

Dear reader,

Happy Spring.

As another year flies by and graduation is approaching, we are enjoying the student's final weeks as they prepare for summer and their next adventures. It's always a great time to be on campus. From our Cicada opening to Symposiums, the President's Reception, and Graduation, the first part of May will fly by.

If you have not been to campus, stop by this summer. You will be very impressed. Our facilities team, led by Tim Graves, has done a remarkable job sprucing up the place. We are grateful for the many hours they have dedicated and those of you who have helped fund these improvements.

Thank you to those who read our newsletter and send us updates. It is a delight to hear and share what is happening in our alumni world.

We are still working hard to create your page on our website, which is taking shape. There, you can get newsletters, *Transition* links, and information about events, especially for our Android readers. You can click [here](#) to see all future ECOS newsletters in PDF form. Stay tuned.



Happy Trails,

Jane Ratzlaff and The Advancement and Alumni Relations Team

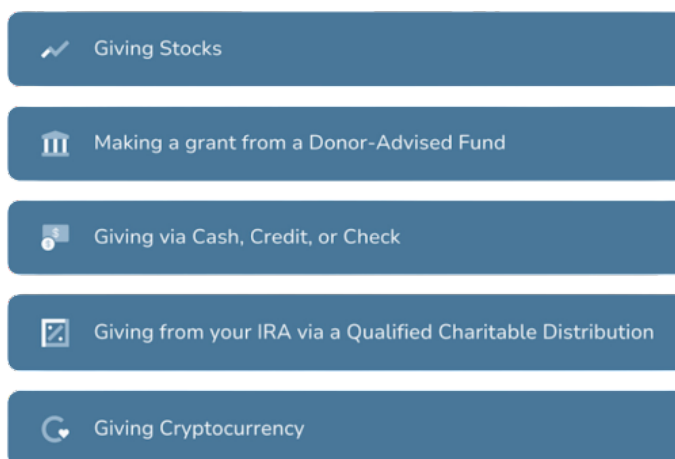
**P.S.** As we watched the recent path of tornadoes, I could not help thinking of alumni who may be impacted, and I wanted you to know you are in our thoughts.

## Strategically Giving Back

Each program at Prescott College immerses our students in real-world experiences so they can make a difference while they study. Sustaining these efforts and supporting our close-knit community requires us to make smart financial decisions. Knowing that we must direct our resources strategically, we also want our supporters to be aware of the best ways to give.

**Take the quiz below** to discover how to grow your future tax savings while ensuring students have what they need to create a more just and sustainable world.

### Quiz: Which type of giving can be the most powerful for you?



Through creativity, empathy, adventurous hands-on experiences, and smart giving, let's forge a passionate community of changemakers determined to face our evolving world head-on.

I hope you enjoyed exploring these donation options! If you have any questions, we are here to help. Please feel free to reach out to Jane Ratzlaff at [jane.ratzlaff@prescott.edu](mailto:jane.ratzlaff@prescott.edu).

## Donor Match and the First Inaugural Art Show of the Cicada Gallery

Tom Barry inspired three alumni and friends to match his donation, creating a grand total of \$200,000 in available matching funds. Your gift right now will be doubled, and you will join your fellow alums in supporting our College.

[Please act now to make a tax-deductible gift and have your donation doubled.](#) Your gift will ensure our College continues to thrive. You can see an exclusive preview of our project portfolio [here](#).



Click the image above of Tom Barry to watch his [YouTube video](#).

If you haven't had the chance to see all of the campus changes, your chance is coming up on **May 2**. Join us from **4:30 PM to 6:00 PM** for the First Inaugural Art Show of the Cicada Gallery, featuring an afternoon of art, discussion, our specialty mocktail, "The Cicada," and to celebrate Tony Brown's birthday, and all are welcome. The gallery will be open all month from 10 AM to 3 PM so people can experience the amazing art of artists like Jan Marshall, Walt Anderson, Roger Asay / Rebecca Davis, and Tony Brown from our community. Click [here](#) to RSVP.

