

- at Monument Chamber of Commerce building, 166 2nd St, Monument, CO.
- **Al-Anon meeting: Letting Go**, every **Thu.**, 9-10:15 am at Ascent Church, 1750 Deer Creek Rd., Monument. For additional information go to [www.al-anon-co.org](http://www.al-anon-co.org).
  - **Networking breakfast**, first and third **Thu.**, Tri-Lakes Chamber of Commerce in person or via Zoom 166 2nd Street Monument 7:30 - 9 am free registration at [www.TriLakeschamber.com](http://www.TriLakeschamber.com).
  - **Fuel Church Griefshare**, every **Thu.**, 5:30-7:30 pm 643 State Highway 105, Palmer Lake. Email [info@fuel.org](mailto:info@fuel.org), 643 Hwy 105, Palmer Lake.
  - **A.A. Big Book Study**, every **Thu.**, 7 pm, Family of Christ Lutheran Church, 675 W. Baptist Rd. Call 425-436-6200, access code 575176#.
  - **Friends of Fox Run Park**, fourth **Thu.** Zoom meeting, 7 pm, email [friendsoffoxrunpark@gmail.com](mailto:friendsoffoxrunpark@gmail.com), they will email you the link the day of the meeting. Join the growing group to learn about volunteering and supporting the park for safety, trails, trees, education, more. Info: [friendsoffoxrunpark@gmail.com](mailto:friendsoffoxrunpark@gmail.com).
  - **Bridge, SUSPENDED**, second Thu. Silver Alliance Senior Center, 1300 Higby Rd., Monument, Sept.-June Info: [www.blgc.org.html](http://www.blgc.org.html).
  - **Ben Lomond Gun Club, SUSPENDED**, second Thu., Tri-Lakes Chapter. Info: <https://blgc.org>.
  - **MITEE Open Builds (Monumental Impact for Technology, Engineering, and Entrepreneurship)**, every **Fri.**, 4-6 pm All those involved in technology and engineering and those tinkering on projects. All high school students and adults are welcome. Info: Jeanette Breton, 719-387-7414, [jeanette@monumental-impact.org](mailto:jeanette@monumental-impact.org); [www.monumentalimpact.org](http://www.monumentalimpact.org)
  - **Gleneagle Women's Club**, membership luncheon, third **Fri.**, Sept-June, various venues, 12 activity groups, i.e., hiking, bridge, etc. Guests welcome. For information contact Sarah George, 719-487-2985.
  - **Silver Center Book Club**, second **Fri.**, 11 am-noon, Senior Center across the street from Tri-Lakes YMCA, on Lewis-Palmer High School campus. All are welcome. Coffee & snacks served. RSVP & info: Sue, 719-330-0241.

SPECIAL EVENTS

- **Grand re-opening for Palmer Lake Town Hall, Library, Museum**, Sat., **May 7**, 10 am Village Green, 28 Valley Crescent, Palmer Lake.
- **Covered Treasures Bookstore May events**: celebrating Children's Book Week with two weekends of children's author signings. On Sat., **May 7**, 1-3 pm, meet Katie McQuaid book signing, *Everybody Loves Grace* and Lindy and Tom Schneider will sign their titles, *College Secrets of Highly Successful People* and picture book *Starfish on the Beach*. Sat., **May 14**, 2-4 pm to meet Whitney Anderson book signing includes **Twig, The Cloud, and Dino** and the **Brave Little Boy**. Covered Treasures Bookstore, 105 Second Street, Monument, 719-481-2665.
- **Services for Robert Joseph Rissacher**, Fri., **May 13**, Rosary 9:30 am, Mass 10 am, St. Peter's Catholic Church, 55 Jefferson St., Monument. See obituary on page 6.
- **Kiwanis Monument Hill Club**, grant application deadline, Sat., **May 15**, [www.monumenthillfoundation.org](http://www.monumenthillfoundation.org). Check [www.MHKiwanis.org](http://www.MHKiwanis.org). See ad on page 18.
- **Tri-Lakes Chamber of Commerce, After Hours Networking Event**, Tue., May 17, 5 pm-7:00 pm Free for chamber members, \$15 for non-members. Details: [www.trilakeschamber.com](http://www.trilakeschamber.com). 719-481-3282.
- **Monument Art Hop**, Thu., **May 19**, 5-8 pm, in Historic Downtown Monument, live music, local artists, outdoor activities, food trucks, more! Info: [downtown-monument.org](http://downtown-monument.org). See ad on page 7.
- **Monument Hill Farmers Market**, starts Sat., **May 21** and every Sat, thereafter, 8-2 pm, 66 Jefferson St., Downtown Monument. See ad on page 5.
- **MVEA outdoor power equipment giveaway entry deadline**, Thu., **May 26**, Info: [www.mvea.coop/greengiveaway](http://www.mvea.coop/greengiveaway).
- **Monument's Memorial Day Ceremony**, Mon., **May 30**, 10 am, Monument Cemetery 800 Eighth Street, Monument, CO 80132. This event is free and open to the public. Please join us to honor our military veterans.
- **Western Museum of Mining and Industry, summer-time appreciation days**, month of May, 225 Northgate Blvd., WMMI.org. See ad on page 2.
- **YMCA Summer day camp**, weekly starting Tue., **May 31**, ages 5-12, [ppymca.org/daycamp](http://ppymca.org/daycamp). See ad on page 6.
- **Speed Trap Bistro**, Live Music, 84 Hwy. 105. Open 7 days for breakfast, lunch, weekends til 11pm. See ad on page 5.
- **Monumental Med Spa**, specials through **May 31**, at the loft, 4 Hwy 105 Palmer Lake.. See ad on page 7.
- **A Better Hearing Center**, special offers, through **May 31**. 574 Hwy. 105, Monument. See ad on page 12.
- **Cornerstone Cleaners**, special offers through **May 31**. 1030 W. Baptist Road, near King Soopers. See ad on page 4.
- **Eagle Wine & Spirits**, special offers through **May 31**. Baptist Road next to King Soopers. See ad on page 3.
- **Monument Cleaners**, special offers through **May 31**. 15932 Jackson Creek Pkwy., in Monument Market-place. See ad on page 5.
- **Noel Relief Centers**, special offers through **May 31**. 1840 Woodmoor Drive, Suite 109, Monument. See ad

