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- **Chess Nuts**, Tue., Jan. 8, 5-9 p.m., Silver Alliance Senior Center. Any age, any skill. Learners welcome. Drop in and leave when you want. Bring your own board and pieces if you have them. Meets 2nd & 4th Tue. each month. Info: www.TriLakesSeniors.org/chess.
 - **Black Forest AARP Potluck Lunch & Meeting**, Wed., Jan. 9, noon, 12455 Black Forest Rd. Officers installation, speaker on changes to tax law. All ages welcome. Meets 2nd Wed. each month. RSVP & Info: Stan, 596-6787, www.aarpchapter1100blackforest.weebly.com.
 - **Foot Care Clinic**, Wed., Jan. 9, Silver Alliance Senior Center located across the street from the Tri-Lakes YMCA, on the Lewis-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.
 - **Senior Bingo**, Thu., Jan. 10, Mountain Community Mennonite Church, 643 Hwy 105, Palmer Lake, after the senior lunch. Come for lunch at noon, then stay and play. Free! Prizes! Meets 2nd Thu. each month. Info: Maggie Nealon, 488-3037.
 - **Bridge**, Thu., Jan. 10, 1-4 p.m., Silver Alliance Senior Center located on Lewis-Palmer High School campus. Walk-ins are welcome. Meets 2nd Thu. each month. Reservation suggested: call Judy, 626-399-2733.
 - **Ben Lomond Gun Club**, Tri-Lakes Chapter, Thu., Jan. 10, 7 p.m., Tri-Lakes Fire Station 1, 18650 Hwy 105 west of Monument near the bowling alley. Meets 2nd Thu. each month. Info: 481-3364.
 - **Faithful Friends**, Thu., Jan. 10, 7 p.m., The Country Club at Woodmoor, 18945 Pebble Beach Way, Monument. A Ladies' Dessert with an inspirational speaker each month. Normally meets 1st Thu. each month. Cost: \$7. RSVP & Info: Sandi King, 719-237-3359.
 - **La Leche League Meeting**, Fri., Jan. 11, noon-1 p.m., Monument Branch Library, 1706 Lake Woodmoor Dr. Mothers, babies, and mothers-to-be are all invited. Meets 2nd Fri. each month. Info: Kelley, 440-2477, kdghorashi@gmail.com.
 - **El Paso County Hazardous Materials & Recycling Collection Facility**, Sat., Jan. 12, 9 a.m.-1 p.m., 3255 Akers Dr., Colorado Springs. Open the 2nd Sat. each month as well as Mon.-Thu., 7 a.m.-5 p.m., accepts porcelain fixtures, common recyclable items, household hazardous waste, various electronics, and TVs up to 19-inch diagonal. Bring a nonperishable food item for Care and Share. Info: 520-7878, http://adm.elpasoco.com/Environmental_Services/Solid_Waste_Management.
 - **Palmer Lake Art Group**, Sat., Jan. 12, 9 a.m., Mountain Community Mennonite Church, 643 Hwy 105, Palmer Lake. A variety of art programs are offered after the social gathering and business meeting. Guests welcome. Meets 2nd Sat. each month. Info: 487-1329, www.palmerlakeartgroup.com.
 - **Alzheimer's Caregiver Support Group**, Sat., Jan. 12, 9:45-11:30 a.m., The First National Bank of Monument, 581 Hwy 105. Meets 2nd Sat. each month. Info: Gail, 481-3711.
 - **NEPCO Meeting**, Sat., Jan. 12, 10 a.m.-noon, New Monument Town Hall & Police Building, 645 Beacon Lite Rd., Monument. Topic and guest speakers: County Engineer, Jennifer Irving and Mark Gebhardt, deputy director, Planning and Community Development Department. All are welcome to this meeting of local homeowners associations. Info: 481-2723 or visit www.nepco.org.
 - **Palmer Divide Photographers Group: It's Not Just Black-and-White Photography**, Mon., Jan. 14, 7 p.m., Mountain Community Mennonite Church, 643 Hwy 105, Palmer Lake. Six winners of the recent Monochrome Photography Exhibition will teach about the art of monochrome photography. All are welcome. Meets 2nd Mon. each month. Info: 649-4241, www.pdphotographers.com.
