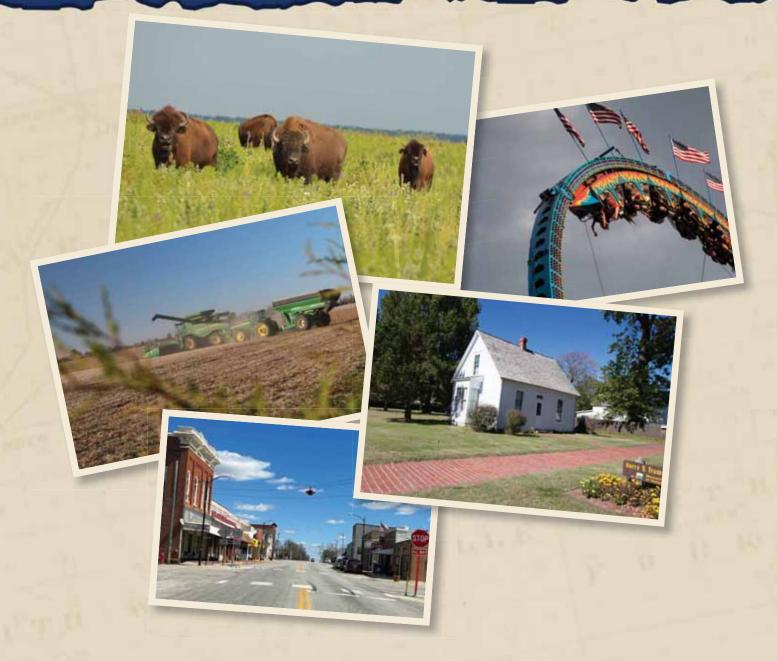
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# Important UMPETS

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### NON EMERGENCY

| Lamar City Police:      | (417) | 682-3546 |
|-------------------------|-------|----------|
| Fire Department         | (417) | 682-5512 |
| Barton County Sheriff   | (417) | 682-5541 |
| Barton County Ambulance | (417) | 682-3513 |

### **BARTON COUNTY GOVERNMENT**

| Assessor                                   |
|--|
| Associate Circuit Judge(417) 682-2444      |
| Commissioners                              |
| Circuit Clerk                              |
| County Clerk (417) 682-3529                |
| Collector/Treasurer                        |
| Coroner(417) 214-2230                      |
| Emergency Management(417) 682-2201         |
| Jail (417) 682-5515                        |
| Juvenile Office                            |
| Prosecuting Attorney (417) 682-5000        |
| Public Administrator (417) 682-5060        |
| Recorder of Deeds (417) 682-2110           |
| University Extension Office (417) 682-3579 |
| Barton County Chamber                      |

### LAMAR, MISSOURI

| Lamar Animal Shelter:(417) 682                | 2-3546 |
|---|--------|
| Lamar Airport:                                | 2-5554 |
| Lamar City Water:                             | 2-5554 |
| Lamar City Hall (417) 682                     | 2-5554 |
| Lamar Parks & Recreation: (417) 682           | 2-5851 |
| Lamar City Utilities                          |        |
| Normal Business Hours (8am to 5pm). (417) 682 | 2-5554 |
| After-Hours                                   | 2-5512 |
| Municipal Court Judge (417) 682               | 2-5554 |
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### **GOLDEN CITY, MISSOURI**

| Fire (non-emergency): | (417) 537-9998 |
|-----------------------|----------------|
| City Clerk            | (417) 537-4351 |
| City Collector        | (417) 537-4351 |
| City Water/Sewer:     | (417) 537-4351 |

### LIBERAL, MISSOURI

| Police (non-emergency): | (417) | 843-6025 |
|-------------------------|-------|----------|
| Fire (non-emergency)    | (417) | 843-2135 |
| City Clerk              | (417) | 843-2135 |
| City Water/Electric:    | (417) | 843-2135 |

### MINDENMINES, MISSOURI

| Fire (non-emergency): | (417)-842-3216 |
|-----------------------|----------------|
| City Clerk            | (417) 842-3216 |
| City Water:           | (417) 842-3216 |
| Utilities             | (417) 842-3216 |

### ELECTRIC COMPANIES

| Barton County Electric Coop | (417) | 682-5636 |
|-----------------------------|-------|----------|
| KCP&L                       | (888) | 471-5275 |

### GAS COMPANIES:

| Spire/Missouri G | as Energy: | (800) | 582-1234 |
|------------------|------------|-------|----------|
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### HEALTHCARE

| Access Family Care          | (417) | 681-0027 |
|-----------------------------|-------|----------|
| Cox/Barton County Hospital: | (417) | 681-5100 |
| Freeman Family Clinic       | (417) | 682-3300 |
| Med One Clinic              | (417) | 681-5266 |
| Health Department:          | (417) | 682-3363 |
| Ozark Center                | (417) | 681-0637 |
| WIC Program                 | (417) | 682-3363 |

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Republic Services......(417) 682-6379

### LIBRARIES

| Mary K Finley (Lamar)(417)           | 682-5355 |
|--------------------------------------|----------|
| Hylton Library (Golden City) (417)   | 537-4991 |
| Happy & Mary Curless (Liberal) (417) | 843-5791 |

### **NEWSPAPERS:**

| Lamar Democrat | (417) | 682-5529 |
|----------------|-------|----------|
| Liberal News   | (417) | 843-5315 |

### PUBLIC SCHOOLS (GOLDEN CITY)

| Goldon | City | Elementary  | (117) | 527-1979 |
|--------|------|-------------|-------|----------|
|        |      |             |       |          |
| Golden | City | High School | (417) | 537-4900 |

### PUBLIC SCHOOLS (LAMAR)

| Lamar Superintendent      | (417) | 682-3527 |
|---------------------------|-------|----------|
| East Primary              | (417) | 681-0613 |
| West Elementary           | (417) | 682-3567 |
| Middle School             | (417) | 682-3548 |
| High School               | (417) | 682-5571 |
| Career & Technical Center | (417) | 682-3384 |

### **PUBLIC SCHOOLS (LIBERAL)**

| Liberal Superintendent    | (417) | 843-5115 |
|---------------------------|-------|----------|
| Liberal Elementary School | (417) | 843-5865 |
| Liberal Middle School     | (417) | 843-6033 |
| Liberal High School       | (417) | 843-2125 |

### POST OFFICES

| Lamar       | (417) | 682-5435 |
|-------------|-------|----------|
| Golden City | (417) | 537-4447 |
| Liberal     | (417) | 843-6505 |
| Mindenmines | (417) | 842-3416 |

### RECYCLING

Lamar Enterprises ......(417) 682-3506

### TRANSPORTATION SERVICES

| Truman Area Transportation |                |
|----------------------------|----------------|
| (TATS):                    | (417) 682-5542 |
| SW OATS Transit Office     | (800)-770-6287 |

### **VEHICLE REGISTRATION**

Lamar License Office ......(417) 682-3555

### WATER COMPANIES

| C.P.W.D. #1 (Rural Water) | 7) 682-3401 |
|---------------------------|-------------|
| After hours/Emergency(41  | 7) 214-3154 |

### SERVICES FOR SENIORS

| Barton County Senior |       |          |
|----------------------|-------|----------|
| Citizens Center      | (417) | 682-3881 |

## SOCIAL SERVICES

Barton County Social Services ..... (417) 682-3531

# Welcome To Barton County



Welcome to Barton County, Missouri, located in the beautiful heartland of America; we are rooted in rich heritage and have a remarkable history of resilience from our ancestors who settled here and to all who have called Barton County home.

This guide serves as a resource for long-time residents, newcomers, and those just passing through. Take a journey through Barton County and explore our hidden gems of history, picturesque scenery, unique treasures, and unwavering community spirit.

The Barton County Chamber of Commerce was founded in 1919. Even though our name has changed over the years, our purpose has not. We are a member-supported organization of businesses and professional people who are dedicated to developing, promoting, and maintaining a sound and healthy economic climate for our community. The Chamber is a non-profit organization with over 250 members working together to enhance the Barton County business community.

If you are looking for an exceptional community to call home or visit, Barton County marks the spot to live, work, shop, and play!



Barton County Chamber of Commerce 110 W 10th Street Lamar, Missouri 64759 417-682-3595 Hours: Monday - Friday: 9 am to 4 pm www.bartoncounty.com

# Quick Stats About BARTON COUNTY

Barton County is located in the southwest corner of Missouri. With two criss-crossing highways, Interstate 49 allows travelers to drive nonstop from the northernmost reaches of Canada all the way to the ports in Louisiana and US Route 160 which runs from eastern Missouri to eastern Arizona.

|       | INTERSTATE |
|-------|------------|
| (100) | (160)      |

| Pittsburg, KS   | 25 Mins       |
|-----------------|---------------|
| Joplin, MO      | 35 Mins       |
| Springfield, MO | 1 HR 15 Mins  |
| Kansas City, MO | 1 HR 45 Mins  |
| Tulsa, OK       | 2 HRs 15 Mins |
| Wichita, KS     | 3 HRs         |
| St. Louis, MO   | 4 HRs 15 Mins |
|                 |               |

# Details

| County Population        | 11,367         |
|--------------------------|----------------|
| Area                     | 591.8 sq miles |
| Elevation                | 959 feet       |
| January Average high/low |                |
| July average high/low    |                |
| Annual Precipitation     | 43 inches      |

# Weather

Every season offers something unique in Barton County. Autumn begins in late September and reveals a dramatic display of foliage, with warm Indian summer days turning into crisp fall days by October's end.

