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# Pinal County Sheriff's Report

The Pinal County Sheriff's Report is taken from the daily logs, based on the information provided by deputies. All persons arrested are presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

July 4

Criminal damage was reported in the 2100 block of W. American Ave., Oracle. A vehicle struck a fence damaging it. The vehicle's owner returned later and agreed to fix the fence.

July 7

Gabriel Martinez Gaona, 26, Oracle, was arrested in the 1100 block of Howard, Oracle, and was charged with assault and disorderly conduct. He was transported and booked into the Pinal County Jail in Florence.

July 10

Criminal damage was

reported in the 1400 block of N. Calle Grenada, Oracle. A vehicle was damaged.

July 16

Theft of an air conditioning unit and other items was reported in the 1700 block of W. Oracle Ranch Rd., Oracle.

July 18

Criminal damage to a barbed wire fence was reported in the 2700 block of N. Rockcliffe Blvd., Oracle.

Theft was reported in the 300 block of E. American Ave., Oracle.

July 22

Theft of an evaporator motor and pump was reported in the 1000 block of E. American Ave., Oracle.

July 23

Burglary was reported in the 1700 block of W. Oracle Ranch Rd., Oracle. Taken were a gun and television.



July 25

Theft of water services was reported in the 33000 block of S. Jandro Dr., Oracle.

July 26

A runaway juvenile was reported in the 36000 block of S. Mt. Lemmon Rd., Oracle.

July 28

A non-vehicle accident with injuries was reported in the area of W. Monteros Pl., Oracle. A woman fell off a horse, striking her head on the saddle's horn on the way down. The patient was transported by private vehicle to the hospital.

July 29

Theft was reported in the 700 block of N. Cody Loop Rd., Oracle.

Assault was reported in the 36000 block of S. Mt. Lemmon Rd., Oracle.

A hit and run accident with property damage was reported in the 400 block

of E. Nuestro St., Oracle. A fence was damaged.

July 30

Burglary was reported in the 800 block of W. Walnut St., Oracle. A patio door and window were broken. Additionally, the homeowners found someone's purse on the counter and all the burners were turned on the stove. The call was turned over to detectives.

July 31

Travis Ryan Roberts, 27, Tucson, was arrested in the Oracle area and charged with driving on a suspended license. He was cited and released.

Assault was reported in the 36000 block of S. Mt. Lemmon Rd., Oracle.

Aug. 1

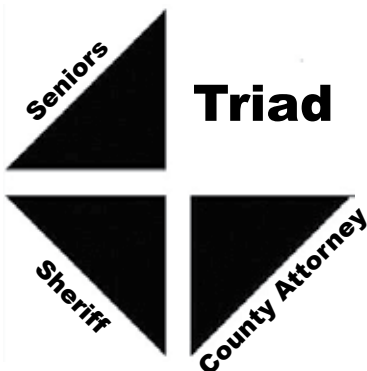
Theft of gasoline was reported in the area of E. American Ave. and N. Justice Dr., Oracle. The gas was taken from the tank of a parked semi-truck.

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# Oracle TRIAD Coalition

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TRIAD is a cooperative project composed of seniors, Pinal County Attorney's Office, Pinal County Sheriff's Department, Pinal-Gila Council for Senior Citizens, and other community partners who are dedicated to preventing the victimization of seniors, improving their quality of life and reducing consequences associated with abuse and misuse of prescription medications and alcohol. Community members are welcome. Call to sign up for volunteer opportunities.

# Verde River Beaver Blues

By Gary Every  
*Special to the Crier*

I am a natural peeping tom stalking at sunrise, camera in hand, hoping not to be seen or noticed, hoping to capture the perfect beaver shot. For my efforts I am rewarded with a glimpse of wild tail, beautiful, fleshy, round and shapely. When that tail attached to a beaver slaps the water it makes a rifle crack sound and the entire family of beaver, poppa, momma, and pup swim away underwater before I can zoom in, focus or click. Another perfect beaver shot foiled.

