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### LET'S GATHER 'ROUND THE INGLENOOK

by Max Schoenhals

Raise your hand if you thought I was talking about a California wine. An inglenook is actually an architectural element found in many of our older homes. Translated from Gaelic, "ingle" means fireplace, and the nook is the area around the fireplace that is defined by the structure and furnishings. They've been around for centuries, but became popular in American architecture in the Arts & Crafts period (late 1800s through the 1920s).

Usually at the end of the living room sat the hearth, often with matching small windows flanking each side. It's easy to identify, even from the exterior of the house. The space was often a little narrow and elongated to make the fireplace have its own implies space

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### HELP US "FINISH THE FUNDING"

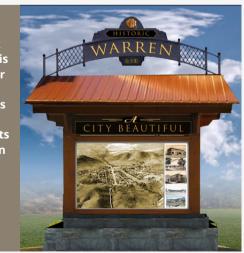
Did you know that there is an historic kiosk planned for Vista Park telling visitors about Warren's "City Beautiful" plan? In response to our question about how he came up with this idea, visionary Bill Bailey responded, "I thought of all the past articles I had read of Bisbee being such a large city at the turn of the 20th century and kept reading more. Those articles emphasize the "City Beautiful" thing and then I wondered why I have never really heard of that thru local sources. And of course, then, I originally thought that (since I served on the Parks and Rec Committee,) we "were" Parks and Rec, how cool to have a small sign like thing stating that to all

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## HWC CHOSEN AS GRANT RECIPIENT

The Historic Warren Community was pleased to be awarded \$750 of grant funding by The Bisbee Foundation. The grant will be used to incorporate as a non-profit and develop marketing strategies, including an Historic Warren Community website, to support our mission of bringing neighbors together to revitalize the Warren area through thoughtful planning & partnerships that highlight Warren's history & architecture; support, promote & attract local business; organize & publicize events to build community & pride of place. Look for the website to launch later this month.

The kiosk placement is planned for the lower Vista across from the tennis courts on Congdon





### HELLO NEIGHBOR & WELCOME HOME!

Do you have a new neighbor? You can help make them feel like they're really at their new home by having a welcome basket delivered. Please contact our Hello Neighbor Committee to make sure they receive a welcome basket: <u>bisbeeblyss@yahoo.com</u>.

#### Kiosk cont'd

people entering Warren. Especially since that house on Congdon and Bisbee Road has the "Welcome to Warren" sign. The people on the committee went for it and Doug Dunn of the Bisbee Foundation, and Mike Page the artist were introduced and it really snowballed from there. Hopefully this month we can even get some physical presence there in the park. Really it takes a village, and Bisbee is a great community......"

The Historic Warren Community is selling flags to hang outside our homes to show our community pride. \$10 from each flag sold will be donated to The Bisbee Foundation towards the Warren City Beautiful Kiosk planned for Vista Park. Look for us at the Bisbee Saturday Morning Market on June 11th or send us an email to place your order: <u>bisbeeblyss@yahoo.com</u>.

#### Inglenook cont'd

space around which to gather. It was a place to share warmth and light, and visit and share the events of the day. It was where the family sat to read the news or a book. It was the focal point of almost every bungalow, no matter how humble the residence. When seen in a living room that was a little larger in dimension, furnishings would be placed alongside the hearth to define the cozy space around the fire.

This wonderful feature isn't just limited to the Craftsman bungalow and can be found in other related styles worth examining. You might be wondering, "Why don't houses still have that great feature?"

Fireplaces still exist, of course, but they lost their prominence over the years, especially with the introduction of central hearing. Even in the 1920s, gravity feed heating, where a cellar furnace fed heat under the house indirectly, already existed. It was a matter of time until tastes would change.

