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# GREETINGS

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# HAPPENINGS



**B**ryson DeChambeau of Crushers GC earned the first individual victory in the inaugural LIV Golf Tournament at The Greenbrier this past summer. With an amazing round of 12-under 58, DeChambeau bested Stuart Appleby's course record of 59 in the inaugural Greenbrier Classic.

Fans were treated to a fantastic few days of golf and entertainment, with Zac Brown providing a concert on Thursday night of the event. 1. Brendan Steele of Lefty's HyFlyers GC tees off; 2. Greg Norman, CEO of LIV Golf, handles the championship trophy; 3. Bryson DeChambeau of Crushers GC wins his first ever tournament; 4. GC Crushers rejoice in style on the 18<sup>th</sup> green.







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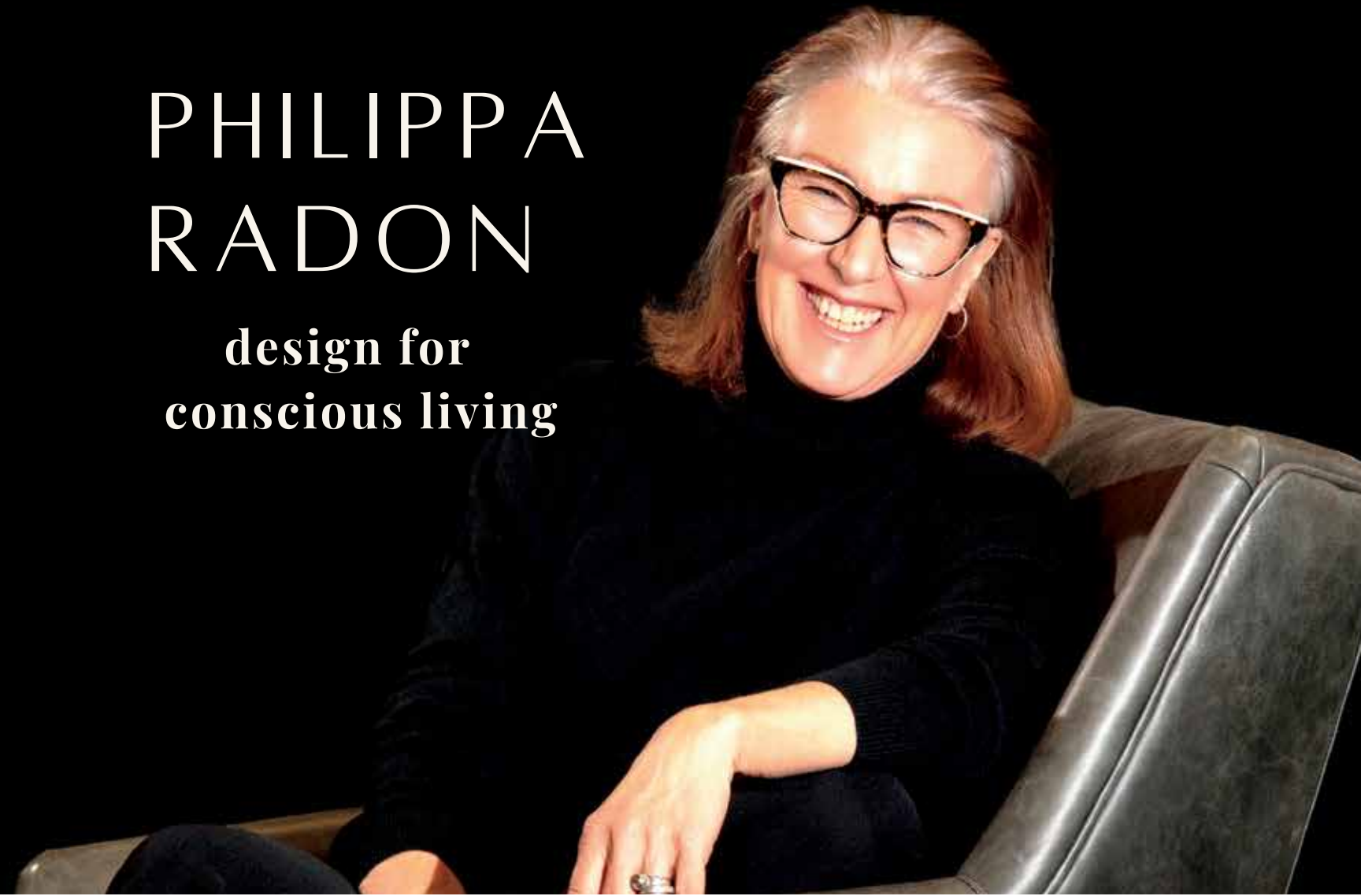
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INDOORS

# Always Entertaining ANYTIME OF YEAR

Although golf may be limited at The Greenbrier during the colder months, with dropping temperatures and blowing snow, there are still plenty of opportunities for activities across the resort's expansive 11,000-acre property. When weather permits, the Meadows Course remains open for play, and there are also other outdoor activities available for cooler weather enjoyment, including off-road driving, fishing, carriage rides, and the gun club. Some activities, such as sleigh rides and ice skating, require lower temperatures.

If you prefer to stay indoors and keep warm, The Greenbrier offers a fantastic selection of indoor activities that should be on your winter to-do list. Here are a few of the favorites:



**Arcade:** Inside the bowling alley, the recently upgraded arcade provides endless entertainment for both children and those young at heart. You'll find a wide variety of games suitable for all ages and interests, including air hockey, billiards, basketball, pinball, car games, shooting games, merchandise games, and more. Instead of coins, the games operate with gaming cards that can be purchased inside the arcade using cash, credit, or debit cards, allowing you to leave your spare change at home and save pocket space.

