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The Weather



The high yesterday 79° This morning's low 70°

Today: Look for mostly cloudy skies with a high near 89° and a 70% chance of showers and storms this afternoon. Some could be severe. Wind will be S-SW today near 5-15 mph with possible gusts of 20 mph.

Tonight: Look for mostly cloudy skies, and the low will get down to about 60° overnight with a 60% chance of precipitation. The wind will be from the SE near 5-10 mph shifting N overnight.

Friday: Look for mostly sunny skies with a high temperature near 77° and a 20% chance of precipitation. Wind will be N at 5-15 mph with possible gusts of 20 mph.

Friday Night: Look for clear skies and a low near 49°. N-NE wind near 10 mph will shift SE overnight.

Saturday: Sunny with the high temperature near 76° and the wind will be SE near 5-15 mph with possible gusts of 20 mph.

Saturday Night: Partly cloudy skies and a low near 53°. There is a 30% chance of precipitation. Wind will be E near 15 mph gusting to 25 mph.

Cooper Spring Nature Park Dedication

Rex and Linda Johnson, founders of the Cooper Spring Nature Park, will be honored with a plaque dedication this Saturday, April 22nd at 10am at the park entrance. The public is invited to attend the ceremony. Sadly, Linda Johnson passed earlier this year, but Rex will receive the honor for them both during the ceremony.

The Johnsons donated 16.23 acres of land to the City of Lampasas in 2008, with the understanding that it would be managed as a nature park to benefit birds and butterflies. Since then, additional land acquisitions have expanded the park to include more than 25 acres.

The park is now a favorite destination of many who come to walk the trails, birdwatch, and enjoy the beauty of the open space.

Please come share your appreciation for the Johnson's generous gift. Light refreshments will be served, and a park tour is available after the ceremony. The park is located at 100 N. Hackberry Street in Lampasas.

Emergency Supplies Sales Tax Holiday

With the severe weather season upon us, Texas Comptroller Glenn Hegar reminds Texans they can purchase certain items tax-free during the state's sales tax holiday for emergency preparation supplies, which begins at 12:01am on Saturday, April 22nd, and ends at midnight on Monday, April 24th.

"While we can't know in advance when the next flood, tornado or hurricane may strike, we can make sure our families, homes and businesses have the supplies they need to face these and other emergencies," Hegar said. "This tax holiday can help Texans save money while stocking up for emergency situations. Don't wait for disaster to strike. Take the time now to get prepared."

The Comptroller's office estimates shoppers will save nearly \$2 million in state and local sales taxes during the tax holiday, which was approved by the Texas Legislature in 2015.

There's no limit on the number of qualifying items you can purchase. These include: household batteries, fuel containers and flashlights priced less than \$75; hurricane shutters and emergency ladders priced less than \$300; and portable generators priced less than \$3,000.

For purchases made online, note that delivery, shipping, handling and transportation charges are part of the sales price. Consider these charges when determining whether an emergency preparation supply can be purchased tax-free during the holiday.

For example, if you purchase a rescue ladder online for \$299 with a \$10 delivery charge, the total sales price is \$309. Because the total sales price of the ladder is more than \$300, tax is due on the \$309 sales price.

Purchases that do not qualify include: batteries for automobiles, boats and other motorized vehicles; camping stoves and camping supplies; chainsaws; plywood; extension ladders and stepladders; and tents.

Texas Senate Approves School Safety Bill

The Texas Senate approved Wednesday a sweeping school safety bill in response to the Uvalde shooting nearly a year ago that aims to make sure that hundreds of Texas school districts without active-shooter plans get up to speed.

Senate Bill 11, filed by Sen. Robert Nichols, R-Jacksonville, would create a safety and security department within the Texas Education Agency and give it the authority (*cont'd on back*)

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Friday, April 21st: Aggie Muster will be at the Crawford Party House. For more information contact Ross at **512-556-7819**

Saturday, April 22nd: Browning Community Garden Club: 'Blast From the Past' Flower Show—2:00PM-4:30PM @ Clear Creek Baptist Church Fellowship Hall 3350 FM 2657 Kempner, TX. Free Admission.

Tuesday May 9th: Blood Drive. 1st St. Church of Christ. 11:30a-5:30p. **RedCrossBlood.org** to make appt.

