- month as well as Mon.-Thu., 7 a.m.-5 p.m., accepts porcelain fixtures, common recyclable items, household hazardous waste, various electronics, and TVs up to 19-inch diagonal. Accepts documents from private households for shredding, up to two legal papersized boxes. Bring a nonperishable food item for Care and Share. Info: 520-7878, http://adm.elpasoco.com/Environmental_Services/Solid_Waste_Management.
- Palmer Lake Art Group, Sat., Dec. 9, 9 a.m., Mountain Community Mennonite Church, 643 Hwy 105, Palmer Lake. A variety of art programs are offered after the social gathering and business meeting. Guests welcome. Meets 2nd Sat. each month. Info: 487-1329, www.palmerlakeartgroup.com.
- Alzheimer's Caregiver Support Group, Sat., Dec.
 9, 9:45-11:30 a.m., The First National Bank of Monument, 581 Hwy 105. Meets 2nd Sat. each month. Info: Gail. 481-3711.
- Palmer Divide Photographers Group, Mon., Dec. 11, 7 p.m., Tri-Lakes Center for the Arts, 304 Hwy 105, Palmer Lake. All are welcome. Meets 2nd Mon. each month. Info: www.pdphotographers.com.
- Chess Nuts, Tue., Dec. 12, 5-9 p.m., Tri-Lakes Senior Center. Any age, any skill. Learners welcome. Drop in and leave when you want. Bring your own board and pieces if you have them. Meets 2nd & 4th Tue. each month. Info: www.TriLakesSeniors.org/chess.
- Pikes Peak Music Teachers Association meeting, Tue., Dec. 12, 9 a.m., Graner Music, 4460 Barnes Rd., Colo. Springs. Music teachers and students, meet for coffee, a meeting, and program presentation. Meets 2nd Tue. each month. Info: Susan Marten, 231-9272, www.ppmta.org.
- Black Forest AARP Potluck Lunch & Meeting, Wed., Dec. 13, noon, Black Forest Lutheran Church, 12455 Black Forest Rd. Christmas music by the Fermatas, a recorder group. All ages welcome. Meets 2nd Wed. each month. Info: Stan, 596-6787, or www.aarpchapter1100blackforest.weebly.com.
- Foot Care Clinic, Wed., Dec. 13, Senior Center located across the street from the Tri-Lakes YMCA, on the Lewis-Palmer High School campus. A registered nurse examines your feet and provides foot care advice, toenail trimming. Cost: \$30 for a 30-min. visit. Meets 2nd Wed. and last Fri. each month, by appointment only. Info & appointments: call the Visiting Nurse Association, 577-4448.
- **Senior Bingo**, Thu., **Dec. 14**, Mountain Community Mennonite Church, 643 Hwy 105, Palmer Lake, after the senior lunch. Come for lunch at noon, then stay and play. Free! Prizes! Meets 2nd Thu. each month. Info: Maggie Nealon, 488-3037.
- **Bridge**, Thu., **Dec. 14**, 1-4 p.m., Tri-Lakes Senior Center located on Lewis-Palmer High School campus. Walk-ins are welcome. Meets 2nd Thu. each month. Reservation suggested: call Judy, 626-399-2733.
- Legacy Sertoma Dinner Meeting, Thu., Dec. 14, 6:30 p.m., Monument Hill Country Club, 18945 Pebble Beach Way, Monument. New members and visitors welcome. Meets 2nd & 4th Thu. each month. Info: Ed Kinney, 481-2750.
- **Ben Lomond Gun Club**, Tri-Lakes Chapter, Thu., **Dec. 14**, 7 p.m., Tri-Lakes Fire Station 1, 18650 Hwy 105 west of Monument near the bowling alley. Meets 2nd Thu. each month. Info: 481-3364.
- Foot Care Clinic, Fri., Dec. 15, Senior Center located across the street from the Tri-Lakes YMCA, on the Lewis-Palmer High School campus. A registered nurse examines your feet and provides foot care advice, toenail trimming. Cost: \$35 for a 30-min. visit. Meets 2nd Wed., 3rd and last Fri. each month, by appointment only. Info & appointments: call the Visiting Nurse Association, 577-4448.
- Tri-Lakes Parkinson's Disease Support Group, NO MEETING IN DECEMBER, 10 a.m.-noon, Monument Community Presbyterian Church, 238 Third St, Monument. Normally meets 3rd Sat. each month. Info: info@co-parkinson.org, www.co-parkinson.org.