 - **Outpouring: TLUMC Supporting our Community**, Tue., Jan. 15, 7 p.m., back Barrel Room at Pikes Peak Brewing Company, 1756 Lake Woodmoor Dr., Monument. Everyone is welcome. Meets 3rd Tue. each month. Info: LWeber1971@aol.com; for current speaker info go to http://tlumc.org/outreach/outpouring.
 - **Tri-Lakes Chamber Monthly Education Series: Basics of Bookkeeping**, Wed., Jan. 16, 9 a.m.-noon, 166 Second St., Monument. Free. Register online, www.trilakeschamber.com/events-calendar.htm. Info: 481-3282.
 - **Gleneagle Sertoma Luncheon Meeting**, Wed., Jan. 16, 11:45 a.m.-1 p.m., Liberty Heights, 12105 Ambassador Dr., (off Voyager Blvd in Colorado Springs). Interesting speakers and programs; all are welcome. Meets 1st & 3rd Wed. each month. Info: Garrett Barton, 433-5396; Duane Gritzmaker, 481-2424; www.gleneaglesertoma.org.
 - **Senior Bingo**, Wed., Jan. 16, 1-2 p.m., Silver Alliance Senior Center, Lewis-Palmer High School campus. Meets 3rd Wed. each month. Info: Sue Walker, 464-6873.
 - **Drummers!** Wed., Jan. 16, 6:30-8 p.m., Yoga Pathways Studio, West End Center, 775 Hwy 105, Palmer Lake. Free and open to all ages. Bring any kind of drum or other hand percussion instrument. Beginners welcome! Now meets 3rd Wed. each month. Info: Nan, 466-1257, nananddon@hotmail.com.
 - **Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 7829**, Wed., Jan. 16, 7 p.m., The Country Club at Woodmoor, 18945 Pebble Beach Way, Monument. New members welcome. Meets 3rd Wed. each month. Info: Post Commander Joe Carlson, 405-326-2588, jcarlson@vfw7829.org, www.vfw7829.org.
 - **VFW Auxiliary to Post 7829**, Wed., Jan. 16, 7 p.m., The Country Club at Woodmoor, 18945 Pebble Beach Way, Monument. New members welcome. If you are a male or female relative of a veteran who served on foreign soil during war or other military action, you may be eligible. Meets 3rd Wed. each month. Info: Kathy Carlson, 488-1902, carlsonmkc@aol.com.
 - **Senior Tea**, Thu., Jan. 17, 12-1:30 p.m., Silver Alliance Senior Center at Lewis-Palmer High School (across from the YMCA). Come early to socialize. Volunteers needed. Meets 3rd Thu. each month. Reservations required: contact Sue, 464-6873, sue@monumentalfitness.com.
 - **Palmer Lake Historical Society: Annual Potluck Dinner and Membership Meeting**, Thu., Jan. 17, 6:30 p.m., Palmer Lake Town Hall, 28 Valley Crescent. The PLHS furnishes the ham, rolls, coffee and tea. Please bring a salad, side dish, or dessert to share and enjoy local entertainment. Meets 3rd Thu. each month. Info: 559-0837, www.palmerdividehistory.org.
 - **Foot Care Clinic**, Fri., Jan. 18, Silver Alliance Senior Center located across the street from the Tri-Lakes YMCA, on the Lewis-Palmer High School campus. A registered nurse examines feet and provides foot care advice, toenail trimming. Cost: \$35 for a 30-min. visit. Meets 2nd Wed., 3rd and last Fri. each month, by appointment only. Info & appointments: call the Visiting Nurse Association, 577-4448.
 - **Silver Alliance Book Club**, Fri., Jan. 18, 11 a.m., Senior Center located across the street from the Tri-Lakes YMCA, on Lewis-Palmer High School campus. All are welcome to join this new club. Coffee & snacks served. RSVP & Info: Sue, 330-0241.
 - **The Breakfast Club**, Sat., Jan. 19, 8:30 a.m., The Ridge at Castle Pines North (Ridge Grill and Bar), 1414 Castle Pines Pkwy. Single people 50+ meet new friends and have fun. This active social group enjoys activities ranging from card games to white water rafting, international/domestic travel to bowling and golf. Meets 3rd Sat. each month. Info: 303-815-8428, www.TBC50plus.org.
 - **Monument Hill Farmers Market Winter Indoor Market**, Sat., Jan. 19, 9 a.m.-2 p.m., Grace Best, 66 Jefferson St., Monument. Many new vendors plus all your old favorites. Meets every 3rd Sat. through April. Info: 592-9420. See ad on page 5.
