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News at 7:20am & 12, 6pm & 10pm

The Weather



The High yesterday 62° The Low this morning 36°

Today: Look for increasing clouds and a high temperature about 71°. Wind will be S at 10-15mph gusting to 20 mph.

Tonight: Look for mostly cloudy skies with a low temperature near 56°. Wind will be S-SE at 5-10 mph.

Tuesday: Cloudy skies with gradual clearing and a high temperature near 74°. Winds will increase to 10-15 mph from the S in the afternoon.

Tuesday Night: Increasing clouds with a low temperature near 65° and winds will become S at 10-15 mph gusting to 25 mph.

Wednesday: Mostly cloudy skies and a high temperature near 78°. Winds will become S at 10-20 mph gusting to 30 mph.

Wednesday Night: A low near 66° and mostly cloudy skies with winds from the S at 5-10 mph gusting to 25 mph.

Public Hearing Today

The Lampasas County Commissioners Court held a public hearing today at 9am in the Commissioners Courtroom concerning proposed revisions to the Lampasas County Manufactured Home Community Regulations.

Following the hearing, there will be a regularly scheduled Commissioners meeting beginning at 9:15am. The agenda includes the consent agenda, monthly reports from County offices the sheriff's report, discussion of the Adult Sexual Response Team, replacement of software for the appraisal of all property, collection and distribution of taxes, discussion of manufactured homes community regulations, budget amendments, considering options to holdover the constable from precinct 4, and adoption of an order conforming election precincts with commissioner, justice of the peace and constable precincts.

The county commissioners will also be holding a workshop meeting on today at 1pm in the Lampasas County Commissioners Courtroom to discuss abatement and demolition bids.

City Council to Meet

The Lampasas City Council will meet beginning with a workshop session today at 5:30pm. The Workshop session will include discussion of the Georgetown Tank mixing upgrade to improve disinfectant levels, a Covid-19 update, and the engineering related to the relocation of water lines due to TxDOT 281 improvement project.

The regular meeting will start at 6pm and the agenda includes a public hearing to receive citizen comments regarding a specific use permit for property known as 2209 S. Highway 183 to allow for the sale of storage buildings. There will also be a public hearing concerning enlarging and extending the boundary line of the city. The agenda also includes the consent agenda, which includes the second reading of an ordinance to vacate and convey the alley in block 76, Lampasas springs Company 1st addition. There will be routine matters, the City Manager's Operational report and mayor's comments. In new business, there will be discussion of the wastewater project on W. Ave C, the specific use permit for 2209 S. Hwy 183 for the sale of storage buildings, approval of the final plat of the Oncken-Sheppard Lane subdivision, voluntary annexation of 4 acres in the Hidden Oaks Subdivision, adoption of the budget for the municipal government of the City of Lampasas; for the fiscal year 2021. Also discussed will be the purchase of 2 police interceptor police units, and 2 Motorola In Car video camera systems. Discussion of the award of a professional engineering proposal by Eckermann Engineering to design water line relocations due to the TxDOT 281 project, and discussion of the Tideflex mixing system to be installed during the Georgetown ground storage tank rehabilitation project.

The Geminid Meteor Shower

The website earthsky.org tell us that the Geminid meteor shower – always a favorite among the annual meteor showers – is expected to peak in 2021 on the night of tonight into Tuesday, December 14. The Geminids are a reliable shower for those who watch around 2 a.m. local time from a dark-sky location. We also often hear from those who see Geminid meteors in the late evening hours. This year, a waxing gibbous moon will be above the horizon during peak time for viewing. But it'll set shortly afterwards, leaving the sky dark for watching meteors. Thus the best time to watch for Geminid meteors in 2021 is likely before dawn – say, from around 3 a.m. to dawn – on the morning of December 14.

It's a somewhat narrow window for meteor-watching. But still worth a look!

And you can also try watching in moonlight. Geminid meteors tend to be bold, white and quick. The brightest ones will overcome the light of the moon. This shower favors Earth's Northern Hemisphere, but it's visible from the Southern Hemisphere, too. The curious rock comet called 3200 Phaethon is the Geminids' parent body.

