



The Communicator

VOLUME 2, ISSUE 3

MARCH 2018

INSIDE THIS ISSUE:

- Sheriff Manuel Gonzales III 1
- News from East Area Command 2
- News from South Area Command 2
- News from the Criminal Investigations Division 3
- News from the Administrative Support Division 4
- Judicial Operations Division 4
- Civil Process Information & Fees 5
- Crime Reduction & Safety Tips 6
- News from Bernco 7

March 2018 Newsletter



Sheriff Manuel Gonzales III

Please feel free to forward this newsletter to any and all your neighbors who are interested news, crime fighting tips, and communication from the Bernalillo County Sheriff's Office.

If any person wishes to be placed on the internet e-mail distribution list please or If you would like the "Communicator" to highlight a particular area or division of our Department, please forward those requests to Administrative Assistant Terri Gartenmayer:

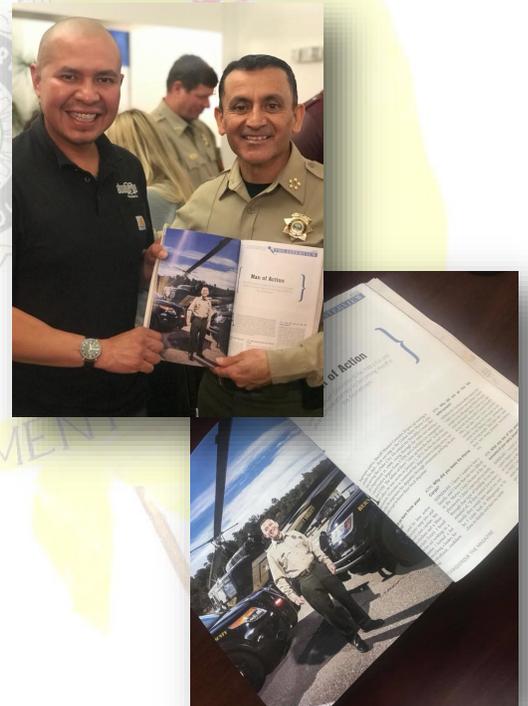
tgartenmayer@bernco.gov

Hello residents and visitors to Bernalillo County. Please enjoy our March 2018 issue of the "communicator."

We hope you enjoy our new format!!!

We continue our effort to work with you, our community and visitors of our county to continue to provide you with the superior service you have come to expect.

This newsletter is intended for residents and visitors of the County of Bernalillo, the Sheriff's East Area Command, North Valley Area Command, and South Valley Area Command. The purpose of our newsletter is to keep an open line of communications between you, the citizens, and us, the deputies, who are sworn to protect you and your property.



We will be forever on duty to ensure you are safe and cared for.

News from East Area Command

The Sheriff's Department East Area Command will be hosting our first "Coffee with a Cop" event **Monday, March 19th** at **Cabra Coffee**, 12216A N Hwy 14 at 9:00 am.

All are welcome. This will provide an opportunity for members of the department to get to know some of the residents of the East Area a little better. We are looking forward to meeting you all and are totally prepared to talk on all types of subjects: sports, movies, music, even cop stuff if that is your cup of tea, or coffee rather, as it were.

We would like to extend our thanks to Cabra Coffee for allowing us to hold this event at their shop, hopefully the first of many more to come.

As always, if you have questions or concerns that you would like to discuss directly with me, please feel free to call me anytime at 468-7420.



News from South Area Command

The South Valley area has received valuable citizen and neighborhood tips about suspicious activity in the past few weeks. Most of these tips have proven to be factual and detectives have been able to secure search warrants for stolen cars, drug houses and other law violations. While tips are always appreciated, please make sure to keep your personal safety in mind when obtaining descriptions or license plates of would be criminals.

Your safety and that of your loved ones is the most important thing to us at the Bernalillo County Sheriff's Department.

Deputies have been conducting high visibility patrols of the Pajarito Mesa area to curtail the illegal dumping and criminal activity that occurs in the vast mesa area. In addition, deputies will be conducting highly concentrated traffic enforcement in numerous areas of the South Valley due to numerous citizen complaints on particular streets. These patrols will be at all hours of the day and night. Please remember to drive carefully, at the posted speed limit and with courtesy towards others.



News from the Criminal Investigations Division



LET'S TALK ABOUT MENTAL HEALTH

Mobile Crisis Teams

Each year the Bernalillo County Sheriff's Department responds to calls for service involving members of our community that are experiencing a mental health crisis. Traditionally there have been limited options in bringing resolutions to these types of calls for service with some of the option being entry into the criminal justice system or transport to a hospital emergency room.

Over the past several months members of the Bernalillo County Sheriff's Department have been working in collaboration with the Behavioral Health Initiative, St. Martins, and the Albuquerque Police Department to form Mobile Crisis Teams. The team response consists of pairing a law enforcement officer with a clinician in order to assess a member of the community who is experiencing a crisis to develop a response that would divert them from the criminal justice system and or a hospital emergency

room while still addressing the needs of the citizen and their support structure.

This is an ongoing effort with additional tools still in the developmental stages, but an excellent example of your Sheriff's Department utilizing resources in an effort to provide services to the community in an innovative manner.



Your safety and that of your loved ones is the most important thing to us at the Bernalillo County Sheriff's Department.

Who we are and what we do...

