

## **Angel Fire Rotary Club plans fourth annual Kentucky Derby Weekend: Three-days of exciting Festivities to celebrate the race and support three worthy community causes**

Horse racing season is here again and the most celebrated race of the season is the **143<sup>rd</sup> Kentucky Derby**. In conjunction with that race, the **Rotary Club of Angel Fire** is sponsoring the fourth annual **Kentucky Derby Weekend, May 5 thru 7**. This year, the three-day event will benefit three community causes.

We are offering a discount **Combo Ticket** for only \$ 80 which includes one Trifecta Wager ticket! Individual event prices are \$ 25 for the Friday night Trifecta party, \$ 40 for the Kentucky Derby Party on Saturday and \$ 20 for the Sunday brunch, Brunch tickets for kids under 12 are only \$ 10.

The Friday night event, a **Trifecta Party at the Garden Court** in the Angel Fire Resort Hotel, will benefit the **Enchanted Circle Gateway Museum in Eagle Nest** which is in dire need of repairs. The Trifecta Party will include a Mexican buffet, a cash bar, games and prizes. Entertaining enlightenment about all the horses included in the race - their racing odds, trainers, owners, race history - will be presented by members of the Angel Fire Rotary Club, supported by surprise special guests and race experts, so you can make an informed trifecta prediction. You will also be able to preview the art that will be auctioned off the next day.

Proceeds from the **big race day event on Saturday at the Angel Fire Resort Country Club** will benefit  **Casting for Recovery** which helps with the rehabilitation of breast cancer patients. **Race Day, "Run for the Roses,"** will be held from Noon to 7:00 PM, with a **live showing of the Kentucky Derby projected on a screen in the Elements Dining Room**. Enjoy discounts on special drinks including traditional Mint Juleps. A popular **Trifecta 50/50 raffle** will be held with tickets priced at **\$5 each or five for \$20**.

A **buffet dinner**, which will be available at **1 p.m. in Elements Dining Room**, will include glazed ham, fried chicken and pecan pie in addition to other side dishes. After dinner, guests will have an opportunity to bid on items in a **silent auction**, and a **live auction** featuring art in a wide range of prices and fantastic trips. The afternoon activities include the opportunity to have a **professional photo** taken to commemorate the event and **Door Prizes** will be given. At the close of the auction and awards, dance music will be provided by a popular local band.

Finish the weekend in style with **Brunch on Sunday, May 7 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at H2 Uptown**. During the brunch there will be games and a raffle that will benefit the Veterans Wellness & Healing Center. Also guests including the children will be challenged to guess the number of miniature horses in a jar. It will be a weekend of fun for all.

Tickets are available to **order online at [afterderby.com](http://afterderby.com) or by calling 505-428-8023**. We will also be selling tickets at **Lowe's Valley market on most weekends in April and at the Visitor's Center**.

**The Lodge at Angel Fire Resort** is offering a reduced room rate of **\$105 per night** if you register online at **[angelfiresort.com](http://angelfiresort.com)** and enter the code **DERBY**.

Many event sponsors are helping to keep the cost down so everyone can enjoy these happenings. If you would like to be a sponsor of this charity event, please contact Trini Bradley at 505-603-4039.

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