- 6-8 pm, donations benefit Mater Filius, all welcome, St. Peter Catholic Church, 55 Jefferson St., Monument. Intended to raise awareness and funds for Mater Filius (Mother and Child) the new maternity home to open in 2023 for vulnerable pregnant women in the Pikes Peak Area. No admission fee. All are welcome! For more information or to make a donation go to: www.petertherock.org.
- Western Museum of Mining and Industry, summertime family days, Sat., June 11, July 9, Aug. 20, 225 Northgate Blvd., www.WMMI.org. See ad on page 2.
- Tri-Lakes Chamber of Commerce, After Hours Networking Event, Tue., June 14, 5 pm-7:00 pm Free for chamber members, \$15 for non-members. Details: www.trilakeschamber.com. 719-481-3282.
- Monument Waterwise Garden opening celebration, Wed., June 15, 5-6 pm, 3rd St. trailhead (just west of Hwy 105), Monument.
- Jackson Creek Senior Living Bouquet of Homes free visitor event, Wed., June 15, 1-3 pm. RSVP: JacksonCreekSeniorLiving.com. See ad on page 13.
- Tri-Lakes Church of Christ Vacation Bible School, Wed.-Fri., June 15-17, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m., no registration required. See ad on page 9.
- Palmer Lake Historical Society, Thu., June 16, 7 p.m. The rescheduled presentation of Tracy Beach's "The Night of a Thousand Heroes" based on her book of the same name. Includes a short historical lecture on the June 1921 Pueblo Flood and a, slide show. Palmer Lake Town Hall, 42 Valley Crescent St., Palmer Lake, CO 80133. Meets third Thu., Info: 719-550-0837, www.palmer divide history.org.
- Monument Art Hop, Thu., June 16, 5-8 pm, in Historic Downtown Monument, live music, local artists, outdoor activities, food trucks, more! Info: www.downtownmonument.org. See ad on page 2.
- Covered Treasures Bookstore, Thu., June 16, 5-8 pm (Art Hop) Barbara Bowen signs her *Music is Murder*, 6-7 pm, musicians will perform, 105 Second Street, Monument.
- Front Range Makers Market, Sat., June 18, Lewis Palmer High School 9:00 to 4:00 p.m. outdoors in the North parking lot. Frmakersmarket.com. see ad on page 32
- Monument Hill Farmers Market, every Sat., 8-2 pm, 66 Jefferson St., Downtown Monument. See ad on page 5.
- Pikes Peak Brewing Company anniversary party, Fri.-Sun., June 17-19, live music food trucks and more.1756 Lake Woodmoor Dr. See ad on page 13
- Palmer Lake Historical Society, Sun., June 19
 Palmer Lake Town Green and Gazebo FREE Annual Father's Day Ice Cream Social tradition. Live music. 2 4 pm, donations from the Rock House Ice Cream Shop; especially for Dad, a private vintage car show: Model T's, Model A's, Corvairs, and more. Bring a lawn chair or blanket and relax on The Green.
- June/July 2022 WIA Chipping Days, Sat.-Sun., June 25-26 and July 30-31, south parking lot of Lewis-Palmer High school. NOTE: shifting to a resident slash drop-much like the Black Forest Slash Pile. Residents queue up in their vehicle and are released progressively to self-drop slash in a central location. WIA and its contractors will no longer unload your vehicle for you. This change will allow up to 5 vehicles to unload at once rather than the 2-3 vehicles being unloaded as in previous years. The same type of materials will be accepted. Slash/logs up to 8 inches in diameter, pine needles, etc. As in previous years: NO construction materials, rock/rubble, stumps, or garbage will be accepted. Only clean slash/logs will be accepted. Please contact the WIA Office with questions at 719-488-2693 x 4.
- Getting Ahead program completion celebration (with Tri Lakes Cares), Wed. June 29, 6 pm. The 16-week curriculum helps individuals build their resources into a more prosperous and thriving life for themselves, their families, and their communities. Event includes participant "investigators" with presentations of their "future story" encompassing socio-economic factors, economics, housing, jobs, transportation. Lewis Palmer Admin building, 146 Jefferson St.
- **Speed Trap Bistro**, **Live Music**, 84 Hwy. 105. Open 7 days for breakfast, lunch, weekends til 11pm. See ad on page 5.
- Monumental Med Spa, special offers through June 30, at the loft, 4 Hwy 105 Palmer Lake.. See ad on page 7.
- A Better Hearing Center, special offers through June 30. 574 Hwy. 105, Monument. See ad on page 11.
- Cornerstone Cleaners, special offers through June 30. 1030 W. Baptist Road, near King Soopers. See ad on page 4.
- Eagle Wine & Spirits, special offers through June

