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The Weather

The high yesterday 90° The low this morning 71°



Today: Look for sunny skies and a high temperature near 93° with a 20% chance of showers and storms. The wind will be W near 5 mph.

Tonight: Look for mostly clear skies and a low that will be around 72°. There is a 10% chance of precipitation. The wind will become calm.

Wednesday: Sunny with a high temperature near 95°, Winds will become N-NE near 5 mph.

Wednesday Night: Mostly clear skies with a low near 70°. Wind will become calm.

Thursday: Sunny with a high temperature near 92°. Winds will become NE near 5-10 mph.

Thursday Night: A low near 70° with mostly clear skies. Wind will become calm.

Week 2 Pick'em Results

This Week all 4 pickers won the Lampasas vs. Northeast Early College High School game, and in the Llano vs. Burnet game, Pepper was the only one who picked Burnet who lost, the others picked Llano who won. All 4 pickers chose Marble Falls To win over Brownwood, who soundly defeated the Mustangs 55-16. All 4 community members chose Canyon Lake, who was victorious over the Billies 6-0, so they all lost that one. Davenport eked by Kerrville Tivy 31-28, and Pepper was the only one who chose Davenport, so Steve & Eve, Ike and Joey all lost on that game. Joey, Pepper and Ike chose Rockdale to win over Taylor, and they lost 55-41 so the only picker who won that contest was Steve & Eve. Lometa beat Blum 44-38, and Pepper, Steve, and Ike chose Lometa with Joey choosing Blum and they lost.

Called Meeting for Commissioners' Court

The Lampasas County Commissioners Court will hold a called meeting on Thursday September 8th at 6:30pm, in the 1st floor Conference Room in the Lampasas County Annex.

The agenda includes adoption of the Budget and the Tax Rate for fiscal year 2022-2023.

The HOP Offering Free Rides

The Lampasas Radiogram called to verify that the HOP-Central Texas' Regional Transit System, is offering 1 year fare free trial service for all RURAL rides starting September 1, 2022. This trial service if for all residents of the following counties: RURAL Bell,

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USDA Funding Internet in Rural Texas Towns

According to a story from KWTX, the U.S. Department of Agriculture wants small towns in Central Texas to get their hands on some of the \$1.2 billion of federal funding available for better internet access. According to state USDA officials, the COVID-19 pandemic uncovered holes about which Texans have access to broadband: it showed many people living in small towns are being left behind.

"We saw so many issues during the COVID pandemic when people weren't connected and their access to education, and we're also about commerce," said Lillian Salerno, USDA Rural Development State Director in Texas. "We think America, and Texas, thrives with the more business they have, and we want people to live in rural America who are able to start businesses." However, in order to start businesses, they need strong, reliable internet, she says.

"We like the fact, as a country, that people want to live outside of cities," said Salerno. "Not everyone can live in the city, and we think there's creatives and other folks, and certainly people agriculture, which is our agency, that we need living out in these territories where we grow our food, and in order to do that, we've got to get access to internet or we're not going to grow these communities."

Starting this week, Central Texas cities, counties, businesses and non-profit organizations can apply for federal money to build-out the internet infrastructure in their rural areas. "They can apply through the government to have loans and grants so they can build-out their internet," said Salerno. \$1.2 billion from the President Biden's Infrastructure Law is allotted to increase access to high-speed internet for people living in small towns across America. (cont'd on back)

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The Blotter



Lampasas Police Dept. Blotter for Saturday shows an assault reported in the 400 block of Plum St. at 12:09am, a disturbance reported in the 200 block of Riverview Dr. at 12:43am and a theft reported in the 400 block of Gamel St. at 8:43am. There was a disorderly conduct reported in the 1200 block of CTE at 9:29am, a suspicious vehicle was reported in the 300 block of E. 4th St. at 10:06am, and a disturbance was reported in the 300 block of Northington St. at 11:43am. The afternoon shows a minor accident in the 100 block of EE Ohnmeiss Dr. at 12:26pm, a suspicious vehicle was reported in the 100 block of Riverview Dr. at 6:30pm, and a runaway was reported in the 500 block of S. Broad St. at 8:13pm. There was suspicious activity reported in the 100 block of EE Ohnmeiss Dr. at 8:15pm, a noise complaint in the 600 block of S. Spring St. at 8:40pm, and there was a noise complaint in the 100 block of EE Ohnmeiss Dr. at 10:07pm. A suspicious vehicle was reported in the 900 block of S. Spring St. at 10:49pm, and a noise disturbance was reported in the 300 block of S. Ridge St. at 141:12pm.

