

## The Weather



The high yesterday 74° This morning's low 51°

**Today:** Look for sunny skies, and a high temperature near 77°. Winds will be light from the NE.

**Tonight:** Clear skies and a low near 53°. Winds will become calm.

**Thursday:** Look for sunny skies, with a high temperature near 81°. Look for E-NE wind at 5-10 mph.

**Overnight Thursday:** Mostly clear skies with a low near 57°. Winds will become light from the SE overnight.

**Friday:** Sunny with a high temperature near 84°. Wind will be S at 10-15 mph gusting to 20 mph.

**Friday Night:** Partly cloudy skies with a low temperature near 63°. Winds will be S at 10-15 mph with possible gusts of 25 mph.

**The Weekend:** It looks like another front is headed our way late in the weekend.

## Lampasas High School Lady Badger Basketball

The 2020-21 Lampasas Lady Badger varsity basketball team! This team (*below pic*) went 20-9 and made the playoffs for the 4th consecutive year. Seniors Taylor Allen & Addison McDonald won 93 games in their 4 years



Wow! This is our Freshmen (*below pic*), and they are playing in the Varsity Gold division again this weekend! That's 2 consecutive weekends & they have been to every open gym! This group gets it! This group wants it! Undefeated freshman season but they want more! #lampasasProud



## Vaccine Demand Decreasing

According to a story on KWTX, health experts are beginning to concede that herd immunity may be unachievable here and around the U.S. unless substantially more people get vaccinated against COVID-19.

“What that means for us is that there is a higher probability of more new variants emerging that could be problematic. There is also a higher probability of further outbreaks,” Bell County Health District Director Dr. Amanda Robison-Chadwell said Tuesday.

“Those who are generally concerned about COVID-19 infection will need to take extra care to include social distancing, masking, and strict adherence to hand hygiene,” she said.

“We may see COVID-19 infections in the community coming in waves, and I do expect that CDC mask recommendations to stick around for some time.”

About 70% of the population must be fully vaccinated to achieve herd immunity. But percentage of fully vaccinated residents 80 and older remains below 60% in all 16 of the Central Texas counties KWTX is monitoring, and the percentage of fully vaccinated residents 65 to 79 is below 60% in all but two of the 16 counties, with 63.6% of Hamilton County residents from 65 to 79 and 62.1% of McLennan County residents 65 to 79 fully vaccinated. Residents 16 and over are eligible for the vaccine, and vaccine supplies are plentiful.

In Lampasas County, 60.92% of residents 65 and older have had one dose of vaccine, and 48.13% of Lampasas residents 65 and older are fully vaccinated. For residents 16-65 years of age, 33.35% have had one dose, and 24.78% are fully vaccinated. Dr. Hay shares that the demand for the vaccine is flagging, and she seems to find this unsettling. “We are behind the 8 ball”, she said with so few of Lampasas County residents fully vaccinated. She shared that the Moderna and Pfizer vaccines are 95-99% effective. Having the vaccine gives residents many advantages, such as after 2 weeks of having the vaccine, you will not have to be quarantined if you are exposed, you will likely not be hospitalized if you get the virus, (Lampasas has had 1 case where a person was vaccinated and got Covid-19), the symptoms are less severe and recovery time is shorter. With the vaccine, you can do more of your normal activities.

With the decrease in demand, opportunities for the vaccine are going away. Dr. Hay shared that few local facilities are offering the vaccine anymore, Cattles Pharmacy is scheduling shots, as well as Walmart.

“It was very surprising,” Bell County spokesman James Stafford said. “It went from one day having people driving to Bell County from Abilene to, in a few days, talking to people who weren't really interested in driving across town,” he said. County health officials are trying to come up with strategies to get the unvaccinated vaccinated.



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## The Blotter



**Lampasas Police Dept. blotter for Tuesday** shows an early morning disturbance at 12:16am reported in the 200 block of N. Race. Later in the morning a suspicious person was reported in the 100 block of EE Ohnmeiss Dr. at 10:31am. The afternoon shows a reported theft in the 1700 block of CTE at 12:47pm, a Criminal Trespass reported in the 700 block of Old Georgetown Rd. at 2:35pm, an Assault reported in the 400 block of W. 6<sup>th</sup> St. at 3:05pm, and an Assault by Threat report came in from the 300 block of E. 4<sup>th</sup> St. at 3:55pm.

