

SPECIAL DELIVERY

THE MEALS ON WHEELS DELAWARE NEWSLETTER - OCTOBER 2020







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Sip & Savor 2020 Fundraiser Goes Virtual

Typically, the annual Sip & Savor fundraiser brings together hundreds of Meals On Wheels Delaware supporters in Kent County for a night of celebration, music, auctions and more. This year we had to reinvent the fundraiser to take account of social distancing. This would allow Meals On Wheels Delaware to continue to raise funds for seniors in need while offering something fresh for supporters.

From September 11 to September 13, Meals On Wheels Delaware held Sip & Savor at Home presented by Wyoming Millwork. The idea behind Sip & Savor at Home was to gather family and friends virtually and cook along with local chefs while learning a new cocktail. We offered three interactive virtual events packed with cooking tutorials from local chefs, cocktail courses lead by mixologists and entertainment.

The event featured local chefs Sandra Winfrey, Joseph Vitanza of Cool Springs and Paul Cullen of Paul's Kitchen & Cullen-ary Company. The mixologist segments included BreakThru Beverage, Harvest Ridge Winery and Ron Gomes of Painted Stave Distilling. Each evening had wonderful hosts such as Comedienne Kmack, Representative Lyndon Yearick and Norm Short of Forever Media. Sip & Savor at Home entertainment by artists Bodhi Woof, Jim Rezac and Paul Cullen.



Beach Brunch Embraces New Format

The Beach Brunch fundraiser presented by Fulton Bank took place on October 11, 2020 at five restaurants across Sussex County. MOWD supports Meals On Wheels Lewes Rehoboth and CHEER in Sussex County, who prepare and deliver hot meals each weekday to homebound seniors. This year, due to the current coronavirus pandemic, Meals On Wheels Delaware needed to reimagine the Beach Brunch fundraiser. The new event format allowed us to partner with local restaurants to create prix fixe menus for guests' choice of dine-in or take out. The Beach Brunch sent about 200 guests and sponsors out to the Sussex County restaurants.

The pandemic impacted the restaurant industry the hardest especially in Sussex where tourism was at a low. MOWD saw this as an opportunity to give back and take care of those businesses. The proceeds from the ticket sales were allocated to the restaurants to cover their costs. The goal was to send Beach Brunch guests to the restaurants in order to give them exposure from both new and old customers and to give back in their time of need.

The participating Beach Brunch restaurants were Bethany Blues Lewes, Bluecoast Rehoboth, The Café on 26, Paul's Kitchen & Market, and The Starboard.



Thank You Wells Fargo

When the community relations team from Wells Fargo visited the City Fare Meals On Wheels program, they saw the difference that a daily home delivered meal made to the homebound men and women who are in need of a hot lunch. For the past three years, Wells Fargo has made an ongoing commitment to Delaware's seniors and assisted with a grant to Meals on Wheels Delaware, which is used to meet the needs of meal delivery programs across the State.

The most recent grant support from Wells Fargo was received in October. Since their first contribution, the funds have been used across the State to support the delivery efforts of the five Meals On Wheels programs in Delaware. The funds have funded meals, kitchen equipment including a commercial

freezer, insulated coolers and warmer bags to keep the food at safe temperatures during deliveries in New Castle County. In Kent and Sussex Counties, the grant funded medical meal supplements, replacement of commercial kitchen equipment, a vehicle to deliver meals from the central kitchen to distribute picked up locations and a commercial refrigerator. Thank you Wells Fargo for your commitment to the seniors of Delaware.

Together we can end senior hunger.

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