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Stark County mascot down to four options

By Prairie News Staff Reports

Stark County High School students and staff have narrowed the choice of a new school mascot down to three choices from 30 original entries.

The first step in the selection process was to make a cut to six entries from the various options submitted via social media.

From those top six entries, a final three were selected.

The interlocking "SC" letters are also being considered as the official and only logo to be used, meaning no mascot design would be needed.

Voting is being conducted on the school's Facebook page (facebook.com/SCCUSD100/)



Option 1



Option 2



Option 3



No Mascot Option

and is scheduled to conclude today, Friday, May 27. Through mid-April, the school had re-

ceived more than 1,700 votes on the mascot options.

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Memorial Day

Local American Legion posts across the area have events scheduled for Monday, May 30, as part of Memorial Day remembrances to honor fallen soldiers.

A list of scheduled events is listed on Page 7. On Page 7 and Page 8 you will also find ads from local businesses offering their respects to Memorial Day.

WEST JERSEY EXPRESS ROLLING

Trucking business growing

By JOHN A. BALLENTINE

For The Prairie News

WEST JERSEY – Supply chain problems are not an issue for West Jersey Express, LLC, a family business that keeps on rolling ahead.

Started in the early 1990s by Nancy Plumer, late husband James, and their son, Matt, West Jersey Express has continued to grow substantially over the years, going from 28 employees, 19 trucks and 50 trailers in 2018, to today's 54 employees, 40 of whom are truck drivers.

The 54 employees include 9



This 1983 Kenworth is superbly maintained as part of the trucking fleet that West Jersey Express owns. Photo by John A. Ballentine.

family members who join the staff in keeping the wheels of the business figuratively and literally turning. West Jersey Express hauls freight all over the United States from California to New York. They originate shipments from West Jersey, as well as, picking up freight elsewhere.

Matt Plummer said that the

biggest challenge of starting a business is, "Everything! There are a lot of challenges. Illinois isn't business friendly in a lot of ways. It just takes a lot of years [to be successful]."

In addition to the trucking aspect of the business, Matt's son Drew said, "We have a broker-

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Galva lead service lines to be surveyed

By CAROL TOWNSEND

For The Prairie News

GALVA – Sewers and water lines were a topic of conversation during the Galva City Council's Monday meeting.

The council approved paying \$71,474 to Structured Solutions LLC of Union City, Ind., to line some manholes in the northeast side of Galva. Also approved was a \$151,198 bid from Hoerr Construction of Goodfield to line sewers in the northeast section of Galva.

City administrator David Dyer said that both of these projects will be funded by \$337,000 in federal COVID money the city received.

The council also learned that

the city has been mandated by the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency to do a survey of all of the residential water service lines that are made of lead. This survey must be completed by September of 2022, according to Superintendent Greg Thompson.

The council approved the purchase of a vacuum truck, which is a 2015 demo model from LMT, Inc., of Galva. The truck will have a jetter mounted on it at a cost of \$179,000. The council stipulated that the old vacuum and jetter be sold by November.

Dyer set Sept. 26 at 5:30 p.m. for a hearing on the city's new

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 St. Dominic's Cemetery • 10 a.m.
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 Wyoming City Cemetery • 11 a.m.

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MASCOT: Old Civil War mascot replaced soon

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 The school board agreed to “rebrand” the mascot earlier this year due to concerns over the caricature of a Civil War rebel being out of date.

Stark County High School was formed in the fall of 1992 with the consolidation of Toulon-La-Fayette and Wyoming High Schools. The first Stark County High graduating class was in 1993. At that time the “Rebel” was

depicted on the front lawn signage as a Revolutionary War “rebel”.

By 1995, though, a depiction of the mascot as a Civil War rebel appeared in the yearbook, The Rebellion. That image had been the mascot until now.

“The Rebel mascot is not accurate,” Superintendent Brett Elliott told the school board when it voted to rebrand. “The original intent was to be a Revolutionary War rebel or patriot. We



Above is the Civil War rebel mascot that is being replaced at Stark County High School.

not changing what the mascot is.”

Colors are to remain red, black and white.

Elliott’s goal is to have a new mascot picked this month to have it ready for ordering new gear, uniforms and signs for the 2022-23 school year.

Next year marks the 30th anniversary of Stark County High School.

WEST JERSEY: Memorabilia donations sought

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 age company that’s separate from the trucking business, we do warehousing, cross-docking (consolidating freight), and we build pallets and crates to ship parts out on.”

