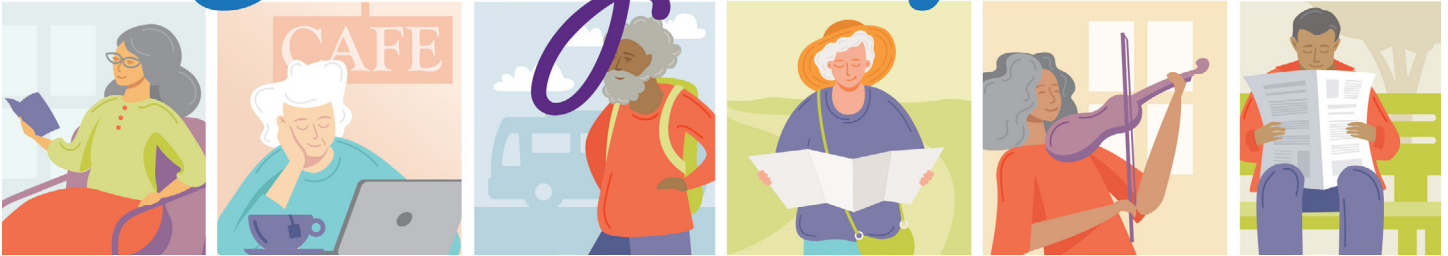




SPECIAL DELIVERY

THE MEALS ON WHEELS DELAWARE NEWSLETTER - APRIL 2022

Age my way!



Older Americans Month 2022

Older Americans Month honors the contributions of past and current older persons in our country. This month helps to raise awareness about the issues that many seniors face, like hunger and isolation.

May 2022 is focusing on aging in place – how seniors can stay in their homes while living independently in their communities. The 2022 theme lets us explore the many ways seniors can remain involved with their communities. This idea is a core value of

Meals On Wheels Delaware as meal programs support seniors aging in place.

This is also a great time to reach out to Members of Congress to ensure Meals on Wheels is at the forefront of their attention during discussions.

We thank those who go the extra mile to serve seniors in need, and we'll continue to do all we can to help programs continue their important work.

25 Year Anniversary Award

Meals On Wheels Delaware is celebrating in 2022 as it is our 25th Anniversary since receiving our Not-for-Profit Status in 1996. Our mission has been consistent, to focus on the needs of homebound seniors and to raise funds, and awareness to support our partner Meals On Wheels programs.

In celebration of 25 years of successful partnership on behalf of Delaware's seniors, we are thrilled to announce a 25 year Anniversary Award of \$250,000.

This is possible thanks to the commitment of our Board, and the response from the community to the challenges of COVID over the last 2 years.

Current and past Board Members were invited to

participate in a 25th Anniversary Board Challenge to raise \$25,000. We are pleased to say our Board stepped up and we exceeded the goal with a total of Board raised \$49,022, which is 96% over the original goal.

\$250,000 will be shared among our partner Meals On Wheels programs: City Fare Meals On Wheels, Newark Senior Center, CHEER, Meals On Wheels Lewes Rehoboth, and Modern Maturity Center.

We understand that rising prices, a tight labor market and supply chain difficulties are impacting everyone. We look forward to the next 25 years of serving Delaware's seniors and Meals On Wheels.



MEALS ON WHEELS DELAWARE

100 W. 10th Street, Suite 207, Wilmington, DE 19801

MealsOnWheelsDE.org

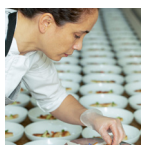


Spring Events Review

CELLAR MASTERS' WINE AUCTION - 2022 was another amazing year at the Cellar Masters' Wine Auction and Dinner at the Chase Center on Saturday, April 2.

Back after only 6 months, due to rescheduling to October 2021, it did not disappoint. Kudos to the amazing Committee members, and first-time Chair, Rob Poppiti for staging this complex event on such a tight timeline. Thanks to all the Sponsors especially Lead Sponsor, Bank of America. Thanks to the larger community for donating unique wines, dressing up for the evening, and supporting the cause by bidding on the auction and raising a paddle to improve the lives of local seniors. The presenting chefs prepared an amazing meal accompanied by featured wine pours.

This is our most successful fundraiser of the year, and this year was no exception, all funds raised go to support Meals On Wheels in Delaware.



CELEBRITY CHEFS' BRUNCH - This April the Celebrity Chefs' Brunch returned along with our Brunch sponsors, guests, and auction donors. We would like to recognize the Presenting Sponsors Capital One, Delaware Today, and Main Line Today.

We would like to give a welcome back shout-out to the Chefs. Both local and traveling Chefs put forward an amazing array of delicious bites, which had our guests raving about the culinary creations. There was an assortment of beverages such as champagne, Bloody Marys, Mimosas, Espresso Martinis, and an assortment of wine to quench their thirst!



We started 25 years ago while maintaining our mission of helping seniors in Delaware, and this event helps us raise funds for our goal. We were honored to receive proclamations from our Senators and Representatives in Washington, our Governor, and both houses, along with New Castle County, the County Council, and the Mayor of Wilmington.

We hope everyone who came enjoyed being back to an in-person event and hope you ate and sipped your way around the DuPont County Club.

Thank you again from the Board and Staff of Meals on Wheels Delaware. We hope to see you at next year's Celebrity Chefs' Brunch on April 23, 2023, at Dupont Country Club!



Vist: MealsOnWheelsDE.org

Call: 302-656-3257

Social: [f Meals On Wheels Delaware](https://www.facebook.com/MealsOnWheelsDelaware) [i MealsOnWheelsDE](https://www.instagram.com/MealsOnWheelsDE) [t MealsOnWheelsDE](https://www.twitter.com/MealsOnWheelsDE)

Together we can end senior hunger.