

Alexandria Sheriff's Office Bulletin



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Sheriff Promotes Three Deputies

On September 7, Sheriff Sean Casey promoted Andrea Diaz to Lieutenant, Morgan Garner to Sergeant and Angela Speight to Sergeant. Lieutenant Diaz (second from right) joined ASO in 2004 and became a Sergeant in 2016. Most recently she has served in supervisory positions at the jail and courthouse and beyond her regular duties, she has been involved in community outreach, the Sheriff's Association and the Sheriff's Employee Advisory Committee (SEAC). Sergeant Garner (far right) started with ASO as an intern in 2014 and returned in 2016 to become a Deputy. Since then, she has worked in Security, Community Relations and Special management. Sergeant Speight (second from left) joined ASO in 2018 and has worked in Security and Support Services. In addition to her regular duties, she has been active in community outreach and with SEAC where she serves as Vice-Chair.



Community Outreach Update

ASO has been involved in several community events, including Tons of Trucks, PTA Welcome Back picnics for Samuel Tucker and Patrick Henry, First Responder Day with the Miracle League of Alexandria, and a food drive at Alfred Street Baptist Church. On September 16, deputies joined APD officers at the [Heads Up barbershop for Shade of Blue](#) (right), a community engagement opportunity. Deputies and officers were invited to meet with their staff and clients and talk about law enforcement and areas of concern they had. Excellent dialogue that needs to continue!



Dozens of Inmates Recognized for Achievements

[Fifty inmates attended a luncheon](#) on August 24 where they were applauded for their educational, professional, and personal achievements. Councilmember Sarah Bagley was the guest speaker, and instructors and program coordinators recognized individuals for their participation and achievements in specific areas, including writing, conflict resolution, anger management, financial fitness, GED, and job training. Programs like these help prepare returning citizens for successful re-entry and increase opportunities for employment.



Sheriff Casey Featured in *VIP Alexandria Magazine*

In their most recent issue, [VIP Alexandria magazine named Sheriff Casey and ten other Alexandria men the “most interesting” gentlemen of 2023](#). The honorees had their photos taken with dogs from the [Animal Welfare League of Alexandria](#) and since the photo shoot, Sheriff Casey’s photo partner and the other pups have already found their forever homes. Thanks to *VIP Alexandria* for featuring Sheriff Casey in such esteemed company and to AWLA for teaming up once again!



ASO Honor Guard Presents Colors at D.C. United Match

In addition to performing ceremonial duties for the Sheriff’s Office, ASO’s Honor Guard is often invited to conduct similar duties for other organizations, like the U.S. Marshals Service. In August, our [Honor Guard was privileged to present the colors at D.C. United’s match](#) against Philadelphia on August 26. Sergeant Cassandra Branch, Deputy Nicholas Montgomery, Deputy Carlos Cañas and Deputy Antonio Greene did an outstanding job and look forward to returning.



Free Safety Devices Available

September is Suicide Prevention Awareness Month and an ideal time to remind Alexandrians that they can [pick up free gun locks and medication lock boxes at several locations](#), including 24/7 at the Sheriff's Office. Reducing access to lethal means can help prevent suicide so please take steps to lock firearms and medications. There's also a new Virginia law authorizing [\\$300 tax credits on eligible gun safe purchases](#).