## Multiple Trip Opportunities for 2024

ALUMNI RIVER TRIP

*\*4 Days and 3 Nights*  
**SAN JUAN**  
SAND ISLAND TO MEXICAN HAT  
*with a star-studded crew*

**June 14th - June 17th 2024**  
*\*Dates including travel and the first night at the launch site.*

**All Inclusive San Juan River Trip**  
Immerse yourself in the Southwest with PC Alum as we raft, hike, share stories and cocktails on the beach.

**Register by April 1st to get the Early Bird Special \$825\***  
\*Travel to Prescott is not included in the price.

**To register or learn more scan or click on the QR code:**

Ask us about our new raft fleet and how you can name one of the new boats and claim two spots on this or an upcoming alumni river trip. Cost: \$5,000  
For more information contact: Julie Munro [jmunro@prescott.edu](mailto:jmunro@prescott.edu)

**MAASAILAND ALUMNI REUNION**  
*Alumni, Friends & Family*  
**JULY 26 - AUGUST 2, 2024**

A gathering OF ALUMNI and FRIENDS & FAMILY to celebrate 20 years of collaboration between Prescott College and the Maasai Community in Kenya Hosted by the Dapoi Center

**Scan QR code to learn more, or register!**

Scan the QR Code or click on the image to [register now](#).

A virtual option exists for those who can't make it in person. Click [here](#) to learn more, or click the image.

## Job Opportunities

### Prescott College Job Opportunitites

There are currently two positions open at Prescott College:

1. **Psychology Faculty:** This faculty member will teach and contribute to curriculum development across our BA Psychology and Human Development, MA Critical and Community Psychology programs, and the Prescott College learning community. Click [here](#) to apply and learn more.
2. **Development Officer:** Reporting to and working in close collaboration with the VP for Advancement/Alumni Relations (VP), the Development Officer will be responsible for the direction, management, execution, and evaluation of all of Prescott College's comprehensive development program, events, and activities, including our major gifts and foundation grants programs. Click [here](#) to apply and learn more.

### Northpoint Expeditionary Learning Academy Job Opportunities

Northpoint invites you to apply to their Expeditionary Learning Academy. Learn about their available employment opportunities [here](#). They are currently looking for a high school ELA and Science teacher.

Please review all job descriptions carefully prior to applying. Direct questions by email to [info@northpointacademy.org](mailto:info@northpointacademy.org). Do not call the office. No applicant will be considered until all materials are on file. All hires must possess an IVP Fingerprint Clearance Card.



Our students are being prepared to meet their world with courage, tenacity, hope, and heart.

We are Northpoint!

## The 5th Annual Run For Alana Faith Chen '19



Join us and many others for the 5th Annual Run For Alana on Sunday, **May 5 at 10:30 AM** at Odell Brewing Slan's Lake in Denver, or join virtually.

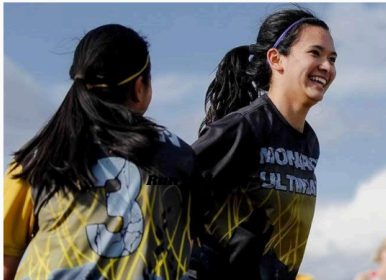
Here is how to participate:

1. On **May 5**, run, walk, or bike three miles (or as many as you can) wherever you are.
2. Tag **@alanafaithchenfoundation** on social media before and during your run to spread the word.

Click [here](#) to visit their webpage and RSVP.

alana faith chen foundation

The 5th Annual Run For Alana: Why We Run



The 5th Annual Run For Alana is happening on Sunday, May 5th! ↗

RSVP Today

## Class Notes

Prescott College Alumni, send us a **Class Note** or update your information [here](#).

The following people are featured in this month's Class Notes. Click here to read them in depth or follow their links.

### Roland Rick Church '02

Roland recently published his sixth book, "Dark Bull," in the Noel Two Horses series. Click [here](#) to purchase yours today.

