

The background of the entire image is a repeating pattern of Valentine's Day-themed graphics. It includes solid red hearts, hearts with a scalloped white border and a pattern of smaller hearts, and hearts with the text "HAPPY Valentine's DAY" written on them. Red streamers are scattered throughout the design.

Winchester Community Association

FEBRUARY

2024

NEWSLETTER

February is HERE which means it's time to distribute our annual notice of the upcoming **WCA Board of Director Election Process** for the election that will take place in June. Several communications have been sent over the last few months encouraging qualified Members to



volunteer for an upcoming Board seat. These included an Information Guide detailing Director qualifications and recommended attributes and Frequently Asked Questions outlining what it means to become a WCA Board Member. All Members will receive a separate email within the next few days containing a 2024 Election Notice and Materials.

We hope you will consider nominating yourself for a seat on the WCA Board of Directors.

It's a tremendous opportunity to apply your skills and

life experiences to help shape the future of our community, work with others who share your passion, participate in protecting and improving property values in Winchester, and more!

We have two openings effective July 1, 2024, and are currently recruiting to fill those openings. If you are interested in serving on the Board of Directors and would like to be listed as a candidate on the ballot for this upcoming election, please email, mail or fax the "2024 Candidate Nomination Form" to General Manager Vicky Langer before March 8, 2024. You may also contact her directly at 530-878-3845.

The Board will confirm the slate of candidates during the March 19th Board meeting. A "Meet the Candidates" night will be held at the WCA Center in early May, before voting begins. The Member voting period will take place during May/June and new Board members will be confirmed at the WCA Annual Membership meeting on Tuesday, June 18, 2024 at 6:30 pm. Election ballots will be tallied during the 1pm Board meeting that afternoon.

On behalf of your WCA Board of Directors and Recruitment Committee, thank you for considering a self-nomination and for your continued pride in our Winchester community!

Dues Payment Delays

As part of our ongoing commitment to providing a seamless experience for our community, we'd like to draw your attention to an important aspect of association dues payments. Many members have shared concerns about delays in the processing of payments sent via USPS, leading to unintended late fees. We want to clarify the process to ensure your payments are applied promptly and avoid any inconvenience.

Contrary to common belief, checks accompanied by payment coupons are directed straight to a Las Vegas bank lockbox upon receipt. The management company ensures that these payments are processed on the same day they are received. However, the challenge lies in the time it takes for USPS mail service to deliver these payments, which can result in delayed processing.

To circumvent potential late fees and guarantee the timely application of your dues, we recommend the following:

1. **Early Submission:** Send or have your bank send your payments well in advance, ideally before the 1st of the month, to allow for any postal delays. Note: Bill payment services through banks generally also mail a check using the USPS.

2. **Automatic Debits Through The Management Trust:** Consider setting up automatic checking account debits for your association dues payments. This convenient option not only ensures timely payments but also eliminates the risk of postal delays and late fees altogether.

For those interested in the hassle-free option of automatic debits, please reach out to Tammie Thomas in the management offices. Tammie will guide you through the straightforward process of setting up automatic payments, providing you with peace of mind and avoiding any unnecessary late fees.

Your prompt attention to this matter will help us maintain the smooth functioning of our association and ensure that your payments are processed in a timely manner.

Tree Removal Procedure

Due to the Winchester Community Association's situated location in a high fire danger area, several insurance carriers now mandate the removal of trees with touching canopies and/or near structures. Owners have the option to eliminate trees to mitigate fire safety risks; however, for trees with trunks exceeding 6 inches in diameter (or multiple trunks with an aggregate of 10 inches or more), a specific process must be adhered to.

Trees can be removed to reasonably mitigate fire safety risks, to comply with state or county defensible space, or hazardous vegetation abatement laws, and in accordance with recommendations from the Placer Hills Fire Protection District. Furthermore, removal may be required by an owner's insurance company to maintain coverage. Gray Pines and dead trees can be removed through a simplified process. WCA management requires the following from you:

- ◆ Notification of your intent to remove trees.
- ◆ Details about the reasons and locations.
- ◆ Photos of the trees.
- ◆ A copy of the insurer's requirement for tree removal.
- ◆ A copy of any official notices from fire districts, the county, or other authorities mandating tree removals.

If the tree is dead, all that is needed is a photo of the tree, along with information about its location. After we receive your request, we will confirm that the tree removal aligns with one or more of the acceptable reasons listed and notify you of the approval or disapproval. While this process typically concludes promptly, please note that it may take a few days to provide confirmation, so please do not submit information on the day the tree company plans to commence the work! No notification or management approval is required for manzanita or trees smaller than 6 inches in diameter. For more detailed information, please refer to CC&Rs Section 4.23. Trees.



Thank you!

Art with Tari!

Learn how to paint one of the flower pictures below. All supplies are provided and you will take home your artwork and supplies.



When: Tuesday, February 6th at 11:00 a.m.

Where: WCA Center, 1400 Lodge View Drive

Cost: \$160 for all materials and instruction

**Sign up on YourCourts.com under events Art with Tari
or email Tammie at**

tthomas@winchestercommunityassociation.com

Space is limited so reserve your spot today!

