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Kevin

Living in Old Wethersfield, Connecticut, Kevin was a most unusual celebrity. According to \_\_\_\_\_’s article, he had a Facebook tribute site with thousands of members and plenty of swag – his own T-shirt and 2018 calendar – for sale in several shops in town. Roaming freely on the streets, Kevin could be seen from early morning to late in the evening greeting passing motorists, enjoying free handouts of food and posing for videos and selfies. He showed an amusing preference for pick-ups over cars but showed an unexplained dislike for USPS mail delivery trucks.

Kevin, a nearly two-year-old wild turkey, captured the hearts of residents, adults and children alike, when he arrived in March, 2017. During the November elections, he had **“Don’t Be Chicken…Vote for Kevin for Mayor”** signs staked out on lawns all over town ( ). As Kevin’s popularity grew, so did the fears that he would be injured or cause motor vehicle accidents. Despite \_\_\_\_\_’s report of an “online petition seeking to block state wildlife staff from ever removing or killing ‘our beloved turkey,’” \_\_\_\_\_’s article states that Environmental Conservation police, working for the CT Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP), safely captured Kevin at the busy intersection of Jordan Lane and Silas Deane Highway in December. He was transported to a safer location and “released on a written promise to continue eating plenty of root[s], bulbs and leaves.” ( ).

For those who want a piece of Kevin the Turkey history, T-shirts in men’s, women’s and youth sizes can be purchased on Amazon for $16.98 ( ). Unfortunately, calendars have sold out and autographs are not available.

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