

Recycled materials become works of art

By David Futey

At the opening reception on May 8, artist Gary Weston had his collection of sci-fi related sculptures on display at the Tri-Lakes Center for the Arts (TLCA). Weston takes items he discovers at garage sales, second-hand stores and other locations and turns them into artwork that not only sparks the imagination but also pays homage to sci-fi classics. As

an example of the latter, Weston created a full-size version of a time machine based on the one used by Rod Taylor in the 1960 classic movie. Weston's works were on display until May 30. Information on upcoming events at the TLCA is at www.trilakesarts.org.

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Above: Artist Gary Weston is shown next to one of his many sculptures that were on display at the Tri-Lakes Center for the Arts. Weston makes his generally sci-fi themed creations from recycled materials. Photo by David Futey.



Above: Palmer Lake resident Nikki Sheridan takes a trip in artist Gary Weston's Time Machine, which was on exhibit at the Tri-Lakes Center for the Arts from April 28 to May 30. Sheridan said she follows Weston "wherever he goes to see his new creations." Photo by David Futey.

Ride to School with TLMFPD, May 6



Above: On May 6, Cooper, Carson, and Annika Ahlers got a ride to Lewis-Palmer Elementary School with the Tri-Lakes Monument Fire Protection District (TLMFPD) fire engine. TLMFPD crew members included Mo Ayala, Elliot Linke, and Keegan Black. Photo by TLMFPD Fire Marshal John Vincent.

Spirits of Spring, May 16



Above: Gleneagle Sertoma conducted its 11th annual Spirits of Spring Wine & Food Tasting fundraiser May 16. The event raised more than \$10,000 for The Homefront Cares, Tri-Lakes Cares, Silver Key Senior Services, and other local charities. Over 200 people attended the fundraiser at the ProRodeo Hall of Fame. Attendees tasted wine and tried new delicacies from local restaurants and caterers while competing to win items at the silent auction. Gleneagle Sertoma is always looking for volunteers and new members to help with Service to Mankind. Contact them at www.gleneaglesertoma.org. Photo courtesy of Gleneagle Sertoma.

Tree seedlings for forest fire victims



Left: Kyah Voelker, a Palmer Ridge High School student, helped distribute some of the 10,000 tree seedlings given away on May 9 to over 238 Black Forest residents whose land was damaged in the 2013 fire, which burned 14,280 acres and 488 homes. The Colorado State Forest Service, Arbor Day Foundation, FedEx, National Wildlife Federation, and Black Forest Together combined their efforts for the giveaway to help restore some vegetation to the burned properties. Even those with insurance have found that their policies do not cover the costs of restoring acres of burned landscape. To donate to or volunteer with Black Forest Together, which is still coordinating cleanup and mitigation projects for fire victims, see www.blackforestogether.org or find them on Facebook. Photo by Lisa Hatfield.



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