

success thanks to the generosity of many local businesses. Financial contributions are sought to offset the cost of publicity, materials, and food. Donations should be made to Tri-Lakes Health Advocacy Partnership, a 501(C)(3) nonprofit; receipts for the donation will be provided. Please help make this year's Community Coming Together Thanksgiving Dinner another big success. If your business or group would like to contribute to this year's event, please contact Madeline VanDenHoek, Town of Monument Community Liaison, at 884-8013.

**Black Forest Community Club invites new and renewal memberships**

The Black Forest Community Club (BFCC) invites community families to become members of this dynamic, community-focused organization. The upcoming lineup of programs open to the entire Black Forest area community includes the Veterans Day program, Nov. 15, 7 p.m.; the Christmas Tree Lighting and Santa Arrival, Nov. 29, 6:30 p.m.; and the Christmas Potluck Dinner, Dec. 13, 6 p.m. All of these programs take place at the Community Center at 12530 Black Forest Rd. just north of Shoup. To find out more about BFCC and the Black Forest, visit the club's website at [www.bfcommunityclub.org](http://www.bfcommunityclub.org).

**MVEA Essay Contest, due Nov. 18**  
High school juniors can win a trip in June 2015 to Washington, D.C., or a week in July at Leadership Camp in the mountains. Requirements and entry form are available at an MVEA office in Limon or Falcon, or online at [www.mvea.coop/community/essay-contest/](http://www.mvea.coop/community/essay-contest/). For more information, call 719-494-2670.

**Meals on Wheels comes to Palmer Lake; volunteers needed**

Mountain Community Senior Services and Silver Key of Colorado Springs are starting a Meals on Wheels program in Palmer Lake. Meals will be delivered to Tri-Lakes Cares on Tuesdays and Fridays, then picked up by drivers and taken to clients. For more information or to

volunteer, contact Sue Cliatt, 481-3175, [es1070@aol.com](mailto:es1070@aol.com).  
**Free transportation and safety services for seniors**  
Mountain Community Senior Services offers free transportation and safety services to Tri-Lakes seniors. If you need a ride to a medical appointment, grocery shopping, or the local senior lunches, a volunteer driver will be happy to help you. The number to call is 488-0076 to leave a message for the dispatcher. If you are in need of grab bars in the bathroom, a ramp to your door, or repair of stairs or railings, please call Cindy Rush, 488-0076, and leave a message.

**2015 Colorado Gardener Certificate training program, Apply by Jan. 5**

Colorado State University Extension is now accepting registrations for the 2015 Colorado Gardener Certificate training program. Home gardeners and parks department, school district, and golf course maintenance personnel as well as landscape professionals will benefit from this training. Classes will be held Thursdays, 9 a.m.-4 p.m., Jan. 22 through March 26 at the El Paso County Extension office, now located at 17 N. Spruce St (near I-25 and Bijou). Space is limited and available on a first-paid basis. For more information, visit the Horticulture page of the website <http://elpasoco.colostate.edu> or call Julie at (719) 520-7690.

**CASA volunteers needed**  
Become a CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocate). CASA offers a volunteer opportunity like no other. As appointed representatives of the court, CASA volunteers are empowered to make a lifelong difference in the lives of abused and neglected children. Learn more at <http://www.casappr.org/volunteer-colorado-springs/> or contact Kelly at 447-9898, ext. 1033 or [kellyp@casappr.org](mailto:kellyp@casappr.org).

**Grant writers needed for Palmer Lake**  
The Awake Palmer Lake Committee is looking for grant writers to help with the next Great Outdoor Colorado

(GOCO) grant application to improve the park at Palmer Lake. The grant could be worth \$300,000. See <http://awakepalmerlake.org> for more information or contact the Park and Recreation trustee at [parks@palmer-lake.org](mailto:parks@palmer-lake.org).

**Free Senior Safety Handyman Services**  
Senior Safety Handyman Services is a unique program funded by the Pikes Peak Area Agency on Aging. It is designed to help seniors (age 60 and over) in northwest El Paso County with safety-related handyman projects. Dedicated, paid contractors and volunteers install grab bars, wheelchair ramps, railings, steps, etc., to help seniors to continue to live independently in their own homes. For service, call 488-0076 and leave a message for Cindy Rush. For more information, visit [TriLakes-mcts-sshs.org](http://TriLakes-mcts-sshs.org).

**Tri-Lakes HAP Senior Center programs**  
The Tri-Lakes Health Advocacy Partnership Senior Citizens Center is next to the Lewis-Palmer High School Stadium (across from the YMCA) and is open 1-4 p.m., Tue.-Fri., and earlier for scheduled activities. The facility has a lounge, craft room, game room, and multipurpose room. Programs include pinochle, National Mah-jongg, line dancing, tea time, bingo, and more. Ping-pong, Wii video games, puzzles and board games, refreshments, a lending library, computers with Internet connections, and an information table are also available. For information about programs for seniors, visit [www.TriLakesSeniors.org](http://www.TriLakesSeniors.org).