With a sigh, (sigh) I look across the river and discover that in the branches of a thick willow tree there climbs a family of four raccoons. I suppose that this photograph of the four raccoons will have to do. Except the thick green grape vines which cover the tree trunk give the coven of masked bandits plenty of places to hide - another perfect nature photograph denied.

It reminds of the time I was at Beasley Flats and heard a splash behind me, turning around just in time to see two river otters swim away. I knelt down and got a wonderful close up photograph... of their footprints in the soft mud. Why do all my photographs have titles like quivering branch where bald eagle just launched, impressive ripples where fish has just leapt, tip of mountain lion tail as it leaps over bushes. That is one of my favorites, one I am particularly proud of - tip of mountain lion tail as it leaps over bushes.

Still, as you may or may not know any time of year, just before sunrise when I sit there with my camera, the river shore is always dark, damp and cold and sometimes it even rains - just the weather being mean I suppose. Sort of like the morning I sit

on the bank and write this story. That is right it rained, I am suffering for my art but I wouldn't trade these experiences for any other,

Because as the river rolls my mind slows and I get back to the basics - back to the basics.

There is a sun which shines in the day and there is a moon which shines in the

night, river glistening beneath the silver light. Sometimes the moon shines in the day, something that is magic only because I believe it is and that is enough. Last summer as my autofocus failed, a raven caw cawed from a tree - mocking me. While that black bird laughed and laughed, a single feather

fell from his breast. As that fluttering black feather fell downwards I circled beneath

it like a shortstop under a popup. I wished and wished hard, catching that feather

before it hit the ground my dreams taking flight across

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Verde River. (Gary Every photo)



Raccoons in the Verde Valley. (Gary Every photo)

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**Wednesday, September 11 - Blues In The Night - A Torch Song Cabaret Starring Walter Belcher and Crystal Stark - 7:30 pm**

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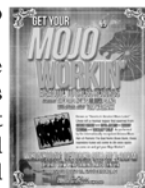


**Saturday, October 5 - Southern Arizona Symphony Orchestra - 7:30 pm**

SASO will welcome two guest artists from Bulgaria for the opening concert. Grigor Palikarov, guest conductor and cello soloist Kalin Ivanov. Program to include Nabucco Overture by Verdi, Roumi Petrova's Concerto for Cello and Alexander Borodin's exciting Your Symphony No. 2. \$21 inclusive \$23 door

**Wednesday, October 9 -Get Your Mojo Workin' - A Salute to Chess Records 7:30 pm Starring The Bad News Blues Band**

It's a short list of organizations that can claim a role in shaping the cultural landscape and Chess Records is on that list. Known as "America's Greatest Blues Label," Chess left a musical legacy that spanned from Muddy Waters and Howlin' Wolf to Etta James and Chuck Berry. As performed by the internationally recognized Arizona Blues Hall-of-Famers The Bad News Blues Band, these legendary tunes will come to life once again so come on and get your Mojo Workin'! \$25 inclusive \$30 door



**Wednesday, October 30 - Salute To Our Heroes - 7:30pm**

Join SaddleBrooke's favorite Robert Shaw and Friends for our Second Annual "Salute To Our Heroes" concert performance that will benefit Tucson military families in need! All net proceeds from ticket sales will support these families by providing assistance with everything from rent and utility bills to groceries and diapers.

\$35 inclusive \$40 door



# Stop illegal dumping at Oracle brush site

By John Hernandez

The Oracle Firewise Brush Disposal Site was recently the

site of two illegal dumps. One individual hid about eight bags of trash underneath some

brush they were dumping. The Oracle Fire Department discovered it and was able to

identify the illegal dumper from mail with the dumper's address and prescription



Household garbage was recently dumped illegally at the Oracle Fire Department's brush disposal site. (Submitted photo)

bottles found in the trash. They paid a visit to the people that illegally dumped, delivered the trash back to them and spoke to them. Not only were the people shamed by being caught but they have been warned that they may be banned for life from using the brush disposal site if caught again. The site is operated by the Oracle Firewise Board and the Oracle Fire Department.