The most charming inglenook I've ever seen is the one from Frank Lloyd Wright's own house. It's not grand or ornate, but it has this sensitive inscription above the hearth. It reads:

> Truth is Life Good Friend, Around These Hearth Stones Speak No Evil Word of Any Creature

# IMPORTANT CONTACT INFO

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### A LOOK BACK....AND FORWARD

In January of this year, amidst an ongoing global pandemic, our community was invited to envision, discuss and begin creating a revitalized Warren...one that celebrated our neighborhood's history and architecture, supported, promoted and attracted local businesses, and offered opportunities to gather for fun and community-building among our vibrant, creative, diverse culture. We developed the Historic Warren Community and established a list of goals along with a hefty list of projects. We are six months down the road now and have already accomplished so much:

**Monthly Community Meetings.** Even with an ongoing global pandemic, we are grateful for our faithful participants who continue show up, ask questions, provide input and ideas to move forward.

**Porch Parties.** Great thanks to our brave party pioneers who opened their homes to the community in March and May! These get-togethers provide opportunities for us to better know one another, share noshes and recipes, and get a peek into the interiors of some pretty cool houses we wouldn't otherwise be able to see! We hope you'll think about hosting a Porch Party in the future. Send email to <u>bisbeeblyss@yahoo.com</u>.

**Community Talks.** Our first Community Talk about creating a wildlife habitat garden in our own yards by the Bisbee Bloomers drew more than 60 participants! It was a fun afternoon in the amazing gardens of the Calumet and Arizona Guest house. Let us know what topics you'd like to hear about in the future! Thank you Jane Gaffer, Mary Kay Cummins, Bill Bailey and Debbie Burkhead from the Bisbee Bloomers. Thank you, too, Joy Timbers, for your endless hospitality and generosity.

**Bisbee's Christmas on the Vista.** Committee Chair Rachel Allee has been busy partnering with the City of Bisbee to combine Bisbee's Festival of Lights with our Christmas on the Vista for one glorious holiday extravaganza this year! Mark Saturday, December 10th on your calendars! See the article on Page 4 for more info and how to get involved. **Hello Neighbor Welcome Baskets.** Thank you, Tracy D'Arcangelo, for stepping up to chair this committee and to her volunteers we affectionately refer to as "The Sparkle Squad." We are so appreciative to our business community for stepping up to help support this small act to welcome our new neighbors. You can help, too, by letting us know about new neighbors on your street! If you would like to contribute something to our welcome baskets, tell us about a new neighbor or volunteer to be on the "Squad," send email to <u>bisbeeblyss@yahoo.com</u>.

**More to Come.** Our Historic Warren Community website is almost ready to launch: <u>historicwarrencommunity.org</u>. Research regarding Historic Designation remains. By-Laws are being drafted and meetings with an attorney to incorporate our group as a non-profit are in the works. Developing a master plan for Vista Park is on the list. If any of the activities mentioned throughout this article are of interest to you, we hope you'll get involved. We are only as successful as the participation. As our work continues, keep looking around...and be delighted!

Who benefits from these activities? We all do. We all deserve to live in a creative, charming, thriving neighborhood. You can help make it happen by supporting local businesses, participating in our monthly meetings, presenting ideas, volunteering at an event or activity, leading a committee, hosting or attending a Porch Party, or buying and displaying a Historic Warren flag outside your home, or through a cash donation to the Historic Warren Community.

Thank you to those of you who have faithfully participated in our meetings and activities from inception. Without you, there would be nothing. Thank you, Holly Priestley, for your sage input to get us started with the website. My appreciation to Fred Miller for promoting – and participating in - our endeavors during these months. Our great gratitude to Annette Flores and her staff at the Boys & Girls Club for opening their gym to us for meetings. Thank you, Doug Dunn, for your email about the Bisbee Foundation grant opportunities. Lastly, I would be remiss not to recognize our loyal "Sparkle Squad." These folks have been there throughout our six-month journey, ready to take on whatever task needed tackling: Heather Reddon, Rachel Allee, Max Schoenhals, Deb Holly, Tracy D'Arcangelo and Joy Timbers. I love and appreciate all that each and every one of you bring to our mission. We are achieving our goals because of your altruistic spirit and synergy.

