

HEAT

Offers a Helping Hand to Neighbors in Need

HEAT Recipient: Mildred Scott Have you ever met someone whose generosity is as natural as breathing? Scott, at age 76, embodies this spirit.

Throughout her 20-year career as a local radio news anchor, Scott seized every opportunity to help those in need. Her dedication to giving back was a hallmark of her life, and among the many blessings she received, one of the greatest was her husband.

She fondly recalls her husband as knowledgeable, a skilled cook and a talented drummer. As they aged, he took special care to teach her the responsibilities he usually handled, preparing her for a time when she might need to manage on her own. Tragically, a year after they opened a clothing shop in her hometown, he passed away, leaving her to navigate a challenging new reality.

His passing not only brought profound emotional pain but also significant financial strain. However, Scott found strength through volunteering at her church, which eventually led to a part-time job cooking meals for seniors. This work provided her with a renewed sense of purpose and stability.

Recently, financial difficulties resurfaced when she fell behind on household bills. Faced with a natural gas bill she could not pay, she was unsure how to avoid disconnection. Fortunately, she was referred to HEAT, an energy assistance program. Scott was deeply moved by the support and kindness she received during the application process.

With HEAT's assistance, she regained peace of mind and stability. Like Scott, there are many Georgia households that struggle to pay their heating bills. By donating to HEAT, you can provide essential relief and hope for families across the state.



HEAT is the oldest statewide fuel fund program in Georgia.

HEAT has distributed \$31 million to nearly 120,000 families since it began in 1983.

Eighty cents out of every \$1 donated to HEAT goes directly to help families in need.

Average income of households assisted by HEAT last year was \$13,437.

You Can Help} Here are 3 easy ways to partner with Walton Gas to help neighbors in need.

1. Make a recurring donation. My account number: _____

*Recurring amount: \$10 per month \$5 per month \$2 per month \$1 per month Other _____

Please cut along the dotted lines and return this form with your bill or call 770-267-2505.

*Walton Gas will add the amount you specified above to your bill each month unless otherwise notified. All donations are tax deductible.

2. Make a one-time donation of: \$500 \$250 \$100 \$50 \$25 or \$_____ (other amount).

\$500 will help at least two deserving families stay warm this winter. **Any amount is appreciated!**

Name _____ Phone _____

Street Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

E-mail _____

Please cut along the dotted lines and send this one-time donation form to:
HEAT
P.O. Box 849
Smyrna, GA 30081

3. Donate online at heatga.org.

gas up the stove

Baked Ziti

INGREDIENTS

1-16-ounce box ziti noodles
1 pound ground beef
1-12-ounce package Italian sausage
1-16-ounce jar pasta sauce
1-15-ounce carton ricotta cheese
1-15-ounce carton cottage cheese
2 eggs
1 pound mozzarella cheese
Salt and pepper

INSTRUCTIONS

Boil water and add 2-3 tablespoons of salt. After salt fully dissolves, add pasta. Boil pasta until fully cooked. Drain noodles, but do not rinse. Set aside. Brown ground beef and Italian sausage. In a large bowl, combine meats, pasta sauce and noodles. Set aside. In another large bowl, combine ricotta, cottage and half of the mozzarella. Once mixed, add eggs, salt and pepper.

To assemble ziti, add half of the pasta mixture to deep pan. Layer cheese mixture over top. Repeat pasta and cheese layer. Top with remaining mozzarella and bake at 350° F for 45 minutes.



“My family requests this dinner every week.”

—Savannah Chandler

This month's employee

recipe is submitted by Savannah

Chandler, communication coordinator.

Featured recipes are not independently tested, so we must depend on the accuracy of the cooks sending them. Always use safe food handling, preparation and cooking procedures from the recognized experts.

Ring the Bell ... for Good!

Bulldog victories score Champions for Charity donations

Ring the Chapel bell after football wins is one of the most cherished traditions at the University of Georgia. It's also one of the university's oldest customs, dating back to the 1890's when the playing field was only yards from the Chapel. Walton Gas is adding to the good vibrations of the clang, clang, clang of victory to benefit some Georgia nonprofit organizations.

Through the Walton Gas Champions for Charity program, **Children's Healthcare of Atlanta Foundation, Camp Twin Lakes and Annandale Village** will benefit when the Bulldogs notch a win in the 2024 gridiron season. The three will share a donation of \$1,000 for each regular season win and an additional \$5,000 for bowl game victories. Last year's donation totaled \$46,000.

The donation is supplemented by contributions from new Walton Gas customers who choose to donate their bill credit. Each customer donation is matched by Walton Gas. This year's total will be finalized after May 31, 2025, the last day of the giving period.



VOTE NOW

Every Walton Gas customer can weigh in on which charity will receive the greatest share of the donated dollars. The season's total donation will be divided across the three charities based on customers' electronic votes.

Voting for the 2024 season is already underway. Cast your vote at walgas.com/uga. (And here's a little secret: You can vote every 24 hours!)

Since 2013, when the program started, Walton Gas and its customers have contributed \$395,000 to the charities that collectively benefit thousands of Georgians each year

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