



# BERNCO at a Glance

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*BernCo East Mountain Celebration, Sept. 25*

## ZONING ADMINISTRATOR HEARING

Second Wednesday of month  
Wednesday, Sept. 14, 9 a.m.

## BERNALILLO COUNTY COMMISSION MEETINGS

ZONING MEETING  
Tuesday, Sept. 6, 2 p.m.

## SPECIAL ADMINISTRATIVE MEETING

Thursday, Sept. 8, 2 p.m.

## ADMINISTRATIVE MEETING

Tuesday, Sept. 13, 5 p.m.

## ADMINISTRATIVE MEETING

Tuesday, Sept. 27, 5 p.m.

*All meetings listed above  
are held in the  
Vincent E. Griego Chambers  
in the basement of the  
city/county government bldg.  
One Civic Plaza  
Fifth Street and Marquette NW,  
unless indicated otherwise*

County offices will be  
closed on Monday, Sept. 5  
in observance of the  
Labor Day holiday

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## East Mountain Celebration Happens Sept. 25

Commissioner Wayne Johnson welcomes the community to the 2016 East Mountain Celebration, scheduled for Sunday, Sept. 25 from noon – 4 p.m. at Los Vecinos Community Center in Tijeras, N.M. Enjoy free music from great local bands and chow down from a variety of fantastic food vendors. This is a family-friendly event and kids can enjoy FREE activities like face painting, fun jumps, a petting zoo and obstacle courses.

This year the Dog Head Fire Heroes will be honored as part of the East Mountain Celebration. The Dog Head Fire Heroes are East Mountain individuals and groups who came together during the fire and stepped up to help those in the community that were devastated by the fire.

Los Vecinos Community Center is located at 478 ½ N.M. 333 (Old Highway 66), in the historic village of Tijeras. Call (505) 314-0240, for more information.

## BernCo Treasurer's Office Warns of Possible Tax Scam

Many calls have been recently received from worried taxpayers who have been contacted by persons claiming that a warrant has been issued to the homeowner for non-payment of taxes.

The scammers seem to be targeting taxpayers with mobile homes and also where there is a single female on the mortgage. The con artists also say that they will be coming by the home to pick up the payment or partial payment. The Treasurer's Office does not issue warrants for non-payment of taxes and would not go to anyone's home to collect payment of taxes due.

If residents are contacted by anyone making these claims, please call the Bernalillo County Sheriff's Department at its non-emergency number, (505) 798-7000.



## What to Know When Purchasing a Manufactured Home

Bernalillo County Assessor Tanya R. Giddings is scheduling two educational workshops about purchasing a mobile home -- *what residents should know before and after buying a mobile home.*

Two workshops are being scheduled for October. More details to come.

For questions about mobile homes, please contact the Bernalillo County Assessor's Office, Manufactured Homes Department at (505) 222-3700 or email [assessor@bernco.gov](mailto:assessor@bernco.gov). *Se habla Español.*



BERNALILLO COUNTY



WE'RE MORE THAN YOU THINK



East Mountain Celebration!

**BERNALILLO  
COUNTY OFFICIALS**

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

Art De La Cruz, Chair, Dist. 2  
Wayne A. Johnson, Vice Chair, Dist. 5  
Debbie O'Malley, Member, Dist. 1  
Maggie Hart Stebbins, Member, Dist. 3  
Lonnie C. Talbert, Member, Dist. 4  
Main office: (505) 468-7000

**COUNTY ASSESSOR**

Tanya R. Giddings  
Main office: (505) 222-3700

**COUNTY CLERK**

Maggie Toulouse Oliver  
Voting  
(505) 243-VOTE (8683)  
Recording & Filing  
(505) 468-1290  
Marriage Licenses  
(505) 468-1243

**COUNTY TREASURER**

Manny Ortiz  
Main office: (505) 468-7031

**COURT OF WILLS,  
ESTATES & PROBATE**

Probate Judge Willow Misty Parks  
Main office: (505) 468-1232

**SHERIFF**

Manuel Gonzales III  
Main office (non-emergency):  
(505) 798-7000

Visit [www.bernco.gov](http://www.bernco.gov)  
for more information

**Public Safety Memorial Community Meetings Scheduled**

Public meetings will be held at North Domingo Baca Multigenerational Center on Sept. 28 and at the McGrane Public Safety Complex on Oct. 5, each for one of two proposed memorials to honor Bernalillo County and Albuquerque public safety personnel who have fallen in the line of duty.



