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The Weather



The High yesterday 98° The Low this morning 75°

There is a Heat Advisory in effect for Lampasas County until 9pm on Sunday.

Today: Sunny skies with a high temperature near 102°. Wind will be S-SE at 5-10 mph.

Tonight: Look for mostly clear skies with a low near 79°. Winds will become S-SE at 5-10 mph with possible gusts of 20 mph.

Saturday: The sky will sunny, and the high temperature will be near 104°, with a heat index near 107°. Wind will become W-SW at 5-10 mph.

Saturday Night: Look for mostly clear skies with a low temperature near 79°. The wind will become calm and there is a 20% chance of showers and storms in the evening.

Sunday: Sunny skies with a high temperature near 104°. Winds will become W near 5 mph in the afternoon.

Overnight Sunday: Mostly clear skies with a low temperature near 79°. Wind will become calm.

Last Day of Early Voting

Today is the last chance to vote early in the Lampasas ISD School Board Election runoff. Polls will be open today at the Election Office at 407 S. Pecan Suite 102 in Lampasas. Residents can vote from 8am-5pm today and the election in July 12th.

Spring Ho

Today looks to be a busy Spring-Ho day with things getting started early this morning with the 8:30am Diaper Derby. Registration for the Pet Parade began at 8:30am, followed by the Judging at 9am and the Pet Parade started at 9:30am. KACQ 101.9 broadcast these events. The County Fair Exhibits will be open from 10am-2pm and the Lampasas County Museum will be open from 10am-4pm. The Lampasas County Museum has an exhibit titled 'Freedom Rang in Lampasas: Operation Long Horn 1952'. Kids day will kick off at noon at the Gavin Garrett Soccer Fields and KACQ will be broadcasting from there. The vendors will be in WM Brook Park all day Friday. Friday night the Bellamy Brothers will be playing the downtown square in Lampasas for the Friday Spring Ho Concert on the Square with the local Drew Fish Band starting off the night.

Saturday starts out with the Toughest 10K in Texas, 5K and 1 Mile Run 2022. Registration is from 5:30-6:30am and the races start at 7am at the Hancock Park Golf Course Pavilion. 10am Saturday brings the Annual Spring Ho Grand Parade with Parade Marshals Dick & Pat Parker. The afternoon has the washer pitching and Cornhole Tournaments at the Gavin Garrett Soccer Field with 11am registration and 12 noon start times. There will be the

Annual Kayak Races at WM Brook Park with 11:45 registration and 12pm start. And the Water Sports and Cardboard Regatta take place at the Hanna Springs Pool beginning at 3pm. Saturday night's Concert on the Square will begin with Carson Jeffrey followed by Mike Ryan.

Sunday from 1-4pm brings the West(ern) Side Story celebrating the past present and future of Western Ave. Historic buildings will be open for touring, there will be Food Trucks available for eating, music for listening and dancing and vintage cars for riding at 404 E. 2nd St.

2022 County Fair Best of Show

The Best of Show Winners in the County Fair are for the adult division Best of Show Naomi Shoyer with a quilt, and Adult Reserve Best of Show was Amanda Hensly for her Succulent Horticulture Project. In the Intermediate Division Katelyn Martin was Best of Show with a mohair coat in the textile division, and Intermediate Reserve Best of Show went to Sarah Phillips with a photography project. In the Junior Division, David Carr won Best of Show with his textile division entry of a sport quilt, and for the Junior Division Reserve Best of Show, Emerie Greenburg with a textile skirt and Kimberly Tower with her canned Red Chilly Dillys were tied. The exhibits will be open to the public today from 10am-2pm.

STAAR Test Results

Texas students' standardized test scores in reading and math moved closer to pre-pandemic levels after falling to levels not seen in a decade the year before, according to results released Friday by the Texas Education Agency.

Each spring, Texas students take the State of Texas Assessments of Academic Readiness or STAAR test. In math, 40% of all students in grades 3-8 met grade level or above this year, a 5-percentage-point increase from the previous year. In reading, 52% of all students met grade level or above, representing a 9-percentage point increase from the previous year.

"This gives you a picture of what has happened statewide with regard to student proficiency and it is largely a story of recovery. It is a story of hope," Texas Education Commissioner Mike Morath said. "It is evidence that we have extraordinary people working in public schools in Texas."

The STAAR had a 98% participation rate this year among all students. Last school year, STAAR exams were optional for students, and districts weren't rated based on the results. This year though, the scores will count and school districts will be graded according to the results. Accountability results for school districts are scheduled to come out in August.

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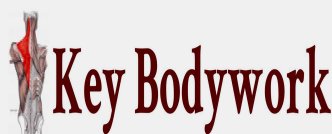


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The Blotter



The Lampasas Police Dept. Blotter for Thursday shows an early morning report of a suspicious vehicle in the 1000 block of S. Walnut St. at 12:30am. The afternoon shows a reported theft in the 900 block of E. 3rd St. at 12:22pm, possession of drug paraphernalia was reported in the 400 block of N. Key Ave. at 2:05pm, and a theft was reported in the 700 block of S. Key Ave at 6:17pm. There was a report of possession of drug paraphernalia in the 100 block of EE Ohnmeiss Dr. at 8:13pm.

