



Folds of Honor Patriot Gala helps generate money for academic support and college scholarships for children of service members who were killed or badly disabled, says Jim Quick, head of the local organization.

Last year's gala, which Gov. Susana Martinez attended, raised \$91,000 and this year the hope is to crack the \$100,000 mark, he says.

"We started out about nine years ago with a golf tournament, but when we found out the needs, we decided to hold a Patriot Gala here in Albuquerque," Quick says. "We use the Patriot Gala as a platform to show our appreciation for the military and those serving, recognizing the lives that have been sacrificed by New Mexicans since 9-11."

This year's gala is Sept. 23.

2. St. Nicholas Ball by
Catholic Charities
ccasnm.org

3. Assistance League Holiday Gala
assistancelleagueabq.org