

Monument Street Fair, July 3



**Above:** The Tri-Lakes Chamber of Commerce, Economic Development and Visitor Center held a Fourth of July Street Fair and Beer Garden on Saturday, July 3 after a year of cancellations and suspended events. Many attended after the Monument Kiwanis Parade, and with the help of volunteers and a crowd close to 20,000 coming back to downtown Monument, the fair was bustling with energy. *Photo by Marlene Brown.*

Palmer Lake Festival, July 4



**Above:** After a year of on-again off-again and months of planning, the Palmer Lake Festival and Fireworks was a go on the Fourth of July. With the help of many volunteers and many man-hours working and helping the Palmer Lake Fireworks Committee, the festival was a success. Festivities included a bouncy castle, a climbing wall, food trucks and grilled hot dogs and brats, 12 bands, and a beer garden. The festival went on all day and in the afternoon the rains came, which prompted the fireworks display ban to be lifted and all the festival-goers got to see what they came for. For information about volunteering and fundraising for 2022, contact <https://trilakes360.com/contact-us.php>. *Photo by Marlene Brown.*

Jackson Creek Chipping Day, July 10



**Above:** With guidance from Neighborhood Ambassador Program Leadership Training, the Tri-Lakes Monument Fire Protection District, and the neighborhood Homeowners Association at Jackson Ranch, the July 10 Chipping Day was an achievement for all involved. With the leadership training, the board members were able to organize a safe and efficient event. The Fire Department sent the chipper and two firefighters to run it, and the homeowners participated in a brigade to bring the slash and branches to the chipper, and then the firefighters threw the debris into the chipper. For more information about Chipping Day and Leadership Training for neighborhoods, contact the Emergency Preparedness Group at [epg@tlumc.org](mailto:epg@tlumc.org). *Photo by Marlene Brown.*

Art Hop, July 15

**Right:** Shawn Ho exhibits his oil paintings at Bella Art and Frame Gallery for the July 15 Art Hop in Monument. His subjects include local scenes in Colorado and scenes from childhood memories in his native Taiwan. The next Art Hop in Downtown Monument is Aug. 19, 5-8 p.m. *Photo by Janet Sellers.*



PLAG Show at TLCA, July 16



**Above:** On July 16, the Tri-Lakes Center for the Arts (TLCA) launched a grand reopening with a happy crowd after a long COVID-19 closure with Palmer Lake Art Group's "Color Splash" show in the main gallery and "Visions of Color and Light" in the Lucy Owens Gallery. Ribbon place winners were awarded, and honors and scholarships went to recent local high school graduates. Show runs through Aug. 13 at 304 Highway 105, Palmer Lake. *Photo by Janet Sellers.*

Adams at TLCA, July 17



**Left:** The Tri-Lakes Center for the Arts (TLCA), closed for 18 months due to the pandemic, reopened to concerts July 17 once John Adams sang the opening verse to John Denver's *Rocky Mountain High*. Adams, who first performed at the TLCA in 2009, and his John Denver tribute band played familiar Denver songs including *Leaving on a Jet Plane* and the unfamiliar *Shanghai Breezes*. The audience sang along to many of the songs. TLCA Executive Director Michael Maddox said, "We are thrilled the TLCA is reopened as many have told us how they have missed the venue and concerts." Maddox, debi Maddox, and TLCA volunteers were busy during the downtime performing numerous renovations inside and out including refinishing the floors, upgrading the stage and green room, and. Information is at [www.trilakesarts.org](http://www.trilakesarts.org). *Photo by David Futey.*

TL Cruisers' cars at JCSL, July 25



**Above:** The Tri-Lakes Cruisers showed off some of their antique cars for the enjoyment of Jackson Creek Senior Living residents on July 25. Cruisers Secretary Steve Gutman says the event was aimed at brightening the day for the seniors. *Photo courtesy of Steve Gutman.*

Rosie's car show, July 25



**Above:** On July 25, dozens of classic cars and trucks filled parking lots surrounding Rosie's in Monument. Enthusiasts began arriving at 9 a.m. and continued until the closing at 1 p.m. as they enjoyed the variety of vehicles at the annual show. Jesse Cooper in his "dapper" outfit stands beside his Model A Ford. *Photo by John Howe.*