

# President's Report

## November/December 2006



ROTARY CLUB OF SANTA FE CENTRO

# Centro Sentinel

## District 5520 Award Winning Newsletter

### President's Message

November is a month of holiday preparation, travel plans, family visits and celebration. It is also the month when Rotarians from three districts in our region congregate to take advantage of one of Rotary International's most important activities...the matching grant program. This year the event took place November 3-5 in Juarez.

Our club was fortunate to have Jean Constant represent us at the Tri-District Conference. If you attended our club meeting on November 7, you heard Jean's presentation on the conference. According to Jean, a great deal of money changed hands as representatives from many clubs met to offer their support to one another and the beneficiaries of the various international projects. Jean chose the Rotary Club of Aguascalientes, Chihuahua, Mexico, for us to partner with. Other partners on this project include the Rotary Clubs of Del Norte, New Mexico, and Aspen, Colorado. Our contribution will go towards the purchase of an ambulance (\$12,875), portable defibrillator (\$1,000), electrocardiogram

(\$1,000) and an arrhythmic controller (\$1,000). These items will be given to the Universidad Technologica of Aguascalientes for use by paramedics who serve on a contingency basis for the local community.

Thank you, Jean, for spearheading this effort for the Rotary Club of Santa Fe Centro. Jean notes that "It is as much a collaboration to complete an international project as it is a gesture of support to get smaller clubs involved in larger projects."



On Saturday, November 18, the Rotary Club of Santa Fe hosted a Foundation e-Assembly. District Training Chair, Dick Jones, coordinated another informative and participatory session as Rotarians in clubs around District 5520 congregated in central locations to see an online presentation. The first session, "The Rotary Foundation" was presented by Phil Silvers, Regional Rotary Foundation Coordinator. Many e-Assembly

attendees stated that it was the best Rotary Foundation presentation that they had ever heard.

Phil updated the group on the progress of polio eradication efforts. Phil reminded us that only four countries still have polio outbreaks which include Pakistan, India, Nigeria and Afghanistan. Phil not only talked about the statistics of polio eradication but the passion and selflessness of the many volunteers who have dedicated themselves to this effort. Phil also spoke of the new meaning of the "Polio Plus" program. The "plus" means that Rotary has also targeted several other childhood diseases in its efforts.

"Thank you, Rotary, for recognizing that a world without polio is possible." You have been the catalyst for the world to accept and carry out the challenge of eradicating polio from the earth." Bill Gates, Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation.

The holiday season is upon us. We know that Rotarians around the world have their own

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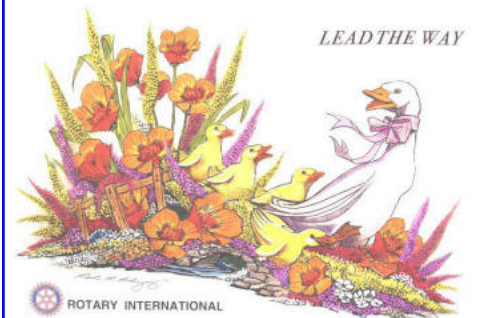
### Lead the Way

This year's Rotary International float is entitled "Lead the Way." Designed by award winning float designer Raul Rodriguez and built by Larry Crain of Charisma Floats, with its "Mother Duck and Babies" appeal to children and adults alike, this whimsical float acknowledges Rotary's commitment to Leading the way to Service around the World. As we approach the 118th year of the Tournament of Roses Parade with the theme "Our Good Nature" we celebrate Rotary's 27th consecutive year of participation. We will also celebrate the Internationality of Rotary by having 8 Rotary Youth Exchange Students riding the float.

Seen by millions of people around the world, Rotary's entry into the Rose Parade is a wonderful venue to share with the world Rotary's commitment to "Lead the Way" In World Service.

Last year, more than 1300 Rotarians and their families, Rotaract Club members, and Interact Club members volunteered their time and effort to help decorate the float. These Rotarians worked countless hours putting flowers, seeds, dried petals, and greenery on every square inch of the float. But volunteer efforts are not enough; we need your financial support as well. We ask for your donation of \$3.00 (or more) per member to help us show the world that we truly are dedicated to and believe that we will "Lead the Way." In International Service. I thank you in advance for your contributing to your 2007 float.

### Rotary International Float Tournament of Roses Parade 2007



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unique ways to celebrate and to share their time and resources with those who are in need. Here are some of the special projects undertaken by our fellow Rotarians in other parts of the world:

Ochos Rios, Jamaica- Rotarians invite school age children to their annual "Christmas Treat" and dispense a variety of gifts in association with the cruise ship, Navigator of the Seas. This effort fosters the development of a relationship between the cruise line and the various schools.

Donaghadee, Ireland: Rotarians fill shoe boxes with toys and household necessities which are sent via the "Rotary Shoe Box Scheme" to needy children and families in Eastern Europe. The club also holds an annual tour of local hostelrys for fellowship and Christmas cheer.

