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\$314,900 To \$750,000	\$280,000 To \$649,900	\$201,000 to 725,000	\$303,500 (97%)	2/01/2024 41	Brookside Gardens 2/2	Casita	Regency 1,001 1-Car Garage	No (6642924)
Active 43	Last Month 26	YTD 2024 26	\$424,440 (100%)	2/12/2024 26	Windsor Park 2/2	Casita	St. Thomas 1,448 2-Car Garage	View of Golf (6648648)
Year-to-Date 2024 (thru Feb 15) (# Sold & Closed)	Sgl Fam Detached (14)	Condo/ Casita (12)	\$425,000 (100%)	2/12/2024 79	Torrey Pines 2/2	House	Camelback-SqPk 1,713 2-Car Garage	No (6627371)
Highest Sold Price	\$750,000	\$497,000	\$435,000 (96%)	2/07/2024 118	Vista Point 2/2	Casita	St. Thomas 1,448 2-Car Garage	No (6611294)
Average Sold Price	\$518,571	\$378,007	\$600,000 (92%)	2/15/2024 36	Vista Pinnacle 3/2	House	Plaza 2,575 3-Car Garage	Golf & Pool (6648589)
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# March 2024

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*WV Helping Hands are free--volunteer today*



*The very talented Follies cast and crew produced yet another outstanding show*

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## Editor's Message

March in Arizona is such a great time of year. The weather is perfect, spring training begins and there are all sorts of activities happening in our community. Make sure to include some of the fun events that are scheduled in Westbrook this month. Check out the Fine Arts Show on March 9 and 10 (pg. 21). Wear your green and dance like you're Irish at the Baby Boomers dance on March 16th at the Lakes ballroom (pg. 26). Happy St. Patrick's Day and luck of the Irish to you all!

There are several charitable events to take part in this month, including Jami's Walk on March 2nd (pg. 5) and Westbrook Cares Food Drive on March 26 and 27 (pg.17).

The Westbrook Village Veterans Club will be hosting its first ever golf tournament on April 27. Sign up now and support our local veterans! Speaking of Veterans, one of our most distinguished WWII Veterans, Norman Palmer, is honored for being awarded a Congressional Gold Medal for his service in the Merchant Marines (pg. 8).

We lost another distinguished Veteran, W.E. (Bill) Sandvig this past January. Bill played a key role in founding the WV Posse



Lori Reiland

and dedicated over 20,000 volunteer hours to make this community safe (pg17). The Westbrook Posse continues to thrive today, with Rick Megisson being sworn in as 2024 Posse Commander (pg.16). The Posse is grateful for the support of the residents to keep it going.

The 2024 WV Association Annual Meeting will be held at The Lakes Ballroom on March 20 at 6 pm. Don't forget to vote for your WV Board of Directors and show some support to your volunteer leaders!

*Now I will leave you with an Irish Blessing:*

*"May your home be filled with laughter, may your pockets be filled with gold, and may you have all the happiness your Irish heart can hold."*

Easter Blessings to all,

*Lori*



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BESTSELLERS

# WV BESTSELLER BOOKSHELF

by Sandra W. Evans

Happy St. Patrick's Day

BESTSELLER NON-FICTION

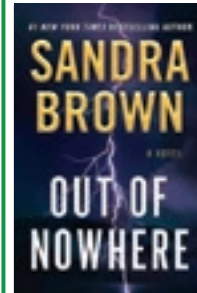


BESTSELLER FICTION



**In his New York Times Bestseller,** Henry Winkler shares the story of the effects of stardom and his struggles along the way. When Henry had his Happy Days audition, he opened his mouth and a voice came out; the "Fonz" was born. With his Happy Days fame, he began to get movie roles-Heroes, Night Shift and Water Boy-and other TV roles-Arrested Development, Parks and Recreation and Barry-endearing himself to a whole new generation. **Henry Winkler, the beloved "Fonz", shares his story and his path to finding fulfillment within himself.**

## THE "FONZ" WITH THE "HAPPY DAYS" CAST



**In her New York Times bestseller,** Sandra Brown's new fast-paced thriller is about a mass shooting at a county fair where the destinies of two strangers collide. Elle Portman has taken her young son to his first fair when the unthinkable happens and it is Calder Hudson who grabs the child's stroller as it rolls by him. Both Calder and the child are hit by the same sniper bullet that starts a chain of events involving Elle and Calder including a chance encounter at the police station. **Elle and Calder are both determined to get justice leading to a growing attraction!**



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# INSPIRATIONAL CORNER:

## Empty Tomb Celebration!

Buddha's remains are still in the grave. Mohammed's remains are still in the grave. Because Jesus was the first born from the dead, he has no earthly remains. If Jesus were still in the tomb, He would be no different than philosophers who perished long ago.

John 20 tells the account of "doubting" Thomas, following Jesus' resurrection from the dead:

"One of the disciples, Thomas said, 'Unless I see the nail marks in his hands and put my finger where the nails were, and put my hand into his side, I will not believe.'

A week later his disciples were in the house again, and Thomas was with them. Though the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, 'Peace be with you!' Then he said to Thomas, 'Put your finger here; see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it into my side. Stop doubting and believe.'

Thomas said to him, 'My Lord and my God!'

Then Jesus told him, 'Because you have seen me, you have believed; blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed.'"

- Jesus is called "the last Adam," because "death came through a man [Adam], [so] the resurrection of the dead comes also through a man" (1 Corinthians 15:21).
- "Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In His great mercy He has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead!" (1 Peter 1:3).

**Happy Resurrection Day! (March 31, 2024)**



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# WV VETERAN TREASURE



Norman Palmer has lived at WV for the past 30 years

From his WV home, Norman talks about his service to our country in the Merchant Marines. "Roosevelt described it as the 5th arm of service, and there were 250,000 of us during WWII," he recalls, adding, "The Merchant Marines were also known to have the highest rate of casualties."

After a year of college and at the age of 17, Norman was eager to serve on the open sea, and no other branch could afford that duty except for the Merchant Marines. "I was denied ship service by the Navy, as I wore glasses, and so was told I'd have to become a radio man instead," Norman explains. "I left Syracuse for Buffalo, where the MM accepted my application."

His first orders were to report to Sheepshead Bay Maritime Training Center, where he learned trades such as engineering propulsion, deck crew maintenance, ship handling skills, cargo

boom operations, and more. Over the following months, Norman served on numerous ships in both the Atlantic and Mediterranean Oceans, docking at ports in North Africa, Italy, Spain, and France. Some of the ships included Army transport ships, troop ships, and Army hospital ships.

"What was also unique about life as a Merchant Marine was that we were not paid on a consistent basis. We signed a contract each time we boarded a ship and that is when the pay started; our pay ended once we docked again," says Norman.