The second illegal dumping was made a few days later. Not only did they illegally dump but they got into the site without paying the dump fee. These people may not be as lucky. The evidence identifying them has been turned over to the Pinal County Sheriff's Office. Illegal dumping is a crime! Illegal dumping can be a class 2 or class 1 misdemeanor. Illegal dumping of a large amount of trash can be classified as a class 6 felony punishable by up to one year in prison. The fine for a class 2 misdemeanor can be as high as \$750. A class 1 misdemeanor can

result in a fine of \$2,500. The misdemeanors can also result in six months of jail time.

Illegal dumping also known as desert dumping is defined as the disposal of solid waste such as garbage, appliances, furniture, hazardous waste, tires, yard waste, and construction and demolition debris in a location other than a landfill, waste transfer station, recycling center or curbside waste management provider. Illegal dumping costs Arizona taxpayers thousands of dollars each year for clean up and disposal. It is harmful to the environment and poses a threat to public health and safety. Tires littering the desert or stockpiled can be fire hazards. Toxic chemicals can leak into our waterways or wells because of the illegal dumping of oil, paint, cleaners, pesticides, weed killer, etc. Illegal dump sites can be breeding grounds for insects and rodents that can carry diseases to humans.

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For more information, please call  
**520-896-9545**

Thank you for supporting our children.



# Diaper Bag: News from the Family First Pregnancy Care Center



Family First Pregnancy Care Center's Story time took a tour of the Oracle Fire Department. The children were able to climb into the fire trucks and tour the firehouse. Each child received a helmet, badge and sticker. Thank you to the Oracle Fire Department, the children and mothers had a great time. (Submitted photos)



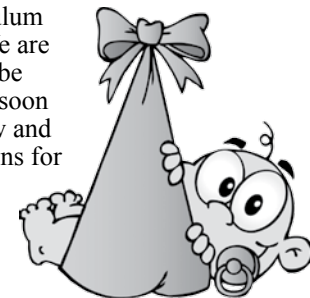
It's August - summer vacation is nearly over - and it's time for the kids to go back to school! Family First Pregnancy Care Center and Family Diaper Bank is holding its annual **School Supply Drive** during the month of August.

For many families, purchasing the pencils, paper, notebooks, crayons, rulers, markers, backpacks, and other school supplies for their children creates a major financial problem.

Next time you go to the store, *will you help* by picking up some extra items and donating them? Items can be brought to the Family First Center at 1575 W. American Ave., Oracle on Mondays, Wednesdays or Fridays from 9:30 to 12:30 and 1:30 to 4:30. The school supplies will be divided up between the three schools in Oracle. Cash or check donations (made out to Family First) will be receipted for School Supplies.

New curriculum is coming! We are so excited to be ordering and soon receiving new and updated lessons for our center. We will be adding a Toddler's set and also a set for Men. Other new lessons and DVD's will also be available.

**Story Time**, for toddlers 2 to 4 and parents, is going strong on Wednesday mornings at 10 am. For information on it or any of our programs, call us at 520-896-9545, go to our website at [www.familyfirstpcc.org](http://www.familyfirstpcc.org), or stop by our center at 1575 W. American Ave. Our hours: M-W-F, 9:30-12:30, 1:30-4:30.



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# Casa Rivera: Food, Family, History

By Skylar Khan

Special to the Crier

Rodolfo Rivera, Jr., better known as 'Rudi' to Oracle residents, can usually be found in the kitchen preparing healthy Mexican meals with the same love

and care he has done all his life.

The food served at the charming Casa Rivera Restaurant is consistently of high quality and freshness. Rudi emphasizes that only pure olive oil is

being used for cooking.

Rivera buys ingredients locally whenever possible. He uses organic eggs, obtained from local farmers.

In order to stay competitive in the current economic climate, Rivera has introduced a value meal in the early morning hours where patrons can order breakfast for \$3.95 between 6:30 and 9:30 a.m.

Casa Rivera's menu includes a variety of foods designed to please just about every palate. There are tacos and tamales, steak and shrimp, burritos and specials like menudo, and American fare such as sandwiches and cream pies.

In addition to enjoying a healthy meal, patrons are invited to view the historic photographs on the walls. These pictures were taken at historic events in Mexican/American history. On the North wall, you

can see 'Pancho' Villa, General Pershing and then Col. George Patton at the

end of the war in 1914.

