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- mission and lunch. Ages 13 and up. Prepaid registration required. Info: Mary Jo Lewis, 520-6387, <https://communityservices.elpasoco.com/nature-centers/>.
- **Healing our Losses--Honoring Each Unique Journey**, Sat., **Sep. 29**, 9:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m., 3190 Benet Lane, Colo. Springs. RSVP & Info: 633-0655 Ext 132, registrations@benethillmonastery.org, www.benethillmonastery.org.
 - **Bonfils Blood Center Blood Drive**, Sat., **Sep. 29**, 11 a.m-3:30 p.m., Monument Branch Library, 1706 Lake Woodmoor Dr. Info: 488-2370, www.ppld.org.
 - **Palmer Lake Art Group's 45th Annual Arts & Crafts Fair**, Fri.-Sat., **Oct. 5-6**, 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Palmer Lake Town Hall, 28 Valley Crescent. Free admission. Shop original fine arts and hand-crafted items. Proceeds fund art scholarships for D-38 high school seniors. Info: evelina_st@yahoo.com, www.palmerlakeartgroup.com. See ad on page 32.
 - **National Take a Kid Mountain Biking Day at Fox Run Regional Park**, Sat., **Oct. 6**, 9 a.m. Free. All ages welcome from tots on stride bikes to teens. Riders need a working bike and helmet to participate. Sponsored by Café Velo Bike Shop. Pre-registration required. RSVP & Info: Theresa, 520-6977.
 - **D-38 2018 Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony & Reception**, Sat., **Oct. 6**, 2 p.m., Lewis-Palmer High School, 1300 Higby Rd., Monument. Come honor community volunteer Benny Nasser and former teachers/coaches Tony Ramunno and Reid Wiecks. Info: 488-4700, www.lewispalmer.org.
 - **Western Museum of Mining & Industry (WMMI): Reynolds Ranch Harvest Festival**, Sat.,-Sun., **Oct. 6-7**, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., 225 North Gate Blvd. (I-25 Exit 156 A). Celebrate fall with a pumpkin patch, hay rides, food trucks, vendors, spooky stores, and more. Info: 488-0880, info@wmmi.org, www.wmmi.org.
 - **Palmer Lake .5K Run**, Sun., **Oct. 7**, 10:30-11:30 a.m., at Welcome to Palmer Lake sign, north end of town. A fun race that everyone can finish! A fundraiser for Awake Palmer Lake. Registration & Info: www.awakepalmerlake.org and click on 'EVENTS.'
 - **Art Show & Fair**, Sun., **Oct. 7**, 2-6 p.m., Silver Alliance Senior Center located across the street from the Tri-Lakes YMCA, on Lewis-Palmer High School campus. Meet local artists, shop for unique items. Light snacks, desserts, and drinks provided. Lots of fun prizes to give away. Cost: \$10/\$15 couple. All proceeds benefit the Silver Alliance Senior Center. Info: Sue Walker, 330-0241.
 - **Kiwanis 2018 Empty Bowls Dinner & Silent Auction**, Wed., **Oct 10**, 5-7:30 p.m., Lewis-Palmer High School, 1300 Higby Rd, Monument. This popular event is a major fundraiser for Tri-Lakes Cares. Please bring a non-perishable food item for Tri-Lakes Cares Food Pantry. Ticket purchase includes dinner of soup, bread, drink, dessert, and a handmade bowl donated by local artists. Cost: \$20, at door \$25, one child under 12 free with each adult ticket purchased. Buy tickets at the door, online, or at local businesses. Info: Dave Wittman, 925-683-8291, EmptyBowlsMHK@gmail.com, www.monumenthillkiwanis.org.

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Content

Articles in *Our Community News* focus on the deliberations of Tri-Lakes area governmental bodies such as the Monument Board of Trustees, Palmer Lake Town Council, and many of the local water, sanitation, fire, and school district boards.

Unlike papers that try to figure out what the “story” is and then get quotes on each side to presumably lead the reader to conclude what the “truth” is, *OCN's* role is to report in detail on public meetings of local governmental entities. We report what was talked about and what was decided. By reading *OCN*, you can find out what you might have learned if you had attended those public meetings. In this context, “truth” is that the articles accurately represent what transpired at the meetings.

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Contact Lisa Hatfield, Managing Editor, at editor@ocn.me or (719) 339-7831 with any questions.

