

- Jul. 12**, 7 p.m., Tri-Lakes Fire Station 1, 18650 Hwy 105 west of Monument near the bowling alley. Meets 2nd Thu. each month. Info: 481-3364.
- **Palmer Lake Art Group, Sat., Jul. 14, 9 a.m.**, Vaile Hill Gallery, 118 Hillside Rd., Palmer Lake. A variety of art programs are offered after the business meeting. Guests welcome. Meets 2nd Sat. each month. Info: 487-1329, or visit www.palmerlakeartgroup.com.
 - **El Paso County Hazardous Materials & Recycling Collection Facility, Sat., Jul. 14**, 9 a.m.-1 p.m., 3255 Akers Dr., Colorado Springs. Open the 2nd Saturday each month as well as Mon.-Thu., 7 a.m.-5 p.m., and now accepts porcelain fixtures in addition to common recyclable items and household hazardous waste such as paint and related products, lawn and garden chemicals, household cleaners, old batteries, fire extinguishers, fireworks, flares, ammunition, automotive products (no tires), various electronics, and TVs up to 19-inch diagonal. Bring a nonperishable food item for Care and Share. Info: 520-7878, or http://adm.elpasoco.com/Environmental_Services/Solid_Waste_Management.
 - **Alzheimer's Support Group, Sat., Jul. 14**, 10-11:30 a.m., Church at Woodmoor, 18125 Furrow Rd. Meets 2nd Sat. each month. Info: LaVonne Putman, 488-2557.
 - **NEPCO Meeting: HOA Legal Issues, Sat., Jul. 14**, 10 a.m.-noon, New Monument Town Hall & Police Building, 645 Beacon Lite Rd. Lenard Rioth, Home Owner Association attorney, will provide his annual update on HOA legal issues and status of the current state laws affecting HOAs. All are welcome to this meeting of local homeowners associations. Info: www.nepco.org or call 481-2723.
 - **Amateur Radio W0TLM (Tri-Lakes Monument Fire Radio Association), Mon., Jul. 16**, 6:30 p.m., Tri-Lakes Monument Fire Protection District Station 1, 18650 Hwy 105 (next to Pinz bowling alley). All amateur radio operators or those interested in becoming amateur radio operators are welcome. Meets 3rd Mon. each month. Info: Joyce Witte, 488-0859.
 - **Djembe Drum Lessons, Mon., Jul. 16**, 6:30-8 p.m., Yoga Pathways, Suite A, West End Center, 755 Hwy 105, Palmer Lake. Great brain exercise. Ages 18 to 80+ welcome! Meets 3rd Mon. each month. Info: Char, 488-3138.

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We also need various other kinds of help including preparing the mailing.

If you can spare a few hours to help make an important difference in our community, please contact John Heiser at (719) 488-3455 or johnheiser@ocn.me.