### Charlie Stephens '95

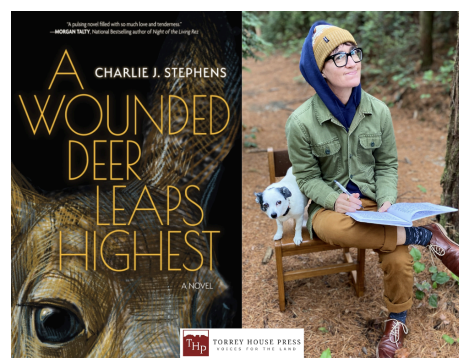
Charlie invites you to purchase their novel, "A Wounded Deer Leaps Highest," while supporting their small, queer, independent bookstore on the Oregon Coast, Sea Wolf Books & Community Writing Center. Click [here](#) to learn more.

### Charles Roessel '95

Charles was recently named the 2023-2024 Tribal College President Honoree of the Year by the American Indian College Fund. Congratulations, Charles. Click [here](#) to read more.

### David Moskowitz '02

David's latest book, "BIG RIVER: Resilience and Renewal in the Columbia Basin," will be released this spring. You can pre-order a signed copy and attend a book event with David [here](#).



### Walt Anderson '08

Click [here](#) to watch Walt's recent presentation at the Natural History Institute about "The Intersection of Art and Conservation." Also, please enjoy this image of a cicada on its first day of emergence, sent to us by Walt: "As its wings dry, it turns brown, so this green form is both ephemeral and very special." Almost as special as you are to this community, Walt. Thank you.



If you want to see more of Walt's art and other artists like Jan Marshall, Roger Asay/Rebecca Davis, and Tony Brown, please join us for the Cicada Gallery's First Inaugural Art Show on May 2 at 4:30 PM. RSVP [here](#). The gallery will also be open for viewing throughout May.

### [In Memoriam](#)

#### Justin Curry First '15

Justin passed peacefully on March 13, 2024, at his home in Flagstaff, AZ. Read more [here](#).

#### Scottie Ames '17

Scottie passed away in Seattle, Washington, on March 17, 2024. Read more [here](#).

### Faculty & Staff News

(includes full-time faculty and staff members, former members, adjunct faculty members, and instructor news)

**Click here to read them in-depth, or follow their links.**

#### Prescott College Staff member Michael Riley '11

Michael recently published an article in the Journal of Outdoor Recreation, Education, & Leadership titled "The Developmental Value of Independent Student Expeditions in Outdoor Adventure Education for Emerging Adult-Aged Participants." Independent Student Expeditions remain controversial because students are not traveling with their instructors and being directly supervised by them. In this article, Michael and other colleagues set out to identify the key learnings that students attribute to this section of their NOLS course and pinpoint the mechanisms that promote student learning during this particular section. Click [here](#) to read it.

#### Former Prescott College Faculty member Kurt Refsnider was featured on the Adventure Journal Podcast

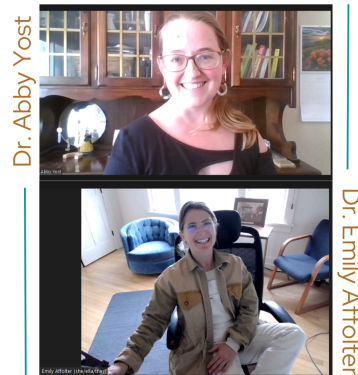
Kurt was featured in a recent podcast with the Adventure Journal discussing his "dream gig,"

founding Bikepacking Roots, an organization dedicated to getting folks outside and having fun. Click [here](#) to read more.

### Prescott College Faculty Members Recent Publication

Dr. Abby Yost and Dr. Emily Affolter recently co-published an article in the Oxford Review of Education that describes how we dialogically and continuously learn each other's educational values, positionalities, and experiences to develop a decolonial teaching praxis that they enact at Prescott College. Click [here](#) to see it for yourself. Congratulations.

### Prescott College Congratulations!



### Two of Prescott College's MSFS Faculty Members Selected for First Cohort of Food Systems Leadership Training

Dr. Lisa Trocchia and Dr. Kristen Sbrogna will be part of the first cohort in this 6-module program from early May until mid-July of this year with Conscious Food Systems Alliance, an initiative of the United Nations Development Project, in collaboration with the Inner Green Deal. The training is intended to help participants cultivate the inner capacities needed to sustain and deepen the impact of their work on food systems transformation. Congratulations, Lisa and Kristen. For more information about CoFSA, click [here](#).

