

- moor Dr., Monument. Join a member of the board of education for a one-hour tour of the middle school. RSVP & Info: Kathy Nameika, 867-8690, knameika@lewispalm-er.org.
- **Black Rose Acoustic Society: *The Vogts Sisters***, Fri., **Sep. 27**, 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 non-member students with ID. Info: Joe Maio, 528-6119, jrmtn@comcast.net, www.blackroseacoustic.org.
 - **Rocky Mountain Storytelling Story Camp**, Fri.-Sun., **Sep. 27-29**, La Foret Environmental Center, 6145 Shoup Rd. RSVP & Info: www.rmstory.org.
 - **Creek Week Community Clean-Up**, Sat., **Sep. 28**, 9 a.m., Third Street Trailhead (behind JJ Tracks). All are welcome; get your team or some friends together to form a Creek Crew. Register at www.fountaincreekweek.com. Info: Madeline VanDenHoek, 884-8013, mvandenhoek@tomgov.com. See ad on page 8.
 - **Tri-Lakes Monument Fire Protection District Community Open House**, Sat., **Sep. 28**, 11 a.m.-2 p.m., Station 1, 18650 Hwy 105, Monument. See a live extrication demo, visitors from the Office of Emergency Management, wildland teams, and more. Hot dogs and refreshments. Info: 719-484-0911, www.tlmfire.org.
 - **Bobby Jackson, pianist, at Jackson Creek Senior Living**, Mon., **Sep. 30**, 3:30-6 p.m., 16601 Jackson Creek Pkwy, Monument. Classic favorites and original pieces. Free and open to the public. RSVP & Info: 719-725-6060.
 - **Colorado Water Law and Water Rights Community Meeting**, Mon., **Sep. 30**, 7 p.m., Black Forest Community Club, 12530 Black Forest Rd. Expert water attorney Hank Worley will discuss Colorado and Denver Basin water law, the Denver Basin aquifers, water rights, and other issues. Info: terry.stokka@fobfpp.org.
 - **Kiwanis 2019 Empty Bowls Dinner & Silent Auction**, Wed., **Oct. 2**, 5-7:30 p.m., Lewis-Palmer High School, 1300 Higby Rd, Monument. This popular event is a major fundraiser for Tri-Lakes Cares. Please bring a non-perishable food item for Tri-Lakes Cares Food Pantry. Ticket purchase includes dinner of soup, bread, drink, dessert, and a handmade bowl donated by local artists. Cost: \$20, at door \$25, one child under 12 free with each adult ticket purchased. Buy tickets at the door, online, or at local businesses. Info: Bill Kaelin, 719-964-1037, EmptyBowlsMHK@gmail.com, www.monumenthillkiwanis.org. See ad on page 14.
 - **Sewing Lounge at Sew-In-Tune**, Fri., **Oct. 4**, 4:30-8 p.m., 252 Front St., Monument. Bring your sewing machine, supplies, and snacks. Conversation, inspiration, support, water, tea, & coffee provided, give-aways too. Cost: \$10. Info: 719-203-5642, www.sewintuneservicing.com. See ad on page 11.
 - **National Take a Kid Mountain Biking Day**, Sat., **Oct. 5**, 9 a.m., Fox Run Regional Park, 2110 Stella Dr. This free event features guided trail rides, trail etiquette talks, and more. All ages are welcome: from tots on stride bikes

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- to teens. Riders just need a working bike and helmet to participate. Pre-registration recommended. Info: 719-520-6977, 719-520-7529.
- **Palmer Lake Art Group's 46th Annual Art Fair**, Sat., **Oct. 5**, 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Palmer Lake Town Hall, 28 Valley Crescent. Free admission. Shop original art, meet the artists, see art demos and a movie screening of “Rarefied Air: Artists in the Pikes Peak Region.” Proceeds fund art scholarships for D-38 high school seniors. Info: Jim, 719-481-3963; www.palmerlakeartgroup.com. See ad on page 32.
 - **Heartsaver CPR/AED/First Aid Certification Course**, Sat., Oct. 12, 8 a.m.-4 p.m., Tri-Lakes United Methodist Church, 20256 Hunting Downs Way, Monument. American Heart Association course. Reservations required. Wear comfortable clothes, bring a sack lunch. Info: epg@tlumc.org. See ad on page 5.

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 Our Community News, P.O. Box 1742, Monument, Colorado 80132.

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The Rabbi's Corner Our Life Experiences and their Message to Us—Part II

By Oswald Garagorry

My dear reader, I left you last month telling you of our future plan to travel with the kids to towns in the three southern states of Brazil and the City of Riviera in Uruguay.

As we arrived at each town, I contacted our host to find out where we would be staying and gathered the brothers and sisters for needed instructions about our goals for the work to be performed. It basically consisted of reaffirming our aim; to be witnesses for the Lord, during all our days in that town. We walked through the town going into stores, and knocking on people's doors. We talked to people in the parks or in any public place where we encountered someone willing to talk. Our message was simple; we stated, “Jesus Christ is going to come back one of these days, if he came today would you be ready to meet with him?” Based on their response, the conversation could end there or go on further. If it went further, each one of us would dedicate whatever time was needed and give that person a booklet of the Gospel of John or the New Testament. We also gave our address in San Paulo and recommended that person to the local brothers and sisters who had opened themselves to our work in their town. Before going to sleep, we would have a time together for a heart-to-heart talk. We reviewed the events of that day and discussed what we could do better for the next day. We would also talk about any important events that took place during the day or other issues that anyone felt we needed to discuss.

On one of these occasions, after we had been working together for about two weeks; several of the brothers and sisters told me that they wanted to talk to me about the brother who was their leader in the State of San Paulo where they came from. I agreed to hear their concerns. They gave a detailed report about their experience with this brother, who was my very dear friend. He had been my college companion for two years, and a very good colleague. It was very sad to hear what they were telling me and very hard to believe based on my prior experience with this brother. Yet, other things they said were consistent with his behavior. So after I heard everything the brothers and sisters had just presented, they were ready to hear my reaction or response about what they had described to me. I responded that I intended to talk to the brother first and after that I would give them my opinion on what we would need to do next. At the same time, I told them that since we had been traveling for over a month, the very first thing I was going to do, was to go home and spend a week with my wife because she had been by herself for the whole month. I also told them that the very next day after my week with my wife; I was going to talk to the brother about all the things they had conveyed to me. So how do you think things proceeded from here? When the same brothers and sisters who had presented the situation to me returned home, they went to the brother who they had accused and told him “we told Oswald about everything you have done and he is going to talk to you.” So, in the next few days I received a very insulting letter from that brother stating that he didn't want to have any further contact with me. Dear reader please let me ask you: “How do you think the situation moved forward from here?”

The brothers' reaction was to state that I had betrayed him, and our friendship was over. I went to him three times and tried to explain to him the side of the brothers and sisters and what they had presented to me. My efforts were to no avail. He made it clear; he was right, the brothers and sisters who brought the issue to me were wrong. I was wrong because I believed what they had said; I should have ignored all of it and I should have taken a stand in his favor.

To be continued next month.
Shalom to you.

Dr. Garagorry is the Rabbi of Aliyah Congregation that meets on Saturdays at 10 a.m. at the Mountain Community Mennonite Church, 643 Highway 105, Palmer Lake, CO 80133
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