

# ALBUQUERQUE POLICE DEPARTMENT MONTHLY REPORT SEPTEMBER 2014



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## APD Notables...

### Field Services Bureau

#### Open Space...

- On September 1 Sgt. Bassett received a call stating a large backpack was located unattended approximately five miles up Embudito Trail. Attached to the backpack was a note stating the subject was falcon watching on the Sandia ridgeline near South Peak. The note was dated Saturday, August 30. Sgt. Bassett and Officer C. Melvin initiated a Search and Rescue (SAR) call out. Officers located the backpack. The note appeared to be written by someone not thinking clearly, and the officers headed to the location they believed the note was referring to. After six hours of hiking and searching in severe heat, the officers located the individual on a cliff ledge near South Peak. Officers rendered basic medical aid and provided him with food and water. It was determined that the victim had gone three days with out food or water. The victim thought he may have had a minor stroke, as he could not maintain his balance, and he was extremely disoriented from severe dehydration and exposure. He had been lying on the cliff edge since Saturday afternoon hoping someone would see him. Officers A. Martinez and M. Schmidt were air lifted from the location they were searching by Metro 1 to Sgt. Bassett and Officer Melvin's location to assist with medical aid and to provide additional equipment. Officers were able to get the victim off the cliff ledge to a clearing where a PHI medical helicopter was able to land and air lift him to a local hospital for treatment.
- While conducting this Search and Rescue, AFD called for assistance on a SAR at Embudito Trail. A woman was one mile up the trail with a broken leg. AFD requested APD SAR help to locate and transport the victim off the mountain. Lt. J. McDonald left as Incident Commander on the initial SAR and responded to assist with AFD. Lt. McDonald was able to return and continue as IC following securing proper assistance to the female victim.
- Open Space SAR Officers made it off the mountain at approximately 22:30 hours when they were notified of a third Search and Rescue. Officers made their way to Elena Gallegos Park where they learned a group of five hikers were lost. Two hikers had made it back to the parking area but three were still missing. Lights could be seen on the mountain from a distance of the

three missing hikers who worked their way back to the parking lot.

- Later, Officers assisted in the Sandia Mountains recovering the disoriented hiker's gear that was left behind on the mountain.

#### Special Operations Division...

- There were several community events and demonstrations that the K-9 Unit was part of for the month of September. On September members of the K-9 Unit conducted a demonstration for the Boy Scouts of America at the Paradise Golf Course. On September 20, a demonstration was held at the Tijeras Library. On September 21 the K-9 Unit was invited to a Animal Welfare and Humane Service event, "Paws in the Park", being held the Los Altos Dog Park. Members of the K-9 Unit conducted both practical and static exercises for the community members in attendance. The final community event was held on September 26, at Enchanted Hills Elementary School in Rio Rancho, New Mexico.
- In September APD's Bomb Squad responded to 12 bomb related callouts. On September 4 the Bomb Squad responded to Highland High School to investigate a suspicious item that had a written threat attached to it. Bomb personnel remotely opened the package and found that it contained no explosive hazards. On September 5 the Bomb Squad responded to the U.S. Post Office located at 1135 Broadway NE to inspect an unusual piece of mail utilizing a explosive detection canine. This was at the request of the Postal Inspector.. On September 8 the Bomb Squad responded to Hope Christian School to inspect a suspicious bottle found by SROs. The item appeared to be a melted plastic bottle that had dirt and tubing inside and around it. SROs didn't know where the item came from and thought that someone may have attempted to make some sort of explosive device.
- During the month APD Bomb Squad canines searched the UNM Football stadium for three different games.
- On September 18 the APD Bomb Squad participated in a multi-agency radiological exercise that was hosted by the FBI and DOE. The event trained personnel in the containment and disruption of dirty bombs and improvised nuclear devices.
- On September 25 the Bomb Squad performed a large scale fireworks destruct for the

Albuquerque Fire Department. Several hundred pounds of seized fireworks were safely destroyed during this operation.

- During the month the Bomb Squad Sargeant attended Advanced Destruction Techniques hosted by the ATF. This is a two week school in Alabama that focuses on topics such as destruction of commercial fireworks, disposal of large amounts of explosives within a populated area and environmental issues that are encountered during disposals.
- APD's Bomb Squad continued to assist Field Services Bureau throughout the month by taking 30 calls for service.
- APD's Bomb Squad is currently operating with three full time certified bomb technicians (two of which are also K9 handlers), and currently has two vacancies. The Bomb Squad has had vacancies since October 2011 without any replacement. The last full time opening was in 2007. The Bomb Squad has received from federal grant funding of over \$1,000,000.

### **Metro Traffic Division...**

- The DWI Unit arrested 1 DWIs in September.
- In September the Traffic Division issued 487 moving citations and three cell phone violation citations.
- There were 574 Grant/OT Citations.
- Twenty nine crashes were investigated.
- There were 99 calls for service, and 142 on site activities.

### **Field Services Bureau - East Southeast Area Command...**

- On September 2 Officer K. Ramos was dispatched to investigate a possible identity theft call. The calling party advised that she had been indicted by a Grand Jury in reference to embezzling \$55,000. The female caller advised Officer Ramos that it was in fact her sister, who had stolen her identity and committed the crime. The female caller told the officer where to find her sister and he located the caller's sister. The officer determined that the sister had three felony warrants for residential burglary, fraud, and a parole violation for breaking and entering. Officer Ramos spoke to the caller's sister and she admitted to using the caller's information when she was arrested. Officer Ramos booked the sister on the warrants and will be contacting the case agent, Detective Bailey, to advise him

of the sister's admission.

