

Special Events and Notices

By Judy Barnes, Editor Emeritus

Although we strive for accuracy in these listings, dates or times are often changed after publication. Please double-check the time and place of any event you wish to attend by calling the info number for that event.

Wednesday Senior Lunch at Big Red October Menu

Oct. 10—Bratwurst, sauerkraut, potato salad, pickle
Oct. 17—Brisket, garlic mashed potatoes, salad
Oct. 24—Chicken Marsala over noodles, salad
Oct. 31—Spaghetti with meat sauce, salad
Rolls and butter are served with each meal except sandwiches. Dessert is also provided. An activity of Tri-Lakes Health Advocacy Partnership. Meals are provided by Pinecrest Catering, Palmer Lake; Nikki McDonald, executive chef, 481-3307.

Empty Bowls Dinner and Silent Auction, Oct. 10

Monument Hill Kiwanis presents the 2012 Empty Bowls Dinner and Silent Auction **Oct. 10**, 5-7:30 p.m., at Lewis-Palmer High School, 1300 Higby Rd., Monument. Enjoy a home-cooked dinner plus a handmade bowl donated by local artists. Bid on silent auction items provided by area businesses and enter a drawing for an Amazon Kindle Fire. Come and enjoy a fun evening; fill your bowl and fill a community need. Proceeds go to Tri-Lakes Cares, a 501(c) (3) organization that helps those in need in our community. Cost: \$20, which includes one child under 12 free, checks payable to Monument Hill Kiwanis. Tickets are available at the door and in area stores: In Monument: High Country HomeBrew, Covered Treasures Bookstore, Rosie's Diner, Hangers, Serrano's. In Palmer Lake: Rock House; in Jackson Creek: Tri-Lakes Printing. For more information call Mark Zeiger, 488-5934.

Wine, Roses and More, Oct. 27

The Tri-Lakes Women's Club (TLWC) will present Wine, Roses and More, its fall fundraising event, **Oct. 27**, 6-9 p.m., at the Pinery, 12375 Black Forest Rd. The evening features celebrity wine servers, fine wine tasting, Serrano's coffee bar, great local chefs, a raffle and silent auction, and more. Proceeds benefit the Tri-Lakes community. Tickets are \$65 and may be purchased online, from a TLWC member, at Serrano's Coffee, at The Wine Seller, or at the door. For more information or tickets, visit tlwc.net.

Singers and musicians needed for Christmas production

Tri-Lakes Music Association seeks singers, orchestra musicians, and anyone who would like to help in any way. Be a part of this exciting Tri-Lakes Christmas tradition. Performances will be at Palmer Ridge High School, 19255 Monument Hill Rd., **Dec. 21**, at 7 p.m., and **Dec. 22**, at 2 and 7 p.m. All proceeds from the show go to Tri-Lakes Cares and two \$500 college scholarships. For information, contact Bob Manning, 232-4114, or email rwgmanning@comcast.net.

Handbell ringers needed

The Tri-Lakes Community Handbell Choir is looking for some new ringers to begin in the fall, preferably experienced ringers or people who can read music, high school age through adult. If you are interested, please contact Betty Jenik, 488-3953, or email ljenik@comcast.net.

Mountain View Electric Association (MVEA) scholarships, apply by Jan. 15

Graduating high school seniors might be eligible for one of the fourteen \$1,000 scholarships offered by MVEA. Requirements and applications are available at an MVEA office, high school counselors' offices, or online at www.mvea.coop. Info: 719-494-2670.

Sample ballot for general election available online

A sample ballot for the 2012 General Election in No-

ember is now available on the El Paso County Clerk & Recorder's website. The sample ballot includes all elected office races, as well as all questions and issues from the state and local jurisdictions. An actual ballot will have only the races, ballot issues, and questions that the voter is eligible to vote on. The Clerk's Office provides a sample ballot to give voters the opportunity to become familiar with the candidates, questions, and issues prior to receiving their mail-in ballot, early voting, or going to the poll place on Election Day. To view the sample ballot and/or request a mail-in ballot, go to <http://car.elpasoco.com/election> then scroll down and click on "2012 Election Information."

Tri-Lakes Music Association presents check to Waldo Canyon Firefighters Fund

The Tri-Lakes Music Association (TLMA) donated \$4,678—part of the proceeds from its rescheduled Fourth of July concert—to the Waldo Canyon Firefighters Fund. Another portion of the proceeds from that concert went to the Flying W Wranglers, whose Flying W Ranch was devastated by the Waldo Canyon Fire. TLMA, a 501(c)(3) formed in 1998, is composed not only of professional musicians, but also of community members who want to give back to our community through their talents. So far TLMA has performed 12 musical concerts and has donated more than \$30,000 to Tri-Lakes Cares as well as two annual \$500 scholarships for outstanding District 38 graduates who exemplified what TLMA represents. TLMA is currently developing its annual Christmas concert. For more information, visit www.trilakesmusic.org or contact Bob Manning, 232-4114 or rwgmanning@comcast.net.