Winter arrives in November and does not usually bring the long bouts of cold or heavy snow that frequent more northern states. Spring usually starts in March with cool, rainy days and brisk evenings. Summer weather usually begins in mid-May and is enjoyable through early September. BARTON COUNTY

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# Our History



Barton County was once a large expanse of prairie. The grass grew taller than a man on horseback. The Osage Indians traveled along the creeks and streams. A few nomadic hunters, trappers, and traders camped periodically. The first permanent settlers were here in 1820. They eventually obtained their land by squatters' rights allowed by the U.S. Land Office.

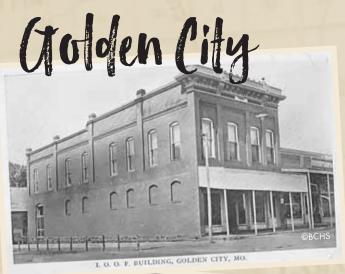
In 1852 George Ward, his son-in-law, Joseph Parry, and their families traveled through the area, liked what they saw, and decided to make this their home. Three years later, George Ward worked to get a part of Jasper County divided to create Barton County. It is named in honor of Missouri's first U.S. Senator, David Barton. George Ward then donated 50 acres needed to establish the county seat of Lamar in 1857. Lamar was named after Maribeau Bonaparte Lamar, a friend of George Ward and the second President of the Republic of Texas.

The county began with seven townships, eventually dividing into the current 15. In 1860 the population climbed to 1,817, but the Border War with Kansas and the Civil War left the county with only a few brave families remaining by 1864. Sympathies between the Union and Confederates were equally divided. After the war, residents quickly returned from where they had sought refuge and began the process of rebuilding.

Land advocate investors, namely C.Y. Trice and David Beamer, advertised heavily in Iowa, Illinois, Indiana, and Ohio. Farmers were drawn to the area by the reasonable prices for prime prairie land. By 1870 the county had well exceeded its pre-war count to 5,087 people.



Stagecoach lines connected Lamar to neighboring towns. Two railroad lines came to crisscross the county and intersect in Lamar. The Kansas City, Ft. Scott & Memphis Railroad (later referred to as the Gulf of Frisco) came through in 1880 and the Missouri Pacific in 1881. Allowing farmers to ship their grain, cattle, and produce to major markets. The county built ten iron-framed bridges and six wood bridges between 1881-1886 to improve the transportation infrastructure. Many small villages emerged







along the railroad tracks, including churches and schools. Rural schools remained until consolidation occurred into four school districts in 1964.

The western half of the county still holds much prairie land. During WWI the largest supply of prairie hay came from Barton County. Prairie State Park now owns over 4,000 acres. It is Missouri's largest remaining tallgrass prairie, over 50 bison graze the park. Coal mining in the far western side of the county in 1905 employed 522 miners in 29 mines. Both the deep and strip mines were operational until the 1970s. Barton County has matured over the decades but always remained an agricultural area, making this a great place to live.

### ~The Barton County Historical Society

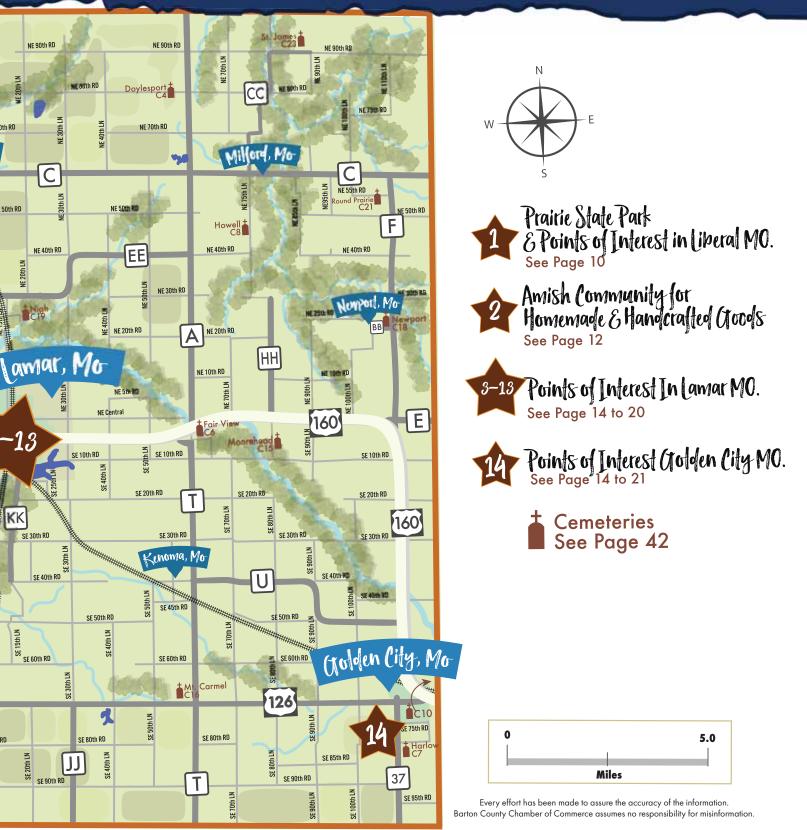


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# County, Missouri





Experience a walking tour through prairie grasses that tower above your head with a chance to view wildlife native to the prairie landscape.

Over 13 million acres of tallgrass prairie once covered more than one-third of Missouri's landscape. Today, less than 65,000 acres remain. Prairie State Park is Missouri's largest remaining tallgrass prairie landscape at nearly 4,000 acres.



More than 25 rare and endangered plant and animal species have been recorded in Prairie State Park, some of which are not found anywhere else in the state. A reintroduced bison herd freely grazes across the landscape, shaping the earth with grazed patches, trails and wallows.

During any season, visitors can experience prairie life by hiking one of the park's trails. Visitors can take a short hike or reserve the park's backpacking camp and sleep under the vast prairie sky. The trails also provide an excellent place for nature study, photography, and viewing wildflowers and wildlife. The park also has a picnic area and limited camping. Potable water is available on the south side of the shop building before you enter the camping and picnicking area.

The park's Regal Tallgrass Prairie Nature Center features exhibits that interpret the tallgrass prairie, such as a diorama display depicting the prairie from spring to fall, a bison exhibit, and interactive activities. Park naturalists conduct programs that interpret prairie life and stress the importance of preserving this rare and sweeping historic landscape. ~ *Missouri State Parks* 

Find out more visit: www.mostateparks.com/park/prairie-state-park

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Liberal was founded in 1880 by lawyer George Walser, who wanted to create a town of "free thinkers." Surrounded by agriculture and generational family farms, Liberal is the second-largest town in Barton County.

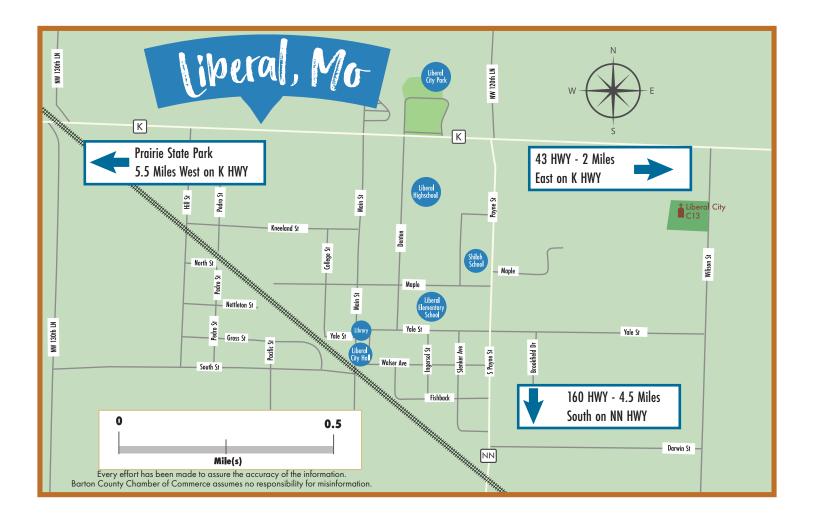
The Shiloh School, a one-room schoolhouse located in Liberal, Missouri, is the oldest one-room schoolhouse in Barton County. The school was opened in 1869 and served students till 1952. It was originally 6.5 miles northwest of