- **Clean Sweep**, a county household hazardous waste disposal event, Sat., **Oct. 13**, 9 a.m.-2 p.m., the El Paso County Household Hazardous Waste Facility, 3255 Akers Dr., Colorado Springs The event is free and open to residents of El Paso and Teller counties, but you must make an appointment. Register at www.fallcleansweep2016.eventbrite.com. Info: 520-7878.
- **Palmer Lake Fall Lantern Festival**, Sat., **Nov. 24**, 2-10 p.m., Palmer Lake. Nov. 24 is the day of Palmer Lake's Annual Star Lighting. Come to the lake in the afternoon for kids' activities, a chili cook off at the fire department, and live music. At nighttime, release paper lanterns onto Palmer Lake as you watch the star being lit. All proceeds will go to the Pedestrian Bridge and Palmer Lake Parks. Local vendors (crafters, food trucks, e.g.) needed; contact dexsdogs@gmail.com. RSVP & Info: www.eventbrite.com/e/palmer-lake-fall-lantern-festival-tickets-49098480878?aff=ebdssbdestsearch.

Our community calendar carries listings on a space-available basis for Tri-Lakes events that are sponsored by local governmental entities and not-for-profit organizations. We include events that are open to the general public and are not religious or self-promotional in nature. If space is available, complimentary calendar listings are included, when requested, for events advertised in the current issue.

To have your event listed at no charge in Our Community Calendar, please call (719) 339-7831 or send the information to calendar@ocn.me or P.O. Box 1742, Monument, Colorado 80132.

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For advertising information, contact John Heiser, (719) 488-3455, ads@ocn.me, or visit www.ocn.me.

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Our Community News welcomes letters to the editor on topics of general interest to readers in the Tri-Lakes area. We do not knowingly print letters that are substantially the same as letters that have been submitted to other publications. To ensure that *OCN* contains a variety of viewpoints, each letter writer is limited to a maximum of six letters within any twelve month period. To submit a letter, please:

- Identify your submission as a letter to the editor and confirm that it has not been submitted to any other publication.
- Include a suggested headline or title.
- Limit letters to no more than 300 words.
- Include your full name, home address, day and evening phone numbers, and email address, if you have one.
- Email your letter to editor@ocn.me or mail it to P.O. Box 1742, Monument, CO 80132-1742.
- Send your letter at least 14 days before the “first Saturday of the month” when the paper is published. Later submissions may be deferred to our next monthly issue.
- If you are not at least 18 years old or an emancipated minor, provide a written statement from a parent or legal guardian that you have permission to submit the letter.

If, after two business days from the date of your submission, you have not received an acknowledgement of your letter, please contact Lisa Hatfield, Managing Editor, at (719) 339-7831 or editor@ocn.me. Letters may be edited for length and grammar. Letter writers should include sources for any facts and figures they cite. Letters containing personal attacks will not be published.

Look for our next issue Saturday, Oct. 6

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Letters to the editor due: Fri., Sep. 21
Calendar items due: Fri., Sep. 28

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The Rabbi's Corner Consequences

By Rabbi Oswald Garagorry

In the past six months I have presented to you, my dear readers, five articles about the most important commandment. And in last month's article, I covered the Limitation of God's Vocabulary, because He was lacking in the use of the word trinity. This limitation in God's vocabulary was assessed and corrected by the bishops (over 300 of them) who assembled and put their minds to work at the Nicaean Council. In this way, they were able to provide to God the word he was lacking in his vocabulary so that today there is nothing for us to worry about because those very intelligent bishops were there to cover the area of need in God's vocabulary by providing to God the word “trinity” and the problem was solved.

Yet the issue still remains, because this word is not found in the entire bible and it is totally contrary to what God himself told his people in the desert (*Deut 6:4*) and years later what he told his people in Jerusalem (*Mark 11:28-30*). In both references, He stated, “God is One.” For these reasons, I want to cover with you today the consequences of upholding this non-biblical view or the teaching of a man-made invention; the so-called trinity. In my view, such a teaching is negative in three different aspects:

First of all, it makes our position about the entire bible confusing; because most believers will affirm that every word in the bible is truth. If such a position or affirmation is correct, where is the word trinity found in the bible? And most importantly, we have no right to add or subtract from His word (*Deut 4:2*).

Secondly, it makes our message to the Jewish community unacceptable, because Jews are very careful to obey God's instruction, “I am YHVH your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the abode of slavery. You are to have no other gods before me.” (*Exodus 20:2-3*). The teaching of the trinity is tantamount to idolatry from the Jewish perspective.

Thirdly, it invites an erroneous self contradictory understanding to the bible itself; because of what we read in the Gospel of John Chapter 1. There it states: “In the beginning was the Word”... also there it says that “the Word was God”...and finally it affirms “the Word became a human being and lived with us”. It is our understanding that, the “Word” mentioned in this text is referring to God Himself, whom in His love for humanity, came to earth to offer Himself as a sacrifice to redeem all those who will chose to come to Him.

So the consequence of the decision is yours; to embrace what God says about Himself in his word or accept man's opinion or tradition as truth.

Shalom to you.

Dr. Garagorry is the Rabbi of Aliyah Congregation that meets on Saturdays at 10 a.m. at the Mountain Community Mennonite Church,

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