

Fine Gifts to Go & More Craft Fair

This event will take place on Saturday, November 2 from 10am to 3pm in the Lamar Community Building multi-purpose room. There will be tables displaying info on: skin care, senior exercise, foot detox regimen, reflexology and bio-feedback. There will be hand-made crafts and home baked goodies. This event is sponsored by: Amazing You Therapeutic Exercise Center 691-5592, MakeScents by Candace Zordel 688-3699 and Healthy pHeat Foot Bath - Shannon Venturi - 691-5440

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State Senator Brophy Visiting Lamar

Colorado State Senator, Greg Brophy, will be in Lamar at noon, Monday, November 4 as part of a campaign swing through the 64 counties in the state. Brophy's visit to Lamar will be held at Brew Unto Others Coffee Shop at 119 South Main Street. Brophy is campaigning for governor in Colorado and will tour portions of the southeast November 3-6. More information is available at www.GregForGovernor.com.

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Home Health Aid

Home health aid needed for a part time position. Serious inquires only. Apply at 107 S. 12th between 9:00 -12.

Real Estate

Professional Office Location

313 South Fifth Street Lamar, CO; Suites Two and Three 800 sq. Feet - All newly remodeled; Utilities Included; Call Lori 336-7000

Misc.

Coffee Table For Sale

Nice large mahogany coffee table with two glass inserts and built-in storage cabinets - call 336-7545.

Yard Sales

Garage Sale

2406 Memorial Drive, Lamar - Friday, November 1 from 3pm to 6pm and Saturday, November 2 from 7am to 2pm - New items! Shampooer, large rug, weed cutter, furniture, household items, microwave, and etc.

Yard Sale

308 Willow Valley, Lamar - Saturday, November 2nd from 8am to 11am - Antique furniture, stair chair, nice books shelves, small indian figurines, pots/pans, matted frames, Maija Printings & other odds & ends.

Invitation for Bid

Lamar Housing Authority is accepting sealed bids for the roof repair and replacement of several of our rental units in Sheridan Lake, Holly, Granada and Lamar due to wind and mechanical damage. All of these structures are duplex, residential, stand-alone dwellings.

Locations for the unit roofs needing repairs include:

625 & 627 Burnette Avenue, Sheridan Lake, CO
127 & 129 10th Street, Holly, CO
201 - 211 South Inge, Granada, CO
200 - 202 West Elm, Granada, CO
303 - 309 Snowden, Granada, CO

Locations for unit roofs to be replaced include:

206 East Cedar, Lamar, CO Buildings A, B, C, D, E, F, G, J, L and M
206 East Cedar, Lamar, CO Maintenance Shed
1106 Parkview Avenue, Lamar, CO Buildings 1,2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8

All building specs and information packets may be picked up at Lamar Housing Authority, 804 South Main Street, Lamar, CO 81052. A pre-bid walk through will be on Friday, October 25, 2013, 2:00 PM, at the Lamar Housing Authority Maintenance Shop located at 206 East Cedar, Lamar, CO 81052. This project will require Davis Bacon wages. All persons submitting bids must have Workman's Compensation Insurance as well as Liability Insurance coverage and proof of such coverage must be included with bids. All bids received without proof of current Liability and Workman's Compensation Insurance's will be rejected. All persons submitting bids must be bonded. All bid documents must be sealed in an envelope and clearly marked "Bid Documents". All sealed bids must be clearly marked LHA Roof Bid 2013-01 and delivered to Lamar Housing Authority, 804 South Main Street, Lamar, CO 81052, by November 15, 2013, by 4:30PM. Late submissions will not be accepted. All sealed bids will be opened at the regularly scheduled Lamar Housing Authority Board Meeting on November 18, 2013, at 12:00 PM.

Filbeck Realty

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311 East Walnut \$35,000

308 South 6th \$66,500

804 South 14th \$77,500

Golden Arrow Motel \$80,000

Pheasants Forever Banquet

The Rebel Rooster Chapter of Pheasants Forever will hold their annual banquet at the Lamar Eagles Lodge, located at 1220 South Main in Lamar on Saturday, November 9 starting at 6:00 pm. There will be door prizes, auctions and games. The public is invited.