 - **Tri-Lakes Parkinson's Disease Support Group**, Sat., Jan. 19, 10 a.m.-noon, Monument Community Presbyterian Church, 238 Third St, Monument. Come for socializing, discussions on Parkinson's-related issues including available support, and occasional speakers. Meets 3rd Sat. each month. Info: John Farley, 481-2364, robun2good@gmail.com; or Syble Krafft, 488-2669.
 - **Monument Essential Tremor Support Group**, Sat., Jan. 19, 1-3 p.m. Movement disorder support group. Monument Branch Library, 1706 Lake Woodmoor Dr. Now meets quarterly. Info: Margaret, lumargaret@aol.com.
 - **Amateur Radio W0TLM** (Tri-Lakes Monument Radio Association), Mon., Jan. 21, 6 p.m. social time, 7 p.m. meeting. All amateur radio operators or those interested in becoming amateur radio operators are welcome. Meets 3rd Mon. Info: Joyce Witte, 661-9824, Joycewitte@gmail.com; www.W0TLM.com.
 - **Chess Nuts**, Tue., Jan. 22, 5-9 p.m., Silver Alliance Senior Center, across the street from the YMCA. Any age, any skill. Learners welcome. Drop in and leave when you want. Bring your own board and pieces if you have them. Meets 2nd & 4th Tue. each month. Info: www.TriLakesSeniors.org/chess.
 - **Senior Social**, Wed., Jan. 23, 1-4 p.m., 12455 Black Forest Rd. Meets 4th Wed. each month except Nov. & Dec. Info: aarpchapter1100blackforest.weebly.com.
 - **Foot Care Clinic**, Fri., Jan. 25, Silver Alliance Senior Center located across the street from the Tri-Lakes YMCA, on the Lewis-Palmer High School campus. A registered nurse examines feet and provides foot care advice, toenail trimming. Cost: \$35 for a 30-min. visit. Meets 2nd Wed., 3rd and last Fri. each month, by appointment only. Info & appointments: call the Visiting Nurse Association, 577-4448.
 - **Group of Artists (GOA) Meetings at Tri-Lakes Center for the Arts (TLCA)**, Sat., Feb. 2, 10 a.m.-noon, 304 Hwy 105, Palmer Lake. Lively discussions about art topics, general studies on creativity. Meets 1st Sat. each month. Info: 481-0475, info@trilakesarts.org, www.trilakesarts.org.
 - **Tri-Lakes Chamber Monthly Education Series: Developing and Optimizing Your Business' Website**, Tue., Feb. 5, 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m., 166 Second St., Monument. Free. Register online, www.trilakeschamber.com/events-calendar.htm. Info: 481-3282.
 - **Faithful Friends**, Thu., Feb. 7, 7 p.m., The Country Club at Woodmoor, 18945 Pebble Beach Way, Monument. A Ladies' Dessert with an inspirational speaker each month. Meets 1st Thu. each month. Cost: \$7. RSVP & Info: Sandi King, 719-237-3359.
 - **Lupus Support Group**. If you suffer with an autoimmune disease and want to connect with others, you are welcome to join this group. Info: dmbundle@hotmail.com.
 - **Myasthenia Gravis Association** of Colorado Support Group. Location varies. Info: Carolyn, 488-3620, www.4-mga.org, 303-360-7080, 4mga@4-mga.org.
- ### SPECIAL EVENTS
- **Western Museum of Mining & Industry (WMMI) Family Day: Geology**, Sat., Jan. 5, 10 a.m.-3 p.m., 225 North Gate Blvd. (I-25 Exit 156 A). Learn about Colorado's minerals and mining, try your luck at "Keep What You Find" gold panning. Cost: \$10 adults, \$9 military/AAA, \$8 seniors & students, \$6 children 3-12, free to children under 3 & museum members. Info: 488-0880, info@wmmi.org, www.wmmi.org. See ad on page 5.
 - **County's Annual TreeCycle**, Sat.-Sun., Jan. 5-6, 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m., Baptist Road trailhead, Baptist Road & Old Denver Hwy. Recycle your Christmas tree. Trees are ground into mulch that is given away free. Remove all decorations from your tree before dropping it off. Bring your own tools and containers for mulch. Cost: \$5, benefits community youth sports programs. Info: 520-7878, www.TreeCycleCOS.org.
