

volunteer application is located at www.elpasoco.com. Click on the "Volunteer Boards" link. For more information, call 520-6436 or visit www.elpasoco.com.

Prepare for Election Day, register by Oct. 31

The El Paso County Clerk's Office wants all voters to be prepared for this highly anticipated presidential election. This is an all-mail ballot election and voters' registration must be up to date in order for their ballots to be mailed to them. Voters can visit www.GoVoteColorado.com now to check that the address on their registration record is correct. Ballots will be mailed to local voters Oct. 17-21. The last day for an individual to submit a voter registration application and still receive a ballot in the mail is **Oct. 31**. For more information, contact Chuck Broerman, El Paso County Clerk & Recorder, 520-6202 or chuckbroerman@elpasoco.co.

Monument Hill Foundation:

Supporting youth and the community

Each year the Monument Hill Kiwanis Club (formerly Monument Hill Sertoma Club) raises money for Tri-Lakes Cares with the Empty Bowls Dinner and for the Salvation Army through the Red Kettle Campaign. Also, over the past 10 years the club and its granting arm, the Monument Hill Foundation, have granted more than \$1 million raised by various club activities to qualifying Tri-Lakes and El Paso County organizations. This year the foundation received 36 grant requests totaling \$141,628. Twenty-six grants will be awarded, valued at a total of \$48,890. Among the organizations to receive grants is the Lewis-Palmer School District, which will receive eight grants totaling \$17,840. The Monument Hill Foundation and the Monument Hill Kiwanis Club are Colorado corporations and are federally designated 501(c)(3) public charities. For more information about the foundation's annual granting program, please contact Barbara Broshous, 719-999-5447.

YMCA 5K Race Series and

Kids Fun Runs; register early to save

The three-race series includes the Creepy Crawl **Oct. 29** on the Santa Fe Trail in Palmer Lake, Turkey Trot **Nov. 24** at the Briar-gate YMCA, and the Jingle Bell **Dec. 10** at Fountain Creek Regional Park. Register for the Creepy Crawl now through **Oct. 15** for \$30, **Oct. 16-28** for \$35, and **Oct. 29** for \$40. Sign up online at www.pymca.org/raceseries.

Break-ins and vehicle thefts

The Palmer Lake Police Department investigated two burglaries in September that occurred during the night, possibly between the hours of midnight and 2:30 a.m. The suspect(s) entered through cut screens to unlocked windows, or through unlocked doors, and entered the homes while the residents were asleep. The suspect(s) took small electronics, wallets, keys to vehicles, and then the vehicles. Three vehicles were stolen from Palmer Lake; two have since been recovered. The Sheriff's Office experienced a similar case in the Gleneagle area. In this case a blue Ford Edge was stolen, which had not been recovered at the time this was written. Stolen credit cards were used at a Walmart. Monument police urge members of our community to remove valuables from and lock all vehicles as well as house doors and windows.

Hangers to Hutches will close its doors Oct. 30

The Tri-Lakes Cares Board of Directors voted with great regret to close the resale shop when its lease expires **Oct. 30**. The impact of Goodwill, the sidewalk construction on Jefferson Street, and other challenges have all led to a decrease in patronage and an overall pattern of increased expenses and decreased income, despite the valiant efforts of more than 100 volunteers. It was a difficult and emotional decision for the board, but made with the best interest of Tri-Lakes Cares and its mission to the community at heart. The statement by the Board of Directors can be viewed at www.tri-lakescares.org.

LEAP—Help for heating bills begins Nov. 1

The Low-Income Energy Assistance Program (LEAP) is a federally funded program that provides cash assistance to help families and individuals pay a portion of winter home heating costs. The eligibility period for LEAP runs **Nov. 1-April 30**. Application packets will automatically be mailed to residents who received LEAP assistance last year at the address where they were living at that time. To find out if you qualify for LEAP, call 1-866 HEAT-HELP (1-866-432-8435) or visit www.colorado.gov/cdhs/leap.

Hometown heroes

Would you like to honor a member of your family who served honorably in our U.S. military? Join American Legion Post 9-11 in honoring your family hero by having an 18-by-36-inch banner flown in the Tri-Lakes area featuring his/her photo in uniform with area and dates served on active duty. The banner will be

attached to town posts by Palmer Lake Legionnaires and flown from Memorial Day through Veterans Day. The cost to each family is \$125. To order or for more information, call post headquarters at the Depot Restaurant, 481-8668.

Mountain View Electric Association (MVEA)

Essay Contest, apply by Nov. 18

High School juniors can win an all-expense-paid trip to either Washington, D.C., or a week at Leadership Camp at Glen Eden Resort. This year's topic is, "The Power of Membership: In a cooperative you are a member-owner—not just a customer. Explain the difference this relationship makes." For more information, contact Megan Morse, 719-494-2622, or visit www.mvea.coop/community/essay-contest/.

