



Traffic and Safety Tips



Here are some tips for a safe and happy holiday season:

If You're Traveling

- Get an automatic timer for your lights.
- Ask a neighbor to watch your home and park in the driveway from time to time.
- Have mail and newspaper delivery stopped.

If You're Out for the Evening

- Turn on lights and a radio or TV so that it looks like someone is home.
- Be extra cautious about locking doors and windows.
- Don't display gifts where they can be seen from outside.

If You're Shopping

- Stay alert and be aware of what's going on around you.
- Park in a well lighted space, and be sure to lock the car, close the windows and hide shopping bags and gifts in the trunk.
- Avoid carrying large amounts of cash. Pay with a check or credit card whenever possible.
- Don't overburden yourself with packages. Carry a purse close to your body, not dangling by the straps. Put a wallet in an inside coat or front pants pocket.
- Shopping with kids? Teach them to go to a store clerk or security guard if you get separated.



Have you ever wondered if your home was truly safe? Have you had questions about electrical cords, fuel storage, or how to improve the safety of your home? Are you unsure of steps to take to protect your home from fires, floods, or other hazards?

Your house is a huge investment not to mention your shelter from the elements and The Town Of Bernalillo Fire Department is there to help. The Fire Department is pleased to announce a new program, The Home Safety Survey, free of charge to all residents of Bernalillo.

The Home Safety Survey will send firefighters to your home to walk through and point out potential hazards, give tips on improving the safety within your home, and answers questions you may have. This service is free of charge and non-punitive. This means although our firefighters will be pointing out safety hazards you need not worry about facing enforcement actions. This service is voluntary on your part therefore our firefighters will not issue citations, evict you from your home, or report violations. We only wish to help our citizens live a happy and safe life. If this service interests you call 991-1990 to schedule a visit.

NOVEMBER IS NATIONAL FAMILY LITERACY MONTH



This November, the celebration of National Family Literacy Month brings about a great opportunity for everyone to get back into the beautiful tradition of reading as a family. Check out a book to read to your kids at the Town of Bernalillo Martha Liebert Public Library



ESCAFCA STARTS TWO FLOOD CONTROL PROJECTS

On October 25, 2012, ESCAFCA held a groundbreaking ceremony for the Athena Pond and Collection System. ESCAFCA Chairman Sal Reyes, Mayor Jack Torres, Dan Aguirre of Wilson and Company Engineers, and H.T. Johnson, VP of Salls Brothers Construction, turned the first shovel-full of dirt to begin digging a hole in the ground which will trap stormwater and also become a town park.

Salls Brothers was the low bidder at \$926,000 to remove some 27,000 cubic yards of dirt, leaving a two-level hole which will be seeded and ready for landscaping as a park and playground. In addition, about a half mile of storm drain will be installed in Athena Avenue and Loop, Carolina Drive, and Mountain View Drive. The storm drain work should be complete before Christmas, and the overall project in late January.

ESCAFCA also started work on the South Hill Pond, being built by CBKN Dirtworks, who won the job with a low bid of \$284,000. This pond is on County-owned property just east of South Hill Road, and will also be complete in January.

Additionally, ESCAFCA recently signed cost-sharing agreements with the Army Corps of Engineers to begin investigation of the spoilbank levee along the Rio Grande, hopefully leading to improvements or reconstruction which will protect Bernalillo and remove hundreds of properties from the floodplain. Residents will see a drill rig in December taking borings on the levee north and south of Highway 550.

All three projects are ESCAFCA's first and are using money from 2008 and 2011 bond sales.

WIN a 2013 Ford Mustang and other prizes!



Proceeds help support the Bernalillo High School Spartan Athletic program. Details and ticket information: www.bernalillo-schools.org/athletics or (505) 404-5145, \$10 per ticket, drawing May 2013.



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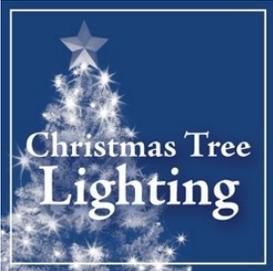
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Friday, (November 30th at dusk
829 Camino Del Pueblo (Town Hall)

Musical performances by youth groups from Carroll Elementary,
First Assembly of God and Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Church

Apple Cider and Biscochitos will be served.



Holiday Social and Music Festival
Wednesday, December 19th
6-8 pm
Town of Bernalillo Recreation Center
Rotary Park
With very special guest....**Santa Claus!**



**Town of Bernalillo
HOLIDAY BONFIRE**

After the Christmas Parade join us at Rotary Park for The Town of Bernalillo Holiday Bonfire & enjoy some hot apple cider and biscochitos.

This year we will also light up the New Mexico Timber Company Water Tower with Christmas Lights.



Tuesday, December 25th
Santa will be at Town Hall & Christmas treats will be handed out by the Town of Bernalillo Fire Department

closed for the holidays!



Christmas—Tuesday, December 25th, 2012
New Year's Day—Tuesday, January 01, 2013



The Camaro Club of New Mexico donated more than 100 coats and jackets to the Coats for Kids campaign. We thank them for their generosity.



Meetings

Town of Bernalillo City Council Meetings: Monday, December 10th and Thursday December 20th at 6:30 pm.

Town of Bernalillo Planning & Zoning Commission Meeting: TBA



Saturday, December 22nd
Children's Christmas Fund deliveries by Santa Claus

Town of Bernalillo Children's CHRISTMAS FUND

The Town of Bernalillo will once again continue the tradition of the Children's Christmas Fund to benefit less fortunate children in our community. Monetary donation of any amount, or new toys will help brighten the holidays for the children of Bernalillo. Donations can be made at Town Hall.

Also, If you know of a child that might not otherwise receive a gift this season, forms are available at Town Hall.