 - **Monument Pies & Grinders Opening**, Mon., Jan. 7, 11 a.m.-9 p.m., 15910 Jackson Creek Pkwy, #120, Monument. Info: 481-8444, piesandgrinders@gmail.com, www.piesandgrinders.com. See ad on page 32.
 - **Art after Hours at Gallery 132**, dates and times vary, 251 Front St., Suite 8, Monument. Check the website for low-cost two-hour classes in the Art after Hours series; enjoy refreshments and hors d'oeuvres while creating a unique piece of art. Info: 375-8187, info@gallery132.com, www.gallery132.com. See ad on page 5.
 - **Suicide Prevention: Question, Persuade, Refer**, Tue., Jan. 8, 7 p.m., Pikes Peak Brewing Company, 1756 Lake Woodmoor Dr. All are welcome to attend this free presentation, part of the Tapping into Theology series. Colorado has one of the highest suicide rates in our country. Learn how we can all save lives by intervening with those most vulnerable. RSVP online, www.petertherock.org, or to Stephanie Kemp, 481-4355.
 - **The Sisters of Benet Hill Monastery: Rocky Mountain Women's Film Institute Shorts Night**, Fri., Jan. 11, 6:30 p.m., 3190 Benet Lane, Colo. Springs. Free, online registration is requested: www.benethillmonastery.org. Info: 633-0655, ext. 132. See ad on page 10.
 - **Black Rose Acoustic Society: Blue Canyon Boys**, Fri., Jan. 11, 7-10 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, jrmtnc@comcast.net, www.blackroseacoustic.org.
 - **Trails, Tails and Ales**, Sat., Jan. 12, 10:30 a.m., Black Forest Section 16 Trailhead, 8510 Burgess Rd. Grab your dog and join this special hike! After the hike, head to Black Forest Brewing to enjoy a beer. Learn how to taste beer by picking out malt and hops in both flavor and aroma, and learn the basics on how a beer is made from a certified beer judge. Cost: \$3 per person, \$2 for members of Black Forest Trails Association and for Friends of El Paso County Nature Centers. Info: 520-6977, theresadello@elpasoco.com, www.elpasoco.com/naturecenters.
 - **The Sisters of Benet Hill Monastery Chamber Concert Series: Flute and Friends with Nancy Andrew**, Sun., Jan. 13, 2:30 p.m., 3190 Benet Lane, Colo. Springs. Cost: \$20. Buy tickets online: www.benethillmonastery.org. Info: 633-0655, ext. 132. See ad on page 10.
 - **Yoga Nidra with Raleigh Dove**, Sun., Jan. 13, 4-5:30 p.m., 755 Hwy 105, Unit 22, Palmer Lake. Start your week with deep relaxation and stress release. Info: 481-4137, www.YogaPathwaysStudio.com. See ad on page 4.
 - **Bethesda Gardens Winter Wonderland**, Sat., Jan. 15, 2-4 p.m., 55 Beacon Lite Rd., Monument. All are invited: balloon artist, face painter, crafts, games, small craft fair. Info: 719-247-4400, bethesdagardensmonument.com.
 - **Tri-Lakes Community/Centura Blood Drive**, Tue., Jan. 15, 3-7 p.m., Bloodmobile at Monument Community Presbyterian Church, 238 Third St., Monument. No appointment needed, just walk in. Please bring driver's license or ID. Info: 776-5822.
 - **D-38 Kindergarten Information Night**, Tue., Jan. 15, 5-6 p.m., Bear Creek, Lewis-Palmer, Palmer Lake, Prairie Winds, and Ray E. Kilmer Elementary Schools. Info: 488-4700, www.lewispalmer.org. See ad on page 9.
 - **D-38 Preschool Registration Night**, Tue., Jan. 15, 5-6 p.m., Bear Creek, Lewis-Palmer, Ray E. Kilmer Elementary Schools, and Palmer Lake Early Childhood Center (106 N. Jefferson St., Monument). Info: 488-4700, www.lewispalmer.org. See ad on page 9.
 - **New Parent Night at Monument Academy**, Tue., Jan. 15, 6-7 p.m., 1150 Village Ridge Pt., Monument. Info: 481-1950, www.monumentacademy.net. See ad on page 11.
 - **Crime and Safety Briefing at Wesley Owens Coffee**, Wed., Jan. 16, 6-7:30 p.m., 1744 Lake Woodmoor Dr., Monument. El Paso County Sheriff Officer Brent Ambuehl will present a briefing, followed by Q & A. Info: