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Friends of Asha Niketan



Holiday Greetings



Thank you for your continued support.
Have a Wonderful Holiday Season and a
Peaceful 2007.

Usha & Babu Venkataraghavan



We had a tremendous turnout for this year's Fundraiser Luncheon, of approximately 200 people. All warmly welcomed our special honoree the Emmy and Peabody award winning television legend, Geraldo Rivera. He mingled with the crowd, posed for pictures and spoke of the early days of Willowbrook. In addition we presented retiring Commissioner Thomas Maul with a special plaque for the many years he has dedicated to improving the quality of life for the developmentally disabled.



Usha Distributing Sweets to the Residents
of Asha Niketan on 16 June 2006.

Other Highlights

An email received in response to an article about Friends of Asha Niketan.

Hello Usha dear,
You will wonder who I am. Well I received the article on Asha Niketan from my nephew in Boston who happened to buy the India New England paper and saw Peter's picture there. I was delighted too as I happen to be Peter's Mother. We live in Bangalore and I also have my youngest son Gregory who is border line retarded and he is in the Sneha Bhavan Home in Hosur managed by Dr P.K. Yesudas. I do carry a heavy cross but God has been good and I have wonderful family who give me all the love support and courage so we carry on. My husband has retired and we live on a small pension. Its so encouraging to know that you have done so much for Asha Niketan. We have met your late Father and also know Ramesh.

I just thought I would drop you a line and say that I am so proud of you and pray that God gives you all the strength you need to do this marvelous job of raising funds. I spoke to Priya in Chennai and told her that I had seen the article in the US papers. God bless you and your dear family. With all the best wishes and I pray you will continue to raise funds for the homes in India.

Very sincerely,

Yvonne Daly

Yvonne Daly's son, Peter, is a resident of Asha Niketan.

Two more write ups appeared in other publications.



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