



Photo courtesy of Scaly Adventures

Scaly Adventures television show featured the Douglas County, (Georgia) Sheriff's Office K-9 Unit and SERT Team in two Season 3 episodes. This photo was taken on location while filming for "Cops & Robots" and features, from left, Deputy Joshua Skinner and K-9 Lord, Deputy Clint Adams and K-9 Bando, Richard "Scaly Dad" Curren III, Lt. Michael J. Barnhill and K-9 Sgt. Ace, Pierce R. "Scaly Adventurer" Curren, Tanya M. "Scaly Mom" Curren, Deputy Bryan Tolbert and K-9 Hero, and Deputy Chris Reeves and K-9 Dino.

Lights, Camera, Action!

The Douglas County (Georgia) Sheriff's Emergency Response Team (SERT) and its K-9 unit were recently featured in an episode of *Scaly Adventures*, a family-friendly educational television show on the Daystar Television Network. According to the show's website, it brings viewers "up close with fascinating animals and those who care for them. More than just another animal show, *Scaly Adventures* features exciting journeys as seen through the eyes of a young boy and his family. *Scaly Adventures* encourages young people to follow their dreams and live a life of passion and purpose."

The episode took viewers behind the scenes to see the "super tough" K-9 unit training with a bite suit and showed how SERT moves through a building to apprehend a suspect. A look inside the SERT command center showed how a deputy guides a robot to "sweep rooms, knock down doors, and go into places before deputies enter to make sure there are no threats to human lives."

"We're shining a positive light on the incredible work they do to keep their community safe," the show reported.



Cochise County, Arizona, Sheriff Named to State Board

Mark Dannels, Sheriff of Cochise County, Arizona, has been appointed to the Arizona Peace Officer Standards and Training Board. Thirteen individuals serve on the board, which meets monthly to review topics related to Arizona law enforcement certification and training, as well as reviewing and voting on disciplinary actions.

By state law, two of the board members must be sheriffs—one from a county with a population exceeding 200,000 and one from a county with a population less than 200,000. Additionally, one board member

must hold the rank of sergeant or patrol officer at a sheriff's office.

"It is an honor to be selected to be a member of this board," Dannels said when he received word that he had been selected. "Having been a certified officer in Arizona for 31 years, I believe that I have the knowledge and background to offer sound advice in the matters affecting our law enforcement officers today. I appreciate this opportunity and I look forward to being able to make a positive contribution to the system." ★