



# Meals-on-Wheels

OF JOHNSON AND ELLIS COUNTIES

*Serving the Children of Yesterday*

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### Reminders

Please note that our offices will be closed on **Monday, May 31** in observance of Memorial Day.

*Also, summer is almost here!*

Please let us know as early as possible if you are going to be away so that we can find a substitute for your route.

*Thank you for your help!*

**972-351-9943**

### Volunteer Spotlight!

Meals-on-Wheels is proud to announce Donna Harrington as the 2010 recipients of the **Shirle Ayers Volunteer Appreciation Award** for Ellis County.



Donna always knew that when she retired she wanted to volunteer. Retiring from Hagar after 37 years, Meals-on-Wheels was the right "fit" for her. She began volunteering last September, and now delivers several times a week.

"I have enjoyed my time delivering meals so much," she said. "At first, the clients were quiet, but now that I am a regular, they have really opened up, and look forward to our visits."

Donna is always willing to deliver or "fill-in" on additional days. "The extra days are nothing (to me) because its more than giving of yourself," she states. "In fact, it's the other way around. Each client brings something unique and special to me each time I see them," she adds with a smile.

Donna, like many of our volunteers, personifies this year's theme for, "celebrating people in action." this can be seen when riding along with Donna on her route. The faces of the seniors light up as they answer the door. She goes the extra mile to make each person feel special. For instance, it was on of the clients birthday, and she brought daises and a card to celebrate. "She is one of the sweetest people I have ever known," said one client on her route.

**Thank You Donna for all you do and for being a part of the Meals-on-Wheels team!**

**[www.servingthechildrenofyesterday.org](http://www.servingthechildrenofyesterday.org)**

# WELCOME

**Please join us in welcoming our newest volunteers!**

**Waxahachie**

Adam & Brana Rope  
Pat And Polly Thompson

**Red Oak**

Eddie & Elizabeth Treadaway

**Ferris**

Debbie Taylor

Please tell your friends and family about the need in your community! Also, we would be happy to come speak at your business, church, or any gathering.

Thank YOU for your ongoing service, and for your help in recruiting new volunteers to deliver meals to the homebound in your communities.

***You are greatly appreciated!***

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**Mothers Day is Here!**

In honor of Mothers Day, carnations will be delivered to all of our female clients on Friday, May 7th.



**THANK YOU** to Growing Ideas Florist, The Flower Shoppe in Midlothian, and Blooms and More in Waxahachie for donating the flowers to make this possible!

Also, you can honor your mother, grandmother, a client or any important woman in your life by making a gift to Meals-on-Wheels in her name! If you would like, we can send an acknowledgement card to that person.

**Save the Date!**

Mark your calendars for...

**Meals-on-Wheels'  
23rd Annual Golf Benefit  
Thursday, September 16  
Cleburne Golf Links**

*More information to come!*



**Volunteer Opportunities**



**Ennis  
Tuesday, Thursday & Friday**

**Ferris  
Monday, Tuesday & Thursday**

***Fill-ins needed in all communities!***