- Administration Complex, 166 Second St., Monument, after the noontime senior lunch. Come for lunch at 11: 30 a.m., then stay and play. Free! Win prizes! Meets 2nd Thu. each month. Info: Maggie Nealon, 488-3037.
- Legacy Sertoma Dinner meeting, Thu., Oct. 10, 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.
- Ben Lomond Gun Club, Tri-Lakes Chapter, Thu., Oct. 10, 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.
- Fabulous and Fun Friday Art Night in Tri-Lakes, Fri., Oct. 11, 5-8 p.m., Bella Art and Frame, 183 Washington St., downtown Monument. Weekly art show openings every Friday night. Locations rotate throughout the month. Info: 487-7691, MAGGIE@bellaartandframe.c om. www.bellaartandframe.com.
- Palmer Lake Art Group, Sat., Oct. 12, 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, www.palmerlakeartgroup.com.
- El Paso County Hazardous Materials & Recycling Collection Facility, Sat., Oct. 12, 9 a.m.-1 p.m., 3255
 Akers Dr., Colorado Springs. Open the 2nd Sat. each month as well as Mon.-Thu., 7 a.m.-5 p.m., accepts porcelain fixtures, 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, http://adm.elpasoco.com/Environmental_Services/Solid_Waste_Management.
- Alzheimer's Support Group, Sat., Oct. 12, 10-11:30 a.m., Church at Woodmoor, 18125 Furrow Rd. Meets 2nd Sat. each month. Info: LaVonne Putman, 488-2557.
- Tri-Lakes Home Educators' Support Group, Mon., Oct. 14. Meets 2nd Mon. each month for support, information, field trips, and special events. Info: TLHESG@gmail.com.
- Senior Tea, Tue., Oct. 15, 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.
- Fibromyalgia Support Group, Mon., Oct. 15, 5 p.m., Police Station, 7850 Goddard (1 block off Academy on Kelly Johnson near Chapel Hills Mall), Community Room just inside main entrance. A DVD will play 5-6 p.m.; meeting starts at 6 p.m. Share concerns and success stories and talk to a D.O. Learn how you can become pain-free. No charge, no products sold. Meets 3rd Tue.

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- each month. Info: 481-2230.
- Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 7829, Tue., Oct. 15, 7 p.m., Sundance Mountain Lodge, 1865 Woodmoor Dr., Monument. New members welcome. Meets 3rd Tue. each month. Info: Joe Carlson, 488-1902.
- Macular Degeneration Support Group for the Visually Impaired, Thu., Oct. 17, 1-2 p.m. Meets 3rd Thu. Location varies. Info: Tri-Lakes Cares, 481-4864 x103.
- Palmer Lake Historical Society Meeting: "Ghosts of Douglas and Surrounding Counties," Thu., Oct. 17, 7 p.m., Palmer Lake Town Hall, 28 Valley Crescent. Just in time for Halloween, local historian Shaun Boyd returns to tell tales of ghosts, mysteries and spooky happenings from Denver to Monument. This event is free and refreshments will be served after the presentation. Meets 3rd Thu. Info: Sarah, 481-4278, www.palmerdividehistor y.org.
- Tri-Lakes Lions Club, Thu., Oct. 17, 6:30 p.m. social, 7-8 p.m. meeting, Sundance Mountain Lodge, 1865 Woodmoor Dr., Monument. Meets 3rd Thu. each month. Info: David Prejean, 434-7031.
- Ladies Auxiliary to V.F.W. Post 7829, Thu., Oct. 17, 6:45 p.m., Sundance Mountain Lodge, 1865 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, Martine.Arndt@yahoo.com.
- Fabulous and Fun Friday Art Night in Tri-Lakes, Fri., Oct. 18, 5-8 p.m., Southwinds Fine Arts Gallery, 16575 Roller Coaster Rd., Colo. Springs. Weekly art show openings every Friday night. Locations rotate throughout the month. Info: 481-6157, www.southwinds fineart.com.
