

## MEMORIAL DAY PUBLIC NOTICE

All City offices will be closed on Monday, May 28, 2012 in observance of Memorial Day. The Community Building will also be closed on Monday, May 28, 2012. The Public Library will be open Saturday, May 26th from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and will be closed Sunday, May 27th and Monday, May 28th in observance of the holiday. All City offices will reopen on Tuesday, May 29, 2012.

Residential refuse collection scheduled for pickup on Monday will be collected on Tuesday, May 29th. Residential refuse route scheduled for Tuesday pickup will be collected on Wednesday, May 30, 2012. Please have containers in place by 6:00 a.m.

Commercial refuse collection regularly scheduled for pickup on Saturday will also have an extra collection on Monday, May 28th. Commercial Collection regularly scheduled for Monday, May 28th will be collected on Tuesday, May 29th.

The Cardboard Route will be collected on Tuesday, May 29, 2012.

The City Landfill will be open on Saturday, May 26th from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., and Sunday, May 27, 2012 from 12:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. The City Landfill will be closed Monday, May 28th and reopen Tuesday, May 29th as normally scheduled.

The Transfer Station area will be open Saturday, May 26th from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. and Sunday, May 27th from 12:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. - only for the Free Weekend.

**NOTICE** - this is a free weekend at the City Landfill and Transfer Station for City residents only.

Memorial Day decorations at Fairmount and Riverside Cemeteries can be put out at noon on Thursday, May 24th but need to be picked-up by 7:00 a.m. on Monday, June 4, 2012.

Lamar Public Swimming Pool will open on Saturday, May 26th from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. The Pool will also be open Sunday, May 27th and Monday, May 28th from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. and will begin regular hours of operation on Tuesday, May 29th from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. to 9:00.

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### Yard Sales

#### 1st Annual Strainhurst Yard Sale

**206 East Cedar, Lamar** - Saturday, May 26 - 7:00am to Noon - Maps available at Strainhurst shop. Household, misc office equipment, furniture, building supplies, and landscape equipment.

#### Yard Sale

**8255 Surrey Ridge Court in Quail Ridge, Lamar** - Saturday, May 26 from 7:30am to Noon - Cherrywood crib, high chair, swings, toys, infant and toddler clothing, race car toddler bed, infant car seat, turtle sandbox, car amp, JVC and Sony Cameras and other electronics. CASH ONLY!

#### Multi-Family Yard Sale

**1509 South 8th, Lamar** - Saturday, May 26 from 8am to Noon - Small appliances, craft books, large selection of model kits and cases. Baked goods, misc. items. Proceeds go to American Cancer Society.

#### Yard Sale

**1709 So. 7th St., Lamar** - Friday, May 25th, 10-12 am & Saturday, May 26th, 7:30-Noon - Loveseat, recliners, air conditioner, washer, dryer, bikes, home decor, clothes, too much to list!

#### Yard Sale

**1709 South 11th, Lamar** - Saturday, May 26 7am to ??? Just a front yard full of lots of bargains to buy!!

#### Garage Sale

**1503 South 11th St., Lamar** - Friday, May 25 from 8:00am to ??? and Saturday, May 26 from 8:00 to ??? - Lots of Misc., kids clothes, household goods & Bronco items.

### Advertise Your Yard Sale Today!

Hundreds of people will be reading this insert and when you advertise your weekend yardsale, garage or moving sale. Just \$5 is a great investment to make your yardsale a success. Deadline for entries is 5 pm Tuesday evening. Call Robinson Printing at 336-9095 or stop in at 210 South Main Street, Lamar.

### Notice

The next City Council meeting has been moved from Monday, May 28, 2012 to Tuesday, May 29, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. because of the Memorial Holiday.

### Special Notice:

The Law Office of George McLachlan will be closing June 8, 2012. Client files may be picked up by calling 719-688-5427. After June 8, 2012 call 719-691-9084.

### Notice: Prowers County Closures

All Prowers County Offices including the Courthouse will be closed on Monday, May 28, 2012, in observance of Memorial Day.

### For Rent

#### Apartment for Rent

Very nice 2 bedroom apartment, spacious, includes garage - \$450 / mo. Plus deposit - 336-3993.

### SOS Center Hours

The Lamar Community Resource and Senior Center hours of operation are: Monday - Friday from 8am to 5pm; Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 6pm to 9pm and the Saturday night dance is from 7pm to 10pm. Call 719-336-4072 for information.

### Holly Happenings

Eligible individuals who wish to fill a vacancy and serve as a Holly Town Trustee may submit a letter of interest by 5pm, Wednesday, June 6, to be reviewed by the board. The end of the term is April, 2014. Applicants must be at least 18 and a registered elector. The candidate must reside within the Holly town limits for at least 12 consecutive months prior to the official notice. Letters should be sent to: Mary Rushton, Clerk/Treasurer, PO Box 458, Holly, CO 81047.

The 10th Annual Bluegrass Festival will be held in Holly June 8-10 this year. Events include a Friday night Jam Session at 6pm. Saturday entertainment starts at 11am and Sunday worship and music will begin at 10:30am.

### Special Thank You

Thank you to all our friends and relatives for all the food, flowers and the memorial contributions, as well as all the prayers to help us through our difficult and trying time for our beloved mother. We also want to thank Lamar Hospice and Peacock Funeral Home.