On the South wall is another picture taken at



Rodolfo 'Rudi' Rivera with son Chris (Skylar Khan photo)



Baby Rodolfo Rivera on lap of his aunt Helena, Rodolfo Fierro (rt.) and soldier, anno 1915

the Palacio Nacional that includes General Francisco Villa, Emiliano Zapata, Rodolfo Fierro and Tomas Urbina.

Rudi points out the latest addition to this special collection, a picture of his own father on the day of baptism in Juarez around 1915. On the right of the baby stands the aforementioned Rodolfo Fierro who had taken time off from the war to perform the baptism. Thus the name Rodolfo has continued prominently in the family tree of the Rivera clan.

Rudi Rivera is proud of his heritage. He was born in Juarez, Mexico and raised in Los Angeles, California. As father, grandfather and great-grandfather, he continues to be the respected patriarch of the family. He explains that his grandfather's origin is from France and Spain, and that his grandmother is Mexican Indian.

Casa Rivera Restaurant continues to be a family affair: Rodolfo and son Isaak work in the kitchen, son Chris and daughter Crystal manage the restaurant together with Rudi's wife Gloria and other close family members.

Rivera has been in the food business his whole life. He opened his first restaurant in California in 1969 and soon thereafter changed over to industrial catering for the next fifteen years, followed by a move to Arizona in 1988.

Things were not always easy, he explains, referring to a former restaurant he owned in Hayden. Asarco's move to the Tucson office resulted in the loss of many employees who were part of his lunch crowd.

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<p>Oracle <i>Psalm 1:2</i></p> <h2>Church Directory</h2>	
<p><b>Assembly of God</b> 1145 Robles Rd., ORACLE 520-896-2408</p> <p>Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship 10:30 a.m. Evening Service 6 p.m.</p> <p>Wednesday night services postponed through the summer months. <i>Pastor Nathan Hogan</i></p>	<p><b>Oracle Church of Christ</b> 2425 El Paseo 896-2452 896-2067</p> <p>Sunday Bible Study • 10 am Worship • 11 am</p>
<p><b>Living Word Chapel</b> 3941 W. Hwy. 77, Oracle 896-2771 • 896-9020</p> <p>Saturday Service: 6:00 p.m. (except 5th Saturday of the month)</p> <p>Sunday: First Service 9:00 a.m. Fellowship Time 10:30-11:00a.m. Second Service 11 a.m.</p> <p>Children &amp; Youth classes available for both services <i>Pastor James Ruiz</i></p>	<p><b>Oracle Seventh-Day Adventist Church</b> 2150 Hwy. 77, Oracle</p> <p>Saturday: Sabbath School 9:30 a.m. Worship Service 11 a.m.</p> <p><i>Pastor John Roybal</i></p>
<p><b>Oracle Union Church</b> American Ave., Oracle • 896-2544 Near Mt. Lemmon Turnoff</p> <p>"A community church for a world community." Worship Service 10:30 a.m.</p> <p><i>Pastor: Dr. Ed Nelson</i></p>	<p><b>First Baptist Church</b> American Way, Oracle 520-808-3171 Pastor Ray Lott</p> <p>Sunday: School 9:30 a.m. Fellowship 10:30 a.m. Morning Worship 11 a.m.</p> <p>Free food distribution 2nd Tuesday, 1 p.m.</p>
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# Living Word Chapel hosts Mega Sports Camp for kids



**By John Hernandez**

The Living Word Chapel held a Mega Sports Camp on July 29 to August 2.

This program allowed kids in the area to learn sports skills and sportsmanship while having fun before school started. Sports included volleyball, basketball and baseball.

Over 50 kids signed up for the camp on the first day. Mega Man, the Vacation Bible School helper, was in attendance to entertain and help inspire the kids.

This is a sample of the type of positive programs that are supported by events such as the Living Word Chapel Golf Tournament. Don't forget, you can still sign up for the tournament on [lwcoracle.org](http://lwcoracle.org). The Living Word Chapel golf Tournament will be held at SaddleBrooke Ranch Golf Club on Saturday, Aug. 31.

