



# Centro Sentinel

District 5520 Award Winning Newsletter

## President's Report March 2008



Fellow Rotarians:

[www.rotary5520.org/santafe](http://www.rotary5520.org/santafe)

Well spring has almost sprung. With spring comes lots of Rotary activities. So, get out your calendars and start marking off all of the upcoming events. Lots of fun, camaraderie and time to serve our community.

- March 27<sup>th</sup> – New Member Orientation – Barry's home
- March 29<sup>th</sup> – Great Day of Service -- more info to come
- District Convention – April 24-26, El Paso -- go to our district website [www.rotary5520.org](http://www.rotary5520.org) to register
- GSE Team from Brazil – May 6-9. We will not have our regular Tuesday morning this week, but will combine it with the Downtown club's Thursday noon meeting to welcome the team and hear their presentations. Then Friday evening there will be a hamburger cook-out that all Rotarians are encouraged to attend. We still need host families for the three team members and one team leader. If you are interested, please let one

of the board members know.

- Artist of the Year – May 10<sup>th</sup>
- Rummage Sale – Eldorado – May 10<sup>th</sup> -- please start gathering items to bring and plan on helping!



- Santa Fe Run Around – June 7 (Carl) – need volunteers to help at various stations
- International Convention – June 15-18, Los Angeles -- register at [www.rotary.org](http://www.rotary.org)
- Kick-out Party – June 22, Eldorado Community Center
- Rancho Viejo Run – July 20 – need volunteers to help at various stations

The 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Wine and Food Pairing event was a wonderful success. The Santa Fe Centro Rotary Foundation raised \$2,260! A big thanks goes out to Whole Foods for the exceptional food and wine (100% donated), and to Joan and Barry for their hard work in putting the event together. Thanks to each Rotarian who generously accepted the opportunity to donate items for the silent auction. Next year's event is already in the planning stages, so please be thinking on what you can donate and who you will invite! With a little bit of pre-planning and all of our member support, this could grow into our main fund raising event for each year.

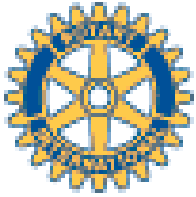
Thanks to Kathy Chambery for opening up her home to the women members of Centro Rotary to assemble binders of material that were given to 70 local child care providers at a seminar sponsored by the Santa Fe Immunization Coalition. The seminar was an educational tool to help these providers understand the importance of early childhood immunizations.

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## What is Rotary?

Rotary is a worldwide organization of business and professional leaders that provides humanitarian service, encourages high ethical standards in all vocations, and helps build goodwill and peace in the world. Approximately 1.2 million Rotarians belong to more than 31,000 Rotary clubs located in 166 countries.

The main objective of Rotary is service — in the community, in the workplace, and throughout the world. Rotarians develop community service projects that address many of today’s most critical issues, such as children at risk, poverty and hunger, the environment, illiteracy, and violence. They also support programs for youth, educational opportunities and international exchanges for students, teachers, and other professionals, and vocational and career development.

The Rotary motto is Service Above Self.

Santa Fe Centro Rotary is doing all it can to promote these worthy objectives and goals within its club.

*The Four Way Test*

1. Is it the **TRUTH**?
2. Is it **FAIR** to all concerned?
3. Will it **BUILD GOODWILL** and **BETTER FRIENDSHIPS**?
4. Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all concerned?

*...and here at Centro Club*

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*The Rotary Motto*

*Service Before Self*

*Rotary concerns itself with truth, fairness, improved relations between people and world peace.*

*Don't just be a Rotarian,  
Live it!*

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After enjoying a wonderful potluck meal, 180 binders were filled in record time. Ken Campbell, Downtown Rotary, reported that the seminar was very successful and the information provided was most useful and will be handed out again at future seminars.

Thanks to Cheryl O’Connor for her help with the speaker’s bureau and for Kathy Segura for volunteering to take it over. Finding speakers and following up with them is a big job. We are proud of the line-up that we have had and look forward to the outstanding programs that we will have in the future.

There are so many Rotarians who silently help our club and do not get the recognition they deserve. Your efforts do not go unnoticed. Thank you for all you do and

for showing up weekly and for all of your generosity and actions to help our club grow and in turn help out our community and touch the lives of those less fortunate.

Frank Devlyn said, “The power of one combined with many: One of the most amazing things about the success of Rotary is that it is achieved entirely by volunteers. It all starts because one Rotarian wants something to happen, not because some boss tells him or her to do it, or to fulfill a mission statement that is posted on a wall somewhere. Every successful project that Rotary has ever accomplished has begun at the grass roots level in the minds and hearts of individual Rotarians. Rotary humanitarian and educational projects are funded most often by small amounts of money given by large numbers of Rotarians to the annual programs fund and combing those funds to do

great things.”  
[www.franktalkgems.org](http://www.franktalkgems.org)

We would like to begin our monthly raffles again, so are requesting that each member volunteer to bring a raffle item to donate once during the year, i.e. cakes, cookies, wine, etc. There will be a sign-up sheet at upcoming meetings.

The Rotary Club of Santa Fe Centro is making itself known within the community and through our efforts, good work is being done.

Weekly meetings are held at the Piccolo Café at 7:00 a.m. every Tuesday morning. Located in the old Carlos Gospel Café in the New Mexico Bank and Trust building on the corner of Washington and Marcy Streets (across from the Bull Ring). There is no charge for parking. Breakfast is \$10 (buffet and beverage) and coffee is \$5 (with your choice of muffin or fruit cup).

Keep it up Rotarians!