West Jersey Express secures orders by receiving calls and emails from customers and by calling people when they need to find freight to ship. The company hauls a lot of large mining truck parts for Komatsu America, in Peoria, and that makes up the majority of their shipments. West Jersey Express also hauls steel, lumber and tile.

One of the strangest items shipped by West Jersey Express was scaffolding for a large rollercoaster in Indiana Beach. “We hauled parts for the X Games – a half pipe” utilized for snowboarding, skateboarding and such in competitive sports, Drew added.

The company purchased the former West Jersey Grade School building in



The West Jersey Express’ building on Illinois Route 78 has seen numerous exterior improvements in recent years and once served as the West Jersey Grade School. Photo by John A. Ballentine.

2018 and has strived to keep the structure intact, as much as possible, while also working to improve the building’s exterior appearance.

The gymnasium has been converted into a maintenance shop for repair of trucks and equipment, but noticeably hanging on the west wall is the original basketball scoreboard.

“We have tried to keep the school’s heritage,” Matt said.

“We are trying to update it, but also trying to leave it a school. We try hard to not alter a lot of the structure

and leave the history of the school.” Drew said, “Apparently for a lot of people, this building means something to them. We’ve figured out ways to modernize it without changing the school’s image too much.”

The Plumers look forward to having people visit. Matt continues to seek school memorabilia such as photos, trophies and other grade school items that they can be displayed inside the building. To donate, contact Matt at (309) 995-3301, or email wjewjloffice@gmail.com.

GALVA: City planning to mow unmowed yards

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 TIF agreement. The public can come and make comments about the TIF at that time.

Police Chief Kraig Townsend reminded all residents that fireworks that can not be purchased at Walmart or Menards are illegal. He said the department has had 10 complaints already and it is

only May.

Townsend said warnings and citations could be given if complaints continue.

It was also reported that all discarded furniture, being put to the curb must be labeled with a green sticker which costs \$7.50. Eagle Enterprises will not pick up large items, without a sticker.

However, washers and dryers may be put out on recycling week and do not need a sticker.

Also, it was noted that appliances with freon can-

not be put out on the curb, as they will not be taken.

Clean-up week is scheduled for June 20 in Galva. All items must be brought to the maintenance building, unless you do not have a truck or are not able. In those cases, the city will pick-up at your home, but arrangements must be made by calling city hall. More details will be coming soon.

It was reported that there are 8-10 yards in Galva that have not been mowed yet. City officials are sending letters and city workers

will mow these properties, which will result in a lien being placed on the property.

No grass can be blown on any street in Galva whether it has a curb or not. Also, a lot of storm grates are getting full of grass and leaves. If you have one near your property, clean the debris.

Finally, there was discussion about a house in the 200 block of NW 1st Ave. that is abandoned and has been inhabited by animals.

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Traffic citations & Ordinance violations

- 5-18 - Robert E. Oldham - Driving 15-20 mph above limit.
- 5-18 - Patrick R. Campion - Driving 21-25 mph above limit.
- 5-18 - Michele L. Sumner - Speeding 26-34 mph over limit.

Felonies & Misdemeanors

- 5-19 - Misdemeanor - Scott A. Petty - Domestic battery/physical contact.

Incidents & Accidents Stark County

- 5-17 - A hit-and-run accident was reported along South Peoria Street, in Bradford. A vehicle owned by Patrick A. Goforth, 28, Bradford, was struck by a driver identified as Robert C. Boatman, Jr., 38, also of Bradford. Boatman was arrested for driving while his license was revoked, leaving the scene of an accident, failure to give information after striking an unattended vehicle, and failure to report an accident. He posted \$250 cash bond and was released with a court date to appear.
- 5-19 - Jake L. May, 18, Princeton, was arrested for driving under the influence, driving with a fraudulent driver's license, disobeying a stop sign and for the violation of driving under the influence for zero tolerance. He was later released and issued a notice to appear in court.
- 5-19 - Scott A. Petty, 34, Toulon, was arrested for domestic battery. He posted \$500 cash bond and was released with a court date to appear.
- 5-19 - Rebeca A. Meaker, Toulon, reported being the victim of a possible fraud.
- 5-22 - Patrick K. Sloan, 40, Galva, was ticketed for leaving the scene of an accident and for failure to report an accident. He was issued a notice to appear in court.

Petty charged with misdemeanor battery

By JOHN A. BALLENTINE

For The Prairie News

TOULON — A former Kewanee man, now of rural Toulon, was charged last Friday in Stark County's Circuit Court with a Class A misdemeanor domestic battery count. He made his initial court appearance for arraignment since being arrested May 19 for a May 17 incident.