**Bowling:** Adjacent to the indoor pool, just before the spa, The Greenbrier's eight-lane bowling alley is a popular indoor recreation option. Each lane has built-in kiddie bumpers, and bowling balls and shoes are available for your enjoyment. Scoring is done through an easy-to-use app on provided iPads, and televisions above each lane let you catch up on the latest games in between turns. A jukebox and multi-colored rope lights add to the festive atmosphere.

**Bunker Tours:** The declassified Bunker at The Greenbrier provides guests with a must-see experience, offering a fascinating glimpse into the resort's history. Carved deep into the mountainside beneath the West Virginia Wing, this emergency Cold War fallout shelter was once a top-secret U.S. government relocation facility for Congress. Now open to the public, visitors can relive this legendary piece of The Greenbrier's history. The Bunker was featured on The Today Show in 2018 and recognized as one of the Top 100 Military Destinations in America.

**Casino Club:** At The Casino Club at The Greenbrier, you can indulge in the grandest casino experience in the world. With 37 table games, 320 slot machines, and the FanDuel and MGM Sportsbooks, there's something for everyone. Step into our upscale casino, adorned in the magnificent Dorothy Draper style, and discover a one-of-a-kind destination.

**Escape Room:** Put your problem-solving skills to the test with our exciting escape rooms. Brought to life with themes inspired by Alice in Wonderland and The Greenbrier's own bunker history, these rooms offer a thrilling challenge. Work together as a team to uncover clues, solve riddles, and share information in order to solve the mystery and escape before time runs out. Be the fastest and become a Greenbrier legend.

**Fitness Center:** Stay active and fit at The Greenbrier's modern fitness center. Our facility boasts state-of-the-art equipment, including strength training and cardiovascular machines like treadmills, Stairmasters, bicycles, and NordicTracks. Certified physical trainers are available to guide you and a wide variety of fitness classes are offered, ranging from intense Abs Blast sessions to relaxing Gentle Yoga classes.

**Indoor Pool:** The Greenbrier boasts a 30-meter indoor pool that dates back to the early 1900s, remodeled in the late 1940s by Dorothy Draper. Complete with beautiful canopies and colorful furnishings, this unique indoor pool offers refreshing, temperature-controlled water and year-round recreational opportunities.

**Pickleball:** For those seeking out the huge popularity of Pickleball, The Greenbrier now offers plenty of courts for America's fastest-growing sport that combines elements of tennis, badminton, and table tennis. The Tennis and Fitness Center provides pickleball courts, equipment, and instruction for all interested guests.

**Indoor Tennis:** Tennis enthusiasts will be delighted by The Greenbrier's Tennis and Fitness Center, which features five indoor Deco-Turf courts. Recently resurfaced and in excellent condition, these courts are accompanied by a modern pro-shop. Regular clinics, as well as private and group lessons, are available for avid players.

While there's nothing wrong with cozying up by a fireplace with a warm drink on a cold winter afternoon, The Greenbrier encourages guests to try out these thrilling indoor activities when the desire to stay active strikes.





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## EVENTS

# Visit The Greenbrier for a multitude of winter events from now through 2024!

We've featured some of our most popular below. Scan the QR code for more information and to reserve your spot today!



### **WEEKENDS WITH SANTA** Dec 1-2, Dec 8-9, Dec 15-16

Enjoy the twinkle in your child's eyes as the jolly old elf himself takes a break from his Christmas preparations to spend some quality time with your loved ones at The Greenbrier. From story time with cookies and milk to those cherished photos that will evoke memories of Christmas past for years to come – Weekends with Santa are filled with holiday cheer that lasts throughout the holiday season.

### **CHRISTMAS AT THE GREENBRIER** Dec 22-29

Families reunite in the merriment of the holidays and enjoy a diverse collection of activities, dining options, parties and family traditions when they spend Christmas at America's Resort. From the magnificent tree lightings to exquisite decorations and harmonious music, The Greenbrier is the quintessential destination to celebrate the season and fill your heart with the Christmas spirit.

### **NEW YEAR'S CELEBRATION** Dec 30-Jan 1

The Greenbrier has been ringing in the new year for more than a century, and it knows how to say goodbye to flip the page on the calendar in style. The schedule is packed with exciting activities for the entire family.

### **SUPER SUNDAY PARTY** February 11

Take in the biggest game of 2024 with a Super Celebration inside The Casino Club at The Greenbrier on Sunday, February 11. Show your team pride by wearing your favorite jersey and savor game day cuisine and incredible drinks from the cash bar, all while watching the game on multiple screens throughout the facility.

### **DOROTHY DRAPER DECORATING WEEKEND** March 1-3

Dorothy Draper & Company, Inc., America's oldest established continually operating interior design firm, continues to oversee all aspects of design throughout The Greenbrier since 1946. This colorful weekend, led by members of the Dorothy Draper Team, features behind-the-scenes tours, lectures, and receptions to immerse yourself into the world of Draper!

### **EASTER AT THE GREENBRIER** March 29-31

The Greenbrier's Easter basket is overflowing with events and activities for the entire family throughout Easter weekend, thanks to the work of Greenious H. Brier, the resident bunny at America's Resort. He has been busy this year, planning to assure there's something for everyone during this holiday celebration.



