



THE COMMUNITY TABLE

MEALS ON WHEELS DELAWARE NEWSLETTER

UPCOMING EVENTS

* Do More 24

March 6-7

Do More 24 Delaware is a 24-hour day of giving designed to help nonprofits raise more money and engage new donors.

* Cellar Masters' Wine Auction

Wilmington

April 17, 2026

Join us as we celebrate 21 years of this elegant Dinner and exclusive Wine Auction!

* Celebrity Chefs' Brunch

Wilmington

April 26, 2026

Savor gourmet tastings by top chefs, sip signature cocktails, and enjoy live music in a vibrant, flavorful celebration!



INTERN SPOTLIGHT

My name is Rachel Adams and I am currently a sophomore at the University of Delaware working toward a double major in Marketing and Management. I love spending time with my family and my two dogs, traveling, going to concerts, and cheering on my Philly teams - Go Birds!



OUR 2026 BOARD

Pictured from left to right

Back Row: Lanette Taylor-Sherman, Mike Clement, Elizabeth Kipp-Stonebraker, Dale Cochran, Lyndon Yearick, Dan Dugan

Front Row: Scott Baylis, Mary Ellen Hassett, Carol Hunter, Caitlin Custer-Hufe, Debbie Smith

Not Pictured: Kimberly Fonda, Devashish Guha, Tom Hannum, Vaughn Hardin, Ben Muse, Patricia Schulze, Pete Schwartzkopf, Pamela Scott

CELEBRATING 2025'S ACHIEVEMENTS

For the Board and Staff at Meals On Wheels Delaware we measure success in allowing all seniors in Delaware who are eligible for Meals On Wheels to be able to receive a warm, freshly prepared meal, delivered to their door without a waiting list.

Because of the generosity of the community, individuals, foundations and businesses who

give time as volunteer drivers, or make a gift to our annual appeal, we were able to provide over \$300,000 for meals and other essential needs to our partner Meals On Wheels programs. Close to one million meals were delivered to elderly men and women who rely on this support more than ever in a time of rising costs and uncertainty. We should all be proud of this achievement.

Anne Love – Executive Director

BRUNCH TIME IS ALMOST HERE

Join us for one of Delaware's most anticipated culinary celebrations, the 29th Annual Celebrity Chefs' Brunch on Sunday, April 26, 2026, from 11 AM–2 PM at our new location, the stunning Chase Center on the Riverfront. Grab your special someone & make it a date.

Valentine's Day Special Rate February 4:
www.MealsOnWheelsDE.org



BOARD MEMBER SPOTLIGHT



Pete Schwartzkopf is the former Speaker of the Delaware House of Representatives. He served as Majority Leader for four years before being elected Speaker of the House in 2012, and served through June 2023.

He represented the 14th district from 2002 through 2024. The 14th district includes Rehoboth, Lewes, and Dewey Beach. Pete is a retired Delaware State Police Captain and Troop Commander with 25 years of service. He graduated from Wilmington College with a BS in Human Resource Management. He graduated from Northwestern University School of Police Staff and Command and was first in his class at the Delaware State Police Academy.

Pete is active with several non-profit organizations including the Delaware Special Olympics, the Midway Lions Club, the Delaware State Troopers Association, the National Kidney Foundation (having donated an organ), and the Jean & Joan Fund which raises money to help families and patients who are being treated at Tunnell Cancer Center.

Delaware's coastal communities have always held a special place in his heart. These days, Pete, and his wife Carol enjoy spending time with their children and grand-children while taking advantage of all the First State has to offer to residents and visitors alike.

THE TEAM BEHIND THE SCENES



Pictured: Susan Dubb, Regina Dodds, Gen Drake, Evena Adams, Anne Love

As we welcome the new year, the Meals on Wheels Delaware team looks ahead with renewed hope and purpose.

Together, we embrace new opportunities to serve the seniors, strengthen our community, and continue the important work of ending senior hunger—one meal, one connection at a time.



HONORING THE LEGACY OF DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING JR.

On Martin Luther King Jr. Day, we reflect on a legacy rooted in courage, compassion, and the belief that positive change is possible when we stand together.

"Our lives begin to end the day we become silent about things that matter"

—MLK JR.

GET INVOLVED!

Giving back to the community starts with simple acts of care. Volunteering with Meals on Wheels to help deliver meals is a meaningful way to support neighbors, fight food insecurity, and make a positive impact one delivery at a time.



Sign up at MealsOnWheelsDE.org