



TOWN OF BERNALILLO

"The City of Coronado"

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Meet your water department

The Town's water department is committed to providing an ample supply of quality drinking water to the citizens and businesses of Bernalillo.



(From left to right: Robert Romero, Earl Edmonds, Jerome Jaramillo, Eric Garcia, Andrew Toribio, Pete Maestas and Bobby Lopez)

Q: Who makes up the water department?

A: The Water Department is currently made up of 7 employees, which include two Utility Meter Readers, a Well Production Operator, and a Field Supervisor. Employees perform multiple jobs including those of service operators, distribution operators, and heavy equipment operators.

Q: How do we maintain water quality?

A: We maintain water quality through the daily testing of chlorine residuals as well as the collection of numerous bacteriological samples to ensure the integrity and safety of our drinking water system. We regularly monitor water pressure in the distribution system and flush lines for further monitoring and quality improvements. Additionally, we operate and maintain the treatment system for arsenic removal in our drinking water.

Q: How do we get the water to your home?

A: Our water distribution system is made up of one pressure regulating station, two well water production stations, four ground storage tanks, and seventy five miles of water mains. Our smallest diameter water main is two inches, and our largest is 14 inches.

Q: What else are we responsible for?

A: We repair numerous water leaks per week and respond to calls from customers regarding potential leaks, which help reduce water loss throughout the system saving money and resources for us and our customers. We also read every residential and commercial meter on a monthly basis for the Town's utility billing system.

We take pride in providing a safe and reliable supply of water for the citizens of Bernalillo. Regular work hours are 7:00am to 3:30pm. If you need to report water related issues after hours or on holidays call dispatch at 505-867-2304.

DID YOU KNOW ?

The Town of Bernalillo Water Department reads 3500 water meters monthly and completes approximately 100 service orders a month.

February 5th— Planning and Zoning Commission Meeting, Town Hall Council Chambers, 6:30 pm

February 5th—Bernalillo School District Bond Election

February 7th—Blood Drive @ Town Hall from 9am to 2pm

February 10th
Valentines Dance @ The Recreation Center from 2pm to 5pm

February 11th—Town Council Meeting, Town Hall Council Chambers, 6:30 pm

February 12th—Nurtured in New Mexico (A celebration of Black History) @ The Town of Bernalillo Martha Liebert Public Library, 10:00 am

February 18th—President's Day (Town Hall Closed)

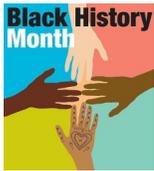
February 25th—Town Council Meeting, Town Hall Council Chambers, 6:30 pm



Bernalillo School District Bond Election February 5th

There will be a Bernalillo Municipal School District (BMSD) and Bond Election on Tuesday, February 5, 2013. It will include 3 ballot items: 1) Election of 2 school board members, 2) A ballot measure for a 2.0 mill property tax for capital improvements, and 3) A ballot measure to issue general obligation bonds not to exceed \$20 million.

All registered voters residing within the boundaries of the Bernalillo Municipal School District are allowed to vote. You need not be a property owner or have students attending Bernalillo Public Schools. Among the voting locations will be the Bernalillo Auxiliary Gym for residents of Bernalillo, the Placitas Elementary School for residents of Placitas, Pena Blanca Community Center, Cochiti Lake Fire/EMS, and Community Centers on the pueblos. Absentee voting will also be conducted in the Sandoval County Clerk's office.



"Nurtured in New Mexico; A Legacy and History of African Americans"

Tuesday, February 12th
10:00 am

Town of Bernalillo Martha Liebert Public Library
This event is geared towards youth in grades 1 through 4



We would like your help to ensure that **The Martha Liebert Bernalillo Public Library** serves the needs of the residents of Bernalillo. Please pick up a questionnaire at the library or on line at www.townofbernalillo.org and answer two simple questions, and then leave the questionnaire in a book when you return it to the library or put it of in the library drop box on the south side of Town Hall. **Thank you.**



*Sunday, February 10th
2pm - 5pm
Town of Bernalillo
Recreation Center*



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.

got blood? we need it...

Town of Bernalillo Blood Drive Make appointment now at unitedbloodservices.org
February 7, 2013 9am - 2pm Use association code "Bernalillo" or call
For Additional Information Call: **1-877-UBS-HERO**
Lisa Carroll - 385-9028

Find the hero in you. **United Blood Services**
www.UnitedBloodServices.org

While You're Saving Lives You're Earning Hero Reward Points to redeem for various items (Ice cream, movie tickets, CD or DVD, T-Shirts)



If you think there may be an outstanding bench warrant for you, please contact the Municipal Court at (505) 771-7115 for information. You can obtain information regarding your options and we may be able to help you clear the warrant.



ESCAFCA Projects Pick Up the Pace

After a slowdown for the holidays, the two ESCAFCA construction projects are moving forward.

Athena Pond is nearly complete, excavation-wise. Most of the dirt has been removed, so you can now get a good idea of how deep and big it will be. Final grading will have to be done, and the area prepared for seeding. Access roads also need to be graded and gravelled, so there is work still to be done.

Salls Brothers contractors will be starting to install the storm drains in nearby streets. When this happens, half the street will be torn up, so traffic control will be important, and everyone is cautioned to be alert, careful, and patient. After the storm drains are installed, the streets will be repaved, as soon as temperatures are warm enough. Concrete driveway entrances will also be replaced, one-half at a time, so homeowners will still have access, but limited for a time.

Five new streetlights will be installed, in front of the Fire Station, and at intersections along Athena Avenue. Nearby homeowners will be consulted about the best location.

South Hill Pond is nearing completion. Most of the earthwork is done. Huge chunks of concrete found on site were moved and buried to add protection against high flows from the big culverts under I-25. After final grading, areas will be mulched and reseeded. Fences will also be installed.

Rock riprap is being placed where water flows into the pond, to control erosion, and the concrete intake structure and outlet pipe are being built. These will release water into the ditch along South Hill Road at a low rate, whenever the pond fills.

Drilling and testing of the Rio Grande levee is complete, and a report is expected in a couple months. This will tell us the condition of the existing levee, and help determine what action is needed.

