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The Weather



The High vesterday 63° The Low this morning 39°

Today: Look for mostly cloudy skies and a high near 55° with a 30% chance of showers today. Wind will be E at 5-10 mph with possible gusts of 20 mph.

Tonight: Look for mostly cloudy skies and a low near 42°. Wind will be E-SE near 5-15 mph, gusting to 20 mph.

Saturday: Look for mostly cloudy skies with a high temperature near 62°, and a 30% chance of showers mainly in the morning. There will be gradual clearing in the afternoon with wind becoming W near 5 mph.

Saturday Night: Look for mostly clear skies with a low temperature near 37°, and a slight chance of showers in the evening. The wind will be NW near 5-15 mph with possible gusts as high as 20 mph.

Sunday: Sunny skies with a high temperature near 60°. Wind will be NW at 10-15 mph gusting to 20 mph.

Sunday Night: Clear skies with a low temperature near 38°. Wind will be W-NW near 5-10 mph shifting SE in the evening.

TxDOT to Hold Meeting on US281N Expansion

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) is proposing to widen US 281 from US 183 (Lampasas) to US 84 (Evant), in Lampasas and Coryell Counties.

TxDOT will conduct an online virtual public meeting on the proposed project with in-person options. . The presentation will be posted online on Feb. 7 by 12pm. To log onto the virtual public meeting, go to the following web address at the date and time indicated above: www.TxDOT.gov and Search

"US 281 – Lampasas to Evant." Following the virtual public meeting, the presentation will remain available for viewing until Monday Mar. 3rd at 11:59pm.

Additionally, TxDOT is providing an in-person option for individuals who would like to participate in person instead of online. In-person attendees will be able to hear a presentation that includes the same information as the online public meeting, review hard copies of project materials, ask questions of TxDOT staff and/or consultants, and leave written comments.

The meeting dates are: In Lampasas Tuesday February 7th from 5:30-7:30pm at the New Covenant Church at 1604 CTE in Lampasas. In Evant on Monday February 13th from 5:30-7:30pm at Evant ISD 339 Memory Lane in Evant.

The project proposes to widen US 281, between US 183 (Lampasas) and US 84 (Evant) in Lampasas and Coryell counties, with two additional travel lanes in either a northbound or southbound direction for a total of four lanes; improve safety by

separating traffic with a grassy median; and add crossovers along US 281 within the project to facilitate access to both sides of the highway. The total length of the project is approximately 28 miles.

Written comments from the public regarding the proposed project are requested and may be submitted by mail to: TxDOT Brownwood District Office, 2495 HWY 183 N., Brownwood, Texas 76802. Written comments may also be submitted by email to Jodie.Kelly@txdot.gov. All comments must be received on or before Friday, March 3rd to be included in the official meeting record. Responses to comments received, once they have been prepared, will be available online on the project page at TxDOT.gov and Search US 281 Lampasas to Evant.

The environmental review, consultation, and other actions required by applicable Federal environmental laws for this project are being, or have been, carried-out by TxDOT pursuant to 23 U.S.C. 327 and a Memorandum of Understanding dated December 9, 2019, and executed by FHWA (Federal Highway Administration) and TxDOT.

Lampasas ISD **School Board Candidates**

The Lampasas ISD School Board Election for May 6th has seen the incumbent for Place 6, Sam Walker, and the incumbent for Place 7, Ryan Shahan file as candidates for the election.

According to the Lampasas ISD District website, these are the only 2 Places on the ballot for the May 6th election.