Norman was awarded a Congressional Gold Medal for his service in the Merchant Marines. He notes, "There are only 400 or so of these medals awarded since the time of George Washington," so it is a singular distinction to have been awarded with. He was also recently received the Norwegian Cup Medal honoring his service in WWII.

***We honor you, Norman Palmer, and thank you  
for your service to our country!***



Above: Norm Palmer in 1945  
Below: The Congressional Gold Medal awarded to Norman

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# Crossword Puzzle #78

## ACROSS

- 1 Skylab org.  
5 Lively dance  
10 Norse under-world dog  
14 Is under the weather  
15 Rolled sandwiches  
16 Here, in Honduras  
17 Financial document  
19 Phoenix team  
20 Also  
21 Step over the line?  
23 Confidence  
25 Christmas drink  
28 Give a Valium to, e.g.  
31 Miracle response  
32 "The \_\_\_ of Kilimanjaro"  
35 Meryl's "Silkwood" role  
36 Happy as a \_\_\_  
38 Cary's "To Catch a Thief" co-star  
40 Fluff  
41 Part of BLM  
43 Scent  
45 Hide-hair link  
46 Rouse  
48 Like Tabasco sauce  
50 2004 Tom Cruise flick  
53 One of a hockey pair  
55 Abase oneself  
59 Use a stopwatch  
60 Savvy, in a way



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- 62 "Misery" actor James  
63 Trowel wielder  
64 "Baseball Tonight" channel  
65 Improve  
66 "\_\_\_ we all?"  
67 Calendar units  
9 Portfolio listings  
10 The "it" in "Step on it"  
11 Greenish-blue  
12 Baseball stat  
13 Fail to notice  
18 They're entered in court  
22 Pursue  
24 Fauna partner  
25 Wailing and Berlin  
26 Hang around for  
27 Male in the armed forces  
29 Saxophone range  
30 Diary note  
33 Tolstoy title word  
34 Sniper's aid  
37 Lantern liquid  
39 Newly arising  
42 Be a poor loser  
44 Not together  
47 HDTV choice  
49 Cleared of snow  
51 Perfume  
52 Brief and to the point  
53 Longing  
54 Italian farewell  
56 Traveler's document  
57 Catch sight of  
58 Microscope piece  
61 Period of time

## DOWN

- 1 Vintners' valley  
2 Puts on TV  
3 Snaillike  
4 Gauge  
5 Sign of an injury  
6 Rainbow shape  
7 Coffee bar serving  
8 San Antonio team

# MARCH 2024 WVA Meetings

**ALL MEETINGS NOW BEGIN AT 9:00AM**

\*No March Board Meeting due to WVA Annual Meeting on Wednesday, March 20 at 6:00pm at the Lakes Ballroom\*

Friday, March 8 **FALC**  
**Cornerstone Committee Meeting**

Tuesday, March 12 **FALC**  
**Recreation Committee Meeting**

Wednesday, March 13 **FALC**  
**Landscape and Facilities Meeting**

Tuesday, March 19 **FALC**  
**Architectural Control Meeting**

Wednesday, March 20 **CANCELLED**  
**Long Range Planning Committee**

Wednesday, March 27 **Admin. Building Ways and Means Meeting**

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## HOW TO SOLVE:

Each row must contain the numbers 1 to 9;  
each column must contain the numbers 1 to 9;  
and each set of 3 by 3 boxes must contain the numbers 1 to 9.


Solution to last month's puzzle to the right →

## Solution to previous puzzle:



9	3	8	4	6	5	2	7	1
7	6	1	9	3	2	4	5	8
2	4	5	7	1	8	3	9	6
5	2	4	3	7	6	8	1	9
1	8	3	2	5	9	7	6	4
6	9	7	8	4	1	5	3	2
8	7	9	1	2	3	6	4	5
4	1	6	5	8	7	9	2	3
3	5	2	6	9	4	1	8	7

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- What is the outlook for the stock market in 2024?
- Are bonds a safe place to be in 2024?
- Where is residential and commercial real estate heading?
- What happens when the United States replaces the dollar with a digital currency?
- Why are central banks and so many people buying physical gold and silver?
- How safe are the banks right now?
- How will a person spend their gold and silver when they need it?

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# City of Peoria Update:

## Mayor Jason Beck

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*Mayor Jason Beck*



Peoria spring training season is officially underway. Each year, Peoria's Sports Complex hosts tens of thousands of residents and visitors. P83 and the surrounding area is equipped with amazing restaurants, shops, and other amenities, with Postino's, North Italia, Blanco, and more exciting additions still to come.

Among the City Council's top priorities is growing economic development across Peoria. The Peoria Sports Complex is one of many tools we have to support this initiative. The month of Spring Training is one of the highest sales tax generating months for Peoria, second only to the winter holiday-shopping season. Driving revenues means more opportunities to support public safety and accommodate future growth.

Above all else, the Peoria Sports Complex also allows residents

and visitors to gather as one community. Each year, our sports complex is home to a variety of incredible community-centered events. Annually, Peoria proudly hosts our city-sponsored Easter Egg Hunt, our All-American 4th of July Festival, a family-friendly Halloween, and much more.

As a city, we pride ourselves on making Peoria a place that everyone can enjoy. I am proud of our focus on city events and if you haven't yet, I invite you to attend, enjoy, and meet members of our community and city staff. For information on all things upcoming, please reference [peoriaaz.gov/events](https://peoriaaz.gov/events).

As Mayor, I remain committed to growing economic development and driving future revenue across our city. To assist in creating a premier destination for future growth, Peoria's Council will continue to support public safety and smart, sustainable planning for our water future. As a safe city with a secure water future, Peoria continues to be a place where residents and businesses thrive.

As always, I am grateful for the trust you have placed in me as your Mayor. I look forward to continuing to work with Peoria's incredible city staff to serve our existing residents and welcome new residents in the future.

Mayor Jason Beck





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# Cooking at WV with Chuy and Jan!

## Nordstrom Tomato Basil Soup (Small batch)

Years ago, I worked at Nordstrom. This soup was one of my favorites! These cool days make this a perfect soup for lunch or dinner. And, this is a small-batch recipe that is easy to prepare.

### INGREDIENTS:

- 6 tablespoons olive oil
- 4 large carrots, peeled and diced
- 1 large onion, sliced
- 1 tablespoon dried basil, crushed
- 3 (28 ounce) cans whole peeled plum tomatoes (84 ounces total)
- 1 quart chicken stock
- 1 pint heavy cream
- Salt and pepper

### DIRECTIONS:

1. In a large, heavy saucepan, heat the olive oil over medium-high heat until shimmering.
2. Add carrot and onion and cook until beginning to soften, 10 minutes, then add basil and cook until vegetables are completely soft, about 5 minutes more.
3. Add tomatoes and broth, bring to a boil, then reduce heat and simmer for 30 to 45 minutes.
4. Allow the soup to cool somewhat, then

purée until smooth in a blender or an immersion blender.

