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NEWSLETTER FOR ALUMNI
& FRIENDS



Dear reader,

Graduation was an emotional experience. Comments about the impact, hopes, dreams, and gratitude were heard throughout the day. Welcome to our new alumni. You have stepped into a tremendous community of impact-makers and people there to help you.

I have been asked a couple of times about reunions this summer. We are not formally planning any until our 60th in 2026, yet I hear that there may be some informal ones taking place. I am happy to help facilitate bringing those to campus and getting the word out. So, if you are planning something, please reach out. We love to bring alumni to campus.

Lastly, a huge thank you to those who helped us meet the matching challenge spearheaded by Tom Barry.

I am beyond grateful to each of you!

Happy Trails,

Jane Ratzlaff and The Advancement and Alumni Relations Team



Giving Back Wisely

One Prescott College supporter, Betsy Bolding, stated why she started her legacy: "Prescott College is among the handful of organizations in my will because it embodies a number of my 'loves' over the years: Liberal Arts education, concerns about the future of our planet, and social justice."

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.

Create my free will and legacy

The resource above makes it simple and cost-free to create a will and include Prescott College in your plans. As we celebrate our graduates this spring, grow your impact to ensure even more students can unlock their potential.



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Cycling at Prescott College

We are super excited to share a project in which we seek donations to launch a cycling club. This great activity will be a great way to attract additional students and embody the active spirit of our College!

Prescott College would be in the [Southwest Cycling Conference](#), allowing incoming students to participate in nationally sanctioned collegiate events through the [USA Cycling](#) organization.



Our goal is to raise \$30,000 toward a coach, equipment, and uniforms to kick off this program. For more information, contact [Jane Ratzlaff](#).

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.

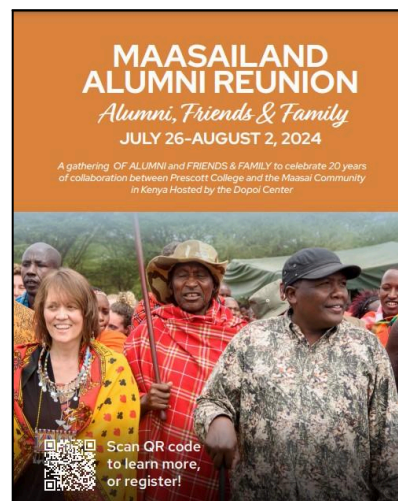
All Inclusive
San Juan River Trip
Immerse yourself in the Southwest with PC Alum as we raft, hike, share stories and cocktails on the beach.

Register by April 1st to get the Early Bird Special \$825*
*Taxes to Prescott to 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
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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!

There are a couple of spots left, so act now. This rafting trip is this month. Scan the QR Code or click on the image to [register now](#).

This is an excellent group; click [here](#) to participate virtually.

Job Opportunities

Prescott College Job Opportunitites

We have two advancement positions available for immediate hire. Consider joining our team as an alumni relations director or development officer. Email Susan.Krause@prescott.edu or Jane.ratzlaff@prescott.edu for more information.

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.

Alumni Relations Director: This position is responsible for establishing and nurturing relationships with alumni across different regions, ensuring their engagement with the college through various activities and communications. This includes managing newsletters, social media, and the alumni

website and organizing events like reunions and new graduate engagement initiatives. Click [here](#) to apply and learn more.

Wilderness Watch Job Opportunity

Wilderness Watch is seeking a part-time **Administrative Assistant** to work in our national office in beautiful Missoula, Montana. The position is 20 hours per week but has the potential to become full-time. Compensation is \$20-25 per hour, depending on experience, and includes medical benefits and paid leave. Learn more [here](#).



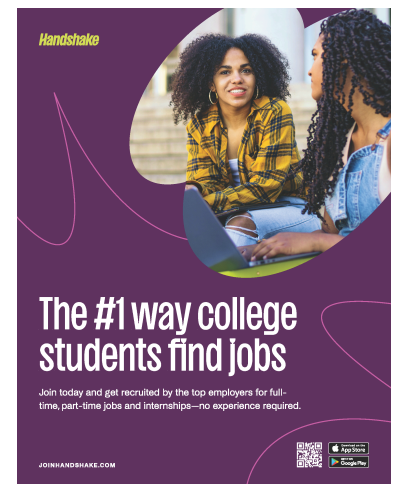
The Nature Conservancy - Arizona (via an [Instagram post](#))

The Nature Conservancy is hiring a **Land and Water Protection Manager** who will work in Southern Arizona to initiate and complete property acquisitions, conservation easement acquisitions, and transfers and assist in priority areas. They will also work with strategic partners, perform ongoing project management/monitoring for current TNC land interests, and develop funding for project implementation, among other responsibilities. For more information, click [here](#) and search for job ID #55105.