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# CULINARY



One of the most enchanting corners of The Greenbrier during the holidays is its chocolate display, a delectable showcase that beckons guests with the promise of some sweet indulgence. The aroma of cocoa filled the air as visitors enter the resort's grand lower lobby, where the chocolate display has stood every Christmas since 2014 as an epicurean masterpiece.

For three months, a team of three skilled chocolatiers meticulously craft an array of tempting treats, turning the lobby into a haven for chocolate enthusiasts. Past favorites include a gigantic 100% chocolate Santa and sleigh display and popular characters such as Olaf and the Grinch. The Greenbrier's pastry chefs take pride in creating chocolates that reflect the spirit of West Virginia. The Greenbrier's chocolate display isn't just a sweet attraction but also a testament to the resort's commitment to providing an unforgettable experience here at America's Resort.







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With this history and legacy in mind, The Greenbrier MedSpa continues that tradition of health and relaxation, and it's no wonder The Greenbrier Spa itself is consistently named one of the top spas in the world by Condé Nast Traveler magazine.

After a day of play, shopping, or enjoying any of the other amenities offered at The Greenbrier resort, fall into some rest and relaxation. With a variety of services to choose from, ranging from skin, body and face treatments to laser treatments and injectable products, the MedSpa offers something for everyone.

Originally offering limited services at The Greenbrier Clinic, the spa relocated to its current residence next to Studio G in the resort a few years ago, according to Kenette Coffman, director of The Greenbrier Spa.

“We have continued to offer quality services during these last seven years, and now we have decided to take it to that next level,” Coffman says.

Coffman says MedSpa guests, be it those staying at the hotel, Sporting Club members, or clients from the community, can all expect to receive quality service from experienced professionals. One of those professionals is new nurse injector Linda Rosas, who was welcomed onto the MedSpa team in April 2023.

“Linda takes the time to truly listen to and assess every patient to assist them in meeting their aesthetic needs, and to choose treatment options best suited for them and their personal goals,” Coffman says.

Since Rosas joined the team, they have introduced several new treatments. “Without a doubt, we are most excited about our newest acquisition from InMode,” Coffman says. “We



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are now proudly able to offer one of the most sought-after treatments on the market: radiofrequency micro needling with Morpheus8 for face, eyes, resurfacing and body.”

The latest and greatest for skin resurfacing, ablative skin rejuvenation is a radiofrequency (RF) treatment that is effective for rejuvenation, wrinkle reduction, acne scar treatment, and more for all skin types.

That is just one of the high quality, effective services offered at the MedSpa; others include Sculptra aesthetics, dermal fillers, Botox, Dysport, SkinVive microdroplet hydration, and SkinPen.

Reducing the look of fine lines, stretch marks, and scars by activating collagen synthesis, SkinPen micro needling is a minimally invasive skin rejuvenation procedure proven to increase collagen, which is an essential ingredient in improving skin’s tone and texture.

A wide range of services to look and feel your best, the MedSpa offers also Neurotoxin, laser hair removal, Forma RF, Diolaze treatment, three separate Evolve treatments, dermaplaning, and micro needling with and without platelet rich plasma (PRP).

Taking less than an hour to complete, PRP therapy uses the infusion of concentrated platelets harvested from the client’s blood in a simple blood draw

that’s placed in a centrifuge to create PRP to accelerate healing in a specific area. PRP is then applied to the skin and allowed to penetrate the holes created by micro needling; this process enhances collagen and elastin production in deeper skin levels.

These platelets help to stimulate cell reproduction and tissue regeneration in the treated area, in addition to improving skin texture, decreasing the appearance of fine lines and wrinkles, and plumping cheeks and temples. PRP can also be used to treat hair loss or thinning.

It’s important to take some time to focus on, and treat oneself to, some of the services offered at the MedSpa, Coffman says. In recent years, especially with the rise of, and greater attention to, self-care, it’s more important than ever to feel good about yourself starting with the inside out, and the MedSpa has the perfect services for everyone; there’s something everyone can feel good about.

“The nature of aesthetics has changed some over the years with the focus on aging gracefully and prevention,” Coffman says. “We feel better when we know we have done something good for ourselves and when we feel better, we look better.”

Other self-care services at the MedSpa include microdermabrasion, chemical peels, and cool





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sculpting, which eliminates stubborn body fat. Cool sculpting is FDA approved and nonsurgical, safely delivering precisely controlled cooling to gently and effectively target fat cells, Coffman says.

The MedSpa's wide range of laser treatments includes enhanced skin rejuvenation; hair reduction; and subablative skin rejuvenation, a RF treatment for skin resurfacing, wrinkle reduction, and acne scar treatments safe for all skin types.

Injectable products and treatments are also available, ranging from Botox Cosmetics to Juvéderm and Kybella, which is used to treat moderate to severe fat below the chin, contouring and improving the appearance of the jawline through the absorption of dietary fat.

Recommended during winter months when direct sun exposure can be limited, intense pulsed light (IPL) therapy is a noninvasive, non-ablative treatment that delivers high-intensity light that permeates deep below the skin's surface to improve redness, fine lines and wrinkles, vascular lesions, broken capillaries, and sunspots.

The Greenbrier MedSpa stands out from other spas because of the unparalleled quality of service, Coffman says,

and with its convenient location within the resort, it is a popular hub for guests, tourists, community members and more. "Its location within The Greenbrier allows it to be both a great place to take care of your aesthetic needs but also a destination in and of itself, as it is a wonderful place to plan a day," she says. "Shop, have lunch, and receive your services. The Greenbrier MedSpa is happy to serve not only hotel guests and club members, but also those in our surrounding areas."