5. Strain the purée before returning it to the pot for a smoother texture.
6. Add cream little by little over low heat until the desired texture is reached. *Do not boil it!*
7. Season to taste with salt and pepper, and serve warm.

Serve with crusty French bread or Crostini's.



## Lapidary and Beading Club News

with Mary Doucette

The room is full; the sounds vary from quiet to chatter-filled and are often filled with laughter.

That is the beading group at open beading many days and at classes on Wednesday. January has found us doing many things: Bracelets, earrings, and if you remember doing "Shrinky Dinks" with your children back in the 70's, you might be surprised that this process is now used in producing beautiful, personally created pieces of jewelry. The group was a bit hesitant at first, but once they created one thing and were inspired by the things

made by others, there was no stopping them. (See photos here of items made in an afternoon of fun).

If you have an interest in beading or lapidary activities, think about joining us. If you are thinking "I couldn't do that," think again. There are wonderful designs and patterns that you can learn to make in the group. Check out the lovely things in the studio window, all made by our members. The group is very welcoming and supportive to one another. Stop in on a Monday from 10am to 1pm, or Wednesday afternoons at 1pm — Join us!

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One thing I've learned after living in a retirement area for the past 24 years is that WV residents love "Free!" So, now that I have your attention, I'll tell you about Helping Hands, whose services are **Free!**

So many people say to me, "I never knew what Helping Hands did" and many of them are long-time residents. I finally figured out why Helping Hands is invisible: it's not something you want to need. Westbrook Village is a vibrant, active adult community with so many wonderful activities and the focus is on all the fun things to do living here, in addition to professional sports, concerts & theatre, to name a few. As our General Manager, Karen Jones says, "If you're bored, it's your own fault."

But the NEED does arise for some. Mostly what Helping Hands does is take people to appointments (mostly medical). We do grocery shopping and visiting, including respite sitting for caregivers. We do minor handyman chores. We have a lending closet of medical equipment available to any resident without cost (some items have fully refundable deposits).

In just the past few months, three ladies we're helping have expressed that without Helping Hands, they would not have been able to stay in their homes. Some people may need more than we do as volunteers, but we have lots of information on people you can hire for more help. One of the private caregivers we refer to has been helping Westbrook residents for over 20 years and every single person says she is an angel. If we don't do it, we can help you find someone for just about anything you need. We have an amazing group of volunteers willing to help. Call a coordinator with your requests (see below).

The Caregiver Connection in January was an amazing success – a full house, with many from outside of Westbrook attending. One of the most interesting things presented was Palliative Care, offered by Hospice of the West. This FREE program supports patients with education, support and community resources. This program is appropriate for patients with debilitating disease, chronic illness and life-threatening illness, who are not ready for Hospice, but need help navigating their health care among the many doctors they may be seeing. Caregiving is exhausting, and there is no shame in asking for help.

### CALL TO REQUEST HELP

Roz Farnsworth 623-533-8177 | Judy & Bill Reisener 623-572-3017

*"Always remember that you are absolutely **unique**. Just like everyone else." – Margaret Mead, American anthropologist*

**Other helpful numbers:** 24/7 Senior Help Line - 602.264.4357  
Adult Protective Services - 877.767.2385  
Eldercare Locator - 800.677.1116

# Caregivers Support Group

## Important Meeting

### Tuesday, March 12, 2024

1:00pm at the Vistas Rec Center

**All WV Residents are invited to attend**

Are your legal ducks in a row?  
Many people who are currently in a caregiver situation can be caught unprepared.  
Learn *five things* to have lined up just in case.  
Attorney Robert Jeckel will present legal planning for caregivers and their loved ones  
RSVP to Toni at [tstuart513@cox.net](mailto:tstuart513@cox.net) so we have enough chairs set up.  
602-799-0412

# 2024 Posse Commander Sworn In



**Left:** Outgoing Commander Carneiro delivered his grateful address **Above:** Police Chief Intieri congratulates incoming Posse Commander Meggison

**W**estbrook Village had the honor of witnessing the swearing in of Commander Rick Meggison to the Posse on January 18. Peoria Police Chief Thomas Intieri performed the short ceremony. Outgoing Commander Bob Carneiro began the ceremony with grateful remarks to all who supported him throughout his tenure, individually naming so many. WVA General Manager, Karen Jones, emphasized the key role that the Posse plays in keeping this community safe, and how it is also an essential ingredient for making the WV community so special.

Scott Bagger was awarded the prestigious WV Posse Member of the Year for his endless efforts to contribute his vast knowledge and laborious efforts to keeping the Posse vehicles running smoothly. Posse member, Christa Jordan, was awarded the WV Posse Dispatcher of the Year for going above and beyond to keep the Posse dispatch and office operations efficient.

Please continue to support your Posse, as the need for volunteers is always present, and maintaining the vehicles and operations relies solely on your donations.

**Congratulations, Commander Meggison!**



**Above:** Christa Jordan was awarded the WV Posse Dispatcher of the Year **Left:** GM Karen Jones, WVA President Amy Miller, WVA Vice-President Mike Greene, and WVA Secretary Max Allen joined residents to witness the swearing in ceremony.

# ALWAYS REMEMBERED

## - VETERAN TREASURE AND WV POSSE CO-FOUNDER -

W.E. (Bill) Sandvig | June 25, 1927 – January 4, 2024

Born in Minneapolis, Minnesota, Bill Sandvig enlisted in the Navy after high school during the latter part of WWII. He was deployed to the Marshall Islands and worked aboard ships in the South Pacific, including Bikini, until after the attack on Pearl Harbor. Bill was honored to be added to the Arizona Veterans Hall of Fame in 2004.

After returning from military service, he enrolled and graduated from the University of Minnesota, majoring in science, sociology and accounting. While in college, Bill and his high school sweetheart, Norma, rekindled their romance and married in 1949. They had three children: Bill, Steve, and Laurie. After the Vietnam War, Bill and Norma opened their arms to several homeless Vietnamese boys, three of whom are still part of the family today.

Bill's worked for his father's accounting business and successfully owned three Star Bowling and Golf stores in Minnesota. Bill and Norma retired to Arizona, and were one of the first owner residents in Westbrook Village.

Bill had volunteered for the Minneapolis Sheriff's Department, and this background helped him play a key role in founding the WV Posse. He served as both Commander and Duty Sergeant and dedicated over 20,000 volunteer hours to make this community safe.

