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The Weather

The high yesterday 70° This morning's low 62°



The National Weather Service advisory at 6:03am this morning shows the cold front extending just east of Abilene. (Wind chill in Abilene at 29° at 10am). The major effect of today's front will be the falling temperatures, and by this afternoon wind chills are slated to be in the upper 20's in locations west of I35. Also of concern today is the possibility of strong to severe storms across Central Texas. A cold rain is expected to continue through the night, and the potential for snowfall has shifted slightly westward, and the potential for freezing rain has increased, according to one report. Another report advises that the location of a rain/snow or all snow transition remains uncertain, but heavier amounts are expected NW of here with possibly less than an inch in our area. However this was also posted: Some freezing rain and snow may affect locations along and west of Highway 281 on Thursday and Thursday night. While the potential for accumulations remains uncertain, it's possible that wintry weather could impact travel in these locations

Today: Cloudy skies and a 90% chance of precipitation throughout the day. The high temperature is forecast to have been the 62° this morning and falling into the 40's this afternoon. Wind will become N at 15-20mph this afternoon with gusts of 30 mph.

Tonight: Cloudy skies continue with a 100% chance of precipitation and storms, with a low near 37°. The strong 15-20 mph N wind will continue with gusts of 30mph possible.

New Years Eve: A 100% chance of showers and storms with cloudy skies a high near 41° and the blustery N wind continuing at 15-20mph gusting to 30mph

New Year's Eve Overnight: The 100% chance of precipitation continues with rain possibly mixed with snow in the evening. Winds shift to the W near 20mph gusting to 30 mph. The low temperature should be near 33°.

New Year's Day: Mostly sunny with a high near 46° Mostly sunny with a high near 46° and W-NW winds at 15-20 mph with possible gusts of 25mph.

New Year's Night: A low temperature near 29° and a NW wind at 5-15mph gusting to 20mph.

Holiday Closings

The Radiogram offices will be closed
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Lampasas City offices will also be closed on January 1, 2021, as well as the public library and the Collection center. Trash pick-up will be the next business day following the holiday.

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Local bank branches will observe the following hours; 1st Texas Bank and 1st State Bank of Burnet will close at 3pm on Thursday and will be closed Friday and Saturday. They will reopen on January 4th; Bancorp South and National United will have regular hours with the exception of being closed on Friday January 1st.

The Lampasas Cattle Auction will have no sale this Wednesday, they will resume on January 6th.

In the City of Copperas Cove, all city facilities will be closed on Friday, January 1st to include the solid waste transfer station. Commercial trash will be collected on the regularly scheduled day, with the exception of no collection on Friday, January 1st. For additional information regarding City facilities closure please contact City Hall at (254) 547-4221. For additional information regarding the collection schedule please contact Solid Waste at (254) 547-4242.



State Resources Tapped for Weather Concerns



(Press Release) Governor Greg Abbott yesterday placed numerous resources on standby ahead of significant winter weather and potential flash flooding that is expected to impact Texas. As the storm system moves across the state Wednesday and Thursday, West Texas is anticipated to receive heavy snowfall and a wintry mix of precipitation, while

central and eastern portions of the state will see severe storms with the potential to produce flash flooding and river flooding. "As winter weather and heavy rain make their way across the our state, I urge Texans to be cautious of changing weather conditions and take proactive measures to protect themselves and their loved ones," said Governor Abbott. "The State of Texas has been working closely with local officials to prepare for these storms, and we will continue to provide the resources needed to keep our communities safe."

At the direction of the Governor, the Texas Division of Emergency Management has rostered the following state resources to support both winter and severe weather response operations: (cont'd on back)

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The Blotter



Lampasas Police Dept. blotter for Tuesday shows an early morning report of a suspicious person in the 300 block of S. Key at 12:11am. A minor accident took place in the 100 block of N. Key at 2:23am. The afternoon shows a domestic disturbance in the 1700 block of S. Key at 4:37pm. A suspicious person was reported in the 1700 block of CTE at 5:52pm, a suspicious vehicle was reported in the 400 block of CTE at 7:33pm, and suspicious activity was reported in the 900 block of Campbell St. at 8:22pm.