Volunteers needed for chipping and mitigation projects

Black Forest Together continues to coordinate service projects to assist homeowners in Black Forest with chipping and forest management projects to reclaim their land from the devastation of the 2013 fire. This is a great community service opportunity for ages 14 and up. For more information about upcoming projects, contact Donna Arkowski at darkkorch@msn.com or call 495-2892.

Tri-Lakes Silver Alliance needs volunteers

The Tri-Lakes Silver Alliance is a nonprofit, all-volunteer organization that serves and supports seniors in our community. The Alliance currently needs volunteers, three hours a week; and active board members, eight to 10 hours a month. For more information, call Program Coordinator Sue Walker, 719-464-6873. Volunteers are also needed to work a three-hour shift once a week in the thrift store, to move items from storage into the store, or to pick up and transport donated items. To volunteer, call 488-3495.

Free transportation and safety services

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. Call 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. For more information, visit TriLakes-mcts-sshs.org. The senior transportation program needs additional volunteer drivers. For information, email MCSS at mcseniorservices@gmail.com or call the MCSS dispatch hotline at 488-0076. ■

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

- **Forest Lakes Metropolitan District joint board meeting with Pinon Pines Metropolitan Districts 1, 2, and 3**, Wed., **Oct. 3**, 10 a.m., Classic Homes, 6385 Corporate Drive, Suite 200, Colo. Springs. Meets 1st Mon. each month. Official agenda posting at 3625 Mesa Top Dr. (Lindbergh Road), Monument. For questions not related to operations, billing, meter reading or recreational matters, please contact the Forest Lakes Metropolitan District Manager Ann Nichols, 719-327-5810, anicholsduffy@aol.com or visit www.forestlakesmetrodistrict.com/.
- **Monument Board of Trustees Meeting**, Mon., **Oct. 3**, 6:30 p.m., Town Hall Board Room, 645 Beacon Lite Rd., Monument. Meets 1st and 3rd Mon. each month. Info: 884-8017.
- **El Paso County Planning Commission Meeting**, Tue., **Oct. 4**, 9 a.m., 2880 International Circle (off Union Blvd & Printers Pkwy). Meets 1st & 3rd Tue. (if required) each month. Info: 520-6300, <http://adm2.elpasoco.com/planning/agendas/pc/pc-agn.asp>.
- **D-38 School Board Community Coffee**, Mon., **Oct. 10**, 6-7:30 p.m., Learning Center in the D-38 Administration Building, 146 Jefferson St., Monument. Tri-Lakes residents are invited to join the Lewis-Palmer School Board members for refreshments and informal conversation. No official school district business will be conducted. Info: 481-9546.
- **Tri-Lakes Wastewater Facility Joint Use Committee Meeting**, Tue., **Oct. 11**, 10 a.m., 16510 Mitchell Ave. Meets 2nd Tue. each month. Info: Bill Burks, 481-4053.
- **D-38 Accountability Advisory Committee (DAAC) Meeting**, Tue., **Oct. 11**, 7 p.m., Meets 2nd Tue. each month, location varies. Info: 488-4700, www.lewispalmer.org.
- **D-38 Special Education Advisory Council**, Wed., **Oct. 12**, 6 p.m., Learning Center, 146 Jefferson St., Monument. Meets 2nd Wed. each month. Info: 785-4208, cpetersen@lewispalmer.org.
- **Palmer Lake Sanitation District Board Meeting**, Wed., **Oct. 12**, 10 a.m., 120 Middle Glenway. Meets 2nd Wed. each month. Info: 481-2732.
- **Palmer Lake Planning Commission Workshop**, Wed., **Oct. 12**, 6 p.m., Palmer Lake Town Hall, 28 Valley Crescent. Meets 2nd Wed. each month. Info: 481-2953, www.townofpalmerlake.com.