**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 Mondays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays in Monument. It also contains the schedule of the classes and events for the month at the Senior Citizens Center. To subscribe, send an email with your name and mailing address to [SeniorBeat@TriLakesSeniors.org](mailto:SeniorBeat@TriLakesSeniors.org). Senior Beat can also be viewed online at [www.TriLakesHAP.org](http://www.TriLakesHAP.org).  
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# Our Community Calendar

*By Judy Barnes, Community Calendar Editor*  
*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.*

- GOVERNMENTAL BODIES**
- **Monument Board of Trustees Meeting**, Mon., Nov. 3, Town Hall Board Room, 645 Beacon Lite Rd., Monument. Normally meets 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Mon. each month. Info: 884-8017.
  - **El Paso County Planning Commission Meeting**, Tue., Nov. 4, 9 a.m., 2880 International Circle (off Union Blvd & Printers Pkwy). Meets 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Tue. (if required) each month. Info: 520-6300, <http://adm2.elpasoco.com/planning/agendas/pc/pc-agn.asp>.
  - **Tri-Lakes Wastewater Facility Joint Use Committee Meeting**, Tue., Nov. 11, 10 a.m., 16510 Mitchell Ave. Meets 2<sup>nd</sup> Tue. each month. Info: Bill Burks, 481-4053.
  - **Triview Metropolitan District Board Meeting**, Tue., Nov. 11, 5 p.m., 16055 Old Forest Point, Suite 300, Monument. Meets 2<sup>nd</sup> Tue. each month. Info: 488-6868.
  - **D-38 Accountability Advisory Committee (DAAC) Meeting**, Tue., Nov. 11, 7 p.m., BEAST room of Bear Creek Elementary School, 1330 Creekside Dr., Monument. Meets 2<sup>nd</sup> Tue. each month, location varies. Info: 488-4700, [www.lewispalmer.org](http://www.lewispalmer.org).
  - **Palmer Lake Sanitation District Board Meeting**, Wed., Nov. 12, 10 a.m., 120 Middle Glenway. Meets 2<sup>nd</sup> Wed. each month. Info: 481-2732.
  - **D-38 Special Education Advisory Council**, Wed., Nov. 12, 6:30 p.m., Learning Center, 146 Jefferson St., Monument. Meets 2<sup>nd</sup> Wed. each month. Info: 488-4700, [www.lewispalmer.org](http://www.lewispalmer.org).
  - **Monument Planning Commission Meeting**, Wed., Nov. 12, 6:30 p.m., Town Hall Board Room, 645 Beacon Lite Rd., Monument. Meets 2<sup>nd</sup> Wed. each month. Info: 884-8017.
  - **Woodmoor Water & Sanitation District Meeting**, Thu., Nov. 13, 1 p.m., 1845 Woodmoor Dr., Monument. Meets 2<sup>nd</sup> Thu. each month. Info: 488-2525.
  - **Palmer Lake Liquor Licensing Authority & Medical Marijuana Authority and Town Council Combined Workshop and Regular Meeting**, Thu.,

