

*The Little People Paper* On the side of truth and the common Lampasan. Thursday December 1st 2022

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### The Weather

The high yesterday  $51^{\circ}$  This morning's low  $32^{\circ}$ 

**Today**: Increasing clouds with a high temperature near 56° and wind becoming E-SE near 5 mph.

**Tonight**: Look for cloudy skies, and the low will get down to about 50° overnight. Wind will be S-SE near 5 mph. There is a slight chance of sprinkles overnight.

**Friday:** Cloudy with gradual clearing and a high temperature near 74°. Wind will be S-SW at 5-15 mph with possible gusts of 25 mph. There may be patchy fog in the morning.

**Friday Night**: Partly cloudy with a low of 52°. Wind will be from the S-SW near 5 mph shifting to the N-NW overnight with possible gusts of 20 mph.

**Saturday:** Mostly sunny with the high temperature near 59°. Wind will be N-NE near 5-10 mph with possible gusts of 20 mph.

**Saturday Night**: Mostly cloudy skies and a low near 48°. Wind will become calm.

# **Carol of Lights**

**The Lampasas Carol of Lights 2022,** Blessings from the Heart of Texas, will be Saturday December 3<sup>rd</sup>. It will be an all-day Holiday Event held in the Downtown Courtyard Square in Lampasas. The Lampasas Farmer's Market will be taking place on the east side of the square from 8am-2pm. The 'Classics at the Classic' Classic cars will be on the south side of the square from 9am-4pm. Food trucks will be available from 10am-8pm. The Lampasas County Museum at 303 S. Western will be displaying the Christmas Trees from the Christmas Tree Contest and the Gingerbread Houses from the Gingerbread House Contest from 10am-6pm.

At 1pm the Snow Queen Pageant will take place at the bandstand. Santa will be in the Ajinomoto Foods lobby from 3:30-6pm, and the Lampasas Public Library will be hosting Mrs. Santa Storytelling and Christmas Crafts in the Manuel Hardware Building from 3:30-4:30pm. First Texas Bank will be having their Cup o' Corn from 4:30-6:30pm. From 5:30pm-6pm there will be



caroling at the bandstand. 6pm brings the official Carol of Lights Lighting Ceremony along with a performance from the Lampasas High School Flames.

The Holidazzle Lighted Christmas Parade brought to you by Anjimoto Foods will begin at 6:30pm. The Grand Marshal this year will be the City Parks Department, and our own Ronnie Witcher will be the emcee for the parade.

Sunday December 4<sup>th</sup> brings the Annual Lampasas County Museum Tour of Homes from 1-5pm. Admission is \$10 with tickets available at the Lampasas County Museum.

Come on down and check out the festivities, you're sure to find something for everyone!

# **Lower Property Taxes?**

(Texas Tribune) If Gov. Greg Abbott's dream of a historic property tax break for Texans is to become a reality in the 2023 legislative session, the Republican-controlled Legislature might have to break the state's constitutional spending limit for the next two years.

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The Texas Constitution limits the amount of additional money the state can spend every two-year budget cycle to the rate of the state's economic growth. (*cont'd on back*)



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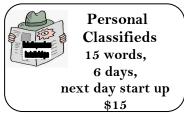
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# The Blotter



**The Lampasas Police** blotter for Wednesday shows suspicious activity reported in the 1400 block of W. 1<sup>st</sup> St. at 11:48am. The afternoon shows a reported fraud in the 800 block of Hoover St. at 2:30pm, and another fraud was reported in the 300 block of E. 4<sup>th</sup> St. at 2:53pm. At 3:20pm, Hunter Biddy, 19, was arrested in the 800 block of N. Key Ave for criminal trespass and minor in possession of tobacco. There was suspicious activity reported in the 300 block of 281S at 3:25pm and a possession of drug paraphernalia report in the 200 block of N. Key Ave. at 9:52pm.

The Lampasas County Sheriff's Dept. Blotter for Wednesday shows Lometa with medical calls. In Kempner there was an accident, requests for extra patrol, and a reported disturbance. Out in the county there were animal issues, a requested welfare check and civil matters. Deputies went into Cove on animal issues, to deliver a message and on reports of suspicious activity.

**The Jail Log** shows the arrest of 32 year old Frankie Felan of Copperas Cove on a probation violation and an out-of-county charge.

*(cont'd from front)* In the first public indication of how much tax money lawmakers can add to the 2024-25 budget, the Texas Legislative Budget Board — a panel of legislators led by Lt. Gov. Dan Patrick and House Speaker Dade Phelan — used population growth and inflation forecasts Wednesday to adopt a 12.3% estimated economic growth rate in the next budget cycle.

That means lawmakers can spend about \$12.5 billion more state tax dollars in the next budget than they did in the current biennium before the cap is busted, according to current budget numbers. That limit could go up if lawmakers pass a supplemental budget bill



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early next year that increases spending in the current biennium.

But that \$12.5 billion figure is a little less than what it would cost for lawmakers to move forward with Abbott's goal to use half the state's estimated \$27 billion cash surplus, driven largely by increased sales tax caused by inflation, on property tax relief.

It's anyone's guess whether lawmakers would back that promise in its entirety, made by Abbott in August during a heated race for reelection. Whether doing so would trigger the limit depends on a host of factors, including how well lawmakers are able to use budget strategies to avoid it.

If they can't, then lawmakers could simply skirt the issue by spurning Abbott's big plans, passing a much smaller property tax relief plan that doesn't reach the spending limit, or even none at all — though by most accounts, the last option seems unlikely. Or they could vote by a simple majority to break the cap.

Texas homeowners have some of the highest property tax bills in the nation, a byproduct of the state's reliance on property taxes to pay for public schools and the state's lack of an income tax. To lower property taxes on Texans, lawmakers would need to fund schools at a higher rate so that those districts could reduce the local tax burden on residents.

# Museum Bake Sale

**The Lampasas County Museum** will be having their Annual Bake Sale on December 3<sup>rd</sup> from 10am-6pm during the Carol of Lights. The public is invited to donate homemade baked goods and treats for the holiday fundraiser. They can be delivered to the museum on Saturday December 3<sup>rd</sup> between 7:30am and 10am. Your help is sincerely appreciated!

# **Sports**



#### Badger Basketball

**Badger Varsity Basketball** will be at the Salado Tournament today-Saturday. Today the boys will play Salado at 10:30am and Rockdale at 4:30pm. On Friday the boys are scheduled to play Gatesville at 10:30am and Pflugerville at 4:30pm with Saturday's games to be announced.

#### Lady Badger Basketball

Today -Saturday the Lady Badger Varsity team heads to the Edgewood Tournament in San Antonio, while the JV ladies will be participating in the Lometa JV girls basketball tournament.

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