

WMMI Family Day, Sep. 8



Above: The Gold Canyon Gunfighters perform one of their many skits, “Shoot at Will,” where the sheriff mediates a gunfight between two cowboys at the Western Museum of Mining & Industry (WMMI) annual Family Day on Sept. 8. Throughout the day, historical portrayals were conducted by a variety of presenters. The portrayals included Theodore Roosevelt by Don Moon and Winfield Scott Stratton by Richard Marold. Roosevelt’s portrayal focused on aspects concerning the silver panic in 1893 and the conversion to the gold standard during William McKinley’s presidency while Stratton’s was about his time in Victor in 1893 and his interactions with the Western Federation of Miners and their demands for a \$3 per day pay, an eight-hour work day, and collective bargaining. Members of the Legendary Ladies portrayed a variety of famous Western women including Capt. Ellen Jack, Augusta Tabor, and Klondike Kate. Information on upcoming events at the WMMI is at www.wmmi.org. *Photo by David Futey.*

Sep. 11 attacks remembered



Above: Tri-Lakes Monument Fire Protection District trucks at Palmer Ridge High School. Every year, members of the Tri-Lakes Monument Fire Protection District climb the steps of Palmer Ridge High School 55 times as a tribute to the brave firefighters who climbed up 110 stories of the World Trade Center in 2001. Congress designated Sept. 11 as Patriot Day to honor the memories of the almost 3,000 lives lost and of the heroes who gave their lives. *Photo by Kris Mola.*

Walters Open Space meeting



Above: The 135 acres of undeveloped land that winds through South Woodmoor is up for sale by the Walters family for potential development. The Walters “Open Space” is listed for \$4.75 million, and two developers have already expressed an interest. It is a space that residents have enjoyed for over 25 years, walking their dogs, running, and cycling. About 150 residents showed up for an informational and idea sharing meeting on Sept. 17. “As Woodmoor residents, we care about this open space,” said Tish Norman, one of the organizers of this effort and presenter at the meeting. South Woodmoor residents are overwhelmingly in favor of keeping this land undeveloped and available for resident use, but no official vote has occurred yet. Residents are looking at a combination of loans, grants, donations, and even hope to find a benefactor to purchase this land and keep it open as a park. A committee has formed to explore all options and offer residents a way to officially commit to a possible solution. *Photo by Jackie Burhans; caption by Angie Curry.*

Front Range Open Studios



Above: The annual Front Range Open Studios Tour was held Sept. 8 and 9 at various local artists’ studios. **Above:** Nancy Bonig and her glass creations at the Front Range Open Studios annual event held Sept. 8 and 9. *Photo by Janet Sellers.*

VFW Family Freedom Festival



Above: On Sept. 8, the Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary 7829 hosted the first Family Freedom Festival, a public family event at Limbach Park to display the various amenities available in the military and for veterans. Auxiliary President Kathy Carlson, director of the event, poses with cadets from the Air Force Academy. *Photo by John Howe.*

Rightsizing, Sep. 15



Above: Gina Caughey, director of A Call to Order professional organizers, gave a fun, interactive presentation to over 50 guests at the Woodmoor Country Club on Sept. 15. Attendees enjoyed a brunch and learned how to start the process of downsizing through organization. Jackson Creek Senior Living hosted this free “Rightsizing” event as part of its Live Well, Age Well series. *Photo by Natalie Barszcz.*

Bines and Brews Hopfest, Sep. 15

Right: The annual Bines and Brews Hopfest presented by the Tri-Lakes Chamber of Commerce on Sept. 15 kicked off the fresh hops beers contest. Emcee and event founder Rick Squires announced the trophy winners including People’s Choice to Atrevida Beer (pictured), Top Hop best commercial beer to Cerberus Brewing Co., and Hop Ness Monster best home brew to Chris D’Addario. Proceeds of the event benefit local charities. *Photo courtesy of Leah Silber-nagel Squires; caption by Janet Sellers.*

