

Pathways Studio, 755 Hwy. 105, Suite A (West End Center, 3/4 mile west of Monument Safeway). Class led by Raleigh Dove. Free to vets and active-duty military. Suggested donation \$10. Info: 481-4137, www.YogaPathwaysStudio.com.

- **Black Rose Acoustic Society Open Stage headlined by Dakota Blonde**, Fri., Nov. 13, 7-9 p.m., doors open at 6:30 p.m., Black Forest Community Center, 12530 Black Forest Rd. at Shoup Road. Cost: \$10 general, \$5 BRAS members, \$5 nonmember students with ID. Info: Joe Maio, 528-6119, jrmtm@comcast.net, www.blackroseacoustic.org.
- **St. Peter Holiday Boutique**, Sat., Nov. 14, 9 a.m.-3 p.m., 124 First St., Monument. More than 50 local vendors showcase handcrafted jewelry, sewn creations, arts and crafts, bake sale, and other handmade goodies. Lunch available. Exciting raffle baskets. Free admission. Info: 481-1855, www.petertherock.org.
- **Help for the Holidays in the Midst of Loss**, Sat., Nov. 14, 10:30-11:30 a.m., The West End Center, 755 Hwy 105, Palmer Lake. The holiday season can be a stressful time for those who have experienced a loss—whether a loved one, a relationship, a job, or your health. Learn ways to cope and bring hope back into this season. Free. RSVP & Info: Annie Campanaro, 358-1010.
- **Tri-Lakes Y Parents Night Out**, Sat., Nov. 14, Dec. 5, Dec. 12, 4:30 p.m.-9:30 p.m., 17250 Jackson Creek Pkwy., Monument. For ages 3-10, must be potty trained. Dinner, bounce house, gym games, crafts, a movie, swimming for ages 7 up. Cost: Members \$18, non-members \$28. RSVP & Info: 481-8728.
- **Tri-Lakes Community Blood Drive**, Tue., Nov. 17, 3-7 p.m., Tri-Lakes Cares, 235 Jefferson St., Monument. No appointment needed, just walk in. Please bring driver's license or ID. Info: 776-5714.
- **Gleneagle Women's Club Arts and Crafts Fair**, Fri., Nov. 20, 10 a.m.-3 p.m., Holy Trinity Church, 13990 Gleneagle Dr. Free admission. Info: Tsilla, 599-9046.
- **Buffalo Grass Acoustic Society Open Stage featuring Jody Adams Band, John McGann, Rob Tobiassen**, Fri., Nov. 20, Show starts at 7 p.m., free jam session starts at 5:30 p.m., Cowboy Church of Peyton, 15504 Bradshaw Rd., Peyton. Cost: Adults, \$5; Members, \$3; Kids under 16 free. Info: 495-0733, info@buffalograssacoustic.org, www.buffalograssacoustic.org.
- **Stars Alive: An Evening with the Legends at Tri-Lakes Center for the Arts (TLCA)**, Fri., Nov. 20, 7 p.m., doors open 6:30 p.m., 304 Hwy 105, Palmer Lake. Live performances with tribute artists performing the music of the legendary stars they impersonate: Patsy Cline, Roy Orbison, Marilyn Monroe, and Elvis. Advance tickets: TLCA Members \$16, Non-members \$20. Day of show: TLCA members \$20, Non-members \$24. Tickets & Info: www.trilakesarts.org, 481-0475.
- **Alpaca Holiday Extravaganza**, Sat.-Sun., Nov. 21-22; 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Sat., 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Sun., Black Forest Community Club, 12530 Black Forest Rd. Meet alpacas and shop for clothing and accessories as well as fleece, yarn, and more. Free; children welcome. Info: 495-6693, http://secab-extravaganza.weebly.com/.
- **Rocky Mountain Music Alliance (RMMA) Concert: Piano Concerto Night**, Sat., Nov. 21, 7 p.m., Tri-Lakes United Methodist Church, 20256 Hunting Downs Way, Monument. Grieg and Rachmaninov 2nd Piano Concertos. Reception follows concert. Cost: \$10 online, \$12 at door. Students with ID and children free. Tickets & Info: rmmaonline.org, Coleen Abeyta, 630-8165, Coleen.Abeyta@gmail.com.
- **Free Traditional Thanksgiving Dinner at Rosie's Diner**, Thu., Nov. 26, 11 a.m.-1 p.m., 411 Hwy. 105, Monument. Tri-Lakes and Black Forest residents who, for whatever reason, will be unable to enjoy a traditional Thanksgiving dinner with friends or family at home, and first responders on duty Thanksgiving day are invited to enjoy a free Thanksgiving dinner at Rosie's Diner. Reservations are suggested because seating is limited. Reservations must be made by Nov. 13 with Madeline at the Town of Monument, 963-1524. More information is also available at www.TriLakesHAP.org/CCT.
- **Tri-Lakes Y Black Friday Drop n Shop**, Fri., Nov. 27, 12:30-5:30 p.m., 17250 Jackson Creek Pkwy., Monument. For ages 3-10, must be potty-trained.

Lunch, bounce house, a movie, other fun holiday activities, swimming for ages 7 up. Cost: Members \$30, non-members \$40. RSVP & Info: 481-8728.

