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Council for Older Adults Announces Volunteer Award Recipients

On Saturday, April 16, the Council for Older Adults held its annual Volunteer Appreciation Celebration at the Center for Older Adults, 800 Cheshire Road in Delaware. Celebrated in conjunction with National Volunteer Week, the event honored the Council’s dedicated team of over 800 volunteers for their support. The luncheon was attended by about 250 volunteers.

Robert Horrocks, executive director of the Council for Older Adults, expressed his appreciation for COA volunteers who provided over 42,000 hours of service to over 1,220 clients. In 2010, Meals On Wheels volunteers drove over 185,800 miles delivering nutritious lunches to our clients.

Recognized for 20 years of service was Fred Oehler. Jerome Driesen, M.D. and Tracy Whited were recognized for 15 years of service. Betty Decker, Bob D’Eredita and Joe Girard were recognized for 10 years of service. Volunteers Marvin Philpott and John Wright were recognized for providing over 2,000 volunteer hours and those recognized for volunteering over 3,000 hours were Howard Augenstine, Fred Oehler, Shirley Philpott and Dee Watren.

The Volunteer Appreciation Celebration is an annual event held every spring to recognize hundreds of exceptional people, without whom the Council could not exist. Volunteers fill a variety of positions, including drivers who deliver meals for the Council’s Meals on Wheels program and those who work at the annual Summer Festival. For more information on volunteer positions, call the Council office at (740) 363-6677.

The Council for Older Adults of Delaware County is a non-profit local organization responsible for planning, coordinating and developing local services for older adults, their families and caregivers in Delaware County. The Council is the home of SENIOR CHOICES, the local one stop center for information, assistance and in-home services. The SENIOR CHOICES program is supported, in part, through the local senior services levy.