Handshake Opportunity for Alumni

Handshake is a useful online recruiting platform for higher education students and alumni, widely used by college career centers across the country. This resource is now available to our alumni, greatly expanding the number of external job and internship opportunities they have immediate access to.

All you have to do is log in with your basic academic information, such as your Prescott College email and graduation year, and other information will be pre-loaded into the platform for you. If you want to learn more about Handshake, please check out their [website](#). You can also watch this promotional [video](#) if interested. Please reach out to me if you have any questions.



Class Notes

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

Corinne Masur '74

Corinne is still working as a clinical psychologist and psychoanalyst, enjoying the outdoors and staying in touch with various friends from PC. This summer, her new book, "How Children Grieve," will be released on July 9, 2024, but it is available for pre-order [here!](#)

Eliot Treichel '97

Eliot is hosting a virtual writing workshop, "Cross Genre Creative Writing Workshop," from July 8 through 14. Read more, sign up for the workshop, or explore other summer Fishtrap activities [here!](#)

Allison Field Bell '10

Allison's poem, "Weight of Water," was recently published in The Florida Review Aquifer. Read it [here!](#)

Sarah Platenius '00

Sarah's literary work, poetry, will appear in an upcoming North Americans Review. Congratulations!

Lydia Paar Leavy '07

Lydia is publishing a collection of essays from the University of Georgia Press about "lyrical snapshots of friendship, violence, love, and lounging in working-class America." The essays are available for pre-order [here](#).

Rachel Yoder ('01)

Rachel's novel, "Nightbitch," is being adapted for the screen by Marielle Heller and starring Amy Adams. It will be in theaters in October. Stay tuned for a special screening at Prescott College as well. See the Facebook post [here](#).

Titiana Shostak-Kinker '99 & '12

Titiana invites you to a Sedona Women's Retreat that she's co-facilitating with her friend, Jen Wyatt, in August. Click [here](#) for more information.

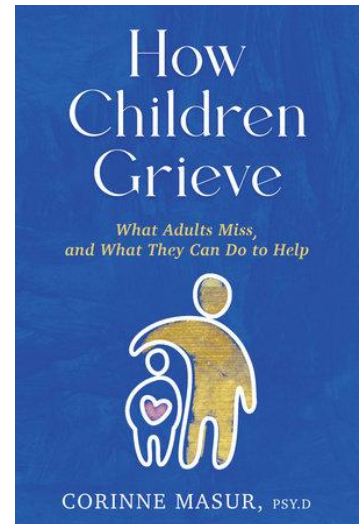
In Memorium

Kate Anne Herrod

Kate Anne Herrod peacefully passed away in her home in Fort Collins, CO, on Sunday, March 19, 2023. Read more [here](#).

Susan Jenkins nee Arnold

Susan Jenkins nee Arnold passed away unexpectedly on Saturday, April 13, 2024. Read more [here](#).



