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Wednesday
August 5th 2020

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The Weather

The High yesterday 98° The Low this morning 74°



The heat index reached 99° yesterday

A few locations in West Central Texas may reach 100° as the winds shift more to the South bringing in more moisture. The temperatures tomorrow into the weekend will be in the mid 90's with some locations reaching 100°. A few places may reach heat advisory levels this weekend, but the winds may take the edge off of the high temperatures.

Today: Sunny skies with a high temperature near 102°. Winds will be S-SW at 5-10 mph, gusting to 20 mph.

Tonight: Mostly clear skies and a low near 75°. The wind will be S near 10 mph.

Thursday: Mostly sunny with a high temperature 100°. The wind will be S-SW at 5-15 mph gusting to 20 mph.

Thursday Night: Mostly clear and a low around 75°. Winds will be S-SE near 10 mph.

Friday: Sunny and up to 99° with S winds at 5-15 mph with gusts as high as 20 mph possible.

Friday Night: Mostly clear skies and a low near 75°. Winds will be S-SE at 10-15 mph gusting to 20 mph.

City Manager's Notes



Lampasas City Manager **Finley de Graffenried** was in Lampasas Radio studios this morning for a visit with Ronnie Witcher. The Lampasas City Council held a budget workshop Monday evening. When asked how the COVID-19 restrictions have affected the city budget, the City Manager said it

really had not affected the budget. The utility revenue was consistent, the sales tax bucked the trends and actually went up, No increases are being made to rates, fees, or tax rates this budget cycle.

They spoke about policing, how COVID has affected the Lampasas Police Dept. and the steps the city took to mitigate the spread of the virus. There have been fewer bookings in jail, but people are not going out as much as they used to. West Avenue E is partially blocked as they put in drainage, so residents are asked to use caution and take another route if possible.

Also, the Hancock Pool will have its last regular hours August 9th, then weekends through 23rd with fewer hours.

Coronavirus Update

Dr. Georgia Hay reports that Lampasas County has 182 total cases with 20 active, down from 23, and 4 fatalities.

In Texas, 9,167 new cases were reported yesterday. There are 8,674 Texans in the hospital.



Local School Districts and Reopening

(Texas Tribune) Gov. Greg Abbott stressed Tuesday that only local school boards, not local governments, have the power to decide how to open schools this fall during the coronavirus pandemic.



"The bottom line is the people who know best ... about that are the local school officials," Abbott said during a news conference in San Antonio, echoing a message he's been relaying in response to questions about the process.

Texas educators and parents have been confused about who has the power to keep school buildings closed. They have also been frustrated by conflicting messages from state and local leaders. Abbott also said that in preparation for the new school year, the state has already distributed to schools more than 59 million masks, more than 24,000 thermometers, more than 565,000 gallons of hand sanitizer and more than 500,000 face shields. He promised schools "will have their [personal protective equipment] needs met at no cost" to them, with the state picking up the tab. Abbott and other state leaders have backed a legal opinion from Attorney General Ken Paxton that prohibits local health authorities from issuing blanket school closures for all schools in their jurisdiction before the academic year begins. Local school boards can decide to keep schools closed to in-person learning for up to eight weeks, with the possibility to apply for waivers to remain shuttered beyond that timeframe.

Under the state's guidance, local health officials can only intervene if there is an outbreak once students return to campus, at which point they can temporarily shut down a school.

