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THE MEALS ON WHEELS DELAWARE NEWSLETTER -JUNE 2025

A SPRING EVENT'S WEEKEND OF UNFORGETTABLE MOMENTS

Meals on Wheels Delaware was proud to host another unforgettable weekend of culinary celebration and fundraising through our 28th Annual Celebrity Chefs' Brunch and the 20th Annual Cellar Masters' Wine Auction & Dinner. Thanks to our incredible community of supporters, these two signature events raised vital funds to help ensure that no Delaware senior goes hungry or feels alone.

Cellar Masters' Wine Auction & Dinner

The weekend began on a high note with the 20th Annual Cellar Masters' Wine Auction & Dinner on Friday, April 25 at the Chase Center on the Riverfront. 252 guests enjoyed a sold-out, record-breaking evening that began with a sophisticated cocktail reception featuring 10 premium beverage partners and live jazz by the Diamond Swing Jazz Band.

Dinner featured a four-course meal with artisan bread, crafted by five guest chefs including Delaware's own Chef Robert Lhulier, and accompanied by four exceptional wine pairings, all generously donated. The energy carried through to the auction, with spirited bidding on 29 live auction lots and 35 silent auction items, all in support of Meals on Wheels Delaware.

We extend our heartfelt appreciation to our Wine Auction Lead Sponsors: Bank of America, LabWare, Dr. Jonathan and Mrs. Cara Burke, Kathy and Dan Dugan, Bill and Helen Stimson, and Young Conaway. Their commitment, along with the support from THG Transport Inc., helped make this event a tremendous success.

Celebrity Chefs' Brunch

Held on Sunday, April 27 at the DuPont Country Club, the Celebrity Chefs' Brunch welcomed an enthusiastic crowd of nearly 800 guests for a vibrant and flavorful afternoon filled with gourmet tastings, live entertainment, and community spirit. The event featured 22 renowned chefs from across the country, 13 creative cocktail stations, three lively bands, and experienced the creativity of two local artists onsite.

Guests had the opportunity to bid on an impressive selection of 64 silent auction items and 27 bucket auction packages, all generously donated in support of Delaware's homebound seniors. Even a surprise power failure couldn't dim the energy or impact of the day—spirits remained high, and the sense of purpose and generosity was palpable.

We are deeply grateful to our Honorary Event Chair, Tina Betz, for her leadership and enthusiasm, as well as to our 41 generous sponsors. Special thanks to our Brunch Lead Sponsors: Corteva Agriscience, Bank of America, Delaware Today, Main Line Today, and Binkley Horticultural Services, Inc. We also thank THG Transport Inc. for their support of both events.

These extraordinary events not only celebrated culinary excellence but also reinforced our shared commitment to ensuring that Delaware's seniors receive the meals and care they need. Thank you to our sponsors, chefs, donors, committee, volunteers, and guests for making these events such meaningful successes.



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CELEBRATING FATHER'S DAY: A TRIBUTE TO A STRONG KIND OF LOVE



There are so many! Dad, Husband, Father, Grandfather, Uncle, Pop-they all mean the same!

On Sunday, June 15th we celebrated Father's Day and the man or men in our lives that have made a difference. We honor those men, those that mean so much to us, and some may be out of sight, but they will always be in our hearts forever.

We remember the laughter, the tears, the disagreements, and the LOVE! We remember the bad Dad jokes, teaching to play baseball or basketball or to throw a football, since some of the Dads were into sports! But then there are the chefs, the perfect person to teach us to make the perfect grilled steak! Maybe it's the artist, who can capture the perfect picture, or maybe it's the handyman who can fix a door that always squeaks, or teaches us how to change a tire, they are all our Dads; no other title matters!

Meals on Wheels remembers all the Dads and keeping those that are still with us healthy with a hot meal delivered is important, as is the safety check. These meals help keep them in their homes and keep them

nourished! We know many have a smile on their face when they see a volunteer walking to the front door! We hope everyone had the opportunity to have a talk, or give a hug or a kiss, but we also hope those who no longer can see them talked to them in the quiet of the day or night! Happy Belated Father's Day to all of the Dads!

HAPPY PRIDE MONTH

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