**The Lampasas Sheriff's Dept. blotter for Tuesday** shows Lometa with livestock issues and a medical call. In Kempner, officers dealt with medical calls, reports of suspicious activity, and an abandoned vehicle. Out in the county there was a warrant served, reports of suspicious activity, civil matters, animal issues, and an unattended death. Deputies went into Cove on a juvenile problem, and a requested welfare check.

**The Jail Log** shows the arrests of Noel Coronel, 33 of Kempner and 26 year old Darriel Hicks of Copperas Cove each for possession of marijuana less than 2 oz. Also arrested was 37 year old Josh Diederich of Lampasas for DWI, 25 year old William Kemp of Lometa for failure to ID fugitive/intent to give false information, and 36 year old Shaqueta Smith of Copperas Cove for failure to appear.

**Precinct 2 Commissioner Jamie Smart** reached out to Lampasas Radio this morning about the Burn Ban. The *original burn ban* expires this Friday May 7<sup>th</sup>. There will be no burn ban over the weekend \*(please use caution). There will be no further action on the Burn Ban until Commissioners Court takes place on Monday May 10<sup>th</sup>.

## Railroad Track Repairs

The Railroad Crossing on 580E/Ave J in Lampasas will be closed today beginning at 7am, work is expected to be completed by 5pm this afternoon. Traffic will be detoured to 183S, to 190E, to FM1715 then back to 580E.

The following railroad crossings will be undergoing repair; tomorrow will see CR 2200 closed at the railroad crossing, Monday May 10<sup>th</sup> will see CR 2021 and CR 3010 closing. E. 3<sup>rd</sup> Street in Lampasas will be closed Tuesday the 11<sup>th</sup>, as well as CR 2060. Wednesday May 12, will see the Oak St. crossing in Lometa closed, and Thursday the 13<sup>th</sup> FM 1715 will be closed for repairs.



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## It's Sale Day at Lampasas Cattle Auction!



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## Badger Sports

### Badger Baseball

The playoffs begin for Lampasas against Burkburnett for the 1<sup>st</sup> round, scheduled for Friday at Mineral Wells against Burkburnett at 7pm. The Boys will then play Saturday at 11am, and 2pm, also at Mineral Wells if needed.



### Middle School Golf

On May 6<sup>th</sup> the Jr. High District Golf Tournament will take place at 3:30pm. During this tournament, golf course will be closed for open play. Contact Hancock Park Golf Course at 512-556-3202 for more information.



## Death/Funeral Notice

**Ruth Hardy**, 97, went to be with the Lord at 7:03 p.m. on Saturday, May 1st in Lampasas.

Visitation will be held on Thursday, May 6th, from 5pm to 7pm at Sneed Funeral Chapel. Funeral Services will be held at 11am on Friday, May 7<sup>th</sup>, at Lometa Church of Christ with interment to follow at Senterfitt Cemetery.

Ruth was born on July 26, 1923, to Benjamin Lonnie and Ellie Elizabeth Gossett in Hill County, TX. Ruth grew up in San Saba and Bend, TX, and married James Ivan Hardy in 1945. Ruth was a devoted wife, mother, Christian, and a longtime member of The Church of Christ in Lometa. She was always there for the family in times of peace or trouble giving much more than she received. We will miss her.

Ruth was preceded in death by her husband, James Hardy; her parents; siblings, T.G. Gossett, James Gossett, Walter Gossett, Bill Gossett, and Ruby Gossett Null.

Survivors include her daughter, Janice Miles, and husband, David; son, Les Hardy, and wife, Barbara; grandchildren, Russell Hardy and wife, Brandy, Michael Hardy, Eryn Hardy Self and husband, Daniel, Jesse McGuire and wife, Brianna, Micah McGuire, and wife, Michelle; great-grandchildren, James Hardy, Alexandra Wilcoxon, Jackson McGuire, Peyton Wilcoxon, Joshua McGuire, Levi McGuire, and Lyvia Self

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made in Ruth's name to Cherokee Home for Children.

