

- by appointment only. Info & appointments: call the Visiting Nurse Association, 577-4448.
- **Senior Bingo**, Thu., **May 10**, 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., **May 10**, 1-4 p.m., Silver Alliance 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., **May 10**, 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., **May 10**, 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.
 - **La Leche League Meeting**, Fri., **May 11**, noon-1 p.m., Monument Branch Library, 1706 Lake Woodmoor Dr. Mothers, babies, and mothers-to-be are all invited. Meets 2nd Fri. each month. Info: Kelley, 440-2477, kdghorashi@gmail.com.
 - **El Paso County Hazardous Materials & Recycling Collection Facility**, Sat., **May 12**, 9 a.m.-1 p.m., 3255 Akers Dr., Colorado Springs. Open the 2nd Sat. each 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 paper-sized 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., **May 12**, 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., **May 12**, 9:45-11:30 a.m., The First National Bank of Monument, 581 Hwy 105. Meets 2nd Sat. each month. Info: Gail, 481-3711.
 - **NEPCO Meeting**, Sat., **May 12**, 10 a.m.-noon, New Monument Town Hall & Police Building, 645 Beacon Lite Rd., Monument. Lenard Rieth will provide updates to Colorado law regarding HOA and HOA Management. Info: 481-2723, www.nepco.org.
 - **Random Acts of Kindness**, Sat., **May 12**, 1-4 p.m., location and activity varies each month. Join other community members to collect food or toy donations, rake leaves, shovel snow, or whatever the need is. Meets 2nd Sat. each month. Info: Melinda Reichal, 719-313-0688, mreichal@aol.com.
 - **Palmer Divide Photographers Group**, Mon., **May 14**, 7 p.m., Mountain Community Mennonite Church, 643 Hwy 105, Palmer Lake. Duane Birkey presents Photographing architecture for fun: finding beauty in skyscrapers. All are welcome. Meets 2nd Mon. each month. Info: www.pdphotographers.com.
 - **Outpouring: TLUMC Supporting our Community**, Tue., **May 15**, 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., **May 16**, 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., **May 16**, 1-2 p.m., Silver Alliance Senior Center, Lewis-Palmer High School campus. Meets 3rd Wed. each month. Info: Sue Walker, 464-6873.
 - **Drummers!** Wed., **May 16**, 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., **May 16**, 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., **May 16**, 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, carlsonmk@aol.com.
 - **Senior Tea**, Thu., **May 17**, 12-1:30 p.m., Silver Alliance Senior Center at Lewis-Palmer High School (across from the YMCA). Come early to socialize. Volunteers needed. Meets 3rd Thu. each month. Reservations required: contact Sue, 464-6873, sue@monumentalfit.
 - **Palmer Lake Historical Society**, Thu., **May 17**, 7 p.m., Palmer Lake Town Hall, 28 Valley Crescent. History professor Katherine Scott Sturdevant presents "Daughters and Fathers: Family Secrets." This program is free and open to all, refreshments served. Meets 3rd Thu. each month. Info: 559-0837, www.palmerdividehistory.org.
 - **Art Hop is back!** Thu., **May 17**, 5-8 p.m., Downtown Monument west of I-25. The 3rd Thu. each month, May-Sept., the galleries, restaurants, and boutiques of historic downtown Monument stay open until 8 p.m. for a celebration featuring art openings, book signings, great food, live music, and more. Info: 481-3282, www.monumentarthop.org. See ad on page 10.
 - **Art Hop at Covered Treasures Bookstore**, Thu., **May 17**, 5-8 p.m., 105 Second St., Monument. Featured guest is author/photographer Todd Caudle; his notecards, prints, and various books on Colorado will be on hand. Refreshments served. Free, open to all. Info: 481-2665, www.coveredtreasures.com.
 - **Foot Care Clinic**, Fri., **May 18**, Silver Alliance 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 May. Monument Community Presbyterian Church, 238 Third St, Monument. Come for socializing, discussions on Parkinson's-related issues including available support, and occasional speakers. Meets 3rd Sat. each month. Info: John Farley, 481-2364, robun2good@gmail.com; or Syble Krafft, 488-2669.
 - **Chess Nuts**, Tue., **May 22**, 5-9 p.m., Silver Alliance 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.
