

- **Fibromyalgia Support Group**, Tue., **May 20**, 5 p.m., Police Station, 7850 Goddard (1 block off Academy on Kelly Johnson near Chapel Hills Mall), Community Room just inside main entrance. A DVD will play 5-6 p.m.; meeting starts at 6 p.m. Share concerns and success stories and talk to a D.O. Learn how you can become pain-free. No charge, no products sold. Meets 3rd Tue. each month. Info: 481-2230.
 - **Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 7829**, Tue., **May 20**, 7 p.m., Sundance Mountain Lodge, 1865 Woodmoor Dr., Monument. New members welcome. Meets 3rd Tue. each month. Info: Joe Carlson, 488-1902.
 - **Hwy 83 Farmers Market opens** Thu., **May 22**, 4-8 p.m., 15570 Hwy 83. Colorado local natural and organic produce. Crafters welcome; no participation fee, by donation. Open every **Thu.** through Oct. Info: 719-217-6452 or 719-302-3938.
 - **Legacy Sertoma Dinner Meeting**, Thu., **May 22**, 6:30 p.m., Monument Hill Country Club, 18945 Pebble Beach Way, Monument. New members and visitors welcome. Meets 2nd & 4th Thu. each month. Info: Ed Kinney, 481-2750.
 - **Senior Social**, Wed., **May 28**, 1-4 p.m., Fellowship Hall of the Black Forest Lutheran Church, 12455 Black Forest Rd. Meets 4th Wed. each month. Info: aarpchapter1100blackforest.weebly.com.
 - **American Legion Tri-Lakes Post 9-11**, Tue., **Jun. 3**, 6:30 p.m., Depot Restaurant, Hwy 105 & Primrose St., Palmer Lake. New members welcome. Meets 1st Tue. each month. Info: 481-8668, www.americanlegiontrilakespost911.com.
 - **Monument Homemakers Club Monthly Potluck Lunch & Meeting**, Thu., **Jun. 5**, 11:30 a.m., Tri-Lakes Fire Department Administrative Building, 166 Second St., Monument. Meets 1st Thu. each month except Jan. and unless D-38 is delayed or closed due to bad weather. Newcomers welcome. For a ride to the meeting, call Faye Brenneman, 488-0076. RSVP & info: Irene Walters, 481-1188, or Bev Wells, 488-3327.
 - **Palmer Divide Quilt Guild**, Thu., **Jun. 5**, 7 p.m., Church at Woodmoor, 18125 Furrow Rd. Meets 1st Thu. each month. Info: Teresa Kovacic, 559-0083, teresa.kovacic@biofunctionusa.com.
 - **Craft Club**, Sat., **Jun. 7**, 11 a.m.-2 p.m., Fairfield Inn & Suites, Mt. Herman Room, 15275 Struthers Rd. Ages 15 and up; each month features a fun, easy to follow paper craft. All supplies provided. Fee varies by project. Info: Linda, 375-8991, Lindacarp@gmail.com.
 - **Lupus Support Group**. If you suffer with an auto-immune disease and want to connect with others, you are welcome to join this group. Info: dmbandle@hotmail.com.
 - **MOMS Club of Monument and Colorado Springs North**. Meet other stay-at-home moms and kids in our area for weekly activities such as play dates, lunch out, park days, Mom's night out. Info: monumntmomsinfo@gmail.com.
- SPECIAL EVENTS**
- **Black Forest Arts & Crafts Guild 50th Anniversary Spring Show & Sale**, Thu.-Sun, **May 1-4**, 9 a.m.-8 p.m. Thu.-Sat.; 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Sun., Black Forest Community Center (Black Forest Road just north of Shoup Road). More than 90 artisans offer hand-made jewelry, ceramics, soaps and candles, baby items, jams and jellies, baked goods, and much more. Admission is free. The Black Forest Arts & Crafts Guild is a Colorado nonprofit organization. A portion of sale proceeds will benefit the Guild Scholarship Fund and the Black Forest community. Wheelchair accessible. Because of fire regulations, no strollers, please. Info: 719-330-7443, dellaclark.bfacg@gmail.com, www.BFACG.org.
 - **Tri-Lakes Community Health Fair**, Sat., **May 3**, Lewis-Palmer High School, 7:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.. Free. Free and low cost health and medical services, screenings and consultations. For detailed information and a current list of health and medical offerings, visit www.TriLakesHAP.org/HealthFair.
 - **HAP Senior Center Open House**, Sat., **May 3**, 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., Lewis-Palmer High School Campus, Monument. Tour the recently refreshed facility. Enjoy some light refreshments and see what's available. The center is open Tue.-Fri., 1 to 4 p.m. Group activities include a monthly ladies' tea, bingo, Zumba, Tai Chi, line dancing, balance classes, bridge, pinochle, and Mah Jong. Individual activities include PC with Internet, a lending library, relaxation lounge, cable TV, and a treadmill. A medical foot clinic is offered monthly. See the full schedule and details at www.TriLakesHAP.org/SeniorCenter.