- Amateur Radio WØTLM (Tri-Lakes Monument Radio Association), NO MEETING IN DECEMBER. All amateur radio operators or those interested in becoming amateur radio operators are welcome. Normally meets 3rd Mon., 7 p.m. Info: Joyce Witte, 661-9824, Joycewitte@gmail.com; www.W0TLM.com.
- Fibromyalgia Support Group, Tue., Dec. 19, 5 p.m., Police Station, 7850 Goddard (1 block off Academy on Kelly Johnson near Chapel Hills Mall), Community Room just inside main entrance. A DVD will play 5-6 p.m.; meeting starts at 6 p.m. Share concerns and success stories and talk to a D.O. Learn how you can become pain-free. No charge, no products sold. Meets 3rd Tue. each month. Info: 481-2230.
- Outpouring: TLUMC Supporting our Community, Tue., Dec. 19, 7 p.m., back Barrel Room at Pikes Peak Brewing Company, 1756 Lake Woodmoor Dr., Monument. Everyone is welcome. Meets 3rd Tue. each month. Info: LWeber1971@aol.com; for current speaker info go to http://tlumc.org/outreach/outpouring.
- Gleneagle Sertoma Luncheon Meeting, Wed., Dec. 20, 11:45 a.m.-1 p.m., Liberty Heights, 12105 Ambassador Dr., (off Voyager Blvd in Colorado Springs). Interesting speakers and programs; all are welcome. Meets 1st & 3rd Wed. each month. Info: Garrett Barton, 433-5396; Duane Gritzmaker, 481-2424; www.

- gleneaglesertoma.org.
- Senior Bingo, Wed., Dec. 20, 1-2 p.m., Tri-Lakes Senior Center, Lewis-Palmer High School campus. Meets 3rd Wed. each month. Info: Sue Walker, 464-6873.
- **Drummers!** Wed., **Dec. 20**, 6:30 p.m., Yoga Pathways, Suite A, West End Center, 755 Hwy 105, Palmer Lake. Free and open to all ages. Bring any kind of drum or other hand percussion instrument. Beginners welcome! Meets 3rd Wed. each month. Info: Nan, 466-1257, nananddon@hotmail.com.
- Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 7829, Wed., Dec. 20, 7 p.m., The Country Club at Woodmoor, 18945 Pebble Beach Way, Monument, New members welcome. Meets 3rd Wed. each month. Info: Post Commander Joe Carlson, 405-326-2588, jcarlson@vfw7829.org, www.vfw7829.org.
- VFW Auxiliary to Post 7829, Wed., Dec. 20, 7 p.m., The Country Club at Woodmoor, 18945 Pebble Beach Way, Monument. New members welcome. If you are a male or female relative of a veteran who served on foreign soil during war or other military action, you may be eligible. Meets 3rd Wed. each month. Info: Kathy Carlson, 488-1902, carlsonmkc@aol.com.
- Senior Tea, Thu., Dec. 21, 12-1:30 p.m., Senior Center at Lewis-Palmer High School (across from the YMCA). Come early to socialize, bring a side, salad, or dessert to share. Volunteers needed. Now meets 3rd Thu. each month. Info: Sue, 464-6873.
- Palmer Lake Historical Society: NO MEETING IN DECEMBER. Palmer Lake Town Hall, 28 Valley Crescent. Normally meets 3rd Thu. each month. Info: 559-0837, www.palmerdividehistory.org.
- Chess Nuts, Tue., Dec. 26, 5-9 p.m., Tri-Lakes Senior Center, across the street from the YMCA. Any age, any skill. Learners welcome. Drop in and leave when you want. Bring your own board and pieces if you have them. Meets 2nd & 4th Tue. each month. Info: www.TriLakesSeniors.org/chess.
- Senior Social, Wed., Dec. 27, 1-4 p.m., Fellowship Hall of the Black Forest Lutheran Church, 12455 Black Forest Rd. Meets 4th Wed. each month. Info: aarpchapter1100blackforest.weebly.com.
- Foot Care Clinic, Fri., Dec. 29, Senior Center located across the street from the Tri-Lakes YMCA, on the Lewis-Palmer High School campus. A registered nurse examines feet and provides foot care advice, toenail trimming. Cost: \$35 for a 30-min. visit. Meets 2nd Wed., 3rd and last Fri. each month, by appointment only. Info & appointments: call the Visiting Nurse Association, 577-4448.
- Free Lunch and Learn: Family Holiday Struggles and Support, Fri., Dec. 29, 1:30-2:30 p.m., INNOVA Recovery Services, 1824 Woodmoor Dr., Ste. 101, Monument. The program is continued from November. Please RSVP so they know how much food to order, 719-445-9330. Info: www.innovarecovery.com.