Come Join in the Fun!

Coffee with Cory

Congressman Gardner will host a "Coffee with Cory" afternoon in Lamar on Thursday, November 7th. It will begin at 2:00 pm at the Lamar Community Building, located at 610 6th Street in Lamar. The event is open to all, and it provides a chance for constituents to ask Congressman Gardner questions, and for him to explain his positions on current issues in Congress.

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PCDI Gaining Income on Washington Street Rental Property

The Prowers County Development Incorporated Board of Directors voted to adopt the general operating budget for 2014, as well as the incentives property budget. Portions of the former Big R warehouse on East Washington Street have been rented over the past several months and a formal annual budget is warranted. Office space is being used by the Colorado State Patrol and ARPA, Arkansas River Power Authority is renting warehouse space. Enough revenue has been generated from the rentals that the board voted to pay off a line of credit PCDI has used for operating funds, utility and insurance expenses for the property. Members also voted for a six month extension for realtor Sharon Wilson to continue to show the property to prospective buyers. A future discussion among board members will be held to determine if the property would generate the most income either through continued rentals or an outright sale of the land and buildings. There is still ample warehouse space that can be used as a storage rental or a business operation. A drainage issue at the warehouse is being corrected as a new pump has been purchased and will be tested. An insurance claim will be sent in for an east wall that flew off its brackets on a prefab shed. This occurred during a period of high winds this fall.

A request from Lamar Partnerships Incorporated was approved to use a portion of the facility as storage space for a recycling campaign. PCDI Executive Director, Lance Benninghoff, explained that he had been contacted by LPI to store a trailer that would be used to collect recyclable plastic materials including pvc pipe and electronic refuse from Holly, Lamar, Granada and Wiley residents and businesses. The items would be sold in bulk quantities. The cost of storage and recycling would be paid through the purchase of storage bags priced at \$3 each. The trailer would visit various communities on specified days to collect the items to be recycled.

Benninghoff and PCDI Business Manager, Carla Scranton, will attend a Colorado Entrepreneurship Marketplace workshop in the future. The seminar will deal with website training and use by business owners and managers. A series of local business seminars and dates was also discussed for topics and the best time to schedule them. Benninghoff will follow up on seminars which will be hosted at various participating businesses to help directly reach employees.

The pending closure of ALCO in Lamar was briefly discussed. Benninghoff has been in contact with the parent corporation, seeing if some alternative to closing is an option for the Lamar store. A press release issued recently stated the store would close its doors on January 26 of next year. Benninghoff said area residents are welcome to send letters of support for the store to remain open. They can be addressed to the ALCO Chief Executive Officer, Richard Wilson at 401 Cottage Street in Abilene, KS 67410.

With the pending holidays, the next two meeting dates for the PCDI board were set for November 19 and December 31. *By Russ Baldwin*

Commissioners Hear Rural Fire Department Report

Efforts to facilitate more effective communications between Kansas and Colorado border fire and emergency departments is making headway, according to Staffon Warn, Prowers County Emergency Operations Manager and Rural Fire Chief. Warn was issuing his quarterly operations report to the Prowers County Commissioners Thursday, October 24, stating the communications radio systems being used by bordering counties in both states is closer to being aligned for their frequencies in the 800 megahertz band.

Other emergency operations systems are also seeing improvement, he said, including the installation of the wireless activation systems for the sirens in the community. There were some phone line problems several weeks ago as residents heard a partial siren alert that lasted only for moments. "Centurytel was called and fixed the phone line problem for us," Warn explained. Once funding is complete, the installation of the three remaining wireless activation systems will be set up. Currently, the sirens are activated from Lamar Light and Power, but the wireless system will allow any of the sirens to be set off from a touchpad telephone from anywhere in the county.

