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Tuesday
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News at 7:20am & 12, 6pm &

The Weather



The High yesterday 69° The Low this morning 65°

There may be a few opportunities for pop up showers today with a few breaks in the clouds, but don't expect much. However, later in the evening, there may be enough activity to produce some rain.

Today: The skies will be mostly cloudy with a high near 77°. Winds will be S-SE at 5-15. The forecast calls for a 20% chance of showers before 1pm.

Tonight: Cloudy, and the low temperature should be near 65°. The wind will be S-SE near 10 mph. There is a 70% chance of showers in the overnight hours.

Wednesday: Cloudy with a high temperature near 77°. Wind will be S at 10-15 mph. There is a 20% chance of showers and storms in the morning.

Wednesday Night: Mostly cloudy skies and a low near 66° with a 60% chance of showers in the overnight hours. The wind will be S-SE at 10-15 mph.

Thursday: A 50% chance of showers and storms, mainly in the morning. Partly sunny with a high near 80°. Wind will be S at 10 mph.

Thursday Night: Mostly cloudy with a 50% chance of showers and storms. Winds will become calm in the evening and a low near 52°.

Updated Closures, Cancellations and Changes.....



Dr. Rascoe released an announcement yesterday after consulting with local authorities. Lampasas ISD will be closed at a minimum through March 29th. Lometa ISD asks that you call if you need help with assignments, and email if your student needs meals and/or lessons delivered.

Texas Education Commissioner Mike Morath has advised that the state may need to prepare for long-term school closures, possible through the end of the school year, especially in areas where the Coronavirus has spread.

With this being the case, Governor Abbot announced Monday that the testing requirements for the STAAR exam this year have been waived. Governor Abbot said he will also ask the federal government to waive this year's federal standardized testing requirements. According to the Texas Tribune, as of Sunday afternoon, 569 school districts had announced closures due to coronavirus, along with schools in more than 30 other states. Houston ISD will be closed at least through April 10th, and Dallas ISD will be closed indefinitely.

The City of Lampasas Staff are meeting with local and state officials to determine the best response to minimize both short term and long-term impacts on the citizens of Lampasas. This city encourages you to continue to be good neighbors and help those in

need. If you are able to shop or run errands please do so as this decreases exposure for everyone. Also, the city asks residents **please do NOT flush baby wipes or paper towels, they clog the sewer lines!**

In our area the closings/cancellations/changes include: Jury Duty for March 23rd and AG Court for March 25th have been postponed, will reschedule at a later time. The Lampasas Multi-Service/ Senior Center is closed until further notice. The Social Security Administration Offices are closed, they are offering phone and on-line service. The local office can provide critical services over the phone. The Lampasas Public Library has cancelled all activities for this week, but is open regular hours.

The Boot Mural Unveiling, scheduled for Thursday March 19th has been cancelled. Jury duty for March 23rd has been cancelled. The LTX BBQ cookoff has been postponed and will not take place April 3rd & 4th. We're sure this is not everything. Please email up dates to news@lampasasradio.com. McDonalds and Dairy Queen are the two restaurants that we know have closed their dining rooms. The Sippin' on the Edge Wine Festival at Stoneledge Winery has been postponed, as well as the Diamondback Jubilee in Lometa. The Radiogram will have the new office hours of 10am-4pm until further notice. Radiograms will still be available around town as usual.

This is a constantly changing issue, and the CDC is recommending no groups of 50 or more at this time. Please use common sense, help your neighbors if they need it, and WASH YOUR HANDS!

District Court Notes

The Lampasas Courthouse was the site of a 27th district court docket Call on March 13th. Presiding over the Court was 27th district Judge John Gauntt. Elijah Helzer failed to appear on a charge of evading arrest, Hannah Bruns failed to appear on the charge of possession of a controlled substance PG1 1-4 grams, and Matthew Bowden was found to have insufficient bond on a charge of unauthorized use of a vehicle.



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The Blotter

Lampasas Police Dept. blotter for Saturday shows a criminal mischief report early in the morning at 12:40am in the 600 block of E. 3rd St., then a suspicious vehicle in the 400 block of S. Pecan at 12:53am. A curfew violation was reported in the 800 block of CTE at 1:32am, then there was a domestic disturbance in the 700 block of S. Broad at 1:47am. The 2 am hour saw a suspicious person in the 100 block of N. Chestnut at 2:13am, then 2 suspicious vehicles, one in the 1600 block of S. Key at 2:39am, and one in the 100 block of E. Ave J at 2:49am. A burglary of a habitation was reported in the 1100 block of W. Ave B at 7:28am. There were 2 minor accidents, one in the 500 block of S. Broad at 10:25am and one in the 100 block of EE Ohnmeiss at 12:28pm. A suspicious vehicle was reported at the intersection of Fieldstone Dr. & Stone Valley Dr. at 2:05pm. A suspicious person was reported in the 300 block of Sunrise Hills at 5:24pm and there was a noise complaint in the 1200 block of E. Ave G at 11:46pm.