- On September 6 Officer A. Markwick was dispatched to a retail establishment in reference to a robbery call. The caller advised that an individual took an 18 pack of beer from a convenience store by threatening the employee with a knife. The suspect was last seen walking eastbound on Lomas. Upon arriving in the area Officer Markwick located the suspect a matching the description given on the call. She detained him and was able to get positive confirmation that he was the person who was involved in the incident. Officer Markwick recovered the items taken and placed the offender into custody on numerous felony charges.
- On September 12 Officers Andolina, Landavazo, and Llamas were dispatched to a hotel in reference to a male who was with a 19 year old female. The male was known to carry two firearms, and had outstanding felony warrants. The suspect was known to fight with officers and made it known to his associates that he was not afraid to have a shootout with officers. Officers arrived and asked the hotel staff to do a linen/towel check, thus making contact with the young female and a male who matched the male suspect's description. Officers attempted to contact the male suspect and his girlfriend at the room and by telephone. The dispatch operator made contact with the female and advised her that the officers were not leaving and they informed her that they only needed to check on her welfare. After making several announcements and attempts to have the male exit the room, the suspect and his girlfriend exited the room peacefully. Chavez was taken into custody for an outstanding robbery warrant. The male suspect was an absconder for several months from NM Probation & Parole.
- On September 2, Southeast Impact detectives worked a case in which a male had brutally beaten his girlfriend who was five months pregnant. This was beating was so brutal that the female lost the pregnancy. The male suspect fled from field officers at the time of the incident. Southeast Impact detectives began their investigation and drafted an arrest warrant for the male suspect. Southeast Impact detectives conducted a tactical operation and sought him who was actively eluding apprehension. The suspect was located shortly after and apprehended without incident.
- During the month of September, Southeast

Impact detectives were summoned to the scene to assist field officers in a child abuse investigation. Detectives learned that a female had pointed a loaded .38 caliber revolver at two seven year-olds she was caring for. She admitted to detectives in her criminal interview, she had pointed the weapon at the children to teach them a lesson, and to “not to mess with her puppy.”

- Officers King and Knipprath were dispatched to the intersection of Lomas and Washington St NE in reference to a report of a road rage incident. Upon arrival officers made contact with a male who was riding his bicycle when the driver of a vehicle started to yell at him. The driver, later identified, started to follow the victim and attempted to run him off the road on multiple times. Officer Knipprath was able to identify the driver and he obtained an arrest warrant for aggravated assault with a deadly weapon.
- Officers M. Alstad and J. Bonet were dispatched in reference a report of a female who was being dragged from a vehicle. Upon arrival to a retail establishment, Officer Bonet made contact with the female victim. Ms. Gomez was highly intoxicated and upset. Officer Alstad made contact with the witnesses at the store. The witnesses advised Officer Alstad that the female victim was pushed out of a vehicle and had been dragged while the vehicle was still moving. While Officer Alstad was interviewing the witnesses, the witnesses saw the offender’s vehicle travelling southbound on University. Officer Alstad got into his vehicle, and caught up to the vehicle. The vehicle made an illegal U-Turn, and attempted to go the wrong way on Lead Ave SE. Officer Alstad initiated a traffic stop and made contact with the male driver. He would not cooperate with Officer Alstad and refused to give his name. Officer Alstad noted a strong odor of an alcohol emitting from the driver so he called a DWI Officer. Officer Miller arrived on scene and arrested Mr. Thompson, the male offender.

### **Northeast Area Command...**

- On September 3rd Officers J. Quade and R. Simmons assisted Internal Revenue Service agents with the execution of a search warrant at a retail business. The officers assisted approximately 15 agents with a site and route assessment. Officers provided escort for the agents to the location and helped maintain scene

- security throughout the execution of the warrant. Officers Lucero and Guerrero were dispatched to a stabbing call on September 22. The stabbing was the result of a road rage incident that occurred in the parking lot of a medical marijuana dispensary. The victim of the traffic accident in the parking lot of the dispensary tracked down and located the offender of the accident. The victim of the accident proceeded to stab the offender driver in the arms, hands, and chest. Officers Lucero and Guerrero alongside several other Team 2 officers located the victim and the offender of both crimes and made arrests.
- On September 10 Officer A. Cook was dispatched to a residence in reference to the theft of two furless cats. The cats were estimated to be worth over \$1800 each. Officer Cook made contact with the owner of the felines. She advised Officer Cook that she believed she knew where her cats were being held, and asked him to check the area. Officer Cook approached the residence the victim referred him to, and he observed two animals sitting in the front window, and appeared to be the stolen cats. Officer Cook felt certain these were the missing cats based upon the unique description. Officer Cook made contact with the home owner, who advised Officer Cook that she received the cats about three weeks ago from her nephew and sister who asked her to watch the cats. The homeowner already had four other cats, so she told her nephew and sister that the cats could only stay for a short time. The woman denied knowing the cats were stolen, and agreed to release the cats to Officer Cook. The cats were returned to their rightful owner. Officers contacted Detective S. Bailey with the Burglary Unit and forwarded the information and report to him. The case remains under investigation.
- On September 16th Officers S. Harmon and B. Calt responded to a local hotel where a woman was not wanted on the property. The subject had recently suffered mental and physical injuries and was not a resident of Albuquerque. The officers transported her to a shelter and Officer Calt provided temporary shelter of her companion animal, a parakeet.
- On September 11 Officers T. Cochran and T. LaForce responded to a domestic violence call as a 13 year old mentally challenged and deaf boy was wielding a knife. The officers deescalated the situation and took him into

