

November 2024

The Wellspoken

THE WELLS
A 55+ COMMUNITY

Important Dates to Remember

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| ◆ Tuesday | November 5th | Board of Director's Meeting in the Clubhouse at 8:30am |
| ◆ Thursday | November 7th | Wells Belles meet in the Clubhouse at 11:00am |
| ◆ Saturday | November 9th | Monthly Potluck in Clubhouse at 5:00pm |
| ◆ Monday | November 11th | Office closed in observance of Veteran's Day |
| ◆ Wednesday | November 20th | Board of Director's Meeting in the Clubhouse at 7:00pm |
| ◆ Thursday | November 28th | Office closed in observance of Thanksgiving Day |
| ◆ Thursday | November 28th | Thanksgiving Dinner in the Clubhouse at 1:00pm |

The Deadline for the December
Wellspoken is November 22nd, 2024



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The HOA President's Report

This is my first report in the past several months. Many of us have already returned or are planning to return to our winter homes here at The Wells. It has been another brutal summer for most of use, especially those who spend the entire year here in Mesa, which once again set several temperature records. Hopefully, we are moving into some "milder" weather.

Just a reminder, the Board approved a **\$4/month** increase of our monthly assessments in March and several of you have **NOT** made the necessary adjustments to your payments. Please check your monthly statements and make sure your accounts are current.

At the April Board meeting, a motion to change the gate codes (both vehicle & pedestrian) in November was passed. The detailed implementation plan still needs to be developed.

We are now running on two (2) gas fired heaters for the pool since all three (3) of the old electric heaters failed testing this Summer. The remodeling of the Women's Restroom continues at a very slow pace. The West multi-purpose court has new LED lighting and all reports have been very favorable. The Finance Committee is already working on the 2025 budget. If you have a Committee that has a budget please start thinking about your 2025 needs. The Building & Grounds Committee is still in need of a chairperson. If you have any questions about this position and/or responsibilities please see a Board member.

The next Board meetings are scheduled for Tuesday November 5th at 8:30 AM, and then on Wednesday, November 20th at 7 PM. Hope to see you there.

HOA Manager's Report

At the writing of this article, construction in the women's clubhouse restroom is expected to be completed the first week of November. The men's restroom will be unisex during that time. Please be sure to lock both doors for privacy and unlock them when leaving.

If you head a committee or are in charge of a seasonal activity, please check the activities calendar to make sure we have your activity scheduled correctly. We also want to make sure that all committee meetings are correctly listed in the office calendar and that the necessary rooms have been reserved. Please be sure to check the activities calendar, which is on the last page of The Wellspoken and will be posted on the Manager's bulletin board.

Work has started on the 2025 Wells Phone Directory. Please verify your information in the current directory and submit any changes in writing on the Change of Information form available in the office. Deadline for changes is December 1st, 2024.

The HOA office will be closed Monday, November 11th and November 28th in observance of Veterans Day and Thanksgiving.

Please pick up after your pet. Thank you!

*Mindy Hopkinson, The Wells HOA Manager
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THE WELLS COMMITTEES

Architectural Review Committee (ARC)

Chairperson: Ken Shadle

Members: Tom Crosbie, Barb Oberhoffer, Bob Winkels, Judy Craver, Ruth Teller, Barb Justice, Hal Severance, Dale Emerson, Scott Brenner and Barb Cramer

Homeowners who are going to alter landscape, or do any work on the outside of their home, need to get approval from the ARC Committee. The ARC Committee meets the first and third Thursday of each month at 9:00 am in the conference room. Pick up and return your completed ARC Request Form to the HOA Office prior to the next ARC meeting. If you are painting, attach a sample of the colors that you selected. There is a color book in the HOA Office that contains approved colors. It also contains approved colors for driveways and planter boxes. If you have any questions when filling out the ARC form, contact one of the ARC members for assistance. If you are doing any remodeling on the outside of your house, attach a drawing of your plan along with the dimensions. A recommended list of plants for the planter box and the side of the home is in the HOA Office. You **must** wait for approval before you begin the work. After approval, post the yellow copy of the form on the front window of your house until the work is completed.

