



**Monday, June 14, 2010**  
**Hilton Washington**

The *Chef's Best Dinner & Auction Presented by ING* is Food & Friends' signature fundraiser. Each year, more than 1,300 guests gather together to raise more than \$700,000 to provide specialized meals and nutrition services for their neighbors battling HIV/AIDS, cancer and other life-challenging illnesses.

This year, we will toast *Chef's Best's 20th Anniversary* with 60 of the region's top chefs, who will generously donate their time and talent to provide tastings of their culinary specialties. Guests will also enjoy bidding on exciting live and silent auction packages.

In celebration of their work to ensure patients everywhere continue to have access to life-sustaining medicines, we will pay special tribute to our *2010 Chef's Best Honoree*, the Pharmaceutical Research Manufacturers of America (PhRMA) and their CEO, the Honorable Billy Tauzin. We are proud to call the entire PhRMA family partners in the fight against life-challenging illnesses.

### **A TASTE OF PAST EVENTS**

**Patrick O'Connell, The Inn at Little Washington**  
Oyster Slurpees

**Robert Weland, Poste**  
Strawberry Rhubarb Soda, Basil Tapioca

**Jamie Leeds, Hank's Oyster Bar**  
Salmon Tartare on a House-Made Yukon Gold Potato Crisp

**Teddy Folkman, Granville Moore's Gastropub**  
Duck, Lettuce & Tomato

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FOR MORE INFORMATION ON CHEF'S BEST, PLEASE VISIT [WWW.FOODANDFRIENDS.ORG/CHEFSBEST](http://WWW.FOODANDFRIENDS.ORG/CHEFSBEST) OR CALL 202-269-6826.

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Delivering hope, one meal at a time®

Six days a week, Food & Friends provides nutritious meals and friendship to people living with HIV/AIDS, cancer and other life-challenging illnesses. Every day, staff and volunteers prepare, package and deliver more than 3,000 meals for children and adults living in Washington, DC, and 14 counties in Maryland and Virginia. Our services are free-of-charge to individuals who qualify for service based solely on their health status and nutritional need.

Food & Friends is a unique organization that, thanks to the support of thousands of donors and volunteers, meets a specialized need in the community.

- ♥ Since 1988, more than 12.5 million meals have been delivered to over 19,500 individuals in need.
- ♥ We offer 11 specialized meal plans – such as Soft, Mild and Pureed – tailored to different illnesses, treatment programs and client preferences.
- ♥ Last year, 11,000 volunteers donated 54,000 hours of service.
- ♥ Our registered dietitians conduct more than 10,000 nutrition assessments each year.

While these statistics show the extent of the work made possible by our friends in the community, the true impact is always found in the words of a client:

*In these dark days of our lives, Food & Friends came to our rescue, feeding me and later my husband with nutritious food and untiring care, friendliness and professionalism... I praise Food & Friends for [helping me] find the physical and emotional strength to recently undergo a second round of chemotherapy.*

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