Scott A. Petty, 34, according to the charging document, "knowingly caused bodily harm to Angela Thompson ... in that he struck her with a closed fist while at 16119 County Road 925E."

Stark's State's Attorney, Caroline



Petty



- to locate the alleged big cat.
- 5-16 - to the 1000 block of N. Center Ave. for an obstruction in the roadway. Upon arrival, a red fox ran away and appeared uninjured.
- 5-17 - Officer saw a subject walking in the 300 block of N. Center Ave. during the night. The subject began yelling obscenities at the officer as he drove past.
- 5-17 - to the 500 block of SE 3rd St. for a landlord/tenant dispute.
- 5-18 - to the 400 block of E. Division St. for a complaint involving a young child walking a dog and appearing unsupervised. A parent was contacted and the child was located.
- 5-18 - to the 1000 block of SW 2nd St. for a reckless driving complaint. The suspect vehicle was located and stopped. The vehicle had just been purchased in Galesburg and the new owner was unfamiliar with driving it.
- 5-19 - to the 100 block of NE 4th St. to check on a Henry County probation officer conducting a home visit and who was not answering on the radio. They were fine and having radio issues.
- 5-19 - to the NE 6th Ave. railroad tracks for a crossing arm malfunction. BNSF was contacted for repairs.
- 5-20 - to Route 34 and the west edge of town to watch for a reckless driver who may be heading to Galva. Officer did not locate the vehicle.
- 5-20 - to the 100 block of Main St. for a complaint of loud music.
- 5-20 - to a reckless driving complaint on Route 34 near the west edge of town. Officer located the vehicle in question, but did not find probable cause for a traffic stop.
- 5-20 - to a suspicious car complaint just north of town. Officer was unable to locate.
- 5-21 - to attempt a traffic stop on Route 34 near the east edge of town on a speeding passenger car leaving Galva. The vehicle refused to stop and accelerated away. Officer was unable to safely keep up and radioed ahead to Kewanee. The vehicle was not located.

Borden Campion, asked Circuit Judge Bruce P. Fehrenbacher to set bail at \$10,000 with 10 percent to apply. Temporary public defender Donald Knuckey, Jr. argued for the bail to be set at \$5,000. Fehrenbacher found probable cause to charge Petty and set bail at \$5,000.

Petty was assigned Stark County Public Defender Robert M. McBride as his legal counsel. In addition, Petty was ordered to have, "no contact with the victim due to the victim's injuries." Petty was released from custody at the Stark County Jail after posting \$500 bail bond. His next court date is May 27.

Petty is no stranger to the court system with cases dating back to 2007, which included convictions for illegal drugs, theft and a conviction for an aggravated DUI that involved a

- 5-21 - to a wild animal complaint involving a dead opossum in the 300 block of SE 2nd St. The subject was advised to dispose of it themselves.
- 5-21 - north of Galva to check for a male subject walking and not acting normally. The subject was given a ride back to his Galva residence.
- 5-21 - to the 00 block of SW 2nd St. for a debit card that had been located. It was returned to its owner.
- 5-21 - As the result of a traffic stop in the 500 block of SE 2nd St., Augustina Bandera, 30, Galesburg, was arrested for operating a vehicle with suspended registration and operating an uninsured vehicle. She was released with a notice to appear in court.
- 5-21 - As the result of a traffic stop in the 300 block of SE 5th Ave., Kayla Garms, 33, Kewanee, was arrested for possession of a controlled substance, and issued citations for not having a license plate light, and illegal transportation of alcohol by a driver. She was released with a required court date.
- 5-21 - to remove an unwanted subject from a residence on SE 7th Ave.
- 5-22 - to the 700 block of NW 1st Ave. for a loud music complaint.
- 5-22 - to the 100 block of NW 5th St. for a child custody dispute.
- 5-22 - to a residence on SW 4th Ave. for an intoxicated subject who was "passed out but may become combative."
- 5-16 - Crystal Myre, 26, Kewanee, was issued a citation for speeding in the 1000 block of N. Center Ave.
- 5-20 - Nicolae Arsene, 37, Kewanee, was issued a citation for speeding in the 1200 block of SE 2nd St.
- 5-20 - Alex Shofner, 22, Kewanee, was issued a citation for having a tinted windshield in the 400 block of SE 2nd St.
- 5-20 - Lacey Nordeen, 23, Kewanee, was issued a citation for speeding in the 900 block of N. Center Ave.
- 5-20 - Drew Maxwell, 27, Altona, was issued citations for having a defective windshield and operating an uninsured vehicle in the 200 block of SW 6th Ave.