Bingo

Chairman: Ron Knoll

Board Liaison: Jim Riedl

Members: Cate Knoll, Karen Bassett and Don Bassett

No Report.

Building & Grounds Committee

Chairman: Currently Vacant

Board Liaison: Joe Lander

Members: Dale Emerson, Clayton Breezee, Mel York, Scott Brenner, Ron Knoll and John Burns

No Report.

Clubhouse Committee

Chairman: Sharon Nelson, 605-809-6147

Board Liaison: Nancy York

Members: Marlene Trunkenbolz, Laurie Page, Marion Roberts and Marla Hausauer

No Report.

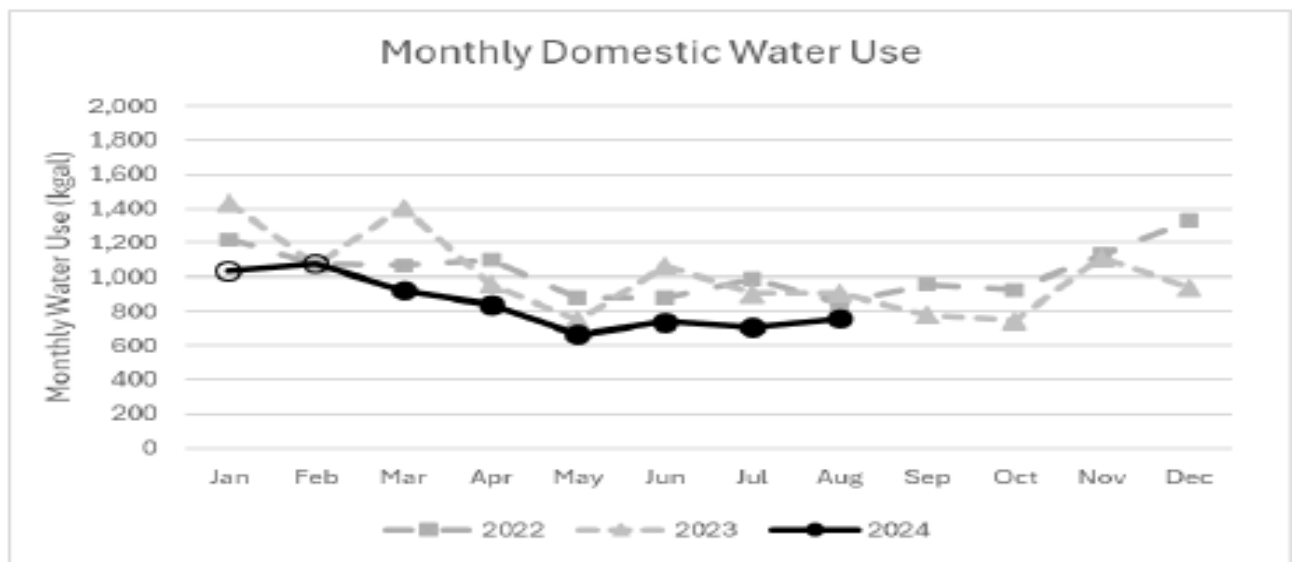
Financial Report thru September 2024

Chairperson - Mark Collins

Finance Committee Members - Craig Erickson, Ivan Jenkins, Pat Johnston, Nancy Lane, Don Popowski

Board Liaison - Marge Lesnever

YTD Income	Budget	596,829.00	
	Actual	594,297.40	
	Difference	2,531.60	less than budget
YTD Operating Expenses	Budget	512,630.00	
	Actual	478,891.94	
	Difference	33,738.06	less than budget
YTD Out-of-Ordinary Net Expense		30,879.47	
YTD Total Expenses		509,771.41	
Checking Account		62,648.80	
Reserve Accounts	Operational Reserve	212,297.50	
	Capital Reserve	554,758.62	
	Total Reserves	767,056.12	
Accounts Receivable	Total Receivables	9,292.39	
	Monthly Change	308.00	increase



Note: Jan and Feb data adjusted for irregular meter reading dates. Daily water use rates in both months were normal.

