



Espanola Rotary News

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Annual Bowl-a-thon - March 2nd



McCurdy Minions – Winning Bowling Team

Thank you so much to the bowling committee members who put on this hugely successful event.

We had 23 teams which completely filled the bowling alley. Also a large thank you goes out to the businesses, including City of Espanola, Rio Grande Sun Newspaper, Akal Security, McCurdy School, Espanola Schools, and all the other Rotarian businesses that participated. We had great raffle prizes to give away and even raised a good sum of money to be given away to projects serving our communities.

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Ambulances for Guatemala March 26th, 2008



Here is the latest on the adventure to Guatemala with the ambulances. One of the ambulances broke a fuel pump at the end of our first day, driving from Albuquerque to Fort Stockton. There was a 2 day delay in getting the ambulance fixed due to it being Easter and the difficulty in finding a fuel pump for an old 1979 Chevy Van. The Ford ambulance (with me in it) drove on to Brownsville, TX and started working on the paperwork that is necessary to get the vehicles across the border. The second ambulance finally got fixed and the guys drove like crazy and got into Brownsville at 2 AM today. They slept for a couple hours and then we all went back to the Mexican Customs broker that Greg and I had dealt with the prior day, to finish up with the paperwork. We were blessed in that Broker showed favor toward us by not requiring that we pay for a guide to accompany the ambulances and hold the titles until the ambulances reach the southern border with Guatemala. Usually they require this to guarantee that you do not sell the vehicle in Mexico. You have to pay him \$600 PLUS purchase him air fare back to the northern border. Anyway, the Broker allowed us to carry the titles ourselves, which is pretty unusual.

- **Deborah Simon** *Espanola Rotarian*

We are very proud of Deborah, and send her our prayers and blessings as she travels.

Interact Club Charter Night

March 29th 6pm @ McCurdy School Cafeteria



Fairview Café

1206 N Riverside Drive

This is our new home for club meetings. Please be kind to Phil Maestes the restaurant manager and staff, as they have been very accommodating. Tip well and give out compliments and please **park in the back!**

Golf Tournament May 3rd, 2008



Santa Fe Rotarians – Winning Rotary Team '07

The Chair of the Golf committee is Al Hernandez, Co-chair is David Cockerham as incoming president. Other members: Manuel Valdez, Julie Ziegler-Langille, Harpal Khalsa. Please support them in their efforts to organize a successful tournament fundraiser.

Cruise Ticket Fundraiser

for Rotary Foundation

Please personally thank Beron Briscoe for his generous donation to Rotary Foundation through our club. His thousand points will go to honoring his father with a Paul Harris Award.

Now is the time to turn in all your money with ticket stubs. Deadline is next **Tuesday April 1st**.

El Paso District Convention

April 24th - 27th

There are some moments in a Rotary lifetime that make you feel proud of being a Rotarian. One of them can be attending a district convention. Be sure to attend the local El Paso District Convention

4 Way Test

By RI Director-elect Lars-Olof Fredricksson
Reprinted from www.rotary.org

Moral codes and ethics give us tools but also raise questions to be answered: How should we live? What is morally good and bad, right and wrong? Shall we aim at happiness or knowledge? Virtue or the creation of beautiful objects? If we choose happiness, will it be our own or the happiness of all?

And what of the more specific questions that face us? Is it right to be dishonest for a good cause? Can we justify living in opulence while elsewhere in the world people are starving? Is going to war warranted in cases where innocent people will likely be killed?

Ethics deals with such questions at all levels. The subject's core consists of the fundamental issues of practical decision making, and its major concerns include the nature of ultimate value and the standards by which human actions can be judged right or wrong.

For Rotary, The Four-Way Test is the cornerstone of all action. It has been for years, and it will be in the future. Of the things we think, say or do

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?

The test is one of the hallmarks of Rotary. Since it was developed in 1932 by Herbert J. Taylor, who later became RI president, it has never ceased to be relevant. Its four brief questions are not based on culture or religion. Instead, they are a simple checklist for ethical behavior. They transcend generations and national borders.