

### 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.

### Zonta Club to be Financial Sponsor

The Zonta Club of Prowers County will be the financial sponsor for a delegate's fee from our area to the American Legion Auxiliary - Colorado Columbine Girls State. This year's session will be at Western State Colorado University in Gunnison and is scheduled for June 9 - 14. Girls eligible to attend must have completed their junior year of high school with above average academic standing, have high moral character, have interest in government and current events and possess leadership qualities. This is a very unique experience and one that we hope a girl from our area will be able to take advantage of.

All interested persons should contact Kathy Wootten at 336-7634 by April 30.

### Filbeck Realty - For Sale

#### 102 S. 8th Street

2 BR, 1 BA, Garage - \$30,000

#### 504 S. 12th Street

3BR, 1 3/4 BA, Garage - \$75,000

#### 5525 Hwy 50

4 BR, 2 BA, 36 Acres - \$97,000

#### 3 Reece Court

3 BR, 2 BA, Garage - \$119,000

#### 311 E. Walnut

3 BR, 1 BA, - \$45,000

For more information,  
call 719-336-4301

# The Prowers Journal CLASSIFIED ADS

## Yard Sales

### Yard Sale

**12 Quarry Rd., Lamar** - Saturday, May 4 from 8am to 1pm - usual yard sale stuff.

### Lamar United Methodist Women Rummage Sale

**107 South 6th (enter in the alley), Lamar** - Friday, May 3rd from 8:00 am to 6:00 pm and Saturday, May 4th from 8:00 am to 1:00 pm. Items can be donated to this rummage sale Monday -Thursday 1:00 pm to 6:00 pm.

### Multi-Family Yard Sale

**1512 S. 10th Lamar** - Friday, May 3 from 1pm to 5pm & Saturday, May 4 from 7am to ?? - Clothes, shoes, household items & etc.

### Yard Sale

**20 Cedar Hills, Lamar** - Saturday, May 4 from 8am to ?? - Downsizing AGAIN - Lots of household items, small kitchen appliances

### Yard Sale

**1705 S. 11th St., Lamar** - Saturday, May 4 from 8am to Noon. Breakfast burritos, lots of new & used items, clothes, shoes, toys, curtains, home interior & much more.

### Yard Sale

**111 N. 6th, Lamar** - Friday, May 3 from 8am to 5pm and Saturday, May 5 from 8am to 12 Noon - Baked goods, like new Jack LaLane juicer, home snow cone machine, luggage, golf clubs, nice oak entertainment center, over 100 karaoke CDGs, toddler car seat, 26 color TV, Pentax cameras with accessories and lens, DVDs, CDs, clothes.

### Yard Sale

**1202 S. 12th, Lamar** - Saturday, May 4 from 8am to 12 Noon - Household and decorative items, clothes and misc. junque.

### Large Yard Sale

**911 S. 4th, Lamar** - Friday, May 3 from 1pm to 5pm & Saturday, May 4 from 7am to 12 Noon - Jewelry, household goods, men's and women's clothes, sewing items, books, tools, shop items, and MORE!!

### SDS Annual Yard Sale

The SDS Family Support Services Program is currently taking donations for their Annual Yard Sale. If you're currently doing your spring cleaning and need to get rid of your extra things, you can donate those unwanted items for their sale. If you can't get your donations to SDS, call Shelly at 336-3244 ext. 25 and they will come pick them up. The yard sale will be at SDS, 1111 S. 4th Street, on May 18th starting at 8:00am.

## Misc.

### Missing Dog!

Offering a \$300.00 reward for a black toy poodle with white on chest and chin - weighs between 5 & 7 lbs - Goes by "Cookie". Last seen, evening of April 6th. Call 435-459-2075.

### For Sale

Used Electric Stove (no cord) and Refrigerator. Both Old, Both Work - \$60 for both-\$35 apiece -688-9762

### Birth Announcement

Wesley and Candace Ballewof Lubbock, TX are proud to announce the birth of their daughter, Amy Nicole Ballew, born April 23, 2013 at 8:23pm. Weighing 6 lbs. 7 ounces and 19 3/4 inches long. Sister Sarah welcomed her home. Grandparents are: Linda and Bryant Will, of Lamar and Ronnie and Sally Williams of Lubbock, TX

### Special Services

Special Services with Greg Fritz (from Tulsa Ok) May 31st - June 2nd at Living Covenant Fellowship 110 W. Lee Ave Lamar. Services times are 7:00 pm nightly and Sunday 10:45 am and 7:00 pm. For more info. contact the church at 719-336-0220.

