

### Prowers County Commodity Distribution

Distribution takes place the second Tuesday of each month at 8am at these locations: Lamar Senior Center, Granada Senior Center, Bristol City Complex, Hartman Annex, Holly at 200 South 3rd Street and Wiley Community Center. A picture ID is required to receive commodities.

### Muddin' For a Cure

Muddin' For a Cure is an annual fundraiser to support Relay For Life! Come join our 5th Annual Mudd'N For A Cure! Save this date: Saturday, April 18 at 2:00pm. Pits open at 10:00am. Drivers meeting at 1:00pm. Calcutta Starts at 1:30pm. Run starts at 2:00pm. For more info call Crissy at 719-688-1121 or email: muddnforacure2012@yahoo.com. A donation will be made to the 2015 Lamar Relay For Life. More Relay and Muddin' for a Cure here: <http://skywarntroopers.com/muddnforacure.html>.

### Obituary

**Marjorie Jane Herron Wyatt - September 17, 1926 - January 30, 2015** - Graveside services will be held Friday, February 13, 2015 at 11:00 a.m. at Fairmount Cemetery in Lamar, Colorado. A celebration of life will be held at a later time. For more information or to leave online condolences please visit [www.valleymemorialfc.com](http://www.valleymemorialfc.com).

### Social Security Video at Lamar Library

Call Social Security in La Junta at 888-221-0429 to learn if your questions can be answered through video tele-conferencing, now available at the Lamar Library. WALK-INS ARE NOT ACCEPTED. You must have a scheduled appointment for the video conference.

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### Yard Sale

**410 N. 7th** (corner of N. 7th and Sherman in the backyard), Lamar-Friday, February 6 from 12-5pm and Saturday February 7 from 8-5pm- Silk flowers, cook books, bottles, small vacuum, antique bed, trunk, desk, chairs, tables, baskets, tools, vases, knick knacks, pictures, jewelry, and many misc. items.

### Help Wanted

#### Fire Engineer/EMT-I

Lamar Fire & Ambulance is accepting applications for a Full-time Fire Engineer/EMT-Intermediate. Applicants must be certified as a Colorado Emergency Medical Technician Intermediate or as an EMT-Basic willing to obtain EMT-Intermediate certification. Hazardous Materials Operations or Technician level certifications preferred. Applications may be picked up at the Human Resources Office, City Complex, 102 East Parmenter, Lamar, CO 81052-3299 or on-line at [www.ci.lamar.co.us](http://www.ci.lamar.co.us). Applications, including a resume, must be submitted to the Human Resources Office at the above address or to [bert.davis@ci.lamar.co.us](mailto:bert.davis@ci.lamar.co.us) by 4:00pm, Friday, February 20, 2015. E.O.E.

#### Fire Code Board of Appeals

The City of Lamar is accepting applications for qualified individuals for a Fire Code Board of Appeals. Applicants must be qualified by experience and training to pass on matters pertaining to hazards of fire, explosions, hazardous conditions or fire protection systems and are not employees of the City. Applications may be picked up at the Administration Office, City Complex, 102 East Parmenter, Lamar, CO 81052. Applications must be submitted to the Administration Office at the

above address by 4:00 p.m., Friday, February 6, 2015.

### Transplanters

Looking for individuals to transplant plants into larger pots. Full time and part time positions available during the spring season. For more information contact Gayla Downen at 719-336-9110

### Director of Human Resources

Lamar Community College. Full-time, exempt, 12 month administrative position manages day-to-day operations of the human resources department. Knowledge of and experience with AA/EOE, FMLA, FLSA, Title IX, and other Federal legislative initiatives necessary. Bachelor's degree in Human Resources or related field required, Master's Degree preferred. Screening of applicants begins Feb. 12, 2015. Starting date is Mar. 2 or as soon as possible thereafter. Position remains open until filled. More information is available at [www.lamarcc.edu/jobs](http://www.lamarcc.edu/jobs). LCC is an AA/EOE.