Jamestown, Cayman Islands: Rotarians host an annual Christmas dinner party for seniors with over 100 in attendance. A special visit from Santa is always included in the festivities.

Here are some season's greetings, contributed by Ray, a Rotarian from the Republic of

Trinidad and Tobago:

Brazil -

Boas Festas e Feliz Ano Novo

Croatia -

Sretan Bozic

Denmark -

Glaedelig Jul og godt niter

Phillipines -

Maligayang Pasko

Italy -

Buon Natale e Felice Anno Nuovo!

Japan -

Meri Kurisumasu soshite Akemashite Omedeto!

Wales -

Nadolig Llawen a Blwyddyn Newydd Da!

In any language, I hope you all have a healthy and happy holiday season!

Joan



**These beautiful Christmas trees are in the lobby of the Hotel Saint Francis, the location of our weekly meetings.**

**Happy Holidays and wishing you all the best for 2007!**

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## Why I'm a Rotarian, By Paul Crumbacher



I like the people at Rotary. We have good people, quality people, community leaders who believe in helping others, the kids, the environment, each other, and our city and nation. Rotary members are here to give of themselves, and there are not too many organizations who are in it, not “for themselves,” but “for others.”

Even though we have a small club, and cannot do what the larger clubs do, our hearts are in the right place, whether helping out the Pancake Breakfast “United Way,” by flipping pancakes, guarding the gate at Zozobra to help bring in money for a worthy charity, repairing trails in the wilderness, donating food, donating cell phones, helping with water projects for Mexico, buying books for Hispanic children, donating instruments for kids to be able to join band or orchestra, Rotary members are trying to make the world and our community a better place.

Our speakers keep us up with our community, our breakfasts help build community, and I for one, feel better for participating in Rotary. The generosity of others in our community and our club provide me with wonderful role models of people who are alive, who care and who contribute. I am inspired when I work alongside another Rotary member to be more than I am.

Xerox helped foster a “give back” mentality in my 31 years associated with this company. They have always had extra funds for community projects that require sweat equity from employees as well as an interest in helping make their communities better. As an independent businessman, it feels good to greet my fellow members who I know care as much about making the world better as I do. Thanks, Rotary, for providing a wonderful way to keep my attitude one of giving, and not just living.

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### Polio Update

Did you know that . . .

- Polio is a highly infectious disease that primarily affects children under the age of three and can cause paralysis within hours.
- Before eradication efforts began in 1988, polio paralyzed more than 1,000 children a day, which totaled about 350,000 children annually. The incidence of polio has since declined by more than 99 percent.
- Vaccinations easily can stave off polio. Vaccinations have prevented an estimated 500,000 children per year from contracting polio. A child can be protected against polio for as little as 60 cents (US) worth of vaccine.
- Only four countries are still polio endemic — an all-time low: Nigeria, India, Pakistan, and Afghanistan.

Rotary International is the spearheading member of the Global Polio Eradication Initiative and is the largest private sector donor. It has contributed more than US\$600 million to the polio eradication activities in 122 countries. In addition, tens of thousands of Rotarians have partnered with their national ministries of health, UNICEF, the World Health Organization, the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, and with health providers at the grassroots level in thousands of communities.

A polio-free world is within our grasp. Join Rotary's effort to end this crippling disease. Learn more about Rotary's [on-going effort](#) to eradicate polio and how you can help through [contributions to PolioPlus](#) and [PolioPlus Partners](#).

The PolioPlus Division of The Rotary Foundation supports Rotarians' efforts to achieve Rotary International's and its Foundation's goal of the certification of the eradication of the wild poliovirus. This support includes the provision of quality education and information to promote the efforts of Rotarians directly involved in polio eradication activities, and the membership at large; facilitation of interaction, particularly between Rotarians in polio free and polio affected countries, collaboration with Rotary's partners in the Polio Eradication Initiative, and grants to Rotarians and partner organizations.

## Editor's Note

Please provide the editor of this newsletter with your birthday and wedding anniversary information so the monthly calendar can be complete. We would not want to miss any important dates in the lives of our members! You need only provide the month and day. The year is optional! Thank you.

Rhonda

# November 2006

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7 7:00 a.m. Club Meeting	8	9	10	11
12	13	14 7:00 a.m. Club Meeting	15	16	17	18
19	20	21 7:00 a.m. Club Meeting	22	23 Thanksgiving	24	25
26	27	28 7:00 a.m. Club Meeting	29	30 7:00 a.m. Board Meeting		

## Megan's Pecan Bars

### Pastry:

1 1/2 cups all - purpose flour  
1/2 cup salted butter, chilled  
5-6 tbsp ice water

Preheat oven to 350.