- **Juvenile Diabetes Support Group,** Sat., **Oct. 19,** 9 a.m., It's a Grind Coffee House, 15954D Jackson Creek Pkwy, Monument. Meets 3rd Sat. each month. Info: Dawn, 719-466-7551, dawnweb@q.com.
- Amateur Radio W0TLM (Tri-Lakes Monument Fire Radio Association), Mon., Oct. 21, 6:30 p.m., Tri-Lakes Monument Fire Protection District Station 1, 18650 Hwy 105, west of I-25. All amateur radio operators or those interested in becoming amateur radio operators are welcome. Meets 3rd Mon. each month. Info: Joyce Witte, 488, 0850
- **Drummers!** Mon., **Oct. 21**, 6:30-8 p.m., Yoga Pathways, Suite A, West End Center, 755 Hwy 105, Palmer Lake. Free and open to the public. Bring any kind of drum or other hand percussion instrument and join this funloving, informal group. Beginners welcome! Usually meets 3rd Mon. each month. Verify date & time: Char, 488-3138.
- Wisdom and Wealth Master Mind Group: Lifting Spirits with Meredith Bromfield, M.Ed, Tue., Oct. 22, 6:30-8:30 p.m., 755 Highway 105 Unit C, Palmer Lake. Meets 2nd & 4th Tue. Sep.-Nov. RSVP & Info: 630-618-9400, www.meredithbromfield.com.
- Senior Social, Wed., Oct. 23, 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.
- Legacy Sertoma Dinner meeting, Thu., Oct. 24, 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: monumentm omsinfo@gmail.com.
- American Legion Tri-Lakes Post 9-11, Tue., Nov. 5
 6:30 p.m., Depot Restaurant, Hwy 105 & Primrose St.,
 Palmer Lake. New members welcome. Meets 1st Tue.
 each month. Info: 481-8668, www.americanlegiontrila
 kespost911.com.
- Monument Homemakers Club Monthly Potluck Lunch & Meeting, Thu. Nov. 7, 11:30 a.m., Tri-Lakes Fire Department Administrative Building, 166 Second St., Monument. Bring a food dish to pass 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.
- Palmer Divide Quilt Guild, Thu., Nov. 7, 7 p.m., Church at Woodmoor, 18125 Furrow Rd. Meets 1st Thu. each month. Info: Teresa Kovacic, 559-0083, teresa.kov acic@biofunctionusa.com.

- NEPCO Meeting, Sat., Nov. 9, 10 a.m.-noon, New Monument Town Hall & Police Building, 645 Beacon Lite Rd. Commissioner Darryl Glenn will speak on county issues affecting North El Paso County. All are welcome to this meeting of local homeowners associations. Info: 481-2723, www.nepco.org.
- Craft Club, Sat., Nov. 9, 11 a.m.-2 p.m., Fairfield Inn & Suites, Mt. Herman Room, 15275 Struthers Rd. A new club is forming for ages 15 and up! Each month features a fun, easy to follow paper craft. All supplies provided. Fee varies by project. Info: Linda, 375-8991, Lindacarpy@gmail.com.

SPECIAL EVENTS

- Monument Fall Festival: Kinetic Sculpture Derby & Street Fair, Sat., Oct. 5, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. This fun new event features human-powered works of art. Build and race your own contraption. Derby parade starts at 10 a.m. Contraptions take off from Monument, travel up to Palmer Lake, then back to the finish in Monument. Street Fair on Front Street, food court with beer garden, games & music in Limbach Park. Info: www.townofmonument.org.