Project consultants will present design concepts and drawings detailing the construction of the memorials at the meetings. Each meeting will provide an opportunity for the public to offer feedback on the proposed memorial design nearest to the venue. Residents should be certain to attend the public meeting which discusses the memorial relevant to their interest, described below.

Both memorials will be dedicated to all of our fallen Bernalillo County and City of Albuquerque public safety personnel, including those from the Bernalillo County Sheriff's Department, the Bernalillo County Fire Department, the Albuquerque Police Department, the Albuquerque Fire Department, and Bernalillo County Emergency Medical Services.

For more information, and to access conceptual sketches for the memorial designs, please visit [www.bernco.gov/memorials](http://www.bernco.gov/memorials). The meetings will be:

***Arroyo Del Oso Park Public Safety Memorial***

Community meeting to discuss a public safety memorial being constructed at the Arroyo Del Oso Park, east of the existing John Arthur Carrillo Northeast Area APD Substation. The community meeting will take place on **Wednesday, Sept. 28 at 6 p.m. at the North Domingo Baca Multigenerational Center, 7521 Carmel Ave. NE.**

***East Mountain Public Safety Memorial***

Community meeting to discuss a public safety memorial being constructed on Public School Road across from the McGrane Public Safety Complex. The community meeting will take place on **Wednesday, Oct. 5 at 6 p.m. at the McGrane Public Safety Complex, 48 Public School Road, Tijeras, N.M.**



**Chile y Chocolate**

Discover the history and art behind these two New Mexico staples at the historic Gutierrez-Hubbell House, 6029 Isleta Blvd. SW, on Friday, Sept. 16 from 5:30 – 7:30 p.m.

This FREE event will feature chef demos, chile and chocolate vendors, food trucks, and entertainment.

For more information, visit [www.bernco.gov/openspace](http://www.bernco.gov/openspace) or call (505) 314-0398.

# BERNCO OPEN SPACE EVENTS

## Backyard Farming Series: Garden Journaling

Sept. 10, 9 a.m. – noon at the Gutierrez-Hubbell House, 6029 Isleta Blvd. SW

This workshop will present observation skills, mapping, and reading catalogs.

## East Mountain Interpretive Walk

Sept. 10, 3 – 4 p.m. at Sabino Canyon Open Space, 34 Forest Road 252, Tijeras N.M.

Join master naturalists on a walking tour of Bernalillo County Open Space and learn about the plants and animals that inhabit the sites.

## Master Naturalist Arboretum Tour

Sept. 11, 1 – 2:30 p.m. at Bachechi Open Space, 9521 Rio Grande Blvd. NW

Join master naturalists on a walk in the North Star Arboretum to learn about the history of the area, identify ornamental and native plants and discuss management efforts underway to further develop the landscape.

## Naturalist Series: A Parasitological Journey

Sept. 17, 5 – 6:30 p.m. at Bachechi Open Space, 9521 Rio Grande Blvd. NW

Presenter - Dr. Stephen Greiman, Divisions of Mammals and Parasites, MSB

Follow the travels of a parasitologist through expeditions from Vietnam to Mongolia to the Pecos River of New Mexico. Learn about biodiversity collections of vertebrates and their associated parasites, and their impact on a worldwide scale.

## Fall Comes Alive: Animals of the Night

Sept. 17, 7:30 – 9 p.m. at Bachechi Open Space, 9521 Rio Grande Blvd. NW

Evening sights and sounds are abounding in the bosque! Join Cottonwood Gulch staff in an exploration of the senses beyond sight. Smell like a dog, hear like an owl and learn more about your own adaptations.

## Villages of the Rio Grande: Isleta Pueblo since time immemorial to the 21st century

Sept. 24, 10:30 a.m. at the Gutierrez-Hubbell House, 6029 Isleta Blvd. NW

Presented by Richard Garcia. Learn about the fascinating story of Isleta Pueblo and stay for traditional dances performed by dancers Laguna Pueblo and enjoy food from local food trucks.

