

Uranium Drive-in shown



Above: On March 13, Western Museum of Mining and Industry (WMMI) Manager David Futey welcomes Director Suzan Beraza to the museum. The WMMI hosted a showing of her award-winning documentary film *Uranium Drive-In*. The movie follows the debate among residents of an economically struggling and historically mining-based community in western Colorado which is presented with an opportunity to open a uranium processing mill. After the movie was shown, Beraza responded to questions about the film from the audience and shared the issues she encountered while filming for three years. Information on the film is at <http://uraniumdrivein.com/>. Information on upcoming events at the WMMI is at www.wmmi.org. Photo and caption by David Futey.

Ham Radio Club



The El Paso County Sheriff's Office mobile command post was displayed at the March meeting of the Tri-Lakes Monument Fire (TLMF) Radio Association. The TLMF Radio Association is a ham radio club in the Monument area with an emphasis on helping people get started with amateur radio. The club meets at 7 p.m. on the third Monday of each month at the Monument Branch Library, 1706 Lake Woodmoor Dr. See w0tlm.com or call Joyce Witte, 719-488-0859, for more information. Photo by Dan Oldfield.

Blood drive



Above: Dr. Jean Michel Fernand, a Monument resident, donates blood on March 27. He said the Gleneagle Sertoma Blood Drive is "important in benefiting the community," because it helps save lives. The drive, sponsored by Penrose Blood Bank and Gleneagle Sertoma, was held at Antelope Trails Elementary School. It offered people the opportunity to donate blood and enjoy a small meal afterward. For information about the next blood drive, call Bill or Mary Nance at 719-488-2312. Photo by Arjun Gheewala.

Wendy Woo



Above: On March 28, longtime Tri-Lakes Center for the Arts (TLCA) favorite Wendy Woo played to an enthusiastic spring break audience. Unlike previous years performing solo, Woo was accompanied by Steve Cox on bass and Robin Hoch on violin. Information on upcoming events at the TLCA is at www.trilakesarts.org. Photo by David Futey.

Girl scouts support hometown heroes



Girl Scout Troop 3661 from Monument supported their hometown heroes by delivering boxes of cookies to three fire stations in the area. Many customers decline to buy cookies due to dietary restrictions. In those cases, the Scouts suggest that they could instead buy and/or donate cookies for hometown heroes. The girls selected firefighters as the beneficiaries. Each firehouse received 41 boxes of cookies. From left are Capt. Max Mabry, Lily Goudreau, Katherine Rowland, Madeline Sullivan, Emma Turner and firefighter Mo. Photo by Liz Turner.

March and April library events

Summer volunteers sought

By Harriet Halbig

The Monument Library is looking for teen volunteers for the summer reading program. Everyone ages 12 to 18 is encouraged to join us for two-hour shifts each week beginning June 1 and ending in late July. Volunteers help by registering kids and teens for summer reading and awarding their prizes.

If you have vacation plans, that is not a problem—just let us know ahead of time.

At the end of the program, the volunteers can help at the annual end-of-program party at the Village Green in Palmer Lake.

Family programs in April

Learn to make balloon animals at our family fun program on Saturday, April 12 at 1:30. Participants will be introduced to the world of "folding" through an interactive presentation about napkin, paper (origami), balloon, and creative towel folding. Each child will take home his original origami and balloon creations.

The Legos Club will meet on Saturday, April 19 from 10 until 11:30. Bring your creativity and we will supply the Legos. Also bring your camera to capture your creation, because all pieces remain the property of the library.

The April program for homeschoolers will be on Monday, April 28 from 1 to 2:30.

Programs for teens and tweens

Students of all ages are welcome to sit down with our friendly volunteer math tutors each Monday from 3:30 to 7. This program, called AfterMath, is offered each week except on District 38 and library holidays. No appointment is necessary.

Boys and girls in grades 3 through teens are invited to join the Tech Club on the fourth Friday of each month. We'll explore a variety of fun software programs that will get you started on your way to becoming a computer geek. Registration is required.

Teens ages 12 and up will learn Kumihimo, the Japanese art of braiding colorful cord into bracelets and key chains at the Crafty Teens program on April 9 from 3:30 to 5:30. All materials are provided. Space is limited and registration is required.

Adult programs

Dariel from The Heritage Photo Solution has great tips for making sure your photos can be appreciated for years to come. Learn how to organize and preserve both paper and digital photos for future generations to enjoy. The program will be offered on Saturday, April 12 from 10 to 11:30.

The AARP Smart Driver Course, the first classroom driver refresher course specially designed for motorists age 55 and older, will be offered on Thursday, April 17 from 1 to 5 p.m. Charge for the four-hour course is \$15 for AARP members and \$20 for nonmembers. Preferred payment is in the form of checks made out to AARP, but cash is also accepted. Any older person may attend, but an insurance discount only applies to those 55 and older. Court-directed people who need a class to regain a driver's license that the court has held are welcome. Class size is limited and registration is required. To register call AARP at 719-358-9580.

The Monumental Readers will meet from 10 to noon on Friday, April 18 to discuss *Where'd You Go, Berna-*

dette by Maria Semple. All patrons are welcome to attend this monthly book club.

On the walls in the library will be photography by *Visual Arts for Social Change*. In the display case will be paper hats by Nancy Jacobsen.

Palmer Lake Library events

The Heart of Pines 4-H Club will bring miniature horses, chickens, turkeys, geese, goats, and their babies for you to see and touch on Saturday, April 19 at 10:30. You may also come inside the library to meet live bunnies, hear a bunny story, and do a bunny craft.

The Palmer Lake Book Group welcomes new members to its meetings at 9 a.m. on the first Friday of each month. Please call 481-2587 for the current selection.

Drop by the Palmer Lake Library each Thursday for a morning of fiber fun. Join the Fibernistas! Start a new project or bring one in progress. The fun begins at 10 a.m.

Photographer Laurisa displays *Beauty from Ashes*, a collection of photo vignettes from the Black Forest Fire on the library's walls. The artist lost three quarters of her belongings in the fire and wishes to offer hope to those who are discouraged or grieving.

In the children's area will be multi-media student artwork from Palmer Lake Elementary School.

Please note that all library facilities will be closed on April 20 for Easter Sunday.

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