



FOODNET MEALS ON WHEELS



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35th ANNUAL LUNCHEON

Tompkins County Office for the Aging Advisory Committee's 35th Annual Luncheon will be held on Tuesday, May 11 at 12:00 pm at the Clarion Hotel, 1 Sheraton Drive, Ithaca.

The Keynote Speaker is Karl Pillener, PhD, Director for Cornell Institute on Translational Research on Aging (CITRA) will speak on the topic of 'Gray & Green? Connecting Aging, Engagement, & Environmental Sustainability'.

Certificates of Appreciation to be awarded to 'Senior

Citizen of the Year' and Outstanding Contribution by a Senior Citizen'.

Meal includes choice of Eggplant Parmigiana or Broiled Salmon, Spinach Salad, Peach Pie, coffee/tea, for \$17.00.

Reservations Required!

For more information, call the Office for the Aging at 274-5490 or email dconte@tompkins-co.org



AgeStrong! LiveLong!

March For Meals

...a time to raise awareness about senior hunger, and connect friends and neighbors to their local senior nutrition and meals on wheels programs.

March 24, 2010 was the Mayors for Meals celebration in Tompkins County. Many of the home delivery routes and a congregate site were visited by Foodnet board members or members of the community,

including members of the SufferJets roller derby team. We here at Foodnet Meals on Wheels would like to thank all the volunteers and the members of the SufferJets who gave part of their day to visit with members of the community who receive the meals we provide.

We hope that everyone enjoyed the day and the visits.



WALMART FOUNDATION IMPACT GRANT PURCHASES NEW VAN

Foodnet Meals on Wheels is the recipient of a \$15,000 grant from the Walmart Impact Grant Program. The award will enable Foodnet to purchase a new delivery van to replace an aging vehicle in the agency's fleet of nine. The Meals on Wheels Association of America reviews proposals funded by the Walmart Foundation and selected the Tompkins County-based program to receive the grant.

In 2009, the Walmart Foundation awarded a grant of \$2.2 million to MOWAA. Through this funding, 140 MOWAA programs across the nation will be able to upgrade or replace delivery vehicles, stoves, refrigerators and freezers. These improvements will help increase the number of meals provided to seniors facing the threat of hunger.

In a letter from Meals on Wheels Association of America CEO, Enid Borden, stated, "The difficulties facing programs as a result of the

economic downturn were clearly evident in the Impact Grant applications, the number of which far exceeded the available funding. This unfortunately meant that we could neither award grants to all applicants nor fund every winning proposal to the full extent requested."

Executive Director Steve Griffin said "I am very pleased with the outcome of our request and feel fortunate that our Tompkins County organization was one of the select few to receive this generous grant. It is an affirmation of the quality of the program, staff and board."

Foodnet Meals on Wheels provides a choice of one or two meals daily delivered meals to more than 500 low-income elderly people living in Tompkins County.



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HUNGER**

**Take the pledge to
end senior hunger.**

Signup online or sign our special tablecloth when you visit our kitchen or one of our service locations. Com-

plimentary "Pledge Badge" button while supplies last. Our website is www.foodnet.org



DID YOU KNOW.....

...Foodnet Meals on Wheels prepares over 500 meals a day to be served throughout Tompkins County?

...Foodnet Meals on Wheels has been delivering meals for 23 years in the Tompkins County area?

...Foodnet Meals on Wheels has 9 different delivery routes throughout Tompkins County serving Congregate and Home Delivered meals?

ODDS AND ENDS

DATES TO REMEMBER

MAY 9-MOTHER'S DAY

MAY 10-FOODNET BOARD MEETS

MAY 31-MEMORIAL DAY

SAVE THE DATE:

JUNE 25—THE 23RD ANNUAL FOODNET MEALS ON WHEELS PICNIC.