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GUEST VOICES



Meatpackers, pols colluded to keep work going

It's no surprise that the nation's five largest meatpackers, according to a May 12 government report, "engaged in a concerted effort with Trump Administration political officials to insulate themselves from coronavirus-related oversight."

After all, the House Select Committee on the Coronavirus Crisis (the Committee), the body charged with oversight of government's response to the pandemic, released a 23-page "Memorandum" last October that mapped how meatpackers and the Trump Administration joined forces to keep employees working in coronavirus-rife meat plants.



Alan GUEBERT

Those efforts paid off big time for Big Meat but proved deadly for their employees. According to the Committee, tens of thousands became infected with coronavirus and nearly 300 died of it.

Still, Trump's Big Ag supporters were uncharacteristically silent after the May 12 report was released. None rose to declare it fake news or partisan hackery.

They didn't because they couldn't. The 12-member Committee is decidedly bipartisan; its seven Democrats and five Republicans feature James Clyburn, the Dems' third highest ranking House member, and Steve Scalise, the Republicans' second most powerful member.

As for facts, the Committee has bushels gleaned from 29 public hearings and 151,000 pages of evidence. Twenty-six of the May 12 report's 61 pages are footnotes documenting every detail of the meatpackers' ac-

tions to influence government, often the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA).

The evidence is remarkable for how brazen the meatpackers and their Big Ag allies – especially the North American Meat Institute (NAMI) – were in pushing their private agenda on public officials and how reflexively responsive government – again, especially USDA – was to the backdoor lobbying and backroom deals.

For example, meatpackers knew their plants were coronavirus hotbeds even as they lobbied to keep them open. An "April 2020 email from a doctor in a hospital near JBS' ... facility," tells JBS that "100 percent of all COVID-19 patients we have in the hospital are either direct employees or family member[s] of your employees," and warn[s] that "your employees will get sick and may die if this factory continues to be open."

The meatpackers prevailed because, the Committee reports, of a "pattern of interference" by Trump-appointed USDA officials "with state and local health departments ... with career [USDA] staff being 'walled off,' and leaving 'no paper trail' of such meetings."

The report names names. One was USDA's "Under Secretary for Food Safety Mindy Brashears" whose efforts "delighted" the packer lobbyists who later crowed how "fortunate" it was "to have USDA as their 'primary regulator' because it was 'representing [the] industry's interests in every important interagency conversation.'"

Brashears was more than helpful: "A few months later, a meatpacking lobbyist told [another meatpacking] executive that Brashears 'hasn't lost a battle for us' in connection with efforts to block a local health department order to regulate coronavirus

measures in a (named) facility."

There's more. The report details how the meatpackers drafted the federal order to keep their plants open and how the Trump White House "requested" that they then "issue positive statements and social media about the President's action..."

For example, meatpackers were so sure they could push Trump Administration officials to issue an Executive Order to keep meatpacking plants open that Julie Anna Potts, the CEO of packer lobbyist NAMI, emailed Tyson Foods boss Noel White April 18, 2020, to note, "As of my conversations with USDA, they still think that they are ... in better shape with POTUS than other agencies."

But, Potts related, "I have said we have to see some results!"

On April 28, her meatpacker members got their results: the White House ordered plants to remain open. Big Meat's capture of government was complete.

But "The results," reports the Committee, "... were tragic: during the first year of the pandemic, workforces" for the Big Five packers "alone saw at least 59,000 worker infections, at least 269 deaths, and countless more cases and deaths among meatpacking-adjacent communities..."

And, most likely, the only punishment any of the Big Five packers – Tyson Foods, JBS USA, Smithfield, Cargill, and National Beef – will ever face for all the predicted illness and death is this detailed, shame-filled, soon-to-be-forgotten report.

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No place for abortion in 21st century

To the Editor:

This past fall, my wife was hospitalized for pregnancy complications for several weeks leading up to the birth of our first child. The doctors and nurses who were caring for her closely monitored the situation and analyzed every change with utmost scrutiny. At the end of the ordeal, our daughter was born safely by a Cesarean operation. This is what I call health care.

Meanwhile, in the same city, women visited other facilities to have their pregnancies terminated. They were told that the new life growing inside of them was something disposable and less than human. Pressed by unfortunate circumstances, they paid for a procedure whereby the growing fetus was torn from their womb. According to a front-page ar-

ticle in a recent edition of The Prairie News, this is what some Illinois politicians call "health care."