- custody without injury.
- Officers McPeck and Bludworth were dispatched to a demonstration at a large hotel where a group of people was occupying the hotel lobby to protest a firearms competition. The officers were able to make positive contact with the protest leaders and were able to peacefully convince the protestors to move to the public sidewalk.
- On September 27 Officers Cervantes and Stuyvesant were dispatched to an amusement park in reference to a larceny call. Security advised three subjects were observed running from the park with stuffed animals. Officers arrived on the scene. One of the suspects who was identified at the front gate security as having a gun in her waist band. Officers also observed that the female suspect had a strong odor of an alcohol. Officers investigated the warehouse where the items were taken from, and discovered the warehouse door was damaged. Three suspects were booked on commercial burglary.
- On September 9th Officer Swessel was dispatched to a residence in reference to an individual receiving harassing text messages from a co-worker about a relationship he had had with a different co-worker. Officer Swessel ascertained that the caller had fabricated his accusations. The caller has been stalking the second co-worker, leaving gift cards, a picture of Stevie Nicks, and over 100 text messages. Officer Swessel contacted the Stalking Unit, and the C.I.T. Unit. Additional follow-up revealed that the individual had a history of this type of behavior and was bi-polar. He had also held a different co-worker hostage for approximately 20 minutes on a previous occasion. The unit was able to obtain an arrest warrant for the caller on felony charges within 3 days of Officer Swessel's initial contact with the caller.
- Officers responded to a large retailer in reference to an anonymous tip that a burglary offender on the most wanted property crimes list was in the area. Officers arrived and located a subject matching the description of the suspect. The subject then attempted to flee from officers and was apprehended a few blocks away. It was confirmed that he was the wanted subject and he was subsequently arrested without incident.
- A call involving a known mentally ill subject armed with a pair of scissors was received. This subject has had several violent encounters with police involving weapons. Officers attempted to establish a rapport with the subject in an effort to contain his agitated behavior. The subject was standing on his driveway and refusing to drop the scissors. He was taunting officers and then pressed them to his own throat as if he were going to stab himself. Officers tased the subject who fell to the ground. He did not release the scissors and continued to be threatening and combative. He was tased once again and struck with one bean bag round before officers were able to gain control of the subject and disarm him. He was transported to the hospital for psychiatric evaluation. CIT was made aware of the situation and published a CIT safety bulletin as a result.
- Foothills Impact Unit conducted a long term bait property operation in the area. In an effort to combat an ongoing problem with auto burglaries, a City of Albuquerque owned vehicle was deployed in the area, which contained baited items.
- On September 4 Foothills Impact detectives received an activation advising the bait items from within the vehicle were either stolen or moved from its deployed location. Impact detectives, with assistance from NITe detectives electronically monitored and tracked one of the baited items to a local residence. While detectives were approaching the residence, a male was seen exiting and carrying the box which originally contained the baited item. Detectives also received information from witnesses in the area, advising they observed an Hispanic male wearing an orange shirt enter the vehicle and remove items. The suspect was wearing an orange shirt when he exited the residence. He was taken into custody and interviewed, during which time he admitted to unlawfully entering the city owned vehicle and taking items from within. As a result of the

### **Foothills Area Command...**

- Officers were dispatched to a residence in reference to a domestic violence call between boyfriend and girlfriend. The girlfriend had been held against her will after being choked several times and threatened with a handgun. The offender was in the house and refused to cooperate with officers commands once confronted. After several minutes on the phone he was successfully talked out of the residence and taken into custody on numerous felony charges.



investigation, the suspect was arrested on the charges of Auto Burglary and Larceny (Over \$500). He has an extensive criminal history, including a recent burglary arrest, as well as 17 arrests at MDC.

- On June 6, a large retail Loss Prevention Officer was threatened with a hypodermic needle by a male who was shoplifting several items. The Officer observed the male subject conceal several items in store shopping bags, after which he attempted to leave the business without paying for the items. When the officer approached the subject, the suspect pulled out a needle and attempted to stab him with it multiple times. The officer was able to avoid being harmed and the subject left the area. Foothills Impact Detective W. Burton was assigned the case on June 16.
- Detective Burton watched the video footage of the incident and was able to obtain still images of the offender. The images were provided to Crime Stoppers to feature as the "Crime of the Week." The photographs were aired from July 10- July 16. On September 4, Detective Burton received an email from Bernalillo County Sheriff's Office detective who identified the suspect. Detective Burton conducted further investigation, during which time the offender was positively identified. It was also revealed that the suspect was previously criminally trespassed from all of this large retailer's businesses. On September 5, Detective Burton obtained an arrest warrant for the offender on the charges of Aggravated Assault with a Deadly Weapon, Aggravated Burglary and Commercial Burglary. The suspect was already in custody for separate charges and was rebooked on the warrant.

