

## Filbeck Realty

719-336-4301

311 East Walnut \$35,000

308 South 6th \$66,500

804 South 14th \$77,500

Golden Arrow Motel \$80,000

## Appreciation

I just wanted to express my appreciation to Prowers County Zonta and all those who participated in the "Rub-A-Dub Traveling Baby Shower" for the Care Net Pregnancy Center of Southeast Colorado. It is wonderful how this community helps each other. Everyone at the pregnancy center is very grateful for everything that was giving to us.

Debbie Widner - Lamar, CO

## Zumba Fitness at the Community Building

Ditch the workout, join the party! Tasha Shelton offers Zumba classes every Tuesday and Thursday from 5:30-6:30pm at the Lamar Community Building. Classes are \$5 or a punch card can be purchased: 10 classes for \$30 or 20 classes for \$50.

## LPD Notice

The Lamar Police Department receives found property on a continual basis that includes bicycles, cell phones, keys, driver's licenses and numerous other items. These items are kept for 6 months in an attempt to locate the owners. We encourage persons with lost property to contact the police department Monday through Friday from 8 am to 3 pm at 336-4341.

## The Prowers Journal

# Classifieds

## Help Wanted

### Parts Counter Person

H. Manning is seeking a parts counter person. Experience with agriculture equipment, shipping, receiving and computer knowledge a plus. Must have valid drivers license. Please apply in person to Todd Smith at H. Manning Company 7265 Hwy. 50 West, Lamar, CO 81052.

### Maintenance Worker, Senior

Under general supervision, performs a variety of skilled and semi-skilled manual labor in the construction, maintenance, and repair of public works, sanitation, utility operations, public buildings, and equipment; operates light and medium duty equipment and trucks up to 2 1/2 tons on a regular basis. Must have a Commercial Driver's License (CDL). Applications and job description may be picked-up at the City Administrator's office. Applications must be received in the Human Resources Office, City Complex, 102 East Parmenter, Lamar, CO 81052-3299 by 4:00pm, Friday, December 6, 2013. Contingent upon job offer, the successful applicant will be required to take a pre-employment physical and drug/alcohol test and also provide a current motor vehicle record. EOE

### Strategic Planning Coordinator

Strategic Planning Coordinator - Independent contractor position through the Prowers County Strategic Planning Steering Committee. Manage year-long project including coordinating with partners and ensuring grant requirements are met. Full job description and application at [www.highplainschc.net](http://www.highplainschc.net). Applications accepted until December 6, 2013. High Plains is an equal opportunity employer. Veterans are encouraged to apply.

### Operations Crew Member

Grain Company looking for an operations crew member for Holly facility. Duties to include loading and unloading trucks, general maintenance and truck driving. Prior

agriculture experience, along with a CDL preferred. Great career opportunity for a candidate with the right experience. Excellent benefits and the security of working for a growing, successful company. Northern Ag Service, Inc. 719-537-6514.

## 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

## Notice

### Bid for Snow Removal 2014

The Lamar Housing Authority will be accepting sealed bids for snow removal and distribution of ice melt for the fiscal year 2014 for all sidewalks, entry ways, parking lots and driveways on all properties belonging to the Authority. Property locations can be picked up at 804 South Main, Lamar, CO 81052. Bidders must have proof of License, Liability Insurance and Workman's Compensation Insurance.

Bids will be accepted until 4:30 PM November 29, 2013 and will be opened on December 16, 2013, during the regular Lamar Housing Authority Board Meeting at noon. Lamar Housing Authority reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids. This institution is an equal opportunity provider and employer.



Saturday, November 30, 2013 is Small Business Saturday - a day to celebrate and support small businesses and all they do for their communities. Please join the La Junta Small Business Development Center and organizations across the country in supporting your local community by shopping at your small business.

## The Prowers Journal Would Make a Great Holiday Gift

A subscription to The Prowers Journal would make a great Christmas Gift. Out of town friends and relatives will appreciate keeping up with local events each week. You'll get the Police Report, Classifieds, School Sports and Schedules, Obituaries and News Events from Prowers County Communities. Just \$55 will purchase a weekly edition of The Prowers Journal for a year, mailed anywhere in the continental United States. Call or email to get your subscription gift sent for the holidays. Call 719-336-9095 or email your purchase request to [theprowersjournal@gmail.com](mailto:theprowersjournal@gmail.com).