- **Monument Planning Commission Meeting**, Wed., **Oct. 12**, 6:30 p.m., Town Hall Board Room, 645 Beacon Lite Rd., Monument. Meets 2nd Wed. each month. Info: 884-8017.
- **Triview Metropolitan District Board Meeting**, Thu., **Oct. 13**, 5 p.m., 15275 Struthers Rd. Normally meets 2nd Tue. each month. Info: 488-6868.
- **Monument Academy School Board Meeting**, Thu., **Oct. 13**, 6 p.m., school library, 1150 Village Ridge Point, Monument. Meets 2nd Thu. each month. Info: 481-1950, www.monumentacademy.net/school-board.
- **Palmer Lake Town Council Meeting**, Thu., **Oct. 13**, 6:30 p.m., Palmer Lake Town Hall, 28 Valley Crescent. Meets 2nd & 4th Thu. each month. Info: 481-2953, www.townofpalmerlake.com.
- **Monument Board of Trustees Meeting**, Mon., **Oct. 17**, 6:30 p.m., Town Hall Board Room, 645 Beacon Lite Rd., Monument. Meets 1st and 3rd Mon. each month. Info: 884-8017.
- **El Paso County Planning Commission Meeting**, Tue., **Oct. 18**, 9 a.m., 2880 International Circle (off Union Blvd & Printers Pkwy). Meets 1st & 3rd 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., **Oct. 18**, 7 p.m., Station 1, 15415 Gleneagle Dr. Meets 3rd Tue. each month. Info: 488-8680.
- **Academy Water and Sanitation District Board Meeting**, Wed., **Oct. 19**, 6 p.m., Wescott Fire Station 1, 15415 Gleneagle Dr. Meets 3rd Wed. each month. Info: 481-0711.
- **Palmer Lake Planning Commission Meeting**, Wed., **Oct. 19**, 6 p.m., Palmer Lake Town Hall, 28 Valley Crescent. Meets 3rd Wed. each month. Info: 481-2953, www.townofpalmerlake.com.
- **Monument Sanitation District Board Meeting**, Thu., **Oct. 20**, 10 a.m., 130 2nd St. Meets 3rd Thu. each month. Info: 481-4886.
- **Woodmoor Water & Sanitation District Board Meeting**, Thu., **Oct. 20**, 1 p.m., 1845 Woodmoor Dr., Monument. The next meeting will be Nov. 17. Normally meets 2nd Thu. each month. Info: 488-2525.
- **Donala Water & Sanitation District Board Meeting**, Thu., **Oct. 20**, 1:30 p.m., 15850 Holbein Dr., Colorado Springs. Meets 3rd Thu. each month except Nov. and Dec. Info: 488-3603.
- **Lewis-Palmer School District 38 Board Meeting**, Thu., **Oct. 20**, 6 p.m., Learning Center, 146 Jefferson St., Monument. Meets 3rd Thu. each month. Info: 488-4700
- **Tri-Lakes Monument Fire Protection District Board**

Meeting, Wed., **Oct. 26**, 6:30 p.m., Town Hall Board Room, 645 Beacon Lite Rd., Monument. Meets 4th Wed. each month. Info: Jennifer Martin, 484-0911, www.tlfire.org.

- **Woodmoor Improvement Association Board Meeting**, Wed., **Oct. 26**, 7 p.m., Woodmoor Barn, 1691 Woodmoor Dr. Meets 4th Wed. each month. Info: 488-2693, www.woodmoor.org.
- **Forest View Acres Water District Board Meeting**, Thu., **Oct. 27**, 5:30 p.m., Monument Sanitation District boardroom, 130 Second St. Meets 4th Thu. each month, 6 p.m. Info: 488-2110, www.fvawd.com.
- **Palmer Lake Town Council Meeting**, Thu., **Oct. 27**, 6:30 p.m., Palmer Lake Town Hall, 28 Valley Crescent. Meets 2nd & 4th Thu. each month. Info: 481-2953, www.townofpalmerlake.com.
- **El Paso County Planning Commission Meeting**, Tue., **Nov. 1**, 9 a.m., 2880 International Circle (off Union Blvd & Printers Pkwy). Meets 1st & 3rd Tue. (if required) each month. Info: 520-6300, <http://adm2.elpasoco.com/planning/agendas/pc/pc-agn.asp>.
- **D-38 Accountability Advisory Committee (DAAC) Meeting**, Tue., **Nov. 1**, 7 p.m., Normally meets 2nd Tue. each month, location varies. Info: 488-4700, www.lewispalmer.org.
- **D-38 School Board Parent Coffee**, Wed., **Nov. 2**, 9-10:30 a.m., Learning Center in the D-38 Administration Building, 146 Jefferson St., Monument. Parents of D-38 students are invited to join the Lewis-Palmer School Board members for refreshments and informal conversation. No official school district business will be conducted. Info: 481-9546.

LOCAL LIBRARY EVENTS

- **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.
- **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.
- **Monument Library: Aftermath**, every **Mon.**, 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.
- **Monument Library: Book Break**, every **Mon., Wed., & Fri.**, 10:30-10:45 a.m. A short read-aloud session for preschoolers. Monument Branch Library, 1706 Lake Woodmoor Dr. Info: 488-2370, www.ppld.org.
- **Monument Library: Paws to Read**, every **Mon. & Wed.**, 4-5 p.m. Let your child practice reading to a Paws to Read