- **Tri-Lakes Incubator Workshop: Tom Hopkins Business Building, Tue., Jul. 17**, 1-2 p.m., 14960 Woodcarver Rd., Colorado Springs. Cost: \$10. Registration required: www.trilakesbi.org or call 481-4877 x100.
- **Senior Tea, Tue., Jul. 17**, 1-3 p.m., Senior Center at Lewis-Palmer High School (across from the YMCA). Come early to socialize, bring a salad or dessert to share. Meat dishes and tea provided. Be prepared to have fun! Voluntary donations welcome. Meets 3rd Tue. each month. Info: Irene C., 484-0517.
- **Cancer Support Group for Women, Tue., Jul. 17**, 7 p.m., St. Matthias Episcopal Church, 18320 Furrow Rd., Woodmoor. Meets 3rd Tue. each month. Info: Lindsay, 487-9362.
- **Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 7829, Tue., Jul. 17**, 7 p.m., Sundance Mountain Lodge, 1865 Woodmoor Dr., Monument. New members welcome. Meets 3rd Tue. each month. Info: Tony Wolusky, post commander, 481-4419, or twolusky@aol.com.
- **Macular Degeneration Support Group for the Visually Impaired, Thu., Jul. 19**, 1-2 p.m. Meets 3rd Thu. Location varies. Info: Tri-Lakes Cares, 481-4864 x23.
- **Tri-Lakes Incubator Workshop: Expanding & Strengthening Your Business Thru HR, Thu., Jul. 19**, 1-2 p.m., 14960 Woodcarver Rd., Colorado Springs. Explore the simple, yet most underutilized tools available to business owners in leveraging their talent and having their payroll payback. Cost: \$10. Registration required: www.trilakesbi.org or call 481-4877 x100.
- **Art Hop, Thu., Jul. 19**, 5-8 p.m., historic downtown Monument. The 3rd Thu. each month through Sep. 20, the galleries, restaurants, and boutiques of downtown Monument stay open until 8 p.m. for a celebration featuring art openings, great food, live music, and more. Info: www.monumentmerchants.com or call 481-3282.
- **Tri-Lakes Lions Club, Thu., Jul. 19**, 6:30 p.m. social, 7-8 p.m. meeting, Sundance Mountain Lodge, 1865 Woodmoor Dr., Monument. The world's largest service club organization is now in Tri-Lakes! Meets 3rd Thu. each month. Info: David Prejean, 434-7031.
- **Ladies Auxiliary to V.F.W. Post 7829, Thu., Jul. 19**, 7-8:30 p.m., Monument Library, 1706 Lake Woodmoor Dr., Monument. New members welcome. If you are a female relative of a veteran who served on foreign soil during war or other military action, you may be eligible. Meets 3rd Thu. each month. Info: Martine Arndt, 231-5323 or email: Martine.Arndt@yahoo.com.
- **Palmer Lake Historical Society: "Eating Houses on the Midland Railroad," Thu., Jul. 19**, 7 p.m., Palmer Lake Town Hall, 28 Valley Crescent. Tom Van Wormer tells how trainloads of passengers were fed before the introduction of dining cars. Free and open to all. Refreshments served after the one-hour program. Info: Sarah, 481-4278, or visit palmerdividehistory.org.
- **Poetry Night, Fri., Jul. 20**, 5-8 p.m., Wesley Owens Coffee, 1773 Lake Woodmoor Dr. (next to Papa John's). The staff of Ink Magazine, the student-run literary publication of Palmer Ridge High School, invites the community to drop in for a lively evening of poetry. Come to listen, read some poetry of your own, join in an improvisational rap battle, or simply to support the arts. Homemade soup, salad, and desserts available for purchase. Meets 3rd Fri. each month. Info: emailinkmagazineprhs@gmail.com.
- **Juvenile Diabetes Support Group, Sat., Jul. 21**, 9 a.m., It's a Grind Coffee House, 15954D Jackson Creek Pkwy, Monument. Meets 3rd Sat. each month. Info: Chris, 884-0832, or email cabernathy@woodmoor.com.
- **Senior Social, Wed., Jul. 25**, 1-4 p.m., Fellowship Hall of the Black Forest Lutheran Church, 12455 Black Forest Rd. The Black Forest Lutheran Church and the Black Forest AARP Chapter 1100 invite area seniors for an afternoon of socializing. All are welcome; bring a friend and enjoy chatting, doing handwork, or playing Mexican train dominoes. Light refreshments will be served. Meets 4th Wed. each month. Info: Lavonne, 495-4021.
- **Tri-Lakes Incubator Free Workshop: Financial Strategies, Thu., Jul. 26**, 1-2 p.m., 14960 Woodcarver Rd., Colorado Springs. Learn what you can do to reach your business' financial goals while protecting all you've worked so hard to build. Registration required: call 481-4877 x100 or visit