Faculty & Staff News

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

Prescott College Emeritus Faculty Member Tom Fleischner

Tom Fleischner, Faculty Emeritus and Director Emeritus of the Natural History Institute, has been actively involved in writing and public speaking for the past few years. He has worked with several colleagues, including emeritus faculty Lisa Floyd-Hanna and David Hanna, to highlight the ecological uniqueness and importance of the Mogollon Highlands Ecoregion. Two papers have come out recently: "[An Ecoregional Conservation Assessment for Forests and Woodlands of the Mogollon Highlands Ecoregion, Northcentral Arizona and Southwestern New Mexico, USA](#)," (DellaSala et al. 2023, *Land* 12(12)) and "[The Mogollon Highlands Ecoregion of the American Southwest: A Neglected Center of Ecological Diversity](#)," (Fleischner et al. 2024, *Natural Areas Journal* 44(2): 104-119). Tom also has a chapter, "Revealing and Reveling in the Story of Nature," in the new book (published in honor of biologist Harry Greene), *Heart of the Wild: Essays on Nature, Ecology, and the Human Future*, edited by Ben Minteer and Jonathan Losos, coming out this summer from Princeton University Press. Tom has also given several talks: "Natural History as a Practice of Conservation and Connection" to a training school in Chilika, India, hosted by the IUCN Species Survival Commission (Freshwater Conservation Committee), Future for Nature Academy, and The Fishing Cat Project; "Why Natural History Matters" at the NAU School of Earth and Sustainability; "Natural History, Reciprocal Healing and a Sense of Kinship" at the Natural History Institute; and "Natural History, Loving the World, and Achieving Sustainability" as part of a panel discussion, "Knowing and Protecting Life on Earth Begins With Natural History and Science Innovation" at the United Nations Science Summit. So many amazing happenings. Thank you for sharing with our community, Tom!

Prescott College M.S. in Counseling Faculty Member Audrey Milburn, PsyD, LMFT

Prescott College M.S. in Counseling faculty member Audrey Milburn, PsyD, LMFT, provided insightful advice for an article in Parents, "Best Miscarriage Gifts for a Loved One After Their Pregnancy Loss." Dr. Millburn's areas of experience and research are depression, anxiety, acculturation issues, burnout, grief and loss, traumatic brain injury, fertility issues, early childhood, attachment and family of origin issues, relationship issues, emotional regulation, and adjustment difficulties. Read the article [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:

Arbor Day Event: Another wonderful Arbor Day celebration (2024) at Prescott College campus where students and a lot of community members, joined by some faculty and staff, helped to restore the approximately 1/4 mile of Butte Creek that runs through the center of campus. Organized by Prescott College's Butte Creek Restoration Council, Tree Campus USA, the Sustainability Council, and Facilities Management (supported by a generous private donation), we put words into action by planting 30 native riparian plants (e.g., Fremont Cottonwood, Gambel's Oak, Arizona Wood Rose, Arizona Velvet Ash, Netleaf Hackberry, Current and Sumac). We also removed approximately 250 invasive Siberian Elm. Read more about how this event went and find more information about the Butte Creek Restoration Council riparian restoration project [here](#).



First Inaugural Art Show of the Cicada Gallery: Thank you to everyone who attended the Cicada Gallery's First Inaugural Art Show and the fantastic artists Jan Marshall, Walt Anderson, Roger Asay / Rebecca Davis, and Tony Brown, who shared their art with our community!



16th Annual Sustainability Education Ph.D. Symposium: Thank you to all the incredible scholars, faculty, staff, and friends who made this event possible. Also, thank you to all who attended and got to experience Prescott College in person. Congratulations to those who graduated the following weekend. It is always a pleasure to have this time for all of us to come together and share what you've all been tirelessly working on.

Graduation: Our 2024 Graduates celebrated their successes with friends and family at an outdoor ceremony on campus this past May 11, 2024. Congratulations to everyone who graduated; we are so excited to have you as a part of our alumni community now and hope to continue sharing the amazing happenings you all venture onto. Thank you to Prescott College alum Kathy Cronkite for being our guest speaker at this year's ceremony and sharing wisdom and positivity with our grads.



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Upcoming Events:

June is Pride Month: We support and love our LGBTQIA+ community at Prescott College. We are excited and honored to be a part of your efforts toward the freedom of love and unity. Now more than ever, supporting the LGBTQIA+ community by engaging in allyship is necessary.

June 7-9: Board Meeting; open to the community (Zoom availability [here](#))

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

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


PRIDE

Pride extends beyond the celebration of identity; it emerges as a potent movement embodying love, acceptance, and equality for all. It serves as a reminder to confidently embrace our true selves, encouraging others to follow suit.

Prescott College is a proud ally of the LGBTQIA+ community!

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

October 4: Board Meeting and Ribbon Cutting for the One Stop Center and Healing Gardens at **Prescott College**. More information is coming soon.

November 13-17: Friends and Family Trip to **Kino Bay**. For more information, contact [Ana Martinez](#).

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.

Prescott College Advancement and Alumni Office

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