Communications Committee

Chairperson: Jean Mallory

Board Liaison: Dale Emerson

Members: Sue Berg, Judy Bialk, Mary Miller, Darlene Rolle and Wanda Saunders

Work is beginning on the 2025 Wells Phone Directory. If you have changed any of your contact information, please be sure to contact the HOA office. You can stop by the office and complete a form or you can email your changes to the office. The deadline for changes or new information is Sunday, December 1, 2024.

Election Committee

Chair: Kathi Middendorff

Board Liaison: Jim Riedl

Members: Donna Breezee, Jim Dent, Alice Klinkenborg, Shirlee Magnusson, Joyce MacArthur, Dave Nelson, Sharon Nelson, Donna Sennert, Bob Tomasic and Penny Urbatsch

No Report.

Social Committee

Social Chairperson: Cate Knoll

Board Liaison: Barb Mountain

Members: Jean Mallory, Dale Emerson, Alice Klinkenborg, Ronnae Berry, and Kathi Middendorff

Saturday November 9th: Monthly Potluck @5pm. Bring a dish to share and your own plate, drink and utensils. Let us know if you're coming by signing up in the cardroom.

Thursday November 28th: Thanksgiving Dinner will be hosted at 1pm in the Clubhouse. Turkey and gravy will be provided by the Wells. Please be sure to save a couple of seats at your table for newcomers or anyone needing a place to sit. Bring your own plate and utensils. Coffee and water will be served.

Wells Belles

President: Laurie Page, (515) 518-6502, lpage821@gmail.com

Vice President: Diana Butzlaff

Treasurer: Donna King, Secretary: Marla Hausauer, Ex Officio: Linda Christ

Our first meeting of the season will be Thursday, November 7th. Wells Belles is open to all women who live in The Wells. The meeting will start at 11am and afterwards we will go to lunch at a restaurant Marla Hausauer has chosen. A signup sheet is posted on the clubhouse bulletin board in the cardroom.

Agenda for the Meeting:

1. Approve Free Arts as the charity to donate the proceeds from the Christmas tea. Thanks to Connie Huff for her work this summer to investigate possible charities.
2. Approve the slate of officer candidates for next year, Diana Butzlaff, president, Connie Huff, vice president, Marla Hausauer, secretary, and Donna King, treasurer.
Remember nominations are taken from the floor that day.
3. Flea market. Kris Perry and Linda Brown are the chairs for 2025.

We still need 2 volunteers to work with Kris and Linda who will chair it in 2026.

Our December 5th meeting is also the Christmas Tea. Laurie Fuller and Diana Butzlaff are organizing it. Registration for table hostesses will be posted soon.

THE WELLS BELLES 36th ANNUAL FLEA MARKET – SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2025

Co-chairs: Linda Brown, #205. (402) 984-0408; lindajohnsonbrown@gmail.com
Kris Perry, #252. (208) 451-3890; krisperry66@gmail.com

It's November....and that means it's time to begin gearing up for our next flea market in February! Last year's flea market was another record-breaking success—thanks to your generous donations and the tremendous crew of over 200 volunteers, who made the work FUN as well as worthwhile for our great community at The Wells!

We're happy to say that Kris and LeeRoy Perry will AGAIN be picking up your items for the flea market on Fridays, beginning Friday, November 8^h! Thank you, Kris and LeeRoy! Friday pickups for donations will continue throughout November, December, January and February until the Friday before the Flea Market, which is on SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 15th. When you have items ready for a Friday pickup, please call the Wells Office at **480-641-3776** by 4 PM the day before (Thursday) to have your address added to the Friday pickup list. If it is more convenient to have your items moved ahead of the scheduled Friday pick-up or if you have large/heavy items or just a whole room full of stuff, Kris and LeeRoy will do their best to accommodate, and for them, it often lessens the usually busy Friday task. Text LeeRoy at (208) 451-3716 or call Kris at (208) 451-3890. Your large items and boxed items should be placed at the end of your driveway by 8:00 AM on the day of pickup, and smaller items should be packed in stackable boxes with lids. We want you to know that your extra efforts in packaging items in boxes with lids, so they can be efficiently stacked in the storage units, really helps in so many ways! The reductions in our storage unit expenses the past couple of years have significantly impacted our overall profits, and we can't thank you enough for that!