 - **Amateur Radio W0TLM** (Tri-Lakes Monument Radio Association), Mon., **May 21**, 6 p.m. social time, 7 p.m. meeting. All amateur radio operators or those interested in becoming amateur radio operators are welcome. Meets 3rd Mon. Info: Joyce Witte, 661-9824, Joycewitte@gmail.com; www.W0TLM.com.
 - **Senior Social**, Wed., **May 23**, 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., **May 25**, Silver Alliance 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.
 - **Monument Hill Farmers Market**, every Sat., beginning **May 26**, 8 a.m.-2 p.m., In front of the D-38 Administration Building at 2nd and Jefferson St., Downtown Monument. Park behind the administration building or in the Catholic Church parking lot. Playground for the kids. Many new vendors plus all your old favorites! Info: 592-9420.
 - **Tri-Lakes Chamber Monthly Education Series: Telling Your Story**, Tue., **May 29**, 9-11 a.m., 166 Second St., Monument. Mark Bittle, Director of Marketing and Development for The Gazette, will give you actionable steps to take your marketing campaign and strategy to the next level. Free. Register online, www.trilakeschamber.com/events-calendar.htm. Info: 481-3282.
 - **Group of Artists (GOA) Meetings** at Tri-Lakes Center for the Arts (TLCA), Sat., **Jun. 2**, 10 a.m.-noon, 304 Hwy 105, Palmer Lake. Lively discussions about art topics, general studies on creativity. Meets 1st Sat. each month. Info: 481-0475, info@trilakesarts.org, www.trilakesarts.org.
 - **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
- **Black Forest Arts & Crafts Guild 54th Annual Spring Show & Sale**, Thu.-Sun., **May 3-6**, 9 a.m.-8 p.m. Thu.-Sat., 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Sun., Black Forest Community Center, 12530 Black Forest Rd. Free admission, but welcome non-perishable donations for the local food pantry, Black Forest Cares. Artisan and culinary members will sell quilts and afghans, baby items, paintings, pottery, jewelry, woodworking, stained glass, dolls, stitchery, note cards, food items, and much more. A portion of sale proceeds will benefit the BFACG Scholarship Fund and the Black Forest community. Info: 495-3217, www.bfacg.org.
 - **Palmer Lake Free Chipping Day**, Sat., **May 5**, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Palmer Lake residents can bring slash to a site on County Line Road east of the lake. Arrange branches parallel with butt ends pointed toward the rear of the vehicle. No stumps, roots, lumber, trash. Remove pine needles from branches. Info: adrian@cusps.ws.
 - **Gallery 132: Bud Ford on Dulcimer**, Sat., **May 5**, 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m., 251 Front St., Suite 8, Monument. Check the website for low-cost two-hour classes in the Art after Hours series; enjoy refreshments and hors d'oeuvres while creating a unique piece of art. Info: 375-8187, info@gallery132.com, www.gallery132.com. See ad on page 10.
 - **Western Museum of Mining & Industry (WMMI) Speakers' Bureau Lecture**, Tue., **May 8**, doors open 6 p.m., lecture 7-8 p.m.; 225 North Gate Blvd. (I-25 Exit 156 A). Don Unger presents "Mining & Metallurgy in Southwest Iberia under the Roman Republic." Cost: \$5, members free. RSVP & Info: 488-0880, rsvp@wmmi.org, www.wmmi.org.
 - **A Taste of Tri-Lakes Cares**, Wed., **May 9**, 5:30-7:30 p.m., Flying Horse Ranch, Larkspur. Sample culinary treats by local chefs created from a "surprise" box out of TLC's pantry. Learn about programs and services through interactive games for a chance to win prizes. Buy tickets online, \$20. Tickets & Info: www.tri-lakes-cares.org.
 - **SIS-Sewing in Slippers**, Thu., **May 10**, 6:30 a.m.-2 p.m. Sew In Tune, 252 Front St., Monument. Free. Come on over first thing in the morning or later and get some uninterrupted sewing time or get help on a project. Occasionally there will be quick and easy optional projects. Registration required: phone 310-5363 and give them your name and approximate time you plan to arrive.
