- Palmer High School campus. A registered nurse examines your feet and provides foot care advice, toenail trimming. Cost: \$30 for a 30-min. visit. Meets 2nd Wed. and last Fri. each month, by appointment only. Info & appointments: call the Visiting Nurse Association, 577-4448.
- Tri-Lakes MOMS Club Monthly Meeting, Fri., Aug.
 10 a.m., Palmer Lake Town Hall, 28 Valley Crescent.
 Meets 1st Fri. each month. Info: monumentmomsinfo@gmail.com, https://m.facebook.com/MonumentMoms-Club
- The Roost Patio Flea Market, Sat., Aug. 6, 10 a.m.-3 p.m., 135 Second St., Monument. Meets 1st Sat. each month, May-Sept. Info: 481-5688.
- Lupus Support Group. If you suffer with an autoimmune disease and want to connect with others, you are welcome to join this group. Info: dmbandle@hotmail.com.
- Myasthenia Gravis Association of Colorado Support Group. Location varies. For information, call Carolyn, 488-3620, www.4-mga.org, 303-360-7080, 4mga@4-mga.org

SPECIAL EVENTS

For July 4th events, see page 1

- Camp Bow Wow Yappy Hour Series, Tue., Jul. 5, 4:30-6:30 p.m., Pikes Peak Brewing Co., 1756 Lake Woodmoor Dr., Monument. Bring a dog, get \$1 off happy hour prices. Free hot dogs, drink specials, contests, and dog tips. Info: 632-9247, cbwmonument@gmail.com, www.campbowwow.com/us/co/monument.
- Palmer Divide Quiltmakers Stitching Bee, Wed., Jul.
 6, 12:30-2:30 p.m., Monument Library, 1706 Lake Woodmoor Dr. Info: pdq504@gmail.com.
- Concerts in the Park, every Wed., Jul. 6-Jul. 27, 7-9 p.m., Limbach Park, 151 Front St., Monument. Music, food, and fun for the family. Bring chairs, blankets. Info: www. trilakeschamber.com and click on 'Events.'
- Monument Community Presbyterian Church Vacation Bible School, M-F, Jul. 11-15, 9 a.m.-noon, 238 Third St., Monument. Free, K-6th grade. Register at www.mcpcusa. org or phone 481-3902.
- Black Rose Acoustic Society Open Stage, Fri., Jul. 8, opening act at 7 p.m., doors open at 6:15. 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, jrmtn@comcast.net, www.blackroseacoustic.org.
- Free Movie Night: *The Goonies*, Thu., Jul. 14, 7 p.m. activities begin, movie begins at dark, Monument Marketplace Clock Tower (between WalMart & Home Depot), Jackson Creek. Bring chairs & blankets, no pets please. Info: 884-8013, www.MonumentColorado.org.
- Western Museum of Mining & Industry (WMMI)
 Expo & Anniversary Celebration, Fri.-Sun., Jul. 15-17, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Fri.-Sat., 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Sun. Operating engines, stamp mill, blacksmith shop, craft and jewelry vendors, food trucks, children's play area, donkeys, and more! Cost: \$10 per person age 6 and up. WMMI is located at 225 North Gate Blvd. (I-25 Exit 156 A). Info: 488-0880, info@wmmi.org, www.wmmi.org.
- Tri-Lakes Community Blood Drive, Tue., July 19, 3-7 p.m., Tri-Lakes Cares, 235 Jefferson St., No appointment needed, just walk in. Please bring driver's license or ID. Info: 776-5714.
- Monumental Microderm & Aesthetics Botox Night, Thu., Jul. 21, 5-8 p.m., 4 Hwy 105, above Bella Panini, Palmer Lake. Buy 25 units, get 5 free. Info: 719-271-0999, www.monumentalmicroderm.com.
- Black Rose Acoustic Society Open Stage, Fri., Jul. 22, opening act at 7 p.m., doors open at 6:15. 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, jrmtn@comcast.net, www.blackroseacoustic.org.
- Black Forest Animal Sanctuary Community Garage Sale Fundraiser, Fri.-Sat., Jul. 22-23, 8 a.m.-2 p.m., corner of Hodgen and Thompson. Help fund rescued animals and find awesome bargains, too. Hot dogs, hamburgers, and drinks will be available for purchase. Sellers, a space is \$25 per day, \$45 for both days. Info: 494-0158, bfas-farm@gmail.com, www.bfasfarm.org.
- Terri Hendrix and Lloyd Maines Concert at Tri-Lakes Center for the Arts (TLCA), Sat., Jul. 23, 7 p.m.; 6-6:15 p.m., members only priority entrance; 6:15 p.m., general admission, 304 Hwy 105, Palmer Lake. Advance tickets: TLCA members \$20, non-members \$22. Day of show: TLCA members \$22, non-members \$24. Tickets & Info: www.trilakesarts.org, 481-0475.
- Free Movie Night: WALL-E, Thu., Jul. 28, 7 p.m. activities begin, movie begins at dark, Monument Marketplace Clock Tower (between WalMart & Home Depot), Jackson Creek. Bring chairs & blankets, no pets please. Info: 884-8013, www.MonumentColorado.org.
- National Night Out, Tue., Aug. 2. National Night Out (NNO) is an annual event promoting crime prevention and drug prevention in communities across the country. The event's theme is "Give neighborhood crime and drugs a going away party." For information and tips on planning your NNO event, visit www.natw.org. Registration forms for neighborhood events are due by July 8. Info: Merody Broom, Crime Prevention Coordinator, 520-7151, Merody-Broom@elpasoco.com, or visit www.natw.org.