### **Field Services Bureau - West Office of Emergency Management (OEM)...**

- The City-County revised Hazard Mitigation Plan is in final draft form and has been sent to the state DHSEM and then on to FEMA for approval. This federally required document will create disaster mitigation goals and objectives intended to eliminate or lessen the consequences of disasters.
- Coordinated the creation of an emergency management and homeland security capabilities assessment which will be used to establish

priorities for enhancing the preparedness and response ability of the city. OEM is the only jurisdiction is New Mexico to develop this assessment.

- Inter-Jurisdictional Planning-Communications: Met with representatives of the Department of Health to review their proposed Crisis Communication Plan for health emergencies to discuss the purchase and implementation of the WebEOC crisis management software program and other technology projects.
- Participated in a Department of Health-Health Alert Network Drill requiring the OEM response to 11 requests for resources from various hospitals in a simulated mass casualty incident and the call down radio drill to all metropolitan area hospitals.

### **Valley Area Command...**

- On September 9 Officers C. Daniels, Z. Floyd, M. Laws and R. Deeds responded to a retail establishment in reference to a carjacking. Officers on the scene were able to provide critical information to responding units and eventually air support was able to locate and track the fleeing suspects. After causing a traffic accident both subjects were apprehended in the area of San Mateo and Lomas.
- On September 9 Officers C. Daniels and Z. Floyd responded to a possible aggravated battery. Once on the scene the officers were able to locate a blood trail and locate the victim that had been stabbed. A felony warrant arrest was made.
- On September 21, Officers H. Armijo, J. Lujan and T. Henderson were dispatched to the a retail gasoline establishment The caller was a clerk who had locked herself inside the business because a male subject was lying down in front of the front door, and he was bleeding heavily from his hands and wrists. When officers arrived, they identified the subject, and confirmed that he was bleeding heavily from his hands. A large pool of blood was forming around him. A trail of blood could be seen coming from north of the gas station. Saavedra advised that he had punched a car window. Sgt Henderson recognized that there was a domestic disturbance call holding at that same location. Dispatch advised that the bleeding man was identified as the possible offender on the domestic call. Officer Lujan then responded to the residence and contacted the female inside the home She

advised that the bleeding man was her ex-boyfriend. This man had texted her asking to come by and pick up some items. While he was there, he began to try and talk the female into reuniting and she refused. This caused him to get upset and he began to punch items in the house. He hit and shattered a large television, a window, and the car window. Officer Lujan was able to locate blood on several of the items the male suspect had punched and he followed the blood trail to the gas station. The male suspect was taken to the hospital and later booked on multiple felony charges including Criminal Damage to Property.

- On September 14 Officer T. Drager was dispatched to a home as an unknown subject was trying to gain entry into a residence. Dispatch was advised that the subject was yelling and possibly intoxicated. Officers received information while in route that the subject had jumped the wall into the back yard and was sticking his arm through the doggy door. As officers arrived on scene the subject was attempting to pry open the security door with garden tools. Officers witnessed the subject successfully open the security door with force and he was then trying to open the inner door. As officers were setting up a perimeter the subject was able to breach the inner door, but the resident was inside attempting to hold it shut. It was at this time officers approached and took the subject into custody without incident. Officer Drager arrested and charged the offender with Breaking and Entering.
- On September 13 Officers T. Melvin and T. Griego responded to a residence in reference to a domestic battery call. Upon arrival, officers met with a female victim and her adult daughter in reference to the victim's boyfriend who threatened her with a knife. The older female victim was told by the male suspect that he would cut her up in pieces and kill her family members. It was also learned that the male suspect took the older female victim's cell phone and held her against her will the day before. The male suspect was not present but he was located at his place of work. Contact was made with the male suspect and he voluntarily arrived at the Valley Sub Station to speak with IMPACT detectives. After a thorough investigation was completed, the male suspect was arrested on two felony charges.
- September 14, Officer Kinzer was dispatched as

backup to a traffic stop conducted by Sergeant D. Rogers. The male offender was going to have his vehicle towed due to driving on a suspended license. The officers searched the vehicle pursuant to it being towed, and found a loaded handgun inside of the glove box. It was confirmed that the male suspect was a convicted felon. It was also confirmed that the firearm was stolen outside of the Albuquerque area. The male suspect was arrested and the case was forwarded to ATF for prosecution. He was charged with possession of a firearm as a felon, as well as receiving or transferring a firearm less than \$2500.

### Southwest Area Command...

- Officer G Abbatantuono responded to a possible home invasion in progress. The caller advised a male was forcing his way through a locked sliding glass door while the residents were still inside. Upon arrival the officer made contact with the male and placed him into custody for breaking and entering.
- On September 1 Officer Cravens was dispatched to the southwest substation in reference to a subject that wanted to turn himself in for outstanding warrants. Contact was made with the subject. One felony and one misdemeanor warrant was verified and the subject was taken into custody without incident.
- On September 2 a male called the SW Substation to follow up on a burglary incident that he had reported. He stated that he viewed camera footage from his home and he knew the offenders. Det. Ficke met with the victim and was able to find a possible address for the offenders. Det. Ficke called for assistance and SW Impact conducted a knock and talk in the vicinity. A female and male were identified as the offenders who were caught on camera burglarizing the home. Det Ficke interviewed both suspects who admitted being in the home. Both were booked without incident on burglary charges. The male was also found to have outstanding warrants for his arrest, and he has been arrested previously on shoplifting and narcotics charges.
- On September 23 Officer M. Vallejos was dispatched to a doctor's office in reference to a possible criminal sexual penetration of a minor. When the officer arrived he learned that a fifteen year old girl had been sexually assaulted for several years by her grandfather. The child had

revealed the information to her doctor during a physical. CYFD was called and Crimes Against Children was notified and the grandfather was eventually arrested on several counts of criminal sexual penetration of a minor.