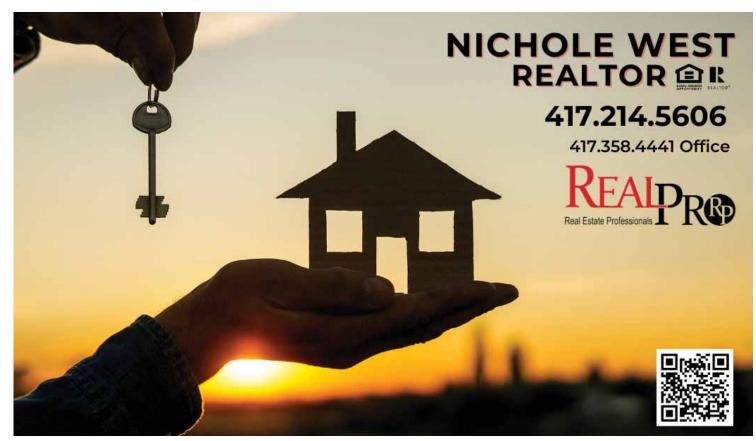




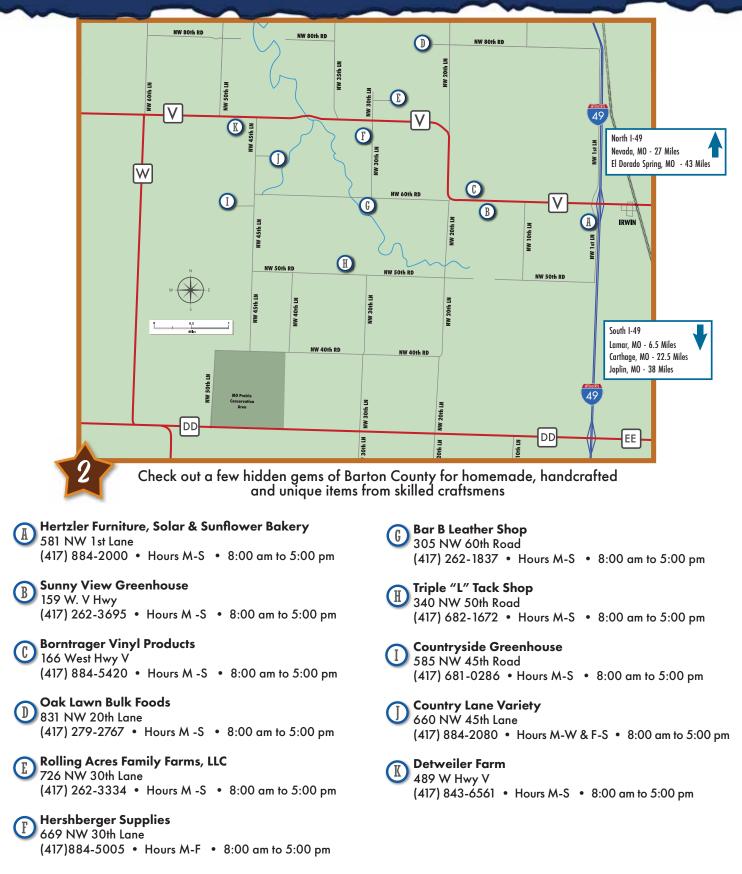
Liberal, but the school was relocated into Liberal, near the Liberal High school. The school also served as a stagecoach stop between Lamar, MO, and Ft. Scott, KS.

The Frisco Depot was built in 1881, though not in its original location. The depot has moved around Liberal over the years and currently resides on South Main Street, next to City Hall.





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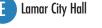
A Cox Barton County Hospital

Barton County Sheriff's Dept.

B Lamar City Police Dept

Lamar Fire Dept







G Lamar R-1 School District

Barton County Health Dept.



# lamar, Mo

As you continue your journey through Barton County, the City of Lamar was incorporated on February 11, 1870, but the City was chosen as the County Seat long before incorporation. George E. Ward founder of Barton County and Lamar, designated a large square for the courthouse even before the town was settled.

Lamar, the center of a mostly agricultural county, is no stranger to industry. Over the past 165 plus years many national and world-renowned companies have called Lamar home.

It is no wonder that Lamar is known for "Legendary Beginnings." As you continue to explore, you will notice many "Legends" started in Lamar, Missouri.

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# fonstitutional Square

No visit to Barton County would be complete without experiencing Lamar's Downtown Square and Shopping District. Lamar's Constitution Square is crowned with the majestic Barton County Courthouse, which dates back to 1889.

The Barton County Historical Society maintains a museum in the basement of the historic Barton County Courthouse. Information is available from their archives by calling the volunteer staff and requesting a search. The information is free, but donations are accepted to help provide information to historians, genealogists, and those interested in the history of Barton County. **(Hours are 1 pm to 4 pm - (417) 682-4141** 

Other historical highlights on the Square include a Civil War Cannon dedicated in 1910 and a bandstand built in 1913 on the northwest corner of the courtyard. In 1950, a 17-foottall replica of the Statue of Liberty statue was erected as a gift to the community from the county's school children. A Truman Memorial was placed at the base of the west courthouse steps to commemorate Harry S Truman's Vice-Presidential acceptance speech in 1944.

# www.countyofbarton.gov



Established in 1908, the Plaza started as the Bijou on the north side of the Lamar Square. After a fire in 1909 destroyed most of the Square's north side, including the Bijou, it was quickly relocated to the SW corner of the Square. In 1918, they moved again, this time to the NE corner of the Square, and finally, in 1928, after the Bijou was sold, the name was changed to the Plaza. In 1934, they moved for the last time to a new, state-of-theart building on the south side of the Square.

Since 1934, the Plaza has had many successful years and is a staple on the Lamar Downtown Square, providing entertainment to many families. However, a fire in 1985

next to the Plaza resulted in significant smoke damage to the theater. It eventually closed on April 3, 1986. The last movie played was *Iron Eagle*.

In 1993, a group of concerned individuals rallied to save the Plaza Theater. After five years of generous donations, fundraisers, and countless hours of volunteer work, the newly remodeled Plaza Theater opened on November 5, 1998. The next milestone came in 2013 when the Plaza was converted to digital.

# ~ Barton County Historical Society/Plaza Theater









All legends have their beginnings, and Wyatt Earp is no exception. A man of mystery, his larger-than-life story continues to fascinate people 175 years after he was born. Many know the events in his life that secured his place in history and immortalized him on the big and small screen, but some may not know his beginnings, which possibly shaped the legend he became.

Wyatt Earp was born March 19, 1848, in Monmouth, IL, but little is known about his early years. Wyatt came to join his family, already established here, in the summer of 1869, when he was around 21 years old. He was appointed Lamar's Constable on November 26, 1869, following his father's (Nicholas Earp's) resignation.

Wyatt married Urilla Sutherland on January 10, 1870. Unfortunately, within the year, Urilla passed, without a death certificate or an obituary in the paper, Urilla faded into history. Some speculate that her death was due to childbirth or typhoid. Stories passed on by locals claim a baby was placed with her. As years passed, no gravestone marked her end until 1994, when one was placed at Howell Cemetery south of Milford, MO, although many believe she could be buried in



the East Cemetery in Lamar. With the death of his wife and unborn child, Wyatt headed west to begin his journey and become one of America's frontier legends.

The Wyatt Earp Park was finished in 2023 and is located on the Northeast corner of the Lamar Downtown Square, directly across the street from the former location of the Exchange Hotel, which Urilla's parents owned, and some say

is where they were married. The Exchange Hotel is the current location of the Lamar Bank & Trust building.

The Wyatt Earp Park features a statue of Wyatt and his wife, Urilla (Sutherland) Earp, a music pavilion for outdoor concerts and community gatherings on the beautiful Lamar Square.







# The Jefferson Highway

The Jefferson Highway was started around 1915 as part of the National Auto Trail system. It was nicknamed the "Pines to Palms" highway because it stretched from the pine trees of Canada to the palm trees of New Orleans. Named for President Thomas Jefferson, the highway was inspired by the east-west Lincoln Highway, one of the earliest transcontinental highways for automobiles to access the United States.

The earliest record of the Jefferson Highway in Lamar was mentioned in an article dated November 11, 1915, "Lamar

Is Putting Her Shoulder to the Road," which talks about the highway and the benefits of it coming through Barton County. Early records indicate the Jefferson Highway came through Lamar from the north in three different ways throughout the years. The route along the Jefferson Highway was marked, first with just a simple JH logo painted on telephone poles. Later, stenciled signs were used, and eventually, porcelain signs. The historical society has uncovered photos that show the JH markings on the telephone poles. One was on the Southeast corner of 9th and Gulf. This would have been right in front of the Commercial Hotel. (Picture upper the left).

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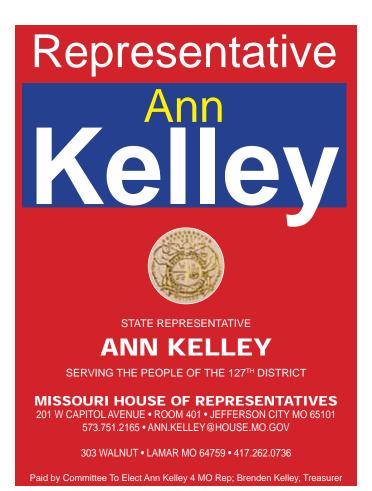
In the late 1920s, the Jefferson Highway was replaced with the new numbered US Highway system and was bypassed by the new interstates that criss-crossed the country. The historic Jefferson Highway, which is over a decade older than Route 66, is trying to make a comeback. It is still known as the Jefferson in parts of Minnesota, Kansas City, and especially in the New Orleans area. **~ Joe Davis Barton County Historical Society** 



# Stilabower Observatory

The Stilabower Public Observatory is one of the few community-owned observatories in the nation. Its unique aspect is its handicapped-accessible design.

This facility boasts a 14-inch telescope, computerized tracking, and a digital imaging system. Recently, an updated telescope allows visitors to input coordinates or objects, which allows the telescope to track them across the sky. The facility is open on selected evenings by special appointment.





# parton County Memorial Park

Located in the north part of Lamar, honors the military and anyone associated with the Barton County Memorial Hospital, which stood on this property for nearly 60 years. The southwest corner is the most important part of the park and the reason the hospital was built in 1948. Here, we honor the 69 Barton County soldiers who died in WWII. Each of these heroes has a service marker with name, branch, rank, and date of death. This area is located underneath the original 1949 Pin-Oaks and 50' flagpole.

Additional park memorials includes: A 44' War Memorial, which features seven black granite triangles detailing major USA wars, and six 20' flagpoles for each military branch. A 9' tall red V symbolizing VICTORY proudly sits in the middle.



Leading up to the War Memorial is the Walk of Honor, featuring engraved pavers with the names of those that have served from this county, in war or peace time.

Danforth Anchor honors three high-ranking admirals from Barton County. Admirals Daubin and Lockwood, commanders of all three submarine fleets of the entire U.S. Navy. Admiral Combs, commander of the mighty aircraft carrier Yorktown and the 2nd and 6th Naval fleets.

