



Carefree Fine Arts and Wine Festival is January 20 - 22 -Painting -Five Bright Horses- by Terry Meyer



Read -The Importance of Volunteering- by Emily Cheang

## January Update - A Click Away!

### NEW FEATURES, EVENTS, NEWSLETTERS

Dear Les,

In this issue, Laurel Strohmeyer continues her remarkable series about a family of WILD horses that she encountered and has bonded with. Don't miss "Arizona Wild Beauty: Patch's First Steps Video."

This *Peak* is packed with information about upcoming events and activities, including art festivals, concerts, adult classes, car auctions, recreational opportunities, and more. You'll find a hefty calendar of events, the most recent newsletters of many local organizations, and articles about the upcoming Phoenix Open, and Scottsdale events honoring the Cactus League and baseball greats.

Do you know what a diverging diamond is? Find out in *The Peak*. You'll also find an excellent article on the importance of volunteering. It was contributed by a 5th grade student. She's proved that



Cactus League Stars Honored in  
Scottsdale

you cannot start volunteering too soon.

It's unfortunate but the war of words over the proposed Desert Discovery Center continues. DDC-Scottsdale has warned its supporters and the media to beware of "fake" and misleading news and information. You'll find that warning in this issue of *The Peak*. You will also find comments from those who disagree with the warning.

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## COMMUNITY FUN & LEARNING



Thank You Desert Foothills Scenic Drive Volunteers !

### [Community Events Calendar](#)

- Monthly Event Calendar
- Local Venues
- Press Releases & Articles

### [GPPA-Scenic Drive Events](#)

- February 25 - Friends of the Scenic Drive Roadside Cleanup
- Read Adopt-A-Road Clean & Scenic Newsletter

### [Newsletter Nook - Community Electronic Newsletters](#)

Scottsdale Update Newsletter, Scottsdale P & Z Link Newsletter, Desert Foothills Library Events. Scottsdale Parks & Recreation Update,

Scottsdale Public Library eNewsletter, City of Scottsdale Video Program Guide, Scottsdale Training & Rehabilitation Services (STARS) Newsletter, Tuned In: MIM Newsletter, Scottsdale Center of the Performing Arts Events, ASU Art Museum Newsletter, Scottsdale Economic Development Newsletter, Desert Foothills YMCA Newsletter, FCF Email Update, and more.

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Support our community's quality of life, natural environment, and Scenic Drive. We've been at this since 1977, and we need your help to continue.

EXTRA! Have an event coming up? Something you want to tell the world about? Now members can reach the community with free event listings and articles, AND gain recognition for contributing to the community. Join online.

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*Offer Expires 12/31/2016. .*

**VOLUNTEER!**



**SAT., FEB. 25 8-10 A.M.**

## **Scottsdale Scenic Drive Roadside Cleanup**

Volunteer and you might find discarded treasure, like this somewhat used TV set. It was discovered by volunteer John Rodwick during our last cleanup. John didn't need another TV and doubted that passing motorists had an interest in watching it, so he placed the TV with the bags of litter he had filled so the trash could be easily picked up by the city.

Friends of the Scenic Drive - GPPA volunteers have supported Scottsdale's Keep Scottsdale Beautiful initiatives for more than 20 years. *The Peak* has publicized the initiative since 1983. We gain a sense of pride and accomplishment by performing this essential community service. You can too. New volunteers are needed and welcome.

**FOR MORE INFORMATION**



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GPPA hopes that you found this issue of *The Peak* useful and informative. Please do not hesitate to contact us with your comments and suggestions.

Sincerely,

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