A Celebration of Life for Bill was held on February 17, 2024 at the Congregational Church of Sun City. The service was posted on the church's Youtube channel, where it can still be found for any who wish to view it.

***We honor your memory, Bill Sandvig, and are grateful to you for all you did for our community and our country.***



Bill Sandvig is a treasured part of WV history and the community owes a debt of gratitude for the countless ways he served her

**Westbrook Cares!**  
to benefit  
**St. Mary's Food Bank**  
**COMMUNITY WIDE  
NON-PERISHABLE FOOD  
DONATION EVENT**  
March 26 Noon - March 27 11:30am  
Drop at closest WV subdivision mailbox cluster  
(DO NOT PLACE IN FRONT OF OR BLOCK MAILBOXES!!!)  
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**Donate now at:**  
<https://fundraise.stmarysfoodbank.org/WestbrookCares>  
Cindy Clark • 602-363-8633 • [cindy@cindyclark.com](mailto:cindy@cindyclark.com)  
Marti Harper: 989-640-1399  
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**Westbrook Village Veterans Club**  
**1<sup>st</sup> Annual Golf Tournament**  
Saturday April 27, 2024  
Shotgun start at 12:00 Noon  
Westbrook Village Golf Club - Vistas Course  
18823 N Country Club Pkwy, Peoria, AZ, 85382  
Entry fee: \$60 for WV annual members  
\$125 for non-annual members;  
Fee includes: golf, food, team score,  
longest putt, closest to pin, chance to win  
new car for hole-in-one and numerous prizes  
Scan QR Code OR go to [westbrookvets.org](http://westbrookvets.org)  
to download registration forms  
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to support veterans and veteran families.  
Email Carl Ulbrich  
at [carl@jirehcom.com](mailto:carl@jirehcom.com)  
for more information.



## WVA Treasurer's Report

*For 2023 Year End for the month ending December 31, 2023*

"The following figures are subject to audit. However, they fairly represent the approximate financial condition of the Association at month end."

### GENERAL OPERATING FUND

*(Funds designated for day-to-day operations.)*

Cash and CDs on hand at the end of December was \$2.9 million. For the full year 2023 we are forecasting total revenue of \$3.1 million, of which \$2.9 million will come from homeowner annual assessments. Budgeted expenses forecast for 2023 are \$2.9 million with \$225,000 expected to transfer to our Reserve Fund. Through November, our revenue and expenses are in line with our forecast. However, we continue to monitor expenditures, and experience higher pricing in products, labor, and availability. In addition, there is a large "unknown" as to what may lie ahead with regards to home resales and the overall economy in 2023. A more complete financial report for 2023 will be presented at the March 2024 Annual Meeting.

### REPLACEMENT RESERVE FUND

*(Funds for major repairs / replacements / improvements)*

Cash and CDs on hand at the end of November was \$4.0 million. In 2023 we are forecasting revenue of \$836,000. Revenue comes primarily from new homeowner preservation fees and \$225,000 transferred from the Operating Fund. Reserve fund expenditures budgeted for 2023 is \$1.2 million. Ongoing expenditures remain planned for completing of the Vistas Pool as well as perimeter wall repair and painting, roofing repair. Other normal infrastructure repairs and replacement are also planned for the remaining of 2023. A more complete financial report will be presented at the March 2024 Annual Meeting.

In addition, our General Manager, Karen Jones, reported recently to the Board of Directors, that we have received a partial dollar amount for the Employee Retention Credit (ERC) sometimes also known as the Employee Retention Tax Credit (ERTC), a refundable tax credit for businesses that had employees and were affected by the COVID-19 pandemic. We continue to wait for any remaining credits of which the association has applied. Any and all refundable amounts are being reviewed by our accountants. A full report will be given at the Annual Meeting on March 20, 2024.

These financials will be on file at the WVA Administration Office after noon on Thursday, March 25 2024, and may be reviewed by Association members. **Should you have any questions, please call 623 561-0099 for an appointment.**

***Submitted by Jerry Johnson, Treasurer***

## General Manager's Report

**Karen Jones**

- Happy New Year Westbrook Village. 2024 is going to be a wonderful year in our community!
- Second Sundays Marketplace was held on January 14th, the weather was nice, and a good time was had by everyone who attended.
- The horseshoe and cornhole project are complete and ready for resident enjoyment. Residents may check out horseshoe and cornhole sets at the Lakes front desk with their Photo Identification (PID). Meet your neighbors/friends at our new common area south of the woodshop!
- Neil Diamond tribute concert was wonderful, sold-out crowd of 400 people, then finished with a standing ovation. Thank you, Jack Wright.
- New Homeowner Orientation was held in the Lakes ballroom - approximately 65 new residents attended with more than 20 clubs in it was a terrific event. Thank you everyone who participated.
- Food Trucks were successful – 3 different offerings were available. Watch for them again in February! Thank you for your support WVA RV Club!
- Wall repairs on Lakeview Road are underway. Painting and repair on Country Club Drive north of Union Hills are also beginning. Please use caution driving around contractors beautifying our community.
- 2024 Annual Assessment will be \$776.50 due on 1-1-24 and late with a 10% fee if received after 1-31-23. Drop boxes are available at both Recreation Centers, the Administration office and on-line pay options are available with directions at the bottom of the invoice.
- Questions on your Annual Assessment statement? Please email [Admin@WestbrookVillage.org](mailto:Admin@WestbrookVillage.org).
- **2024 Annual Meeting mailer is at the printer and will be mailed on February 21st or 22nd.**
- 2024 Board of Directors Candidates - Allen, Max – Carneiro, Bob – Davis, Timothy – Garrison, Bruce – Giroux, Michael – Heschel, Jerald – Hohn, Jeff – Landreth, Homer – Reneau, Marcy. Bios in eblast, on website and in February 2024 *Westbrook Living Magazine*.
- Mark your calendars and plan on attending the official **WVA Candidates Night – Wednesday, February 21, 2024, at 7:00pm at the Lakes Ballroom.**
- Wednesday, March 20, 2024, 6:00pm **Westbrook Village Association Annual Meeting – Lakes Ballroom.**
- Westbrook Posse annual installation event was held at the Vistas ballroom. Thank you, **Bob Carneiro**, for past Commander and service to our great community! Welcome **Rick Meggison**, WVA looks forward to working together!
- January 2024 GM Coffee Talk was wonderful. Many residents attended and were honored with the new City of Peoria chief of Police, **Thomas Intrieri** and learned about his background and plans for the police department. We also welcomed the Westbrook Posse new Commander, **Rick Meggison** – welcome Rick!