Doris Little Nurses Pavilion is located in the center of the park and is dedicated to the nurses of Barton County. The Cornerstone Plaza Area, just south of the

nurse's pavilion, honors anyone affiliated with the hospital. Two walls, built around the original 1948 cornerstone, contain bricks engraved with names of people who have worked at the hospital. The floor contains pavers engraved with anybody else.

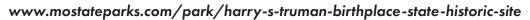
WWII-era Sherman Tank, 2,300' paved sidewalk, benches, and three dog-waste stations, coming soon a first responder memorial. ~ Barton County Memorial Park

Visit www.bcmpark.com.



Visit the birthplace home of the only Missourian ever elected President of the United States - Harry S Truman. Born May 8, 1884, in a downstairs southwest bedroom of a small 20' by 28' frame house in Lamar, Harry S Truman was the son of John and Martha (Young) Truman.

Visitors today can view its four downstairs rooms and two upstairs rooms, the smokehouse, well, and an outhouse located in the back. The modest furnishings inside the house and the surrounding landscape accurately represent a typical home when Truman resided in Lamar. *~Missouri State Parks* 







# 1 Lamar City Park

Beautifully landscaped and fully functional, Lamar City Park is the pride of Lamar. Located on the grounds is an RV park, eight baseball/softball fields with four concession stands, and restroom facilities. There is also an enclosed shelter with an attached restroom facility, a fish pond, six covered pavilions, a one-mile walking/biking trail, a children's playground, two lighted basketball courts, a lighted tennis court with pickleball lines, a wooden covered bridge, a Santa Fe Railroad caboose and two smaller children's play areas. Bring your friends and family and enjoy a day at the Park!

The one-mile walking/biking trail is handicapped accessible and all at level grade. No tent camping is allowed in the city park, but there is space for RV parking. RV guests may park at no charge for one night, with a \$20 per night fee for additional nights. Water, electricity and dumping stations are available for those camping in Lamar City Park. Park hours are from 5 a.m. to 11:59 p.m. daily.



One of the most beautiful spots in Lamar is City Lake. With 250 acres of water surface and thousands of feet of shoreline, it is perfect for recreational fishing. The lake also has picnic tables, a covered boat slip, and four flotation fishing docks. It is stocked regularly with black crappie, channel cat, bluegill, and large-mouth bass.

Passes can be purchased at Lamar City Hall for fishing at \$2 a day or (\$30 annually), for boating is \$3 a day or (\$45 annually). North of town on Muddy Creek is a joint project of the Missouri Department of Natural Resources and the City of Lamar: the Old North Dam area features a boat ramp to enhance the picnic and fishing experience.







One of the newest parks in Lamar is Wheeler Park, located in the Wheeler subdivision off East Sixth Street. This beautiful park features a two-acre fishing pond, a playground, and a shelter complete with restroom facilities. Wheeler Park is also the site of the Memorial Avenue of Trees. The avenue consists of trees donated to the park in memory of a loved one or to commemorate an event. All the trees in this avenue are lovely Red Sunset Maples.



# 13 Barco Drive-In

On April 28, 1950, the new Barco Starvu Drive-In opened with *The Nevadian*, a western starring Randolph Scott and Dorothy Malone. The Barco (dropping the Starvu in the 1950s) has undergone several changes over the years including FM broadcasts in 1990 and double features in 2008. In 2013 Barco said goodbye to 35mm prints and was converted to digital. When The Barco Starvu Drive-In opened over 4,000 drive-ins were in the USA. Today, less than 200 remain.

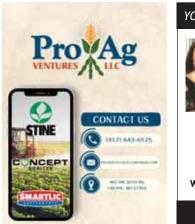
Although times have changed, the charm and nostalgia of going to the Barco has not. Just about everybody who grew up in this area has a "Barco story." It might be the pony rides in the early days or fireworks every 4th of July. Maybe it was running to see if you had the winning ticket stubs at intermission.

Time has taken its toll on the original Barco Screen Tower, and unfortunately, on November 28, 2023, the screen that

had lasted 73 years and seven months was taken down due to age and severe storms during the summer of 2023.

The original tower is gone, but the Barco is still alive and kicking. The tower is being replaced with a new 72' wide by 35' tall screen, larger than the previous tower and will better fit modern films. The goal is for The Barco-Drive In to open April/May of 2024 for its 75th season.

~Barton County Historical Society/ Joe Davis/ Barco Drive-In/Lamar Democrat







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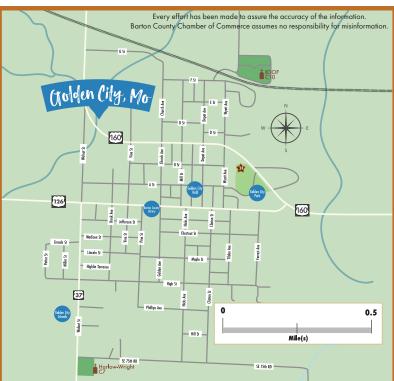


The city of Golden City has a rich history that dates back to the 19th century. It was first established as a trading post and quickly grew into a bustling city. In the 1880s, Golden City saw a period of rapid industrialization and was home to the first railway in the region.

During the 20th century, Golden City experienced its peak population in which the town has since strived to continually grow and improve. Today, Golden City has many historic sites to explore and a vibrant culture that proudly celebrates its rich history.

The City Museum is a must-see destination for visitors and locals alike. Visitors can explore the museum's different sections, covering topics such as the city's founding, its growth, and its major historical events. Located at City Hall, the museum offers a comprehensive look at the city's rich and varied history.**~ Golden City** 

### www.goldencitymo.com











# Picnic In the Park

Picnic in the Park is Lamar City Park's food truck event. Up to eight food trucks visit the park on the fourth Thursday of each month, March-July, September, and October. The event is held between the playground and basketball courts, giving families plenty to do while enjoying a meal and fellowship with their neighbors.

www.facebook.com/LamarMOCityPark/

# Lamar Cruise Night

"Cruise" in on the First Friday night, April through October, on the Historic Lamar downtown square.

May is set aside for the Willie Graham Memorial Car Show, held each spring at the Barton County Memorial Park, with proceeds going to the Memorial Park.

The Super Summer Cruise is held each June; trophies, prizes, and T-shirts are given out, along with food trucks on site. Each year, they publish a calendar full of photos from the Super Summer Cruise for a fundraiser. Come, have fun, and socialize on the Lamar Downtown Square!

# Truman Day

Residents and visitors come together to celebrate President Truman's birthday at the Historic Truman Birthplace. Features craft and food vendors, baby and dog show shows, traditional Americana games, and fun family activities.

For more details: www.bartoncounty.com/truman-day/

# Freeman Outdoor Évent Center

The Freeman Outdoor Event Center, at The Stompin' Grounds is the ideal venue for everything involving horsepower. Primary events include monster truck shows, tractor pulls, PBR riding circuits and concerts.

For more details www.thestompingrounds.com/











# (Tolden Harvest Days

Residents and visitors celebrate life in small-town America! Come out and enjoy a century community event featuring carnival games, bounce houses, the great American bed race, live entertainment, great food, tractor pull, quilt show, tractor and car show, horseshoe pitching, cornhole, baby show crafts, and vendors of all kinds.

www.facebook.com/GoldenCityHarvestDays/



Every August, Missouri's largest free fair takes over downtown Lamar. There's no entry or parking fee, and most entertainment is free. During this week, the Lamar Fair activities include carnival rides, vendors of all kinds, a queen contest, community and civic group booths featuring your favorite carnival foods, livestock shows, contests, parades, and family fun for all ages!

Learn More at www.bartoncounty.com/fair

# Liperal Prairie Days

Celebrate the spirit of the community with great foods, entertainment, a parade, arts & crafts, along with a baby, pet, car, tractor, art, plant, agriculture and vegetable shows.

www.liberalareacivicgroup.wordpress.com/

# Prairie Jupilee

Celebrate the tallgrass prairie during the *biennial* Prairie Jubilee event. Take part in activities such as a living history loop, interact with interpreters and others to learn what it was like to live on the prairie; learn to use an atlatl, observe 19thcentury cooking, see horses and wagons, and listen to the sounds of the prairie. Also, take a ride out to see the bison and try some bison for lunch, followed by homemade desserts. During the event, you will get to visit with people who partner to protect and preserve the tallgrass prairie.~ *Missouri State Parks* 

www.mostateparks.com/event/102121/prairie-jubilee



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# Nyatt Earp Fall Fest

Every fall, the community comes together to celebrate one of our very own "Legendary Beginnings"—Wyatt Earp. The western lawman was Lamar's constable from 1869 to 1870 before heading west. Wyatt Earp Fallfest at the Wyatt Earp Park is fun for all ages. Come and enjoy a day of Fallfest activities, including craft vendors, kids' activities, music, food, and much more. **www.bartoncounty.com/fallfest** 

# Halloween Hullabaloo

Join us on Halloween as hundreds of children (and adults) visit the square in Lamar. To trick-or-treat safely with the businesses around the square, at The Wyatt Earp Park, and locations throughout town.

# Lannar Home For The Holiolays

Just before Thanksgiving, join us for our downtown Christmas Lighting from The Wyatt Earp Park as we kick off the holiday season.

In December, we have our annual lighted Christmas parade with carolers, warm treats, and (of course) Santa! Stick around the historic downtown square decorated for the holiday season and find those one-of-a-kind gifts for everyone on your list.



Santa Claus is coming to town in Liberal, and that is not the only thing you and your family will enjoy during Liberal's Santa Day. This annual event is eagerly anticipated by the young of the area and those young at heart.



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# Éducation Tomorrows Leaders

Barton County has a wealth of educational opportunities from Pre-K to college-level courses.

# Lamar R-1 School District

The Lamar R-I School District is an integral part of the



Lamar community. Over 140 employees work daily to provide an exceptional learning experience to more than 1,200 students ranging in grades prekindergarten through 12th.