## Oracle Community Center is Hot, Hot, Hot and not just because of the weather

Oracle – After a wildly successful Oaks Festival, the folks at the Oracle Community Center have been busy planning out great events for the future, near and far, including setting the date for the next Oaks Festival, which will be on Sat., Apr. 26.

If you haven't visited in a while, you should drop on by and see how cool it is to

attend these hot community-related activities.

On every third Saturday, there is a Park 'n' Swap event. For \$5, par your car, truck or table full of goods and see what delights you can trade them for. Coffee and pastries will be sold.

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# Crossword: Back to School

## ACROSS

1. Group of wives
6. \*Requires parental involvement
9. Cyberspace soliloquy
13. Yawning
14. Barley bristle
15. It's controversial in fight against crime
16. Japanese bed
17. Decompose
18. \*Found in art class
19. \*Pedagogue
21. \*Energy outlet
23. Magic's infection
24. It often holds 24
25. Tax pro
28. First female Attorney General
30. Breath freshener
35. Two quarters
37. Grannies
39. Top of Lady Liberty
40. Seed covering
41. Virgo's brightest star
43. "Laughing on the

inside" in text message

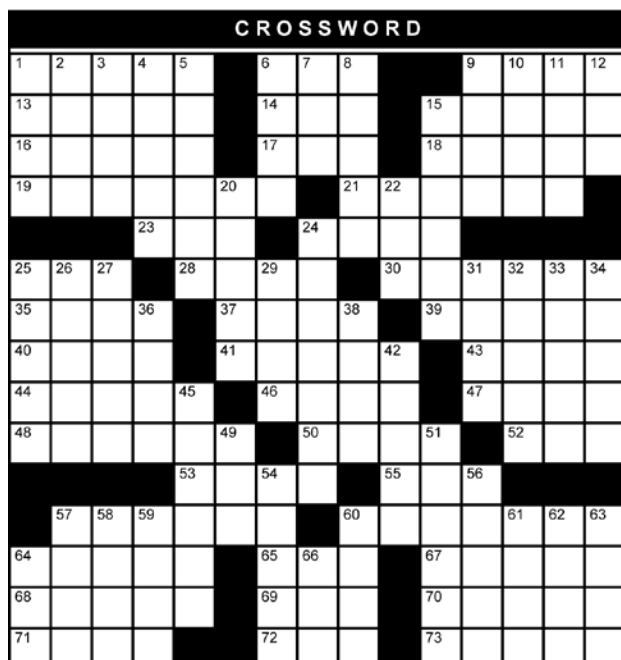
44. Officially allowed
46. Way, way off
47. Diabolical
48. Doghouse
50. Cupid's counterpart
52. "The \_\_\_\_" by The Doors
53. Swerve
55. Bovine sound
57. \*Junior's ruler?
60. \*Required substance
64. Editor's insertion mark
65. Tarzan's mom, e.g.
67. Papal court
68. Like a video game bird
69. \*Sophomore's grade
70. \*Class action to find president
71. 100 centavos
72. Baseball Giant and hall-of-famer
73. "The Sun Also \_\_\_\_"

## DOWN

1. Dagger handle
2. Flu symptom

3. Pro \_\_\_\_
4. Period
5. Large upright stone
6. Young salmon
7. \*Pencil type
8. Bone hollow
9. Highlands hillside
10. It's often denoted in red
11. Half of binary code
12. Used for styling
15. Trickery
20. 0 and 2, e.g.
22. "C" \_\_\_\_ la vie!"
24. Pine, e.g.
25. \*Calcium sulfate's common name
26. Humorous slang for "Paris"
27. Set straight
29. Famous valley
31. This king was a merry old soul

32. Treasure collection
33. Perform in
34. \*Not to be left behind
36. Custard dessert
38. Capone's mark
42. Enophile's sensory concern
45. Funny business
49. Actor DiCaprio
51. Goal-oriented activity
54. Inspiration for poets and musicians
56. Eyes
57. All there
58. Units of work
59. Infamous Roman Emperor
60. Blowhole
61. Wraths
62. Not naughty
63. Beanery sign
64. Upper limit
66. \*Teacher's apple-giver



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free.