## Philanthropy Days

The Southeast Rural Philanthropy Days Leadership Team presents "Breaking the Ice: Philanthropy in Southeast Colorado" Wednesday, May 15, 2013, 8:30 a.m. - 4 p.m. at Lamar Community College. Join us for a full day of workshop on topics including budgeting, the Common Grant Application, capital campaigns, marketing and more, plus a special lunchtime Funders Roundtable featuring representatives from the Anschutz Family Foundation, Daniels Fund and El Pomar Foundation.

**Cost: \$75 after May 1st.**

Look for more information and registration details in the coming weeks.

## Big Timbers Museum New Hours of Operation

**Winter Hours:** - Sept. 1 to May 31  
Tuesday - Saturday 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

**Summer Hours:** - Jun 1 to Aug 31  
Tuesday - Saturday - 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

**Closed Sundays, Mondays,  
and County Holidays**

## Fiddlin' Bill

Juniper Village at Lamar always has a great time when Fiddlin' Bill stops by! He is for sure one of a kind and you do not want to miss this opportunity to see some great musical entertainment. Bring the whole family on May 3 from 6:00 to 8:00 pm and make some new friends and unwind while having a great time.

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**Prowers Commissioners Approve Health IGA**

The Prowers County Commissioners acted on a limited agenda this past Thursday, April 25. An intergovernmental agreement was signed between Prowers and Kiowa County for services from the Prowers County Public Health and Environment Department, not to exceed \$39,000 for the year. The areas of assistance include Emergency Preparedness and Response, Maternal Child Health Care, Children with Special Needs, Immunizations, Vital Statistics, School Health Services and Environmental Health Services. Prowers County has had similar agreements with Baca County as well, for limited health related services. The yearly contract with the state to provide services for monitoring West Nile Virus was also approved. Keith Siemsen, Environmental Health Manager, said that given the continued drought conditions for the county, he didn't expect any growth to the number of mosquitoes in the county from last year and in fact, some of last year's traps were empty. On the other side, however, Siemsen said that those few numbers of mosquitoes would tend to have a higher concentration of West Nile carriers. There was only one incident of West Nile in Prowers County last year.

Three underground and utility permits were granted with two for Atmos Energy and one for Carrigan Excavating. The commissioners held off membership for the Ports-to-Plains organization for another year, but will discuss budgeting the \$1,300 annual fee for 2014. Commissioner Buxton-Andrade felt that given the increased discussions regarding the proposed Highway 287 by-pass, the county would benefit from having a voice at the table in the near future. The county has not been a Ports-to-Plains member for the past several years. The commissioners did voice support for the City of Lamar's grant application for CDOT RAMP program for the by-pass, or Reliever Route as it has been re-named. The commissioners decided against a \$2,400 contribution to a proposal for a coordinated plan to oppose the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's efforts to list the Lesser Prairie Chicken as a Threatened Species. Commissioner Marble stated that when the bird is placed on the endangered list, it goes under federal authority and is taken out of local control. *By Russ Baldwin*

**PCDI Discusses Rental Option on Big R Property, Nolder Replacement**

The past two executive sessions held by board members of Prowers County Development, Inc. have dealt with negotiations regarding the Big R warehouse and office space on Washington Street in Lamar. The most recent discussion held during the monthly board meeting Tuesday, April 30 covered that as well as personnel matters. Executive Director, Lisa Nolder, told members she believed a firm offer on a portion of the property would be realized this week. A measure of confidentiality still exists regarding the identity of the entity in discussions with PCDI. Nolder believed additional discussions with another party involved in small scale wind energy development might bear fruit later this summer on the remainder of the property.

Nolder, who announced her resignation as PCDI executive director to board members yesterday, informed the board on the local briefing she attended on logistics for the annual Pedal the Plains bicycle event that will pass through Lamar this September. Several hundred bike riders will be in Lamar on September 20, a leg of their journey which encompasses Eads and La Junta. Planning calls for a centrally located area for tents, bike storage and facilities for the riders for an overnight stay. She said based on conversations with host cities from last year's event, there's not much of an economic gain to be realized, but it will serve to showcase the community on a statewide and regional level.