- **Wisdom Tea House Holiday Afternoon Tea**, Fri., Nov. 24-Jan. 16, 65 Second St., Monument. Cost: \$30. RSVP & Info: 481-8822, www.wisdomteahouse.com.
- **Western Museum of Mining and Industry (WMMI): The Gold Assay Process: Magic or Chemistry?** Sat., Nov. 28, 10 a.m.-1 p.m., 225 North Gate Blvd at 1-25 Exit 156A. Discover how ore is processed to extract gold. This fast-moving, interactive assay demonstration will overview the math, mechanics, and chemistry of this exciting process. Cost: adults \$8, military/AAA \$7, seniors/students \$6, children 3-12 \$4, free to children under 3 & museum members. RSVP to rsvp@wmmi.org or 488-0880. Info: www.wmmi.org.
- **Small Business Saturday Book Signings at Covered Treasures**, Sat., Nov. 28, 11 a.m.-2 p.m., 105 2nd St, Monument. Heather Buchman will sign her two series, "And Then You..." and "Linger," 11 a.m.-1 p.m. and Anna Blake will sign her book Stable Relation noon-2 p.m. Info: 481-2665, www.coveredtreasures.com.
- **Palmer Lake's Traditional Chili Supper & Annual Star-lighting Festival**, Sat., Nov. 28, 4:30-7 p.m., Star-lighting at 7 p.m., Palmer Lake Town Hall, 28 Valley Crescent. Join the tradition and enjoy chili, potato soup, fresh-baked cinnamon rolls, and more. Cost: \$8 adults, \$3 children under 12. Proceeds go to the Palmer Lake Volunteer Fire Department. There will be hayrides, roasting marshmallows over an open fire, Christmas carols, Santa, bucket drawings and silent auctions, with one lucky winner chosen to light the star! Info or to donate prizes: Jeannine at the Rock House Ice Cream shop, 488-6917; or Toni, 481-2953.
- **Monument Hill Kiwanis Club's 10th Annual North Pole at Tri-Lakes Arts and Crafts Fair**, Sat., Dec. 5, 9 a.m.-6 p.m., Grace Best, 66 Jefferson St., Monument. Browse hundreds of handcrafted items perfect for holiday gifts and stocking stuffers. Holiday music by various D-38 school groups throughout the day and the Tri-Lakes United Methodist Church Cookie Walk. Admission is free with nonperishable food items, toys, or cash donations for Tri-Lakes Cares. Info: www.monumenthillkiwanis.org, or contact Bob Nissen, 304-8705, Bob@mifigroup.com.
- **Tri-Lakes United Methodist Church Cookie Walk and Craft Sale**, Sat., Dec. 5, 9 a.m.-6 p.m., Grace Best School, 66 Jefferson St., Monument. Come early to get your choice of delectable homemade Christmas cookies and unique crafts! Proceeds benefit the Tri-Lakes Neighborhood Nurse Program, TLUMC Scholarship Fund, and other local charitable causes. Info: women@tlumc.org.
- **Small Town Christmas**, Sat., Dec. 5, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Celebrate the season with a visit from Santa and Mrs. Claus along with activities and crafts for children, hayrides, open houses, and other special events in Historic Downtown Monument. Tree-lighting at Limbach Park 5-6 p.m. Info: 425-8889, info@monumentmerchants.com.
- **Small Town Christmas at Covered Treasures Bookstore**, Sat., Dec. 5, 10 a.m.-3 p.m., 105 2nd St, Monument. Stop in for refreshments, browse books and gifts, meet some children's authors. 11 a.m.-1 p.m., Janelle Diller and Lisa Travis will sign their young reader series, "The Pack-and-go-Girls;" Leslea Wahl will sign The Perfect Blindside, a young adult adventure novel set in Colorado. Carmella LaVigna Coyle will visit 1-3 p.m. Her latest title from the "Do Princesses..." series is, Do Princesses Make Happy Campers? Info: 481-2665, www.coveredtreasures.com.
- **Psychic Fair and Christmas Sale at The Open Door Books and Gifts**, Sat., Dec. 5, 10 a.m.-6 p.m., 251 Front St., Suite 8, Monument. Info: 487-9076.
- **Palmer Lake Yule Log Pot Luck Dinner**, Tue., Dec. 8, 6 p.m., Palmer Lake Town Hall, 28 Valley Circle. Please bring a potluck dish to share and place settings for your family. Info: 481-2953.
- **Annual Handbell Christmas Concert**, Sat., Dec. 12, 7 p.m., Monument Community Presbyterian Church, 238 Third St., Monument. Bells, chimes, organ, brass, saxophones, recorders, and vocal selections. Free; everyone is invited! Info: Betty Jenik, 488-3853.
- **Annual Palmer Lake Yule Log Hunt**, Sun., Dec.

13, 1 p.m., Palmer Lake Town Hall, 28 Valley Crescent. Trek up the mountain in search of the Yule Log. Hunt participants should arrive 11 a.m.-noon. The winner will ride the Yule Log back to town and get the first cup of wassail. Non-hunters can stay warm indoors with carols and stories. Info: 481-2953.

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 (719) 339-7831 or send the information to calendar@ocn.me or P.O. Box 1742, Monument, Colorado 80132.

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