The Lampasas County Sheriff's Dept. shows Lometa with animal issues and a civil matter. Kempner shows civil matters, and reports of suspicious activity. Out in the county there were animal issues and civil matters.

The Jail Log shows the arrest of 25 year old Carly Yoho of Lampasas for possession of a controlled substance PG1 less than a gram.

Dana Holcomb, Assistant Superintendent for Lampasas ISD shared this with Lampasas Radio "Overall, we were very pleased with state assessment results. Substantial increases were noted in the majority of grades. Students can pass tests at either the "Approaches", "Meets", or "Masters" levels. In grades 3-5, Lampasas Elementary Schools were above state passing percentages in 16 of 21 areas. The middle school was above the state in 20 of 24 areas. While the high school topped the state in 9 of 15. We appreciate the efforts of all LISD staff who worked extremely hard to support our students. "

Heat Advisories

A Heat Advisory is in effect for Lampasas, Coryell, and Hamilton Counties and surrounding areas through Sunday. However, this may be extended as the forecast high for Monday is 105°.

An Excessive Heat Warning is in effect for Bell and McLennan Counties and areas north and east. This means that the temperature may reach 107° and the heat index 112°. This warning will remain in effect through Sunday.

Reminders: Dress light and cool, avoid spending extended periods of time outdoors, stay hydrated, know the symptoms of heat related illnesses, and check the back seat!

Sales Tax Rebates

Texas Comptroller Glenn Hegar announced last week he will send cities, counties, transit systems and special purpose taxing districts 1.03 Billion dollars in local sales tax allocations for July. These allocations are based on sales made in May by businesses.

In our area, Evant in Hamilton County saw their rebate check increase by 31.34% over the same period last year, with a \$5509.34 rebate. The City of Hamilton saw a 13.88% increase over the same period last year in their rebate check of \$68,187.05.

In Lampasas County, Lampasas shows their rebate is down 7.52% in their check of \$233,645.36. Lometa shows an increase of 8.95% with a rebate check for \$7876.25 Kempner received a rebate for \$11,695.62, a 16.71% increase from last year.

Aging Water Lines

Odessa city officials are still investigating what caused a massive water line break that left the city without water for 48 hours last month. But they've shared one important detail: The water line was about 60 years old.

The water outage in Odessa exposed the city to a reality that happens all over Texas and the nation — water supply systems have become increasingly more vulnerable to disasters.

Last year, the American Society of Civil Engineers issued a report that gave Texas a C- in the quality of its drinking water. The report said the state's water is "mediocre [and] requires attention."

The report notes the importance of addressing water quality and availability to meet expected rising demand because of population growth in the state. According to the report, Texas' population is projected to grow by more than 1,000 people per day during the next five decades — from 29.7 million in 2020 to approximately 51.5 million by 2070.

The report also states that many wastewater systems aren't resilient enough to withstand extreme events. According to the report, the number of sanitary sewer overflows more than doubled from 2,500 to nearly 6,000 between 2016 and 2019, and they're a threat to Texas' lakes, rivers and beaches.

Ken Rainwater, a professor of civil, environmental and construction engineering at Texas Tech University, said a lot of factors can cause critical infrastructure to fail, and in the case of water pipes, it could be anything from how old they are to what material they're made from. Other factors are the conditions surrounding the pipes, including the area's climate and whether they're buried near high-traffic areas.

Water boil notices are a good indicator of how troublesome a city's water infrastructure is becoming. Rainwater said when a water system is shut down, it also takes time to start disinfecting and cleaning water again before it's safe to use, which is typically why water boil notices are issued.

According to data from the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, 2021 was the worst year for water boil notices in the last decade, with 3,866 reported. The high number of reports could be linked to the winter storm last year, when more than 14.6 million Texans' water supply was disrupted by frozen or burst pipes. During that time, 1,655 water boil notices were issued.

Raising money for these projects is a hurdle for small communities, but rate increases are a feasible option. According to the Texas Water Journal, raising rates is the only low-cost means cities and utility boards have to secure the funds for needed upgrades in a short period of time.

Financing upgrades and repairs has become all the more difficult because of supply shortages and price increases in raw materials as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. Perry L. Fowler, executive director of the Texas Water Infrastructure Network, said contractors who specialize in water systems are having a harder time giving their clients a precise estimate for repair work because of those uncertainties.

Another issue facing Texas' water infrastructure is the ongoing drought. Texas is experiencing the worst drought in the last decade. About 80% of Texas has been facing drought conditions most of the year, according to the U.S. Drought Monitor.

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