### Technology Specialist

Lamar Community College. Full-time, exempt, 12 month position is responsible for the overall e-learning process in coordination with the Academic Dean and providing technical support and training under the IT Director's supervision. AS or AAS in Information Technology, Instructional Technology or related field is required, Bachelor's degree preferred. Screening of applicants begins Feb. 16, 2015. Starting date is as soon as possible. Position remains open until filled. More information is available at [www.lamarcc.edu/jobs](http://www.lamarcc.edu/jobs). LCC is an AA/EOE.

### Chief Building Official

The City of Lamar is accepting applications for a Chief Building Official. This position will perform and administer all functions of the City's Building & Zoning

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### Find Out Who You Are

Prowers County Genealogical Society is looking for new members. If you're interested in learning genealogy or just want to track down a missing family member, this is your best opportunity. Meetings are the second Wednesday of the month at 6pm at the Lamar SOS Center at 407 East Olive Street, Lamar.

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Department, including long range and current planning, zoning, building inspection, development review, building code enforcement, master planning, GIS administration, flood plain management and building permits and ADA Coordinator. The hiring range for this position is \$48,660 to \$58,392 DOQ

Applications and job descriptions are available at the Human Resources' Office, City Complex, 102 East Parmenter St., Lamar, CO 81052-3299. Resumes and applications must be submitted in to the Human Resources Office. This position will be open until filled. Upon job offer the successful applicant will be required to have a pre-employment physical, drug test and provide a current motor vehicle record. EOE

## **Reception for Lance Benninghoff**

PCDI is hosting a reception Friday Feb. 6 2-4pm at PCDI for Lance Benninghoff, who is leaving PCDI & Lamar for a new job on the Western Slope. Please join us at the PCDI office from 2-4 pm for some light refreshments and conversation.

## **Letter to the Editor: Buxton Family**

Our family wants to say a very special thank you to the entire community. This past week when my Dad, Tom Buxton, passed away suddenly, the community support has been overwhelming.

It reassured our family of a great place we live in. Dad was born and raised in Prowers County and loved his community.

On behalf of our family, thank you so much for the loving support to our Mom, Dorothy and all of our family.

*God Bless, Wendy Buxton-Andrade, Mike Buxton, Pam Black and Kendra Jacoby.*

## **Janet France Family, Mickey & Terry Dewitt Families**

A special thank you to everyone who sent flowers, donated to Hospice, brought food, sent cards of sympathy, and all the prayers during out time of loss. God Bless

## **Valentine's Day Contest**

The Granada Fiesta Club is sponsoring a Valentine's Day contest for February 14. Men contestants must submit a paragraph describing how the woman in your life is the greatest! Winner will receive Limo Service, Flowers and a Dinner at Triple-T's in Granada, CO. Mail your entry to: Fiesta de Colores, PO Box 293, Granada, CO 81041. Letters must be received by February 11 and the winner will be notified by 7pm, February 12.

## **CSP Releases State Stats on Driving High**

In 2014, the Colorado State Patrol saw a new era of impaired driving enter into our state. In an attempt to document the trends, Colonel Scott Hernandez, Chief of the Colorado State Patrol ordered the specific tracking of marijuana related citations. A summary of the 2014 DUI/DUID data is as follows.

- 5,546 citations were issued for DUI/DUID driving actions.
- \* 354 citations were issued for DUID driving actions where marijuana was the only indicator.
- 674 citations were issued for DUI/DUID driving actions where marijuana was one of the indicators.
- The 12 month average for citations related to marijuana was 12.2% of the total DUI/DUID citations.
- January, April, and December were the three highest months for citations involving marijuana usage as a percentage of the overall DUI/DUID citations issued.
- 75% of the 2014 DUI/DUID citations issued were the result of proactive motorist contacts.

