Forest Community Center, 12530 Black Forest Rd. at Shoup Road. Bring your favorite food to share, beverages and other necessities provided. Music by Adam Guardino, Phil Volan and Joleen Bell, and The Sister Brothers. Cost: \$7 general, \$4 BRAS members, \$5 nonmember students with ID. Info: Joe Maio, 528-6119, jrmtn@comcast.net, www.blackroseacoustic.or

- Monument's Small Town Christmas, Sat., Dec. 14, 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Historic Downtown Monument. Holiday activities include visits from Santa and Mrs. Claus, crafts and activities for children, open houses, and more. Info: www.monumentmerchants.com/events.htm.
- Christmas Bazaar for Monument Cops For Kids, Sat., Dec 14, 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Sibel's Barn, Front Street, Monument. Shop for toys, books, collectables, jewelry, and more. Free gift-wrapping for kids doing their shopping. Info: 719-213-6349.
- Holiday Open House at Covered Treasures Bookstore, Sat., Dec. 14; 10 a.m.-noon, Allison Flannery will sign her children's title, *In the Hall of the Mountain King.* 1-3 p.m., Julie Raber, co-owner and founder of Pocket Pals Trail Maps, will talk about her mapping process. Susan Davies, director of the Trails and Open Space Coalition, will join Julie to discuss trail damage from this past summer's events. Todd Caudle, local photographer, will sign his 2014 calendars and his photographic books of the area. 105 Second St., Monument. Info: 481-2665, covrdtreas@aol.com, www.coveredtreasures.com.
- Colorado Author Sandra Russell, Sat., Dec. 14, 10: 30 a.m.-noon, The Love Shop, 251 Front St., Monument. A book talk, refreshments, and Russell will sign her book, *Do you see me? Memoir of the Invisible Woman.* Info: 598-3348.
- 12th Annual Tri-Lakes Community Christmas Handbell Concert, Sat., Dec. 14, 7 p.m., Monument Community Presbyterian Church, 238 Third St., Monument. Everyone is welcome to this free holiday concert that features handbell choirs, chimes, organ/piano, and various local musicians. Info: Betty Jenik, 488-3853, ljenik@comcast.net.
- Children's Christmas Pageant, Sun., Dec. 15, 10 a.m., The Church at Woodmoor, 18125 Furrow Rd. (at Hwy 105). Info: 488-3200, www.thechurchatwoodmoor.org.
- Gleneagle Festival of Lights Hayride & Caroling with Holy Trinity Anglican Church, Sun., Dec. 15, 5-8 p.m., Gleneagle Golf Club, 345 Mission Hill Way. View city lights and holiday lighting in yards from the back of a hay truck. Bring blankets to keep warm. Free cookies, Santa, hot drinks & chili for purchase at The Palms Restaurant at the golf club. Info: 505-8021.
- Candlelight Vigil to Celebrate the Life of Peggy Rima, Owner of Finders Keepers, Sun., Dec. 15, 5: 30 p.m., Finders Keepers, 91 Hwy 105, Palmer Lake. Info: Eileen, 433-4982.
- Holy Trinity Anglican Church: Cookies and Carols, Wed., Dec. 18, 6-7:30 p.m., 13990 Gleneagle Dr. Info: 505-8021, www.HolyTrinityAnglicanChurch.or
- Chuck Pyle Family Christmas Show & CD Release Party at Tri-Lakes Center for the Arts, Fri., Dec. 20, 6-8 p.m., 304 Hwy 105, Palmer Lake. Chuck Pyle's new CD, "An Acoustic & Western Christmas," features Chuck singing our most beloved Christmas standards. Advance tickets: \$12 Members, \$15 Non-members. Door tickets: \$15 Members, \$18 Non-members. Info: 481-0475, info@trilakesarts.org, www.trilakesarts.org.
- Tri-Lakes Music Association Annual Holiday Concert: The Hope of Christmas, Fri.-Sat., Dec. 20-21, 7 p.m.; & Sun., Dec. 22, 2 p.m., Palmer Ridge High School, 19255 Monument Hill Rd. Admission is free, a freewill donation will be solicited. All proceeds go to Tri-Lakes Cares and two \$500 college scholarships. Park in the lower parking lots and enter at the auditorium entrance. Info: Bob Manning, 232-4114, rwgmanning@comcast.net, www.trilakesmusic.org.
- Little Log Kitchen Free Meal, Sat., Dec. 21, noon, 133 High St., Palmer Lake. Every 3rd Sat., come for a free meal while supplies last. Sponsored by Little Log Church. Info: 481-2409.
- SunDance Studio Open House, Sat., Dec. 21, noon-2 p.m., Exhibitions at 12:30 and 1:30 p.m. 1450 Cipriani Loop, Monument. Info: 481-8208.
- Holy Trinity Anglican Church: "Come to the Light" Music Performance by Clay Clarkson,