The Lamar R-I School District takes pride in setting high standards for all students.

In addition to providing outstanding academic programs, Lamar offers a wide array of athletics and extracurricular activities. The Tigers have a variety of state championship athletic programs, including a Football Team that in 2023 won its 9th State Championship title! The Lamar R-1 School District also offers a Career and Technical Center (CTC) for area students. The Technical Center prepares students enrolled in a technical program for success and attainment of skills in their program area. Course curriculum includes a mixture of classroom studies and practical, hands-on training to ensure that students have all the skills they need to succeed upon graduation.

Each program is designed to improve student work ethic, experience, and knowledge in trade programs.

- Automotive Technology
  - Welding Technology Machine Tool Technology
  - Graphic Design
- Health Occupations
- Carpentry

You can find more at: www.lamar.k12.mo.us

# Liberal R-2 School District

Liberal R-2 has a total of three schools as well as Pre-K education opportunities and a Parents as Teachers program. It currently has approximately a 15:1 Student to Teacher ratio and boasts a graduation rate of 90% which is higher than the national average.



Industry Technology

**Business** 

Agriculture

Liberal serves the towns of Liberal, Mindenmines, lantha, and Burgess. There is also a considerable population living in rural areas around what were once mining camps. Learn more about Liberal R-2 School District online at: **www.liberal.k12.mo.us** 



Golden City R-3 School District

Golden City R-3 has a total of three schools with 183 students, a 13:1 teacher to student ratio, and a dropout rate of 0% compared to the national average of 1.9%. Learn more about the Golden City R-3 School District online at: **www.goldencityschools.com** 

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# Service and Civic Organizations

Barton County offers many opportunities to get involved through volunteerism or philanthropy. If you want to make a difference or need assistance, please check out these valuable area organizations.



AOK HQ • 208A W 10th St. • Lamar, MO, 64759 Monday–Friday - 10am–5pm • 417-682-6002 www.aokyouth.org

Our primary goal is to meet Barton County youth's emotional and developmental needs. We offer an extensive range of educational programs and services and supply training and materials to area schools and organizations, enhancing their ability to reach youth.

- After School: For K-5 includes indoor/outdoor play, snacks, and homework assistance.
- Volunteers: A community-oriented program for grades 6-8 aimed at incentivizing good behavior through rewards.
- Summer Camp: All-day version of our After School program.



Barton County Eagles #4405 468 E US HWY 160 • Lamar MO 64759 417-682-5006 www.facebook.com/eagleslodge4405/ www.foe.com

We are part of the Fraternal Order of Eagles, an international nonprofit organization whose motto is "people helping people".

Our Eagles Club strives to help our members and our local Barton County community. For the past 25 years, we have had several benefits, including Easter Egg hunts, helping families at Christmas, and giving out several scholarships to our local graduating seniors.



Barton County Senior Citizen Center 306 W. 11th St. Lamar, MO 417-682-3881 • aaaregionx.org

Our local senior center provides a comprehensive range of services to enhance the well-being and social engagement of our elderly community members, which includes daily nutritious meals, fitness classes, and wellness programs to promote physical health. The center also offers educational workshops and recreational activities to stimulate mental agility and lifelong learning.

Social events are organized to foster a sense of camaraderie among the elderly residents. Through volunteer opportunities and support services, the center aims to instill a sense of purpose and belonging, enriching the lives of older adults and contributing to community vitality.

Additionally, the center offers Meals on Wheels, a program that delivers an average of 294 nutritious meals a week, as well as social support to seniors with limited mobility in Barton County, serving as a crucial connection for those who may be isolated. This program provides regular check-ins and social interaction through visits from volunteers or staff members, addressing nutritional needs and offering companionship.

Barton County COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

Barton County Community Foundation 206 W. 10th St • Lamar, MO 64759 417-540-9024 www.cfozarks.org/affiliates/barton-county

The Barton County Community Foundation (BCCF) is committed to developing local charitable funds and engaging community members to support needs in Barton County. A trusted resource for philanthropy, serving the communities of Lamar, Liberal, and Golden City.

Established in 2014 by several philanthropic community members we aim to help our communities thrive for years and years to come. We are one of 54 regional affiliates of The Community Foundation of the Ozarks. Through our partnership with CFO, we seek to enhance the quality of life in Barton County through resource development, community grant making, collaboration and public leadership.

The BCCF can provide information on how you can become a key player in giving back to our community.



**Economic Security Corporation** 1301 E 12th St • Lamar MO 64759 417-682-5591 www.escswa.org

Economic Security Corporation of SW Area serves the needs of low-income individuals & families. We have assistance available in several areas including housing, weatherization, case management and CHANCE, Head Start and Utility Assistance, transportation.

The Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) has changed! Energy Assistance is now available to apply for anytime during the year.



Fair Acres Family YMCA 2600 Grand Avenue, Carthage, MO, 64836 www.fairacresymca.com/our-y/locations/y-in-lamar.html

Our mission is to put Christian principles into practice through programs that build healthy spirits, minds, and bodies for all.

Serving kids, older adults, and everyone in between, Fair Acres YMCA is excited to join the Lamar community!

Currently Offering • Functional Fitness (Active Older Adult Fitness Class) • Youth Tumbling • Restorative Flexibility



Good Samaritan Shop 1301 Parry St. • Lamar, MO, 64759 417-682-5396 thegoodsamaritanshop1.weebly.com

We are both a thrift store and distribute the USDA Food for citizens of Barton County, Missouri. Services provided are: Commodities, Emergency Food, Senior Box Program, Thrift Shop.

Produce distribution on Mondays, Wednesdays, & Fridays, and utility assistance for individuals every six months.





Katie's House 115 W. 12th Street Unit B. Lamar, MO, 64759 Pregnancy & Family Resource Center 417-279-2604 • 1-800-712-4357 www.katieshouseprc.com/

Katie's House is a lifeline for women and men with unplanned pregnancies and an advocate for the unborn child. Every person is valuable, and each individual who comes through our doors receives the highest-quality care in a comfortable, hope-filled environment.

We provide pregnancy tests, ultrasounds, prenatal and parenting classes, a fatherhood program, and many other life enrichment classes. We provide a baby boutique store for our clients to shop in, all services are free and confidential.



Lamar Elks Lodge #2800 58 NE 1st Ln, • Lamar MO 64759 417-682-6800 www.facebook.com/elks2800/

Elks Lodges are national organizations that desire to preserve cherished institutions, traditions, values, and respect for our neighbors. They are places where neighbors come together, families share meals, and children grow up.

Our organization strives to invest in the community by providing our youth with lifelong skills, honoring our veterans, and helping our local charities.



Lamar Enterprises, Inc - Recycling Service 1404 Maple St • Lamar, MO 64759 417-682-3506 Facebook - RecycleAtLamarEnterprises

Our mission is to maximize potential through meaningful and rewarding employment for people with physical or developmental disabilities.

### We Accept:

Aluminum Cans, Newspaper, Milk Jugs, Plastics #1 & #2, Magazines, Cardboard, Tin Cans, Paper (white, colored, junk mail), Books (hard & soft cover), Small Electrical Appliances & Devices

### We DO NOT Accept:

Glass, Hazardous Materials, Yard or Organic Waste.

### **Commercial Subcontracting**

Small lot manufacturing, Assembly & Sub-Assembly, Bagging & Packaging, Sorting & Collating, Pricing & Labeling, Counting & Checking and Custom Projects.

We also offer confidential document shredding, custom t-shirts



Lamar Metro Club Lamar MO 64759 www.facebook.com/LamarMetroClub/

Lamar Metro Club was founded in 1938 and is a 501c3 nonprofit that supports many local causes through money raised from selling "chicken, ribs and sausage" at the annual Lamar Free Fair and other events.



Lamar Rotary 1005 Gulf St, • Lamar MO 64759 www.facebook.com/LamarRotary/

We're volunteers committed to making lasting change in our community as well as globally. We inspire people to "Create Hope in the World". We raise money by hosting a food trailer at the annual Lamar Free Fair to help fund scholarships that we provide to graduates of Lamar, sponsoring the Lamar Fair Queen pageant.

We also raise money to help eradicate polio across the globe. You can also find us picking up trash along the highway a couple of times a year. It is our hope that by gathering businesspeople in our community we can create a network of people helping each other and our community.



Liberal Area Civic Group Liberal, MO www.liberalareacivicgroup.wordpress.com

The Mission of the Liberal Area Civic Group is to promote a spirit of community in our town and surrounding area, with a goal to make the Liberal area a better place to work, live and play. We to accomplish this through events and activities that we believe are for the betterment of our community."

Activities such as the Flag Retirement Ceremony, Prairie Days, City Wide Garage Sale, Scholarship Raffle and bringing Santa to town are all organized by this group. Manpower is needed to be able to continue to host and provide these activities for our community.



New Growth Women's Business Center 508 N Main St. • El Dorado Springs MO 64744 417-282-5936

newgrowthmo.org/new-growth-womens-business-center/

The New Growth Women's Business Center advances rural entrepreneurs in all stages of business development and growth. We focus on the power and potential of rural women to employ themselves, provide jobs for others, and build their local economies and communities.

1:1 Business Counseling • Peer to Peer Networking, Access to Capital • Mentorship and Leadership, Business Training



Parks and Recreation 1909 Walnut Street Lamar, MO 64759 417-682-5851 parksandrec@lamarmo.org

The City of Lamar Parks and Recreation Dept. oversees the operations and maintenance of The Lamar City Park, Wheeler Park, Lamar City Lake, Moore Pavilion, Thiebaud Auditorium and Lamar Youth Athletics.