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a living.

I was just thinking about all this and suddenly it hit  
me

Like a ton of bricks ~ My dog is a  
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# Back to School for Oracle Students





# Health Issues: Glutathione

By Dr. Michael Miles  
*Special to the Crier*

Glutathione is arguably the best antioxidant our bodies have. Antioxidants protect us against damage from free radicals. Free radicals break up cells. They are responsible for cancer, hardening of the arteries, aging and almost all of our ailments. So, antioxidants are very, very

important.

Chemistry: Glutathione is a tri-peptide - meaning that it is a molecule composed of three amino acids. Amino acids are the building blocks of protein which, in turn, provides the physical structure of our bodies. There are only 20 amino acids that humans use for the majority of our structures.

Glutathione is a naturally occurring substance in our bodies. We produce it in many places, though most of it is produced in the liver. There are many factors that adversely influence its production including aging, pollution and stress.

Glutathione has many uses in medicine. Besides being probably the

strongest antioxidant in the body, it has also shown benefits in treating Parkinson's Disease and other neurodegenerative processes and has had good effects in treating lung conditions.

Glutathione has a very difficult time being absorbed through the digestive system. It also has a difficult time getting into cells where most of its protective work takes place. Because of its difficulty in getting absorbed orally, other methods of delivery have been used to deliver it where it is needed. For instance, in the treatment of Parkinson's it has been administered intravenously. With lung conditions it has been added to inhalers (i.e.

nebulizers).

These treatments have not seen as much of a reversal of conditions as it has a stabilization of conditions. Glutathione works as a protectant not a regenerator of cells. It is excellent preventive medicine.

Cysteine is the most important of the three amino acids that make up glutathione. It has the sulfur group that is responsible for much of its protective qualities. Cysteine is easily digested and assimilated into the cells. There it combines with glycine and glutamic acid to form glutathione. This is why I recommend supplementing with cysteine. The best type of cysteine to take orally is N-acetyl-cysteine (NAC).

Not only does it get into the cells easier, it pulls out toxic metals like lead and mercury from the body. This will also help protect against degenerative processes.

Glutathione is a very important part of our healthy existence. Though it's not a well known part of our makeup, it is essential to our well being. And, because of its difficult assimilation, it is good to know how to ensure its optimal presence. There is a vast difference from person to person concerning the amount of cysteine that each person has. That is why I recommend cysteine as a supplement to consider as a daily or weekly routine.



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## Casa Rivera

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During that time however, Rivera had also opened a second restaurant in Oracle and was overseeing both stores when he lost the Hayden enterprise to a fire in the year 2000, shortly after the Magma shutdown. Unfortunately, the fire occurred after the insurance coverage had lapsed and, although arson was suspected, it was never proven. Needless to

say, Rivera lost everything in that fire.

On the upside, the Casa Rivera Restaurant in Oracle has been flourishing ever since. Customers are welcomed by name, and both Chris and Crystal seem to know their patrons' preferred menu choices by heart.

Rudi Rivera states that he loves this community for its obvious beauty and climate. "Our clientele from Oracle and surrounding areas is

especially nice" he adds "they are great patrons!"

Casa Rivera Restaurant is located at 1975 E. American Avenue in Oracle, Arizona and is open for breakfast, lunch and dinner.

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For additional information about Rodolfo Rivera and his handwriting, please go to [www.HandwritingAuthority.com](http://www.HandwritingAuthority.com)

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## Beavers

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the crows road, my dreams soaring between the night stars.

My automobile dashboard is filled with feathers. The river shore is the best place to find these avian jewels. My car is adorned with woodpecker, scrub jay, heron, duck, tanager, oriole, raven and eagle feathers. I do not recommend this at home, collecting the feathers of protected migratory birds is a serious federal felony. When I pull up to hike in National Monuments I keep a baggy in my dashboard so I can stash the feathers on my dashboard and avoid being arrested. Just so you know – don't try this at home.

