## Butler, Greenwood RWDs hold dinner meeting in El Dorado

ural water districts in Butler and Greenwood counties held their annual dinner meeting on October 5. This year's event was sponsored by Kansas Rural Water Association. Attendance was 144 people from 11 water systems. It's the largest such event in Kansas.

This 2006 gathering was #23 – from the original "Butler County RWD Night" in 1983. Organized then by Butler RWD 5 Chairman Delbert Shaffer, now deceased, it has been an annual event ever since. In more recent years, Greenwood County RWDs have also taken part. The purpose continues to be for systems to exchange information and to learn about various programs.

The 2006 meeting and dinner was held at the El Dorado Civic Center. KRWA Board Secretary Mike Mayberry grilled the steaks

equipment, GIS/GPS mapping and a sample presentation of KanCap, the board/council training program.

Following the meal, John Madden, author and humorist from Wichita, presented a special accumulated and made available to everyone who attends. This year's survey was developed and tabulated by KRWA. A representative of each water system also presents a summary of the past

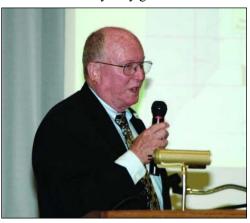
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keynote. Madden discussed customer service issues and "giving back" to the community through volunteer efforts.

The dinner meeting also calls for each RWD to submit a survey with questions on a variety of financial and operational issues. The survey responses are year's events for the respective district.

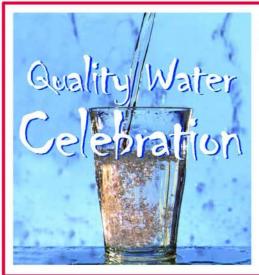
Professionals attending included consultants and attorneys for systems and a member of the county commission.

Butler RWD 7 will host the 2007 meeting.



with assistance of KRWA Director Sam Atherton. Scalloped potatoes, green beans, rolls, and desert were available to complete the menu. Prior to the meal, those attending had opportunities to visit with KRWA staff about various technical assistance available for systems. Display tables featured meter testing and leak detection





## Welcome ...

## Butler & Greenwood County Rural Water Districts & Guests

Far left: A representative of each water system shares information about projects completed or other developments. Here, John Provose, Chairman of Butler RWD 4, gives opinions on growth potential for that system which serves an area of approximately 60 sq. miles south and west of El Dorado to southeast of Augusta.

**Left & below:** Bacon-wrapped filets were a big hit on the buffet line at the annual Butler-Greenwood County RWD night held in El Dorado on October 5. KRWA sponsored this year's event, attended by 144 people.

**Below right & right:** KRWA General Manager Elmer Ronnebaum welcomes the group to the dinner. Keynote speaker John Madden, Wichita author and humorist, listens to presentations made by RWD board members and staff following the meal.





