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Tuesday
November 24th, 2020

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The Weather



The high yesterday 60° This morning's low 58°

The forecasters say the mist should clear out by this afternoon as winds increase. Our area should see gusty winds around the noon hour as a cold front approaches. There is also a chance a dryline will set up near Lampasas bringing much needed rain and a few storms. The rain should all be out of the area by tomorrow morning and a sunny, cooler day is expected. A stronger front is expected early Friday morning.

Today: Mostly cloudy and the high should make it to 79°. Wind will be S at 15-20 mph gusting to 30 mph. **Tonight:** Partly cloudy skies and a slight chance for showers before midnight with a low around 48°. The wind will become N-NW with gusts of 20 mph possible.

Wednesday: It will be sunny and up to 69° with NW winds becoming light and variable in the afternoon.

Overnight Wednesday: Mostly clear and 44°. Winds will be calm.

Thanksgiving Day: Mostly sunny and a high temperature near 76°. Winds will be from the S increasing through the day with gusts as high as 20 mph.

Thanksgiving Overnight: Mostly cloudy with a small chance of showers overnight and a low near 57°. Winds will be calm.

County Commissioners

While there were no public announcements, aspiring Eagle

Scout John Saucedo was recognized for his work on restoring the furniture at the courthouse breezeway. He cleaned the benches, installed new planks to those missing some, sanded and stained them. He also built the butterfly garden in Campbell Park for his Eagle Scout project. Judge Randall Hoyer (right) presented John with a certificate of appreciation.



Other important items on the agenda included the adoption of the fireworks order, which prohibits skyrockets with sticks or missiles with fins from being ignited in incorporated areas of Lampasas County. Defying this order will result in a class C misdemeanor.

Finally, the last item on the agenda was a discussion about the current state of the new jail undergoing construction. The project, started in 2017, is anticipated to be finished once health inspections can be held for the kitchen. There is no set inspection date as of yet, but staff should have a date by the next meeting. The meeting was then adjourned.

Coronavirus Update

Dr. Hay shared with Lampasas Radio this morning that Lampasas County has 550 total cases, up from 538 yesterday. There are 63 active cases up from 51 yesterday. The State of Texas saw 6,576 new cases yesterday and 8,353 Texans are hospitalized with Covid-19.



Lampasas ISD as of 11/23/2020 is reporting the following cases; Hanna Springs Elementary- 2active (up 1 from yesterday)/3 recovered students and 2 active/3 recovered staff. Kline Whitis Elementary shows 0 active/2 recovered students and 0 active/recovered staff. Taylor Creek Elementary-0 active/recovered students and 1 active/2 recovered staff. Lampasas Middle School shows 3 active/2 recovered students and 0 active/1 recovered staff. Lampasas High School reports 6 active (an increase of 1) /24 recovered students and 6 active/ 2 recovered staff

Lometa ISD

Receives Grant

The Lometa Independent School District will install new playground equipment at the school, thanks to a \$24,548 grant from the Lower Colorado River Authority and Hamilton County Electric Cooperative.



The Community Development Partnership Program grant, along with \$6,340 in matching funds, will be used to replace outdated playground equipment at Lometa public schools. Some of the equipment, which is about 25 years old, can no longer be used. "The new playground will create opportunities for students to engage in play, fitness and group activities, and help develop their social skills," said David Fisher, Lometa ISD superintendent.

Fisher said the new playground will be on a campus shared by high school, middle school and elementary students.

The school provides the only playground in the small, rural community of Lometa. The next nearest playground is in Lampasas, about 10 miles away.

