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MANA DEL NORTE ACCEPTING SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS

Santa Fe – MANA del Norte is accepting scholarship applications for the 2008 – 2009 academic year. Applicants must be a resident of one of the following northern New Mexico counties: Rio Arriba, Taos, Los Alamos, Mora, Santa Fe, or San Miguel. This year, ten \$1,000 scholarships will be awarded to selected recipients.

The purpose of the MANA del Norte Scholarship is to assist Hispanic women from northern New Mexico in continuing and/or completing their post-secondary education. The philosophy of the founding members of MANA del Norte was to focus on the non-traditional student, such as single heads of household, re-entry women, and first-generation college bound. Although this criterion is not exclusive in awarding scholarships, MANA del Norte strongly endorses this philosophy. Scholarships are awarded based on financial need, strength of personal statement, and letters of recommendation.

The deadline for applications is June 30, 2008 (postmarked). Submit to: MANA del Norte Scholarship Committee, P.O. Box 9236, Santa Fe, NM 87504. For application guidelines and forms contact Dolores E. Roybal, Chair, MANA del Norte Scholarship Committee via email at deroybal@hotmail.com or phone 505.577.0352.

Selected applicants will receive their scholarship awards and be honored at the MANA del Norte Annual Scholarship Banquet during National Hispanic Heritage Month in September 2008.

MANA del Norte is part of MANA's national community of informed Latina activists working to: Create a better life for all Latinos; achieve full and equal participation of Latinas in our country's political, social, educational, and economic domains; and enhance and enrich the quality of life in our country through the active sharing of our Latina/Latino heritage and values.

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