Member discussion also covered the impact House Bill 252 could have to local economic development by doubling the output on rural energy co-ops over the next few years. The 'green' bill calls for green or renewable energy output to climb from 10% to 25% by 2020. If passed, it will have a specific impact on Tri State G & T, and the costs will be passed on to local customers. Board member, Lawrence Brase, stated those increases will impact a new generation of citizens about seven years from now as well as current residents and local business owners. A PCDI golf tournament has been set for June 15 at Spreading Antlers Golf Course. Rodeway Cow Palace Inn will cater the lunch. Teams for the four member scramble should call PCDI at 336-2384 to reserve a spot in the lineup.

PCDI President, Marsha Willhite, offered some new ideas for consideration on strategic planning and organizational values through a power point presentation for board members. Willhite suggested board members analyze how closely the annual budget matches and serves a two year strategic plan, conduct a review of the current budget with new board members and detail just what kind of results are expected by PCDI donors.

Following the resignation press release issued by Willhite on Tuesday, the board president said board members will meet next week to review the executive director's job description and discuss plans to advertise for a replacement. Willhite remarked that will probably entail a multi-state search for qualified candidates. *By Russ Baldwin*

**Down with the Old, Up with the New**

Zone dampers, or air conditioning units were hoisted into place atop the Lamar Community Building this past Wednesday, April 24. According to a construction update provided to the City of Lamar by Honeywell Building Solutions, all the roof top units will be in place before graduation ceremonies are held.

Matt Neuhold, Recreation Coordinator, said the connection process is not that complicated, despite the size and weight of the units being maneuvered by the construction crew cranes. One unit's installation had to be postponed because a taller crane was needed at one point to handle the height, weight and extended angle required to successfully swing the unit to the community building roof.

Honeywell Building Solutions was contracted by the City Council to oversee a series of energy saving upgrades to city offices, including improvements to some sections of Lamar's water distribution infrastructure. The report included completion of rooftop units at the Lamar Airport and Fire Department, a fire alarm sprinkler system upgrade at the SOS Center on East Olive Street and an upgrade to the City Complex and Community Building for sealing doors and windows. Remote monitoring of temperature control and energy management systems at the Community Building, City Complex, SOS Center and Airport is expected to be finished by June 30.

City of Lamar Water Department upgrades include installation of SCADA panels which offer real time monitoring of water use in the city water system, selected wells have been de-scaled, re-tested and re-screened, pumps and speed drives will be installed before June 30 and pipes are being replaced that connect several wells to the fill station and reservoir. As of April 22, water meters have begun to be replaced throughout the city and the wireless meter reading system should begin to be installed in the first week of May. July 31 is the deadline for the entire water meter operation to be completed. A loan and grant application process began in April. The city is seeking funding from several sources to finance the replacement of the city's south well field water transmission line. The cost is estimated at just under \$2 million and with sufficient funding, the project is expected to begin in October. *By Russ Baldwin*

**Arbor Day Foundation Names Lamar Tree City USA**

Lamar, CO was named a 2012 Tree City USA by the Arbor Day Foundation in honor of its commitment to effective urban forest management. This is the 22nd year Lamar has earned the national designation.

Lamar achieved Tree City USA recognition by meeting the program's four requirements: a tree board or department, a tree-care ordinance, an annual community forestry budget of at least \$2 per capita and an Arbor Day observance and proclamation.

The Tree City USA program is sponsored by the Arbor Day Foundation, in partnership with the U.S. Forest Service and the National Association of State Foresters.

"Everyone benefits when elected officials, volunteers and committed citizens in communities like Lamar make smart investments in urban forests," said John Rosenow, founder and chief executive of the Arbor Day Foundation. "Trees bring shade to our homes and beauty to our neighborhoods, along with numerous economic, social and environmental benefits."

Cleaner air, improved storm water management, energy savings and increased property values and commercial activity are among the benefits enjoyed by Tree City USA communities.

More information on the program is available at [arborday.org/TreeCityUSA](http://arborday.org/TreeCityUSA).

About the Arbor Day Foundation: The Arbor Day Foundation is a nonprofit conservation and education organization of one million members, with the mission to inspire people to plant, nurture and celebrate trees. More information on the Foundation and its programs can be found at [arborday.org](http://arborday.org), or by visiting us on Facebook, Twitter or our blog.