

# Prescott Creekside E-News

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Hello Friend,

Late arriving monsoon moisture has led to welcome, but problematic in some places, rains. These seasonal deluges make for some stunning scenes; all part of the many faces of Prescott. They also bring home the case for infrastructure and landscape design practices that manage and slow runoff, reducing pollutants carried by these flows reaching our waterways.

The rains, though, are restoring groundwater and some flow to our creeks, greening up our gardens and wild places, and bringing relief to drought-stressed wildlife. Get out and enjoy the changing skies and landscape.



## Prescott Creeks CREW

Our twice-a-month volunteer activities are growing in popularity and in results. So popular, in fact, we've given our 1st and 3rd Thursday morning events a name: Prescott Creeks CREW-Conservation, Restoration, and Education in our Watershed. Each morning will include orientation to our restoration work and volunteer project activities ranging from invasive vegetation management and planting, to stream bank stabilization and trail and interpretive sign maintenance.

Join us. Bring your family and friends. Meet new friends who share an appreciation for our creeks and natural places. More information and sign-



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## Upcoming Events

[Citizens Water Advisory Group Candidate Forum-Water Issues](#); August 6, 10:00AM-12:00PM

[Jay's Bird Barn Bird Walk-Granite Basin](#); August 11, 7:00-11:00AM

[CREW Volunteer Project-Aspen Creek](#); August 18, 8:00-11:00AM

[Family Story Time](#)-Prescott Public Library; August 20, 10:00-11:30AM

[Restored Urban Wetlands-Green Infrastructure Tour](#); August 21, 1:00-3:00PM

[Highlands Nature Festival](#); September 2-4 (Including Prescott Creeks-led Urban Creeks Walk September 3)

## Fall BBQ Celebration!

**Mark your calendars-Prescott Creeks will be celebrating our creeks and wild places with a Fall Barbecue Saturday, September 24.** Our 2015 25th Anniversary barbecue event drew a good crowd for an afternoon with friends and fellow Creeks supporters, good food, and opportunities to learn more about the flora and fauna of adjacent Watson Woods. We're doing it again, and you're invited! Watch our [website](#) and [Facebook page](#) for more details ahead.

Check the [Prescott Creeks Calendar](#) for updates on upcoming events, follow us on [Twitter](#), and 'Like' our [Facebook](#) page to keep up on the goings on here at Prescott Creeks!

up on our [Events feature on our website](#).



### Urban Wetlands Tour Scheduled

With the rains, our restoration project sites at Watson Woods Riparian Preserve, Whipple Basin, and the Prescott Adult Center are greening up and offering a good glimpse of how these landscape design models work to improve water quality in the area. The native wetlands vegetation, both voluntary and planted, have taken hold and are making for unique habitat right in the heart of the city.

Our tours focus on different creeks and riparian areas, and different Prescott Creeks restoration project sites, each month. Join us Sunday, August 21, for a tour of our restored urban wetlands and green infrastructure sites in the Prescott community. More information and sign-up [on our website](#).



### Thanks to All-Silent Auction a Success!

Thanks to all the volunteers, contributors, and those of you who bid on Tilted Earth Silent Auction items. This year's silent and online auction helped raise over \$16,000 for kids and the environment in Yavapai County!

### Business Supporter Highlight



We would like to thank [Country Bank](#) for their ongoing support of Prescott Creeks and its outreach activities and events. [Country Bank](#) is a full service bank that takes pride in its connections to the community, local decision making, and friendly "can-do" approach to serving all its clients. A generous supporter of Prescott Creeks events such as the annual Granite Creek Cleanup, [Country Bank](#) understands the importance of building awareness and appreciation for the local waterways and natural places that add so much to our quality of life, and quality of place.

[Our business and community supporters](#) recognize how our local businesses, community organizations, and our waterways and natural areas are part of dynamic, thriving communities and healthy local economies. Please make sure to thank them for their support of healthy watersheds and clean waters.

As Prescott Creeks restores and preserves our waterways and surrounding natural areas and builds awareness for the value they bring to our community, please take a moment and become a supporting partner in our work. [Visit our website](#) to find information on [becoming a member](#), [making a donation](#), or [volunteering](#) on any number of projects.



Prescott Creeks is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization with a mission to achieve healthy watersheds and clean waters in central Arizona for the benefit of people and wildlife through protection, restoration, education and advocacy.

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