

# Prescott Creekside E-News

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Hello Friend,

Well, we finally had to turn on the air conditioning in the office last week. With the unusually cool and wet spring, we were wondering if summer would ever arrive. Some of the benefit the watershed as seen for the winter and spring precipitation is continuous flow in the creeks since at least late fall. And there is a tremendous spurt of green (and other colors if you look closely) happening out there. The watershed seems happy.



Doubting mariposa lily (*Calochortus ambiguus*)

## Tilted Earth

The Tilted Earth Festival is coming to Page Springs Cellars in Cornville, AZ on June 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2019. Prescott Creeks, Friends of the Verde River, and Yavapai Big Brothers Big Sisters are working together again to host a [Silent Auction](#) on the vineyard's river-deck during the event. Our goal this year is to raise \$20,000 to support Kids and the Environment in Yavapai County. We are still seeking donations for the Tilted Earth Silent Auction; if you would like to make a donation, please contact [Donations@Tilted-Earth.com](mailto:Donations@Tilted-Earth.com) or download a [Donation Packet](#).



## Invasive Species Removal

[Managing invasive vegetation](#) in Watson Woods Riparian Preserve and other restored riparian areas in our community is an important and ongoing activity. Invasive, non-native vegetation threatens natural diversity. Without vigilance species such as Siberian elm, Scotch thistle, common teasel, Dalmatian toadflax, salt cedar, and others could overtake desired native vegetation in the Preserve.



Volunteer crews will be in the field this summer working to avoid the scene in this image above. Scheduled dates are: Thursday June 13, *Friday* June 21, Thursdays from June 27 through August 15. Work will be from 8 AM until the group has had enough (usually about two hours).

If you'd like to volunteer, [contact Prescott Creeks](#) to get on the mailing list with details (and possible date or time changes).

## Businesses Supporter Spotlight

[Page Springs Cellars](#) (PSC) creates wines that express the character of the Arizona landscape. From grape to bottle, their process is imbued with their belief that growing grapes, making wine,



A few volunteer slots are open for the [Festival](#) and for the [Silent Auction](#). Please click the links above to volunteer.

### **Watson Woods Preserve & Partners**

Would you believe it if I told you that [Watson Woods Riparian Preserve](#) was turning 24 this summer? It is. The City of Prescott Mayor and Council approved the renewable management lease creating the Preserve on July 27<sup>th</sup>, 1995. This lease, in effect, created a partnership between Prescott Creeks and the City which has spanned nearly two and a half decades and improved community assets by bringing other partners on board. Two notable partners over the years have included the Arizona Water Protection Fund Commission and the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality. They each provided technical expertise and funding for [restoration activities](#) in the Preserve. Community volunteers have also been an instrumental partner over the volunteers. Any success Prescott Creeks has had can only be claimed on behalf of the thousands of hours donated by dedicated community members. We couldn't do it without them! Thank you.



Prescott Creeks and the City of Prescott are looking to the future of Watson Woods Riparian Preserve with lease renewal, new partners, and plans for continued ecological improvements. If you'd like to be part of the process as a volunteer in the [field](#), as a member of the Prescott Creeks [Board of Directors](#), or helping out in the [office](#), please click one or more of the links above.

and raising a glass cultivates friendships and unites communities. They are a family and all are welcome. "Come, sip with us."



## **PAGE SPRINGS CELLARS**

TRUST YOUR PALATE

Eric Glomski, Owner and Director of Winegrowing at Page Springs Cellars, has a deep connection with creeks. Not only is the PSC estate vineyard on the banks of Oak Creek, Eric has explored countless of Arizona's creeks and rivers and he served in a leadership capacity for Prescott Creeks for the better part of a decade. Page Springs Cellars has been a stalwart supporter of Prescott Creeks for almost two decades!

### **Support Creeks in many ways:**



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You can make a difference by contributing in one of the ways above. Please visit [www.PrescottCreeks.org](http://www.PrescottCreeks.org) for more info.



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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