October is Wildfire Awareness Month

The El Paso Board of Commissioners designated October as Wildfire Awareness Month. El Paso, Clear Creek, Jefferson, Larimer, Boulder, and Douglas counties are all participating in a joint effort to emphasize the need for residents to remove trash and brush on their properties and create space around their homes to defend them from wildfires. Residents who live in the wildland urban interface of El Paso County should take the following measures to help protect their homes and communities:

- Create and maintain a defensible space around their home and outbuildings
- Use ignition-resistant building materials
- Review their insurance policies to make sure their homes are fully insured
- Reduce the density of trees and height of grasses on their property
- Support the creation of community fuel breaks and landscape-scale forest restoration
- Become aware of the role that healthy forests play in reducing the negative impact of wildfire and protecting our water resources, recreation opportunities, air quality, and mountain backdrop.

New service offered for BOCC records

Access to resolutions approved by the El Paso County Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) is now available through the county website at www.elpasoco.com. The board acts on governance matters through a resolution process at the weekly BOCC meetings. The minutes of the meetings are recorded and posted on the county website. Anyone visiting the site can choose the date of the meeting, read the minutes, and click the link of the resolution in which they are interested. The link opens the recorded resolution document. BOCC meeting minutes on the web are for the years 2012 and archived years 2005-11. The meeting information is located on the county website at <http://bcc2.elpasoco.com/bocc/agenda.asp>. Also included is the audio record of BOCC meetings for those who wish to hear the proceedings and discussion of the topics. This new service will assist people who wish to research resolutions brought before the commissioners in past years. The departmental staff may be contacted for assistance at 520-6430.

Reverse 911

With the heightened concern for fire danger along the Front Range, many people want to sign up their home or cell phone for reverse emergency notification. The El Paso-Teller E-911 Authority Emergency Notification System is used to notify residents of any potential emergencies in their neighborhood. To sign up, go to <https://elptc911.onthealert.com>.

Friends of the Pikes Peak Library District seeks board members

Do you love your local library? Would you like to help preserve and promote the Pikes Peak Library District? The Friends of the Pikes Peak Library District is looking for new Board of Directors members. To apply, go to www.friendsppld.org and click on the Board of Directors application. For more information, call 531-6333, x1008.

Important information for 17-year-olds who want to vote

Teens who will be 18 on or before Election Day are encouraged to register in advance of this year's elections to be eligible to vote. They must be registered 29 days prior to the election even if they will not be 18 until Election Day, Nov. 6. Colorado law allows for pre-registration for individuals who are 17 years old a year prior to the election in which they want to cast a ballot. Here are two ways to register to vote:

- Online at www.GoVoteColorado.com
- In person at any of the four Clerk and Recorder's Office locations: North Branch—Union Town Center, 8830 N. Union Blvd. (Research Pkwy. and Union Blvd.)

More information can be found at <http://car.elpasoco.com/election>. For additional information, contact Alissa Vander Veen, 351-9626, or email alissavanderveen@elpasoco.com

Multiple sclerosis support group

A multiple sclerosis (MS) group is forming for the Tri-Lakes and surrounding areas. If interested, please email Susan, susan@cvscorp.com, or visit <http://cvscorp.homeserver.com/ms/>.

Get volunteer help for your nonprofit

Due to popular demand, the Lewis-Palmer School District is adding a list of volunteer opportunities to its Youth Activities Directory online. Many students are required to participate in community projects for credit and others are just looking for ways to serve. If your nonprofit has a need for volunteers for a one-time project or an ongoing effort and can use volunteers under age 18, obtain a directory listing form at <http://library.constantcontact.com/download/get/file/1101174229838-940/YAS+directory+form.pdf>. Nonprofits may list their volunteer needs in the directory free of charge. For more information, contact Robin Adair, P.O. Box 40, Monument, CO 80132; call 785-4223 or email radair@lewispalmer.org.

Volunteer drivers needed for seniors transportation service

Mountain Community Transportation for Seniors is a nonprofit, grant-funded organization that provides free transportation to Tri-Lakes seniors 60 years old and over. It is the only transportation service in the Tri-Lakes area to take seniors to medical appointments, the grocery store or pharmacy, the bank, legal appointments, senior lunches, shopping, and to the many activities offered through the

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Part-Time Driver Needed

Working parents looking for responsible driver to pick up sophomore son from Pine Creek HS 2-3 days/week and bring him home to Gleneagle through October.

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