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The Weather

The high yesterday 95° This morning's low 75°

Today: Sunny skies with haze and a high temperature near 99°. Wind will be S at 10 mph.

Tonight: Look for mostly clear skies and down to about 74° overnight. Wind will become S-SW at 5-15 mph after midnight and could gust as high as 20 mph.

Friday: Sunny skies with a high temperature near 100°. Wind will be SW near 5-10 becoming E-SE, and could gust to 20 mph.

Friday Night: Mostly clear skies and a low of 75°. Wind will be E-SE at 5-15 mph with possible gusts of 20 mph.

Saturday: Sunny and hot with the high temperature near 99°. Wind will become SE at 5-10 mph in the morning.

Saturday Night: Mostly clear skies and a low near 75°. Wind will be SE near 5-15 mph

Saharan Dust has Returned

Saharan dust has returned to Central Texas for the second time this season. This is not a rare occurrence by any means. This is normal — especially for this time of the year.

We typically see these dust plumes start to reach Central Texas by June and continue a few times through the middle of August.

While some of the dust certainly does reach ground level and affect the air quality, the vast majority of the dust remains one mile above the surface in about a two-mile thick layer.

Lower air quality and vibrant sunsets/hazy conditions are what we expect from Central Texas down to the Texas Gulf Coast. This will last from Monday all the way through Friday, June 17.

We expect the air quality to lower to the higher range of the "moderate" category Monday through Friday. A moderate index means a small number of unusually-sensitive people may have a few health concerns.

The elderly and the very young — as well as people with asthma and other respiratory issues — are at the highest risk. It's important for these people to limit their time outdoors.

While low concentrations of dust are already overhead in our area, higher amounts moved in Wednesday night and today before quickly mixing out of the air just in time for the weekend. Today we expect the air quality to be at its worst.

It's important to note <u>Saharan dust is an irritant and not an allergy</u>, so allergy medication will not work to prevent discomfort. It doesn't cause sneezing or runny noses but can cause itchy eyes and a sore throat. The best prevention to avoid any discomfort is to limit your time outdoors or wear a facemask.

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Trying to get the Records from the Uvalde School Shooting

(Texas Tribune) In the past week, Texas Gov. Greg Abbott has joined the growing list of state and local officials fighting the release of records that could help bring clarity to how the emergency response unfolded during last month's deadly shooting in Uvalde.

The governor's office strayed from that broader opposition Monday, granting a request under the Texas Public Information Act from a Houston television station that sought the handwritten notes he used when he first spoke publicly about the shooting. The notes appear to support Abbott's claim that he was misled when he initially praised law enforcement efforts during the mass shooting that resulted in the deaths of 19 children and two educators and left many more injured.

The recent release by Abbott underscores both the tremendous power government officials have to decide what is in the public interest and the unwillingness to release records that could call their agencies' actions into question.

ProPublica and The Texas Tribune have submitted about 70 public information requests that could help answer larger questions as state and local leaders continue to offer conflicting accounts about why law enforcement did not confront the gunman sooner during the May 24 massacre. Those requests include 911 audio recordings, body and police car camera footage, and communications among local, state and federal agencies. The newsrooms also requested use-of-force documents, death records and ballistic reports.

Three weeks after the shooting, government officials have not provided the news organizations a single record related to the emergency response.

"The public wants immediate transparency," said Kelley Shannon, executive director of the Freedom of Information Foundation of Texas. "The most enlightened law enforcement agencies understand the importance of being transparent, being open and doing it right away."

Since the shooting, state police have said Pete Arredondo, the chief of police for the school district, erred in judgment by keeping law enforcement officers from immediately confronting the barricaded gunman despite 911 calls from inside classrooms indicating that children and educators remained in danger.

Arredondo, who leads the district's six-person police force, defended his actions in an interview last week with the Tribune. He said he never considered himself in charge of directing the law enforcement response and didn't issue any orders. He also said he didn't know about the 911 calls because he left his radios behind. He thought they would slow him down and wanted both hands free in the event that he had to use his gun.

