count as local calls. Beginning Oct. 24, 10 digits will be necessary for all local calls or they will not go through. Check your safety and security alert devices to be sure they are programmed with 10-digit dialing. You can still dial just three digits to reach 711 (relay services) and 911 (emergency services) and other local three-digit services including 211, 311, 411, 511, 611, 711 or 811 are currently available in your community, dial these codes with just three digits.

#### **Openings on Monument boards**

The Town of Monument has openings on its Planning Commission and Board of Adjustments. For more information, visit http://townofmonument.org/261/Available-Board-Openings.

# **Volunteer for Tri-Lakes Cares**

There are many areas within Tri-Lakes Cares that you can help serve. Volunteers interact with clients, stock the food pantry, distribute grocery orders, process donations, pack Snack Packs for local youths, and contribute in many other ways to the success of Tri-Lakes Cares. Becoming a volunteer is easy and fun. For details, contact Volunteer Coordinator Nichole Pettigrew, 719-481-4864 x113, VolunteerCoordinator@Tri-LakesCares.org; or visit https://tri-lakescares.org/volunteer/.

### **Tri-Lakes Cares needs us**

Tri-Lakes Cares is the only food pantry and human

services organization located in and serving northern El Paso County through emergency, self-sufficiency, and relief programs. The community-based, volunteer-supported center is a critical resource for our neighbors in need. The best way to help support Tri-Lakes Cares is to make a financial donation. For more information about Tri-Lakes Cares or how you can help, contact Nicole Pettigrew, director of Volunteers and Community Partnership, at 719-481-4864 Ext. 111; communityengagementmanager@tri-lakecares. org; or visit www.tri-lakescares.org.

#### **YMCA Three Race Series**

Three races and one great cause: Creepy Crawl, Sat., **Oct. 30**; Turkey Trot, Thu., **Nov. 25**; and Jingle Jog, Sat., **Dec. 11**. See details at ppymca.org/raceseries and ad on page 6.

# **LEAP**—help for heating bills

The Low-Income Energy Assistance Program (LEAP) is a federally funded program that provides cash assistance to help families and individuals pay a portion of winter home heating costs. The eligibility period for LEAP runs **Nov. 1-April 30**. Application packets will automatically be mailed to residents who received LEAP assistance last year at the address where they were living at that time. To find out if you qualify for LEAP, call 1-866 HEAT-HELP (866-432-8435) or visit www.colorado.gov/cdhs/leap.

#### WMMI seeks volunteers

WMMI has positions for docents/tour guides, front desk, landscaping, and building and maintenance. For more details, contact Loretta, 719-488-0880, or email Volunteer@wmmi.org. See ad on page 14

#### Free services for seniors

Mountain Community Senior Services offers free transportation and handyman services to Tri-Lakes seniors. Private transportation to medical appointments or a grocery store is now provided by Envida, 719-633-4677. If you need grab bars in the bathroom, a ramp to your door, or repair of stairs or railings, please call 719-488-0076, and leave a message or visit www.coloradoseniorhelp.com.

Senior Beat newsletter—subscribe for free Each monthly *Senior Beat* newsletter is full of information for local seniors, including the daily menu of the senior lunches offered Monday through Friday at the Mountain Community Mennonite Church, 643 Highway 105, Palmer Lake. It also contains the schedule of the classes and events for the month at the Senior Citizens Center and senior-friendly library programs. To subscribe, send an email with your name and mailing address to SeniorBeat@TriLakesSeniors.org. *Senior Beat* can also be viewed online at www. TriLakesSeniors.org.

# **Our Community Calendar**

By Janet Sellets

Although we strive for accuracy in these listings, dates or times are often changed after publication. Please double-check the time and place of any event you wish to attend by calling the info number for that event. Please contact calendar@ocn.me with changes and additions.

## **GOVERNMENTAL BODIES**

- El Paso County Planning Commission meeting, Thu., Oct. 7 and 21, 9 a.m. Regional Development Center, 2880 International Circle, Colo. Springs. Meetings are live streamed on the El Paso County News & Information Channel at https://www.elpasoco.com/news-information-channel. Meets first & third Thu. (if required). Info: 719-520-6300, https://planningdevelopment.elpasoco.com/.
- Monument Board of Trustees meeting, Mon., Oct. 4, 6:30 p.m., Town Hall Board Room, 645 Beacon Lite Rd., Monument. Normally meets first and third Mon. Info: 719-884-8017, www. townofmonument.org/260/Board-of-Trustees for remote attendance links.
- El Paso Board of County Commissioners meeting, every Tue., Oct. 5, etc., 9 a.m. view agendas and meetings at www.agendasuite.org/iip/elpaso. Centennial Hall, 200 S. Cascade Ave., Suite 150, Colo. Springs. Meets every Tue. Info: 719-520-6430, www.agendasuite.org/iip/elpaso.
- Palmer Lake Sanitation District board meeting, Wed., Oct. 13, 9 a.m., call-in only: 650-479-3208, Access Code 76439078, 120 Middle Glenway. Meets second Wed. Info: 719-481-2732. www.plsd.org.
- Monument Planning Commission meeting, Wed., Oct. 13, 6 p.m. Town Hall Board Room, 645 Beacon Lite Rd., Monument. Meets second Wed. To see the options for remote public participation in each meeting, visit www.townofmonument.org/263/Planning-Commission-Board-of-Adjustment. Info: 719-884-8028. www.townofmonument.org.
- Monument Academy School Board meeting, Thu., Oct. 14, 6 p.m. at the West Campus in the library. Meetings will alternate each month between East and West Campus from now on. See website. Meets second Thu. Info 719-481-1950, www.monumentacademy.net/school-board/ board-meeting-minutes/.
- Palmer Lake Board of Trustees meeting, Thu., Oct. 14 and 28, 6 p.m. Palmer Lake Town Hall, 28 Valley Crescent. Meets second and fourth Thu. Info: 719-481-2953, all for current meeting location. www.townofpalmerlake.com.
- Woodmoor Water & Sanitation District board meeting, Mon., Oct. 11, 1 p.m., 1845 Woodmoor Dr., Monument. Meets second Mon. Info: 719-488-2525, www.woodmoorwater.com.
- D38 District Accountability Advisory Committee (DAAC) meeting, Tue., Oct. 12, usually meets five times per school year on the second Tuesday of the month (Oct., Nov., Jan., Feb.,

