Palmer Lake Inaugural 0.5 K Fun Run to benefit Awake Palmer Lake, Oct. 10

Over 600 kids, adults, and dogs showed up for the Palmer Lake Inaugural 0.5 kilometer Fun Run donned in their new Palmer Lake fun run shirts, Broncos gear, lake-themed costumes, and a variety of other costumes.

The day included costume contests, an obstacle course, a donut aid station, cheerleaders cheering at the finish line, and of course, beer, root beer, and doggy treats at the finish.

All the proceeds for race entry went to Awake Palmer Lake.



Above: Dan and Sharon Bossie went all out for their run as the Awake the Lake Olympic Kayak Team.



Above: Runners and walkers alike fueled up on donuts half-way through the fun run.



Above: Jon, Max, and Kate Reisinger celebrated their costumed run with beer, root beer, and a big thumbs up. *Photos by Audrey Burkart*.

WMMI Harvest Festival draws 1,300 visitors, Oct. 10-11

By David Futey

On Oct. 10 and 11, the Western Museum of Mining & Industry (WMMI) hosted its annual Reynolds Ranch Harvest Festival. More than 1,300 visitors had many activities to participate in.

Visitors went on a hay ride that circled the museum's 27-acres, selected a pumpkin from the pumpkin patch

Above: Young visitors carefully select a pumpkin from the pumpkin patch in the Reynolds Farm House yard.

held at the historic Reynolds house, saw the operation of the blacksmith shop, interacted with the museum burros Chism and Nugget, took a daylight tour of the Haunted Mines, visited with Civil War re-enactors, watched the operation of an apple cider press, heard spooky stories told in the museum's mine drift, learned how to gold pan from members of the Gold Prospectors of Colorado, and saw



Above: Museum volunteer Douglas Ducote drives a tractor pulling festival visitors on a hay ride at the WMMI's Reynolds Ranch Harvest Festival.

the operation of a variety of outdoor and indoor museum equipment.

Information on upcoming events at the museum is at www.wmmi.org.

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Above: Visitors to the WMMI Harvest Festival try their hand at striking it rich in the Gold Prospectors of Colorado panning troughs.

D38 candidate forum, Oct. 14



Above: As part of the 2015 coordinated election, a candidate forum was sponsored by the District Accountability Advisory Committee at the administration building (Big Red) on Oct. 14. All of the candidates attended the forum and responded to questions in front of a live audience as well as those watching the live stream video that was recorded. Candidates, from left to right: Mark Pfoff, Matthew Clawson, Lani Moore, Gordon Reichal, Dale Bastin, Sherri Hawkins, Sarah Sampayo, and Kris Beasley. *Photo by Jackie Burhans*.

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