CRT’s 13th Annual Golf Classic Tees Off September 23 for Meals on Wheels

Golfers take to the links to raise funds for Connecticut’s foremost elderly nutrition program

NEWINGTON — Community Renewal Team’s 13th annual Golf Classic to benefit Meals on Wheels will be held September 23, 2014, at Indian Hill Golf Course in Newington. The tournament raises funds to benefit Meals on Wheels, a nutrition program that supports the independence and well-being of homebound seniors throughout Connecticut by providing as many as 14 meals per person weekly. This year, NBC Connecticut’s Todd Piro will be the emcee for the post-golf festivities, which will include local craft beer tastings, raffles and dinner. Supermarket chain Geissler’s has offered to raise money at all their stores through the “Buy a Wheel” program, which patrons can partake in while in the check-out line.

WHAT: Approximately 120 golfers participating in the 13th Annual CRT Golf Classic to benefit Meals on Wheels. Funds raised will go directly to Meals on Wheels, which relies heavily on donations.

WHERE: Indian Hill Golf Course
111 Golf St., Newington, CT 06111

WHEN: Tuesday, September 23, 2014, from 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. with craft beer tastings and dinner to follow [Best time for media is 10 – 11 a.m. or after 4 p.m.]

WHY: Proceeds from this event provide needed funds for CRT’s Meals on Wheels, which operates throughout Connecticut. CRT is a leader in nutrition for Connecticut seniors, providing meals to nearly 800 homebound elderly each day through Meals on Wheels and at 31 Community Cafés, located within senior centers, housing complexes and other locations convenient to participants. In 2013, CRT served nearly 350,000 healthy, homemade meals to seniors’ homes and centers. Meals on Wheels recipients are asked to pay a suggested $2.50 donation per meal but no one is refused if unable to pay. Last year’s tournament raised $45,000 for Meals on Wheels. This year’s tournament looks set to exceed last year’s amount. More information is available at www.crtct.org/golf.

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