 - **Peak Ranch Alpaca Beginner Knitting Classes**, Sat., **May 3 & 10**, 12:30-2:30 p.m., 19850 Beacon Lite Rd., Monument. Learn to knit. Cost: \$52 including materials for the two-Saturday course. Meets 1st & 2nd Sat. each month. Info: Rene, 232-8509; PeakRanchAlpacas.com.
 - **Spotlight Community Theatre 7th Annual Summer Musical Theatre Workshop**: Casting auditions the 1st or 2nd week of May. A musical comedy from the stories of A.A. Milne's Winie the Pooh. Workshop rehearsals meet Mon.-Fri., **Jul. 7-18**, 1-4:30 p.m., at The Church at Woodmoor, 18125 Furrow Rd., Monument. Tuition: \$225, partial scholarships available. Info: 719-323-3670, Spotlightcp@cs.com, www.SpotlightCommunityTheatre.com.
 - **Cafe Velo Tri-Lakes GranFondo**, Sun., **May 4**, 8 a.m.-noon. Start and finish in Monument at the Pikes Peak Brewery. This is a well-supported ride with aide stations every 10-12 miles stocked with food and hydration as well as mechanical support. A portion of the proceeds will help fund the Club Cafe Velo Youth Cycling & Triathlon Fund. Info: 772-6101, <http://coloradospringscycling.com/granfondo/>.
 - **Home Energy Savings: Myths and Money**, Mon., **May 5**, 7 p.m., Woodmoor Barn, 1691 Woodmoor Dr., Monument. Free. Learn how to lower your utility bills, increase the comfort and safety of your home, and reduce your carbon footprint. Presented by Tri-Lakes Women's Club and Jim Riggins of EnerSmart Energy Solutions. Info: Susan Weese, 481-2556; www.TLWC.net.
 - **"Do-it-Yourself" Wildfire Fuels Mitigation Class**, Wed., **May 7**, 7 p.m., Woodmoor Barn, 1691 Woodmoor Dr., Monument. Jim Woodman, retired forester and FireWise Committee Chair, will show Woodmoor residents how to reduce the forest fuels around their homes, focusing on easy things that could make the difference between saving or losing their homes to a wildfire. Info: 488-2693.
 - **CASA 4-1-1 Hour**, Tue., **May 8**, 5:30 p.m., 701 S. Cascade, Colo. Springs. CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocates, www.casappr.org) invites you to hear from a CASA volunteer about advocating for the best interest of a child involved in a case of abuse, neglect, or severe domestic con ict. RSVP & Info: Kelly, 447-9898, ext. 1033.
 - **Black Rose Acoustic Society Open Stage: headlined by Katie Glassman and Snapshot**, Fri., **May 9**, opening act at 7 p.m., doors open at 6:15. Black Forest Community Center, 12530 Black Forest Rd. at Shoup Road. Cost: \$7 general, \$4 BRAS members, \$5 nonmember students with ID. Info: Joe Maio, 528-6119, jrmtm@comcast.net, www.blackroseacoustic.org.
 - **Monument Hill Farmer's Market Opening Day**, Sat., **May 10**, 8 a.m.-2 p.m., behind the D-38 Administration building at Second and Jefferson St. in Downtown Monument. Park in the Administration Building parking lot. Playground for the kids, many new vendors plus all your old favorites. Open each **Sat.**, May 10-Oct. 18. Info: 592-9420.
 - **Pikes Peak Soap Derby**, register by Sat., **May 10**. Calling all young drivers, ages 7-17, for the greatest amateur racing event in the world. Registration deadline, **May 10**. Practice and Rally Day, **Jun. 1**, 8:30 a.m. Race day, **Jun. 8**, 8 a.m. The race is located on Costilla Street between El Paso and Watsatch in Colo. Springs. Info: www.ppsbd.com.
 - **Mothers' Day at the Villa Palmer Lake**, Sun., **May 11**, Brunch Buffet, 10:30 a.m.-4 p.m.; Dinner, 4-8 p.m., 75 Hwy 105, Palmer Lake. Cost: \$25 adults, \$10 children. Check the Facebook page for menu details. RSVP & Info: 481-2222.
 - **CDOT Open House on Statewide Transit**, Wed., **May 14**, 5:30-7 p.m., Pikes Peak Area Council of Governments, 14 South Chestnut St., Colo. Springs. The public is invited to attend and provide input on how best to enhance their local, regional, and human service transportation needs. The Statewide Transit Plan is expected to be completed in early summer 2014. It then will be integrated into CDOT's Statewide Transportation Plan. For more information or to provide comment on the Statewide Transit Plan, Regional Coordinated Transit and Human Services Plans, please visit the website at: <http://coloradotransportationmatters.com/other-cdot-plans/transit/>.