ACCEPTABLE ITEMS: Clothing/Accessories—clean with no tears or stains, shoes, novelty socks, books, DVDs/CDs, flat screen tvs/CD players, home décor, housewares, small appliances, linens/curtains, seasonal décor, antiques/collectables, musical instruments, toys/puzzles/games, jewelry/boutique items, sporting goods, tools and furniture.

ITEMS WE WON'T BE ABLE TO ACCEPT: mattresses, box springs, hide-a-beds, upholstered furniture with evidence of smoking or pets, rolling table and chair sets, entertainment centers, large appliances, computers, tires, paint, building supplies, light fixtures, sinks, fireplace inserts, organs, pianos, console stereos, console TVs, Christmas trees, Christmas garland, sleeping pillows, men's and women's underwear, including socks (except novelty socks), worn-out clothing with tears/stains, unclean clothing, and men's and women's pants/jeans with no sizing information.

Volunteer sign-up sheets for this year's 20+ teams will be posted on the Clubhouse cardroom bulletin board in early December. It's the many dedicated Volunteers and Team Leaders who keep making this event so successful, worthwhile and fun for everyone year after year! Sign up early and don't miss out! Individual contacts will be made with Team Leaders, and the first meeting will be held in early January. If you were a Team Leader last year but will be unable to continue in the same capacity this year, please contact Linda or Kris as soon as possible to discuss your team needs and/or recommendations for a replacement team leader. We appreciate your continued support and input!

NEWCOMERS: You don't want to miss out on being a part of this biggest fundraiser event of the year with proceeds going to upgrades in our own community! It's a wonderful opportunity to unload surplus furniture and other household items. Watch for more info in the upcoming Wellspokens, and please consider signing up in early December to volunteer in some way and become a part of this exciting and rewarding event!

Mark your calendar and join in the fun - SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2025!

Activities

500 Cards

500 Card games will begin on Saturday, November 2nd at 7:00 PM in the clubhouse. Rita Wallace and Penny and Gene Urbatsch will keep you organized until I return in January. Pat Johnston 651-503-6822.

Bowling

Bowling will start November 12th at 3:00pm. Same location as last year. 2115 East Southern Ave., Mesa 85204. Looking for new bowlers. Dave Nelson # 332 (605) 553-4440.

Bridge

Bridge is played every Tuesday at 12:30pm in the card room at the Clubhouse. Please sign-up. We must have 2 tables. Cost: \$.50. If you signed up, but are unable to attend call Marlene Shadle (480) 532-1508.

Golf-Couples

Our Wednesday afternoon couples golf league will begin on November 6th at Sunland Village Golf Course. As in the past, we ask that you arrive by 2:00 to check in for our 2:30 shotgun start. Once again, the rate has increased by \$5 per person. This year the green fees will be \$40 for 9 holes whether you walk or ride. This is our league rate. Twilight non- league rate is \$63.75, so we are getting a price break for league play.

The signup sheet will be posted in the Clubhouse by October 30th. The group email will continue to list the pairings for the current week. Questions, contact garychrist28@gmail.com or text Gary at 715-225-0796. We are looking FORE- ward to seeing everyone. Gary & Linda Christ #150.

Golf – Men's

Men's golf at Greenfield Lakes Golf Course starts on November 01, 2024 , Friday at 8.00 am. Two tee times have been booked for the 1st to start. (2 weeks) New golfers are welcome. Don't forget to signup on the Men's Golf sheets by noon, Tuesday. The signup sheet is in the Clubhouse.

Green fee's can be paid online, via phone, or personally. Don't forget to tell them you are with The Wells Group. At publication time they did not have a green fee established for leagues. Further questions can be directed to Bernie Plischke at renabernie@gmail.com or to Gary Christ 715-225-0796 or garychrist28@gmail.com.

Line Dancing

Advanced line dancing classes will start Wednesday, November 6th from 3:30pm-4:30pm and will dance every Wednesday at that time in the Clubhouse. Hope to see you there, Nancy Neus. (507) 582-3126.

Majong

We will be playing Mahjong on Mondays in the clubhouse. 12:00pm beginners/teaching, 1:00pm-3:00pm Everyone. Come join the fun!