-- Victoria Edwards  
President



Allen Macomber, a member of the downtown club, was the speaker at the February 26 Centro meeting. Allen spoke on Citizen Diplomacy and how the United States is viewed by other countries. He encouraged us to check out interesting events at [santafecouncil.org](http://santafecouncil.org). For example, an April 3 dinner at La Fonda will feature the German Ambassador. Allen’s presentations are always interesting and we always enjoy having him.

# Santa Fe Centro Rotary Foundation Wine Tasting & Food Pairing Fundraiser



Thank  
you,  
Whole  
Foods!



## ROTARY FRIENDSHIP EXCHANGE TO EDMONTON, CANADA

JULY 12-26, 2008

This is a great program starting from your home, arrange your flight to Edmonton where you will be met by Canadian hosts for a two-week romp through the Canadian cities and town of Alberta. You'll stay with one or two families and enjoy the hospitality of our neighbors to the north.

More details will follow along with maps and a complete itinerary.

The cost is two weeks of pure enjoyment and the time to spend in the company of similar like-minded Rotarians. Oh yes, a few dollars will be necessary for incidentals.

Enjoy great cookouts, travel to exotic places, and soak up the culture that you have only dreamed about.

We need six couples and three have already signed up.

Contact PDG DAN SCHULTE at 915-755-3387

or e-mail [SCHULTEDKS@SBCGLOBAL.NET](mailto:SCHULTEDKS@SBCGLOBAL.NET).

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### AMBASSADORIAL SCHOLAR JESSE LAST

On Tuesday morning, I joined the Santa Fe Centro club for breakfast and a presentation on my Rotary-sponsored scholarship. As an Ambassadorial Scholar, I will spend the 2008-2009 Academic Year in Quito, Ecuador studying International Relations, meeting Ecuadorian Rotarians, and participating in various service projects. Needless to say, I am thrilled to have this opportunity to represent Rotary and the United States abroad, and I am deeply grateful to the members of my sponsor club - the Claremont Noon Club of Claremont, California - for their support. Thank you also to Santa Fe Centro - I had a great time meeting you all and hope to keep everyone updated as I begin my adventure!

All the best,  
Jesse



Jesse Last, Ambassadorial Scholar, spoke at the Centro meeting on February 19. His enthusiasm for his upcoming trip to Ecuador was infectious! We look forward to hearing more from him upon his return.

## Schedule of Events

- **March 6 to 8** PETS training at Embassy Suites Hotel in Albuquerque, NM.
- **March 12** 10:00 a.m. Reading at Mandefield Head Start.
- **March 20** 7:00 a.m. Board meeting at Mission Café.
- **March 26** Blood drive at La Familia.
- **March 27** New Member Orientation at Barry Gerst's home.
- **March 29** Great Day of Service.
- **April 24-26** District Convention in El Paso.
- **May 6 to 9** Noon. GSE Team from Brazil (with downtown club).

# March 2008

| SUN | MON   | TUE   | WED  | THU                           | FRI                | SAT                        |
|-----|---|---|--|-------------------------------|--------------------|----------------------------|
| 30  | 31  |   |  |                               |                    | 1                          |
| 2   | 3   | 4<br>7:00 a.m. Club Meeting                           | 5  | 6<br>PETS Training            | 7<br>PETS Training | 8<br>PETS Training         |
| 9   | 10  | 11<br>7:00 a.m. Club Meeting                          | 12<br>10:00 a.m. Reading at Mandefield Head Start. | 13                            | 14                 | 15                         |
| 16  | 17<br> | 18<br>7:00 a.m. Club Meeting<br>Happy Birthday, Paul! | 19   | 20<br>7:00 a.m. Board Meeting | 21                 | 22                         |
| 23  | 24  | 25<br>7:00 a.m. Club Meeting                          | 26<br>Blood drive at La Familia                    | 27<br>New Member Orientation  | 28                 | 29<br>Great Day of Service |

## Need to Make-Up A Meeting?

- Bernalillo** —Wednesday 6:00 p.m.  
Capos Restaurant
- Espanola** —Tuesday Noon  
La Cocina Restaurant
- Las Vegas** —Tuesday Noon  
Hillcrest Restaurant
- Los Alamos** —Thursday Noon  
Fuller Lodge
- Moriarty**—Monday 6:00 p.m.  
El Comedor Café'
- Rio Rancho** —Tuesday 12:15 p.m.  
Your Place or Mine
- Santa Fe Del Sur** — Wednesday Noon  
Santa Fe Country Club
- Santa Fe Downtown** — Thursday Noon  
The Lodge at Santa Fe
- Taos Milagro** — Wednesday 7:20 a.m.  
Quality Inn
- Online**—<http://www.rotaryclubone.org>

## Upcoming Speakers

March 4—Jean Constant, Club Trainer  
Literacy

March 11—Kathy Chambery  
AARP Tax Assistance Program

March 18—Sille Lukk, Estonia  
Rotary Exchange Student

March 25 - Mark Fesmire, Division Director  
Oil Conservation Division of Energy, Minerals & Natural Resources  
Oil companies and drilling in New Mexico

April 1 - Jean Constant, Club Trainer  
Magazine

April 8 - Claudia Vargas-Strick  
GSE team member to Brazil

May 20 - Rhonda Faught  
NM Dept. of Transportation--Railrunner

If you have suggestions for future speakers, contact Kathy Segura at [SeguraK@usa.redcross.org](mailto:SeguraK@usa.redcross.org).

## Santa Fe Centro Rotary



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### Santa Fe Centro Rotary Board

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Director, RI Foundation—open

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Centro Sentinel Submissions:

Please email all news about you, your Rotary friends, and any other Rotary activities by the last Thursday of the month:

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## Santa Fe Centro Rotary Foundation

The Santa Fe Centro Rotary Foundation was formed on March 28, 2006. It is a public charity as defined in Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Service Code and is eligible to receive tax deductible contributions. Its federal tax identification number is 20-5353265.

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