Not only do their clients and customers make their jobs worth it each and every day, but Coffman and her team agree the history surrounding health and wellness at The Greenbrier is a great motivator, too. They're continuing that tradition.

"We love our clients," Coffman says. "Everyone from clients to employees make this a pleasant experience, not to mention the beauty and history of The Greenbrier."





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# LEGACY HOME IN THE MOUNTAINS:

A FAMILY'S 20-YEAR JOURNEY  
AT THE GREENBRIER

**W**alking into Gus and Karen Sauter's new home in The Ridges on Greenbrier Mountain, you get a distinct sense that this house contains multitudes. Multitudes of family stories and history and design choices. The home is as inviting as its owners, and gathered around the kitchen's luxurious black magma-topped island, they tell a story not unfamiliar to others that call The Greenbrier "home."

The Sauter's love affair with The Greenbrier started in 1994, when Gus's parents celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary at the historic Greenbrier resort, marking the beginning of a cherished family tradition. What started as a yearly reunion for the scattered family turned into a two-decade love affair with the serene mountainside. Today, perched atop Greenbrier Mountain, with commanding views down to the resort and valley below, Karen and Gus share the story of their legacy home, a culmination of family history and architectural and design vision.



THE DESIGN PROCESS FOR THIS HOME WAS A DELICATE BALANCE BETWEEN FUNCTION AND FORM. Gus's vision for a classic mountain home was born of memories of Aspen and ample timber detailing and large beams took precedence. The couple engaged in a hands-on approach, meticulously selecting materials like the striking aforementioned black magma island in the kitchen, which epitomizes their love for bold, unique elements.

The couple's first order of business was to engage architect Rene Hoffman to turn their dream into reality. Gus and Karen came armed with an extensive wish list, that included a wine cellar, sauna, golf simulator, solar shingles, and spaces for the family's tremendous collection of art and antiques. The challenge lay in incorporating various rooms with specific requirements while ensuring the house harmonized with its natural surroundings. Hoffman's expertise and collaborative approach impressed the couple, making him the clear choice for the project. He also happened to be just down the road from the couple's Valley Forge home.

"The Sauters live within a few miles of our office here in Paoli, Pennsylvania, and they discovered that we are on The Greenbrier's approved Architects list," explains Hoffman, who has been designing projects at The Greenbrier Sporting Club for 20 years. "Upon meeting at the lot with the clients, and listening to their wish list, it was quite evident that this was a very special property and would provide a spectacular setting for their dream retreat. It commands unmatched views of the valley floor, and it straddles a ridge that provides interesting topography on every side of the house. The main body of the house and its Great Room is oriented on an axis with a direct view to the hotel far below in the distance. Wings on either side "wrap" the central house at angles to maximize views and sunlight. Natural materials like stone, shingle walls, and timber framing marry the house to its wooded surroundings."

"He's done a number of houses here," reiterates Karen. "So that was just crazy! And when we met him, we thought we were going to interview a whole bunch of architects. But we loved Rene from the very beginning. He's funny, he's smart, he's quick, but he loves to come up and bring his little chair and have his cigar and sit out and just see what's happening on the property and he gets a feel for how the house should be set".

Indeed, collaboration was key to the project's success. The couple worked closely with Hoffman, Main Street Building Group, Barbara







Opposite: View from above of the great room and fireplace; Clockwise from above: The 2<sup>nd</sup> floor master bedroom offers expansive views of the Greenbrier Valley; The first floor master bath includes an air bath and steam shower; Black magma granite provides an eye-catching statement in the kitchen island.





Gisel Design, and other craftsmen, ensuring the incorporation of certain family heirlooms and maintaining the home's rustic charm.

"We're very hands-on," says Karen. "So, we were involved in every single decision in this house. It wasn't like we just turned it over to a designer or whatever. We are really hands-on. For example, we made several trips to North Carolina to visit every granite place we could find, to actually put our hands on the slabs."

Rob Vass, principal of Main Street Building Group and builder of numerous Greenbrier Sporting Club homes since its inception, agrees.

"I recognized from the moment I met with Gus and Karen that this was going to be a special home," says Rob, "largely in part to their desire to be actively involved in the process. Each decision, from the slate roof to the cabinet hardware and everything in-between, was made by them reflecting the care and commitment to shaping the vision of their legacy home."

## A HOME FILLED WITH STORIES

The Greenbrier legacy home is more than just a mountain retreat; it's a narrative woven with family history. From the kitchen's Amish-crafted cabinetry to the Cape Cod-inspired accents, a nod to Karen's family history, each element holds a story, making this residence a true testament to the couple's journey.

Karen, whose ancestor William Harris founded the colony of Providence, Rhode Island, in 1636 with Roger Williams, retains numerous antiques and art that have been handed down over generations. On the other side, Gus's family also dates back to the 1600s, with a long history in Ohio.

"My grandmother actually won the Greenbrier Waltz competition in the 1930s," he says with a smile. "She even took a lesson from Sam Snead!"

"That's what this house is supposed to be," explains Karen, "a conglomeration of our backgrounds and our families and their history."

A great example of this is the fantastic Amish cabinetry throughout the house. Gus, who grew up in north central Ohio in Amish Country, wanted to pay homage to that part of his story. So, all of the cabinetry in the kitchen and office was done in Walnut Creek, Ohio, in an Amish factory that employs over 800 people.

