

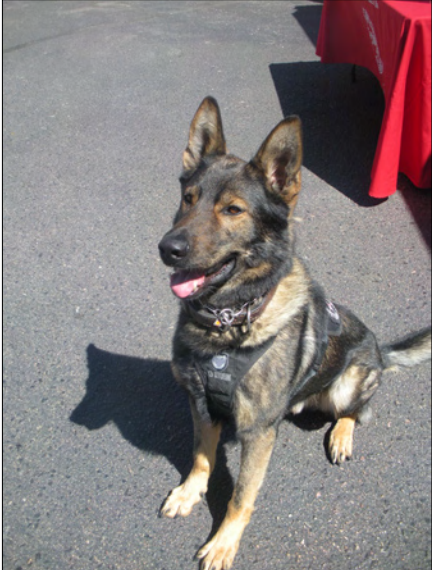
Donald Wescott FPD Safety Day, June 2



Above: (Left) Some of the equipment on display at the Safety Fair, June 2.



Center): Firefighter Luke Jones explains the equipment to some potential future firefighters.



(Right): Police dog Axel visited the fair along with his handler Deputy Mark Miller. *Photos by Kate Wetterer*



Above: (Left) Connie Chavez of El Paso-Teller County E-911 demonstrates how fires can occur in a kitchen to a young visitor at the Smoke House. The Smoke House contained mockups of a kitchen and bedroom. Chavez used steam to simulate smoke and showed children what to do if a fire occurs in their home. She instructed children to “crawl low and



go” and have a meeting location outside the home. **Center):** The crew of Memorial Star Transport, from left, Amy Middleton, Kristie McClary, and Jeff Sinclair, pose in front of the Flight for Life helicopter. The crew explained the use of the helicopter and showed how victims of accidents are transported.



(Right): Wescott volunteer firefighter Bobby Hurd demonstrates how a plaster hook can be used during a fire rescue. Hurd showed visitors a variety of the tools used by firefighters during emergencies.

Photos by David Futey.

Anglers try their luck at the Palmer Lake Fishing Derby

By David Futey

On June 2, anglers of all ages enjoyed a beautiful Saturday morning as they cast their lines into Palmer Lake at the 2012 Kids’ Fishing Derby. Event Chair Ken Valdez said the derby, sponsored by the Tri-Lakes Chamber of Commerce, “encourages family activity in the local community.” “Right after school ends summer begins, families are looking for something to do and the derby provides an opportunity to appreciate your own backyard,” he said.

Prizes for the longest fish, ugliest fish, and dirtiest

kid were awarded. Volunteers from the Kiwanis K-Club assisted Chamber members with the event. The Colorado Division of Wildlife stocked the lake with trout in April and May and provided fishing poles to any child who needed one. The derby was also sponsored by Peoples Bank, Farmers Insurance, and El Paso County Parks. *David Futey can be reached at dfutey@ocn.me.*

Right: Monument resident Jeff Stafford helps 2-year-old son Jake cast his line as older sister Penny looks on. *Photo by David Futey.*



Club shows off cool cars

By Candice Hitt

On June 10, the Tri-Lakes Cruisers car club held its annual benefit car show in downtown Monument. Many residents of the Tri-Lakes area showed up to view specialty cars, hot rods, street rods, lead sleds, antique cars, and cars being restored. The Air Force Academy’s live falcon mascot was on display. There were 130 entries in the car show, and all participants received a free breakfast. Many awards were

given out in a variety of categories. Sponsors of the event included Peoples National Bank, Original Waterless Wash, Monument Motors, JJ Tracks, MedVed Autoplex, Colorado Transmissions, Paul Leueberger-American National Insurance, and Spyder Paint and Collision. Proceeds from the event go to help Tri-Lakes Cares. More information about Tri-Lakes Cruisers can be found at www.tlcruiser.com.



Above: Luke Hitt tries out the Midget race car.

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