## NOW HIRING

Maxim Healthcare would like to hire RN's LPN's and CNA's for Home Healthcare - Please Contact: Kristy Kimsey, Greg Lovato, or David Snyder at:

### Maxim Healthcare

317 West 3rd Suite 100

La Junta, CO

Ph 719-383-0990

## Author and Former Lamar Resident to Visit

Former Lamar resident author and screenwriter Dianne E. Butts will soon be visiting Lamar. Dianne has written five books with a sixth releasing next month. She will be bringing her books to Lamar's Brew Unto Others on Saturday, November 30, 2013. Stop in to the coffee shop between 8:00am and 1:00pm to meet the author herself. Bring your writing, publishing and screenwriting questions.

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## **Lamar Utility Board Holds Regular Meeting**

The Lamar Utility Board members held a brief, general meeting on Tuesday, November 26, before going into executive session to discuss legal advice on specific legal questions.

The September 2013 financial report was given by Light Plant Superintendent Houssin Hourieh, noting operating revenue for September was \$1,400,201 with operating costs of \$994,536 for a gross operating profit of \$405,665. With non-operating revenues and expenses considered the net income for the month was \$226,562.

Year to date operating revenues for 2013 are \$10,150,083 and total operating costs are \$8,745,925 for gross operating income of \$1,404,158. Non operating revenues and expenses show a net loss, year to date of \$81,567. Compared with last year, year to date retail sales are down 12%, or \$1,333,200.

Board members voted to replenish stock inventory of power poles, purchasing 38, 40-foot iron ductile poles from Stuart Irby for \$31,730, the lowest bidder of four submitted. Hourieh noted that these poles are a little heavier than the steel poles sometimes purchased by the power plant, and also \$100 less expensive per pole than steel. He said they are used in high burn, agricultural areas in the spring and are used to replace wooden poles that have burned to a point where they are no longer safe to use.

Through October, the Light Plant's three turbines generated 10,606 MWH of electricity, about 6.6% less than the same period last year, attributable to there being less wind. The turbines have an average capacity factor of 32.92% which is just a fraction less than 1% lower than 2012. T-1 was used the least due to problems with a failed gearbox. The Springfield turbine, because of constant strong winds, continues to outperform the others at a capacity of 39.91%. *By Russ Baldwin*

## **Holly Commercial Club, November 6, 2013 Meeting**

Guests for the Wednesday monthly meeting included: Lance Benninghoff, PCDI Executive Director; Bryce Thacker of the Holly Medical Clinic; Anne Marie Crampton and Jenna Randle of Lamar Community College. The Treasurer's monthly report showed a year to date profit of \$2,066.28. The Holly Shopper P & L for October reflected a profit of \$60.28 and year to date was \$657.46.

The Commercial Club will sponsor the annual Christmas lighting of homes with a \$100 first prize award and \$50 for second place in each of three categories: Religious, Most Original and Novelty. The judging will be done by out of town persons. The 2013 Christmas Cards are being prepared and will soon be available for sale.

The yearly Christmas movie will be shown on Thursday, December 5 at 4:15pm at the Holly Theater. The picture has not been selected as of the November meeting. It was reported that the Theater wall has been repaired and all the seats have been reinstalled in the theater and were cleaned by the KLACK kids.

Under New Business, Anne Marie Crampton from Lamar Community College mentioned that an online Veterinary Assistant Certification program has begun and LCC has begun preliminary work for the construction of a new residence Hall Pod with 24 beds, as living space is currently a limiting factor in growth at the college. The LCC Foundation received a 501(c)(3) designation and is approved for Enterprise Zone Certification money. Monies donated for program development or capital construction to the college will be eligible for a 25% tax credit through SECED.

Ralph Plummer reminded the audience that Operation Christmas Child is underway at all churches in Holly (Nov. 18-24). Boxes can be picked up or dropped off at any church. The "Pack-A-Box Party" will be held at the Baptist Church on Wednesday, November 20 at 6:30pm. As many of the recipients are in war-torn countries, anything related to warfare is not to be included in the boxes. Some top items recommended for donations include sunglasses, washcloths, stuffed animals, writing materials and toys. *Excerpts from Meeting Minutes taken by Darlene Bruce*

## **Clark Confirmed as Director of County Health & Environment**

Tammi Clark's appointment as the Prowers County Public Health & Environment Director was made official by the county commissioners during their meeting on Thursday, November 21. Clark, a Registered Nurse with 20 years medical experience in the community, was hired as deputy director on July 15. She has lived in Lamar for almost 30 years, serving as head nurse for the Lamar RE-2 School District and Clark worked for the Lamar Area Hospice as well.