- **30**. Baptist Road next to King Soopers. See ad on page 3.
- Monument Cleaners, special offers through June **30**. 15932 Jackson Creek Pkwy., in Monument Marketplace. See ad on page 5.
- Noel Relief Centers, special offers through June 30. 1840 Woodmoor Drive, Suite 109, Monument. See ad on page 8.
- **Facinelli Motors**, special offers through **June 30**, 706 Westward Ln, Monument. See ad on page 17.
- Pure Romance by Amy Yocum-Vos, special offers through June 30. www.pureromance.com/ AmyYocum-vos. See ad on page 4.
- The Living Room Plants, special offers through June 30. 12229 Voyager Pkwy, Suite 100. See ad on page 5.
- McCords Garden Center, special offers through June 30. 2720 McShane Dr. (corner Hwy 105). See ad on page 5.
- Monument Hill Kiwanis 4th of July celebrations Mon., July 4, honoring our heroes "our educators" with: fun run, pancake breakfast, street fair, kids parade and 4th of July parade and more. See ad on page 6
- Festival on the Fourth at Palmer Lake, Mon., July
 4, 2-10 p.m. West Side of the railroad tracks on the
 west side of Palmer Lake. Vendors, to join volunteers or sponsorships, contact ctgraff75@gmail.
- Ashes to Beauty, Colorado Springs Garden Club garden tour, Sat.-Sun., July 9-10, 9-5pm. Showcasing the Waldo Canyon fire recovery, fundraising tickets (proceeds benefit Colorado State University extension) at local garden centers, details: coloradospringsgardentour.org.
- St Matthias Episcopal Church VBS Vacation Bible School, Mon.-Thu., July 11- 14, 5:30 to 8:00 p.m., dinner provided.
- Party for the Parks, fundraising for the Town of Monument Park System, Sat., July 16, starts at 1 pm, 17630 Jackson Creek Pkwy, lot north of YMCA. See ad on page 16.
- Make It Work: 3D Printers, Mon., Aug 1, 4pm-6pm: Bring in your broken 3D printer and we'll see if we can help you get it working again. Offered at 55 Adams Street. Hosted by Monumental Impact to raise funds for programs. Donations appreciated. Contact enable@monumentalimpact.org for more information..
- Technology & Engineering Camps, Aug 1-12, 9 am-3 pm. Various 1-day, 2-day and 5-day sessions. A diversity of topics in programming, robotics techniques, 3D Printing, circuitry and more. Entering grades 5th thru 12th. Offered by coaches, team members, mentors and interns with Monumental Impact and Bearbotics at 55 Adams St (Grace Best) in Monument. Net proceeds benefit programs. Register at https://monumentalimpact.org/summer-programs/ or email, enable@monumentalimpact.org, for questions.
- Elementary / Middle School Robotics Information Session, Aug 13, 10-11:30am. We invite teachers, parents and community members to visit with us in the Bear Cave of Bearbotics to discuss opportunities to collaborate and offer FIRST LEGO

League (FLL) to our area students. 55 Adams St (Grace Best) in Monument. Info: coachbreton@bearbotics4068.org.

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 Our Community News, P.O. Box 1742, Monument, Colorado 80132.

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- Include a suggested headline or title that summarizes the topic you are addressing.
- Limit your letter to no more than 300 words including your suggested headline and closing.
- Include your full name, home address, phone numbers, and email address, if you have one. Only your name will be published.
- Submit your letter so we receive it no later than midnight, Friday, two weeks prior to the publication date.

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