- www.trilakesbi.org.
- **Legacy Sertoma Dinner meeting, Thu., Jul. 26**, 6:30 p.m., Monument Hill Country Club, 18945 Pebble Beach Way, Monument. New members and visitors welcome. Meets 2nd & 4th Thu. each month. Info: Ed Kinney, 481-2750.
 - **MOMS Club of Monument and Colorado Springs North.** Meet other stay-at-home moms and kids in our area for weekly activities such as play dates, lunch out, park days, and even Mom's night out. Info: email monumentmomsinfo@gmail.com.
 - **Monument Homemakers Club Monthly Potluck Lunch & Meeting, Thu., Aug. 2**, 11:30 a.m., Tri-Lakes Fire Department Administrative Building, 166 Second St., Monument (Second at Jefferson). Bring a food dish to share and your own dinner service and flatware. Meets 1st Thu. each month except Jan. and unless D-38 is delayed or closed due to bad weather. Newcomers welcome. For a ride to the meeting, call Faye Brenneman, 488-0076. RSVP & info: Irene Walters, 481-1188, or Bev Wells, 488-3327.
 - **Tri-Lakes Incubator Workshop: Writing Winning Government Proposals, Thu., Aug. 2**, 1-3 p.m., 14960 Woodcarver Rd., Colorado Springs. Learn how to read the solicitation for proposal content guidance and some of the best practices that win every time. Registration required: call 481-4877 x100 or visit www.trilakesbi.org.
 - **Palmer Divide Quilt Guild, Thu., Aug. 2**, 7 p.m., Church at Woodmoor, 18125 Furrow Rd. Meets 1st Thu. each month. Info: Teresa Kovacic, 559-0083, or email teresa.kovacic@biofunctionusa.com.
 - **American Legion Tri-Lakes Post 9-11, Tue., Aug. 7**, 6:30 p.m., Depot Restaurant, Hwy 105 & Primrose St., Palmer Lake. New members welcome. Meets 1st Tue. each month. Info: 481-8668 or www.americanlegiontrilakespost911.com.

SPECIAL EVENTS

- **Concerts in the Park**, every Wed, **Jun. 6-Aug. 1** (except **Jul. 4**), 7-9 p.m. Bring your blankets and chairs, enjoy great music, food, and Mount Herman sunsets. Artist CDs, food, treats, and refreshments available for purchase. **Jul. 11**, Barbara Ernst with Mistura Bella; **July 18**, Trinity Demask and Third Road Home; **July 25**, Hammerstadt; **Aug. 1**, Woody Woodworth & Sweet Revenge. Limbach Park bandshell, corner of 2nd & Front Streets, Monument. Info: www.monumentmerchants.com.
- **Palmer Lake Community Garden, Mon., Jul. 9**, 6-7 p.m. General meeting at the green in front of Palmer Lake Town Hall, 28 Valley Crescent. Bring a chair if you need one. If the weather is bad meeting will be held at the Palmer Lake Country Store. Info: dwoodhockey@comcast.net or 963-3242.
- **Firewise presentation by The Palmer Lake Volunteer Fire Department, Wed., Jul. 11**, 6:30 p.m., Palmer Lake Town Hall, 28 Valley Crescent. Learn what you can do to protect your property and town from wildland fires. Info: 331-4398.
- **Western Museum of Mining & Industry (WMMI): Outdoor Machinery Day, Fri., Jul. 13**, 10 a.m. & 1 p.m. Hear the shrill whistle of the 1928 Osgood Steam Shovel. Learn how compressed air locomotives replaced mules for hauling ore, and then see one rumble out of the past and down the track! Hear stories of the dangers faced by mill men. Brace yourself as the 1890s refinery comes alive. Included with paid admission: \$8 adults, \$7 military/AAA, \$6 seniors & students, \$4 children 3-12, free to children under 3 & museum members. The museum is located at 225 North Gate Blvd at 1-25 Exit 156A. Info: www.wmmi.org or call 488-0880.
- **Black Rose Acoustic Society Open Stage headlined by Still on the Hill, Fri., Jul. 13**, opening act at 7 p.m., doors open at 6:15. Black Forest Community Center, 12530 Black Forest Rd. at Shoup Road. Hybrid music with Ozark roots. Cost: \$7 general, \$4 BRAS members, \$5 nonmember students. Info: Joe Maio, 528-6119 or email jrmtn@comcast.net, or visit www.blackroseacoustic.org.
- **Western Museum of Mining & Industry (WMMI): 30th Anniversary, Sat., Jul. 14**, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Celebrate with \$3 admission per person, gold panning and cake. Steam engines will rumble to life, the trammer will speed down the rail, and a "top down" tour of the Stamp Mill Gold Refinery will be offered. The museum is located at 225 North Gate Blvd at 1-25 Exit 156A. Info: www.wmmi.org or call 488-