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The Blotter



The Lampasas Police blotter for Wednesday shows a suspicious person reported on Park Lane at 4:32am. At 6:16am 3 arrests were made in the 1500 block of S. Key Ave: Sylvano Sanchez III, 41, was arrested for possession of a controlled substance PG1 4-200 grams and prohibited substance in a correctional facility. Also arrested at that time and location were Jonathan Friedlander, 35, of Bonham, for possession of marijuana less than 2 oz., and Jessica Anne Brown, 42, of Lampasas for possession of marijuana less than 2 oz. Suspicious activity was reported in the 500 block of S. Spring St. at 7:10am, and a disorderly conduct was reported in the 200 block of E. Vine St. at 10:19am. The afternoon shows the arrest of Ronnie Romo, 21, of Lampasas in the 200 block of W. Ave B on a Lampasas PD Warrant for burglary of a building and 3 Lampasas County Warrants for failure to appear (burglary of habitation, criminal conspiracy, and possession of a controlled substance) at 2:03pm. A suspicious vehicle was reported in the 1600 block of S. Key Ave. at 3:23pm, there was a reported disturbance in the 100 block of EE Ohnmeiss Dr. at 4:30pm, an assault was reported in the 900 block of CTE at 5:06pm and there was a minor accident in the 1100 block of S. Key Ave. at 5:58pm. At 10:08pm, Noah Williams, 22, of Killeen was arrested at the intersection of S. Western St. and CTE for possession of a controlled substance PG 1-A (LSD) over 80 AU and possession of drug paraphernalia at 10:08pm. There was a reported assault in the 900 block of S. Key Ave at 10:53pm.

The Lampasas County Sheriff's Blotter shows Lometa with animal/livestock issues, a fish & game call, a requested welfare check and a civil matter. In Kempner there were reports of suspicious activity, a requested extra patrol, livestock issues, a reported disturbance, a requested welfare check and a warrant was served. Out in the county there was a structure fire, medical calls, and a warrant was served. Deputies went into Cove on two accidents.

The Jail Log shows the arrest of Adam Trejo, 31, of Lometa for failure to register as a sex offender. Also arrested was Kahndra Williams of Killeen for possession of a controlled substance PG2 4-400 grams.

(cont'd from front) Abbott's office, the Texas Department of Public Safety, the U.S. Marshals Service and the city of Uvalde are asking the state's attorney general for permission to withhold records that may offer tangible answers to the contradictory accounts. (Under Texas law, agencies seeking to avoid disclosure of public records typically must make their case to the attorney general.) Other government entities have asked the state for extensions as they decide whether to fight such disclosures. News organizations across the country are reporting similar responses.

Among the arguments provided by government entities for withholding such documents is one from DPS stating that releasing records like footage from body cameras would provide criminals with "invaluable information" about its investigative techniques, information sharing and criminal analysis.

In most cases, however, the agencies argue that releasing such information could interfere with ongoing law enforcement investigations by the federal government and the Texas Rangers, an arm of DPS now tasked with investigating its own department. In a statement, Abbott's office said that, upon completion of the investigations, "we look forward to the full results being shared with the victims' families and the public, who deserve the full truth of what happened that tragic day."

But timely disclosure of the records is paramount given the lack of transparency and contradictory accounts from state and local officials, three Texas Public Information Act experts told ProPublica and the Tribune.

Laura Prather, a First Amendment attorney in Texas, said the reason the state allows agencies to withhold information when it is part of an ongoing investigation is to protect someone who was accused of a crime but didn't ultimately get convicted, "not to protect law enforcement for their actions in circumstances like this, where the shooter is dead."

"The public has the right to know what happened that day, and right now they can only act on rumors and conflicting information," said Prather, who is representing ProPublica in an unrelated defamation lawsuit. She said law enforcement must be transparent in order to earn the public's trust, but agencies are instead using their discretionary powers "to thwart the public from getting information that they are rightly entitled to."

About the TDCJ Escapee

From Lt. Governor Dan Patrick:

"Today, I sent a letter requesting an investigation by the Texas Rangers into how a convicted killer was able to escape Texas Department of Criminal Justice (TDCJ) custody, elude capture for 21 days, and perpetrate the brutal murder of Mark Collins and his 4 grandsons on June 2.

"Mark and his four grandsons traveled to their cabin in Leon County. A man serving life in prison for capital murder had escaped and had been on the run for 21 days in the area. He murdered Mark and his 4 grandsons in cold blood before stealing their truck. Later that night, he was killed in a shootout with police in Atascosa County, about 200 miles away.

"There are several basic questions that I want the Texas Rangers' investigation to answer:

How did the prisoner, who was handcuffed and locked in a secure cage inside the prison bus, remove his handcuffs, escape the cage and attack the driver?

How did the second guard in the back of the bus not see what was happening?

Was the prisoner fully searched as protocol required before getting on the bus?

Was the community put on high alert after a cabin near the Collins family cabin was broken into a few days prior to their murder?

"As to the cabin that was broken into days before the murder, fingerprints and DNA samples were taken, but results were not expected back for 48 hours. By the time the results came back with a positive match to the escapee, it was too late for the Collins family.

"This is a crime that was preventable on several levels and should never have happened. My request for investigation is not about affixing blame, but rather to ensure TDCJ procedures and protocols are adequate and always followed. There must be accountability.

Death Notice

Stephen Wells Rollins, 69, passed away on Monday at his residence in Lampasas. A memorial service will be held at Sneed-Carnley Funeral Chapel on Thursday, June 23, at 4pm.