## Curiosities of New Mexico

Sept. 27, 7 – 8:30 p.m. at Bachechi Open Space, 9521 Rio Grande Blvd. NW

New Mexico State Archives presents a panel of presentations that will cover fascinating yet lesser known nuances about the state's history.

## Traditional Arts Program

Sept. 30, 6 – 9 p.m. at Bachechi Open Space, 9521 Rio Grande Blvd. NW

BernCo Open Space in partnership with the New Mexico Office of Archaeological Studies and Indigenous Life Ways is featuring guest artists to demonstrate their crafts. Learn the arts of flint knapping and yucca sandal making. Also, enjoy music, campfire, stories, and arts and crafts.

Visit [www.bernco.gov/openspace](http://www.bernco.gov/openspace) for more information about these events.



East Mountain Celebration!

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Hotline  
Numbers

TO REPORT A ROAD  
MAINTENANCE  
ISSUE:  
(505) 848-1503  
(505) 848-1504

TO REPORT  
GRAFFITI:  
(505) 243-7273

PARK WATCH  
PROGRAM:  
(505) 468-7777

Or send an email to:  
[ContactCenter@bernco.gov](mailto:ContactCenter@bernco.gov)

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## UPCOMING BERNCO EVENTS

### BACHECHI OPEN SPACE FAMILY FUN DAYS

Back to Sundays!  
Every Sunday  
Noon – 5 p.m.

Bachechi Open Space  
9521 Rio Grande Blvd. NW  
*September theme: Furry Friends*  
*Learn all about the animals  
of the Middle Rio Grande  
by telling stories with puppets,  
building habitat models and  
searching for clues. Each week  
will feature new activities!*

### GATEWAY GROWERS MARKET

Every Wednesday  
Afternoon  
5:30 – 8 p.m.  
South Valley Gateway Park  
100 Isleta Blvd. SW  
*SNAP and WIC accepted*

### LOCAL FOOD FESTIVAL AND FIELD DAY

*Growing Food Forward!*  
Sunday, Oct. 9  
10 a.m. – 3 p.m.  
Gutierrez-Hubbell House  
6029 Isleta Blvd. SW

### THIRD ANNUAL SUGAR SKULL FUN RUN

Sunday, Nov. 6  
9 a.m.  
*More details  
to come!*

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## \$36 Million Bond Package on November Election Ballot

The bonds would pay for better roads, upgrade libraries, improve recreation facilities, expand storm drainage facilities, make county buildings more energy efficient and help the chronically homeless with the development of a tiny home village, in conjunction with other governmental and non-governmental agencies.

For more information about the general obligation bonds, visit [www.berncogov.com/CIP](http://www.berncogov.com/CIP).

## County Clerk's Office and Bureau of Elections Needs Your Help

The Bernalillo County Clerk's Office is hiring as many as 1,000 poll officials to staff the early voting and election day voting convenience centers for this year's general election. The only requirement to applying for a position is being a registered voter in Bernalillo County.

Visit [www.berncogov.com/pollofficial](http://www.berncogov.com/pollofficial) to find out more about the program and to complete an online application.

Bernalillo County's Bureau of Elections conducts Voter Outreach Programs throughout the year including assisting neighborhood associations with voter registration drives, training and certifying members of neighborhood associations to be third-party voter registration agents, as well as educational outreach at high schools throughout the county. To request voter outreach assistance, call (505) 468-1291, and select option 6.



### FRIDAY EVENINGS' SCHEDULE:

5 – 6 p.m., 7 – 8 p.m., 9 – 10 p.m.  
and 11 – midnight

### SUNDAY EVENINGS' SCHEDULE:

8:30 – 9:30 p.m. and 10 – 11 p.m.  
11 p.m. – midnight is city/county news

## Bernalillo County's Programming Schedule on Gov16

*Watch Gov16 at these  
times to catch up on  
the latest happenings in  
BernCo such as news  
conferences, community  
events, sports and more.  
All commission meetings  
air live.*

## NEED Assistance or Resources?

Contact Neighborhood Coordinator Darrell Dady at (505) 468-7364 or [ddady@berncogov.com](mailto:ddady@berncogov.com).