"Not exactly what you imagine when you think of the Amish building cabinets," jokes Gus.

But it's that attention to the stories their design decisions tell that makes the Sauter home so special. Gus's office, bathed in beautiful cherry



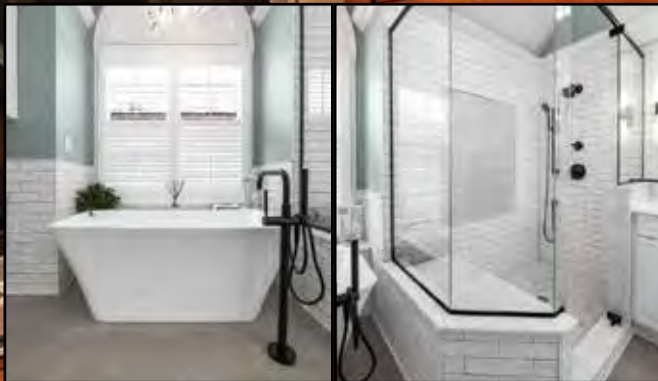
Above: A pair of 18<sup>th</sup> century mirrors passed down for generations in Karen's family are teamed with a 1929 Steinway piano and Waterford chandelier from Gus' grandparents. Below: Old family photos share a shelf with books illustrated by Karen's great aunt.







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Above: The custom wine cellar houses Gus' extensive collection. Below: Ohio Amish craftsmanship is on display throughout the house and shown here in the office and kitchen.







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wood cabinets, became a special moment for the Amish workers installing the room.

“We got a phone call from Mimi,” Explains Karen, “Telling us the owner of the company, John Schrock, and several others from the company were flying down in a private plane to surprise them and see their work in progress first-hand.”

“So they were down in the basement doing something,” continues Gus, “and we let them in. It was a big group of them, like four or something. The guys come up from the basement, and they almost fall over to see their boss. You know? How great is that?!”

“Building a custom home is akin to putting together a finely tailored suit,” says Mimi Coffman, Project Coordinator Consultant for Main Street Building Group, “where we collaborate with the client and architect to piece comfort, style, and practicality into every room—creating a unique space that feels just right. With the Sauter’s home, they challenged us to include very special components throughout the project to include radiant floor heating, incorporating a unique and meaningful antique millstone into the fireplace stone design, and the first solar at The Greenbrier Sporting Club. They embraced every construction challenge, weaving their dedication into the very fabric of the home. We loved working with Gus and Karen as they cared deeply about every aspect of construction, and they collaborated with us and every trade member in a way that built a strong and committed team.”

## SUSTAINABLE AND SERENE LIVING

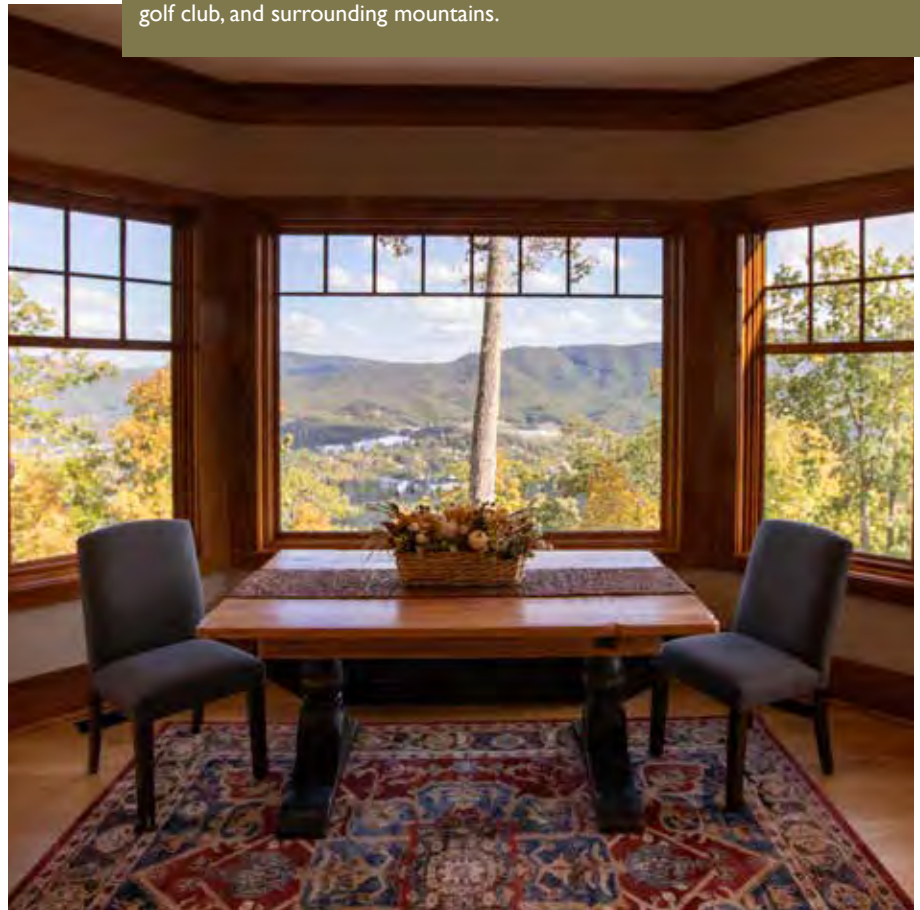
In line with the couple’s vision for a low-maintenance home that is also sustainably built, materials like concrete and PVC were chosen for their durability and the house boasts solar shingles, generating 26 kilowatts daily while seamlessly blending with the roofline.