### NEIGHBORS SQUEALING WITH DELIGHT

You may have seen Gus the pig on the side of 417 Arizona Street and wondered what was going on. For those W'rens who haven't yet heard, there's a new restaurant coming to town!

Warren residents Chris Dangerfield and Heather Reddon plan to open The Copper Pig with the goal of providing comfort food with casual elegance in a warm and cozy setting. The restaurant has 9 tables with seating for 36.

When asked why they chose Warren for their restaurant, the couple said they liked the "cool neighborhood feel" that was so different than their experience in Phoenix, where both worked at a Country Club Golf Course restaurant. In addition to his time in Phoenix and fine dining restaurants in New York, Chris' other experience includes working for Michael Chiarello at Tra Vigne, one of Napa's most legendary restaurants.

Offerings will include the Copper Pig Platter which contains baby schnitzel, homemade garlic sausage and a barbeque-rubbed rib; Chicken Scaloppini; Blackened Tilapia with Gulf Shrimp and there will also be Vegetable Lasagna available to satisfy the vegetarians.

"It's importance to us that our guests know that it's Chris cooking and me doing the serving; a really grassroots establishment," Heather shared. "Excellent food and customer service is what we hope to become known for." Heather may be a familiar face to anyone who has stopped by her Heater's Perk in the Park booth at the Bisbee Saturday Morning Market

The Copper Pig will be open for dinner Sunday through Wednesday, filling the void when Bisbee's dining-out options are scarce.

Heather and Chris are still awaiting some details before they can open; however, they hope to be open by July. When they do open, reservations will be required for now and can be made by contacting Heather at her booth at Market in the shade under the trees in Vista Park.

### BISBEE'S CHRISTMAS ON THE VISTA

On December 21, 2021, this post appeared on nextdoor.com addressed to the Warren community:

"Imagine Christmas 2022 in Historic Warren...the neighborhood & hills illuminated by holiday lights and decorations as the neighbors jingle bells beckoning Santa to our sweet little community....Bisbee's mayor lights a Christmas tree in Vista Park that was donated by our neighborhood to kick off the start of a lively community holiday festival where residents and tourists shop for unique hand-crafted items while sipping hot chocolate and snacking on holiday treats made by local vendors; where children confide to Santa their deepest holiday wishes; where well-behaved dogs on leash get their photo taken with Santa Paws; a festive event where a hayride shuttles carolers singing around the Vista. Well....these are some of MY Christmas dreams! And dreams CAN come true! What are YOUR holiday dreams???"

Those words have manifested in a collaboration between the City of Bisbee and the Historic Warren Community this year to bring "Bisbee's Christmas on the Vista" to Warren on Saturday, December 10th.

Bisbee's Christmas on the Vista will combine many popular activities from Bisbee's Festival of Lights like the Sack Race, Egg & Spoon Race, and Money Booth, a crafts and food fair; holiday performances, and, of course, a visit with Santa, with some new ones: a tree-lighting ceremony; food trucks; holiday movie in the park; a visit with Santa for your 4-legged furry family members, and more.

Visualize the trees lining Vista Park twinkling in the dark with hundreds of tiny stars, lighting Santa's way as he delivers presents to the children of Bisbee. Residents and businesses will have the opportunity to sponsor the lights in those trees.

There will even be a Holiday House Decorating Contest around the Vista and visitors will be able to cast votes for their favorite decorated home!

We want everyone in Warren to be a part of creating an old fashioned Christmas in Bisbee. Start dreaming about your Christmas decorating ideas, planning your long overdue family reunions and coming together with friends and neighbors to celebrate this exciting and memorable holiday event.....Bisbee's Christmas on the Vista!

### To volunteer or for more information, email BisbeesChristmasOnTheVista@gmail.com.