NEWS FROM THE ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT DIVISION

The Administrative Division is comprised of the following units:

- **In-service training**
- **Advanced Training**
- **Basic Law Enforcement Academy**
- **Fleet**
- **Budget/ Finance**
- **Judicial Operations**
- **Civil process**
- **Court Security**

We are committed to provide quality, efficient, and timely service to the citizens of Bernalillo County. The Professional Standards Team clearly understands the value and necessity for delivery of critical resources required to conduct the operations that protects our community. We remain honored in our responsibility to do so. Pride in our service and those we serve is our definition. We recognize that the single greatest resource within our organization is our people and pledge concern, respect, and great care in the daily delivery of all other logistical resources.

JUDICIAL OPERATIONS DIVISION

The Sheriff's Office is required to serve all judicial process in the manner prescribed by law. Please be aware that only an attorney is allowed to give legal advice, not the Sheriff, deputies, or civilian employees.

Deputies Assigned to Civil Process are on duty
Monday - Friday 7 A.M. - 3 P.M.

WE ARE LOCATED AT:
**400 Roma NW, 1st Floor
Albuquerque, New Mexico 87102**

HOURS
Monday-Friday
8:00 A.M. - 4:00 P.M.



*Those who are
happiest are those
who do the most
for others
— Booker T
Washington*

CIVIL PROCESS INFORMATION

Bernalillo County Sheriff's Department only serves documents in Bernalillo County. If you have a document that needs to be served in a different county, please contact the appropriate county's Sheriff's Department.

UNIFORMED DEPUTY PROCESS FEE

As of July 1, 2008, the Bernalillo County Sheriff's Department requires advance payment of \$40 for service of process. This fee is non-refundable. Make checks payable to the "Bernalillo County Sheriff's Department." If you have an order for waiver of service fees issued by District or Metropolitan Court, enclose it with your process.





We are proud of our deputies and once you know more about them, we are sure you will be proud of them too!

CRIME REDUCTION AND SAFETY TIPS



We are pleased to announce that initial "Neighborhood Threat Assessment" pilot program is proving to be a success. Therefore, we have expanded the program to all three Area Commands. (South Valley, North Valley, East Mountains)

As a recap, the deputies of the Sheriff's Office are committed to combating threats to the life, safety, and property of those who reside within Bernalillo County. In doing so we are eager to partner with the residents of area neighborhoods to identify items of concern. These items of concern can include, but are not limited to, auto theft, suspicious vehicles, traffic violations, suspicious persons, burglary, va-

grants, and unsecured property. Who knows the issues affecting public safety in a particular neighborhood better than the ones residing in the affected area? In an effort to increase our partnership and working relationship with those we serve we are excited to offer this new community policing opportunity.

Deputies of the Sheriff's Office Field Service Division can be made available to meet with individual homeowners or more beneficial a group of homeowners to conduct an onsite visual inspection and threat assessment of the neighborhood. This assessment would take 15 -20 minutes and would consist of you the citizen, walking around or driving through the neighborhood with a uniformed deputy. During this time you can point out areas of concern. Such as suspected criminal activity, traffic concerns, or other public safety issues. Most importantly we can use this time for you all to get to know those who are sworn to protect you on a more personal level.

East Area Command
Captain Joshua Kingsbury
505-468-7441
jkingsbury@bernco.gov

North Valley Command
Captain Broderick Sharp
505-314-0030
bsharp@bernco.gov

South Area Command
Captain Andi Taylor
505-314-0010
ataylor@bernco.gov



News from Bernalillo County

The County Board of Commissioners has approved 20 new full-time positions for the new BernCo Animal Care and Resource Center, scheduled to open late summer of 2018. The center will house 180 dogs, 90 cats, small critters and livestock, and will provide many services and educational programs that the county has never offered.

“To ensure the welfare of the animals and to provide all services at the Bernalillo County Animal Care and Resource Center, adequate staffing is needed,” says BernCo Animal Care Services Director Misha Goodman. “We are hoping to draw talent from the community to staff the center and are happy to create this new center for animal care excellence.”

The Bernalillo County Animal Care and Resource Center will be a one-stop shop for animal owners to vaccinate microchip, spay/neuter, and obtain licenses and/or permits for their pets.

There will also be an adoption program where the public can view, interact, and adopt animals from the center. In addition, there will be opportunities to foster animals, serve as a volunteer, or enroll in training or educational programs.

In the event citizens have lost or cannot care for their pet any longer, they can utilize the facility to search, reclaim or surrender their pet.

The outreach section will work to place animals in loving homes by coordinating with the community, other centers, foster care and rescue groups across New Mexico, Colorado and other states across the country.

The new positions will be funded by the \$1.5 million public safety gross receipts tax and will increase the staff from 18 to 38 to ensure the 7-day-a-week operation has adequate coverage for services and day-to-day operations at the Bernalillo County Animal Care and Resource Center.

New positions include:

- Animal care outreach manager
- Animal care veterinarian
- Animal care veterinarian technician
- Animal care veterinarian assistant
- Animal care services behaviorist
- Animal care technician (eight),
- Animal care customer services representative (five)
- Animal care volunteer coordinator
- Animal care placement coordinator.

Three animal care managers will come from already budgeted positions:

- Animal care enforcement and protection manager
- Animal care administrative manager
- Animal care and sheltering manager.

“Law enforcement officers are never ‘off duty.’ They are dedicated public servants who are sworn to protect public safety at any time and place that the peace is threatened. They need all the help that they can get”

-Barbara Boxer