Lampasas Sheriff's Dept. blotter shows Lometa with an early morning burglary in progress report. Officers in Kempner were busy with reports of suspicious activity, medical calls, a welfare check, a reported criminal mischief, a reported trespassing, a reported fraud, reported disturbances and animal issues. Out in the county there was an accident, a reported sex offense, an animal issue, a report of a fight in progress, a trespassing and a criminal mischief. Deputies went into Cove for an accident.

The Jail Log showed the arrest of 20 year old Cory Lakes of Killeen for interference with an emergency call and assault.

The Burn Ban has been lifted until 5pm Sunday

(1) Texas A&M Forest Service: Saw Crews and Incident Management Teams (2) Texas A&M Engineering Extension Service (Texas A&M Task Force One and Two): 4 boat squads; 1 Type III Urban Search And Rescue package (3) Texas Parks and Wildlife Department: Boats and Teams to support Water Rescue Operations as well as 4 wheel drive vehicles and personnel to support winter weather response operations for stranded motorists (4) Texas Department of State Health Services: Emergency Medical Task Force severe weather packages (5) Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT): High Profile Vehicles and winter weather preparation/response equipment and crews (6) Texas Department of Public Safety – Texas Highway Patrol: Helicopters with hoist capability (7) Texas Public Utility Commission: Utility Outage monitoring and reporting.

*Additionally, TxDOT has begun treating roadways across West Texas ahead of winter weather. (See story below)

TxDot Winter Weather Preparations

In preparation for an anticipated strong winter storm, the Texas Department of Transportation's (TxDOT) Brownwood District has begun prepping and staging equipment, treating major state maintained roadways and structures and monitoring conditions around the clock. Crews began treating major roadways and structures Monday and will continue this work through Wednesday in anticipation of winter precipitation Wednesday night and Thursday. According to the National Weather Service (NWS) Wednesday night thunderstorms will turn to snow overnight and into Thursday morning in most of the district. There is a chance the southeastern counties in the district (McCulloch, Lampasas and San Saba) will see a mix of snow and rain. Any snow and sleet accumulations will make for hazardous road conditions for motorists.

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Travelers are encouraged to plan ahead and check roadway conditions prior to travel Wednesday and Thursday. TxDOT roadway conditions statewide are available at DriveTexas.org or by calling 1-800-452-9292. The [Brownwood District Twitter feed](#) (@TxDOTBWD) will be updated as road conditions change. Other [TxDOT Twitter feeds](#) and the [TxDOT Facebook page](#) are also valuable resources for travel conditions across the state.

Coronavirus Update



While Dr. Hay is enjoying some much-deserved time off, we have no update on the Lampasas County cases. However, the State of Texas shows a whopping 26,990 new cases yesterday.

(Some may be the lag from the holiday weekend). As of yesterday, 11,775 Texans are hospitalized with coronavirus.



Badger Sports

Badger Basketball

Badger Boys Varsity Basketball travels to Hamilton tomorrow, with freshman starting at noon, and rolling starts from there. All games will be in the main gym. Badger Basketball was scheduled to be on the road today at Blanco with a 10am start for the freshmen, JV at 11am and varsity at 12:15pm.

Lady Badger Basketball

The Lady Badger Varsity traveled to play Austin St. Michaels yesterday and put another game in the win column, with a 62-44 win over St. Michaels. Lead scorers were: Morgan Lovejoy-15, Juliana Dwamena-13, Taylor Allen-7, Payton Tatum-7.

Soccer

Badger Soccer played the alumni scrimmage yesterday and Coach Race sent this recap: We had a lovely match tonight vs. our very talented alumni. It was a very close match with goals scored in the 1st half by Victor Castruita from Cody Woods and Woods on a penalty kick, and for the alumni Josh Barbero and Ian Skiles put 2 in leaving us tied at half 2-2. In the second half Woods scored off a corner kick from KJ Stephens and Castruita assisted Chris Guzman to give us 4. Unfortunately, the alumni put in 3 by Rafa Hernandez, Juan Fuentes, and Michel Brazel. It was a great match, and I am very proud of all our Badgers current and former.

The Badgers is scheduled to host Canyon Lake in a non-district game on January 2nd.

Lady Badger Soccer is on Christmas Break with their next scheduled game against Gateway Prep on January 5th.

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