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OV named "Triple Crown" winner for financial reporting

The Town of Oro Valley has been named a Triple Crown Winner for fiscal year 2023 by the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA). The Triple Crown designation recognizes governments that have received GFOA's Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting, Popular Annual Financial Reporting Award and the Distinguished Budget Presentation Award in a single fiscal year. The Town of Oro Valley is one of just 356 governments that received the Triple Crown for fiscal year 2023. This is Oro Valley's 12th consecutive year as Triple Crown Winners. Kudos to the Town's Finance Department!

National awards for OV Communications & Marketing



The Town of Oro Valley Communications & Marketing Division has been nationally recognized for excellence in local

government communications, receiving two awards from the City-County Communications & Marketing Association (3CMA). The 3CMA Savvy Awards program is a competitive awards process that recognizes outstanding achievements in local government communications, public-sector marketing, and community relations. This year's competition drew more than 1,100 submissions from across the country. The Town received the following honors: Silver Circle Award for Best Use of Humor for the Shred Event Star Wars spoof social media video; and the Award of Excellence in the Digital Interactive – Media, Radio, Podcast category for the "This Is Oro Valley" podcast series.

OV Project Round-Up

Here's the latest scoop on a few of Oro Valley's most anticipated projects. Got questions? Contact us at ask@orovalleyaz.gov or 520-229-4711.

<u>Vistoso Trails Nature Preserve</u>

Presented by Kimley-Horn and Associates, design concepts for the desert ecosystem restoration project including the desert garden area were approved by Town Council in September. Repair of the maintenance building roof was also approved.

Pusch Ridge Golf Course Bridge

The golf path bridge on Hole #7 will be completed just in time for the new golf season at the end of October.

<u>Cañada del Oro (CDO) Wash Levee</u> <u>Augmentation Project</u>

This project wrapped up two months ahead of schedule, enhancing flood protection for the community. The segments of The Loop Trail that were impacted by levee improvements received newly paved and restriped pathways.

Shop Oro Valley!

Remember: shopping locally is a reinvestment in your quality of life! Explore all of Oro Valley's shopping, dining and service options by visiting www.shopovaz.com

NOW OPEN: Pillar Speech Therapy, LLC, 11115 N. La Cañada Dr. #295

Oro Valley's Path Forward – The 2026 General Plan



Make a difference in your town's future! Join a resident working group to help build the community's 10-year action plan, known as OV's Path Forward. Working groups will build the details and actions that produce real results in the community.

Thanks to all OV residents who took the Wordsmith Challenge and shared their thoughts on the draft vision and guiding principles for OV's future. Now, your help is needed to make sure the plan reflects residents' priorities for safety, views, development and more.

See the results from the Wordsmith Challenge and sign up for a working group on **OVPathForward.com**.

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NEW PODCAST EPISODE:

50 years of great stories and amazing people, with Dave Perry

2024 has been a year of celebration as the Town marks its 50th anniversary. But the celebration goes beyond parades and events. Join us for a discussion with Dave Perry, as we talk about the task of collecting stories about our Town's history, and why it's so important to share those stories with our community. Be sure to subscribe to the podcast on Apple Music, Google Podcasts or Spotify. Click here to listen directly on the Town's website or visit orovalleyaz.gov and search for PODCAST.

BEHIND THE SCENES

NEW VIDEO: INNOVATION AND TECHNOLOGY DEPARTMENT



In this month's "Behind the Scenes" video series, join us for a closer look at the Town's Innovation and Technology Department, as we talk to OV's cybersecurity analyst and applications manager to learn more about how their work supports (and protects!) Town-wide operations. Catch our videos on

social media or on the Town's website. Click here or visit orovalleyaz.gov and search for BEHIND THE SCENES.

Upcoming events

Admission to the following events is FREE! (Except State of the Town Address) For more details and events, visit the Town's event calendar at www.OVAZ.gov.

Second Saturdays at Steam Pump Ranch

Every Saturday, Oct. through April 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. 10901 N. Oracle Road Featuring: Heirloom Farmers Market, Makers Market, live music, tours with the OV Historical Society, free crafts for kids and more! Live music begins at 10:30 a.m.

OCT. 12: Liz and Pete
NOV. 9: Carol Markstrom

Movies at the Ranch

Steam Pump Ranch, 10901 N. Oracle Road Saturday nights, 6-8 p.m. Bring a blanket or chairs and enjoy a family-friendly movie under the stars.

OCT. 19: Hocus Pocus

<u>Friday Night Concerts at Steam Pump</u> Ranch

7 – 9:30 p.m. at 10901 N. Oracle Road Bring your own chair or blanket. Food trucks will be onsite.

OCT. 25: Good Trouble
NOV. 1: Garrett James
and the Wanderers

HallOVeen Spooktacular

James D. Kriegh Park 23 W. Calle Concordia Saturday, Oct. 26, 5 – 8 p.m. Featuring: Trunk-or-Treat liv

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Oro Valley State of the Town Address & Business Expo

Presented by the Oro Valley Chamber Thursday, Oct. 31

Hilton El Conquistador Resort 10000 N. Oracle Road Business Expo, 9 – 11 a.m. (FREE!) Luncheon and Mayoral Address 11:30 a.m. – 1 p.m. (Ticket required) For more information or to purchase tickets, visit orovalleychamber.com

Movies on the Lawn

Community and Recreation Center 10555 N. La Cañada Dr.

Join us for a family movie night! The movie is hosted on the backside of the facility near the golf driving range and begins shortly after sundown at 6 p.m.

NOV. 9: The Emperor's New Groove

4th Annual Rockin' 4 Heroes Concert

A FREE public concert to honor first responders, active military, veterans, and Gold Star families James D. Kriegh Park, 23 W. Calle Concordia Sunday, Nov. 10

Gates open at 12:30 p.m.; Music starts at 1 p.m. Please bring your own chair! Live music by *Mark Miller Band*, followed by *Lexington Lab Band*, an 80's cover band.

Visit www.rockin4heroes.org for more info and your free tickets.

<u>Arizona Heroes Memorial Ribbon Cutting</u> <u>Ceremony</u>

Naranja Park, 810 W. Naranja Drive Saturday, Nov. 16, 11 a.m.

Celebrate the completion of this special memorial. Visit www.azheroesmemorial.org for details.