Please Join Your Winchester Community Association
in a Joint Event with/at Winchester Country Club for a
Champagne Brunch



With a Performance by the
AUBURN  SYMPHONY
Clarinet Quartet



Menu

Bottomless Mimosas

Brunch:

- * Poached Salmon w/Sauce
- * Chicken Marsala w/Creminis
- * Vegetable Frittata
- * Roasted Red Potatoes
- * Five Cheese Tortellini
Pesto w/Parmesan
- * Fresh Fruit
- * Bacon

Passed Appetizers:

- * Tuna Sashimi Wontons
w/Wasabi Cream
- * Brie/Apple Phyllo Kisses
- * Sweet & Tangy Meatballs

Desserts:

- * Bundtins from Nothing
Bundt Cake
- * Mini Mousse Cups

This is a great event to invite your family or friends to! Get your own table together or join a community table. You won't want to miss out on
this *Special Event!*

Winchester Country Club
Sunday, February 18th, 2024
11am – 2pm

Price: \$65 (\$55 wo/champagne)

Space Limited. RSVP by Feb 9th

[Click Here to RSVP](#) or email

CoryS@wedgewoodweddings.com

to save your space today!

*Winchester
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Speaker Series

WCA 2023-24

Cost \$20

Jeff Petty

Glass Work Artist



Jeff Petty has been participating in the Victorian Christmas, Cornish Christmas, and several other arts fairs in the region for many years. He's happy to share his enthusiasm for glass work by helping home hobbyists get started on their own journey into this mesmerizing art form.

Jeff will be demonstrating various glass working techniques, while sharing with us the history of glasswork and the different types of glass blowing.

He may ask a few volunteers to test their own talent working with his glass-working bench torch too!



Tuesday, March 19, 2024

5:30 – 8pm

**Winchester Community Center
Dessert will be provided & BYOB**

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Sign up on [Yourcourts.com](https://www.yourcourts.com) or email to tthomas@winchestercommunityassociation.com



COST \$20

Come and try your luck at Shamrock Bingo!



March 5th from 6:30 to 8:00 pm
At the WCA Center
1400 Lodge View Drive



Cost: \$5.00 includes cash prizes and dessert!

You are welcome to bring your own libations

Be Festive and wear your green!

RSVP on Yourcourts.com under events/Shamrock Bingo

Taco Tuesday is back!

April 9th, 5:00 to 8:00 pm

At the WCA Center

1400 Lodge View Drive

Cost \$25 per person includes

a taco meal complete with several meat and vegetarian options along with chips/salsa, rice/beans and dessert. Iced tea and lemonade will be provided. Bring your own libations!

*Join your Winchester neighbors and friends for a fun Taco Tuesday!
Appetizers will be available at 5:00 pm and our favorite taco truck will be serving tacos starting at 5:30 pm.*

RSVP on Yourcourts.com under events/Taco Tuesday





Fabric Collage Class *by Jane Haworth*

*Award-Winning
Quilt Artist & International Teacher*

Thursday June 13th, 1- 4pm

Cost: \$45 per person

Payment Due by May 23rd

LIMIT 15 People

Whether you're a seasoned artist or new to the world of fabric collage, you will be provided with the materials, knowledge, and guidance to create a beautiful piece of art!

SAVE THE DATE



This class will come with a kit including 12" pattern, fabric, hand stitch needle, and threads. Attendees should bring good, sharp scissors for cutting fabric. Embroidery or small, sharp scissors work well. (i.e. Karen Kay Buckley Perfect Scissors 6")

A 3-hour workshop where you will learn techniques for tracing, cutting and gluing your fabric pieces, then hand stitching your collage to add texture and detail. Take your collage home to decorate a tote bag, pillow, or turn it into a wall hanging.

Register online at yourcourts.com under Events or email Tammie Thomas at tthomas@winchestercommunityassociation.com no later than May 23rd.

We look forward to seeing you at this WCA Social event at the
WCA Center, 1400 Lodge View Dr.

Social Activities

Book Club: The monthly Winchester Book Club welcomes both women and men. The Book Club meets the 2nd Wednesday of every month at the WCA Center. **In February, the Book Club will meet on February 21st instead of the 14th.** Social hour begins at 5:00 p.m., dinner at 5:30 p.m., and the book discussion at 6:00 p.m. The book is “To Kill A Mockingbird.” The book club will be choosing new books for the next 3-6 months, please bring your recommendations. If you have questions, please contact Maureen Sherer by phone at 510-219-6770 or by email at moken1@sbcglobal.net.

Open Bridge Play: All Bridge players of any level are invited to join other WCA members for casual Bridge on Mondays from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. at the WCA Center. Contact Curtis Petersen at: Curtis.Peterson@msn.com for more information.

Girls Just Wanna Have Fun: Game Night is generally on the 1st and 3rd Thursdays of the month. Our “light” potluck, desserts and libations provide the perfect opportunity to socialize, have fun, and foster camaraderie. While Mexican Train is currently our game of choice, we may introduce new games in the future to keep things fresh and exciting. No experience is necessary. For more information contact Jean Merwin at jeanmerwin49@gmail.com.

