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THE 16TH ANNUAL CULINARY EXTRAVAGANZA – A NIGHT TO HONOR MARYLAND'S STAR CHEFS!

Baltimore, MD – The M&T Pavilion at The France-Merrick Performing Arts Center (The Hippodrome) will be the venue for **Meals on Wheels of Central Maryland's** 16th annual *Culinary Extravaganza- A Night To Honor Maryland's Star Chefs!*, **Monday, April 7, 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm**. All event proceeds help feed people who are homebound, frail and elderly in Central Maryland.

Twenty-five of Baltimore's finest chefs will reach for the stars as they present gourmet cuisine that will feed those in attendance for one night, but thousands of Meals on Wheels' homebound clients for days.

Hosted by The Performing Arts Center and Spectrum Catering's Chef Paul Lever, other participating chefs, to date, are: Beverly Baker (Cabot Creamery Cooperative); Daniel Chaustit and Christopher Ellis (Christopher Daniel Restaurant); Ronnie Ching (Classic Catering); Mitch Cooper (Marriott Inner Harbor @ Camden Yards); Jerry Edwards and John Walsh (Chef's Expressions); Benjamin Erjavec (The Oceanaire Seafood Room); Barry Fleischmann (Innovative Gourmet); Nino Germano (La Scala Ristorante); Paul Glomp (The Johns Hopkins Club); Garrett Gooch (Watertable Restaurant at The Renaissance); Nancy Longo (Pierpoint); Ray Mikesell (Stone Mill Bakery);

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Tim Mullen (Baltimore Marriott Waterfront); Chris Paternotte (Vin); Jerry Pellegrino (Corks); Kimberly Rigby (Perfections); Michel Tersiguel (Tersiguel's French Country Restaurant); and Bill Tien (Matsuri).

Live and Silent Auctions will also be part of the evening's festivities. Music will be provided by **Freddie Stevens Entertainment, Ltd.**

Sponsors to date are **Baltimore Gas & Electric Co., Merritt Properties, LLC, The Dorothy L. and Henry A. Rosenberg, Jr. Foundation, Allegis Group Foundation, Law Offices of Peter T. Nicoll, Catherine and David Max, and Jennifer and William Burgy** . Media partners are **Baltimore Messenger, Baltimore Jewish Times, Chesapeake Life Magazine, The Maryland Daily Record, Comcast Cable Communications, Inc., Generations, WEAA-88.9fm (Morgan State University); WYPR-88.1 FM, and WTMD-89.7 FM (Towson University).**

Tickets are \$150, \$115 of which is tax deductible. For tickets or sponsorship information, call **443-573-0930**. To purchase tickets on-line or for more information, log on to **www.mealsonwheelsmd.org/culinary/**.

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