“It was important to Gus and Karen to craft a sustainable home as a pledge to the future,” explains Rob. “They did so by making conscientious decisions that would reduce the impact of their home on the environment. We utilized Insulated Concrete Forms (ICF) for the foundation, incorporated Andersen high-performance windows with SmartSun, Low-E4 glass, insulated with Icynene foam, and installed radiant floor heat throughout the home. The solar panels were the icing on the cake.”

As Karen and Gus share their mornings above the clouds, it’s evident that this legacy home is not just a structure; it’s a living, breathing testament to a family’s love for each other and the mountainside. This magnificent Greenbrier retreat stands as a symbol of the enduring power of family, tradition, and architectural ingenuity.



Above: The billiards room takes advantage of the fabulous views in every direction. Below: The breakfast room commands a direct view of the hotel, golf club, and surrounding mountains.



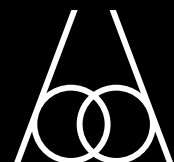


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# REFRESH RENOVATE REMODEL

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**H**ere at The Greenbrier, homebuyers are looking for more than just a place to live. They want an experience, a lifestyle, and more recently, a project to sink their design aspirations into. This has led to the rise in popularity of remodel projects for luxury homebuyers here at The Greenbrier Sporting Club, with a number of homeowners partnering with interior designers, builders, kitchen designers, and more to bring their vision to reality.

Gone are the days when a simple coat of paint and new carpet would suffice. Luxury homebuyers are seeking homes that are customized to their specific needs and desires. They want homes that exude elegance, sophistication, and most importantly, a reflection of their own personal style.

Whether completely remodeling a great room, creating a gourmet kitchen, or installing smart home technology, these remodeling projects allow for personalization and customization on homes that have outlived their style or just need a refresh.

Here, we present four case studies, ranging from large mountain retreats to cottages along the golf course, featuring the people and businesses behind the redesigns.





# PHILIPPA RADON DESIGNS



**B**ringing with her more than three decades of design experience, Philippa Radon moved to the Mountain State two years ago. One of her current projects at The Greenbrier is a full remodel at a Meadows Lane cottage, which all started with expanding the garage to house her clients' vintage car.

"That was the catalyst for all else that followed," Radon says. "We have done an extension and a sort of a facelift, let's call it, to the ground floor."

Some of the redesign consisted of converting the old laundry room to a bar; new window treatments; tiling the kitchen wall; reworking the fireplace mantel; installing new cabinetry; and a new full color capsule for the entire ground floor that changed the feel and character of the spaces dramatically, Radon says.

The finishing touches included adding wallpaper in the bar and powder room, on cabinet backs and in the hallway; new rugs and a stair carpet; new lighting in the foyer and kitchen; hanging artwork; and reupholstering items.

"Their contractor added an extension, so we built a laundry room, a pantry, extended the garage and included a sort of mudroom and a bar room," Radon says.

The house was built 14 years ago and hadn't changed at all in that time. Radon's client has a creative background and keen sense of color and is an avid art enthusiast who wanted to feel reconnected to the home, she says.

"She is a passionate cook and though the kitchen is small and an open plan layout, it needed to be more functional and feel more contemporary for guests to congregate in and feel part of the cooking experience," she says.

Coming from New York and the West Coast, Radon says the design trends at The Greenbrier remind her of her English roots and heritage.

"The design here to me feels considerably more English, and with the resort itself, definitely more historical references, traditional, or what we call transitional traditional," she says.

There seems to be a trend of younger people moving to West Virginia and The Greenbrier, looking to remodel older homes, which influences designs, Radon says.

"I like to think with my London roots and West Coast contacts I can bring a diverse, more contemporary twist to this market," she says. "It's an affluent location for sure and many of the earlier built homes need a cosmetic face lift, which we are so equipped to handle."

*Photos by Josh Baldwin*











# SUZANNE PERILLI DESIGNS



Suzanne Perilli has been working with Greenbrier clients for 20 years. Her latest project was remodeling a Howard's Creek kitchen and laundry room. The house was very rustic, and Perilli says her client came to her wanting something fresher and heavily textured—a cleaner look while still having a warm feeling.

Perilli and her team extended the island; they also added a large vent hood and a dish cabinet stained in quarter sawn oak. "So it's not just a solid white kitchen, but it had a little interest, too," she says.

Suzanne Perilli Designs also completed a full height countertop backsplash, which became a focal point in the room.

"That was pretty tricky," Perilli says. "It took multiple steps, and it took a little longer because things had to be templated and put back up, the hood attached to the front and then the sconces."

Suzanne Perilli Designs also completed the client's laundry room, which coordinates with the kitchen, and Perilli says it turned out lovely, too.

Perilli began the Howard's Creek project during a period when appliances took longer to get and be delivered, though she says her client was very patient and understanding during the process.

"I really liked my client," she says. "She was a lot of fun to work with and really open to things; that was nice, and she was very patient so that was well appreciated."

Working with and meeting new people is Perilli's favorite aspect of her work.

"We live in a really special area," she says. "There's a lot of really talented artisans in our area. We're very fortunate. It's a blessing to be here."

Having worked in the area for two decades, Perilli says she has done everything from new homes to remodels, including previous projects as new trends and owners come around.

"Things change with new owners and new ways they live in the house, so we've redone things we did before, which is fun," she says. "Every job for us is different, and that makes things very interesting for me. We don't have a signature style. I love getting to know the clients and then designing around what they want."