As a modern society of reasonable people who believe in science, we must wake up to the reality that abortion has no place in the 21st century. Such antiquated and barbaric prac-

tices must go the way of slavery and be eradicated from the American way of life. We must expose the hypocrisy of a government that protects the eggs of bald eagles by federal law but allows abortion of the human fetus at will.

Although various branches of government are making decisions that will influence the future of abortion, ultimately abortion is a moral issue. Whether the government considers it legal or illegal makes little difference when it is morally wrong.



According to Forbes, it is estimated that at least 630,000 abortions occur each year in this country. This is a profound tragedy. In the name of "choice," so-called progressives are actually oppressing women by promoting a practice that is unethical and often leads to grief, guilt, and mental anguish.

Those who value human life must step into these situations and help vulnerable women to see that their cause is not hopeless and abortion is not inevitable.

We must demonstrate that to us there is no such thing as an unwanted child. We must step back from the violent video games, gory movies, glorification of war, and nasty music lyrics that recklessly teach this culture that human life has no value. Only then can our nation truly heal from this horrific disease...

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Talk start of busy stretch for Bradford Legion

By **ANGIE STANGE**

For The Prairie News

BRADFORD – Bradford American Legion member, Tom McMahill, gave a presentation to the Auxiliary about his participation in the Greater Peoria Honor Flight program to Washington D.C. on April 28.

McMahill served in the Air Force during the Cold War Era and the Vietnam War. Tom's daughter, Erin, served as his guardian during the flight and while touring the various national memorials. In addition to the 76 Veterans, and each of their guardians, there was also a 10-member medical staff on this flight.

Each flight costs \$90,000 which is paid for through donations, fundraisers and the \$500 guardian fees. Each veteran travels at no expense.

Those wishing to participate in this experience can contact the Greater Peoria Honor Flight website.

Bradford Auxiliary Poppy Day will be on Saturday, May 28. Auxiliary members will be at Casey's, the Bradford Banking Center and the four-way stop from 8 - 11 a.m. They will be asking for donations and offering poppies in memory of those who gave their lives for our freedoms and for our veterans who still need our support.

The Auxiliary will be



Tom McMahill spoke recently with Bradford Junior High students about the history of the Honor Flight program, his personal experience on the Honor Flight, and to express his appreciation for the students' notes and cards thanking him for his service that were delivered to McMahill on the return flight from Washington D.C. Photo by Becki Hoffert.

helping with the Memorial Day services and laying of the wreath at the Bradford Cemetery on Memorial Day.

They will also be serving lunch following the services at the American Legion Hall.

June 25 is the date for the American Legion Fish Fry and Auxiliary Bake Sale. All Auxiliary members are encouraged to donate baked items as this is one of the major fund raising events of the Auxiliary. The bake sale is from 4-7 p.m. and baked items may be dropped off starting at 3 p.m. that day.

The Auxiliary is also kicking off its annual Gloves for Homeless Veterans Campaign that weekend. They are asking

for new or gently used adult men's and women's gloves to be donated at the Bradford Legion Post, Library, Pelz Agency, and the Bradford Banking Center.

Gloves will be donated to the Annual Goodwill Stand Down for Homeless and at Risk Veterans in October. This event provides winter clothing, hygiene products, and haircuts to veterans in need. Participants also receive information and support on topics such as veteran's benefits, mental health, maintaining sobriety, as well as legal and medical issues.

In addition, the Bradford Auxiliary is always looking for new members. The eligibility to become a member of an Auxiliary

Unit requires one to be a male or female spouse, grandmother, mother, sister, or direct and adopted female descendant of members of The American Legion. Those who do not qualify to become an Auxiliary member may now serve as volunteers for the organization.

The ALA can use helping hands with a variety of projects such as writing Christmas cards for Veterans or donating items for the Bake Sales.

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 If you have any questions, please feel free to call the clinic at (309) 695-2561. Please be courteous of traffic and circle the block if the parking lot is full. We look forward to seeing you and your pets this year!

BRIEFS

ABBA Salute coming to Bishop Hill on June 4

GALVA – To honor the upcoming National Day of Sweden, the Bishop Hill Heritage Association is pleased to announce that an ABBA tribute band will be performing at 1 p.m. in the village park in Bishop Hill on Saturday June 4.

Fronted by a dynamic Agnetha and Frida duo, the music of ABBA comes to life in a celebration of these timeless tunes. The ABBA tribute band features a repertoire of over 30 all-time favorite hits. Audiences won't be able to help singing and dancing along with this high-energy homage to everything ABBA.