- Remember you must have your WVA photo identification card with you when going to the recreation centers.
- Reminder, you must be with your guests when they use the Common Area facilities and staff will put on a guest wristband at the front desk. Thank you.
- **PLEASE SLOW DOWN** and use caution when driving in the community. The busy season is upon us, walkers, bikers, golf carts, workers etc. are in an plenty and we want to keep everyone safe!
- Call the non-emergency number if something looks suspicious call 623-773-8311 - **in any emergency always call 911.**
- Please continue to work with us on architectural applications, exterior improvements, maintenance questions etc. on your properties. We are always here to help! Administration office. 623-561-0099.
- If you come across maintenance needed at our facilities, please stop at any front desk, and ask staff to submit a maintenance request. They will immediately submit to maintenance through the computer system and our maintenance team will be happy to assist!
- Visit us at [www.WestbrookVillage.org](http://www.WestbrookVillage.org) for all events, meetings, minutes, updates, agendas, and general information.

#### ARCHITECTURAL CONTROL COMMITTEE

- Current Architectural Control Committee

#### Discussion Items:

- Permanently Installed Backup Generators for Homes

#### ACC Submittals (1/1 – 1/31/24)

- Total received – 176
- Approved within Standards –173
- Denied – 3

#### RESALE DEPARTMENT

#### Number of Resales (1/1 – 1/31/24)

- Opened – 26
- Closed – 15
- Cancelled – 3
- Foreclosed – 0



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Our phones are ringing and these calls happily connect us with WV residents who need help with a gas line, garbage disposal, water heater, and more. The positive experiences we provide have turned them into great ongoing customers!

**Wade Petersen, Owner – 602-299-0218**

**See ad on page 36.**



# FINE ARTS SHOW

Presented by the talented members of the Westbrook Village Fine Arts Association



**Sat. March 9  
10am - 5pm**

**Sun. March 10  
10am - 3pm**

Over 100 beautiful  
art peeces to view  
and purchase.

**Free admission**

Light refreshments

Fine Arts Center (FALC)  
18827 N Country Club Pkwy



# Westbrook Village Clubs

	Clubs and Groups	Day(s) of Week	Time	Place	Contact Person
Arts and Crafts	Ceramics	Please call for details			Bernice Lever 602-373-6008
	Fine Arts	Please call for details			Kim Mraz 623-377-6520
	Glass Art Studio	Please call for details			Sally Bailey 360-250-9877
	Lapidary/Jewelry Art Studio	M-T-W-Th-F		Lakes	Cheryl Glennon 928-814-8269 Barb Bosworth 314-712-6225
	Needle Arts and Crafts	T-Th	T-Th: 1-3pm	Vistas	Kathie Brown 602-803-0239
	Photography	1st Tue; Oct-Mar	7:00pm	FALC	Tom LaFleur 623-328-5612
	Pottery/Claymates	M-T-W-Th-F			Dottie Smith 602-538-8545
	Woodshop Club	M-T-W-Th-F	8:30-12:00 p.m. 1:00-4:00 p.m.		Ray Jansen 402-393-1802
Card and Table top Games	Bunco Vistas 2	Please call for details			Barb Marsteen 602-819-2439
	Chess Club	W	1:00p.m.-3:00pm	Lakes Multi	Ralph Doner 480-410-7786
	Euchre Card	1st & 3rd Wed	6:00 - 9:00 p.m.	Lakes Multi	Rich Mizner 253-370-7086
	Cribbage	T	7:00 p.m.	Lakes	Gloria Pawluk 623-202-7767
	Duplicate Bridge	M	12:30 p.m.	Vistas	Eileen Medansky 623-566-3634
	Hearts	T	6:30 p.m.	Vistas	Ron Bachara 623-640-8978
	Ladies' Bridge	T	12:15pm	Vistas	Dovie Templin 623-680-3369
	Ladies' Bridge	Th	9:15am	Vistas	Gerry Simpson 623-694-4918
	Mah Jongg	W	1:00 p.m.	Vistas	Cindy Michlin 480-619-0188
	Mah Jongg, Wright-Patterson	M	12:00-4:00p.m.	FALC	Mary Maccracken 623-566-3312
	Mexican Train Dominoes Club	2nd & 4th Th	1:00-3:00p.m.	Vistas	Deb Christian 608-345-7805
	Monday Social Bridge	M - partner not req'd	12:15 p.m.	Lakes	Ralph Doner 480-410-7786
	National Mah Jongg	F	1:00-4:00 p.m.	Vistas	Judy Pellish 623-362-1046 Janet Leach 623-566-6682
	Pan	W	12:00 p.m.	FALC	Mary Ann Bolyog 623-203-4469
	Pinochle	M	6:00pm	Vistas	Bruce Garrison 253-905-6650
	Progressive Hand & Foot	T-Th	12:00 p.m.	Lakes Multi	Loree Crabb 623-203-8649
	Progressive Hand & Foot	Th	5:30 p.m.	Lakes	Sharon Witthuhn 623-640-7631
	Really Fun Bridge	W	9:30 a.m.	Vistas	Ted Cooper 425-233-1960
	Samba	M	5:30 p.m.	Lakes	Sandra Sullivan 623-271-7149
	Shanghai	W	6:00 p.m.	Vistas	Judith Devenney 623-937-6535
	Sheepshead	F	1:00 p.m.	FALC	Al Boeck 602-999-3743
	Tuesday Night Mah Jongg	1st & 3rd Tuesdays	6:30 p.m.	Vistas	Carol Holtorf 602-999-8101
	Winner's Poker	M	6:30-8:30p.m.	FALC	Ron Goodman 623-444-0092
Dance & Entertainment	Desert Dancers	Please call for details			Fae Ghormley 623-326-1664
	Line Dancing	T-Th	10:00-11:00am	Vistas	Audrey Fulcher 602-620-3294 text/voicemail
	Performing Arts Council	Please call for details	Please call for details		Bill Wolfe President 623-256-5776
	Village Players	Please call for details			Bill Wolfe 623-256-5776
	Village Voices	W	1:30-3:30 p.m.	VistasBallrm	Nancy Connolly 602-380-9315
	Westbrook Musicians	Please call for details			Steve Thorne 602-427-7616
Fitness	Low Impact Aerobics	M-W	6:00 p.m.	Lakes	Pat Brown 623-293-8037
	General Conditioning Class	T-Th	8:00 a.m.	Vistas	Steve Rommel 602-471-9232
	Lakes Water Aerobics	Tues thru Sat: 7:00am, 8:00am, 9:00am		Lakes	Sally Cline 319-331-0270
	Personalized Fitness Training	Please call for details		Vistas	Steve Rommel 602-471-9232
	Tai Chi	T, Th	10a.m.-11:00am	Lakes Ballrm	Michael Leoni
	Vistas Water Aerobics	M-W-Th-F 7:15am,8:15am,9:15am		Vistas	Kay Neighbors 602-568-1925
	Water Zumba	T-Th-Sa	10:15-11:00a.m.	Lakes	Kathy Margolis 612-201-0167
	Zumba Gold/Toning for Seniors	M - 9:00 a.m., W - 9:00 a.m., F - 9:00 a.m.		Vistas	Veronica Lowe 623-800-9373
Misc	Blood Pressure Screenings	1st & 3rd Thursdays	9:00-11:00 a.m.	Vistas	
	Library	Open every day except major holidays		FALC	Martha Swanson 623-566-4753

Please submit all club and activity changes to [admin@westbrookvillageliving.com](mailto:admin@westbrookvillageliving.com).

