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March 22 PCFYI: Ramping up job recruitment, fighting overdoses and playtime at PACC

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We're hiring! Pima County increasingly popular with job seekers

Applications for jobs with Pima County are at historically high levels, and there likely is a very simple reason: The salaries are better. The County's Classification and Compensation process aligned Pima County with competitive market-based pay rates and promoted a performance-oriented culture. Now, job seekers are taking notice.

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Health Department, Medical Examiner work to combat rise in senior overdoses



There's a troubling new trend among drug overdoses in Pima County. Leaders at the Health Department say the number of seniors who are dying from overdoses is on the rise.

From 2017 to 2023, 393 people age 60-69 suffered overdose-related deaths.

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PACC offering opportunities to see pups at play all spring

Luna Lovegood is one of hundreds of dogs currently living at PACC. She doesn't know it, but she plays a huge role in helping other pups – and possibly herself – find a loving home. Luna, a staff favorite, is going to be there when PACC's playgroup sessions open to the public this spring.



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When Byrd met Skye: Celebrating a voice of the desert



Skye Siegel's eyes light up when she talks about her friend Byrd Baylor. Siegel, community engagement coordinator at Pima County Environmental Quality, has an infectious enthusiasm for Baylor, known for her award-winning children's books about life in the desert. Baylor's 100th birthday would have been March 28.

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Adopt a PACC pup for free at these fun events

You can find your new forever friend at several fun events the Pima Animal Care Center has coming up. Come out to the PetSmart on River Road and Orange Grove Road for the PetSmart National Adoption Week Event on March 23, where there will be FREE adorable pups from PACC. On March 30, PACC will host its Spring Swing Adoption Event, with more free adoptions, family-friendly activities, food trucks and giveaways.



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PCFYI still needs your input!



Dear PCFYI readers, thank you to everyone who has taken our survey. Your feedback is instrumental in bringing you the best possible newsletter.

If you haven't already taken the survey, there's still time. We want to know more about what we're doing well and how we can improve. And as always, thanks for subscribing!

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Presenting Arizona Women's History Scavenger Hunt!

Everyone loves a scavenger hunt, right? How about a BOOK scavenger hunt? And even better, a book scavenger hunt celebrating the contributions of Arizona women! Visit the reference collection (3rd floor) at Joel D. Valdez Main Library ... and start scavenging!



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We want to show off your photos!

Check out this cool photo sent by PCFYI reader Claire Rogers! When you find something cool in Pima County, we'd love to see your photos too. Our social media team wants to



feature your adventures in the County we love, whether it's out at a museum, a trail, a County facility, a park, in odd weather, or even shenanigans at your job. Email your photos to SM-PimaCounty@pima.gov and include a short caption. These images will be featured on Facebook and Instagram.

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Procurement month celebrates "the power of YOU"

The Pima County Board of Supervisors at its March 5 meeting proclaimed the month of March to be "Procurement Month" and March 13 to be "Procurement Professionals' Day." This acknowledges the important work performed daily by our procurement professionals to provide high-caliber strategic, logistical and operational support for all departments within Pima County.



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