## Through Lamar Youth Athletics they offer:

- Soccer for 4yr and up
- Fall Flag Football 1st and 2nd graders
- Winter Basketball 1 st to 6th graders
- Spring/Early Summer Teeball, machine pitch, baseball, and softball for ages 5 (or entering kindergarten ) to 15..
- Though not offered through Lamar Youth Athletics, parentrun organizations also offer youth tackle football, volleyball, and wrestling.

In addition, Lamar Parks and Rec has rental space for most of your needs, including meeting rooms, 800 seats at Thiebaud Auditorium, shelters at the park, and eight ball fields, most with bathrooms and concession stands to host baseball or softball tournaments.



Apply online or in person www.penmac.jobs • (417) 682-5660 • 208 W. 12th Street, Unit 4, Lamar



Peterson Outdoor Ministries 2111 N. Main Street • Suite A • Joplin, Missouri 64801 Lodge of Hope • 26756 S 2440 RD • Sheldon, MO 417-529-0115 www.petersonoutdoors.org

Peterson Outdoors Ministries (POM) is a 501 (c)3 non-profit organization with a governing board of directors. It was founded in 2006 to provide hope, healing, and restoration for veterans, and their families, as well as those with disabilities and serious illness.

With an emphasis on veterans, and those with disabilities, Peterson Outdoors Ministries has expanded its outreach to include First Responders, Military Chaplains, Gold Star and Blue Star Families. POM's recreational therapy has expanded over the years to included the following states: Missouri, Arkansas, Oklahoma, Kansas, Tennessee. POM also does events in Canada.

The Lodge of Hope is a 7,000 sq. ft. disabled accessible lodge located on 210 acres in Missouri, with a 35-acre private lake, and is the headquarters of Peterson Outdoors Ministries. The Lodge serves as a year-round retreat center where veterans, first responders, and those with disabilities can come and partake in therapeutic outdoor activities such as deer, turkey, waterfowl hunting, fishing, boating, kayaking, nature walks, and more! All of this is designed to bring hope, restoration, and renewal to those who come to The Lodge of HOPE!





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# Healthcare Care Close to Home



# **Access Family Care**

The clinic is a Community Health Center (CHC), which provides healthcare, preventive health, behavioral and chronic health services in underserved areas. Access Family Care grants services to all persons regardless of their insurance status. We also have discounts for those patients who qualify. The Access Family staff is ready to meet you and provide the highest level of professional care that you deserve.

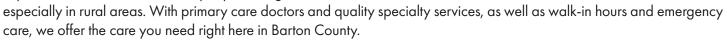
We offer behavioral health and pharmacy services for our patients ases, including Diabetes.

and provide treatments for a wide variety of chronic diseases, including Diabetes.

# **Cox Barton County Hosptial**

Barton County Memorial Hospital has seen many changes, both with the hospital itself and throughout the region. In 2007, a dream became a reality when the Barton County Memorial Hospital relocated to 29 NW First Lane. Not only is the present 64,000-square-foot hospital welcoming in appearance, but it also provides both patients and visitors added comfort and convenience.

When the hospital joined CoxHealth in 2018, it became Cox Barton County Hospital. One of CoxHealth's main priorities is to improve access to health care for people throughout the Ozarks,



# **Cox Barton County Medical One Clinic**

The Medical One Clinic at Cox Barton County Hospital has a team of healthcare professionals to care for you and your entire family. Our services include preventive care, management of chronic health conditions, diabetic care, orthopedic services, and more.

# Freeman Lamar Family Care and Ozark Center

At Freeman Family Care, we see patients for health screenings, physical exams, immunizations, and care for chronic medical conditions.

### Additional Services Provided:

- Behavioral Health Heart Care Ear, Nose & Throat
- Sports Medicine Family Medicine Lab Services

The highly-trained staff of counselors at Ozark Center Lamar Clinic offers you personalized care to help you address emotional, social, and situational issues in your life. Psychiatric providers are specially trained in the relationship between mental and physical health and can help with issues that require medication in addition to therapy. Ozark Center provides various mental and behavioral health services for children and adolescents.

- Psychological and Counseling Services
- Outpatient Psychiatric Services
- Substance Use Services
- Children's Services





# **Avenues of Mental Health**

Serving Barton County and the surrounding area. We are a Credentialed Mental Health Clinic. Our in-house Licensed Clinical Social Worker has over 25 years of experience.

We provide a number of Adult, Teen and Adolescent mental and behavioral healthcare services. We provide a neutral ground to individuals, families, and couples. We provide care for Depression and Anxiety, Trauma and PTSD. Our focus is to help individuals heal, energize, and become aware of their inner strengths.

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# **Barton County Health Department**

Our mission is to promote better health through education and provide health care services for the prevention of disease and restoration of health to Barton County residents and the surrounding area.

Services offered immunizations, labs, various testing including DNA, STD, TB, pregnancy, wellness programs, toenail clinics, car seat installations, and health education consults.

Along with permits for restaurants, temporary Food, residential waste water inspections/permits and Lodging Inspections. The WIC program is designed to improve the nutritional health of women, infants, and children, as well as the overall health of families. Vital Records certified copies of Missouri birth and death certificates are issued onsite by the local Vital Records Registrar.

# **Chiropractors**

**Home Town Chiropractic** - Feel Better. Move Better. Live Better. Working his way through Crowder College as a CNA, he saw firsthand the effects of the overuse of opioid painkillers and decided to go into chiropractic to offer an alternative method of pain relief.

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Dr. Nash E. Smalley, DC, provides quality chiropractic care with accurate diagnoses, personalized treatment plans, lifestyle counseling, and noninvasive, drug-free care.

*Midwest Spine and Sport* - Dr. Jimmy Keutzer, DC focuses on you and your needs, using advanced techniques as well as tried-and-true methods to heal your body. We pride ourselves on providing a unique, client-centric approach to treating each patient in clinic.

Our goal is to help educate every patient to properly use the tools and techniques available to regain their health and get back to doing what they love.

# Dentistry

**Lamar Family Dentistry** - Our team is dedicated to providing outstanding dental procedures in a comforting, warm environment. We understand how nerve-wracking dental procedures can be, and we go above and beyond to ensure you're comfortable at all times during your visit.

**Reavley Dental** - provides you and your family with exceptional dental care for a lifetime of beautiful, healthy smiles. We offer general dental services like checkups and cleanings, as well as more complex procedures related to cosmetic dentistry and corrective dentistry.

# Hospice / Home Health

**Compassus** - care includes practical, emotional, and spiritual support for everyone affected by a serious illness. You have 24/7 access to our Lamar hospice team so you can focus on important moments with the people you love. If you have questions, call us for a no-obligation consultation.

At Home Independence - provides reliable and affordable home care services to our clients. Whether you need daily health-related attention, or are looking for consumer-directed care or agency-directed services, we offer it! Our primary care attendants and case managers work with you and your doctor to develop and manage a personalized home health plan that's most convenient and beneficial for you.

# **Truman Healthcare and Rehabilitation Center**

We are committed to providing a safe, protective environment while meeting the individual needs, not only physically but mentally, emotionally, spiritually, and socially.

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We offer in-house therapy and wound care management, van transportation to appointments, in-house optometry, pharmacy, x-ray, podiatry, lab service, daycare or night care, by-the-hour, respite care, and special care unit for Alzheimer's/dementia patients.

**Vision Solutions** 

We leverage advanced diagnostic technology to provide modern eye care services, including comprehensive eye exams, vision correction, and more.

In addition to our eye care services, our optical department features a variety of designer frames and precision lenses from top brands.



Location is Key. Barton County is at the crossroads of America. Here you will see a willingness for workers to acquire new skills and be productive. Barton County offers investors a strategic location to build their business, a highly skilled workforce, an unmatched quality of life, and incredible education options.

# With Highway access to:

- North/South Interstate 49
- East/West US Highway 160
- Less than 30 minutes from Interstate 44



# Rail Access fo:

- KCS (Kansas City Southern Lines)
- MNA (Missouri Northern Arkansas Rail)
- BSNSF (Burlington Northern Santa Fe) Class 1 railroads



# Airport

Lamar Municipal Airport covers 105 acres (42 hectares) and has two runways; 17/35 is a concrete runway 4,000 by 75 feet (1,220 x 23m), and 3/21 is 2,900 by 60 feet (885 x 18m) is an asphalt runway. In addition to being just a short drive to Joplin Regional Airport, we have access to International Aiports in Tulsa, Kansas City and Springfield Branson.



# landfill

Republic Services operates the 2nd largest landfill in Missouri, just 5 miles north of Lamar, off the I-49 interchange. Lamar uses the methane from the landfill to generate almost 7mW of electricity, or enough to power half of the town's needs.



# WindMills

A 300-megawatt wind farm consisting of 138 turbines located in Barton, Dade, Jasper & Lawrence Counties is now operational. The windmills help keep regional energy costs competitive and encourage new economic development projects.

The wind farm investment in the region creates a new steady income for landowners, plus tax revenue for local communities.

