I'd like to propose that this year the NM4Ws make a donation to the East Mountain Food Pantry rather than the Roadrunner Food Bank. The East Mountain Food Pantry is a 501(c)(3) Tax-Exempt Non-Profit Organization that supports the entire East Mountain area bounded by areas where we go wheeling, i.e. where the road to the Crest turns off of N14 down to Mountainair, and from the mountains in the west to McIntosh in the east. They are affiliated with the Roadrunner Food Bank in that they can purchase food from Roadrunner at a discount, but they do not benefit from the advertising or collections that the Roadrunner Food Bank does. Rather, they depend on donations come from individuals, clubs like ours, and the members of 4 area churches, the First Baptist Church-Tijeras, the Mountainside Methodist Church, and more recently, the Canyon Bible Church of Tijeras, and Church of the Good Shepherd UCC. This all-volunteer food pantry is responsible for collecting and distributing all of the food in the area they serve and are always short of food and money.

In 2017 they served approximately 600 different families and provided 130,000 meals.

They are currently located at S. Hwy 337 and Hwy 333, but will soon be moving to a newly donated facility on Sedillo Hill on Hwy 333. When they move to the new facility, they will need a bunch of volunteers with trucks and trailers, which would be a good community service project if the club would like to participate.

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