Student Success Goal: The demands of Colorado businesses and communities shall be met through the development of a high skilled work force.

Lamar Community College was visible again this year at the 2012 Lamar Sand & Sage Fair. It was a great opportunity for LCC to be involved in the community as well as help make the fair a success. Many LCC staff and students helped serve hamburgers and hotdogs for Family Night at the Sand & Sage Rodeo.

Lamar Community College hosted an all-campus student orientation on Friday, August 17. Everyone on campus was involved in welcoming the new and returning students. LCC employees wore yellow shirts to help encourage students and family to ask questions and ease new student/parent anxiety. Over 200 people attended the various seminars scheduled throughout the day. Community members and businesses were invited to set-up booths at a Community Expo in the Bowman Building to introduce parents and students to offerings in Lamar.

On Tuesday, August 21, students were treated to a welcome to campus breakfast for their first week of classes. A variety of evening activities took place on and off campus during the first week to help students with the transition to college life.

The LCC Men's Club Soccer Team heads into their second season under head coach Luis Miguel. The numbers are up and Luis said he has high expectations. There are currently 25 prospective players for this year's team. The roster has a mix of players from the service area as well as players from Denver, Wyoming, South Dakota, Utah, California, and Brazil. Coach Miguel added that a couple local businesses have helped the team with the expense of purchasing uniforms and have provided necessary funds for road matches.
The Lamar Community College women’s volleyball team began their season by hosting their annual LCC Invitational Tournament on Friday and Saturday, August 24-25. Besides LCC, other teams that competed included Hesston, Pratt, Colorado Northwestern, Laramie, Otero, Garden City, and Trinidad State. LCC played well and won the tournament. Congratulations to the Lady Lopes Volleyball team on a great start to their season!

**Student Success Goal:** Colorado students shall have the opportunity to succeed through high quality, cutting-edge instruction and educational services.

President John Marrin attended the Kane Family Foundation Scholarship award reception and dinner to honor deserving young students. Freshmen Sydney Crist and Ratna Malkan received the Kane Family LCC/UCCS University Connection Scholarships.

**Operational Excellence Goal:** The financial stability of the system’s institutions and the physical safety of its students shall be ensured.

Lamar Community College is proudly observing its 75th birthday during the upcoming 2012-2013 academic year. In honor of this milestone, LCC will be celebrating throughout the year with a variety of activities and events. The first community event is LCC’s 75th Anniversary Kick-off on Thursday, September 27th. The event will be held at the Rodeway-Cow Palace Inn Courtyard from 6:00-9:00pm. The evening will feature live 1930’s period music, a presentation by Richard Marold, a living historian who portrays Franklin D. Roosevelt, a brief history of LCC, and a variety of door prizes.