- Free Movie Night: *Inside Out*, Thu., Aug. 4, 7 p.m. activities begin, movie begins at dark, Monument Marketplace Clock Tower (between WalMart & Home Depot), Jackson Creek. Bring chairs & blankets, no pets please. Info: 884-8013, www.MonumentColorado.org.
- Return of the Rocky Mountain Chautauqua, Sat., Aug. 6, 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Palmer Lake Town Hall, 28 Valley Crescent, and the Village Green. Bring the family to relive Palmer Lake as it was over 100 years ago. A full day of vintage arts, crafts, portrayals of historic men and women, wildlife displays, and bluegrass music is planned. Info: 559-0837, www.palmerdividehistory.org.
- Tri-Lakes Cruisers 15th Annual Benefit Car Show, Sun., Aug. 7, 7 a.m.-3 p.m., Historic Downtown Monument, 2nd and Front Streets. Fifteen plus classes to win a trophy. Public invited free of charge to look around. Food vendors, door prizes, music by a DJ, USAFA Falcons, and much more. Car show open to any and all model cars; cost to register a car is \$20 prior to Jul. 29, \$25 day of show. Proceeds benefit Tri-Lakes Cares. Info: Dick Cissell, 481-4533; www.tl-cruisers.weebly.com.
- Bethany & Rufus Concert at Tri-Lakes Center for the Arts (TLCA), Sat., Aug. 7, 7 p.m., doors open at 6 p.m., 304 Hwy 105, Palmer Lake. Advance tickets: TLCA members \$24, non-members \$28. Day of show: TLCA members \$26, non-members \$30. Tickets & Info: www.trilakesarts. org, 481-0475.
- Lang 19th Annual Pig Roast & Client Appreciation Event, Fri., Aug. 12, 5:30-8 p.m., 236 Washington St., Monument. Free, all ages are welcome; bounce house for the kids. Info: 481-0887.
- Chuck Girard Concert at Tri-Lakes Center for the Arts (TLCA), Fri., Aug. 26, 7 p.m., doors open 6 p.m., 304 Hwy 105, Palmer Lake. Advance tickets: TLCA members \$16, non-members \$20. Day of show: TLCA members \$20, non-members \$24. Tickets & Info: www.trilakesarts.org, 481-0475.
- Judy Collins Live in Concert at Tri-Lakes Center for the Arts (TLCA), Thu., Sep. 15, 7 p.m., members only entry 6 p.m., general entry 6:15 p.m.; 304 Hwy 105, Palmer Lake. Advance tickets: TLCA members \$65, non-members \$70. Day of show: TLCA members \$70, non-members \$75. Tickets & Info: www.trilakesarts.org, 481-0475.
- Benefits without Boundaries, Fri., Sep. 16, 10:30 a.m.-1:45 p.m., Tri-Lakes Senior Center, modular building at Lewis-Palmer High School. This free workshop is open to all and includes medicare benefits and programs, Tri-Lakes Cares programs and services, and more. Register by Sep. 2. RSVP & Info: www.TriLakesSeniors.org/workshop.
- Tri-Lakes Lions Golf Tournament 4-Player Scramble, Mon. Sep. 19, The Golf Club at Flying Horse, 1880 Weiskopf Pt., Colo. Springs, registration 7:30 a.m., shotgun start 9 a.m. Cost: \$150 per player. Proceeds help support Lions Club charities, Tri-Lakes Cares, and The Home Front Cares. Info: Register online at www.golfsquid.com/ event.cfm?id=2477 or call Jim Naylor, 303-883-8329; Dave Prejean, 719-434-7031; or Stan Krol, 720-339-3391.
- Tri-Lakes Women's Club presents Harvesting Hope, a Premier Food & Wine Tasting Event, Thu., Sep. 22, 5:30-9 p.m., Spruce Mountain Ranch, 14771 Spruce Mountain Rd., Larkspur. Music & dancing, marketplace vendors, silent auction, celebrity guests, raffle/door prizes, chef competition. Dress: jeans to jewels. Cost: \$65, or \$60 each with reserved table for 10. All proceeds benefit qualified non-profit service organizations and public schools in the Tri-Lakes area. Info: www.TLWC.net.

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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The Rabbi's Corner Medical Aid in Dying

By Oswald Garagorry

Also known as "Colorado End of Life Options Act," this is an attempt to provide "end of life" also called "doctor assistance suicide" that was previously debated and rejected by the Colorado Legislature. I know because I helped defeat it by testifying twice against the bill at the State Capital.

Now I see it is to be put up for a vote of the people with a more elusive label for the same thing; namely, to kill grandmother or grandpa, get their assets, and not be bothered taking care of old people.

I admire the persistence, but I wish the supporters would get a better cause to invest their time and energy. I use my time and abilities to promote LIFE or even a BETTER LIFE for people. I am a Jew. Jews are for LIFE and as such, I am thankful to God for giving us LIFE.

Adolf Hitler had a similar "doctor assisted suicide program" and I must say that it was quite efficient and economical - Six million of us were "assisted" by his program.

It's my view that each one of us has been given a time to exist. During that time, we have challenges and opportunities. Yet they are more than that. They are a means to determine what our character is made of.

What I don't understand is how far America has departed from its founding principles: "One Nation indivisible, under God." If this Nation is under God, it must not ignore His affirmation: "I am the Way, the Truth, and the Life." If we hold onto our founding values, we will oppose initiative 145 on the up-coming ballot.

Shalom to you.

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- Limit letters to no more than 300 words.
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- Email your letter to editor@ocn.me or mail it to P.O. Box 1742, Monument, CO 80132-1742.
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