Barton County By The Numbers

### Population ..... 11,478

Male ...... 5,759 Female ...... 5,719 Source: ESRI 2024

# Population By Age (Years)

| •          | •       |
|------------|---------|
| 0 to 19    |         |
| 20 to 34   | 17%     |
| 35 to 44   | 12%     |
| 45 to 64   |         |
| 65 +       | 21%     |
| Source: ER | SI 2024 |
|            |         |

## **Population By Town**

| Lamar 4,213       |
|-------------------|
| Liberal 632       |
| Golden City 654   |
| Mindenmines 272   |
| Source: ESRI 2024 |

## **Population Characteristics**

| Millennials   | 1,918  |
|---------------|--------|
| Retiring Soon | 4,070  |
| Veterans      | 567    |
| Source: ERS   | 1 2024 |

## Education

| Less Than 9th Grade      | 274   |
|--------------------------|-------|
| 9th Grade to 12 Grade    | 727   |
| High School Diploma      | 3,107 |
| Some College             | 1,466 |
| Associate's Degree       | 814   |
| Bachelor's Degree        | 1,167 |
| Graduate Degree & Higher |       |
| Source: ERSI 2024        |       |

### Housing

| Average Household Size  | 2.58     |
|-------------------------|----------|
| Housing Unites          | 5,286    |
| Median Household Income | \$50,545 |
| Occupied Housing Units  | 4,477    |
| Source: ERSI 2024       |          |

# **County Labor Force Breakdown**

| Total Working Age Population | 9,254 |
|------------------------------|-------|
| Not In Labor Force (16+)     | 4,012 |
| Labor Force                  | 5,242 |
| Employed                     | 5117  |
| Unemployed                   | 125   |
| Under 16                     | 2,507 |
|                              |       |

Source: ERSI 2024

### **Business By Size**

| 1 to 4 Employees     | .64.4%  |
|----------------------|---------|
| 5 to 9 Employees     | .16.5%  |
| 10 to 19 Employees   | . 12.0% |
| 20 to 49 Employees   | .5.2%   |
| 50 to 99 Employees   | .1.4%   |
| 100 to 249 Employees | .0.6%   |

Source: Emsi Q4 2024

# **Major Employers**

- Cox Barton County Hospital & Medical One Clinic
- Walmart Supercenter
- Redneck Outdoor Products
- Truman Healthcare & Rehab
- Finley Engineering

# SalesTax

| State                  | 0.03000 |
|------------------------|---------|
| Prop C. (Schools)      | 0.01000 |
| Conservation           | 0.00125 |
| Soil Conservation      | 0.00100 |
| County General         | 0.00500 |
| County Law Enforcement | 0.00500 |
| Ambulance              | 0.00500 |
| TOTAL:                 | 0.05725 |

| City of Lamar<br>From County/State<br>TOTAL:       | 0.05725 |
|--|---------|
| City of Golden City<br>From County/State<br>TOTAL: | 0.05725 |

| City of Liberal<br>From County/State<br>TOTAL:     | 0.05725   |
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| City of Mindenmines<br>From County/State<br>TOTAL: | 0.05725   |
| Lamar Heights                                      | 4% on Foo |

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Lamar Bank & Trust

• Higgins Pallet Co.





# Agriculture

Agriculture has shaped our county for well over 170 years and is the backbone of Barton County. Our ancestors knew the value of these rich, fertile soils and the gently rolling terrain.

Today, we continue to build on their hard work and determination. Agriculture is constantly evolving. From single-row horse-drawn plows to now state-ofthe-art technology aiding crop and cattle producers to increasing efficiency, we are leaps and bounds ahead of what our ancestors could ever imagine. In Barton County, 97% of farms are family-owned, and 79<sup>(1)</sup> farms have been in the same family for well over 100 years. By continuing that legacy, Barton County is one of the top-producing counties in the state.

(1) University Of Missouri Extension Century Farm List 2023

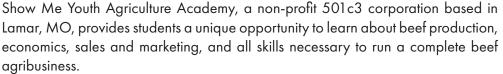
# University Of Missouri Extension Office

The Wolfe Center is the home of the University of Missouri Extension program in Barton County. The staff of six provides practical researchbased education to the citizens of Barton County, with the support of both the University and Barton County. Areas of expertise include Health & Wellness, Youth Development (4-H), Community Development, Agriculture, Food/Nutrition Programs.

CKristy Robertson

The Extension office is at 801 E 12th Street in Lamar, and the phone number is 417-682-3579





With access to the latest ag and livestock technology, Show Me Youth Academy gives students a rare on-the-farm learning opportunity with real-life challenges producers face daily. **www.showmeag.org/** 

# Jack's Tractors

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# Barton County Summary

| Number Of Farms              | .782     |
|------------------------------|----------|
| Land in Farms (acres)        | .365,241 |
| Average Size Of Farm (acres) | .467     |

### FARMS BY SIZE

| Acres      | Number |
|------------|--------|
| 1 to 9     | 26     |
| 10 to 49   | 139    |
| 50 to 179  | 214    |
| 180 to 499 | 202    |
| 500 to 999 | 85     |
| 1,000 +    | 116    |

### FARMLAND USE IN ACRES

| Cropland        |        |
|-----------------|--------|
| Pastureland     | 84,308 |
| Woodland        | 20,575 |
| Acres Irrigated | 20,453 |

### **TOP CROPS IN ACRES & YIELDS**

| Soybeans For Beans   | 125,457 2,908,985 bu   |  |
|--|------------------------|--|
| Corn For Grain   | 58,202 4,092,143 bu    |  |
| Forage (hay/haylage) all   | 41,884 57,591 tons/dry |  |
| Wheat For Grain, All   | 30,982 1,953,586 bu    |  |
| Corn For Silage Or Greenchop                                       | 3,954 40,038 tons      |  |
| Sources: 2022 Census of Agriculture - Tables 1, 8 & 41 - USDA/NASS |                        |  |

| Market value of products sold | \$188,919,000 |
|-------------------------------|---------------|
| PER FARM AVERAGE              |               |
| Market value of products sold | \$241,584     |





By joining the Barton County Chamber of Commerce, you've helped your business by becoming a part of a collective effort to protect the interests of local businesses and industries. You've gained the ability to help your business develop and expand through the power of collective marketing efforts, networking activities, referrals, business development, and the opportunity to participate in educational programs that the Chamber provides only to members. In addition, with your membership, you are now participating in Barton County, Missouri's overall economic vitality and progress.

Our members are the first to know about news and events hosted by the Chamber of Commerce and our members through weekly newsletters and social media. Members realize that knowing what's happening in your community offers just another way to help your business grow. Here are a few of the many benefits we offer to our members.

# MARKETING AND PROMOTION

The Chamber is here to help your business celebrate milestones with ribbon cuttings, ground-breaking ceremonies, and openhouse events. Let us be the extension of your marketing team.

# BUSINESS REFERRALS & COMMUNITY RECOGNITION

Chambers of Commerce is a trusted brand for hundreds of years – when potential buyers know a business is a member of their local Chamber; they are 63% more likely to purchase goods or services from that business in the future!

We are the first point of contact for new businesses, new residents, and tourists alike who are looking for information about Barton County and our goods and services. Our office is a resource center that responds to thousands of requests a year online, by phone, and in person. Being a member of the Chamber means your business is one we recommend to those people who reach out to us every day.

# EDUCATIONAL AND INFORMATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

The Chamber of Commerce hosts free-to-members events with guest speakers and educational opportunities throughout the year.

The Chamber of Commerce's website is the "go-to" location for information about all things Barton County, Missouri.

It consistently shows up on the first page of search engine results when someone is looking for Barton County, Missouri. The website is also referenced on local, state, and national websites and receives thousands of visits each month.

# GOVERNMENT ADVOCACY AND AWARENESS

With an average membership of 250 members, the Barton County Chamber of Commerce is a unified voice for businesses in our area. Together, we can accomplish so much more than we ever could alone.

# CITY OF LAMAR "NEW RESIDENT PACKET" PROGRAM

The City of Lamar and the Chamber work together to welcome new residents to our community by delivering "New Resident Packets" to each newcomer to the



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Show Me the Ozarks Magazine PO Box 3325 Joplin, MO 64803 (417) 455-9898 www.showmetheozarks.com/

Sign Designs 1720 W 7th Street Joplin, MO 64801 (417) 624-8688 www.sign-designs.com/

Skinintervention Day Spa 203 W. 11th Street Lamar, MO 64759 (417) 660-9262

Smith Seed Services 1800 E 12th Street Lamar, M0 64759 (417) 660-4002 www.mithseed.com/

Sonic Drive-In 37 E. 160 Hwy Lamar, MO 64759 (417) 682-6182

Southwest Waste Services, LLC 423 West Grand Avenue Jasper, MO 64755 (417) 262-4580

Specialty Risk Insurance 2023 South Garrison Carthage, MO 64836 (417) 359-5470 www.specialtyriskinsuranceagency.com

Spire Missouri Inc. 520 E 5th Street Joplin, MO 64801 1-800-582-1234 www.missourigasenergy.com **Sprouls Construction** 397 W DD Hwy Lamar, M0 64759 (417) 682-9577 www.sproulsconstruction.com

State Farm Insurance

Jordan Maberry 1029 Gulf Street Lamar, MO 64759 (417) 682-3395 jordan.maberry.y5nq@statefarm.com

**Studio 115 Salon & Boutique** 115 W 11th Street Lamar, MO 64759 (417) 681-0966

Stutesman's Action Realty 200 W. 12th Street Lamar, MO 64759 417-667-8400 www.actionsold.com

Suddenlink 2540 S. Grand Avenue Carthage, MO 64836 1-888-822-5151 www.suddenlink.com

Sunny View Greenhouse 159 W. V Hwy Lamar, MO 64759 (417) 262-3695

Synergy, LLC 1309 Parry Street Lamar, MO 64759 (417) 681-0255

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Tea Shirt Shoppe 1105 Jefferson Street Lamar, MO 64759 (417) 529-4362 www.teashirtshoppe.com

The Belt Cocktail Company, LLC 1026 Broadway Lamar, MO 64759 (417) 838-8742 www.thebeltcocktail.com

The Freeman Outdoor Event Center at the Stompin' Grounds 2500 Harvest RD Lamar, MO 64759 (417) 262-6572 www.thestompiarounds.com/