# and Activities Information



Clubs and Groups		Day(s) of Week		Place	Contact Person
Specialty Clubs	Baby Boomers	Please call for details			Maria Thorne 602-463-2903
	Caregiver Support Group	2nd & 4th Tues Only	1:30 p.m.	Vistas	Toni Stuart 602-799-0412; Lois Kumerow 602-350-0458
	Christian Fellowship	Meetings paused for spring/summer-back in Oct.			Kate Tucker 623-703-3000
	Computer (Technology) Club	Website: wbvtc.org	Email: wvcc@live.com		wvcc@live.com; 623-226-8120
	Heatherbrook Club	Please call for details			Marcy Reneau 425-319-8113
	Helping Hands	Please call for details			Roz Farnsworth 623-533-8177 Judy Reisener 623-572-3017
	Hiking Club	F	6:30 a.m.	Lakes	Allen Miller 623-703-6447
	Italian-American	M, March 11	6:00 p.m.	Vistas	Maria Thorne 602-463-2903
	Nebraska Club	Monthly Dec-April		Vistas	Dan Geiger 303-885-8169
	Photography	1st Tues; Oct thru Mar	7:00 p.m.	FALC	Tom LaFleur 623-328-5612
	Roadrunners RV Club	4th Thursday	6:00 p.m.	Vistas	Ann Reynolds 402-650-2661
	Shalom Club	Please call for details			Rita Paper 701-371-1548; Illa Kallish 602-796-3138
	Veterans Club	Please call for details			Carl Ulbrich 602-312-5900
	WV Book Club	Th, March 21	1:00 p.m.	Ballrm C Vistas	<i>West with Giraffes</i> by Lynda Rutledge Jill Ferguson 509-939-8956
	WV Bookies	W, March 13	4:30 p.m.	Vistas	<i>Personal Librarian</i> by Marie Benedict Claudia Carr 206-954-4534
	Wine Club	Please call for details			Cindy Clark 602-363-8633 Fran DeWalt 623-512-3075
	Westbrook Cares!	Please call for details			Cindy Clark 602-363-8633; Marti Harper 989-640-1399
Sports	Bowling - Senior Rollers	T	2pm-Lakeview Lanes Sun City		Ellen Howells 623-825-4907
	Can-Am Golf	Please call for details		Lakes	Darrell Schuetzle-schuetzle@shaw.ca Elaine Schewaga 403-462-6296
	D.C. Billiards	T-Th	6:30 p.m.	Lakes	Dave Bettner 623-866-8150
	Golf Heritage Cup	Please call for details			Norm Richter 623-566-0971
	Golf 9-Hole Couples	F mornings Nov-May			Gary Huss 262-949-0072
	Golf 18-Hole Couples	Please call for details			Gary & Gwen Arnold 303-766-6801
	Golf 18-Hole Ladies	Please call for details			Pam Sprosty, 216-536-4710
	Golf 9-hole Ladies	T mornings Oct-May			Kristine Huss 262-949-0072
	Golf Mens Association (MGA)	W	Please call for details		Garry Horton 928-219-1557
	Golf Weekend Men's Club	Sat	9:00a.m.	Lakes/Vistas	Herb Wohlf 602 690 7890
	Pickleball	Please call for details			Vince Lodato 253-293-2765
	Table Tennis	W & F	1:00-2:00p.m.	Vistas	Norm Miller 602-321-1244
	Tennis	Please call for details			Leslie Friedman 623-594-6636 Bill Naturkach 480-729-0431
	West Valley Ladies Tennis 50+	F, Oct-Mar	11:00am-Paseo Racquet Ctr		Rona Clark 719-588-4809 Pam Cavalier 480-276-8213
	WV Niner's Golf Group	Please call or email for details			Jim Dalton 865-438-6760; Kathi Carter kmcarizona5@gmail.com

## Important Numbers

**Lakes Recreation Center**  
19251 N. Westbrook Parkway, Peoria, AZ 85382  
623-566-6181 ~ 5:30 a.m.-10:00 p.m.

**Vistas Recreation Center**  
18825 N. Country Club Parkway, Peoria, AZ 85382  
623-566-6178 ~ 5:30 a.m.-10:00 p.m.

**WV Administration Office**  
19281 N. Westbrook Parkway,  
Peoria, AZ 85382  
623-561-0099  
Mon.-Thurs. 8:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

Charley's at The Lakes: 623-399-8557  
Links Grill: 623-561-1681

Peoria Emergency: 911

Peoria Police, non-emergency: 623-773-8311

Peoria Fire, non-emergency: 623-773-7279

Westbrook Posse: 623-566-3133

Poison Control: 602-253-3334



**The Needle Arts and Crafts club provides its members a creative outlet, a time of comradery, and raises money for local charities. Come and join, bringing whatever craft you choose to do.**

**Charity Project Days** Our club has so many talented knitters, crocheters, sewers, and crafters. Each one plays a part in making items to donate to various local organizations. Below, you can see the results of a "sewing day" where the members stitched flannel baby blankets to donate to the Choices Pregnancy Center, along with several crocheted baby blankets, hats & booties. To support these projects, donations of yarn, fabric, and other craft donations are always welcomed at NAAC. These become supplies for projects to sell with 100% of the proceeds going to local charities.



**What We Do** Our club likes to bless our local community. "Charity Project Days" are the 4th Tuesday and Thursday of each month and we concentrate on creating projects we intend to donate to local charities.

**Upcoming Free Project Classes** The third Wednesday of each month from 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM is generally for Project Classes. Come learn a new skill or find an innovative way to use one you already have. All classes and materials (unless otherwise noted) are free for NAAC members, \$5 for non-member WBV residents.

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# 18 Hole Ladies



**Above:** L to R - Pam Sprosty, Barbara Brown, Terry Kelly, Cindy Obrist and Janet Bartleson. *Not pictured* -- Marchell Fletcher, Nancy Kabe and Janine Harder -- Congrats to all!

