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City employees recognized by state organizations for jobs well done

When things are running smoothly we don't give much thought to those services that make our everyday lives comfortable. We rarely think about all the work and effort that go into keeping these services running seamlessly and without interruption. Three City employees have been recently recognized by state organizations for their work on our behalf.

One of those is **Rose Mary Rosas**, Transit Manager. She is in charge of the City's buses: making sure the vehicles are in good running order, that there are drivers to drive them, and that those needing rides are picked up on schedule.



At the 2013 New Mexico Transit Road-ee, Conference and Expo held in Albuquerque in April, Rose Mary accepted the glass plaque awarded for Rural Transit System of the Year, having increased ridership from 16,000 in 2011 to 20,000 in 2012. Hers was one of only five agencies singled out by the New Mexico Department of Transportation for providing excellent service to their customers and having an ongoing record of success.

The New Mexico Rural Water Association (NMRWA) also held its 35th annual conference in Albuquerque



in April and two City Water Department employees walked away with awards. The 486-member organization helps communities provide safe drinking water and wastewater services through on-site technical assistance,

specialized training, and legislative support. Water Superintendent **Lloyd Martinez** was recognized as Water Operator of the Year for Large Systems. Martinez has been instrumental in implementing Socorro's arsenic treatment program over the last few years.

Administrative Assistant **Kristy Padilla** was named Manager of the Year. She often uses the services of the NMRWA to clarify questions and concerns and keeps Socorro water system customers informed about the quality of their water, among the many other tasks required to keep the Water Department organized.



All are to be congratulated—and thanked!—for jobs well done.

Employee Anniversaries

Frederick Chavez

5 years

City Council

Mary Ann Chavez-Lopez

Nick Fleming

Gordy Hicks

Toby Jaramillo

Donald Monette

Michael Olguin, Jr.

Ernest Pargas, Jr.

Peter D. Romero

Ravi Bhasker, Mayor

Pat Salome, Clerk