Activities continued.

Pinochle

PINOCHLE will be starting Tuesday night, November 5th at 7:00 pm in the main hall of the Clubhouse. Bring a quarter and have a good time. Roger & Gerry Resseguie (303) 776-5415. Dale Emerson, (480) 734-7095.

Quilt Club

The Wells Quilt Club is an active group of around 15+ ladies who really enjoy quilting. We have demonstrations of quilting projects, do "show and tell" each meeting and give lots of tips! If you enjoy quilting, whether you are a beginner or skilled quilter, please join us at our meetings in the Clubhouse. We will meet November 8th and 22nd and December 13th at 10 am. From January to March, we meet twice a month on the second and fourth Friday. Happy Quilting! If you have questions about these meetings, call Bobbi Wodtli at (360) 990-4434.

Shuffleboard

Shuffleboard starts in Nov. at 9:30 on Mon. Wed. and Fri. Everyone is Welcome. On the spot training will be available. Sign up for help to clean on Monday mornings. Looking forward to seeing everyone again and meeting new players. Linda Paplow.

Tennis

We will be playing tennis on our courts as soon as enough players return. The schedule and times are TBD. Please watch the Bulletin Boards for updates.

Texas Hold'em

Texas Hold'em will be played every Tuesday starting August 6, 2024, at 5:30 pm in the card room. Call Rodney Shelton (608) 712-6332.

The Wells Jammers

The Wells Jammers will start the jam sessions in November on Thursday nights. Watch the sandwich boards for the date of the 1st session. Interested musicians should contact Bill B. Lot #215. (218) 760-0419.

Happy Birthday

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Bauman, George	11/01	Brown, Lawrence	11/11	Blaurock, Dawn	11/25
Boe, Debbie	11/01	Mallory, Jimmy	11/12	Caputo, Stanley	11/25
Jaeger, Ronnelle	11/01	Dallio, Joe	11/13	Wodtli, Dennis	11/25
Metcalf, Karen	11/01	Parkinson, Chauncey	11/13	Hutchinson, Susan	11/26
Miller, Judy	11/01	Dent, Linda	11/13	Montoya, Pamela	11/27
Breezee, Clayton	11/01	Stoop, Carol	11/14	Rasmussen, Stanley	11/27
Erickson, Craig	11/02	Falconer, Linda	11/14	Magnusson, Shirlee	11/29
Koehler, Ingrid	11/07	Perry, Kris	11/14	Oberbroeckling, Marge	11/29
Musser, Carol	11/08	Good, Jean	11/15	Smith, Karen	11/29
Middendorf, Kathi	11/08	Shelton, Rodney	11/15	Bassett, Don	11/30
Prodoehl, Kyle	11/08	Swirbul, Michael	11/15	Struth, Eleanor	11/30
Chester, Wayne	11/09	Jackson, Milford 'Butch'	11/16	Herms, William	11/30
McNiel, Michael	11/09	Kinghorn, Kal	11/18	Shadle, Kenneth	11/30
Diernberger, Louis	11/10	Rothchild, Charla	11/18		
Fajardo, Mary	11/11	Patton, Monica	11/21		
		Holland, Anna	11/23		

Happy Anniversary

NOVEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

		Roberts, Zachary & Marion	11/24/1978
		Shadle, Kenneth & Marlene	11/25/1962
Sperling, Del & Carol	11/01/1963	Byrne, Ronald & Florence	11/26/1959
Jackson, Milford 'Butch' & Susan	11/05/1977	Bowerman, William & Patricia	11/29/1968
Berry, Rob & Ronnae	11/17/1990	Gunderson, John & Patricia	11/30/1968
Thompson, Tom & Ilene	11/19/1961		

In Memoriam

Former resident Jerry McKinnon passed away on Tuesday October 8th, 2024.

On a Personal Note

Sign up to pack food for Feed My Starving Children. November's packing is Tuesday, November 19. We will meet at the Clubhouse at 11:15am and be back by 2:45pm. Sign up sheet will be in the Clubhouse in early November. Questions? Call or text Diana Butzlaff at (612) 618-4393.

