

## The Last Art Hop of 2021, Sept. 16



**Above:** The musical duo Roma Ransom played lively music, drawing in the Art Hop visitors to relax at the Bliss Studios patio, on Sept. 16 for the last Art Hop of the season. They play an eclectic mix of gypsy, jazz, jam, and music inspired by that of distant places in faraway times with violin, fiddle, guitar, saxophone, percussion, and other instruments. *Photo by Janet Sellers.*

**Above:** David Moore stands with his artwork at the Sept. 16 Art Hop while sharing his background in art making and teaching at the local high school. Moore grew up in Colorado Springs and has taught art locally in public schools. He enjoys sharing his passion with others. *Photo by Janet Sellers.*

## Historic former Henry Station Store demolished, Sept. 21



**Above:** The historic former Henry's station store on Front Street in Monument is no more. Only an equipment operator and one other person were on site during the demolition when this photo was taken Tuesday, Sept. 21. Longtime resident Sharon Williams, who saw the demolition in progress, said, "It was important for me personally to pay my respects as the last vestiges of one of our great pioneering

families was vanishing before my eyes." According to Lucille Lavelett in *Through the Years at Monument, Colorado*, the Rio Grande Railroad came through Monument in 1869. In 1872, the railway station was named after "Dutch" Henry, postmaster and proprietor of the dry goods store at that location. OCN hopes to have more coverage of the history of the building in our Nov. 6 issue. *Photo by Steve Pate.*

## Bogguss at TLCA, Sept. 23



**Left:** Country-western legend and Grammy award-winner Suzy Bogguss returned to the Tri-Lakes Center for the Arts (TLCA) stage on Sept. 23. Bogguss wanted to keep the show "uplifting," let the "audience know they are special" and that they "take away a community spirit." All of those were accomplished during her one-set, sold-out performance, which included a mid-set "meet and greet" from the stage with the audience. Audience members came from as far as Texas to hear her originals and covers. Bogguss started the set with her hit *Outbound Plane*, followed by other hits including *Aces*, in celebration of the 30-year anniversary of the same titled platinum album. In honor of Merle Haggard, an early influence in her career, she and her acoustic band performed *Let's Chase Each Other Around the Room*, *Today I Started Loving You Again*, and *If We Make It Through December*. *Photo by David Futey.*

## Cruisers donate to TLC, Sept. 24



**Above:** The Tri-Lakes Cruisers Car Club of Monument presented a \$5,000 check to Tri-Lakes Cares (TLC) on Sept. 24. The funds were raised by the Cruisers' 18th annual Benefit Car Show. Cruisers President Lon Wartman says this year's show raised a record amount of money for TLC. Christine Bucher, who coordinated the show arrangements with the Cruisers, said support from groups like this "is critical to the success of our mission." From left are Tammie Octney, Joe Mentek, Pam Frisbie, Christine Bucher, and Joy Hammitt. *Photo by Wilson Hitchings.*