In addition to the two-hour concert, local organizations will be offering food and drinks. The Bishop Hill Old Settlers' Association will have a hot dog stand, located next to the Colony Store. The Bishop Hill Methodist Church will also be having a bake sale next to the Steeple Building Museum.

The Dancing Queen concert is free and open to the public, due to the financial support of the Community State Bank, Barbro Osher Pro Suecia Foundation, Illinois Arts Council Agency and the Bishop Hill Heritage Association. Bring lawn chairs.

Learn more at www.bishophillheritage.org.

Morales examines TikTok e-cig culture

TOULON – Makayla Morales of Toulon, is one of the student researchers involved in a student-led study from the University of Iowa College of Public Health that ex-



Pictured above is the ABBA tribute band, scheduled to perform on June 4 to honor the National Day of Sweden at the village park in Bishop Hill.



Construction work for Toulon's new Dollar General store has started with the removal of a large tree and groundwork being done for the new building located at Stark County's highway department property in Toulon. Photo by John A. Ballentine.

amines the role that user-generated content on the social media platform TikTok plays in promoting e-cigarette culture appealing to the youth.

In a paper published recently in the International Journal of Environmental Research and Public Health, researchers at the University of Iowa examined Puff Bar and e-cigarette-related content on a popular social media platform.

Makayla Morales, an undergraduate public health student at the UI and lead author of the paper, says the TikTok platform seemed like an obvious choice for the study since it's fairly new, popular, and little to no e-cigarette research has been conducted on the app.

"I thought the video-sharing aspect of the platform would provide interesting insight into Puff Bar use

in a way that text-based apps were not able to," she says. "Fortunately, I was correct, and we were able to see some really cool themes and genres emerge in our data."

The study revealed seven genres of Puff Bar related video content: skits and stories, shared vaper experiences, product reviews, product unboxing, promotion of Puff Bar, videos to show off, and crafts. By classifying this content, the researchers hope that the information will be used by prevention organizations to better understand youth e-cigarette use and trends.

"I think it will be beneficial for these organizations to see what young e-cigarette users are saying about the nicotine products they use and develop subsequent messaging from it," Morales says.

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MEMORIAL DAY TRIBUTE

Busy slate of events set for Memorial Day

By Prairie News Staff Reports

Area towns will hold a variety of Memorial Day remembrances on Monday, May 30, to honor fallen soldiers.

Memorial Day has its roots in Illinois, tracing back to General John Alexander Logan, who led a movement to make May 30, 1868, an official day of remembrance for soldiers who had died in battle. Logan called it "Decoration Day" because he wanted graves of soldiers to be decorated with flowers and other decorations.

In 1968, Congress decreed that Memorial Day would be observed on the last Monday of May.

Here are local events that follow in the footsteps of that 154-year-old tradition.

• **Princeville** – The American Legion cemetery ceremonies Monday start at 9 a.m. at St. Mary of the Woods. Next up is Streitmatter Cemetery at 9:20, Apostolic Christian Cemetery at 9:40, Princeville Ceme-

tery at 10, Shiebel Cemetery at 10:20 and Sheets Cemetery at 10:40. The event winds up in Stevens Square in Princeville at roughly 11:05.

• **Williamsfield** – Williamsfield American Legion Post #0371 holds salutes and roll calls of the dead at local cemeteries: Parker Cemetery (9 a.m.), West Truro (9:45), Trenton (10:15), French Grove (10:35), Elmore (11:00), Veteran's Park in Williamsfield (11:45) and Williamsfield Cemetery (noon). Afterward, the Legion Auxiliary will serve a potluck lunch at the legion hall.

• **Toulon** – Toulon American Legion Post #416 Memorial Day Services include: members assembly at Post 416 (7:30 a.m.), Starwano Cemetery (8 a.m.), Stringtown Cemetery (8:30 a.m.), West Jersey (9 a.m.), Elmira (10 a.m.), Toulon Cemetery (11 a.m.).

• **Elmira** – A Memorial Day Service and business meeting will commence at Elmira Presbyterian Church (2 p.m.) followed by a procession to El-

mira Cemetery led by Piper Bill Good.

• **Galva** – The Galva American Legion Post #45 will put up flags for Galva's annual Avenue of Flags for Memorial Day. The Legion seeks volunteers to meet at the storage building behind Subway on Monday, May 30 at 6 a.m. Also the Legion set up 800 flags at veteran's graves at the Galva Cemetery on May 22.

• **Bradford** – Bradford American Legion Post #445 Memorial Day Services include: Elsie Drawyer Hodges Park in Bradford at 10 a.m., followed by a march to Bradford Cemetery. A potluck will follow at the Bradford Legion.