 - **Northern El Paso County Nonprofit Council**, Thu., **May 10**, 8-10 a.m., Tri Lakes Chamber of Commerce, Community Room, 166 Second St., Monument. Guest speaker is Matt Carpenter, Executive Vice President, El Pomar Foundation. The council welcomes all nonprofit organizations to join. Info: Rich Strom, 481-0943, rsappraisals_6@msn.com.
 - **Benet Hill Monastery: Pathways to Peace**, Thu., 4-5 p.m., **May 10, Jul. 12, Sep. 13, or Nov. 8**, 3190 Benet Lane, Colo. Springs. Come learn more about life in a modern-day monastery. These semi-monthly introductory tours are designed to share the mission, ministries, and values of the Benedictine Sisters with guests. Come learn more about current activities and enjoy delicious baked goods. RSVP & Info: 633-0655 Ext. 132, www.benethillmonastery.org/event.
 - **Pikes Peak Birding and Nature Festival**, Fri.-Sun., **May 11-13**, various times and venues. The festival offers 30 activities and field trips, from prairie to mountains. Field trips are filling up quickly. Registration & Info: www.pikespeakbirdingandnaturefestival.org.
 - **Black Rose Acoustic Society: David Bradley and Friends**, Fri., **May 11**, 7-10 p.m., doors open at 6:15. Black Forest Community Center, 12530 Black Forest Rd. at Shoup Road. Cost: \$10 general, \$5 BRAS members, \$5 non-member students with ID. Info: Joe Maio, 528-6119, jrmtnc@comcast.net, www.blackroseacoustic.org.
 - **Wildfire Workshop: Are You Ready?**, Sat., **May 12** morning, Monument location. Homeowners and community groups can learn from local firefighting agencies and fire zone risk assessors how to evaluate their homes and properties to make them more defensible, and how to reduce wildfire risk of the whole neighborhood. Time and location information will be sent after registration. Free registration at www.epc-wildfire18.eventzilla.net.
 - **Wescott Annual Safety Fair & Blood Drive**, Sat., **May 12**, 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Station 1, 15415 Gleneagle Dr. Come see the station and trucks, and get valuable information about safety issues. In conjunction with the Antelope Trails Elementary Bike rodeo. Black Hawk, Flight for Life, Smokey the Bear, demos, and more. Info: 488-8680, www.wescottfire.org.
 - **Starborn Creations Trunk Show at Santa Fe Trail Jewelry**, Sat., **May 12**, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., 106-A Second St., Monument. Info: 481-0250. See ad on page 2.
 - **Palmer Lake's 3rd Annual Glow Run**, Sat., **May 12**, 7-10 p.m., Palmer Lake. Come for music and dancing, Glow Run T-shirts, hot dogs, and lots of fun. No need to register kids unless they want a T-shirt. In-person registrations are available through race time at O'Malley's, and at the race but shirt sizes/styles are not guaranteed and will be given out on a first come, first served basis. The run/walk will begin at dark. Registration & Info: www.eventbrite.com/e/3rd-annual-palmer-lake-glow-run-tickets-43327960095.
 - **I-25 Public Hearing**, Mon., **May 14**, 5:30-7:30 p.m., Douglas County Fairgrounds, 500 Fairgrounds Rd., Castle Rock. Info: 481-2954, www.codot.gov/projects/i-25-south-monument-castle-rock-ea.
 - **I-25 Public Hearing**, Wed., **May 16**, 5:30-7:30 p.m., Liberty High School, 8720 Scarbrough Dr., Colo. Springs. Info: 481-2954, www.codot.gov/projects/i-25-south-monument-castle-rock-ea.
 - **Spring Cleaning: The Upside to Downsizing**, Thu., **May 17**, 2-4 p.m. Bethesda Gardens, 55 Beacon Lite Rd., Monument. Whether you're downsizing or staying in your home forever, learn about the benefits of organizing your possessions for you and your heirs. Free. RSVP at 247-4400 or moninfo@ba.org.
 - **Mother's Day Purse Party**, Fri., **May 18**, noon-2 p.m., Tri-Lakes Senior Center. Come for a free, fun-filled afternoon! There will be a purse loaded with goodies & surprises for everyone who attends. Bring a gently used purse for admission. Don't have one? Come