Sunday's LPD Blotter shows the early morning arrest of 21 year old Kaelyn Chumney at 1:11am in the 300 block of 281S for DWI w/ BAC over .15%. Suspicious activity was reported in the 200 block of W. 5th St. at 1:18am, then a suspicious person was reported in the 1100 block of E. Ave H at 2:51am. There were 5 burglary of a motor vehicle reports (see story), then a suspicious vehicle was reported in the 400 block of S. Key at 10:18am. Justin McCollister, 39, of Liberty Hill was arrested in the 1400 block of E. 4th St. for Criminal Trespass and Criminal Mischief \$100-\$750 at 10:36am. The violation of a protective order was reported in the 300 block of E. 4th St. at 11:32am. The afternoon started with 2 disturbances, one in the 600 block of N. Key at 1:33pm, and one in the 200 block of W. 3rd St. at 3:04pm. A suspicious person was reported in the 200 block of 281S at 10:32pm and a curfew violation was reported on Del Norte at 11:46pm. A suspicious vehicle was reported in the 400 block of CTE at 11:52pm.

The Sheriff's Dept. Blotter for the weekend shows Kempner with a juvenile problem, civil matters, an explosives call, a shots fired call, and medical calls. Out in the county there were livestock/animal calls, an accident, medical calls, a reported burglary, and a reported disturbance.

The Jail Log shows the arrest of 36 year old Juan Ponce-Martinez for non-payment of child support and an ICE detainer. 26 year old Kyle Vaughn of Copperas Cove was detained for DWI, and Roderick Watson of Killen was arrested for possession of Marijuana less than 2 oz.

more vehicle burglaries were reported in the area, one on Snell Dr. and one on Alexander Lane. Surveillance from a nearby camera recorded this image of what is suspected to be the vehicle involved.

(We understand the pictures are not the best)

Chief Bailey said they are working very hard to solve this case, and it takes time to gather all the necessary information.

Chief Bailey also stressed that residents need to

**Take all valuables out of your car.
Secure your vehicle.**

If you see anything suspicious, call the Lampasas Police Dept.



Colin Highley-8

Badger Baseball

The Good...The Badgers Varsity went unbeaten and took the championship in its own baseball tournament last week. The week started with Lampasas heading to Caldwell on Tuesday to take on their unbeaten team. After 5 innings Lampasas was ahead of Caldwell 1-0 after Logan Coleman scored in the 3rd on a couple of Badger hits and an error.

In the 6th the Lampasas bat came alive when Ethan Rascoe doubled and made it home on a Marty Ybarra hit. Then Tak Stinnett drove in another run and the bases started loading up. Hunter Rebando came in with bases loaded and hit the Grand Slam that pushed the score up to 7-0. Caldwell got one run in the bottom of the 7th to keep it from being a shutout, but the 7-1 on the scoreboard told the story that they were no longer an unbeaten team.

Lampasas was off on Thursday as Pool Play started in the Lampasas tournament. Marble Falls, Jarrell and Troy competed with Jarrell and Marble Falls moving on to Saturday play. On Friday Lampasas beat both San Angelo Lakeview and Clyde but had to go on to play Clyde again in the **championship** game. As has happened a time or two this year, it was a close game. Clyde came out first on the scoreboard with 2 runs in the first inning, then the Badgers came back to tie, then Clyde scored, but in the bottom of the 5th Lampasas got 3 and it was 5-3. Clyde managed one more run in the 6th but it finished with a 5-4 Lampasas win.

The Badger team swept the tournament with heroics by almost everybody at one time or the other. The hardware at the end went to Hunter Rebando, Marty Ybarra and Ace Whitehead but Coach Shane Doege, like all Badger fans, is proud of this entire team.

The Bad...Badger Baseball is canceled through the 27th due to the Corona Virus pandemic.

The UIL has ruled that, as of now, athletic programs can practice, but not play, through that date. After that, we'll see what happens. This means that at least 5 scheduled games won't be played as planned. One of those, the district game with Taylor on the 27th, could be re-scheduled, but again, who knows what will happen next.

Wouldn't it be a shame if this Badger team, one of the best all-around teams we've had, didn't get to finish it's season. We shudder to think it. Let's all hope the Corona Virus passes over us soon so we can say – **"Play ball"!**

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