• **Wyoming** – Wyoming American Legion Post #91 will host Memorial Day Services at Snareville Cemetery (8:30 a.m.), Pleasant Valley Cemetery (9 a.m.), Lawn Ridge Cemetery (9:30), St. Dominic's Cemetery (10 a.m.), Wyoming Library Lawn (10:30), Wyoming City Cemetery (11 a.m.).



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<p>2019 Ford Edge ST AWD ST 4dr Crossover \$37,500 Mileage 67,000</p> 	<p>1995 Ford Mustang 2dr Convertible \$6,800 Mileage 135,000</p> 	<p>2019 Hyundai Santa Fe SE 2.4L AWD SE 4dr Crossover \$26,500 Mileage 64,000</p> 	<p>2015 Hyundai Santa Fe Limited AWD 4dr SUV \$24,000 Mileage 59,000</p> 	<p>2017 Chevrolet Equinox Premier 4dr SUV \$20,500 Mileage 66,000</p> 
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GOP governor candidates debate

By JERRY NOWICKI

Capitol News Illinois

SPRINGFIELD – The six Republican candidates for Illinois governor faced off Tuesday in Chicago, albeit on two separate debate stages, hours after a shooting at a Texas elementary school that dominated a portion of the debates.

A scheduling conflict between two TV networks – WGN and NBC 5 – had the candidates split into groups of three.

NBC’s debate included Aurora Mayor Ricard Irvin, the polling and money frontrunner, along with former Waterloo state Sen. Paul Schimpf and suburban attorney Max Solomon. The WGN debate that followed included Sen. Darren Bailey, of Xenia, Petersburg venture capitalist Jesse Sullivan and suburban paving magnate Gary Rabine.

The debates saw Irvin stick mostly to the talking points he’s deployed throughout the campaign, while Bailey, who was closely trailing Irvin in recent polls, referred to Chicago as a “crime-ridden, corrupt, dysfunctional hellhole.”

Irvin, Schimpf and Solomon were asked

if they would call in the National Guard – which only governors can do – to address violence in Chicago.

“If necessary, I would definitely call them in Chicago, you know, as governor,” Irvin said. He also claimed he called the National Guard into Aurora in response to rioting in 2020.

The budget that passed this year with only Democratic votes included hundreds of millions of dollars for community youth investment and violence prevention programs, money for three new classes of State Police troopers, and \$10 million for law enforcement recruitment.

Bailey said he voted against the budget because “more money always seems to be the answer for Illinois politicians.”

When asked how he would keep guns out of the hands of mental health patients, Bailey said he would look to partner with churches and civic groups, then launched into an attack on Chicago’s leaders.

Sullivan and Rabine said they’d push to create an option for voters to recall state’s attorneys, although Illinois law does not currently allow it.

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Toulon woman pleads guilty to school damage

By JOHN A. BALLENTINE

For The Prairie News

TOULON – A Toulon woman who was charged with a Class 4 felony pleaded guilty to a lesser charge in exchange for having the felony charge dismissed.

The court case is over two years in concluding. Angela I. Cecil, 38, pleaded guilty to a Class A misdemeanor last Friday in the Stark County Courthouse and was given

a conditional discharge. She must complete an anger management class and pay \$779 in court costs and fees.

Cecil was originally charged with criminal damage to government supported property because she slammed the Stark County High School's administrative office's door in an apparent fit of rage.

Court documentation shows that the door, the

door lock and the door frame were all broken after being slammed.

Cecil had been in the office to discuss an incident involving her daughter. Cecil purportedly threatened harming another student and reportedly made

additional comments.

Local law enforcement authorities were contacted and Cecil was given a notice to appear in court. Without the plea arrangement, Cecil could have been sentenced to three years in prison.

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Items to be sold include: Large amount of desks both student and teachers, file cabinets, lab tables, trophy cases, home ec room supplies and equipment, lockers, books, bookshelves, other support supplies to numerous to mention.

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Terms: This home will sell in as-is condition with no warranties or guarantees. A \$2,500 non refundable earnest money will be due at the conclusion of the auction and the balance will be due on or around July 4. Taxes will be prorated to that date and possession will be given at closing. A title insurance policy for the purchase price will be provided and this home will sell subject to seller confirmation. All prospective buyers will be expected to do their own due diligence and the sale of this property will have no contingencies.