Downtown 1st Friday Step-Up Shopping Event & Stroll-a-thon

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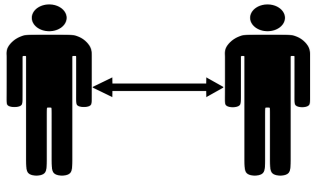
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The Blotter

Lampasas Police Dept. blotter for Tuesday shows early morning reports of suspicious persons; one in the 900 block of S. Key at 12:24am, one in the 200 block of E. Ave A at 12:41am, and one in the 1300 block of CTE at 2:16am. A stolen vehicle was recovered in the 1700 block of S. Key at 10:03am. The afternoon shows a criminal trespass in the 900 block of E. 4th St. at 12:32pm, and a possession of drug paraphernalia was reported in the 100 block of E. Ave D at 1:05pm. A suspicious person was reported in the 1000 block of W. Ave E at 2:02pm, followed by a reported fraud in the 1700 block of CTE at 2:41pm. A criminal trespass was reported in the 700 block of W. Ave E at 5:14pm.

The Sheriff's Dept. Blotter for Tuesday shows Lometa with a reported disturbance and reported threats. Kempner shows civil matters, reported thefts, reported threats and a report of suspicious activity. Out in the county there were livestock issues, and a reported trespassing. Deputies went into Cove on animal issues, and medical calls.

A County-Wide burn ban is in effect for Lampasas County.

Abbott stressed Tuesday that the policy does not mean that local health authorities are cut out of the reopening process, saying local school boards are free to consult with the health experts.

Immunization Clinic Planned

The AdventHealth Family Medicine Clinic in Lampasas is hosting an immunization clinic on August 5th. The clinic will be held at the Family Medicine Center on Hwy 190E just past WalMart. It will be from 5:30-6:30pm.

Masks are required, and the child needs to have a legal guardian with them.

No appointment is necessary, it is a walk-in clinic.



Census Bureau Cuts Time Allowed for Census

According to an article in the Texas Tribune, "On Monday evening, the U.S. Census Bureau upended the timeline allowed for the census. After previously stating the census would run through Oct. 31, the bureau announced it was cutting the count short by a month, moving up the deadline for responding to Sept. 30.

The October cutoff had offered organizers crucial overtime for the count after the coronavirus pandemic derailed a ground game for canvassing and outreach efforts that in some regions of the state had been in the works for years. Now, the earlier deadline is heightening risks that Texas will be undercounted and that some Texans, particularly those who are low-income or Hispanic, will be missed in the count as the coronavirus pandemic continues to ravage their communities.

Happy Birthday



Ronnie Witcher-77
'The Boss'



If the census is carried out properly, Texas should post huge population gains since 2010 with more than 3.8 million new residents, according to the bureau's latest estimates.

While other states earmarked millions of dollars to marshal outreach encouraging census response, Republican state leaders in Texas chose not to put any money toward the high-stakes, hard work of counting communities, leaving it up to a brigade of local government employees, service providers and volunteers to fill the gap. But invitations to fill out the census ended up landing in mailboxes just as the coronavirus took hold of the state and shut down outreach efforts. The bureau also temporarily shut down its field operations, delaying invitations to Texas households that were supposed to get census materials dropped off at their doors. Months into the count, not even 3 out of every 5 households in Texas have responded to the census.

The deadline switch is the latest twist in months of challenges and delays that have forced local efforts to regroup time and again during the coronavirus pandemic. And with local leaders focused on keeping their residents alive instead of counting them, grassroots work has emerged as an even more significant component of census outreach efforts.

"What is essentially happening here is the bureau is being forced to rush the census, which feels very intentional," Genesis Sanchez, a regional census manager for the NALEO Educational Fund, said Monday during a weekly virtual meeting with local census organizers. "The hardest-to-count folks — we know them. We are them. We've been working really hard to reach those people. ... This is going to impact every hardest-to-count [census] tract, and so the urgency around the work that we do is now amplified."

Funeral/Death Notice

Henry Grady Jones, Jr., 89 passed away on July 30 at Lake Shore Rehab Facility in Waco.

Funeral Services: 11 a.m. Saturday at First United Methodist Church Lampasas. Interment: Oak Hill Cemetery with Masonic Services. There will be a come and go viewing for those who wish to pay respects and sign the register book on Friday from 2:30pm. to 5pm.

Social Distancing



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