*"Shadows fall, and life becomes so difficult to bear..... Yet sunshine comes through all the memories and love from those who really care."*

Thank you,  
Vickie and Ben Torrez  
Tim Aguilera and children

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## Letter to the Editor – Local Recreation Sports

People are always asking why teens in Lamar can not seem to stay out of trouble and ask what can we do to help kids within the community keep busy so that they do not have time to cause trouble. It always seems to be that when an opportunity opens for these teens for some reason they seem to be always be a complaint that ends the event or fun that teens have within the community. One of the main examples that I am talking about is recreation sports within the community.

There are many different recreation sports that happen throughout the year that teens can be a part of, one of the main ones being summer softball, both men's and co-ed teams are formed and games are played on week nights. However, this year this opportunity was taken away from those that are under the age of 18 and still in high school. It has always been that anyone over the age of 16 was allowed to play. No one can ever remember when the age was set at 18 and there have been kids that would have been able to play this year and were very excited and were practicing, but then to come find out that they are not allowed to play, and all for petty reasons. This community needs to take a look at what they are doing to these teens and why they are getting into trouble, every chance that they get to have a little fun it is taken away from them.

Recreation softball has always been a fun event for not only individuals, but for families as well and now with the age limits and strict rules it makes people not even want to play. In a few years you are going to not have any teams that are going to want to play because it is not fun anymore. The community really needs to take a step back and realize what this does to people as well as the community. Each team pays a lot of money to the rec department in order to have a team in and a few teams were made of players under the age limit so this is not only making the rec department lose money, but taken away a fun outside activity from our local teens.

Another example is the local skate park, many teens and pre-teens often went there to have fun and when it was taken away they were lost without it and of course it made them act out within the community. As we look around our community we can see many reasons why are teens are causing trouble, first the skate park is gone, now the age limit on softball, what is next to make this town no fun for teens. Taking a look at other communities around the area such as LaJunta you notice that their community is growing because of the fact that they keep teen activities and fight for teen activities to keep their teens busy instead of putting in small petty rules to keep them out of any type of involvement.

In closing with this letter I just want community members to realize that maybe some of us are the reasons why our teens are always bored and getting into trouble because opportunities are given to them and then taken away and their way of acting out if causing trouble, if we can avoid these small issues and allow for our teens to be involved in these recreational sports maybe we can keep the crime rate down and allow for some fun within our community.

Shawn Austin  
8279 County Road PP  
Lamar, Co 81052

## Lamar Rotary Hosts Ducky Dash Winners

"We earned about \$7,200 from the Ducky Dash sales," said Mike Renkin of the Lamar Rotary this past Thursday. Renkin was referring to the Rotary's annual Ducky Dash race held Sunday during Lamar Days activities. Tickets are sold for the fundraiser and prizes awarded for the first three ducks that pass the finish line in the Lamar Canal.

Jana Weimer won \$750 for having her duck place first; Franco Northrup won \$500 and DeLoach's Water won third place and \$250. Rotary President, Karen Ketcham said, "The funds will go to support a lot of activities in our area, principally the purchase of hundreds of dictionaries we give away each year to elementary students." She said the Rotary also supports local student scholarships, and Renkin said one of the community projects the Rotary will support this year is donating bleachers at Escondido Park in Lamar.

The Thursday weekly meeting was also highlighted by information on the summer and fall semester courses at Lamar Community College, presented by Director of Recruiting, Brenda Brown, and Christa DiMaio-Richie, Project Director for the Title Three program at the college described the courses for renewable energy technologies which will be offered to LCC students in the fall. *By Russ Baldwin*

## Three cases of Pertussis Confirmed for Prowers County

Lamar, CO– Prowers County Public Health officials have received lab confirmation of pertussis in three Prowers County children, an eight year old male, 17 year old female and an infant, over the past two weeks, with the most recent confirmed today, May 22, 2012.

Due to the outbreak, Prowers County Public Health and Environment is advising parents to check their child's immunization record to ensure they are up to date with their vaccinations for pertussis. All adults are also advised to obtain the vaccination if they have not had the vaccination. Residents are advised to check with their health care provider or call the health department if they are uncertain about their vaccination status.

Prowers County Public Health and Environment will be offering additional clinic times to ensure that residents, including children and adults, who need vaccination can make an appointment to come in. These clinics are an ongoing effort to prevent the further spread of pertussis in Prowers County and possible spill over to other counties and states. For those adult residents who are eligible vaccination costs of \$8 can be waived. Children will not be denied due to inability to pay.

Prowers County Public Health will be working with schools to assess student immunization coverage rates and identify students with symptoms who require treatment and close contacts at home who may need antibiotics to prevent infection (prophylaxis).

"Vaccination is the best prevention against pertussis," said Director of Public Health, Jackie Brown, RN, MSN "We are continuing to work with the healthcare providers and the community, to prevent the further spread of pertussis. In general, a pertussis outbreak will slow down and eventually stop once immunity, either through vaccination or infection, has been established in the community. Our work focuses on increasing vaccination rates, particularly in adults and adolescents, and preventing transmission to vulnerable populations, where the disease can have devastating results, such as pregnant women, infants, and those with weakened immune systems."

Pertussis is a vaccine-preventable disease that is also known as whooping cough, or the "100 day cough." It is highly contagious and caused by a bacterial infection of the lungs. People with suspected or confirmed diagnosis of pertussis should stay out of work, school, or childcare until they have been on antibiotics for at least five days.

For more information you can call Prowers County Public Health and Environment at 336-8721 or you can visit [www.prowerscounty.net](http://www.prowerscounty.net) CDC website [www.cdc.gov](http://www.cdc.gov)

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