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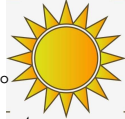
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News at 7:20am & 12, 6pm & 10pm

The Weather



The High yesterday 78° The Low this morning 61°

Today: Look for mostly sunny skies and a high temperature about 76°. Wind will be from the S-SW at 5-10 mph.

Tonight: Look for cloudy skies with a low temperature near 61°. Wind will be S at 5-15 mph gusting to 20 mph.

Tuesday: Mostly cloudy with gradual clearing and a high temperature near 78°. Wind will be W-SW at 5-10 mph.

Tuesday Night: Mostly cloudy skies with a low temperature near 59° and winds will light from the S-SW.

Wednesday: Partly sunny skies and a high temperature near 77°. Winds will be from the SW at 5-15 mph shifting W-NW in the afternoon.

Wednesday Night: A low near 50° and partly cloudy skies with winds becoming calm.

Holiday Closings

The Lampasas County Courthouse and offices will be closed today due to the holiday and will re-open tomorrow for business.

The Omnicrom Variant

(Texas Tribune) As the omicron variant of COVID-19 continues to spread rapidly, a real-time snapshot of how the virus is impacting Texans may be muddled over the next couple of weeks thanks to a lag in state data and soaring demand for at-home tests.

The Texas Department of State Health Services, which tracks the number of coronavirus vaccinations, cases, hospitalizations and deaths across the state, won't be updating its daily dashboard Friday through Sunday both this week and last over the holidays.

Those information lapses come at an inopportune time: Texas has again started to see a rapid increase in the number of coronavirus infections.

According to state data, the seven-day average for the number of confirmed cases has doubled over the past week. And while COVID-19 hospitalizations have remained relatively low in most of the state so far, the number of hospitals reporting full intensive care units has started to rise again after dropping since August.

Another potential blind spot in the state data is the surge of at-home tests, which drug stores like CVS and Walgreens have reported are widely out of stock or in short supply nationwide for months. Those tests aren't automatically reported to the state, which could affect the state's understanding of how many Texans are testing positive for the virus.

Dr. Bhavna Lall, an internal medicine physician and clinical assistant professor at the University of Houston's College of Medicine, said that there should be a system in place for doctors to better inform public health authorities about it. "It's really important that people do the measures we already know work — getting vaccinated, getting their boosters if eligible, wearing masks indoors, testing before gathering, and practicing physical and social distancing," Lall said Wednesday. "We have the tools that we know work, so we want to make sure people use them right now."

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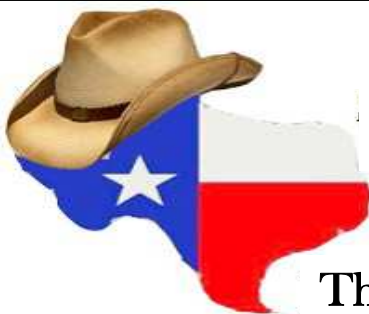
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The Blotter



Lampasas Police Dept. blotter for Friday shows a criminal mischief reported in the 900 block of S. Spring St. at 7:05am, and suspicious activity in the 300 block of E. 5th St. at 9:33am. The afternoon shows suspicious activity in the 300 block of W. Ave E. at 5:41pm and then a shots fired call in the 1200 block of E. Ave F at 10:32pm

Lampasas Police Dept. blotter for Saturday shows loud music reported in the 300 block of E. 5th St. at 2:03 AM, and a suspicious Vehicle reported in the 300 block of Creek St. at 8:36 PM

Lampasas Police Dept. blotter for Sunday shows a reported suspicious vehicle in the 100 block of EE Ohnmeiss Dr. at 10:30pm, reported suspicious activity in the 100 block of N. Chestnut St. at 10:38pm, a disorderly conduct was reported in the 2300 block of 281S at 10:40pm and a noise complaint on Caprice Lane at 11:26pm.

The Lampasas County Sheriff's Dept. Blotter for the weekend shows Lometa with a report of a suicidal person, livestock/animal issues, and reported thefts. In Kempner, officers dealt with medical calls, a report of illegal dumping, fish & game calls, shots fired calls, accidents, reported disturbances, reports of suspicious activity, and a reported burglary. Out in the county there were reports of suspicious activity, medical calls, reported thefts, civil matters, reported trespassings, reported disturbances, alarm calls, shots fired calls, a mental health call, animal issues, and a report of an abandoned vehicle. Deputies went into Cove on reports of suspicious activity, reports of illegal dumping, and an alarm call.

Tree Trimming Time

The City of Lampasas has contracted with McCoy Tree Surgery to implement a Tree Trimming Program around City Electric Lines. This program began on December 20th, and will be completed about mid-February.

The First area to be trimmed is 1st Street to Nix Road from Steele to Porter. The Second area to be trimmed is 1st Street to 7th Street from Samac to Porter. The Third area to be trimmed is Naruna Road from Howe to South HWY 281 and on Howe from Naruna heading north. The Fourth area to be trimmed is West Avenue E to 1st Street from Porter to Key Avenue. The Fifth area to be trimmed is 1st Street to 6th Street from Porter to Key Avenue. 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 Shirley Elders at the City Administration Building at 512-556-8315

Large Demand for Covid Boosters

(The Texas Tribune) As the omicron variant of COVID-19 threatens to fuel another surge of infections this winter, the state's vaccination data shows demand for booster shots has outpaced the demand for first doses of the vaccine in the last few months — even as millions of Texans remain unvaccinated.

The average number of people getting boosters in Texas every day has surpassed those getting their first shots since late September, according to the state's data. As of Dec. 21, the daily average of Texans who received their booster shots over the last week was about 52,000 — compared with the approximately 20,000 who received their first doses.

So far this month, at least 1.2 million Texans have gotten booster shots — nearly triple the number of people who received their first doses of the vaccine during the same time.

Meanwhile, the number of people getting their first shot of the vaccine over the last few months has remained far below people getting boosters, though the rate of first shots slightly increased in November and December.

The rush for the fully vaccinated to get boosted comes at a time when hospitals and medical experts are bracing for a surge in cases amid the rapid spread of the omicron variant and Texans are having to alter their plans as COVID-19 looms large over the holiday season for a second year in a row. More than 50% of Texans are fully vaccinated, and nearly 15% have received their booster shots. Booster rates remain low across the country, but even so, Texas ranks in the bottom 10 states.

In Texas, counties along the border and major metro areas have higher vaccination and booster rates compared with other parts of the state

Badger Sports

Badger Basketball



The Badgers will be attending the Wimberley Tournament starting tomorrow.

The JV team was 6-7 going into the Christmas Break and will play Blanco on New Year's Eve at Lampasas High School.

Lady Badger Basketball

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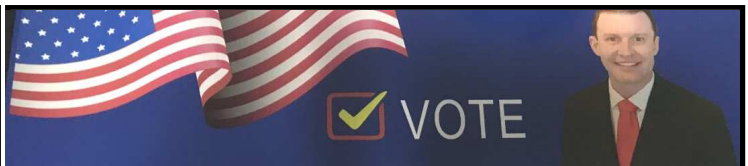
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