

VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR 2013-2014

Community volunteering refers to volunteers who work to improve community enhancement efforts in the area in which they live. That is exactly what our Volunteer of the Year recipient has accomplished.



Does this look familiar? No this is not the winner of the volunteer of the year....this may be a clue; however, as to who the winner is.

Our new Volunteer of the Year grew up in Dickens, Iowa a few years ago.



He left Dickens after high school and moved to Minneapolis to attend school.



After completing his education in Minneapolis he moved to Des Plaines, Ill to work for Delta Airlines. Wayne started at Midway Airport in Chicago then to O'Hare Airport. The next stop with Delta was in Atlanta Georgia to work in their computer systems.

He met Linda in 1962 in Des Plaines, Illinois on a blind date. Linda was actually substituting for another friend. Fate was clearly in charge.



These pictures may be familiar to our winner.



In 1964 he joined the Navy and served on the U.S.S. Canberra.

He returned from the service and continued his employment with Delta.

In 1968 Linda and Wayne were married. Here they are cruising in their brand new 1968 Mercury Clyone. I bet he wishes he still had that car!



Linda and Wayne celebrated their 45th wedding anniversary last year.



His career at Delta Air Lines continued where he led the group that was responsible for development of all the computer applications. Even though he was working for a large corporation he was responsible for two small businesses, two subsidiaries – one in Denver which provided computer support for travel agency accounting and one in Copenhagen which developed communications hardware and software.

Wayne worked for Delta for 34 years. They have two sons, Derek and Bryan



This is Wayne with his family



They have 3 grandchildren Charlotte, Kathrine and Courtney



Wayne is demonstrating his farming skills by shucking corn with grandchildren, Charlotte and Katherine.

We can't forget the newest addition, Courtney



How cool is this picture.....



Future astronauts Charlotte and Katherine.



Wayne and Linda have camped throughout their marriage. They have used tents, trailers and three motorhomes. This was one memorable great adventure. This Tow Truck came from 90 miles away and was suppose to tow them to Anchorage which was 125 miles away this tow truck was not able to tow them. The biggest tow truck in the state had to come and retrieve them.

In the early 90's they visited The Great Outdoors and purchased their home at 601 Plantation Drive in 1998.



Wayne retired in 1996 and started a new career called **volunteering**.



Is this the Field of Dreams?

This is Wayne's quote,"when golfing in the Midwest, it is best to play before the corn gets too tall, unless you can hit it straight!"

Moving to TGO provided year round golfing that was very important to Wayne.



Wayne continues to enjoy golfing with his friends.

Wayne served on the transition committee. Following turnover to the owners in 2001, he was elected as the first Great Outdoors Chairman of the Board. He was the Chairman for two years.

He has been a valued member of the Elections Committee since its inception.

He was the Chairman of the Golf Course and Restaurant Committee. Wayne made a spectacular presentation to the residents of The Great Outdoors. His presentation was informative and enjoyable. We all remember the Elephant in the Room.



Congratulations to Wayne Condra as the Volunteer for the Year 2013-2014.