 - **Cleanup Monument Days**, Thu., **May 15**, 7 a.m.-5 p.m., large dumpsters at 506 Jefferson St., Public Works Yard. No tires, batteries, paints and stains, chemicals, televisions, computers, refrigerators and oil / gas containers. Please bring a valid water bill for proof of residency. Info: 481-2954.
 - **Groh Music Voice Camp 2014, Register by May 15**. Group Voice, Dance for Singers, Broadway Scenes, Mixed Choir. High School, June 9-13; Middle School, June 23-27; M-F, 9 a.m.-noon. Info: 719-235-1646, SarahGrohCorrea@gmail.com, SarahGroh.com.
 - **Art Hop is back!** Thu., **May 15**, 5-8 p.m., historic downtown Monument. The 3rd Thu. each month, May-Sept, the galleries, restaurants, and boutiques of downtown Monument stay open until 8 p.m. for a celebration featuring art openings, book signings, great food, live music, and more. Info: 481-3282.
 - **Bella Art & Frame Artist Reception**, Thu., **May 15**, 5-8 p.m., 183 Washington St., Monument. Meet Dave Brandt, award-winning photographer, whose works are on exhibit May 5-28. Info: 487-7691, www.bellaartandframe.com.
 - **Art Hop Book Signing at Covered Treasures Bookstore: Spotlight on Local Authors**, Thu., **May 15**, 5-8 p.m., 105 Second St., Monument. Guests are Maureen Keilty, author of Best Hikes with Kids in Colorado; Julie Raber of Pocket Pals Trail Guides; Susan Davies, Trails and Open Space Coalition Director; and representatives of Rampart Range Wildlands. Info: 481-2665.
 - **Art Hop at Wisdom Tea House**, Thu., **May 15**, 5-8 p.m., 65 Second St., Monument. Ice carving & art demos, serving dinner & dessert. Info: 481-8822, www.wisdomteahouse.com.
 - **United Policyholders Final Local Recovery Workshop: Healing and Dealing**, Thu., **May 15**, 6-8 p.m., Woodmen Heights Campus of Woodmen Valley Chapel, 8292 Woodmen Valley View (near the intersection of Woodmen Road and Marksheffel Road). Free workshop will address strategies for insurance claims deadlines and decisions as well as some of the unique emotional challenges that come at the one year anniversary of the Black Forest Fire. Info: Dave Rose, 520-6540, DaveRose@elpasoco.com.
 - **Buffalo Grass Acoustic Society Open Stage featuring DC-Detour**, Fri., **May 16**, Show starts at 7 p.m., free jam session starts at 5:30 p.m., Cowboy Church of Peyton, 15504 Bradshaw Rd., Peyton. Cost: Adults, \$5; Members, \$3; Kids under 16 free. Info: (719) 660 8037, www.buffalograssacoustic.org.
 - **Slash Disposal Drop-off Day**, Sat., **May 17**, 8 a.m.-4 p.m., Anderson Slash Disposal Site, Washington Street north of Hwy 105 in Monument. The slash disposal is self-service and costs \$7 a load. Run by WIA and Anderson Tree Service. Drop-off days are scheduled for **June 14, July 19, Aug. 16, Sept. 13, and Oct. 11**. Info: 488-2693.
 - **Covered Treasures Bookstore: Indies First Story Time Day**, Sat., **May 17**, 1-3 p.m., 105 Second St., Monument. Bring your children to hear favorite childhood books read by local authors Donna Guthrie, Louise Zito, Allison Flannery, and Kris Abel-Helwig. Info: 481-2665.
 - **Gleneagle Sertoma presents Spirits of Spring: A Wine and Food Tasting with Live and Silent Auction**, Sat., **May 17**, 6-9 p.m., Pro Rodeo Hall of Fame, Rockrimmon & I-25. Indulge in a selection of wines from Downtown Fine Spirits and Wines plus delectable delights from local chefs. Cost: \$55 per person; proceeds to benefit The Home Front Cares, Mission Medical Center, and Tri-Lakes Cares. Tickets available at the door. For ticket info or silent auction donations, call 488-9879. Info: www.spiritsofspring.org.
 - **Peak Ranch's Shearing Day**, Sun., **May 18**, 10 a.m., 19850 Beacon Lite, Monument. You're invited to watch, and even help. Also, Alpaca Boutique Spring Sale, **Saturdays**, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., weekdays by appointment. See ad for 10% off. Info: 232-8509, peakranchalpacas.com.
 - **Tri-Lakes Community Blood Drive**, Tue., **May 20**, 3-7 p.m., Tri-Lakes Cares, 235 Jefferson St., Monument. No appointment needed, just walk in. Please bring driver's license or ID. Info: 776-5714.
 - **Rampart Range Wildlands Project Open House**, Tue., **May 20**, 7 p.m., Palmer Lake Town Hall, 28 Valley Crescent. Learn about the effort to conserve 35,000 acres of the Rampart Range for quiet-use recreation, wildlife habitat, water quality, and possible wilderness designation. The open house will include maps and posters, as well as a short presentation about the area and why it deserves a higher level of