In a medium bowl combine flour and chilled butter with a pastry cutter until dough resembles coarse meal. Add water gradually and mix just until dough holds together and can be shaped into a ball. Or use a food processor fitted with metal blade to combine flour and butter until they resemble coarse meal. Add water by tablespoonfuls and process just until a dough ball begins to form. Wrap dough tightly in plastic wrap and refrigerate 1 hour or until firm.

On a floured board using a floured rolling pin, roll out dough into a 10x10 in sq. Fold dough in half and then into quarters. Place it in an 8x8 inch baking pan. Unfold the dough and press it into the corners and up along the sides of the pan. Refrigerate 15 minutes.

I use purchased pie crusts.

### Filling:

5 tbsp. salted butter  
1 cup dark brown sugar, firmly packed  
1/2 cup light corn syrup  
2 tsp. pure vanilla extract (or Kahlua if you want)  
3 large eggs, beaten  
1 1/2 cups chopped pecans

Melt 5 tablespoons of butter in medium saucepan over medium heat. Remove from heat, and stir in sugar and corn syrup. Mix until smooth. Add vanilla and eggs and beat with spoon until thoroughly combines. Fold in chopped pecans. Pour pecan filling into the pastry-lined pan. If dough extends beyond filling mixture trim dough with a knife or fold down. Place pan in center of oven and bake 50-60 minutes or until filling is set. Cool on wire rack. Cut in 2x2 inch squares.

Yield 16 servings.

## Schedule of Events

- **November 3 & 4** Tri-District Conference, Juarez, Mexico.
- **November 30** Board Meeting at Zia Diner 7:00 a.m.
- **December 3** Holiday party at Mary Walta's home 5:00 p.m.
- **December 7** Board Meeting at Zia Diner 7:00 a.m.
- **March 8-10, 2007** PETS, Albuquerque.
- **May 5, 2007** E-Conference.
- **May 10-13, 2007** District Convention, Taos.
- **June 17-20, 2007** 98th Annual RI Convention, Salt Lake City, UT.

# December 2006

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Holiday Party		7:00 a.m. Club Meeting		7:00 a.m. Board Meeting		
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
		7:00 a.m. Club Meeting				
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
	Happy Anniversary Steve!	7:00 a.m. Club Meeting				
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
	Christmas	No meeting	Happy Anniversary Barry!			
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## Need to Make-Up A Meeting?

**Bernalillo** —Wednesday 5:30 pm  
Milagro Grill

**Espanola** —Tuesday Noon  
La Taqueria

**Las Vegas** —Tuesday Noon  
Hillcrest

**Los Alamos** —Thursday 12:10  
Fuller Lodge

**Moriarty**—Monday 6 pm  
El Comedor

**Rio Rancho** —Tuesday Noon  
Hilton

**Santa Fe Del Sur** — Wednesday Noon  
Santa Fe Country Club

**Santa Fe Downtown** — Thursday Noon  
Inn at Loretto

**Taos Milagro** — Wednesday 7:20 am  
Quality Inn

**Online**—<http://www.rotaryclubone.org>

## Upcoming Speakers

**Nov 7 - Slate Stern - Climbing Mt. Everest**

**Nov 14 - Michelle Kirk - Broken Beauties**

**Nov 21 - Marilyn Johnson - PMS Headstart**

**Nov 28 - Andre' Ruesch - Digital Photography - Santa Fe Community College**

**Dec 5 - Club Annual Meeting**

**Dec 12 - Lew Geer - 1031 Exchanges**

**Dec 19 - Ron Hamilton - Digital TV Conversion - Best Buy**

**Dec 26 - No Meeting**

**Jan 2 - Social**

**Jan 9 - Chris Pearson - Boy Scouts of America**

**Jan 16 - Sandy Cunningham - Uncharted Outposts**

**Jan 23 - Hannah Neuhierl - AFS Germany Presentation**

**Jan 30 - Jonnalyn Grover - Coldwell Banker Realty**

**If you have suggestions for future speakers, contact Megan McFarlane at [megsmcfarlane@yahoo.com](mailto:megsmcfarlane@yahoo.com).**

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William Boyd  
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Victoria Edwards  
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### Santa Fe Centro Rotary Board

**President—Joan Rutherford**

**President Elect—Victoria Edwards**

**Secretary—Joe Durr**

**Treasurer—Steve Johnson**

**Sergeant-at-Arms—Joe Durr**

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**Director, Club Service—Mary Walta**

**Director, Vocational Service—James Armijo**

**Director, International Service—Ray Gere**

**Immediate Past President—Megan McFarlane**

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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. The foundation has a June 30 fiscal year-end and its federal tax identification number is 20-5353265.

John E. Barraclough, Jr., is the Registered Agent and the mailing address is: c/o Barraclough & Associates, P.O. Box 1847, Santa Fe, NM 87504-1847. Board members are: Megan McFarlane, Chairman, Rhonda Williams, Secretary, and Joan Rutherford, Victoria Edwards, and J. Barry Gerst, members.

Please contact Rhonda Williams for additional information.