On a dark night, near the peak of the shower, you can often catch 50 or more meteors per hour. On an optimum night for the Geminids, it's possible to see 150 meteors per hour. (cont'd on back)

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The Blotter



Lampasas Police Dept. blotter for Saturday shows an early morning report of suspicious activity reported in the 100 block of N. Hackberry at 1:18am. Criminal trespasses were reported, one in the 1200 block of W. Ave C at 11:02am, and one in the 100 block of S. Chestnut St. at 4:01pm. The afternoon also shows suspicious activity reported in the 600 block of S. Western Ave at 5:46pm. At 8:33pm, suspicious activity was reported in the 200 block of W. 9th St. Another criminal trespass was reported in the 100 block of S. Chestnut St. at 8:53pm and there was a noise complaint on Sue Ann at 11:52pm.

Lampasas Police Dept. blotter for Sunday shows an early morning assault reported in the 400 block of Plum St. at 1:26am. The evening shows a criminal mischief reported in the 1700 block of CTE and a suspicious person reported in the 300 block of E. 3rd St. at 6:51pm.

The Lampasas County Sheriff's Dept. Blotter for the weekend shows Lometa with a fish & game call, medical calls, a structure fire and civil matters. In Kempner, officers dealt with an accident, medical calls, reported thefts, a structure fire, reports of suspicious activity, a reported disturbance, a requested welfare check, animal issues, an alarm call and a reported assault. Out in the county there were reports of suspicious activity, civil matters, medical calls, a report of a stolen vehicle, animal/livestock issues, a requested welfare check, a fish and game call and a report of illegal dumping. Deputies went into Cove on medical calls, a reported theft, an abandoned vehicle, a reported disturbance, and an alarm call.

The Jail Log shows the arrest of 22 year old Tanner Lewis of Marble Falls for possession of marijuana less than 2 oz., 30 year old Thomas Floyd of Killeen for possession of a controlled substance PG2 less than a gram, possession of marijuana and unlawful carrying of a weapon and 53 year old Patricia Gifford of Lampasas on a probation violation.

A new moon on December 4 means that the peak of the shower coincides with a moon just a few days past first quarter phase. This evening, the moon will be more than 77% lit and already above the horizon as darkness falls. The moon will drift across the sky to the west over the course of the night, among the stars of Pisces, setting around 3 to 4 a.m. local time (the time on your clock wherever you are). This leaves a couple of hours of darkness before sunrise of good meteor viewing. The Geminid meteor shower is best around 2 a.m. because its radiant point – the point in our sky from which the meteors

seem to radiate – is highest in the sky at that time. As a general rule, the higher the constellation Gemini the Twins climbs into your sky, the more Geminid meteors you're likely to see.

The Geminids' radiant point nearly coincides with the bright star Castor in Gemini. That's a chance alignment, of course, as Castor lies about 52 light-years away, while these meteors burn up in the upper atmosphere some 60 miles (100 km) above Earth's surface.

The meteors in annual showers appear in all parts of the sky. It's even possible to have your back to the constellation Gemini and see a Geminid meteor fly by.

Coronavirus Update

Statewide, on December 12th, there were 2,095 new and 495 probable cases, along with 3,117 in the hospital. There were 36 deaths from Covid reported as well. Locally, in the last 14 days, Lampasas has seen 50 confirmed cases according to the DSHS website, with 2 being confirmed Sunday. The state estimate is 69 active cases in Lampasas County.

Badger Sports



Badger Basketball

The Varsity Boys won the Hamilton tournament championship on Saturday with a 70-69 win over Kennedale. Dax Brookreson hit a game winning 3 pointer with 1 second remaining off of a pass from Austin Wilson to put the Badgers ahead. The High Scorers in that game were Borchardt with 28 points, Brookreson with 15 points and Stinnett with 12 points. Nate Borchardt was the tournament MVP and Tak Stinnett made the all tournament team. The JV boys beat the Early Longhorns 52-41 to improve their record to 5-5. Leading scorers were Isaiah Wintle 19 points, Demarion Middleton with 8 points and Jason Brock with 6 points. The Freshmen ended up 4th in the tournament with a loss to Stephenville.

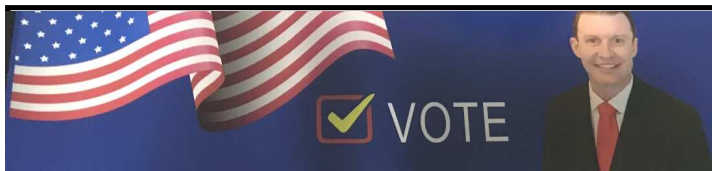
The Boys take it on the road tomorrow playing at Waco Robinson with games starting at 5pm.

Lady Badger Basketball

The Lady Badgers are scheduled to host Jarrell tomorrow night with games beginning at 5:30pm.

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