



**“No act of kindness, no matter how small, is ever wasted.”**

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**2017**  
 Join Us For Our  
**Community Dinners**  
 January 11th, April 26th,  
 July 12th, October 11th  
**Special Holiday  
 Community Dinner**  
 December 6th  
 All dinners are held at Casa de Amma and begin at 5:30 pm. They include a short program, dinner and dessert.

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**a night to celebrate!**

November 5th marked our 3rd Annual Benefit Dinner and it was a resounding success! This year's theme **Community: The Key To A Supported Life** focused on the special and supportive relationships our residents, their families, and our staff members share. Stories of kindness, support and independence were the highlight of the evening as residents and staff shared about how the Casa community has been so important to them.

This beautiful evening also included heartfelt moments and tears as stories were shared about a resident who lost her mom, another who had brain surgery and how another who has cancer had been helped through their difficulties by friends and staff. To conclude, Matt O'Hara (staff) and Chris Martin (resident) spoke, bringing everyone to tears. They explained that last year Matt interviewed Chris about his mom's death and the support Casa provided, and now the tables turned and Chris interviewed Matt about the support he received during the loss of his dad this year — a great example of the exchange of love and kindness we have here at Casa.

As always there was a lot of laughter, particularly as Casa's residents performed to a lip-sync'd video and gave an impromptu dance, bringing everyone to their feet. Resident Megan Finn stirred the guests with her performance of Josh Groban's "You Raise Me Up" and the evening concluded with Ron Ruman, who left everyone in stitches with his comedy routine. All in all it was a great night and very successful as we raised the money needed to help Casa de Amma be a model program. We want to thank all of our generous Sponsors who donated to this very special evening!



**consider giving a gift made from Casa's heart**

With the holiday shopping season quickly approaching, we want to remind you of some of the unique and wonderful gifts that we have available — made with artwork from our residents! Casa's Creations, our in-house art program, provides residents an opportunity for self-expression through the creative arts. Participants attend weekly classes where they are guided by skilled staff and community artists who assist in the creation of beautiful works of art such as paintings, drawings and pottery. This artwork is now available for purchase on a variety of products which makes the perfect gift for any occasion! Proceeds from the sale of these products will help fund programs at Casa de Amma.

- Flat Note Cards** \$12 (set of 8)
- Mugs** \$20 each
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- Desk Calendars** \$8 each
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