

- 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#.
  - **Palmer Lake Historical Society**, **Thu.**, **Apr. 20**, meeting, 7:00 pm, doors open at 6:30 pm. Usually meets third **Thu.** Palmer Lake Town Hall, 28 Valley Crescent St. <https://palmerdividehistory.org>
  - **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 forest safety, trails, trees, education, more. Info: [friendsoffoxrunpark@gmail.com](mailto:friendsoffoxrunpark@gmail.com).
  - **Tri-Lakes Women's Club** (TLWC) monthly meeting, third **Fri.**, **Apr. 21**, 11:30 am, fun garden-style party, and a style show featuring Chico's clothing collections. Location: Falcon Club, USAFA. Meetings are open to all members of Tri-Lakes Women's Club. To become a member, or learn about the club, visit our website at [www.tlwc.net](http://www.tlwc.net) Contact Info: Tri-Lakes Women's Club membership@tlwc.net
  - **Senior Book Club**, second **Fri.**, 11 am-noon, Silver Alliance Senior Center, all are welcome. Coffee & snacks served. RSVP & info: Sue, 719-330-0241.
  - **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 Amy Miller, (310) 941-1590.
  - **Monument Dementia Caregiver Support Group**, second **Sat.**, 9:45-11:15 am. Meets in Person, First National Bank Monument ( 581 Highway 105, Monument, CO 80132). Meets monthly, 2nd **Sat.** Contact: Registration is required, call 800-272-3900 or email [khare@alz.org](mailto:khare@alz.org) to register.
  - **Tri-Lakes Monument radio Association**, Details: Contact Bob Witte, 719-659-3727.

SPECIAL EVENTS

- **VOLUNTEER TODAY! Our Community News mailing day**, **Thu.**, **May 4**, approx. 9 am-2 pm. We are all volunteers at OCN and need YOUR help, even for an hour two, getting the papers ready to mail. Contact [AllenAlchian@ocn.me](mailto:AllenAlchian@ocn.me) to sign up and get the address and exact times.
- **Pikes Peak Brewing Company**, pop up Smokehouse **Fridays and Saturdays** until it's gone. See ad on page 11.
- **Special Hazardous Waste** event for hard to recycle items, **Fri.**, **Apr. 7**, El Paso County Household Hazardous Waste Facility 3255 Akers Drive Colorado Springs, CO 80922
- **EGGStravaganza**, Fox Run Regional Park, **Fri.**, **Apr. 7**, 7:45pm; 8:00-8:15pm; 8:30 pm start times. Glow in the dark egg hunt at Fox Run Regional Park. 2-6 person teams to find eggs with answers, win a prize! Ages 8+. Prepaid timed registration required, \$5 per person/ \$4 per member. [www.elpasocountynaturecenters.com](http://www.elpasocountynaturecenters.com).
- **Benet Hill Monastery Holy Week Services**: Good Friday **April 7**, 3:00 p.m. Easter Vigil, **April 8**, 7:00 p.m. Easter Sunday **April 9**, 10:15 a.m. See ad on page 3.
- **Tri Lakes United Methodist Church**, Good Friday Service, **Apr. 7**, 6:30 p.m. Easter Sunday, **Apr. 9**, 8:00 a.m., 9:30 a.m., and 11:00 a.m. See ad on page 8.
- **Wildland fire information workshop**, **Apr. 8**, **9-12**. Palmer Ridge High School Auditorium, 19255 Monument Hill Road. Covering personal preparedness, all about evacuation, home hardening and risk assessment, local wildfire concerns. For more info, videos, etc., <https://admin.ElPasoco.com/pproem/fire-mitigation/>
- **St Mathias Episcopal Church Easter Service**, **Sun.**, **Apr. 9**, 10:00 a.m., egg hunt to follow service. All are welcome. See ad on page 6.
- **Fuel church Easter**, **Sun.**, **Apr. 9**, 11:00 a.m. Easter scavenger hunt follows service (for ages 1-11 years). See ad on page 7.
- **Tri-Lakes Chamber of Commerce**, Networking, **Tue.**, **Apr. 11**, 5 pm-7:00 pm, members free, \$15 for non-members. Details: [www.trilakeschamber.com](http://www.trilakeschamber.com). 719-481-3282.
- **Free home buying class**, **Thu.**, **Apr. 13**, 5:30 p.m. -7:00 p.m. with Rebecca Seedorf, Realtor. See ad on page 5.
- **Monument Fire District/Donald Wescott Fire Protection District Pancake Breakfast and Push-In Ceremony**, **Sat.**, **Apr. 15**, 10 am, Station 4, 15415 Gleneagle Drive. [www.monumentfire.org](http://www.monumentfire.org).
- **100+ Women Who Care Bi-Annual Meeting**, **Wed.**, **Apr. 19**, 5:00pm, Woodmoor Barn, 1691 Woodmoor Drive. We are 100+ Women committed to contributing \$100 two times a year to local Tri-Lakes charities, which will positively impact our communities by allowing us to give up to \$20,000 annually. Together we can make a difference that we can see! Big impact, without a big commitment. For more information on how to join us visit: <http://www.100womenwhocaretrilakes.com/>