**Right:** Every year we also like to reward our most improved player of the year and 2023's winner is Beverly Connors. She went from an index of 26.8 to 18.9! Way to play, Bev!

Our 18 Hole Ladies have been having tons of fun teeing off in 2024.

During our January Luncheon, we awarded the ladies who achieved a coveted Hole-In-One at Westbrook in 2023. As a member, \$5 of their annual dues go into a fund and the lucky recipients split the pot at the end of the year! Each member below received \$94!



Two events this spring: our Ladies Classic and Ladies Member Guest - two of our biggest and most fun tournaments of the year! If you'd like to join our golf-loving group, please contact our president Pam Sprosty at [psprosty1973@gmail.com](mailto:psprosty1973@gmail.com).

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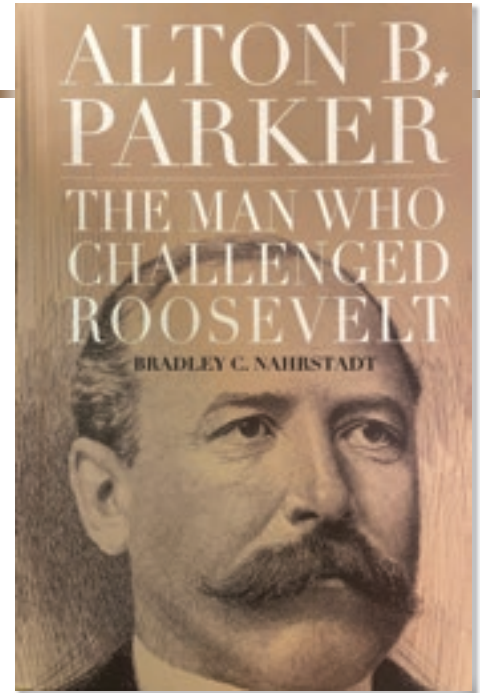


# WV Published Authors

## *Special Feature*

– By Brad Nahrstadt

Left: WV published author,  
Brad Nahrstadt



I grew up on a farm outside of Rockford, Illinois, and have spent most of my adult life living in the northern suburbs of Chicago. I spent thirty years as a trial lawyer and writing was a big part of my trial practice. Before I retired in 2021, I had authored almost one hundred articles on all manner of trial practice, had written 40 book chapters and had served as the general editor of two different publications issued by the Illinois Institute for Continuing Legal Education. Once I had more free time on my hands, I wanted to try my hand in writing a book.

My wife, Debby, and I are snowbirds. We first came down to WV in January of 2022. We generally spend between December and April here in Westbrook Village and the rest of the time living in Northbrook, Illinois. We absolutely LOVE it here in Westbrook Village. We have gotten involved in all kinds of activities—pickleball, pottery and cards to name a few—and we have made remarkably good friends here. We can't wait to come back every year!

I love to write about legal topics and history. My biography of Alton Brooks Parker, the 1904 Democratic nominee for president, has just been published by SUNY Press. I am almost finished with a second book: a detailed look at the Democrats' difficulties in selecting a presidential nominee at the end of the 19th century and the beginning of the 20th century—and how interparty conflicts generally precluded the Democrats from electing a president between the late 1890s and the early 1930s.

Alton Brooks Parker was the only major party candidate for president who had never had a biography written about him. He was a fascinating man—lawyer, judge, politician, civic leader—and yet his life story had basically been lost to the annals of history. My biography of Parker provides an in-depth look into the life, career and legacy of one of the most important New Yorkers of the Gilded Age. Parker had the courage to challenge Theodore Roosevelt for the presidency in 1904—at the height of Roosevelt's popularity—and was a transition point between the old, conservative wing and the new, progressive wing of the Democratic Party. This book is a must read for anyone who is interested in the law, the presidency, history, presidential politics or the Gilded Age. You can get a copy at [www.sunypress.edu](http://www.sunypress.edu).

**We are having a book talk and signing on March 6, 2024. E-mail [dln08@yahoo.com](mailto:dln08@yahoo.com) for further details.**

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# WV Hiking Club

## SPRING 2024 HIKE SCHEDULE

### In general, hikes are classified as follows:

- Easy** – 2 to 4 miles with elevation gains up to 400 feet.
- Moderate** – 4 to 7 miles with elevation gains up to 750 feet.
- Difficult** – 7 or more miles with no limit on elevation gain.
- Total Ascent** – adds all the up elevation changes together.

- **Mar 1 Go John/Quartz/Slate Loop** – Cave Creek Regional Park – about 5.9 mile loop. Moderate. Consists of several connecting trails through typical Sonoran desert. Climb Quartz trail and then drop into a wash. Several washes and parts of trail are rocky. Fee per vehicle. Restrooms at TH. Driving distance approx. 60 miles RT.
- **Mar 8 Quartz Mine/Mountain Wash Loop** – Buckeye – Skyline Regional Park – approximately a 4.5 mile loop. Moderate to difficult. Typical Sonoran desert. Trail drops about 150' into a valley and then climb to Lost Creek Trail, and encounter a quartz outcropping/mine. At Lost Creek will climb about 300' in 0.5 miles to a saddle and then drop to Mountain Wash. Good views of Verrado and valley to east and Buckeye to south. Driving distance approx. 70 miles RT.
- **Mar 15 Cholla Mountain Loop** – Scottsdale – McDowell Sonoran Preserve Northern Region – about 7.4 mile loop & RT. Easy to moderate. Follow a series of trails to Cholla Mountain Loop. NW side will find Cathedral Rock and

several Native American metates. At southern end of loop is rock formation called the Amphitheater. Views of several iconic mountains. Restrooms at TH. Lunch after hike at The Thumb. Driving distance approx. 80 miles RT.

- **Mar 22 Pass Mountain** – Utery Mountains – 7.8 mile loop. Moderate. Great views of Goldfield Mountains, Four Peaks, and Superstitions. Possible to see Fountain Hills fountain. Parts of trail are rocky several washes. Restrooms at TH. Driving distance is approx. 120 miles RT.
- **Mar 29 Pipeline/Yavapai Point Loop** – Lake Pleasant – about 6.0 mile loop & return. Moderate. Start at south trailhead and drop into Pipeline Cove to cross bridge and continue to south trailhead and do Yavapai loop to the top of Yavapai Point. Great 360° views from top. May see some burros. Park fee per vehicle. Restrooms at TH. Driving distance approx. 45 miles RT.
- **Mar 29 End of Year Party** – More information to come.

**Background:** Cholla Mountain Loop

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And you aren't the only one looking forward to getting out in the sunshine. If you leave WV and are walking the New River Trail or other natural space, be aware of your surroundings. In Arizona, 13 species of rattlesnakes become more active between March and October. If you spot any on the trail, contact the City of Peoria Animal Control; the non-emergency number is 623-773-8311.