- Black Rose Acoustic Society Thanks To The Members Concert & Workshop With Alasdair Fraser & Natalie Haas, Sat., Oct. 5, workshop 1-4 p.m., concert at 7 p.m., doors open 6:30. Black Forest Community Center, 12530 Black Forest Rd. at Shoup Road. The workshop is for all stringed instruments and all musicians to learn the skills of playing traditional Scottish music. Concert: \$25 general public, \$15 BRAS members. Workshop: \$35 general public, \$30 BRAS members. Info: Joe Maio, 528-6119, jrmtn@comcast.net; www.blackroseacoustic.org, 494-0666.
- 40th Annual Christmas Arts & Crafts Fair, Sat.-Sun., Oct. 5-6, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Sat., 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Sun., Palmer Lake Town Hall, 28 Valley Crescent. The Palmer Lake Art Group presents a juried show and sale of original work including all kinds of hand-crafted arts and fine crafts. Proceeds are used to fund art scholarships for District 38 area students. Info: Margarete Seagraves, 719-229-6623, seagml@compdsn.com, or www.palmer lakeartgroup.com.
- Octoberfest at The Villa, Sat.-Sun., Oct. 5-6, 75 Hwy. 105, Palmer Lake. Beer, brats, German potato salad, and more in the Villa's backyard. Info: 481-2222.
- Haunted Mines at the Western Museum of Mining & Industry (WMMI), through Nov. 2. Don't miss this terrifying adventure. All proceeds from the Haunted Mines go to WMMI. Volunteers needed. Visit www.hauntedmines.org for details. WMMI is located at 225 North Gate Blvd. (I-25 exit 156A). WMMI info: 488-0880 or visit www.wmmi.org.
- Direction 38 Public School Education Forum on Amendment 66 and the D-38 Mill Levy Override on the November Ballot, Tue., Oct. 8, 7-8:30 p.m., Tri-Lakes YMCA: 17250 Jackson Creek Pkwy, Monument. All are welcome. Panelists include Mark Lowderman, El Paso County Assessor. Info: www.lpd38.org.
- Moving for Better Balance—A Fall Prevention Program, Free Informational Meeting, Wed., Oct. 9, 3 p.m., Tri-Lakes Senior Center located across the street from the Tri-Lakes YMCA, on the Lewis-Palmer High School campus. Info: Melinda, 649-3535.
- Empty Bowls Dinner and Silent Auction, Wed., Oct. 9, 5-7:30 p.m., Lewis-Palmer High School, 1300 Higby Rd., Monument. Monument Hill Kiwanis presents a fun-filled evening that features a home-cooked dinner in a handmade bowl, silent auction items provided by area businesses, and a drawing for a Barnes & Nobles Nook HD+. Proceeds go to Tri-Lakes Cares. Cost: \$20, includes one child under 12 free and entry in the door prize drawing. Tickets are available at the door and in area stores: High Country HomeBrew, Covered Treasures Bookstore, Rosie's Diner, Hangers, Serrano's, Rock House, Tri-Lakes Printing. Info: Mark Zeiger, 488-5934.
- John DeFrancesco Exhibit Free Opening Reception, Fri., Oct. 11, 6-8 p.m., Tri-Lakes Center for the Arts, 304 Highway 105, Palmer Lake. Monument artist John DeFrancesco's exhibit of 30 oil paintings, "Glorious Days," will run through Oct. 26. The Center is open Tue.-Fri, noon-4 p.m. and Sat., 10 a.m.- 5 p.m.. Info: 481-0475, jdefrancesco522@comcast.net, www.johndefrancesco.com.
- by Trout Steak Revival, Fri., Oct. 11, opening act at 7 p.m., doors open at 6:15. Black Forest Community Center, 12530 Black Forest Rd. at Shoup Road. Bluegrassinspired mountain music. Cost: \$7 general, \$4 BRAS members, \$5 nonmember students with ID. Info: Joe Maio, 528-6119, jrmtn@comcast.net, www.blackrosea coustic.org.
- **Pet Adoption Day,** Sat., **Oct. 12,** 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Liberty High School, 8720 Scarborough Dr., Colo. Springs. The