- Apr.). https://www.youtube.com/user/LPSD-Community. Info: 719.481.9546, vwood@lewispalmer.org.
- Tri-Lakes Wastewater Facility Joint Use Committee meeting, Tue., Oct. 12, 10 a.m., 16510 Mitchell Ave. Meets second Tue. Info: Bill Burks, 719-481-4053.
- Lewis-Palmer School District 38 board meeting, Mon., Oct. 18, 6-10 p.m., Learning Center, 146 Jefferson St., Monument. Meets third Mon. Livestream on the district's YouTube channel: www.youtube.com/user/LPSDCommunity, agenda and supporting documents at https://go.boarddocs.com/co/lewispalmer/Board.nsf/vpublic. Info: 719- 488-4700, vwood@lewispalmer.org, www.lewispalmer.org.
- Monument Board of Trustees meeting, Mon., Oct. 18, 6:30 p.m., Town Hall Board Room, 645 Beacon Lite Rd., Monument. Normally meets first and third Mon. Info: 719-884-8017, www. townofmonument.org/260/Board-of-Trustees for remote attendance links.
- Wescott Fire Protection District board meeting, Tue., Oct. 19, 4 p.m. Station 1, 15415 Gleneagle Dr. Meetings are usually on the third Tuesday. The DWFPD board is not allowing the general public to attend in person. Virtual instructions via website/administrator. For information, call Executive Administrator Stacey Popovich at 719-488-8680 or see www.wescottfire.org.
- Monument Sanitation District board meeting, Wed., Oct. 20, 9 a.m., 130 Second St. Zoom meeting. Find joining instructions on the website. Meets third Wed. Info: 719-481-4886, www. colorado.gov/msd.
- Academy Water and Sanitation District board meeting, Wed., Oct. 20, 6 p.m. Public can join the Skype meeting: https://join.skype.com/PAcujKTn7Nrh. Check the website for a link: https://academywsd.colorado.gov/notices-andalerts, Wescott Fire Station 1, 15415 Gleneagle Dr. Meets third Wed. Info: 719-481-0711, https://academywsd.colorado.gov.
- Palmer Lake Town Planning Commission meeting, Wed., Oct. 20, 6 p.m., Palmer Lake Town Hall, 28 Valley Crescent. Meets third Wed. Info: 719-481-2953, www.townofpalmerlake. com.
- **Black Forest Fire/Rescue Protection District board meeting**, Wed., **Oct. 20**, 7 p.m., Station 1, 11445 Teachout Rd. Meets third Wed. Info: 719-495-4300, www.bffire.org.
- Triview Metropolitan District board meeting, Thu., Oct. 21, 5:30 p.m., 16055 Old Forest Point, Suite 302, Monument. Meets third Thu. Info: 719-488-6868, www.triviewmetro.com.
- Donala Water & Sanitation District board meeting, Thu., Oct. 21,1:30 p.m., 15850 Holbein Dr. Meets third Thu. Check the website for the access code for the electronic meeting, Thu. Info: 719-488-3603, www.donalawater.org.
- Tri-Lakes Monument Fire Protection District board meeting, Wed., Oct. 27, 6:30 p.m. Zoom

- meeting. Find joining instructions at www. tlmfire.org or contact Jennifer Martin, 719-484-0911. Location change: From May-Oct. 2021 the meetings will be held at the Chamber of Commerce, 166 Second St., downtown Monument. Meets fourth Wed. Info: www.tlmfire.org.
- Woodmoor Improvement Association board meeting, Wed., Oct. 27, 7 p.m., Woodmoor Barn, 1691 Woodmoor Dr. Meets fourth Wed. Info: 719-488-2693, www.woodmoor.org.

## WEEKLY & MONTHLY EVENTS

- Orthopedic and neurological exams through Oct. 31, Noel Relief Centers, 1840 Woodmoor Dr. Suite 100-9, www.noelreliefcenters.com. See ad on page 2.
- **Monument Cleaners** special pricing through **Oct. 31**, 15932 Jackson Creek Parkway in the Monument Marketplace. See ad on page 5.
- Eagle Wine and Spirits 10% off a variety of spirits through Oct. 31, Jackson Creek Pkwy and Baptist Rd. next to King Soopers. See ad on page
- Colorado pumpkin patch, Activities through Oct. 31; 18065 Saddlewood Road, for more information and pricing visit Coloradokidsranch. com.
- Monument Hill Farmers Market, every Sat. through Oct. 30, 8 a.m.-2 p.m. 66 Jefferson St. (D-38 Lewis-Palmer Admin parking lot). Many new vendors plus all your old favorites. Please wear a mask. www.fb.com/monumenthillfarmersmarket. 719-592-9420. See ad on page 5.
- **Group of Artists (GOA),** *SUSPENDED,* Normally meets first Sat. 10 a.m.-noon, 304 Hwy. 105, Palmer Lake. Lively discussions about art topics, general studies on creativity. Tri-Lakes Center for the Arts (TLCA) Info: 719-481-0475, info@trilakesarts.org. Additional information available on Facebook.



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