Using funds from the Volunteer Fire Assistance Grant, Warn said two, 2-1/2 inch single outlet fire hydrants are being installed on the Granada water system north of Highway 196, and the

grant will help purchase an assortment of hand tools for their department. The Prowers County Rural Fire Department has 19 firefighters, five of whom are Hazmat techs, two are EMT's, one is an EMT Level 1 and five EMR's and the majority are Wildland Firefighter Level 2 trained. Sixty-one calls were responded to during the third quarter, including 34 grass fires, ten mutual aid calls, five tree/utility pole fires, 12 motor vehicle accidents and six motor vehicle fires and four false alarms. Warn said the department usually averages 100 calls a year.

The commissioners authorized Darren Glover, Community Resource Service Director, to accept three upright freezers which will be used to store the commodities distributed throughout the county each quarter. A freezer is being donated to Wiley, Granada and Holly to store the perishable commodities. The commissioners are facing a problem with the news that the state will soon issue the food items each month instead of every three. This will impact the number of volunteers who help package the food boxes for distribution as the work, although shorter in duration, will have to be repeated monthly. Volunteers are being sought to help package the boxes. Commissioner Chairman, Joe Marble said, the volunteers at the SOS Center are mostly in their 70s. Glover said the monthly distribution may impact the rural county's chances of taking possession of those commodities that aren't picked up in the metro areas.

In other action, the commissioners appointed Clifford Boxley to the board of directors for Lamar Partnerships, Incorporated and approved the annual fairground rental agreement with the Sagebrush Sam's for 2013/2014. The commissioners meetings are being held at the SOS Center on East Olive Street until November 21 due to the upcoming general election and the need for their office space for balloting issues. *By Russ Baldwin*

Dedication of Bent's New Fort Panels Draws Huge Crowd

On October 19th, over 100 guests got to walk on the site of Bent's New Fort...something that few people had (legally) done in over 160 years. On that day new panels commemorating the site were unveiled and guests were able to tour the remains of the famous trading post that William Bent established in 1849 along the Banks of the Arkansas River near present-day Lamar, Colorado.

For some of the guests, the day was an emotional one. Cathy Loomis from Denver sent this note to BFC a few days ago:

I was thrilled to attend this dedication, and to walk the grounds—at least part of them—that my Great Great Grandfather, Aaron Dillon Robbs walked in 1866. He was a member of the US 5th Vol. Infantry who came here from Camp Wardwell/Ft. Morgan, in the early spring of 1866. He was mustered out in November of 1866 at Ft. Leavenworth.

The US Volunteer Infantry men were all former [Confederate] POW's who joined the units to get out of prison camps. They were promised they could come west, and not go back east to fight against the CSA. None of them were originally given guns. They escorted wagon trains on foot—they were not trusted with horses either. Most of them were like my grandpa—from hideously poor roots, uneducated, untrained in any skill and illiterate. But they stuck out their positions until mustered out. The 5th—Grandpa's unit—was the last to muster out. They were the 'grunts' of the Army. They were at the tail end of the supply chain, got the poorest equipment and uniforms yet they stuck out the period they promised to serve. They are the forgotten men of the southwest.

Source: Bent's Fort Chapter of the Santa Fe Trail Association Newsletter

Prowers County Youth Pheasant Hunting Clinic

Colorado Parks and Wildlife is holding a Youth Pheasant Hunt on Nov. 2 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Higbee State Wildlife Area. Youth must be between 10 and 15 years of age, have a hunter education card, a small game license and be accompanied by a parent or guardian. Bring your hunter orange vest and hat!

Activities will include a short course on pheasant hunting, safety refresher, shooting practice with clay targets, lunch and guided afternoon hunt. Parks and Wildlife will supply youth-size shotguns or families can bring their own. Hunters wishing to use their own shotguns must have the guns inspected by a wildlife officer before the hunt.

The Lamar chapter of Pheasants Forever, R & R Game Birds, and Southeast Colorado Game & Fish Club sponsor the event.

Space is limited to 25 participants. Reservations are on a first-come, first-served basis until the hunt fills. Contact Linda Groat at 719-336-6608 or Kevin Kaczmarek 719-940-3590 to register.