*Photos by Josh Baldwin*





# CREATIVE KITCHENS



**R**ob Stepp, a designer with Creative Kitchens, and his team recently completed a remodel in an original cottage along Old White at The Greenbrier, which expanded the kitchen and central living space, as the clients own two of the duplex-like cottages side by side.

"They've done some expansion overtime, adding bedrooms and such as the family grew, and they realized that even though they had two units and two kitchens, the kitchen was hard to work out of," Stepp says.

Although it was an adequate kitchen for a smaller family, Stepp says it was not so much when the group had grown to 12 to 20 people, depending on who may be in town.

"We were able to take space out of the pantry and laundry and expand the kitchen, making it much more user friendly; that way when they do all gather in a unit at this place, it made such a nicer space to be in, more comfortable, more than one cook could participate, and a great deal more functional," he says.

Some of the challenges the team faced included making sure there was plenty of support when they were taking out walls, presenting them with an opportunity to make the foundations stronger.

"The clients never would have thought about taking out some of the walls that we took," he says. "We were able to conceal a support beam up into the ceiling to preserve the ceiling height, and we removed the bulkheads over the cabinetry to allow for taller wall cabinets."

Stepp's team took space from a hallway and turned it into a walkthrough hidden pantry, with cabinet doors and lots of storage; even the laundry, refrigerators and wine storage are housed in the space.

The clients could hardly believe how their kitchen could be transformed so dramatically, Stepp says.

"This little, closed off kitchen all of a sudden became pretty big," he says.

Stepp's father started Creative Kitchens in 1959, and he's spent his career following in his dad's footsteps. He says what he likes best is seeing happy people when they finish a project.

"We feel like we really do transform spaces and make them fit the personalities of the people there, and many instances, people have waited a long time to remodel or do a new kitchen or bath, and when they see it come to fruition, they're very happy," he says.

He also says he and his team love challenges, so they're not afraid of clients giving them difficult remodels.

"There are more properties up there at the age that might need remodeled now and second and third owners, so come challenge us," Stepp says. "We'll see how we can help."



*Photos by Sheena Pendley*











# APPALACHIAN FINISHINGS



**A**ppalachian Finishings has been renovating, building, and remodeling properties at The Greenbrier for almost a decade. With years of previous building and timber framing experience already under his belt, Michael King started Appalachian Finishings in 1995. With his hands-on approach, his slogan has always been “Uncompromising Craftsmanship.”

Traveler’s Hill was the perfect project to allow the team to showcase their talents. “Renovations can offer many challenges due to the unknowns and changes to building codes,” says King, “but being able to complete a whole house transformation was truly an amazing opportunity for our team.”

The entire home was gutted, including whole staircases, and taken down to the studs. Over the course of a year and a half, every inch of this home was renovated to the stunning

showpiece it is today. The main level boasts a new kitchen, and a floor-to-ceiling stone fireplace, while a custom sports room, complete with a pool table, five televisions, and full kitchen, finishes out the lower level.

“You must have a lot of experience and patience to handle a job like this—especially to be able to take on the challenges that you never expect,” King states. “That was Appalachian Finishings’ largest renovation on a single residence.”

Starting out as a carpenter’s apprentice in 1980, King was taught that anything worth doing is worth doing right. This ideal is still at the forefront of his mind, one he has passed along not only to his sons, but also to his employees.

“It’s one of the things that I preach,” King says. “If you live by that, it’s the right way to be.”

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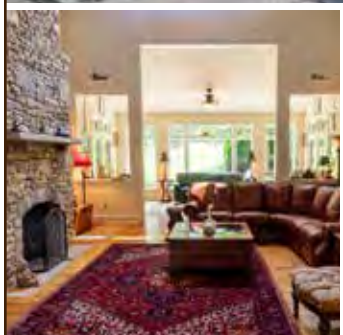
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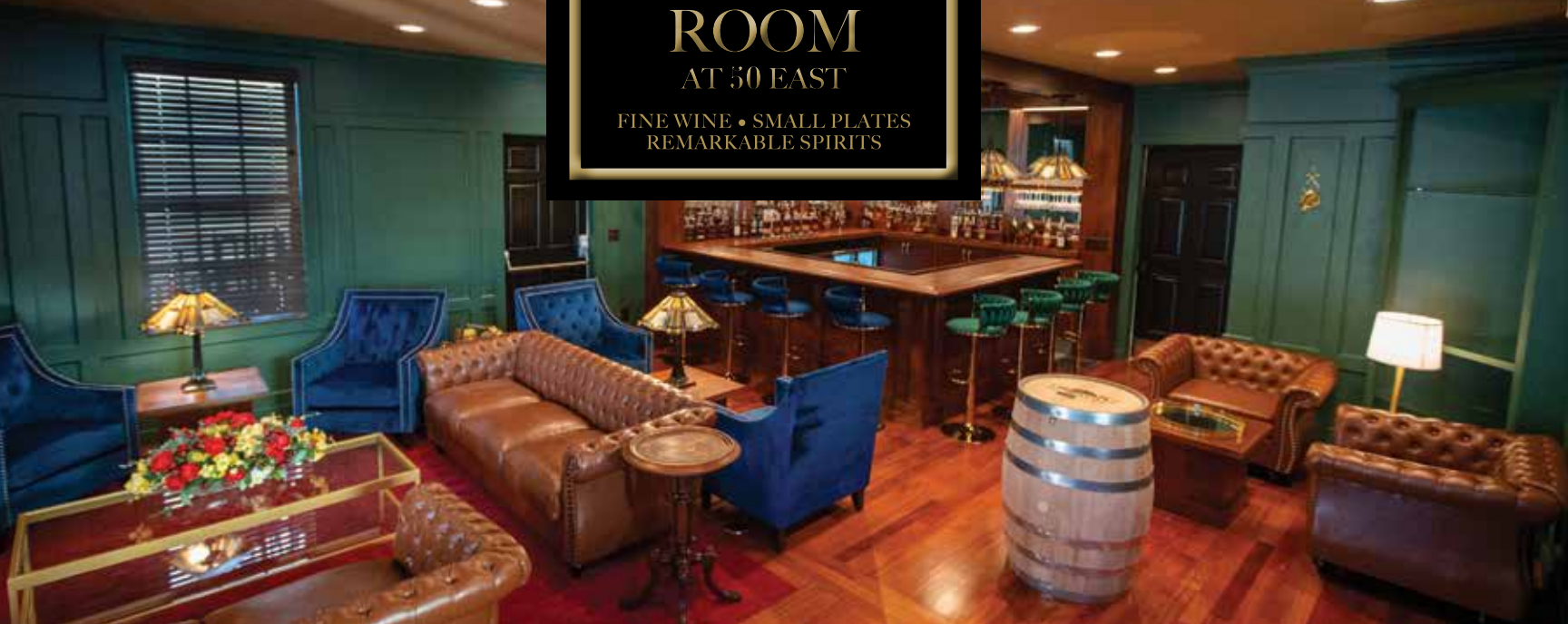