- **Susan Helmich Fine Jewelry**. special event, **Wed.-Thu.**, **Apr.19, 20** only. See ad on page 13.
- **Monumental Med Spa**, special botox offer **Thu.**, **Apr. 20**. See ad on page 7.
- **Palmer Lake Historical Society**, **Thu.**, **Apr. 20**, meeting, 7:00 pm, doors open at 6:30 pm. KKK in Denver in the 1920s. Usually meets third **Thu.** Palmer Lake Town Hall, 28 Valley Crescent St. <https://palmerdividehistory.org>
- **Jackson Creek Senior Living** will host a 12-week GriefShare support group for anyone grieving the death of a family member or friend. Meets weekly Tuesdays, **Feb. 7 - Apr. 25**, 6-8 p.m., Falcon's Nest (3rd Floor), located at 16601 Jackson Creek Parkway. Open enrollment, but registration is required. to register, visit <https://www.griefshare.org/groups/162569>. Please wait until you receive confirmation before joining the group.
- **Arbor day celebration**, **Fri.**, **Apr. 28**, 10am. Town of Monument will be celebrating Arbor Day at Monument Lake. There will be a tree planting demonstration and staff available to answer questions from the public about trees. Attendees will get to take home a free plant. <https://townofmonument.org>.
- **YMCA healthy kids day**, **Sat.**, **Apr. 29**, Learn about summer activities at the Y for school age kids. YMCA of the Pikes Peak region. See ad on page 6.
- **A Better Hearing Center**, special offers through **Apr. 30**, 574 East Highway 105 Monument. Affordable Flooring Connection, special offers through **Apr. 30**. see ad on page 13.
- **Cornerstone Cleaners**, special offers through **Apr. 30**. 1030 W. Baptist Road, near King Soopers. See ad on page 4.
- **Eagle Wine & Spirits**, special offers through **Apr. 30**. Baptist Road next to King Soopers. See ad on page 3.
- **Gleneagle Candle Co.**, special offers through **Apr. 30**. See ad on page 4.
- **Monument Cleaners**, special offers through **Apr. 30**, 15932 Jackson Creek Pkwy., in Monument Marketplace. See ad on page 5.
- **Noel Relief Centers**, new patient special. 950 Baptist Rd #130, Monument. See ad on page 7.
- **The Living Room Plants**, special offers through **Apr. 30**. 12229 Voyager Pkwy, Suite 100. See ad on page 5.
- **The Vanity Box**, Special offers. See ad on page 3.
- **Tri Lakes Collision and Auto Service Center**, special offers through **Apr. 30.**, 2101 Wolf Court, Monument. [www.trilakescollision.com](http://www.trilakescollision.com). See ad on page 5.
- **Covered Treasures Bookstore**, **Sat.**, **May 6**. 11 am-1 pm., author Sandra Dallas will sign her book *Where Coyotes Howl*. 105 Second Street, Monument.
- **GameCon XVI GameCon**, **Sat. May 6**, 8 am-5pm, Cost: \$15. A tabletop gaming convention for students in grades 6 - 12 in the Pikes Peak region. Janitell Junior High School, 7635 Fountain Mesa Rd. Fountain CO 80817 . D20 GameCon is a non-profit teachers organization, info: <https://www.gamecon.info>
- **Peter Pan**, Ent Center for the Arts, **Sun.**, **May 7**. See ad on page 4.
- **Taste of Tri Lakes Cares**, tickets for an evening of food and fun **Tues.**, **May 9**, 5:30 p.m. See ad on page 21.
- **YMCA summer day camp**, starts **Tue.**, **May 30**, Info: [www.ppyymca.org/daycamp](http://www.ppyymca.org/daycamp). See ad on page 6.
- **Jackson Creek Community garage sale**, **June 16, 17**, Contact Frances, 719-200-7387.
- **Front Range Maker's Market**, free, 90+ Artisan Makers, Boutiques & Food Trucks. **Sat.**, **June 17**, 8:30am-

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.

Unlike papers that try to figure out what the “story” is and then get quotes on each side to presumably lead the reader to conclude what the “truth” is, OCN’s role is to report in detail on public meetings of local governmental entities. We report what was talked about and what was decided. By reading OCN, you can find out what you might have learned if you had attended those public meetings. In this context, “truth” is that the articles accurately represent what transpired at the meetings.

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- 3pm. Lewis-Palmer High School. Outdoors. Info: [Fr-makersmarket.com](http://Fr-makersmarket.com). See ad on page 21.
- **Tri Lakes Church of Christ, Vacation Bible School**, **June 26-29**.
  - **Western Museum of Mining and Industry, summer family days: June 19-23 and July 17-21.** [www.wmmi.org](http://www.wmmi.org).

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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Our Community News welcomes letters to the editor on topics of general interest to readers in the Tri-Lakes area. We do not knowingly print letters that are substantially the same as letters that have been submitted to other publications. To ensure that OCN contains a variety of viewpoints, each letter writer is limited to a maximum of one (1) letter per issue and six (6) letters within a twelve (12) month period. To submit a letter, please:

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- Identify your submission as a letter to the editor and confirm that it has not been submitted to any other publication.
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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.
- Submit your letter so we receive it no later than midnight, Friday, two weeks prior to the publication date.

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