- on page 8.
- **Facinelli Motors**, special offers through **May 31**, 706 Westward Ln, Monument. See ad on page 17.
  - **Pure Romance by Amy Yocum-Vos**, special offers through **May 31**. [www.pureromance.com/AmyYocum-vos](http://www.pureromance.com/AmyYocum-vos). See ad on page 4.
  - **The Living Room Plants**, special offers through **May 31**, 12229 Voyager Pkwy, Suite 100. See ad on page 5.
  - **McCords Garden Center**, special offers through **May 31**. 2720 McShane Dr. (corner Hwy 105). See ad on page 5.
  - **Make It Work: 3D Printers, June 1-3**, 4 pm-6 pm: Bring in your broken 3D printer and we'll see if we can help you get it working again. Offered at 55 Adams Street. Hosted by Monumental Impact to raise funds for programs. Donations appreciated. Contact [enable@monumentalimpact.org](mailto:enable@monumentalimpact.org) for more information.
  - **MVEA 81st Annual Meeting**, Thu., **June 2**, Limon Public Schools, 912 Badger Way, Limon, Colorado 80828. Info: <https://www.mvea.coop/community/community-events/annual-meeting/>. See ad on page 18.
  - **Palmer Lake Kids Fishing Derby**, Sat., **June 4**, 8 am-11:30 am. Entrance Fee - Donation of non-perishable food items for Tri-Lakes Cares. Kids must be accompanied by an adult. Please bring your own fishing gear and bait. Salmon eggs and worms are recommended. Staff will measure fish throughout.
  - **Cherry Creek Crossing community garage sale**, Sat., **June 4**, 8-4 pm, NW corner of Hwy 83 and Hodgen Rd., See ad on page 6.
  - **Concerts in the Park**, Limbach Park, every **Wed.** at 7 pm, June 8-Aug. 17, See ad on page 14.
  - **Palmer Lake Art Group Color Splash art show, June 7-24**, reception Fri., **June 10**, 6-8 pm, featuring scholarship awards to high school students. Tri-Lakes Center for the Arts, 304 Hwy. 105, Palmer Lake. See ad on page 14.
  - **St. Peter Pie and Ice Cream Social**, Sat., **June 11**, 6-8 pm, donations benefit Mater Filius, all welcome, St. Peter Catholic Church, 55 Jefferson St., Monument. Intended to raise awareness and funds for Mater Filius (Mother and Child) the new maternity home to open in 2023 for vulnerable pregnant women in the Pikes Peak Area. No admission fee. All are welcome! For more information or to make a donation go to: [www.petertherock.org](http://www.petertherock.org).
  - **Front Range Makers Market**, Sat., **June 18**, 9-4 pm. Lewis Palmer High School outdoors in north parking lot. See ad on page 32.
  - **June/July 2022 WIA Chipping Days, June 25-26 and July 30-31**, south parking lot of Lewis-Palmer High school. NOTE: shifting to a resident slash drop - much like the Black Forest Slash Pile. Residents queue up in their vehicle and are released progressively to self-drop slash in a central location. WIA and its contractors will no longer unload your vehicle for you. This change will allow up to 5 vehicles to unload at once rather than the 2-3 vehicles being unloaded as in previous years. The same type of materials will be accepted. Slash/logs up to 8 inches in diameter, pine needles, etc. As in previous years: NO construction materials, rock/rubble, stumps, or garbage will be accepted. Only clean slash/logs will be accepted. Please contact the WIA Office with questions at 719-488-2693 x 4.
  - **Festival on the Fourth at Palmer Lake**. Mon., **July 4**,

Content

Articles in Our Community News focus on the deliberations of Tri-Lakes area governmental bodies such as the Monument Board of Trustees, Palmer Lake Town Council, and many of the local water, sanitation, fire, and school district boards.

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- 2-10 p.m. West Side of the railroad tracks on the west side of Palmer Lake. Vendors, Volunteers & Sponsors needed. Contact [ctgraff75@gmail.com](mailto:ctgraff75@gmail.com).
- **Party for the Parks**, fundraising for the Town of Monument Park System, Sat., **July 16**, starts at 1 pm, 17630 Jackson Creek Pkwy, lot north of YMCA. See ad on page 16.
- 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](mailto:calendar@ocn.me) or Our Community News, P.O. Box 1742, Monument, Colorado 80132.

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- Limit your letter to no more than 300 words including your suggested headline and closing.
- Include your full name, home address, phone numbers, and email address, if you have one. Only your name will be published.
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