

St. Peter Holiday Craft Fair



Above: On Oct. 3, St. Peter Catholic Church held its 10th Annual Holiday Boutique and Craft Fair. Darcy Schoening of the St. Peter Home and School Association said the community event brings people together and acts as a fundraiser for the church and school. It was moved outdoors for the first time to accommodate social distancing. Coinciding with the Monument Farmers Market, this event made for an enjoyable Saturday afternoon for those venturing to downtown Monument. Schoening said there were 37 vendors who offered an array of holiday inspired arts and crafts. *Photos by David Futey.*



Eagle Scout's memorial unveiled



Above: On Oct. 3, Eagle Scout Michael Carlson (pictured) unveiled his Veterans Memorial to the Town of Monument at Monument Cemetery. The memorial cost more than \$40,000, and Michael raised the whole amount for labor and materials. The ceremony took place around the memorial, which surrounds the flagpole. Chaplain Timothy S. Meador, LTC U.S. Army, summed it up very nicely: "I love it when a plan comes together." *Photo by John Howe.*

WMMI Harvest Festival



Above: On Oct. 3 and 4, the Western Museum of Mining & Industry (WMMI) held its annual Harvest Festival with a variety of activities. They included hayrides, a Hay Bale Maze, listening to spooky stories read by museum volunteers, apple cider press demonstrations, Olde West Cowboy re-enactments by the Gold Canyon Gunfighters, live musical entertainment by Wirewood Station, demonstrations of museum equipment and blacksmithing, and picking out a pumpkin from the Pumpkin Patch. Proceeds from the event helped support the museum's ongoing renovations of the Reynolds Ranch House. *Photos by David Futey.*

WMMI Pumpkin Patch



Above: Weekends and midweek through Oct. 31, the Colorado Pumpkin Patch offered acres of pumpkin-themed fun for crowds in Monument. Pumpkin smashing, hay slides, and more provided plenty to watch while waiting in line for the attractions. *Photo by Janet Sellers.*

TLWC donates cards and quilts



Above: Members of the Tri-Lakes Women's Club (TLWC) have created holiday cards for troops and lap quilts for seniors. In early October, TLWC Garden Club members made over 120 cards unique to Colorado that will be included in care packages sent to troops. Troops can sign and send them to their loved ones. Eleven handmade quilts were also delivered to Jackson Creek Senior Living on Oct. 21. The quilts were made over the past year by the TLWC Stitch and Chat group. TLWC member Susan Klein, right, presents one of the quilts to Melinda Sukle, Jackson Creek Senior Living Life Enrichment director. *Photos provided by Maureen Morgan.*

Palmer Lake .5K "Race"



Above: The sixth annual .5K "Race" in Palmer Lake this year was different from the previous five years' races. On Oct. 4, participants arrived in vehicles at the starting line to pick up "race" packets, then "raced" the 273-ish yards to the rest stop for donuts, and then proceeded to the finish line for a coupon for a root beer at the Rock House or beer at O'Malley's. The event raised over \$16,000 with less than half the usual number of participants, about 340. Money from registrations, sponsorships, donations, and the sale of vintage T-shirts made up for the lower-than-normal participation level. Money raised by Awake the Lake volunteers will be used for maintaining and improving the lake and parks and to improve the Tri-Lakes Little League ball park area with a Great Outdoors Colorado grant being sought by the Palmer Lake Parks Commission. *Photo by Steve Pate.*