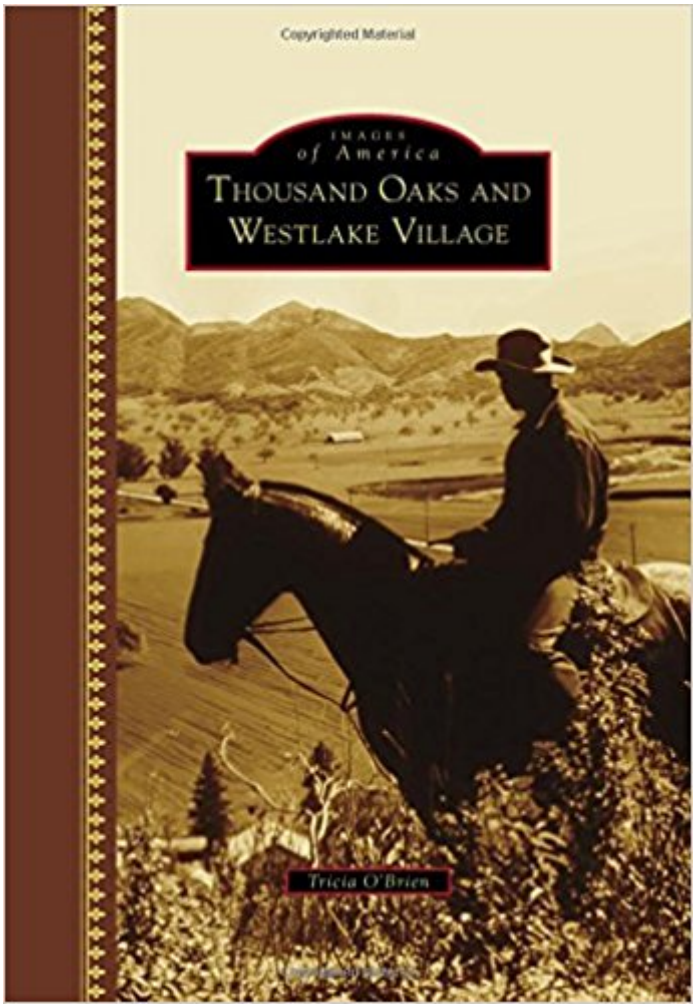
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Tricia O’Brien, originally from San Francisco and the author of San Francisco’s Bayview Hunters Point, San Francisco’s Pacific Heights and Presidio Heights, and San Francisco Giants, now resides in Westlake Village with her husband, Doug Johnson, and several rescued pets. Through photographs and stories gathered from local photographer Ed Lawrence, John Notter, the Thousand Oaks Library, Conejo Valley Historical Society at the Stagecoach Inn, the Conejo Valley Chamber of Commerce, and local residents, O’Brien illustrates the area’s evolution from raw land to beautiful planned communities.

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