- Gleneagle Sertoma Luncheon Meeting, Wed., Jan. 3, 11:45 a.m.-1 p.m., Liberty Heights, 12105 Ambassador Dr.,Colo. Interesting speakers and programs; all are welcome. Meets 1st & 3rd Wed. each month. Info: Garrett Barton, 433-5396; Duane Gritzmaker, 481-2424; www.gleneaglesertoma.org.
- Palmer Divide Quiltmakers, Thu., Jan. 4, 6:30 p.m. social, 7 p.m. meeting, Trinity Lutheran Church 17750 Knollwood Dr., Monument. Meets 1st Thu. each month. Info: pdq504@gmail.com.
- **Tri-Lakes Lions Club**, Thu., **Jan. 4**, 6:30 p.m. social, 7-8 p.m. meeting, The Country Club at Woodmoor, 18945 Pebble Beach Way, Monument. Meets 1st Thu. each month. Info: David Prejean, 434-7031.
- Lupus Support Group. If you suffer with an autoimmune disease and want to connect with others, you are welcome to join this group. Info: dmbandle@hotmail.com.
- Myasthenia Gravis Association of Colorado Support Group. Location varies. Info: Carolyn, 488-3620, www.4-mga.org, 303-360-7080, 4mga@4-mga.org.

SPECIAL EVENTS

- Monument Hill Kiwanis Club's 11th Annual North Pole at Tri-Lakes Arts and Crafts Fair, Sat., Dec. 2, 9 a.m.-4 p.m., Grace Best Education Center, 66 Jefferson St., Monument. Browse hundreds of handcrafted items from 75 vendors, the Tri-Lakes United Methodist Church Cookie Walk, and holiday music by D-38 school groups. Admission is free with nonperishable food items, toys, or cash donations for Tri-Lakes Cares. See ad on page 7. Info: www.monumenthillkiwanis.org, or contact Bob Nissen, 304-8705, Bob@mifigroup.com.
- Sisters of Benet Hill Monastery: Christmas Crafts at the Monastery, daily through Sun., Dec. 10, Mon.-Sat., 9 a.m.-4 p.m.; Sun. 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m., 3190 Benet Lane, Colo. Springs. Shop the gift store for meaningful crafts made by the sisters. See ad page 12. Info: 633-0655, www.benethillmonastery.org.
- Christmas Art Workshop by Little Picasso Art Studio, Sat., Dec. 2, Dec. 9, & Dec. 16, 10-11:30 a.m. For elementary age children. Cost: \$79, materials included. RSVP & Info: 930-2239, Pbrushartwork@aol.com.
- **Downtown Monument's Small Town Christmas**, Sat., **Dec. 2**, 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Kids' activities and crafts, hayrides, open houses, and more. Ice skating at Limbach Park 1-5 p.m., Santa arrives at 5 p.m. to light the tree and visit with children afterward. Info: 481-2954.

- Monument Tree-lighting Ceremony, Sat., Dec. 2, noon.-6 p.m., Limbach Park, 151 Front St., Monument. Demonstrations and holiday performances by local schools and churches begin at noon, food truck, food drive for Tri-Lakes Cares, tree-lighting with Santa at 5 p.m. Bring a new, unwrapped toy for Santa on Patrol. See ad on page 8. Info: 481-2954.
- Darlene Armstrong Trunk Show at Santa Fe Trail Jewelry, Sat., Dec. 2, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., 106-A Second St., Monument. See ad on page 2. Info: 481-0250.
- Small Town Christmas at Covered Treasures Bookstore, Sat., Dec. 2, 11 a.m.-3 p.m., 105 Second St., Monument. Jeannie Mobley will sign her middlegrade novel, *Bobbie Lee Claremont and the Criminal Element*, 11 a.m.-1 p.m.; and Mike Torreano will sign his Colorado western, *The Reckoning*, 1-3 p.m. Refreshments will be served. Info: 481-2665.
- Small Town Christmas at Gallery 132, Sat., Dec. 2, 251 Front St., Monument. Violinist Michelle Edwards 11 a.m.-1 p.m., painting demonstration by Sarah Gonzalez 1-2 p.m. Shop locally-made items at this local artisan cooperative. See ad on page 10. Info: www. gallery132.com.
- The Vanity Box Holiday Open House, Sun., Dec. 3, 1-6 p.m., 755 Hwy 105, Suites O & P, Palmer Lake. Drop in for food, drink, and drawings. See ad on page 3. Info: 481-1763, www.thevanitybox.com.