Once I stopped for gas in Sedona and it had to be in Sedona because it involved one of the Sedonuts. As I paid the cashier for my gasoline the woman behind me in line, a hippy chick with wild hair, fiery eyes and a Celtic armband tattoo, gushes about my feathered dashboard. She tells me she has been searching for a feather forever. I tell her to take one of mine if she would

like. She says thank you and explains she has been asking the earth mother for a feather for the longest time. First time I have ever been called an earth mother but whatever. I open the car door and she reaches in.

"Take whichever feather you want." I tell her. She plucks a beautiful feather, in excellent condition. She blurts out "I am building a wand."

I don't have the heart to tell her it is a turkey feather. Still as long as she believes her wand is magic, It will fill her heart with magic each and every day. Just like what is not important is this wonderful event celebrating the Verde River we are attending on this beautiful evening but the fact that the river is flowing just over there, cutting through our community like a ribbon of sorcery, a delicate riparian lace of wildlife and bird song. What is important is that this evening, tomorrow morning, and next week in groups of one, two, four, or ten that we all make pilgrimages to the river over and over again.

I do not think pilgrimage is too sacred of a word for what

I am asking because I am certain that if we each stand on the river shore that ribbon of watery sorcery will fill our hearts with magic until we carry that magic with us wherever we go. We will be inspired to create acts of mischievous virtue - look out world.

As I sit and write the last words of this story the sun has risen a ways above the

horizon. It is no longer raining and it is no longer morning. Suddenly, there is a splash across the river and the family of beaver swim away. They must have been sitting there watching me for most of an hour. As usual I focus too fast and shoot too slow but at least I have a new photo to add to my collection. It is called Rustling Reeds Where Beaver Used To Be.



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## OCC

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great meets! What can be better? How about a delicious Pancake Breakfast on Fri., Oct. 4. You may need the carbs, to gear up for the Oct. 5 opening of the Oracle State Park!

On Mon, July 15 there was no lunch. This was so that Rich Albright, with the help of a grant from Cenpatico Arizona, could install the new ceramic tile floor. All the better for dancing upon. Or, if you'd prefer to sit, that's covered too, with new chairs, that go so nicely with the new drapes, new paint and the decorations thoughtfully donated by community-minded locals. Stop by and see!

The Oracle Community Center is a great place to visit, after Monday lunches, to beat the heat while making new friends or visiting with those already a part of your life. Or, stop by and visit when you can and need something to do. Share your stories of summertime fun had with others. It is a good time to be involved with the OCC.

In January, there was a membership drive which generated much interest with folks who were not members. The numbers of members has increased, meaning even more fun and excitement for the community as a whole. Stop by and find out how to get involved and become a member, or, at least, where and when to experience the hot fun of joining in to cool community activities.



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# Dumping

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Disposal Site was opened eight years ago. It is an arrangement between the Oracle Fire Department, the Arizona Department of Forestry and the state land department. It was started

to give residents a place to safely and inexpensively dispose of brush and shrubbery from their property. "We wanted to encourage people to dump their brush at the dump instead of the desert," said Oracle Fire Chief Larry Southard. The Oracle Fire Department's burn permit only allows for

brush to be burned at the site. If they were to burn trash they stand the chance of losing their permit. It also costs the fire department time and sometimes money to clean up and dispose of the illegally dumped trash and prohibited items. The brush disposal site has signs that clearly show what can and can't be dumped

at the site. They also explain in English and Spanish that illegal dumping is a crime and those violators will be prosecuted.

"Oracle is a Firewise community," said Chief Southard. "Besides our volunteers, the brush dump is an important part of the system to keep it working and fire safe. It is also used to train new firefighters in fire suppression techniques during the burning of the brush piles. We can't afford to lose our burn permit because of the bad behavior of a few people, 99 percent of the people that use the dump care about keeping it," said Southard.

The brush disposal site is open daily from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. The key to the dump must be picked up at the fire

station. The cost to dump a load is \$3. The \$3 goes towards the cost of operating the dump. It would be a shame to lose this site or have tighter restrictions placed on it over the behavior of few misguided people who do not seem to care about their community

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