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SMALL TOWN SPIRIT

Santa on Patrol



The Monument Police Department, in conjunction with the Tri-Lakes Monument Fire Department, is in need of toys for the seventh annual Tri-Lakes area *Santa on Patrol*. Unwrapped gifts and gift cards

may be dropped off at either the Monument Police Department, at 645 Beacon Lite Road, or any of the Tri-Lakes fire departments. When you drop off toys make sure to mention that they are for *Santa on Patrol*. Deadline for gift drop-off is Friday, December 14.

On December 15, 2012, Monument Police Chief Jacob Shirk, acting as a duly sworn-in and authorized Santa Assistant, with

uniform to match, will be delivering toys and joys to many of the children in the Tri-Lakes area. Instead of a red-nosed Rudolph pulling a sleigh, Chief Shirk will be driving a police car with red lights and siren, followed by fire engines being driven by the Tri-Lakes Monument Fire Department Elves. If you hear loud noises look out your window, as it may be Santa and his elves visiting your neighborhood.

Chief Shirk has been assisting Santa for over twenty-four years through the *Santa on Patrol* project.

If you have any questions or would like more information please contact Chief Shirk, Santa Assistant, on his elf phone, 719.884.8032.

SMALL TOWN SERVANTS



John Howe, Trustee,
Town of Monument

Meet Your Town Trustee

John Howe chose to retire in Monument a little over six years ago, after living in Southern California for forty-three years. He received his BA from Cal State Long Beach and his masters from Seattle University. John has taught school, elementary through high school; been a general manager of a large private estate; parish coordinator, and worked in hospice before becoming a volunteer. He presently volunteers with Odyssey Hospice.

John also volunteers with the Town of Monument Cemetery Committee. His work with cemetery records inspired him to become more involved with the history and future of the Town. As a Trustee, he enjoys the challenges and knowledge that comes with the involvement in the community as he tries to glean from the townspeople what direction they believe they would like the Town to grow.

John is known for his preference for Hawaiian shirts. You may hear him referred to as Johnny—sidekick to his 21 lb. cat, Clyde. His hobbies include xeriscape gardening, genealogy and cooking.

Small Town Christmas in Historic Downtown



The annual Small Town Christmas celebration in historic downtown Monument will take place over the course of three Saturdays this year. Santa and Mrs. Claus will join us all three days, there will also

be hayrides and other special events.

Saturday, November 24 is the Annual Small Business Saturday. This day, between Black Friday and Cyber Monday, is dedicated to supporting small businesses nationwide. Join us this year to *Shop Small* in Historic Downtown Monument.

Saturday, December 1 is Traditional Small Town Christmas day. Come downtown and celebrate the warmth and magic of the holiday season with all sorts of traditional Christmas activities.

Saturday, December 8 is Kids' Shopping Day. Merchants will have displays with specially-priced gifts for young and old on your son or daughter's shopping list. Moms and dads can relax and enjoy refreshments in this stress-free shopping zone!

Monument's Winter Policies

Reminder of the Town's winter policies:

1. There is no parking along designated snow routes during a snow event.
2. Do not put snow from your driveway onto the street. Your lawn will love the additional moisture.
3. Commercial operators must not push snow onto streets. If you are piling snow next to streets make sure you are not causing a visual hazard.
4. After a storm, clean sidewalks along the front and side of your lot.

DON'T FORGET TO WINTERIZE YOUR SPRINKLER SYSTEM!

Call the Public Works Department, at 719.481.2436 if you have any questions or concerns.



Town Calendar

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- 11.5 Board of Trustees, 6:30pm at Town Hall
- 11.7 HMMA Meeting, 8:00am at Town Hall
- 11.10 Northern El Paso County Homeowner's Association, 9:30am-12:00pm
- 11.12 Town Hall closed in observance of Veteran's Day
- 11.13 Triview Metro District Board Meeting, 5:00pm at Town Hall
- 11.14 Planning Commission, 6:30pm at Town Hall
- 11.19 Board of Trustees, 6:30pm at Town Hall
- 11.21 Court, 5:30-8:00pm at Town Hall
- 11.22 Town Hall closed in observance of Thanksgiving
- 11.23
- 11.24 Small Town Christmas-Historic Downtown, 10:00am-2:00pm



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