When asked about the 2014 data Colonel Hernandez said, "The efforts made in 2014 highlight the Colorado State Patrol's commitment to the citizens of Colorado to make the safe travel along all roads a priority. I am proud of these efforts and will continue to work with our troopers to ensure the safety of all citizens and visitors of our wonderful state." To date, the CSP has over 540 Advanced Roadside Impaired Driving Enforcement (ARIDE) trained troopers and 61 Drug Recognition Experts (DRE).

"Clearly this arrest data underscores the need for CDOT's Drive High, Get a DUI campaign in 2015," says Amy Ford, CDOT spokesperson. A CDOT study last year found that 43% of marijuana consumers in Colorado said it was okay to drive high. After our education campaign, a new CDOT study showed that 21% of recreational marijuana consumers still didn't know you can get a DUI and 57% of those who used marijuana drove within 2 hours after consuming it. "We won't be satisfied until everyone in Colorado takes driving high seriously so the need for awareness and education is paramount," says Ford.

As the Colorado State Patrol enters 2015, we are encouraged by the efforts made throughout the state by every law enforcement officer to reduce the number of impaired drivers making the decision to drive on Colorado roadways. In 2015, the Colorado State Patrol will continue to collect data and investigate trends that will enable our agency to better adapt to the rapidly changing impaired driving attitude in Colorado.

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## **PCDI Plans Future Business Seminars, Annual Meeting**

Prior to Executive Director Lance Benninghoff's resignation announcement to the board members of Prowers County Development Incorporated in executive session, he reviewed some options for guest speakers at the PCDI annual meeting and future business seminar topics.

"We might consider moving our annual meeting to Granada or Holly and have Lee Merkel from the Department of Local Affairs as a speaker," Benninghoff suggested. Board members want to have PCDI viewed as a county-wide organization for economic development, and not just Lamar oriented. Benninghoff said DoLA representatives would be appropriate in light of the infrastructure study grants that have recently been allocated for both communities. The studies will help position both Holly and Granada for future improvements to their utility and water systems. Board members will also review non-conflicting dates for the annual meeting with both communities. Board member, Aaron Lieker suggested that prior to the annual meeting; the board should develop a membership plan presentation for prospective members.

Based on a large attendance for a seminar for forklift certification held at the Rodeway Cow Palace Inn late last year, members reviewed potential training subjects for 2015. Suggestions ranged from hazardous materials classes for general business as well as farm and ranch operations, another forklift certification seminar, general legalities and liability issues for businesses and regulations regarding liquor sales for clerks. The next PCDI board meeting is set for February 24. *By Russ Baldwin*

## **PMC Birth Announcements**

Dalilah Rodriguez and David Luna of Holly, CO announce the birth of their son, *Brandon, Adriel Luna* on Monday, January 26, 2015 at 8:14am at Prowers Medical Center with Dr. George Kunhardt attending. Brandon weighed six pounds and 9.5 ounces and was 19 inches in length at birth. He has a brother, Orlando Romero. Grandparents are Jose and Guadalupe Rodriguez.

Chris and Melissa Nieschburg of Lamar, Colorado announce the birth of their son, *Cullen Reign Nieschburg* on Thursday, January 29, 2015, at 12:05pm at Prowers Medical Center with Dr. Portner attending. Cullen weighed seven pounds and 3.5 ounces and was 19 and three-quarters inches in length at birth. Children at home include: Breanne, Matthew, Gavin, Dillon, Aiden and Liam. Grandparents are Garth and Penny Nieschburg and Joe and Priscilla Marquez.

Matthew and Shalah Mata of McClave, Colorado announce the birth of their son, *Joshua Larry Mata* on Friday, January 30, 2015 at 2:30pm at Prowers Medical Center with Dr. Portner attending. Joshua weighed six pounds and 5.5 ounces and was 19 and one-quarter inches in length at birth. Children at home include: Leeanna and Izaiah. Grandparents are Jim and Cindy Schleinig, Tammy Mata and Carry and Connie Mata.