

250 attend Tri-Lakes Women’s Club Wine and Roses event, Oct. 23



By Harriet Halbig

The Tri-Lakes Women’s Club’s 19th annual Wine and Roses event was held at the Pro Rodeo Hall of Fame on the evening of Oct. 23. The event featured many wine distributors, food from a dozen local restaurants, live music, celebrity pourers from local media and nonprofit organizations, and a silent auction. Wine and Roses is one of two annual events sponsored by the group. The other is the Pine Forest Show in the spring. The proceeds from both events benefit nonprofits in the Tri-lakes area. The group has donated over \$800,000 to the community.

Left: Barb Betzler and Susanna Beters were the organizers of this year’s event. **Right:** Mike McCarthy and Rose Dunphy of the Tri-Lakes Music Association provided live music. *Photos by Harriet Halbig.*



Halloween festivities



Above: During Monument’s Safe Trick or Treating event, costumed kids and adults safely strolled the sidewalks on a balmy Oct. 31. They enjoyed greetings and treats from the local shopkeepers and meeting local fire and police personnel with fire trucks to view. *Photo by Janet Sellers.*



Above: Monument businesses held their 12th Annual Safe Trick or Treating event on Halloween. Robyn Millheim, at Websites by Robyn in the Monument Chapala Building, had her annual haunted house and gave out candy to more than 700 children brave enough to venture within! *Photo by provided by Robyn Millheim.*



Above: A family of Taekwondo students, from left, Emily Carlson, Dr. Linda Silviera-Carlson, and Amber Carlson enjoy the Kick or Treat at the U.S. Taekwondo Center in Monument, where there was a packed crowd of costumed creatures and superheroes taking part in active games, candy collecting, and more. *Photo by Janet Sellers.*

Monument Heights discussed



Above: Morgan Hester, consultant to the Monument Planning Department, right, presented multiple land use ordinances to the Monument Board of Trustees on Nov. 2. New Principal Planner Larry Manning, left, observed the proceedings. The Monument Heights rezoning proposal was continued to the next meeting scheduled for Nov. 16 to give the trustees more time to consider the testimony given, but no new public comments will be heard then. See related Monument Planning Commission article on page 1 for details on the application to change planned commercial development (PCD) zoning to planned development (PD), which would instead mean a mix of housing including single-family attached and detached, townhome, and multi-family, along Jackson Creek Parkway just south of Highway 105. *Photo by Lisa Hatfield.*

Monument apartment fire, Nov. 4



Above: As OCN went to press, we learned that eight people were displaced from their homes on the night of Nov. 4 when a fire started in the attic of the apartment building at 163 Washington Street in Monument. Firefighters had to break through the roof and the ceilings of the second story apartments to fight the fire. Tri-Lakes Monument Fire Protection District (FPD) received mutual aid from other districts including Donald Wescott FPD, Black Forest FPD, Palmer Lake Volunteer Fire Department, and the United States Air Force Academy. The Colorado Springs Fire Department backfilled the Tri-Lakes and Wescott stations. The Red Cross responded by midnight to assist the residents (and two cats) to find temporary shelter, and the Pikes Peak Regional Fire Rehab Services was deployed to provided food and water to the firefighters on scene. The cause of the fire is under investigation. *Photo by Mike Wicklund.*