- Sun., **Dec. 22,** 6:30 p.m., 13990 Gleneagle Dr. Info: 505-8021, www.HolyTrinityAnglicanChurch.org.
- Christmas Eve Dinner at the Villa Palmer Lake, Tue., Dec. 24, 4-8 p.m., 75 Hwy 105, Palmer Lake. A special menu and singer/guitarist Tom Lehrecke. Reservations & Info: 481-2222.
- The Ascent Church Christmas Eve Services, Tue., Dec. 24, 2 p.m., 3:30 p.m., 5 p.m., 6:30 p.m. 1750 Deer Creek Rd., Monument. Info: 481-3600, www.TheAscentChurch.com.
- Christmas Eve Services at The Church at Woodmoor, Tue., Dec. 24; 5 p.m., Family Service; 7 p.m., Candlelight Service, 18125 Furrow Rd. (at Hwy 105). Info: 488-3200, www.thechurchatwoodmoor.org.
- Christmas Eve at Forestgate: Candlelight Service, Tue., Dec. 24, 7 p.m., 970 North Gate Blvd. Info: 495-5672, www.forestgate.org.
- Holy Trinity Anglican Church: Christmas Eve and Day Services, Tue., Dec. 24, 4:30, 7, & 11:30 p.m., with violin duet and handbells music; Wed., Dec. 25, 10 a.m., come casual, eat coffee cake; 13990 Gleneagle Dr. Info: 505-8021, www.HolyTrinityAngl icanChurch.org.
- Western Museum of Mining & Industry (WMMI): Holiday Festival & Winter Break with the Burros, Thu.-Sat., Dec. 26-28. Take a break from Winter Break with fun, crafts, and hands-on learning for the whole family. Meet the Burros, 10 a.m. & 1 p.m. Visit the Mining Museum's burros, then go inside to warm up with a free cup of coffee or hot chocolate and learn what games pioneer children played. Included with paid admission. Cookie Mining, 10: 45 a.m. & 1:45 p.m. Become part owner of an imaginary mining company! Participants race other teams to mine chocolate chips from cookies. Reservations required: 488-0880 or rsvp@wmmi.org. Book Signing, Sat., Dec. 28 only, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Meet Daisy the Cripple Creek Donkey author Lyn Bezek and get your copy of her great children's book signed. Cost: \$8 adults, \$7 military/AAA, \$6 seniors & students, \$4 children 3-12, free to children under 3 & museum members. WMMI is located at 225 North Gate Blvd. (I-25 Exit 156 A) in Colorado Springs. Info: 488-0880, www.wmmi.org.
- Holy Trinity Anglican Church: Lessons and Carols with handbells music, Sun., Dec. 29, 8:30 & 10:45 a.m., 13990 Gleneagle Dr. Info: 505-8021, www.HolyTrinityAnglicanChurch.org.
- New Years Eve Dinner at the Villa Palmer Lake, Tue., Dec. 31, 5-10 p.m., 75 Hwy 105, Palmer Lake. A special menu. Reservations & Info: 481-2222.
- New Year's Eve Speakeasy at Pikes Peak Brewing Co., Tue., Dec. 31, 1756 Lake Woodmoor Dr, Monument. Dress in 1920s' style, enjoy 1920s' entertainment with live music by Good Green. Cost: \$65 includes 2 drinks, tasty bites, champagne toast, and a ride home if needed. Ticket info: 208-4098, www.pikespeakbrewing.com.
- Space Camp at Tri-Lakes Center for the Arts, Thu.-Sat., Jan. 2-4, 10:30 a.m.-noon, 304 Hwy 105, Palmer Lake. Young Rembrandts classes: Day 1, Space Crafts; Day 2, Cartooning; Day 3, Pastels. Cost: \$17 per class, \$50 for all three. Supplies provided. Info: 481-0475, www.trilakesarts.org, info@trilakesarts.org.
- His Brain, Her Brain, Fri. eve-Sat., Jan. 10-11, Glen Eyrie. Walt (MD) and Barbara Larimore, authors of His Brain, Her Brain, will explain how men's and women's brains are different and how understanding these differences can contribute toward a more satisfying marriage, family, and professional life. Cost: \$175 per couple (overnight accommodations may be purchased separately). Sponsored by Little Log Church. Reservations & Info: call the church office, 481-2409.
- Restorative Yoga Workshop with Raleigh Dove, Sun., Jan. 12, Yoga Pathways, 755 Hwy 105, Palmer Lake. Info: www.YogaPathwaysStudio.com, 481-4137.

Our community calendar carries listings on a space-available basis for Tri-Lakes events that are sponsored by local governmental entities and not-for-profit organizations. We include events that are open to the general public and are not religious or self-promotional in nature. If space is available, complimentary calendar listings are included, when requested, for events advertised in the current issue. To have your event listed at no charge in Our Community Calendar, please call 488-3455, or send the information to calendar@ocn.me or P.O. Box 1742, Monument, Colorado 80132.

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