- Officers Wharton and Ibarra were dispatched to a call in reference to a male subject taking a female by force. Officers located the caller who stated that she was confronted by a friend who stated she owed him money. The suspect then forced the victim into the vehicle's trunk by knife point and drove her to another location where she ran from the scene. Officers located the suspect and took him into custody without incident. Impact responded to the scene and took over the investigation while obtaining a warrant for the vehicle.
- On September 27 Officers Keeling and Murphy were conducting a Tact Plan at Tower Skate Park and observed several trucks racing. Officers attempted to stop one of the vehicles, a white lifted pickup. The truck fled from officers and was later located parked in a neighborhood. Officers observed several subjects a short distance away and recognized one of them as the driver. The subjects fled the scene and were not located. The truck was confirmed stolen.
- Planning meetings for the 2014 Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta were held every Tuesday in September for the final preparation for the event. The Incident Action Plan for the event is complete and turned into the Chief's Office as well as the Mayor's Office. A table top exercise was conducted on September 9 at the Balloon Fiesta Park. The exercise focus was in covering different critical incidents, unified command, and resources available. The event PIO Meeting was conducted on September 23 and PIOs from all involved agencies participated. The exercise involved all agencies that will have personnel and resources committed to the event. There were no major issues identified during the exercise. The AIBF will start on October 4 and conclude October 12. It is expected that approximately 100,000 spectators will attend each of the sessions.
- APD Homeland Security and Officers from the Valley Area Command assisted the US Department of Homeland Security Protective Services with Operation Shield. Operation Shield is a Federal initiative to prevent future aggressive acts against US Federal Building throughout the United States through deterrence

and proactive patrol. Officers were paired with DHS Law Enforcement Agents to conduct sweeps for explosives and suspicious persons around the Downtown Federal buildings. The DHS Communications Command Post (CV) was deployed from Dallas, TX for the event. There was also a VIP component tour of the operation conducted by DHS. Officers made several positive contacts with citizens and businesses in the area as well as working in a cooperative partnership with our Federal Law Enforcement counterparts.

### **Northwest Area Command...**

- On September 9 Officers Shelden and Solis were dispatched to a large retail business in reference to a shoplifting in progress. The offenders did commit the shoplifting and were walking to as Officer Solis followed them. Officer Shelden went to his patrol vehicle in an attempt to drive to the offenders. One of the offenders was backing out with her vehicle and Officer Solis attempted to stop her by opening the driver's door and asking her to stop. The female saw Officer Solis and continued backing up and then put it in gear and drove away in an aggressive manner. Officer Solis and the other offender had to jump out of the way of the vehicle to avoid being hit. Officer Shelden was able to locate the vehicle leaving the parking lot. Officer Shelden pursued the vehicle until the driver lost control and drove into a drainage ditch. NW Impact Detectives assisted with all offenders and took over the case responsibility. The female offender was arrested for Aggravated Assault on a Peace Officer.
- Officer C. Holmes was called to a residence in reference to a domestic dispute. Upon arrival, the officer met with the victim who stated she was threatened with a handgun by her boyfriend and she was being held against her will. The male suspect was arrested with felony charges. SE Impact was contacted and met with the victim. SE Officers were dispatched to the residence where they took the suspect into custody. A Victims Assistance Unit also responded to meet with the victim to obtain an emergency restraining order.
- On September 25 Officer J. Brown responded to a domestic violence call. He was notified by the caller that her ex-boyfriend sent her threatening text messages and told her that he was on his way to her apartment to kill her. Officer Brown requested a Victims Assistance unit who



responded and issued an emergency restraining order. Officer Brown called for a second unit due to the threat of the ex-boyfriend showing up at the apartment. While officers were waiting for the VA unit to finish, the ex-boyfriend arrived and asked officers if they wanted to get in a chase with him. He was taken into custody and issued the emergency restraining order.

- On September 30 Officer M. Johnson was dispatched to call where a 16 year old was making suicidal threats. Officer Johnson assisted him in getting help. The family was completely unaware that their son was going to commit suicide in his room after they went to sleep. The family was extremely grateful to the officer for providing them with information on obtaining assistance for their son.
- On September 27 officers were dispatched to a shots fired call. While en route, dispatch advised them that a male subject was seen leaving the scene on foot. Dispatch furnished a description of the subject. As Officer Rico was responding to the scene, he saw a male subject fitting the description. Officer Rico stopped the subject and placed him under investigative detention. Numerous officers then converged on the scene and secured witnesses and determined that there was a male subject who had suffered several stab wounds to his abdomen. EMS and Rescue were summoned and the male victim was transported to UNMH. Officers kept the scene secure and requested the assistance of NW Impact Detectives and a Field Investigator. After detectives arrived and conducted their interviews, the male suspect that was stopped by Officer Rico was booked for aggravated battery with a deadly weapon. The stabbing victim was charged with aggravated assault with a deadly weapon.