Open Pickleball

- Women’s Intermediate+/Advanced Pickleball play: Wednesday mornings at 9:00 a.m.
- Co-ed Beginner/Intermediate Pickleball play: Thursday/Friday mornings at 10:00 a.m.

Open Tennis Play


- Women’s Open Play: Every other Tuesday morning at 10:00 a.m.
- Co-ed / Clinics: Every other Tuesday morning at 10:00 a.m.
- Co-ed Open Play: Thursday and Sunday mornings at 10:00 a.m.
- Men’s Open Play: Saturday mornings at 10:00 a.m.

Open Bocce and Potluck—Friday afternoons at 3:00 p.m. (weather permitting)

Bring something to share for dinner and your libation of choice. We will play bocce first and then potluck inside the WCA Center. Please sign up on YourCourts.com.



Sign-ups for all of the above sports activities on YourCourts.com under events.

WCA FEBRUARY CALENDAR

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 10:00 T & PB 5:00 Game Night	2 10:00 WPB 3:00 Bocce	3 10:00 MT
4 10:00 T	5 10:00 Landscape Mtg 3:30 Bridge	6 10:00 WT 11:00 Paint with Tari 3:00 DRC Mtg	7 9:00 WPB 8:30 WOWGG Mtg 1:00 PCR Mtg	8 10:00 T & PB 6:30 Private Event	9 10:00 WPB 3:00 Bocce Deadline to sign up for Symphony	10 10:00 MT 11:00 Private Event
11 10:00 T	12 3:30 Bridge	13 10:00 WT 1:00 Social Mtg 3:00 Center Comm Mtg	14 9:00 WPB 10:00 PIC Mtg Happy Valentines! 	15 10:00 T & PB 5:00 Game Night	16 10:00 WPB 3:00 Bocce	17 10:00 MT
18 10:00 T 11:00 Auburn Symphony at WCC	19 President Day WCA Office Closed 3:30 Bridge	20 10:00 WT 9:00 Exec Board Mtg 1:00 Open Board	21 9:00 WPB 5:00 Book Club	22 10:00 T & PB 3:00 DRC Mtg	23 10:00 WPB 3:00 Bocce	24 10:00 MT
25 10:00 T	26 3:30 Bridge	27 10:00 WT	28 9:00 WPB	29 10:00 T & PB		

W= Women M= Men T= Tennis, PB=Pickleball C=Clinic, H2O = Water Aerobics, Bocce = Open Bocce and Potluck—Friday afternoons at 3:00 p.m. (weather permitting) . Colors: Green = Sports Activities, Blue = Social Activities, Black = Meetings, Red = Important Dates, Purple = Private Events

WCA MARCH CALENDAR

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 10:00 WPB 3:00 Bocce	2 10:00 MT
3 10:00 T	4 10:00 Landscape Mtg 3:30 Bridge	5 10:00 WT 10:00 Fire Safe Mtg 3:00 DRC Mtg 6:30 Shamrock Bingo 	6 9:00 WPB 8:30 WOWGG Mtg	7 10:00 T & PB 5:00 Game Night	8 10:00 WPB 3:00 Bocce	9 10:00 MT
10 10:00 T	11 3:30 Bridge	12 10:00 WT 1:00 Social Mtg 3:00 Center Comm Mtg	13 9:00 WPB 5:00 Book Club	14 10:00 T & PB 12:00 Private Event	15 10:00 WPB 3:00 Bocce	16 10:00 MT
17 10:00 T St Patty's Day 	18 3:30 Bridge	19 10:00 WT 9:00 Exec Board Mtg 1:00 Open Board Mtg 5:00 Glass Blowing Demo	20 9:00 WPB	21 10:00 T & PB 3:00 DRC Mtg 5:00 Game Night	22 10:00 WPB 3:00 Bocce	23 10:00 MT
24/31 10:00 T	25 3:30 Bridge	26 10:00 WT 4:00 Neighborhood Mixer	27 9:00 WPB	28 10:00 T & PB	29 10:00 WPB 3:00 Bocce	30 10:00 MT

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Financial Reports—YEAR END!

Balance Sheet – Operating and Reserve Fund Account

Account Balances as of 12/31/23

Operating:	\$347,090	[less compliance account]
Reserve Accts:	<u> \$784,546</u>	
Total Cash:	\$1,131,636	

Comparative Income as of 12/31/23

Budgeted vs Actual Expenses YTD

\$52,254 (Favorable)

Operating Income vs Expenses YTD

\$79,261 (Favorable)

Favorable variances are due to combination of year-end roll-over of \$65k into income in January 2023 and difference in timing for fire safety preserve work versus timing assumed in budget.

Financial reports, including balance sheets and Statements of Revenues and Expenses (Comparative Income) Report, are available on the WCA website.

Winchester Community Association

<u>WCA Board of Directors Contact Info</u>		
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1400 Lodge View Drive, Meadow Vista

WCA Office Hours 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Monday through Friday ~ Excluding Holidays

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