THE WELLS 2024 CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES

ACTIVITY	CONTACT	PHONE	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun	REMARKS
500 (Cards)	Pat Johnston	651-503-6822						7:00 PM		Clubhouse
Bocce Ball	Rick & Darlene Snyder	330-502-9043		1:00pm		1:00pm				Bocce Court
Billiards-Men			10:00 AM	10:00 AM	10:00 AM	10:00 AM	10:00 AM	10:00 AM		Billiards Room
Bingo	Ron Knoll	218-838-3940	6:30 PM				3:00 PM			Clubhouse
Book Club	Ronnae Berry	970-227-9485								3rd Fri. Clubhouse
Bowling	Sharon Nelson	605-809-6147		3:00 PM						Bowling Alley
Bridge-Cards	Marlene Shadle	480-532-1508		12:30 PM						Clubhouse
Card Making	Karen Turner	480-454-6668	11:00 AM							Craftroom
Cards	Mary Miller	515-238-0503							1:00	Clubhouse
Cards Night	Mary Miller	515-238-0503					6:00 PM			Clubhouse
Golf - Couples/Singles	Gary & Linda Christ	715-225-0796			2:30PM				sign up	by Sun 6pm
Golf - Mens	Bernie Plichke	480-590-3880					8:30 AM		sign up	by Tues Noon
Exercise-2Mile Walk	Ilene Thompson	641-414-8174	8:00 AM	8:00 AM	8:00 AM	8:00 AM	8:00 AM			Clubhouse
Exercise-Chair Yoga	Ilene Thompson	641-414-8174	7:30 AM	7:30 AM	7:30 AM	7:30 AM	7:30 AM			Clubhouse
Hand, Foot & Toe Cards	Mary Miller	515-238-0503			6:00PM					Card room
Horseshoes	Bob Boe	701-527-5966				1:00PM				Horseshoe Court
Line Dancing	Nancy Neus	507-582-1326			3:30 PM	3:30 PM				Clubhouse
Mahjong	Jean McGuire	763-360-1215	1:00 PM							Clubhouse
Needle Work Circle	Evelyn Bauman	480-510-3779				1:00 PM				Cardroom
Pickleball	Laveda Files	515-480-1420	10:30am	10:30am	10:30am	10:30am	10:30am	10:30am		Pickleball Court
Pickleball	Laveda Files	515-480-1420	3:00PM	3:00PM	3:00PM	3:00PM	3:00PM	3:00PM		Pickleball Court
Pinochle	Gerry Resseguie	303-776-5415		7:00 PM						Clubhouse
Quilt Group	Bobbi Wodtli	360-990-4434					10:00 AM			2nd & 4th Fri
Morning Coffee & Donuts								TBD		Clubhouse
Shuffleboard	Linda Paplow	507-468-2780	9:30 AM		9:30 AM		9:30 AM			Shuffleboard Court
Stained Glass	Janet Penfold	208-351-9938			10-Noon					Craftroom
Tennis - Off site	Jim Riedl	480-832-7853	8:30 AM				8:30 AM			TBD
Tennis-on site	Jim Riedl	480-832-7853		8:30 AM	8:30 AM	8:30 AM				Tennis Court
Texas Hold'em Beg	Rodney Shelton	608-712-6332		5:30 PM						Card room
Texas Hold'em Int	Rodney Shelton	608-712-6332						1:00 PM		Card room
Texas Hold'em Adv	Rodney Shelton	608-712-6332		7:00 PM						Card room
The Wells Jammers	Bill Behrens	218-760-0419				6:30 PM				Clubhouse
Water Aerobics	Ronnae Berry	970-227-9485	8:30 AM	8:30 AM	8:30 AM	8:30 AM	8:30 AM	8:30 AM		Pool
Wells Belles	Laurie Page	515-518-6502				1st Thurs				Clubhouse
Wells Singers	Cate Knoll	612-327-2557	10:00 AM							Clubhouse
Wood Carving	David Jaeger	507-581-3047		10:00 AM						Craft Room
Yoga - Men's	Craig Pool	701-590-3067		9:00 AM		9:00 AM				Clubhouse

****Contact Office for any changes 480-641-3776**

Special events etc.: See office calendar and bulletin board postings.