

COMMUNITY NEWS

Donating to charity tastes great

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DINERS will be able to give back to the community while enjoying a simultaneous gastronomic experience with other patrons from across the region at a one-of-a-kind charity event next month.

Established by two young professionals from Perth, Dine for Life will hold its first event in the South West with a spring dinner on Thursday, October 13.

The idea is that restaurants across the region donate a table for 10 on the prescribed evening with all proceeds from ticket sales donated directly to charity.

"We wanted to create an element of social change while promoting mid-week dining culture and enjoying the great food and wine in WA," co-founder Natasha Di Ciano told the *Times*.

Venturing to the South West was a natural progression for the program as there were some amazing restaurants in the region, she added.

Ms Di Ciano believed the dinner will create a positive impact in the region, as their chosen charity would resonate well.

The spring dinner will benefit People Who Care's Power a Pensioner program.

The charity seeks to help the elderly suffering from hardships by helping with the cost of living.

Ms Di Ciano said the funds raised from the Perth and South West dinners would be distributed evenly to pensioners in both regions.

Restaurants in the region have re-



Other Side of the Moon executive chef Sven Hug, with Shaun McGrath and Raik Eilert are ready to serve dinner to select diners for a charity event next month.

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sponded positively, she said, with dinners at Other Side of the Moon, Gnarabar, BoHo Bar and Cape Lodge already confirmed.

Other Side of the Moon executive

chef Sven Hug said the restaurant was keen to promote the fine food and wine on offer in the South West region as well as help a good cause.

Diners will be brought together at

an after-party in a secret location after their feasts, with live feeds connecting partygoers at the Perth event with attendees from the South West.

The spring dinner will be held on

the evening of October 13. A minimum donation of \$150 per ticket is being requested.

For more information, or to book a ticket, visit www.dineforlife.com.