## Prescott College Centers

(the following links are stories, social media posts, or webpages that relate to the happenings at each center)



Click either center above to view their content.

## Alumni and Prescott College Events



## Past Events:

**Teach-In on Palestine & Israel:** Congratulations to the dedicated team of students, faculty, staff, and colleagues who helped and attended the 3-day Teach-In on Palestine and Israel, led by senior Sage Pineda. With over 150 participants, we witnessed our community show up and show out in this courageous act of learning and solidarity. We dove deep into history, personal stories, and systematic analysis over delicious shared meals thanks to cooks Nat Byhre, the Tison family, and the Agroecology class. Click [here](#) to watch the recordings of the teach-in.

**Flagstaff Alumni Gathering:** Thank you to everyone who attended and Brad Dimock '75 for letting us use your beautiful home to connect with our alumni on April 5. It was full of surprises and reunions as so many people got to see others that they hadn't seen in a while.

**Tucson Alumni Gathering:** Thank you to all our amazing alums who joined Julie Munro '85 and the Center of Nature and Place in Tucson for a nice get-together on April 17. It was a beautiful time to catch up with everyone and enjoy that Tucson weather.



## Upcoming Events:

**May 2 at 4:30 PM:** Join us for the First Inaugural Art Show of the Cicada Gallery, featuring an afternoon of art, discussion, our specialty mocktail, "The Cicada," and to celebrate Tony Brown's birthday. Students, Staff, Faculty, Alumni, and Friends are all welcome. The gallery will be open all month so people can experience the amazing art of artists like Jan Marshall, Walt Anderson, Roger Asay / Rebecca Davis, and Tony Brown from our community. Click [here](#) to RSVP.

**May 8-10:** Ph.D. Colloquium and Alumni Gathering on campus, Prescott, AZ. RSVP [here](#).

**May 11:** Graduation at Prescott College

**May 22 at 5:00 PM (AZ Time):** Impact Careers Series is hosting an Environmental and Sustainability Careers Information Session. Click [here](#) to learn more and to register for the event.

**May 29 at 7:00 PM (AZ Time):** Impact Careers Series is hosting an Environmental and Sustainability Career Panel. Click [here](#) to learn more and to register for the event.

**June 7-9:** Board Meeting; open to the community (zoom availability soon)

**June 14-17:** Alumni River Trip: San Juan; click [here](#) to learn more.

**July 11:** Alumni Gathering at The Barn, 171 East Main Ave, Sisters, OR, 97759, from 5 PM to 8 PM, hosted by Julie Munro and Danny St. Lawrence; RSVP [here](#).

**July 26- August 2:** Maasailand Alumni Reunion; click [here](#) to learn more.

Others have mentioned wanting to have events in their hometowns, and we would love to help you promote those activities to alumni in your area and through our website. Please reach out to [Jane Ratzlaff](#) to start the process.



Cicada Gallery Inaugural Art Show  
May 2nd, 2024

*The NATURE of ART*  
From Abstract To Figurative



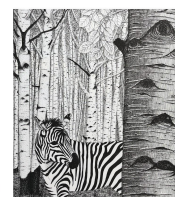
Jan Marshall



Roger Asay / Rebecca Davis

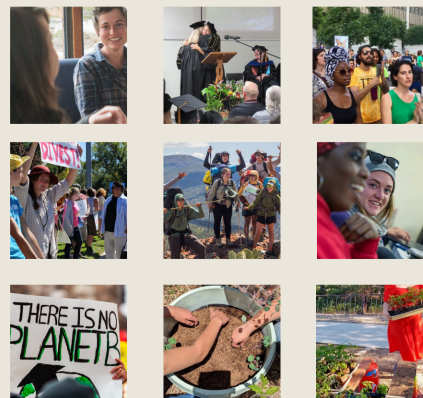


Walt Anderson



Tony Brown

### Impact Career Series



### Prescott College Advancement and Alumni Office

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