Jay Brooke, Executive Director of High Plains Community Health Center, met with the com-

missioners on what he termed an auspicious occasion, as National Rural Health Care day was being observed. Several health-oriented matters were discussed including the activities of the Wiley Clinic since it was reopened this past summer. Brooke said the facility is open 25 hours a week, and has remained busy serving the clientele the Wiley and surrounding area. He said as an economic force, the High Plains Clinic has also continued to grow, expanding from five employees in 1995 to just about 100 as of this year. Brooke estimated the payroll is in excess of the \$6 million generated in 2011, operating on a \$7 million budget of which \$1.5 million is grant funded. Addressing future community health concerns, he recapped the Clinic's involvement with other medical providers in a community health needs assessment that was conducted in early 2013. He expected grants would be available for a strategic health plan report for the county, including the hiring of an individual to coordinate that plan among the local medical community, starting in 2014.

Some vandals, or people who just can't read, attempted to break through the barbed wire barrier at the rear of the pavilion parking area at the Prowers County Fairgrounds recently, according to Kirk Powers, Building Operations Supervisor. "We could see where they had attempted to tear down the wire in order to get their four wheelers or bikes to the other side," he explained to the commissioners. Powers said it's frustrating as 'no trespassing' signs are posted right on the fence in back of the pavilion and about 200 yards to the north, signs are posted for public entry to the dunes for atv's and bikes. "We laid down roto-mill and cleared the area where a pick-up has room to off load a vehicle, and they'd rather break through barbed wire in another location," he said. He said his staff has seen some indications of where donuts or 360 spinouts have been done in the parking lot, but trying to catch the bikers in the act is not that easy.

"The old, former Senior Center on East Elm Street may be costly to open up," Powers informed the commissioners. He was referring to a request made earlier this month by Professor Howard Hobbs, about seeing if the vacant building could be used as a science-oriented library. Prior to any scheduled tour of the facility, Powers said he checked out the facilities and discovered that electric metering had been pulled from the site. "I'd estimate between \$50,000 to \$75,000 would be needed to rewire the building back to pass any electric code," he explained. The former Senior Center had been listed for sale for several years, several years ago. The commissioners had also considered tearing down the building and using the land as an extra parking lot for county employees, but asbestos concerns curtailed any action. The operations supervisor said that new handicapped accessible parking spaces would become available in 2014 on the east side of the courthouse, with at least two new ones positioned on each side of the street. In other action, the commissioners approved a proclamation for the remembrance of former President John F. Kennedy on the 50th year observance of his assassination. *By Russ Baldwin*

## **Lamar, Colorado to Host 2014 Babe Ruth Softball 14u & 16u Colorado State & Midwest Plains Regional Tournaments**

DENVER, CO...Babe Ruth League, Inc.-Midwest Plains Region-has announced that the 2014 Babe Ruth 14U & 16U Colorado State and Midwest Plains Regional Tournaments will be hosted by Lamar, Colorado and played at the Lamar Sports Complex.

Local Lamar Girls Softball Association President Jill Bellomy relayed, "We appreciate the opportunity to host these tournaments for Babe Ruth." Lamar has hosted several Babe Ruth Softball tournaments in past years, including the 2011 Babe Ruth Softball 16U World Series, the first Babe Ruth Softball World Series held west of the Mississippi River. "We're pleased to have the Lamar community and the Lamar Girls Softball Association host these tournaments. With their past experience in hosting Babe Ruth Tournaments, we know they will plan and run a tournament experience with positive memories for the players, coaches, families and fans who travel to Lamar," said Colorado State Babe Ruth Softball Commissioner Janice Delong, who will serve as the Babe Ruth Task Force Director for these state and regional tournaments.

The Colorado state tournaments are scheduled for July 10-13 for qualifying teams from around the state. The Midwest Plains regional tournaments will happen on July 16-20 for qualifying teams from the regional states of Colorado, Kansas, Missouri, Nebraska, Iowa, Minnesota, North Dakota & South Dakota. Game format will be pool play followed by the double elimination championship brackets.

For more information contact MWP Assistant Regional Commissioner for Softball, David Hargrove at [dlhargrove@comcast.net](mailto:dlhargrove@comcast.net).

Babe Ruth League, Inc. is a non-profit, educational organization dedicated to developing better citizens by providing properly supervised baseball and softball competition for players ages 4 through 18. It is the basic intent of Babe Ruth League that every player who has a desire to play the sport is given the opportunity to participate and have fun.