## Investigative Bureau

### Scientific Evidence Division...

- The Major Crime Scene Team responded to one call out in September.
- The Crime Scene Investigation Unit responded to 1,113 calls and completed 814 reports.
- The Photo Lab had 376 cases requested, resulting in 13,287 prints as well as 23 discs.
- In September, 15 Identification Technicians supported the following backgrounds: 80 case dispositions, 33 employment, 37 firearms, 99 FBI and 52 CODIS requests, 37 RAPs and photos were distributed, 28 new APD applicants

were fingerprinted, 1,471 fingerprints were classified in AFIS and 1,706 new and old arrests were processed into the TIBURON Criminal History Record.

- In September, 15 evidence technicians received 6,426 evidence items. We duplicated 1,281 audio/video recordings and supported 36 pretrial viewings. 285 items were returned to owners, 2,234 items were disposed of, and \$3,968 was recovered from auction income. We processed 6,085 case disposition transactions into the evidence history.
- The New Mexico DNA Identification System (NMDIS), received 640 new convicted offender/arrestee DNA samples for the month of September, with a cumulative total of 102,000 collected. 475 samples were analyzed, data uploaded and searched in CODIS, with a cumulative total of 95,500 searchable DNA profiles. As a result of these convicted offender/arrestee samples, 65 unsolved cases were matched to convicted offenders/arrestees, 45 case-to-case matches were made, with a resulting total assists of 162 investigations.

### Property Crimes Division...

- The Auto Theft unit conducted a total of two VIN etch events for September, one at the UNM employee appreciation day, and one at the Hinkle Family Fun Center. The total number of cars etched for the month was 45.
- Auto Theft conducted a State Fair Tact plan from September 10 through September 13.
- On September 5 during a bait car tact plan two individuals stole the keys from a deployed bait vehicle. The male ran from detectives in his vehicle with the female when approached by officers. While conducting the State Fair Tact plan the next week, detectives observed the vehicle driven by the male. The officers followed the vehicle to a hotel where they were able to detain both subjects who eventually confessed to taking the keys.
- On September 23, Auto Theft Detective Armando Hernandez wrote and conducted a search warrant at 10600 Central Ave SE reference a possible chop shop. At the conclusion of the warrant a total of two stolen trucks were recovered along with 3 scooter/motorcycles and numerous other parts which are still under investigation and yet to be identified. Glen Edwards was arrested for the chop shop.
- Auto Theft assisted the NE area command

reference a Blitz Tact plan for property crimes on September 23 and 24 which resulted in 3 felony warrants and a misdemeanor warrant arrest for two subjects that were contacted at the major retailer.

- On September 26, Auto Theft assisted in a city wide warrant round up and in the process observed a small passenger car which was displaying a license plate belonging to an RV. As detectives located the vehicle both occupants ran from the car and attempted to elude officers. After setting up a perimeter and a short search both subjects were taken into custody and identified as the occupants of the car which was coming back as stolen through NCIC. The driver and the passenger were both booked into MDC. The passenger was in possession of heroin at the time of the stop and the driver was already on parole for Receiving and Transfer a Stolen Motor Vehicle.
- Burglary Detectives identified a serial burglar, suspected in numerous residential burglaries involving pulling electric meters and disarming the alarm system. The suspect was located at a hotel and detectives requested ROP's assistance to continue surveillance, and the suspect was arrested and booked. The execution of the vehicle warrant yielded a stolen fire arm, narcotics, and items that appeared to be stolen property. During that time, the offender was released from jail. The property in the vehicle was confirmed to be stolen and an arrest warrant was issued for him. He was located again, at which point he barricaded himself inside a residence, and after a brief SWAT activation the offender was taken into custody. Burglary Detectives interviewed and obtained a confession. He pointed out 10 residential burglaries that he had committed. Warrants for two residences and two storage facilities were executed and Burglary Detectives seized numerous lap top computers, fire arms, jewelry, instruments, designer purses, collectors' coins, and money, the total value of property recovered estimated to be over \$100,000. Burglary detectives have been able to identify 31 victims from the property that was seized and their property was returned to them. The investigation is still on going and the suspect will be charged with numerous 2nd and 3rd degree felonies.
- On September 5, a suspect was stopped driving a stolen motor vehicle. Further investigation

revealed he was staying in a nearby motel. Officer D. Baca transported the passenger of the stolen vehicle to the motel and observed check making materials, including a computer, printer and several printed checks. There was also significant amount of US Postal Mail in the room. White Collar Crime Detectives V. Natewa and J. Weber responded to the investigation. A search warrant was executed. US Postal Mail, checks, multiple identification cards, and the personal identifying information of multiple individuals were located inside the room during the warrant. The suspect was booked on multiple felony charges.