- **Do Good Drinking**, Tue., **Dec. 5**, 5-8 p.m., Pikes Peak Brewing Co., 1756 Lake Woodmoor Dr., Monument. Meet representatives of four local non-profits participating in the Give! 2017 Campaign. Door prizes, snacks. \$1 for every beer purchased will go to the participating nonprofits. Info: Christine, 481-4864 Ext. 110.
- Community Forum on possible commercial development, Tue., Dec. 5, 6:30-8 p.m, Tri-Lakes Chamber and Economic Development Corp., 166 Second Street, Monument. Preliminary overview & community input meeting by Schuck Communities about 23-acre commercial development on Old Denver Road. Pizza and drinks will be served. RSVP & Info: Terri, 481-3282, terri@trilakeschamber.com.
- OMG II: Harrison Estate Sale, Thu.-Sun., Dec. 7-10, Thu.-Sat. 9:30 a.m.-5 p.m., Sun. 9:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.; 1770 Pinnacle Ridge Lane, Colo. Springs. Thousands of high quality, name brand items new in boxes, furniture, storage and organizational supplies, and more. See ad on page 10.
- Black Rose Acoustic Society Holiday Show/Singalong Potluck with Bettman & Halpin, Fri., Dec. 8, 7-10 p.m. Black Forest Community Center, 12530 Black Forest Rd. at Shoup Road. Last names A-Q, please bring appetizers; R-Z, please bring desserts. Cost: \$10 general, \$5 BRAS members, \$5 nonmember students with ID. Info: Joe Maio, 528-6119, jrmtn@comcast.net, www.blackroseacoustic.org.
- Sisters of Benet Hill Monastery: Advent Retreat-An Advent Pause, Show up, Slow down; Sat., Dec. 9, 9 a.m.-1 p.m.,3190 Benet Lane, Colo. Springs. All are welcome. Cost: \$45. See ad on page 12. Register at www.benethillmonastery.org, registrations@benethillmonastery.org, or 633-0655 Ext. 132.
- Covered Treasures Bookstore Book Signings, Sat., Dec. 9, 11 a.m.-4 p.m., 105 Second Street, Monument. Courtney Miller will sign his mystery, *It's About Time*, and his Cherokee Chronicles historical fiction series. Info: 481-2665, www.coveredtreasures.com.
- Gallery 132 Ice Carving Event, Sat., Dec. 9, noon, 251 Front St., Monument. Shop locally made items at this local artisan cooperative. See ad on page 10. Info: www.gallery132.com.
- Annual Handbell Christmas Concert, Sat., Dec. 9, 7 p.m., Monument Community Presbyterian Church, 238 Third St., Monument. The Tri-Lakes Community Handbell Choir invites everyone to come and enjoy a variety of holiday music presented by many community musicians. Free; a free-will offering will be taken. Info: Betty Jenik, 488-3853.
- Palmer Lake Yule Log Pot Luck Dinner, Tue., Dec. 12, 6 p.m., Palmer Lake Town Hall, 28 Valley Circle. Please bring a potluck dish to share and place settings for your family. See ad on page 2. Info: 481-2953.
- Monument Hill Farmers Market Winter Indoor Market, Sat., Dec. 15, 9 a.m.-2 p.m., Grace Best, 66 Jefferson St., Monument. Many new vendors plus all your old favorites. Meets every 3rd Sat. through April. See ad on page 5. Info: 592-9420.
- Richard Lindsay Trunk Show at Santa Fe Trail Jewelry, Fri.-Sun., Dec. 15-17, Fri.-Sat. 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Sun. 11 a.m.-4 p.m., 106-A Second St., Monument. See ad on page 2. Info: 481-0250
- **St. Peter Catholic Church:** *On This Christmas Night Concert,* Fri., **Dec. 15**, 7 p.m., 55 Jefferson, Monument. All are welcome for an evening of holiday music. The event is free, however, a free-will offering to benefit Tri-Lakes Cares will be accepted. See ad on page 2. Info: www.Petertherock.org.
- Tri-Lakes Music Association Annual Christmas Concert: *The Story of Christmas*, Fri.-Sun., Dec. 15-17, 7 p.m. Fri.-Sat., 2 p.m. Sun., Palmer Ridge High School, 19255 Monument Hill Rd., Monument. Admission is free; a free-will offering will be collected to support Tri-Lakes Cares and student scholarships for eligible high school seniors. Park in the lower parking lots, enter at the auditorium entrance. See ad on page 12. Info: www. trilakesmusic.org.