The Grind Coffee Shop 1206 Cherry Street Lamar, MO 64759 (417) 682-1584 www.facebook.com/thegrindcoffeeshopusa/

The Hub 128 W 10th Street Lamar, MO 64759 thelamarhub.com

The Joplin Globe 117 East 4th Street Joplin, MO 64801 (417) 627-7219 www.joplinglobe.com/ The Roark Group Lamar, MO 64759 (417) 483-7729 www.roarkgroup.com

The Vault 101.7 412 N. Locust Pittsburg, KS 66762 (620) 232-5993 www.1017thevault.com

**Tiger Car Wash** 801W 12th Street Lamar, MO 64759 (417) 214-6107

Toddz Electric, LLC 1022 Broadway Lamar, MO 64759 (417) 214-6680 www.toddzelectric.com/

Tractor Supply 805 West 12th Street Lamar, MO 64759 (417) 682-2112 www.tractorsupply.com

 Tractors BBQ & Grill

 1008 E 12th Street

 Lamar, M0 64784

 (417) 682-6677

 www.facebook.com/TractorsBbgAndGrill



Triple L Tack Shop 340 NW 50th RD Lamar, MO 64759 (417) 682-1672

True North Realty Group 200 West 12th Street Lamar, M0 64759 (417) 682-1800 www.TrueNorthRG.com

Truman Area Transportation Service (TATS) 1104 Broadway Lamar, MO 64759 (417) 682-5542 www.cityoflamar.org

Truman Birthplace 407 East 11th Street Lamar, MO 64759 (417) 682-2279 www.mostateparks.com

Truman Healthcare and Rehabilitation Center 206 W. 1st Street Lamar, M0 64759 (417) 682-5718 www.trumanb.com

Truman Heights Hotel 45 SE 1st LN Lamar, MO 64759 (417) 682-6888 Tupperware Representative Barba Parrish Lamar, MO 64759 (417) 849-3119 Email: parrishron@att.net

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V's Nails 1105 Broadway Street Lamar, MO 64759 (417) 214-3705

VFW Post 3691 901 Jefferson Lamar, MO 64759 www.facebook.com/post3691

Vintage Chaos 37 C SW 1st LN Lamar, MO 64759 (417) 682-4770 www.facebook.com/Vintagechaoslamar

Vision Solutions 808 Gulf Street Lamar, MO 64759 (417) 682-3301 www.myvisionsolutions.com

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Wal-Mart #0338 29 SW 1st LN Lamar, M0 64759 (417) 682-5516 www.walmart.com

Wisper Internet 4743 Gateway Drive Joplin, MO 64804 (800) 765-7772 www.wisperisp.com/

Woods Supermarket 1407 W Austin Blvd Nevada, MO 64772 (417) 667-3764 www.woodssupermarket.com/stores/nevada

Workforce Investment Board of SW MO 105 N. Rangeline RD Joplin, MO 64802 417-206-1717x109 www.gojobfest.com

World Finance 818 W. 12th Street Lamar, MO 64759 (417) 682-3711

# Voting In Barton County

# ACCEPTABLE FORMS OF VOTER ID

Show one of the forms of acceptable identification and sign the poll book to obtain your ballot: For more information visit **www.sos.mo.gov/showit2vote** 

- Identification issued by the state of Missouri, an agency of the state, or a local election authority of the state.
- Identification issued by the United States government or agency thereof.
- Identification issued by an institution of higher education, including a university, college, vocational and technical school, located within the state of Missouri.
- A copy of a current utility bill, bank statement, paycheck, government check, or other government documents that contain the name and address of the voter.
- If you do not possess any of these forms of identification but are a registered voter, you may cast a provisional ballot.
- Your provisional ballot will count if: (1) you return to your polling place on Election Day with a photo ID; or (2) the signature on your provisional ballot envelope is determined by your local election authority to match the signature on your voter registration record.
- If you cast a provisional ballot, you will receive a stub from your provisional ballot envelope with instructions on how to verify that your provisional ballot is counted.

# **ABSENTEE VOTING**

- Registered Missourians who expect to be prevented from going to their polling place on Election Day may vote absentee beginning six weeks before an election. Voters can request absentee ballots from the County Clerk's Office in person, by mail, or by e-mail.
- Relatives within the second degree (spouse, parents, and children) may complete an absentee ballot application, in person, on behalf of the voter who wishes to vote absentee.
- Mail-in or faxed absentee ballot requests must be received by County Clerk no later than 5:00 p.m. on the second Wednesday prior to any election. Voters can vote by absentee in the office of the local election authority until 5:00 p.m. the night before the election.

# **REGISTER TO VOTE IN BARTON COUNTY**

Barton County, County Clerk's Office 1004 Gulf, Rm. 103 Lamar, MO 64759 Phone:(417) 682-3529 Fax: (417) 682-4100

# **VOTING LOCATIONS**

Polling places are open from 6:00 am to 7:00 pm on election day.

| POLLING PLACE                  | TOWNSHIPS                            |
|--------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Liberal City Hall              | Barton City, Leroy & Ozark           |
| Oakton Methodist Church        | Central, Nashville & Northfork       |
| Memorial Park Office           | Ward 1 & 2                           |
| Memorial Hall                  | Ward 3 & 4                           |
| Milford Church                 | Union, Doylesport, Milford & Newport |
| Golden City Community Building | Golden City                          |
| First Baptist Church           | Lamar & Richland                     |
| Mindenmines City Hall          | Southwest                            |

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# Barton County Libraries

The library has over 50,000 physical items and another 50,000 electronic materials available for check out. Also offering over 6,000 videos and audiobooks from which to choose. An average of 2,000 new items are added to the collection each year. The library offers free programs for all ages including technology classes,

summer reading programs, children's storytime and after school programs, and movies for adults, and have over 7,000 active patrons.

The library proudly serves the people of Barton County with branches in Lamar, Liberal and Golden City. Locations and phone numbers are included below, for more information visit **www.bclib.info** 

Mary K Finley Library 300 W. 10th Street | Lamar, MO 64759 417-682-5355

**Hylton Library** 

607 Main Street |Golden City, MO 64748 417-537-4991

Happy & Mary Curless Library

201 S. Main | Liberal, MO 64762 417-843-5791





In addition to traditional library services, the following library resources that are available to the community:

- Audio
- Books
- Books-To-Go
- Computer Classes
- Copier
- DVDs
- E-Books
- E-Readers
- Facebook
- Fax Machine
- Genealogy Research Material
- Inter-library Loans
- Large Print Books
- Magazines & Newspapers,

- Meeting Room
- On-line Catalog
- On-line Databases
- Public Access Computers with Internet
- Test Proctoring
- Typewriter
- Wi-Fi Internet Access
- Wi-Fi Printing



# Barton County Cemeteries

Remembering those before us.

- 1. Apostolic Christian Cemetery 504 State Hwy 0 • Lamar, MO 64759
- 2. Barton City Cemetery 973 NW 50th RD • Liberal, MO 64762
- 3. Blackjack Cemetery 1365-1363 SW 90th RD • Asbury, MO 64832
- Doylesport Cemetery
   539 SE 80th RD Sheldon, MO 64784
- 5. East Side Cemetery 1603 Hagny Street • Lamar, MO 64759
- Fair View Cemetery 602 SE 5th RD • Lamar, MO 64759
- 7. Harlow-Wright Cemetery
   1101 SE 75th RD Golden City MO 64748
- Howell Cemetery
   446 NE 75th LN Lamar, MO 64759
- 9. Iantha Cemetery 144 NW 60th LN • Lamar, MO 64759

- 10. IOOF Cemetery (Odd Fellows Cemetery) 685 SE 115th LN • Golden City, MO 64748
- Killey Cemetery (Boston)
   576 SW 8th LN Lamar, MO 64759
- Lake Cemetery
   160 Hwy & Outer 71 Hwy Lamar Heights, MO 64759
- 13. Liberal City Cemetery 385 N Wilson Street • Liberal, MO 64762
- 14. Memory Gardens Cemetery 901 E. 19th Street • Lamar, MO 64759
- 15. Moorehead Cemetery 44 SE 80th LN • Lamar, MO 64759
- 16. Mount Carmel Cemetery 550 MO-126 • Golden City, MO 64748
- Nashville Cemetery W State Hwy AA • Oronogo, MO 64855

- Newport Cemetery 1080 State Hwy BB • Lamar, MO 64759
- 19. Nigh Cemetery NE 17th LN • Lamar, MO 64759
- 20. Oak Grove Cemetery (Oakton Cemetery) 315 S State Hwy J • Lamar, MO 64759
- 21. Round Prairie Cemetery 1017 NE 55th RD • Lamar, MO 64759
- 22. Shiloh Cemetery, 1441 NW 95th RD • Liberal, MO 64762
- 23. St James Cemetery, 874 E Hwy CC • Lamar, MO 64759
- 24. St Marys Cemetery 160 Hwy & Outer 71 Hwy • Lamar Heights, MO 64759
- 25. Waters Cemetery, 350 SW 90th RD • Jasper, MO 64755

Every effort has been made to include as many cemeteries as possible.

Only public, easily accessible cemeteries are shown, small individual family cemeteries have been excluded.

Please contact the Barton County Historical Society (Hours are 1 pm to 4 pm - (417) 682-4141) for details and accessibility for small family cemeteries.

# Want the Best for Your Family?

You Don't Have to Look Far.

Primary, pediatric, and walk-in care at our Lamar and Golden City clinics. Specialty care, a 24-hour emergency department, physical therapy, a pharmacy with curbside delivery, and more at Cox Barton County Hospital.

It's the care you need, and it's all right here.

coxhealth.com CoxHealthNow Portal & App

