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 saddened to learn that former LCC Baseball Player Wade Parker was one of the 19 firefighters killed in the Yarnell Hill Wildfire in Arizona. Wade Parker, 22, was an infielder for the Runnin’ Lopes from 2009-10.

Lamar Community College’s outstanding left-handed pitcher and designated hitter, Sam Wilson, was picked up by the Chicago Cubs in the eighth round of the Major League Baseball Amateur draft on Friday, June 7, 2013. Wilson was the second pick of the round. The sophomore from Albuquerque, collected a multitude of 2012-13 post-season awards. Wilson was selected First Team All-Region in two positions, pitcher and designated hitter. He was also selected First Team All-American by the National Junior College Athletic Association (NJCAA) for both positions as well.

Lamar Community College Head Men’s Basketball Coach Adam Schwartz along with Men’s Assistant Basketball Coach Chris Haslam, JV Coach Anthony Hardin and current men’s team members held a summer basketball camp for first through twelfth grade students. This was an opportunity for area young people to have fun while working to improve basketball fundamentals and skills.

18 area high school boys’ basketball teams participated in the LCC Team Camp. Two locations were used during the two day camp which included the LCC Wellness Center and the Lamar Community Building. Each team played a total of 8 games during the two day camp. The camp was under the direction of Head Men’s Basketball Coach Adam Schwartz.

Newly hired Head Women’s Basketball Coach Tom Sutherland held a two day ‘girls only’ basketball camp in June. The camp was for grades 2-12. There were two divisions held each day. The younger division worked on developing skills and the older division work on fundamentals of shooting.
The Colorado Future Farmers of America (FFA) Organization selected Lamar Community College sophomore, Brady Rink, as an Executive Committee Member at their convention in Sterling, June 4-6. Rink, from Granada, CO, was a member of the Lamar Community College Livestock Judging Team during the 2012-13 academic year. He was also active in Collegiate Farm Bureau and was a member of the student senate. As an incoming freshman Rink was chosen as a presidential scholar and was also awarded a livestock judging scholarship.

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

Lamar Community College held its first of two summer orientation sessions on July 15. The day was filled with excited and anxious students and parents for the upcoming fall semester. Over 96 students and their parents were in attendance. Upon arrival many of the attending students had previously registered for courses, the remaining students registered for courses during the orientation sessions.

Lamar Community College is launching an Online Pilot Program this fall. A $1000.00 scholarship is available to those who enroll in the program and meet all of the requirements. The program is designed for students who like the flexibility of online courses and are seeking to complete a college degree or certificate. LCC representatives understand that many of our students have other obligations that make attending class on-campus difficult.

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

President John Marrin drove several area high school students from the Rotary Youth Leadership Conference in Glenwood Springs on June 17. The conference is an extraordinary opportunity for high school students to participate in leadership activities and interact with other students from Colorado. Along with President Marrin, Vice President of Administrative Services/Student Services Cheryl Sanchez and Director of Academic Advancement Anne-Marie Crampton are all members of the Lamar Rotary Club.

The Capital Development Committee toured Lamar Community College July 25. Besides having cool and refreshing snacks, there was much excitement as the area was under a tornado warning. The group visited the Equine Complex, the Wellness Center and the Welding Shop before returning to the main campus to observe the current window construction project in the Trustees and Bowman buildings.