



## Yuma County Sheriff's Office

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## Sheriff's Office Annual Awards

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On Friday, March 23, 2018, the Yuma County Sheriff's Office held its 31st Annual Awards Presentation and Recognition Ceremony at Britain's Farm Chuckwagon & Steakhouse. Over 200 employees, volunteers, family, and friends attended the event.

During the awards presentation, several officers, civilian employees, and volunteers were recognized for their outstanding service to the Sheriff's Office and the community during 2017. The list of award recipients is as follows:

### **Administration Bureau**

Karina Monjardin, Employee of the Year  
Cindy McGuire, Administration Supervisor of the Year  
Armida Escoto, Esprit de Corps Award  
Jerry Quintana, Special Merit Award

### **Detention Bureau**

Ricardo Sandoval, Detention Officer of the Year  
Virginia Quiroz, Detention Support Staff Member of the Year  
Wendell Walker, Detention Supervisor of the Year  
Ruben Contreras, Esprit de Corps Award  
Virginia Quiroz, Special Merit Award  
Elisa Soto, Innovator of the Year Award  
Alfredo Caro, Meritorious Service Award  
Jesus Solis, Detention Officer Rookie of the Year Award

### **Patrol Bureau**

Juan Peralta, Deputy of the Year  
Sam Pavlak, Patrol Supervisor of the Year  
Raul Garcia, Esprit de Corps Award  
Jacob Meyer, Special Merit Award  
Sonny Hixon, Innovator of the Year Award

Nathan Hunter, Meritorious Service Award  
Sam Pavlak, Outstanding Achievement Award  
Kyle Christopher, Rookie of the Year Award

**Volunteers of the Year**

Nicholas Ford, Volunteer of the Year  
Kyle Mattice, Explorer of the Year  
Matt Felix, Posse Member of the Year  
Robert Ferraro, Search and Rescue Member of the Year

On behalf of Sheriff Leon Wilmot and the Yuma County Sheriff's Office, we wish to express our sincere appreciation to the following vendors and individuals for their generous donations for our annual awards event: Ah-So Sushi & Steak Restaurant, Applebee's Grill & Bar, Bed, Bath & Beyond, Bobby's Territorial Harley-Davidson, Brewer's Restaurant & Sports Bar, Buffalo Wild Wings, Burgers & Beer, Chick-Fil-A, Chili's Grill & Bar, Da Boyz Pizza & Pasta, Ed Whitehead's Tire Pro, Famous Dave's, FTS Automotive Center, Home Depot, JBS Five Rivers Cattle Feeding LLC., Jiffy Lube, Julieanna's Patio Café, Kneader's Bakery & Café, Lerma's Western Wear & More, Lotus Day Spa, Lutes Casino, Mariscos Mar Azul, Olive Garden, Planet Fitness, Soft Cloth Car Wash, Sprague's Sports, Target, Texas Road House, The Chile Pepper, The Coffee Bean Espresso Bar & Café, The Crossing Restaurant, Tractor Supply Company, Wild River Family Entertainment Center and the Yuma Landing Restaurant.

Their donations helped make this an unforgettable night of fun, food and camaraderie for everyone in attendance. Thank you for your continued support.

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