

We invite our participants, volunteers, supporters, and staff to enjoy the June 2014 issue of our E-Newsletter. Please take a moment to read about recent news.

### Meals on Wheels Distributes Free Soup



**Meals on Wheels' Director of Social Work Services, Ilsa Svoboda and Community Outreach Coordinator, Joanna Tower serve up soup in Sloatsburg.**

Over 65 cups of homemade chicken soup were distributed at Meals on Wheels' second free soup day at the Sloatsburg United Methodist Church. Thank you to the Village of Sloatsburg for covering the event on their website.

### New Name for Adult Day Program!



Meals on Wheels is pleased to announce that its adult day program will now be formally known as:

**Adult Day Care of Rockland  
at the Bobbi Lewis Center**

### Volunteer Appreciation Event This Saturday

To thank volunteers across the county, the Rockland Boulders are offering Two-for-One outfield box seat tickets for **this Saturday, June 28th at 6:30 p.m.**

Use the online code 14CARE at [www.rocklandboulders.com](http://www.rocklandboulders.com).

**Attending the event will also show your support for Jimmy Nealon, veteran volunteer at Meals on Wheels, who will be throwing out the first pitch!**



**Jimmy Nealon**

## 2nd Annual Wags for Wheels Event is Top Dog!



68 of our furry friends helped raise close to \$7,500 for the 2nd Annual Wags for Wheels event on June 1st. Many thanks to primary sponsors, *The Catherine C. Reiley Charitable Foundation* and *Pet Nutrition Center*, and to all those who helped make the event so successful.

### Got an hour?



Many local seniors live alone and can no longer prepare their own meals. In just one hour you could make the difference in whether a senior has a warm, nutritious daily meal. Volunteer homebound meal delivery drivers are particularly needed in the **Spring Valley & Suffern** areas. Please contact Sharon Martini, Volunteer Coordinator, at 845/624-6325 or at [smartini@mowrockland.org](mailto:smartini@mowrockland.org). Thank you!

## Meals on Wheels is Now on Twitter!



Please follow us on [twitter@MOWROCKLAND](https://twitter.com/MOWROCKLAND) for the most up to date news on the agency and nutrition related and senior related news.

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### Staff Member News

Meals on Wheels welcomes *Ed Scordato* as the agency's Chief Financial Officer and *Dave Bellizzi*, as the agency's Transportation Coordinator.



**Ed Scordato**



**Dave Bellizzi**

Please [click here](#) to learn more about Ed and Dave

## Elementary Students Entertain Seniors



### Link Elementary World School First Graders

Clarkstown/Pearl River Senior Center Members enjoyed a lovely brunch at Link Elementary World School on May 26th. The event, coordinated by Link Elementary World School teacher Christina Calandrello included a delicious meal, beautiful decorations made by students and an excellent singing performance by Kindergarten, 1st and 4th grade students. About 30 seniors attended the event which is organized twice a year for community seniors and veterans.

## Volunteers' Hours Matched by Verizon Donation

Meals on Wheels thanks *Daniel Caprara* not only for his dedication to volunteering for Meals on Wheels but also for taking the time to submit a matching grant request to his employer, Verizon. Dan recently presented the agency with a check for \$750 from Verizon.



**Volunteer Coordinator, Sharon Martini, and Grants & Donor Communications Manager, Maddy Schiering, accept a check from Verizon's Daniel Caprara.**

## Staff Recognition

Meals on Wheels congratulates *Marianne Colucci*, Director of Food Service & Nutrition, for recently being honored by Temple Beth Shalom in New City, NY and *Deanna Lauer* for being promoted to Manager of the Meals on Wheels' Clarkstown/Pearl River Senior Center.



**Marianne Colucci with fellow honoree, Ed Day, County Executive of Rockland**



**Deanna Lauer**

## Ramapo Seniors Celebrate Milestones

Meals on Wheels Senior Center members enjoy celebrating each other's milestones. Members of the Ramapo Senior Center recently celebrated Marie Ottman's 90th!