Russ Johnson, the Phoenix Herpetological Society president, gives us the following advice. "If you're on the trail, you don't need to be worried at all as long as you keep your eyes open and don't put your hands and your feet where you can't see them. If you see a snake, don't go near it. Just go around it. If you do that, it's impossible to be bitten," he said. The Village is a safe and pleasant place to live, but it can be a little confusing trying to navigate between neighborhoods. The Posse can help. We have just produced a two-sided map of all the neighborhoods in Lakes and Vistas along with the major facilities. Please stop by the Posse Office to update your data in the neighborhood data base and pick up your copy of the map.

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**Membership Dues are FREE for 2024!**

**TECH TALK** – Thurs., Mar 7, 2024 @ 6 pm, Lakes Ballroom C

**"Remote Meetings: Zoom/Microsoft Teams"** Peter Lawton & Matt Barthelme will help you learn the tips and tricks to work with Zoom/Microsoft Teams for remote meetings. Learn to navigate the new world of online communications.

**WINDOWS WORLD WORKSHOP** – Tues., Mar 12, 2024 @ 2 pm, Lakes Tech Rm #1

**"Windows Mail – What's New"** John Ellsworth will explain how Windows Mail works, folders, saving e-mails, browser access, and the new "Outlook" features.

**APPLE BYTES** – Wed., Mar 13, 2024 at 2 pm, Lakes Tech Rm #1

**"All Things Pages"** Pat Williamson will lead the session with an emphasis on Pages, which is Apple's alternative to Microsoft Word. She will discuss setting margins, creating a Letterhead, signs and more.

**MASTER MIND MEETUP** – Mon., Mar 18, 2024 @ 2 pm, Lakes Tech Rm #2

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**Congratulations to Marilyn Magnusson**, who correctly identified that Westbrook Will was hidden in the February 2024 issue on **Page 32** in the **We Want Your Timeshare** ad. Marilyn's entry was drawn from many who sent theirs in, and she will be receiving \$20 as the winner! Thank you to all who participated!

The challenge in this issue is to find our mascot, **Westbrook Will in his leprechaun duds, pointing to an advertiser in our pages.** Once you find this image inside one of the ADS in this issue (March), please jot down the location and your name and address on a 3" x 5" card, and postmark your entry by March 12, 2024, so you can be included in the draw for the cash prize! One entry per household, please!

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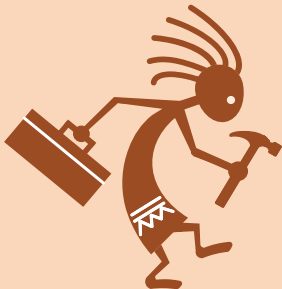
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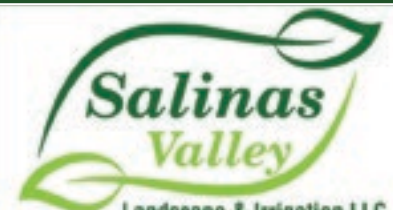
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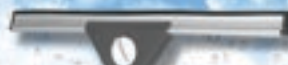
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Above: Russ Robb and Donna Downs get ready for the fight

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Congratulations go out to the "MEN," who are the reigning champions for 2024!!

The golf tournament was followed by lunch with hilarious entertainment by comedian *Brian Kohatsu* and his comedic colleagues. A special thanks goes out to *Logan Hall* with HomeSmart for sponsoring the entertainment.

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Left: Bob and Diane Jungbluth horse around before taking up their clubs



Shirley Hess, Linda Hoffman sang old favorite, "Folsom Prison Blues"



Desert Dancers Fae Ghormley, Marsha Malin, Kim Mraz, Traci Mann, Marcy Reneau, and Carrie Wilkinson swept the stage to Etta James' iconic "At Last"

# The Follies Were Fabulous!



Jeff Strickman narrated the show

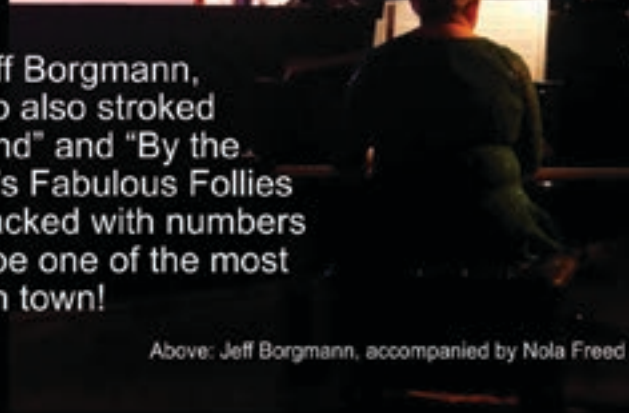
Show "Tour Guide" Jeff Strickman led the audience through the American landscape, as each act of the Fabulous Follies revealed an aspect of the grand culture we enjoy in this country. The Desert Dancers brought the house down with greats such as "Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe" and "Back in the U.S.A.," and Sandra Bacs sang and soft-shoed to "Kokomo, Indiana."



"Viva Las Vegas" was sung by Jeff Borgmann, accompanied by Nola Freed, who also stroked the ivories to "Georgia On My Mind" and "By the Time I get to Phoenix." This year's Fabulous Follies was again a memorable event packed with numbers enjoyed by all, and continues to be one of the most beloved "Westbrook Traditions" in town!



Joan Behrens reminisced with "Once Upon a Time," accompanied by Bill Chism



Above: Jeff Borgmann, accompanied by Nola Freed



Desert Dancers Norma Apodaca, Ina Rae Burnsie, Ginny O'Brien



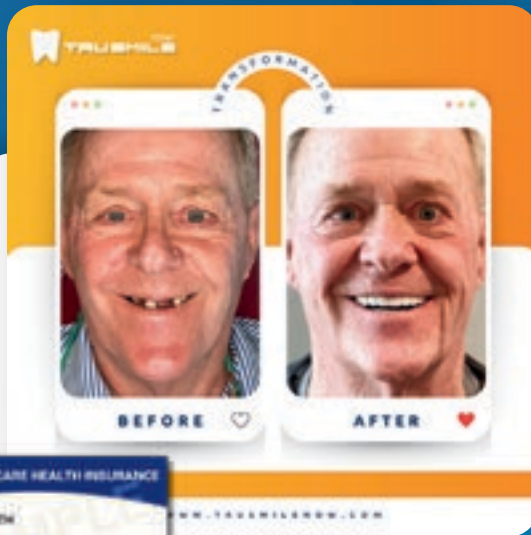
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