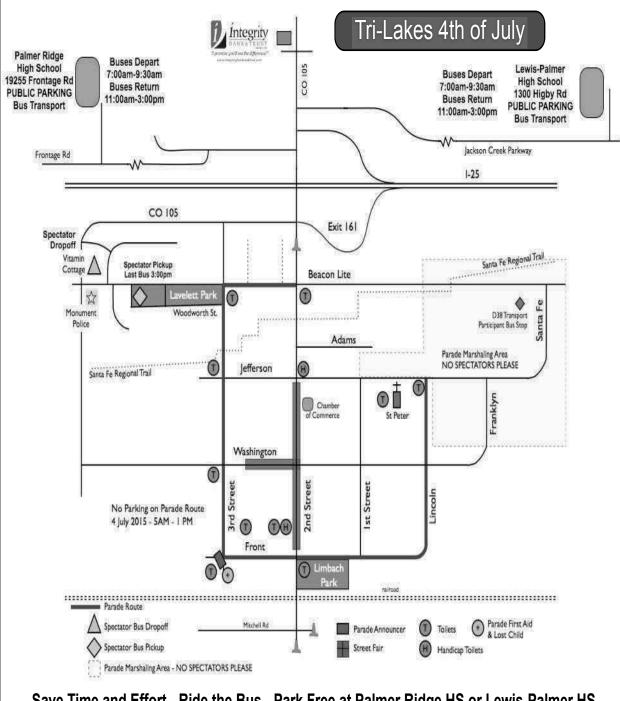
July 4th Information

- Parade spectators are encouraged to come early, park at Palmer Ridge High School or Lewis-Palmer High School, and ride the free bus to and from downtown Monument: Inbound to Monument 7-9:30 a.m., Outbound from Monument, 11 a.m.-3 p.m.
- 7 a.m., Palmer Lake Fun Run, a 4-mile run/walk that begins at the Palmer Lake Sante Fe trailhead and ends at Third Street in Monument in time for the parade! Kid fun run too! Transportation back to Palmer Lake provided after the race. Register at www.july4funrun.com.
- 7-10 a.m., Pancake Breakfast, St Peter Catholic Church
 55 Jefferson St., Monument. Tickets at the door: \$7 adults,
 \$4 kids, first responders and military in uniform eat free.
- 8 a.m.-3 p.m., Tri-Lakes Chamber of Commerce Street Fair, 2nd Street and Washington Street. More than 100 vendors from food to crafts and fun for the entire family. To reserve a booth in the Street Fair, contact the Chamber or visit: www.trilakeschamber.com.
- 9 a.m.-1:30 p.m., Monument Community Presbyterian Church Open House, 238 Third Street, Monument. Free. Car show, bounce houses, restrooms, water, ice pops. Info: 481-3902, www.mcpcusa.org.
- 9:30 a.m., Monument Hill Kiwanis Children's Parade, Downtown Monument
- 10 a.m.-noon, Monument Hill Kiwanis
 4th of July Parade,
 Downtown Monument.
 Register to participate:
 www.monumenthillkiw
 anis.org.
- 10 a.m.-9 p.m., Tri-Lakes Chamber Beer Garden, Family Friendly, Limbach Park,
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Noon-9 p.m., Monument Music Festival, Downtown Monument. Bands in various venues; food and beer concessions.



Save Time and Effort - Ride the Bus - Park Free at Palmer Ridge HS or Lewis-Palmer HS

Our Community Notices

By Judy Barnes, Events Editor Although we strive for accuracy in these listings, dates or times are often changed after publication. Please double-check the time and place of any event you wish to attend by calling the information number for that event.

Wednesday Senior Lunch at Big Red

July 1: No lunch (Happy Independence Day)

July 8: Tuna on a croissant, avocado, chips

July 15: Raspberry chipotle chicken, roasted potatoes, salad

July 22: Brats, sauerkraut, potato salad

July 29: Chicken Caesar salad, garlic bread

Rolls and butter are served with each meal except sandwiches. Dessert is also provided.

Lunch is at 11:30 a.m. at 146 Jefferson St., Monument (the School District 38 Administration Building, "Big Red"). \$3 voluntary donation. Entertainment follows lunch. For more information, call Judy, 487-9067. An activity of Tri-Lakes Health Advocacy Partnership. Meals are provided by Pinecrest Catering, Palmer Lake; Nikki McDonald, executive chef, 481-3307.

County needs volunteers, apply by July 3

The El Paso County Board of Commissioners is seeking community-minded citizen volunteers to serve on either the Citizen Outreach Group or on the Community Services Block Grant Advisory Board. The volunteer application is located at www.elpasoco.com. Click on the "Volunteer Boards" link. For more information, call 520-6436 or visit www.elpasoco.com.

Fireworks and burn ban information from Sheriff's office

Unlawful fireworks include bottle rockets, firecrackers of any type, mortars, and Roman candles.

Permissible fireworks include fountains, ground spinners, smoke bombs, sparklers, and small cars/tanks with pyrotechnics.

There are currently no fire restrictions in effect but be aware these can change from day-to-day and it is your responsibility to keep abreast of these changing conditions.

Black Forest Together (BFT) needs volunteers, July 11

BFT is searching for team leads, work team members, volunteer work groups, resource center office volunteers, and donations so that they can help residents of burned areas of Black Forest do cleanup and mitigation of their properties. Clearing slash, chipping trees, debris cleanup, reforestation, and erosion control are some of the tasks needed on a weekly basis for hundreds of projects. The next project is **July 11**: Volunteers are needed to drag branches to the chipper. For more information, please contact Donna, 495-2445, BlackForestTogether@gmail.com, or come by the Resource Center at 11590 Black Forest Rd., Suite 30, in the Forest Plaza Center Mon.-Fri., 9 a.m.-1 p.m.

New men's a cappella singing group forming

Singers are wanted for a unique men's singing group that will feature close harmony, a cappella singing, somewhat in the style of the Four Freshmen and Vocal Majority. For more information, call John Hobson at 368-7833.

Volunteer drivers needed for cancer patients

Help transport cancer patients to and from medical treatments. The American Cancer Society provides free rides through its Road to Recovery program. For information about the Road to Recovery program or to volunteer, call 1-800-227-2345 or visit cancer.org.

Slash-Mulch season is here

The El Paso County Black Forest Slash and Mulch season is here! Slash (tree and brush debris only) will be accepted until **Sept. 13**, \$2 per load. Mulch will be available until **Sept. 26**. Hours of operation are: Saturdays, 7 a.m.-4 p.m.; Sundays, noon-4 p.m.; Tuesday and Thursday evenings, 5-7:30 p.m. The mulch loader schedule is Saturdays only, 7 a.m.-4 p.m. The loader fee is \$5 per bucket, about 2 cubic yards. Your first visit of the season requires an information card available at bfslash.org. The slash and mulch site is located at the southeast corner of Shoup and Herring Roads in the Black Forest area. For more information

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