- Nov. 13, 6 p.m., Palmer Lake Town Hall, 28 Valley Crescent. Meets 2<sup>nd</sup> Thu. each month. Info: 481-2953 (then press 0) or [www.ci.palmer-lake.co.us](http://www.ci.palmer-lake.co.us).
- **Monument Board of Trustees Meeting**, Mon., Nov. 17, 6:30 p.m., Town Hall Board Room, 645 Beacon Lite Rd., Monument. Meets 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Mon. each month. Info: 884-8017.
  - **El Paso County Planning Commission Meeting**, Tue., Nov. 18, 9 a.m., 2880 International Circle (off Union Blvd & Printers Pkwy). Meets 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Tue. (if required) each month. Info: 520-6300, <http://adm2.elpasoco.com/planning/agendas/pc/pc-agn.asp>.
  - **Wescott Fire Protection District Board Meeting**, Tue., Nov. 18, 7 p.m., Station 1, 15415 Gleneagle Dr. Meets 3<sup>rd</sup> Tue. each month, Info: 488-8680.
  - **Academy Water and Sanitation District Board Meeting**, Wed., Nov. 19, 6 p.m., Wescott Fire Station 1, 15415 Gleneagle Dr. Meets 3<sup>rd</sup> Wed. each month. Info: 481-0711.
  - **Palmer Lake Planning Commission Meeting**, Wed., Nov. 19, 6 p.m., at Palmer Lake Town Hall, 28 Valley Crescent. Meets 3<sup>rd</sup> Wed. each month. Info: 481-2953 (then press 0) or [www.ci.palmer-lake.co.us](http://www.ci.palmer-lake.co.us).
  - **Tri-Lakes Monument Fire Protection District Board Meeting**, Wed., Nov. 19, 6:30 p.m., 166 Second St., Monument. Normally meets 4<sup>th</sup> Wed. each month. Info: Jennifer Martin, 484-0911, [www.tlmfire.org](http://www.tlmfire.org).
  - **Woodmoor Improvement Association Board Meeting**, Wed., Nov. 19, 7 p.m., Woodmoor Barn, 1691 Woodmoor Dr. Normally meets 4<sup>th</sup> Wed. each month. Info: 488-2693, [www.woodmoor.org](http://www.woodmoor.org).
  - **Monument Sanitation District Board Meeting**, Thu., Nov. 20, 10 a.m., 130 2<sup>nd</sup> St. Meets 3<sup>rd</sup> Thu. each month. Info: 481-4886.
  - **Lewis-Palmer School District 38 Board Meeting**, Thu., Nov. 20, 6 p.m., Learning Center, 146 Jefferson St., Monument. Meets 3<sup>rd</sup> Thu. each month. Info: 488-4700.
  - **Donala Water & Sanitation District Board Meeting: Budget Hearing**, Thu., Dec. 4, 1:30 p.m., 15850 Holbein Dr., Colorado Springs. Normally meets 3<sup>rd</sup> Thu. each month except Nov. and Dec. Info: 488-3603.
  - **Forest View Acres Water District Special Board Meeting**, Thu., Dec. 4, 6-8 p.m. Monument

Sanitation District boardroom, 130 Second St. Normally meets 4<sup>th</sup> Thu. each month. Info: 488-2110, [www.fvawd.com](http://www.fvawd.com).

- LOCAL LIBRARY EVENTS**  
*All branches close for Thanksgiving at 6 p.m. Nov. 26 & all day Nov. 27*
- **The Palmer Lake Library** hours are Tue.-Fri., 10 a.m.-6 p.m., and Sat., 10 a.m.-2 p.m. 66 Lower Glenway. Info: 481-2587, [www.ppld.org](http://www.ppld.org).
  - **The Monument Branch Library** hours are Mon.-Thu., 9 a.m.-9 p.m., Fri. & Sat, 10 a.m.-6 p.m., Sun., 1-5 p.m. 1706 Lake Woodmoor Dr. Info: 488-2370, [www.ppld.org](http://www.ppld.org).
  - **Monument Library: Paws to Read**, every Mon. (except Nov. 24), 3:30-4:30 p.m. Let your child practice reading to a Paws to Read dog. No registration required. Monument Branch Library, 1706 Lake Woodmoor Dr. Info: 488-2370, [www.ppld.org](http://www.ppld.org).
  - **Monument Library: Aftermath**, every Mon. (except Nov. 24), 3:30-7 p.m. Free drop-in math assistance for students of all ages. Monument Branch Library, 1706 Lake Woodmoor Dr. Info: 488-2370, [www.ppld.org](http://www.ppld.org).
  - **Monument Library: Storytime**, every Tue., 10:30-11 & 11:15-11:45 a.m. For ages 3 and up. Monument Branch Library, 1706 Lake Woodmoor Dr. Info: 488-2370, [www.ppld.org](http://www.ppld.org).
  - **Monument Library: Toddler Time**, every Thu., 9:30 a.m. & 10:15 a.m.; & Fri., 10:30-11 a.m. (except Nov. 21 & 28). Rhymes & rhythms for one- and two-year-olds. Monument Branch Library, 1706 Lake Woodmoor Dr. Info: 488-2370, [www.ppld.org](http://www.ppld.org).
  - **Monument Library: Family Fun--Prince & Princess Day**, Sat., Nov. 8, 2:30-4 p.m. Dress in costume and build a marshmallow castle. Monument Branch Library, 1706 Lake Woodmoor Dr. Info: 488-2370, [www.ppld.org](http://www.ppld.org).
  - **Monument Library: Let's Make Pinatas**, Fri., Nov. 14, 4-5:30 p.m. Registration required. Monument Branch Library, 1706 Lake Woodmoor Dr. RSVP & Info: 488-2370, [www.ppld.org](http://www.ppld.org).
  - **Monument Library: Family Program--LEGO Club**, Sat., Nov. 15, 10-11:30 a.m. Duplos for the littles ones, Legos for the rest. Monument Branch Library, 1706 Lake Woodmoor Dr. Info: 488-2370, [www.ppld.org](http://www.ppld.org).