**Marie Ottman celebrates her 90th birthday with Ramapo Senior Center Manager, Joan Carter**

## Two Generous Grants Received

Meals on Wheels thanks Capital One for \$5,000 and the Rockland County Office of Community Development for \$10,000. Both of these grants are for the Homebound Meal Delivery Program.



## Save the Date

The Annual **Harvest Moon Grand Reception** will be held Sunday evening

**September 28, 2014**

at the Colonial Inn, Norwood, NJ

## Support Meals on Wheels

Our programs and services are only possible with support of generous donations. Please consider commemorating a special occasion or sending a message of sympathy with a donation to Meals on Wheels.

**Make a tax-deductible on-line contribution today by clicking here.**

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## Estate Planning

Did you know that there may be tax and other benefits in making a planned gift to Meals on Wheels? Planned gifts may include bequests, charitable gift annuities, gifts of stock, and gifts life insurance for example. For more information, please click here or contact *Marie Porrovecchio* at (845) 624-6325.

## Adult Day Seniors Enjoy "Olympics" Event

Meals on Wheels' Adult Day Care of Rockland seniors were all smiles at the recent Senior Health Fitness Day. Seniors participated in the lighting of the torch, chair volleyball, and Olympic trivia, just to name a few events.



**Cheryl Croce presents certificates to Cynthia Samuels and Olga Adames**

## Nice-Pak/PDI "Be the Difference Day" Benefits Meals on Wheels

Nice-Pak/PDI held "Be the Difference Day" at its Orangeburg, NY headquarters on Wednesday, June 18th. Dozens of associates participated by delivering homebound meals in local neighborhoods, visiting seniors at Meals on Wheels' Thorpe Senior Center in nearby Sparkill, NY, and by making over 250 Blizzard Boxes of non-perishable foods for emergency use. Meals on Wheels thanks Nice-Pak/PDI for the company's continued generous support!



**Meals on Wheels Volunteer Coordinator, Sharon Martini, with PDI Associate Event Coordinator Amanda McGarry, Nice-Pak Company Chairman Robert Julius, and PDI Chief Executive Officer, Zachary Julius**

## Clarkstown North Students at it Again!

The Clarkstown High School North Students Assisting Meals (SAM) club students raised close to \$1,000 at a Walk-a-Thon they held at their school's walking trail in New City, NY on June 1st. Meals on Wheels thanks all those who participated!



## Countywide Telephone Reassurance Program

If you are over 60 and living in Rockland County and would like to get a free, friendly phone call each day, you may request it from Northern Services Group.

To become a recipient or volunteer for the program call the Director of volunteer Services at Northern Services Group at (845) 426-6757.



## Mutts 'n Meows Pet Food Pantry Receives Donation

Thank you to the Oradell Animal Hospital and Purina for a generous donation of pet food for the agency's Mutts 'n Meows Pet Food Pantry. For many seniors, their beloved pet keeps them vibrant and motivated to stay healthy. Removing the burden of the cost of pet food helps them immeasurably.



## Meals on Wheels Seniors Out and About

Last month Meals on Wheels' North Rockland Senior Center members enjoyed a trip to the Brotherhood Winery in Washingtonville, NY. Get in on the fun and consider joining one of our five terrific senior centers located in the County. Please [click here](#) for more information.



**North Rockland Senior Center Members at the Brotherhood Winery**

**We hope you enjoy the newsletter, and we welcome your feedback.**

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## Alzheimer's Support Group Meets at Bobbi Lewis Center

The Alzheimer's Association, *Hudson Valley/Rockland/Westchester, NY Chapter*, offers a support group for family members that meets at the Bobbi Lewis Adult Day Program center on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month from 12:30 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.



For more information on the Alzheimer's Association and their programs please [click here](#).

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