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The Weather



The high yesterday 67° The low this morning 67°

Today: Look for cloudy skies with gradual clearing and a high temperature near 69°. The wind will be S at 10-15 mph shifting W-NW this afternoon. Wind could gust as high as 20 mph. There is a 60% chance of rain.

Tonight: Look for partly cloudy skies and a low that will be around 46°. The wind will become calm.

Wednesday: Mostly cloudy skies with gradual clearing and a high temperature near 59°. Wind will be W-NW at 5-15 mph with possible gusts of 25 mph.

Wednesday Night: Clear skies with a low near 35°. Wind will become calm.

Thursday: Sunny with a high temperature near 56°. Winds will become W near 5 mph.

Thursday Night: A low near 33° with mostly clear skies. The wind will become calm.

Driver in Hit-and-Run Fatality Arrested

From Texas DPS: On 12/11/2022 Texas DPS made an arrest in the hit and run fatality crash involving a tow truck driver in Mills County that occurred on 12/10/2022. Also recovered was a 2014 Toyota Tundra that was allegedly involved in the crash.



The driver was identified as 38-year-old Kerry Coats "KC" Kavanaugh of Goldthwaite, Texas. (pictured) Kavanaugh was placed under arrest for Fail to Stop and Render Aid (Resulting in Death)-Second Degree Felony. Kavanaugh was booked into the Mills County Jail. The crash and criminal investigation is still active and open.

Commissioners Court

The Lampasas County Commissioners held a regularly scheduled meeting Monday morning to discuss the redistricting of county political boundaries, the vacant lot of the old county jail/sheriff's office, a fireworks ban, and the recognition of County Clerk Connie Hartman's retirement among other items.

Discussion over possible county redistricting took place with Commissioner Mark Rainwater expressing concern over the 2020 census, advocating for another redistricting process to occur. A motion to call a special meeting and public hearing on December 27th was passed unanimously to further discuss the county political boundaries.

Due to the public auction for the vacant lot leading to no outcome, public comments were taken to suggest possible solutions. A

motion to transform the vacant lot into a parking lot was passed unanimously after public discussion. A motion to order a fireworks ban that will limit the sale of certain fireworks (i.e sky rocket, sky flyer) was passed. The recognition of County Clerk Connie Hartman's retirement took place during the meeting. Hartman worked nearly 40 years through 6 county judges and 20 county commissioners.

Lampasas City Council

The Lampasas City Council held a regularly scheduled meeting Monday evening to discuss Solar Photovoltaic (PV) systems, city project updates, solar eclipse preparation, and the city manager's operational report among other topics.

PV systems and the need to ensure electric customers when switching from electricity to solar generation were discussed briefly. From 2020-2021, PV systems saw a 30% increase in Texas. 31 households in Lampasas currently have a PV system.

A city projects update shows that Harrison Construction has completed the base pad for the skate park. SPA Skateparks is expected to be onsite within the next three weeks to start the concrete portion of construction and completion. The business park is estimated to be at 99% completion. The only remaining items include hydrant plugs, (cont'd on back)

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upcoming EVENTS

Tuesday December 13th:

35th Annual Pierian Christmas Concert. 4pm at First Baptist Church Lampasas.

Wednesday December 14th:

Lampasas Community Gardens is sponsoring a class on trees. **Facilitated by Lucien Hodges @ 4PM on Wed 12.14**, at the Co Extension conference room. Bring questions and a \$5 suggested donation. Refreshments will be served.

Friday December 16th:

St. Mary's Food Pantry 9:30-11am.

Saturday December 17th:

Book Signing (Past and Present: Lampasas County) @ Lampasas Museum 11am-1pm.

Sunday December 18th:

School Creek Baptist Christmas Cantata. 11am.

December 9th, 10th, 16th, 17th, 18th:

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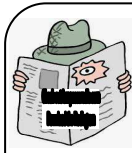
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The Blotter



The Lampasas Police Dept. Blotter for Monday shows a report of suspicious activity in the 600 block of N. Key Ave. at 4:28am, a welfare concern reported in the 200 block of N. Summer St. at 8:16am and a reported fraud in the 1700 block of CTE at 8:19am. A noise complaint was reported in the 100 block of N. Summer St. at 9:16am, there was a minor accident in the 1500 block of S. Main St. at 9:37am and a criminal trespass was reported in the 600 block of W. Ave A at 10:01am. There was a suspicious vehicle reported in the 500 block of E. North Ave. at 10:34am, and a minor accident in the 1300 block of S. Key Ave. at 11:09am. The afternoon shows a criminal mischief was reported in the 1200 block of E. 3rd St. at 2:26pm, possession of a controlled substance was reported in the 2700 block of 281S at 3:53pm and a suspicious person was reported in the 1600 block of CTE at 6:28pm. Another suspicious person was reported in the 300 block of Walnut St. at 7:40pm, suspicious activity was reported on SueAnn Dr. at 10:48pm and a suspicious vehicle was reported in the 100 block of EE Ohnmeiss Dr. at 11:07pm.

The Lampasas Sheriff's Dept. Blotter for Monday shows Lometa with animal issues and civil matters. In Kempner there were civil matters and medical calls. Out in the county there was a shots fired call, civil matters and reports of suspicious activity. Deputies went into Cove for civil matters, animal issues, and a report of an abandoned vehicle.

The Jail Log for Wednesday shows the arrest of 45 year old Jason Saldana of Copperas Cove on an out-of-county charge.

(cont'd from front) five storm drains that need to be grouted, as well as the coating and sealing of manholes. On November 8th, the city issued a Notice to Proceed to WT Construction beginning on November 18th. WT Construction began demo work at the Industrial Park the week of November 28th.

Current planning efforts for the solar eclipse event (April 2024) were discussed briefly. The event is expected to bring an estimated 100,000 people to the immediate area. Staff on the project have developed an emergency management plan, increased levels of training, and designed tabletop exercises in preparation for the event.

The city manager's operational report begins with an update on the airport planning project. The scope of the project will include a layout plan update, inventory of assets, aviation forecast, and identification of short and long-term needs. Contracting by TxDOT will be completed this winter with the final draft before launch.

The EMS report shows 151 calls made within the city of Lampasas, while 101 calls were made outside Lampasas. Average response time in the city was 5 minutes and 24 seconds. The report also notes continued, cooperative training with the Lampasas Fire Department.

Annual Tree-Trimming

The City of Lampasas has contracted with McCoy Tree Surgery in implementing a Tree Trimming Program around City Electric Lines. This program began on December 12th, 2022 and will be completed about mid-February.

The First area to be trimmed is West Ave. E to North Ave, from Key Ave to Porter.

The Second area to be trimmed will be North Ave to 6th Street, from Key Ave to Porter.

Homeowners will be notified by door tags, in advance, of the trees being trimmed in their area or on their property.

If you have questions please call Robyn White at the City Administration Building at 512-556-8315

Reward Offered

by Vision Lampasas

The \$500 reward HAS BEEN INCREASED TO \$1,300 for information leading to the arrest of the VANDALS who are destroying property and Christmas lights at WM Brook Park. THOUSANDS of dollars have been spent on repairs to the Christmas displays.

Some of you may remember that Christmas lights many years ago were vandalized to the extent that the light display was DISCONTINUED.

Our small non-profit is working overtime to raise money for this Christmas gift to the community. The city of Lampasas Parks Department and our Vision Lampasas volunteers spend MANY HOURS to make a fun and festive display.

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