

Blood drive bus visits Monument



Left: The TLC blood drive bus, poised and waiting for volunteers.



Right: Student nurses help organize volunteers for the blood drive.

Below: Volunteers ready to donate inside the blood drive bus.

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The Penrose/St. Francis Health Services blood drive bus pulled up in Monument again July 24, because there is always a need for donors to keep a steady supply of blood ready for those in need. The bus is available off Jefferson Street every eight weeks, and usually 30 or so volunteers show up to donate to the Tri-Lakes Cares blood drive.

While there is no desperate shortage of donated blood in Monument today, volunteers could help save some lives and make others easier, so participation in the blood drive is appreciated. To give blood, one must bring a valid ID and pass a basic health survey/examination.

July 24's blood drive was assisted by student

nurses from the Beth-El School of Nursing, who guided volunteers through the registration/health assessment process and helped those interested through a video presentation and project about health and exercise. Those below a certain weight or at a particular risk of contagious diseases are advised not to donate blood. Otherwise, contributing a bit of blood could make a world of difference to fellow area citizens.

There will be another blood drive at Tri-Lakes Cares on **Sept. 18**, at 3 p.m. For information, call 481-4864.

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Pinz Bowling Center holds Rodz Car show, July 28



Above (L to R) Pinz owner Al Palmonari, owner Gloria McCartan, and bar manager Matt McCartan.

By Stacey Paxson

On July 28, Pinz Bowling Alley hosted its 5th Annual Rodz Car Show. Nearly 70 entrants from the Tri-Lakes area, Castle Rock, Colorado Springs, and Pueblo participated in this year's event. Two local car clubs, The Tri-Lakes Cruisers and Fatal Creations, collaborated with Pinz to bring in the highest number of entrants to date. The event was open to the public with entrants as well as spectators voting on their favorite vehicles in eleven different classes. Public education for visitors at the event was provided by the Tri-Lakes Monument Fire Department and Palmer Lake Volunteer Fire Department.

Photos by Stacey Paxson except the aerial shot below was taken by Tri-Lakes Monument Fire Department Captain Kris Mola.

