

## SPECIAL DELIVERY

THE MEALS ON WHEELS DELAWARE NEWSLETTER - JULY 2023

## READY, SET, RAFFLE!

We know of no other state which has a need to want to own a Black and White License plate like our own State of Delaware, and have we got the plate for you! Some historic facts about our Delaware plate!! In April 1909, matched pairs of white and black porcelain plates were provided by the state to all registered vehicle owners for the first time. The numbering sequence began at 1,000 that year to allow for continuing use of earlier registrations through the end of 1909.

The state issued a new pair of porcelain plates to vehicle owners each year from 1910 through 1915, and in 1914 a separate series was introduced for motorcycles. Between 1929 and 1937, and again in 1940 and 1941, blue and yellow was adopted as a standard color scheme, alternating every year from background to numbering color. A little know detail is that there is no dated 1940 plates in existence!

The highly recognizable white on black, date tab-slotted, porcelain license plates premiered in 1941! Most of the black porcelain plates observed in use today are reproduction copies of the original series one style. The style of Delaware's license plate has not changed much in 50 years. A clear indication of the respect shown for the simplest and distinguished design. In case anyone needs to know, the #1 Black and White plate is used by the sitting Governor and the #2 Black and White plate is used by the sitting Lieutenant Governor!

Now that you know all about our Delaware plate, let's sell some raffle tickets to help our seniors! Tickets start at \$5.00 for one ticket and the winning ticket will be pulled at our Hats & Heels event on Friday, September 22, 2023! This plate number 9392 could be yours! You gotta play to win! Good Luck!

Follow the link to enter to win today, https://onecau.se/heels2023



## MEET BOARD MEMBER DALE COCHRAN



Dale come to Delaware in December 2018 and currently serves as Chief Risk Officer of Barclays. He has spent his entire working career in banking and financial services in the US and Europe Dale received his MBA in Finance and Marketing from the University of Chicago, Booth School of Business and is also actively engaged with the American Bankers Association, The Risk Management Association and speaks at the Wharton Business School on Risk Management.

Dale volunteers for many organizations in Delaware and currently serves on the Board of Directors for Meals on Wheels Delaware. He enjoys time with his family which includes his Great Danes, scuba diving, white water rafting and brewing his own beer.

Dale stated about his experience with this organization: "I am humbled to serve and be a part of the mission to improve the overall quality of life for homebound seniors in our communities and across our state by providing a healthy meal and a personal interaction. Working side -by-side with the Board and Management team continues to show me how dedicated they are to fundraising and building awareness around helping seniors in our community."

-Dale Cochran, Chief Risk Officer - Barclays Bank Delaware/US Consumer Bank

## IMPROVEMENTS AT THE MODERN MATURITY KITCHEN



Meals On Wheels Delaware was excited to see the new highcapacity oven in service at the Modern Maturity Center in Dover, earlier this year.

Executive Chef, Victor Hendricks, explained that the oven is a boost to productivity in the kitchen. The kitchen at Modern Maturity prepares and packages around a thousand meals each day which are delivered to local homebound seniors across Kent County. This is in addition to the meals available for incenter dining.

The previous oven was 25 years old and ready to be retired. As a result of replacing the oven the early shift can sleep an extra hour before they get started in the morning.

Meals On Wheels Delaware contributed towards the cost of the oven, along with other Meals On Wheels donors. We also supported the installation of the extraction system – maybe not very exciting to think about but imagine the heat an oven that size generates.