- On September 19, Detective M. Sandoval arrested a local attorney for embezzlement of over \$20,000.00. Detective Sandoval, who is part of the Secret Service task force, had written a felony warrant for him. The attorney had represented a business owner in a lawsuit against the City of Gallup. The suit resulted in a judgment of \$130,000.00 for the plaintiff. The attorney never gave the victim his money due; he deposited the money in his own personal account. Over the span of a few months he spent all of the money.
- On September 25, White Collar Crimes detectives responded to a local bank. Three individuals were in custody for attempting to use a fraudulent check. The three offenders were interviewed and booked into MDC.
- On September 26 White Collar Crimes and CNAU detectives, along with agents from the United States Postal Inspectors, participated in the Property Crimes Division warrant roundup. The group arrested two individuals which resulted in the clearing of three felony warrants.
- Detective V. Sanstestevan conducted a metal theft investigation at a retail establishment. An employee of the business would weigh metal already owned by the business. He would call two acquaintances to claim the metal as their own and receive cash for it. In a thirty day time period the scam generated losses of over \$5,000.00. Detective Santistevan obtained felony warrants on all three individuals. The store employee was arrested on September 23. Another offender was arrested one week later. The last offender is still wanted.

### **Criminal Investigations Division...**

- The Homicide Unit responded to one homicide callout during the month of September. The



unit also investigated a case that was ruled a natural death in July of this year. This case will be investigated as a homicide, but not carried as such until submitted to the District Attorney's Office.

- This brings the total number of UCR homicides in Albuquerque to 18 through the end of September. This total includes 15 adult homicides and three juvenile homicide. The total amount of police actions for 2014 is 12. The Homicide Unit currently has 24 active cases.
- The Armed Robbery Unit responded to five robbery callouts, and cleared 25 cases this month, with 18 of those going to the DA's Office. They made two arrests, and wrote five arrest warrants as well as one search warrant. The Robbery Unit had 27 new cases assigned this month and still has a total 90 active cases
- The Sex Crimes Unit responded to three sex crimes call-outs the month, and cleared 27 cases with 10 of those going to the District Attorneys' Office. The unit also wrote two search warrants and made one in custody arrest. There were 37 new cases assigned for investigation in September. The unit currently has 79 active cases.
- The FASTT Unit cleared 15 cases this month with none of them going to the DA's Office. FASTT Detectives reviewed 215 cases this month and currently has 3 active cases.
- There were 112 new runaways/missing persons reported to the Missing Persons Unit this month. The unit cleared 103 total runaways or missing person cases. The unit currently has 119 active cases.
- Juvenile Section: The Sexual Offender Registration Detail (SORD) . The case load is at 144. There are 81 city registered sex offenders under ASORNA.
- Detective Peer assisted with the New Mexico State Fair in attempts to identify sex offenders. Two subject were found working at the fair who were illegally unregistered. The subjects were given notice and removed from the State Fair.
- The Child Exploitation Detail (CED): CED was assigned 25 new cases in September. The Unit cleared 25 cases with 10 cases being submitted to the District Attorney's Office for prosecution. Two search warrants were written in September. The Unit completed 11 computer/cell phone forensic examinations. The Unit currently has 57 active cases. CED also conducted two missing persons investigations.

The Unit conducted 18 background investigation as well as 17 FSB assists. CED wrote two arrest warrants and arrested four subjects for possession of child pornography and electronic solicitation of minor charges.

- Detective Storey executed a peer to peer warrant for downloading child pornography on the internet. CED was assisted by HSI. One subject was arrested for possession, distribution and manufacturing of child pornography.
- Detective Roberts arrested on subject for electronic solicitation of a minor. The subject was a soccer referee. Additional victims are being sought.
- CRIMES AGAINST CHILDREN (CACU):
- CACU received 1237 referrals for this month; this is up by 340 referrals from August. Average is approximately 1084 per month year to date. Through nine months CACU has received 9,760 referrals. CACU Detectives were assigned 137 new cases to be investigated. This number is up 38 from last month. One Search Warrant was executed by detectives as well as two Arrest Warrants. CACU on-call detectives responded to 22 off duty call outs this month, up from 12 last month.
- CARE officers responded to 42 child related calls for the month of September.
- SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICERS (SRO)
- Officers from both Eastside and Westside SRO Units continue to be of great assistance to their respective Area Commands by handling 201 calls for service and 328 on-site activities in September. 62 referrals were made by the SRO's and 154 truancy investigations were conducted. Quality of Life enforcement activities (Criminal Trespass, Panhandling, Red Tag, Graffiti referrals, Parking/Moving citations, etc.) were at 120 for September. The SRO Units cleared 30 total Felony/Misdemeanor arrests and/or warrants. In addition, the SRO Units assisted CACU by taking 21 CYFD referrals to check on suspected abuse.
- Officer Baldonado conducted a narcotics investigation on a student at West Mesa High School on 09/12/14. The student was found to be in possession of 97 bags of marijuana.
- Officer Davis made five misdemeanor arrests, handled seven calls for service, made nine referrals for students to receive specialized services and wrote seven offense/incident reports
- Officer Lehocky wrote two criminal trespassing citations, made seven graffiti referrals, handled

four CACU welfare checks, made three felony arrests, handled 14 calls for service, 20 on site incidents and wrote five offense/incident reports.

- Officer Lillie issued 22 truancy citations, handled 52 calls for service and wrote three offense/incident reports.
- Officer Rael recovered 12 knives from Highland high students, issued 40 citations for truancy, made six misdemeanor arrests, handled 11 calls for service, 60 on site incidents and wrote seven offense/incident reports.