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The Blotter

The Lampasas Police Dept. Blotter for Thursday

shows a report of a suspicious vehicle in the 100 block of CR 3000 at 9:21am and a reported theft in the 800 block of W. Ave C at 9:55am. The afternoon shows a minor accident in the 2700 block of 281S at 12:44pm, a criminal trespass reported on Steele St. at 1:19pm and a harassment reported in the 400 block of E. 3rd St. at 2:25pm. Suspicious persons were reported: in the 400 block of E. 3rd St. at 2:37pm, in the 100 block of W. 1st St. at 2:59pm and in the 900 block of S. Spring St. at 3:26pm. There was a reported assault in the 2700 block of 281S at 3:47pm, another report of a suspicious person in the 100 block of W. 1st St. at 4:03pm, and a disorderly conduct reported in the 800 block of N. Ridge St. at 4:47pm. At 6:33pm Monica Dunn, 50, was arrested in the 1500 block of S. Key Ave. for criminal trespass. A suspicious person was reported in the 300 block of Hackberry St. at 8:41pm and a criminal trespass was reported in the 300 block of N. Ridge St. at 11:26pm.

The Lampasas County Sheriff's Dept. for Thursday shows Lometa with animal issues and a medical call. In Kempner there were reports of suspicious activity, animal/livestock issues, a request for extra patrol, a missing persons report, medical calls, and civil matters. Out in the county there were animal issues, an alarm call, civil matters and a warrant was served. Deputies went into Cove on a report of an abandoned vehicle and a requested welfare check.

The Jail Log shows the arrest of 36 year old Demietri Price of Bastrop for possession of a controlled substance PG2 4-400 grams and driving with an invalid license. Also arrested was Alberto Hernandez Jr. of Lometa for driving with an invalid license.

The Burn Ban has been lifted until January 22nd

(cont'd from front) Please don't forget to boil your water until notified to do otherwise.

Thank you for your patience and kind words while we worked to restore your water service.

Homeless Coalition 'Point in Time' Count

The Central Texas Homeless Coalition is assisting in a multi-county effort to assess the size of the homeless population. The "point in time" count will take place on January 26th and is set to take place between 6am and 7pm. The coalition counts in Bell, Coryell, Hamilton and Lampasas counties.

Coalition president Bobby Ehrig explained the count has an impact on the federal funding received locally to assist those experiencing homelessness and poverty. "We want to provide the most updated data of the snapshot of our homelessness so that our federal elected officials can make decisions on funding, housing vouchers and those types of things," Ehrig said.

Volunteers do not need to meet any particular experience, and will undergo brief training before the count date. If you are interested in volunteering you can reach Bobby Ehrig, President of the coalition at (254) 856-3752, or the volunteer application can be found at: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/

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Happy Birthday

Iris Pehl 9



Badger Sports



Badger Basketball

Badger Basketball and Lady Badger Basketball will host Jarrell in District Play tonight at Lampasas High School. Sub Varsity games will begin at 5pm. The Lady Varsity team will tip off at 6:15pm and the Men's Varsity team will play at 7:30pm.

Lady Badger Soccer

Lady Badger Soccer will travel to Harker Heights again today for a tournament there. They will play Hyde Park at 11:00. Saturday they play Harker Heights at 11:30.

Badger Soccer

The Badger Varsity Soccer team traveled to the Canyon Lake Classic yesterday where they lost to La Vernia 7-0. The team will travel back to Canyon Lake today and tomorrow.

The Badger JV Soccer team traveled to Waco yesterday for the Kevin Uribe Memorial Classic Soccer Tournament. The Boys defeated China Spring 5-0 and Harmony 2-0 before falling to Midway 2-0. The boys will return to Waco on Saturday for 3 more matches.

Badger Tennis

In tennis, according to Coach Peiser, the Spring Season is all about individual events. You play either Singles or Doubles in a tournament draw format. You are usually guaranteed two matches. Lose your second one and you are done.

Varsity District is played at the end of the 8 tournaments with the teams in your district, March 29th and 30th this year in Marble Falls.

The JV will have 5 tournaments and district on March 31st this semester since they played 3 last semester. The JV Tennis squad went to Pflugerville yesterday for a 28 team individual tournament. The results are as follows: Samantha Long 2-2, Kaleb Roberts 0-2, Macy Frye went 0-2, Dacoda Fry went 0-2, Jetzalie Guzman 0-2, Brock Messinger 0-2.

JV Tennis will play again on Feb 2nd in Cove. Varsity Tennis kicks off their tournament schedule on Jan 27th in Pflugerville with about 18 teams participating.

