEY DELIVERY PHOTOS**

Tom Church, Michael Hambley, and Lynn Jeane teamed up for turkey delivery. What a great way for new member Michael to dive in and get involved in our club's service projects right away!

Tammie Rhea and Brian Burrus pose for a picture before heading out to make their deliveries. The sunshine and warm temperatures made for a beautiful day of bringing good cheer to delighted families!



It's a family affair! **Anthony Ndungu** brought his nephew (L) and son (R) with him to help **Justin Baxter** deliver dinners. It's never too early to get youth involved in building goodwill and better friendships.

Next Week:

NO MEETING because of Thanksgiving....but you already knew that! See you on December 1!