"We're thankful to LCRA for helping us purchase new and safer playground equipment for our students and our community," Fisher said. "It would have been very difficult for us to do on our own." (cont'd on back)

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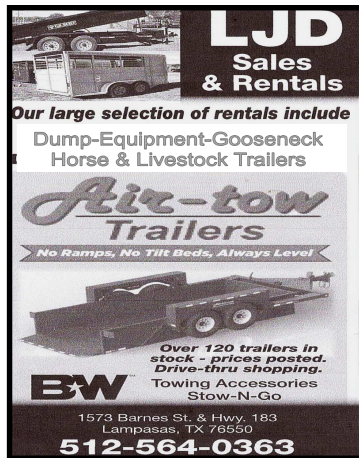
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The Blotter



Lampasas Police Dept. blotter for Monday shows an early morning noise disturbance in the 1300 block of CTE at 12:04am. Later in the morning there was a reported theft in the 1300 block of E. Ave I at 11:32am. The evening shows a reported harassment in the 600 block of E. 3rd St. at 7:51pm and a reported possession of drug paraphernalia in the 100 block of E. 7th St. at 11:13pm.

Lampasas Sheriff's Dept. blotter shows Lometa with a fish & game call early in the afternoon. Kempner also saw a fish & game call, as well as a civil matter and an attempt to locate. Out in the county there was an abandoned vehicle, animal issues, and reported threats. Deputies went into Cove on animal issues and a reported fraud.

County Judge Issues Fireworks Order

At Commissioners' Court yesterday, Judge Hoyer issued an order prohibiting/restricting the sale and use of restricted fireworks in unincorporated Lampasas County. Skyrockets with sticks, and missiles with fins are prohibited.

**Robert Westly Morris II who fled from officers last Wednesday has not been taken into custody at this time.*

The Burn Ban is in Effect

Lometa ISD serves 292 students from pre-kindergarten to 12th grade in a community of about 900 people. The equipment will be available to the public when not in use by the school in the evenings and weekends.

The community grant is one of 27 grants awarded recently through LCRA's Community Development Partnership Program, which helps volunteer fire departments, local governments, emergency responders and nonprofit organizations fund capital improvement projects in LCRA's wholesale electric, water and transmission service areas. The program is part of LCRA's effort to give back to the communities it serves. Hamilton County Electric Cooperative is one of LCRA's wholesale electric customers and is a partner in the grant program.



District court notes



Lampasas County Courthouse was the site of a 27th District Court Docket Call on November 20th. Presiding over the Court was 27th District Court Judge John Gauntt.

Altogether 16 cases were brought to the court, 11 of them involved men and 5 involved women. Felix Ybarra of Lampasas failed to appear on the charge of possession/controlled substance PG1 less than a gram in a drug free zone. Domonique Gatlin of Bellmead failed to appear on the charge of burglary of a habitation. Eddie Cruz of Lampasas also failed to appear on the charges of possession/controlled substance/PG1 less than a gram and assault on family/household member.

There were 9 cases involving possession of a controlled substance PG1; 7 for under 1 gram, with one in a drug free zone, and 2 for 4-200 grams. There was 1 case for engaging in organized criminal activity.

There were 2 cases for burglary of a habitation.

Crimes causing personal harm included 3 cases of assault/ family/household member and one case for indecency with a child/sexual contact.

Of the 10 cases presented to the court, one case was settled with Ty McCoy pleading guilty to one of his two charges of assault of a family/household member. He was sentenced to 5 years probation plus court costs and a \$2000 fine. The remainder of the cases were reset or had trials set for a future date

Badger Sports

Basketball

The Lady Badgers varsity bested class 5A Elgin yesterday 59-50. They are now 6-0 on the season. Lady Badger Freshmen soundly defeated Elgin 60-18. The Lady Badger JV fell to Richland Springs 70-23.

Today the Lady Badgers Varsity & freshman host Lake Belton with games beginning g at 5pm and the JV travels to Evant for a 1pm game.

Badger Basketball hosted Georgetown Eastview yesterday at Badger Gym. Badger JV fell 56-55 with Luke Shivers leading the scoring with 22 points followed by Tate Rainwater with 13 points and Jacob Ruppel with 11 points.

Badger Varsity defeated 5A Eastview 77-73. Nate Borchardt led the scoring with 35 points and Tak Stinnett added 12 points.

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