### **Special Investigations Division...**

- During September the Vice Unit made 25 misdemeanor arrests, arrested 17 people with misdemeanor warrants, made 14 felony arrests and arrested 37 people with felony warrants. The unit also conducted numerous operations during the NM State Fair. The operations included John operations, escort operations, street level prostitution, and undercover narcotics operations. There were numerous arrests.
- Detective Walsh of the Task Force completed his basic instructor course at the DEA. This took more than 64 hours of training in September.
- Detective Franklin and Detective Novicki took down a large scale spice operation where they seized more than 35 kilograms of spice. HSI K9 TFOs seized more than 554,000 Milligrams of Steroids.

### **Professional Accountability Bureau Real Time Crime Center...**

- The Real Time Crime Center received national recognition in September from the International Association of Law Enforcement Planners. RTCC was named "Project of the Year". The award was presented to Chief Gordon Eden on September 25th. The RTCC was recognized for its ability to integrate crime analysis with live intelligence and the video production unit.
- The RTCC received a grant and purchased three new video surveillance trailers. The trailers were used to locate missing children and to help prevent property crime. One of the trailers will be permanently assigned to the Southwest Area Command to assist in any graffiti or property crime issues.
- The RTCC is also working with the State Probation and Parole to create a data sharing agreement that will give the department access to all of NMCD data including current and prior offenders. The data will help officers find last

known address and alias suspects might have.

### **Communications Division...**

- The APD 9-1-1 Communications Center staff answered 40,466 incoming 911 and 242-COPS calls in August. There were 20,447 calls answered for 911 and 43,019 calls answered for 242-COPS. 911 Operators answered 89.32% of the 911 calls within 10 seconds (national standard is 90%, APD standard is 92.0%); operators also answered 93.91% of the 242-COPS calls within 30 seconds (APD goal is 90% answered within 30 seconds).
- Training meetings were conducted with the 9-1-1 operators assigned to NCIC. Topics included: Policy and Conduct, Conflict Management, and Attitudes in the Workplace.
- Informational and training sessions were conducted for dispatchers interested in promotional opportunities.
- Testing to maintain NCIC certification current was conducted for all Emergency Communications Center personnel.
- Interviews were conducted for both the Telecommunications I and II positions and candidates were selected to move to the multi-tasking assessment portion of the hiring process.

### **APD Academy...**

- Class 111 completed their 16th week of 27 in September. The month began with two days of Use of Force Training. There was also two days of Crisis Intervention/Behavioral Sciences. Class 111 received their certification in Taser. They also completed their Phase#1 Reality Based Scenario Training. Cadet Class 111 completed two days of Firearms and Defensive Tactics Training. Officers J. Gallegos, and R. Defrates attended Reality Based Instructor Training. Officer P. Rogahn attended EVOG and PIT instructor training.

### **Planning and Policy Division...**

- The department had weekly staff meetings were held to discuss objectives and priorities.
- Staff participated in test scripts for SciQuest Contract Director on September 11th and 12th, 2014.
- Staff reconciled and closed over 30 grants.
- Staff attended the International Association of



Law Enforcement Planners from September 22, 2014 to September 26, 2014.

five individuals who were remanded and assisted with bonding out.

### **Recruiting and Background Division...**

- A total of 265 interest cards were received, 227 being male, and 38 female. Of the total, 182 cards were for the cadet position, 73 for PSA, and 10 were for lateral applications.
- Of the background folders assigned out, 7 were for cadets, zero lateral positions, three were for PSA positions, and there were no civilian applications.
- For the 113th cadet class, 27 people were seated and seven PSAs were seated.
- Weekend testing was held September 12 - 14. 159 people sat for the examination.
- 34 people attended the City Entrance exam.
- 22 people attended the Saturday testing, and 19 individuals passed to the background check procedure.
- 176 individuals are signed up for the testing on October 17 - 19.
- The November testing will seat 101 people.
- The December testing will seat 38 people.
- On September 11 we manned a table at the Law Enforcement Day, NM State Fairgrounds. On September 17 we attended the Kirtland Job Fair, and on September 29 we attended the NM Student Athletic Career Fair at the UNM Main Campus.

### **Professional Standards Division...**

- The Public Information Unit collected revenue of \$6,172 for 945 requests in September.
- The Alarm Unit noted 1,498 false alarms in September, and collected \$116,000 for the month.
- Court Services staff scheduled 111 pretrial hearings and processed 423 arraignments. Staff submitted 431 felony cases to the District Attorney's office for prosecution and submitted 513 summons to Metro Court.
- The Telephone Report Unit processed 472 reports which resulted in a savings of 1,609 hours of Field Services time and an estimated savings of \$24,760.
- In addition, the Telephone Report Unit processed 362 on-line (Cop Logic) reports, resulting in a savings of 941 hours of Field Services time and an estimated savings of \$14,480.
- Metro Court officers assisted 87 individuals who were remanded by the court and booked; and

### **Prisoner Transport Unit...**

- In September the Prisoner Transport Unit processed 1,428 prisoners. The Albuquerque Police Department arrested 1,182 prisoners and other local law enforcement agencies arrested 246 prisoners. The Prisoner Transport Unit made 214 trips to the MDC and accepted eight walk-in prisoners at the MDC.
- The APD/AFD PIIP Team continued to work Tuesdays, Thursdays, Fridays, and Saturdays for a total of 17 days in September. The PIIP Team transported 60 public inebriates to MATS; 25 public inebriates were transported by EMS; 15 public inebriates refused services; and five public inebriates did not meet the MATS criteria.
- The savings in hours and fuel costs for September was \$20,779.