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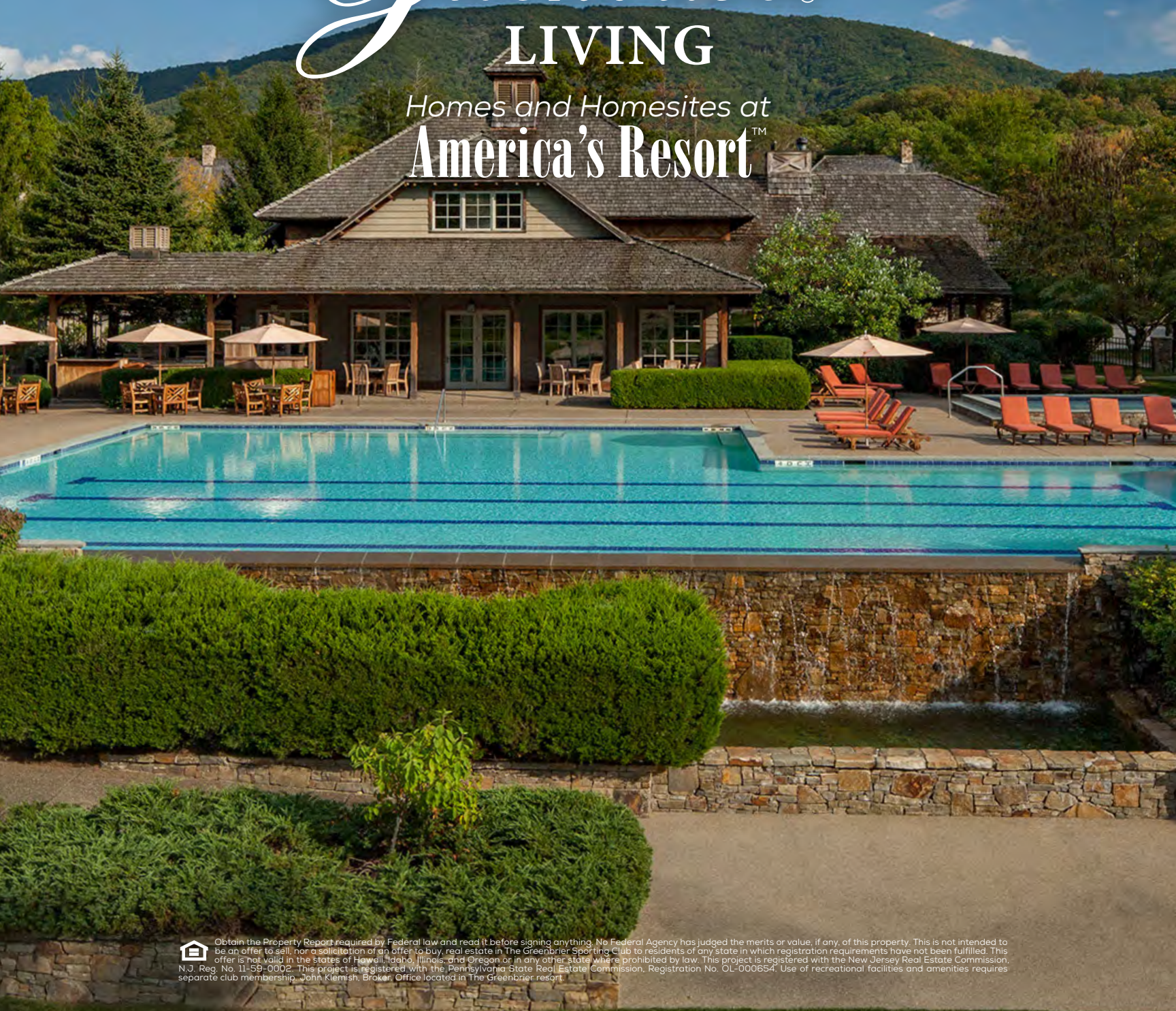
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