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Citymeals-on-Wheels "Chefs Gone Wild!" Benefit



Chefs and farmers at Chefs Gone Wild!

On June 11, **Citymeals-on-Wheels** raised more than \$1.1 million tonight at *Chefs Gone Wild!* A Celebration of the American Farmer, this year's Annual Chefs' Tribute in Rockefeller Center, hosted by **Nick Valenti** and **Patina Restaurant Group**.

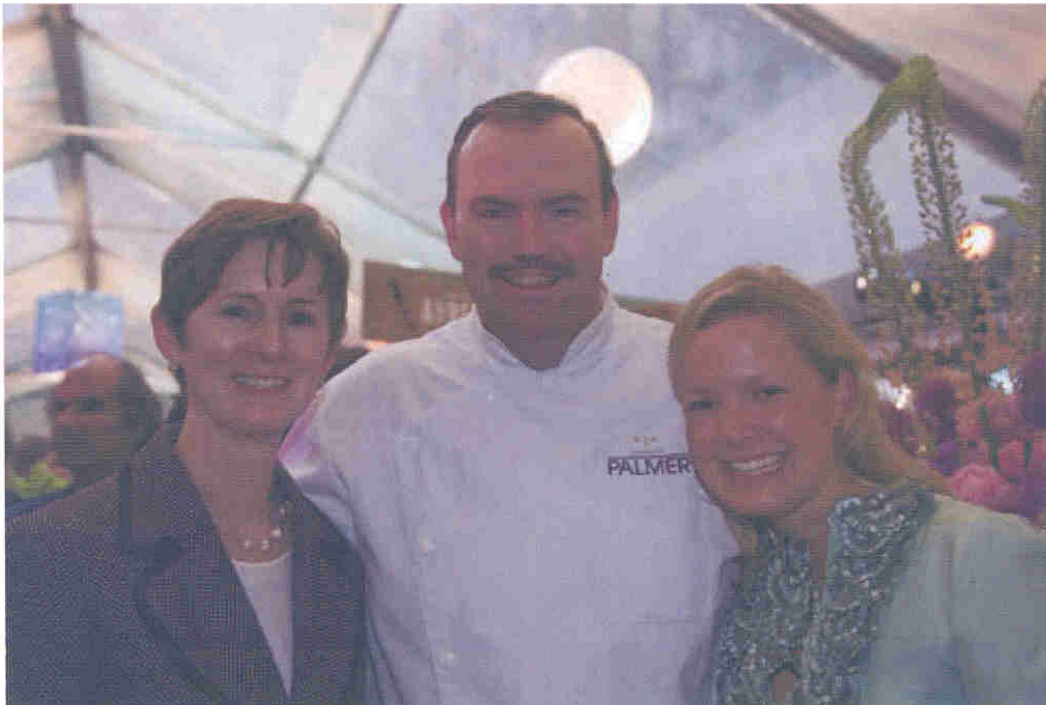
More than 1,200 of New York's business leaders, social and cultural trendsetters and gourmands mingled with the world's leading chefs – and sampled their specialties – during this movable feast. This year's creations indulged guests' taste buds with crisp produce and a healthy harvest of the nation's finest freshest foods. After tasting the treats, sweets, and signature cocktails, guests enjoyed the ultimate in sightseeing: the night's sky, as they danced under the stars until midnight to the sounds of a lively band to accompany the cuisine.

Chefs Gone Wild! was chaired by **Susie and Kevin Davis, Ninah and Michael Lynne, and Laura and John Pomerantz**. Famed architect and set designer **David Rockwell** and his team designed the gardens, rink and esplanades of Rockefeller Center for the event.

Citymeals is a not-for-profit organization and public-private partnership with the NYC Department for Aging that raises private funds to prepare and deliver weekend, holiday and emergency meals for homebound elderly throughout the boroughs of New York City. Over the course of the year, Citymeals will underwrite 2.7 million meals to nearly 18,000 elderly in New York City. One hundred percent of donations from the public to Citymeals goes toward hand-delivered meals for homebound seniors.



Chef Alice Waters of Chez Panisse in Berkeley, CA and guest.



Brooke Barrett, co-CEO of Denihan Hospitality Group, chef Charlie Palmer of Aureole in NYC, and Chrissy Denihan.



Benefit co-chairs John and Laura Pomerantz, benefit co-chair Susie Davis, and Ruth Finley.



Gael Greene, co-founder and chair of Citymeals-on-Wheels.



Ruth Reichl announcing participating farmers at Chefs Gone Wild!



Benefit co-chairs Kevin and Susie Davis with Marcia Stein (center).



Architect and set designer David Rockwell, Ruth Finley, Dennis Riese, and Marcia Stein, executive director of Citymeals-on-Wheels.



Marcia Stein and Samantha Boardman.



Marcia Stein, Mathew and Lara Glazier.



Chef Jonathan Waxman of Barbuto in NYC.



Frederic Levy and Marcia Stein.



Chef Joachim Spichal of Patina Restaurant Group in Los Angeles, CA and chef Jawan Chasteen of The Sea Grill in NYC.