Lampasas Police Dept. Blotter for Sunday shows a DWI was reported in the 100 block of EE Ohnmeiss Dr. at 4:03am, and a suspicious vehicle was reported in the 100 block of EE Ohnmeiss Dr. at 4:19am. An assault was reported in the 200 block of Riverview Dr. at 6:07pm, a suspicious person was reported in the 500 block of E. 6th St. at 7:40pm, and a noise complaint was reported on Samac Lane at 7:42pm. There was a suspicious person reported in the 1400 block of S. Chestnut St. at 7:52pm, a suspicious vehicle was reported in the 1400 block of S. Key Ave. at 11:39pm, and another suspicious vehicle was reported in the 2300 block of 580W at 11:41pm. There was a suspicious person reported in the 700 block of E. 4th St. at 11:55pm.

Lampasas Police Dept. Blotter for Monday shows a suspicious person reported in the 400 block of S. Key Ave. at 12:14pm, a reported theft in the 1200 block of W. Ave B at 3:59pm, and a minor accident reported in the 200 block of S. Rice St. at 9:18pm. Suspicious vehicles were reported in the 100 block of EE Ohnmeiss Dr. at 10:15 and 11:01pm

The Lampasas Sherriff's Dept. Blotter for the weekend shows Lometa with medical calls and livestock issues. In Kempner there were medical calls, reports of suspicious activity, shots fired calls, animal issues, a request for extra patrol, reported thefts, reported trespassings, reported disturbances, and a mental health call. Out in the county there were medical calls, a report of an abandoned vehicle, livestock/animal issues, a fight in progress, a fish & game call, accidents, and a reported fraud. Deputies went into Cove on an alarm call, an accident, medical calls, reports of suspicious activity, requested welfare checks, a reported runaway, and animal issues.

The Jail Log shows the arrest of 28 year old Gerardo Gonzalez-Patlan of Austin for DWI/and an ICE detainer. Also arrested was 33 year old Tramain Price of Lampasas for burglary of a habitation.

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(cont'd from front) Rep. Roger Williams, who represents Texas' 25th Congressional District, says he's been working for a long time to bring better internet access to rural communities. "For years I have worked in Congress to end the digital divide between rural and urban America," Williams told KWTX in a statement. "Access to broadband has become essential to anyone running a small business, accessing telemedicine services, or wanting flexibility in their children's education."

The most recent round of Reconnect Program funding, round three, brought close to \$10 million to rural Central Texas in the form of a fiber network which will connect hundreds of people, farms and businesses to high-speed internet in Lampasas and San Saba counties.

"For too long the rural community has been left behind in the digital age, and I am proud to see federal dollars coming to Lampasas, Texas to expand broadband services," said Williams.

Ft. Hood Soldiers Testing New Explosives

FORT HOOD, Texas — Engineer Soldiers just completed testing the Army's newest explosive that will help them shape the battlefield.

Sappers from the 59th Combat Engineer Company – Armored (CEC-A), 36th Engineer Brigade learned how to employ the XM204 Top Attack Munition, the first of its kind in Soldier hands.

The XM204 Top Attack Munition is a hand-emplaced explosive that can detect enemy vehicles, shoot an explosive submunition into the air that fires a projectile capable of destroying vehicles in the blast area, according to Mr. Mitch Hackman, an Operations Research Systems Analyst (ORSA) at the U.S. Army Operational Test Command (OTC).

"The XM204 Operational Assessment provided a great opportunity for the organization to continue to refine our critical mission essential tasks while enhancing our Soldiers' lethality and providing feedback in support of Army modernization priorities," said Capt. Abraham Orozco.

During six days of testing, Orozco's Soldiers conducted missions against an operationally realistic enemy in both day and night conditions. They planned and emplaced nearly 20 obstacles of varying types that included traditional wire obstacles and mine fields, to test the XM204's ability to destroy an enemy or alter their route.

Ultimately, test data and Soldier feedback collected during the test will inform Senior Army leaders on their decision to move forward with full-rate production.

Master Sgt. Jonathan Stevenson, OTC's Maneuver Support and Sustainment Test Directorate NCOIC and Combat Engineer with nearly 20 years of experience said the XM204 is an important new capability for the Army. "The XM204 provides Combat Engineers with a semi-flexible smart munition that can be utilized to shape the battlefield and will ultimately enhance the ability of our Soldiers to destroy the enemy," he said.

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