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The Blotter



The Lampasas Police blotter for Wednesday shows a report of a suspicious person in the 600 block of S. Key Ave. at 2:59am, a harassment reported in the 2700 block of 281S at 9:06am and a criminal trespass reported in the 700 block of S. Western St. at 10:32am At 10:43am, Wesley Bo Shannon, 28, of Lampasas was arrested in the 1200 block of Barnes St. on a Lampasas PD warrant for unlawful restraint. At 10:51am Todd Miller, 58, of Lampasas was arrested in the 1200 block of Barnes St. on a Lampasas PD warrant for violation of a protective order/condition of bond. The afternoon shows a criminal trespass reported in the 1700 block of CTE at 1:11pm, a domestic disturbance reported in the 900 block of W. 4th St. at 2:04pm and at that same location, an assault was reported at 2:56pm. A suspicious vehicle was reported in the 1500 block of W. Ave B at 5:38pm, and there was a minor accident in the 700 block of W. 6th St. at 7:12pm.

The Lampasas County Sheriff's Dept. Blotter for Wednesday shows Lometa with civil matters. In Kempner there were medical calls, a request for extra patrol, alarm calls, livestock issues, and a report of an abandoned vehicle. Out in the county there were civil matters, animal issues, medical calls and a reported theft. Deputies went into Cove on a requested welfare check, civil matters and an accident.

The Jail Log shows the arrest of 26 year old Caleb Geske of Hamilton for injury to a child/elderly/disabled person w/intent of bodily injury. Also arrested was 30 year old Jeffery Roberts Jr. of Hempstead, Texas for possession of a controlled substance PG2 less than a gram and possession of marijuana less than 2 oz. 25 year old Jonathan Wallace of Austin was arrested for possession of marijuana less than 2 oz.

(cont'd from front) to compel school districts to establish active-shooter protocols. Those that fail to meet the agency's standards could be put under the state's supervision.

The bill would also strengthen the state's truancy laws, a provision that was included in the bill after state officials found that the gunman in the Uvalde shooting was chronically absent since sixth grade and dropped out of high school. Truancy is considered a red flag for school officials that a student might need a school counselor.

The bill passed with a unanimous vote and now heads to the House, where it will need to be voted out of committee before hitting the full floor.

A three-year audit of 1,022 Texas school districts released in 2020 found that most of them reported having active-shooter plans but just 200 had policies that followed best practices. About half of the state's districts — 626 — did not have active-shooter plans at all. Another 196 had active-shooter policies with negligible guidance like having someone "call 911" as their plan, according to the audit.

Under the proposed legislation, the TEA would work with the Texas School Safety Center, a Texas State University think tank to audit districts' active-shooter plans on a regular basis.

The TEA commissioner would be able to assign a conservator to districts that fail to comply with the agency's safety requirements. That person would oversee the school board and superintendent to make sure they solve the issues outlined by the state.

In addition, the bill would require all school district police officers to complete an active shooter training program with the Advanced Law Enforcement Rapid Response Training Center at Texas State University. The provision was included in response to law enforcement taking 77 minutes to confront the gunman in Uvalde nearly a year ago.

Despite the overwhelming support for the proposal, some senators on Wednesday felt it lacked sufficient funding to improve schools security.

Badger Sports



Badger Baseball

Badger Baseball (3-9) hosts Jarrell (4-8) Friday beginning at 4:30pm. The JV game will follow with volunteer umpires. If you can't make the game, KACQ 101.9FM will be broadcasting, or you can go to lampasasradio.com to tune in.

4A Region 3, District 24 Baseball Standings

	W-L
Marble Falls	10-2
Burnet	8-4
Jarrell	7-5
Gateway	4-8
Lago Vista	4-8
Lampasas	3-9

Badger Track

Badgers headed for Regionals:

Aden Rascoe was the Area Champion in discus and will head to Regionals.

Asa White earned a spot with a jump of 22'9" in long jump, as well as qualifying in the 110 & 300 meter hurdles with 4th place finishes.

Tate Brown made it to Regionals with a jump of 34'1" in triple jump.

Badger Soccer

All-District Honors went to the following Badger Soccer players: 1st team All-District: David Flores. 2nd team All-District: Isaac Abken, Jose Alvarado Gomez, Edwin Alvarado Gomez. Honorable Mention All-District: Keaton Black, Michael Clayton, Cooper Pfaltzgraff.

All-District Academic Honors: Kent Ashley, Keaton Black, Michael Clayton, Cooper Pfaltzgraff, Jaden Phillips, Juan Rodriguez.
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