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Tools, outdoors, camper, truck: Safari Secu Ram combination gun safe, smaller gun cabinet, camp stove, Chevy Silverado 1500 single cab 4x4 pickup w/ topper, misc John Deere mower parts, pushmowers, yard ornaments, garden hose, dolly carts, 6'x8' single axle trailer, 8' fiberglass step ladder, several cords of split firewood, saw horses, battery chargers, scrap metal, Delta Shop Master drill press, wood lathe, Farm and Fleet 5 speed bench top drill press, grinders, vises, electric tools, hand tools, tool boxes, 2 log splitters, belt sanders, Lincoln Weld Pac 100 chop saw, C-clamps, extension cords, Craftsman horizontal air compressor, chain saws, chain saw chain sharpener, hydraulic press, radial arm saw, band saw, metal shears, cordless tools, log chains, wheelbarrows, live traps, water barrels, aluminum extension ladder, miter saw, pressure washer, appliance dolly, trolling motors, lawn mower tires, stove pipe, Gulf Stream Ameri Lite LE ultra lite pull behind camper sleeps 4 awning dual axle nice camper, tile saw, small air compressor, electric motors, plastic 2 man boat w/ trailer, lawn roller, Stihl concrete saw, John Deere 345 lawn tractor, Delta Shop Master drill press, chipper/shredder, LP tanks,

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U.S. Bank National Association PLAINTIFF
Vs.
Francesca S. Wagley, et. al. DEFENDANTS
2019CH8

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Judgment of Foreclosure and Sale entered in the above cause on 02/28/2020, the Sheriff of Stark County, Illinois will on July 6, 2022 at the hour of 10:00 AM at Second floor courtroom of the Stark County Courthouse 130 Main Street Toulon, IL 61483, or in a place otherwise designated at the time of sale, County of Stark and State of Illinois, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, as set forth below, the following described real estate: PIN 06-33-100-003

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The property will NOT be open for inspection and Plaintiff makes no representation as to the condition of the property. Prospective bidders are admonished to check the Court file to verify all information.

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CITY OF TOULON ANNUAL DRINKING WATER QUALITY REPORT FOR 2021

Annual Drinking Water Quality Report
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Annual Water Quality Report for the period of
January 1 to December 31, 2021
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be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities. Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the EPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at (800) 426-4791. In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, EPA prescribes regulations which limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. FDA regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water which must provide the same protection for public health. Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by Cryptosporidium and other microbial contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800) 426-4791. If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. We cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30

seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline or at <http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead>.

Source Water Assessment

We want our valued customers to be informed about their water quality. If you would like to learn more, please feel welcome to attend any of our regularly scheduled meetings, the second Monday of each month at 6:00 p.m. Meetings are subject to change due to virus issue. The source water assessment for our supply has been completed by the Illinois EPA. If you would like a copy of this information, please stop by City Hall or call our water operator, 309-286-5042. To view a summary version of the completed Source Water Assessments, including: Importance of Source Water; Susceptibility to Contamination determination and documentation/recommendation of Source Water Protection Efforts, you may access the Illinois EPA website at <http://www.epa.state.il.us/cgi-bin/wp/swap-fact-sheets.pl>. To determine Toulon's susceptibility to groundwater contamination, information obtained during a Well Site Survey performed by the Illinois Rural Water Association on August 19, 1998, was reviewed. Based on this information, eleven potential sites of concern were identified within proximity of this water supply's wells. The Illinois EPA does not consider the source water susceptibility to contamination. This determination is based on a number of criteria including: monitoring conducted at the wells; monitoring conducted at the entry point to the distribution system; and available hydrogeologic data on the wells.

Source Water Information

Source Water Name	Type of Meter	Report Status	Location
Well 1 (31357)	GW	—	In WTP, SE of Vine & Franklin St.
Well 2 (31358)	GW	—	Is South of WT and North of WTP

Lead and Copper

Definitions:

Action Level Goal (ALG): The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. ALG's allow for a margin of safety.

Action Level: The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.

2021 Regulated Contaminants Detected

Lead & Copper	Date Sampled	MCLG	Action Level (AL)	90th Percentile	# Sites Over (AL)	Units	Violation	Likely Source of Contaminants
Copper	09/03/2019	1.3	1.3	0.018	0	ppm	N	Erosion of natural deposits; Leaching from wood preservatives; Corrosion of household plumbing systems.
Lead	2016	0	15	1.6	0	ppb	N	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of Natural Deposits.

Water Quality Test Results

Definitions: The following tables contain scientific terms and measures, some of which may require explanation. Avg.: Regulatory compliance with some MCLs are based on running annual average of monthly samples. Level 1 Assessment: A Level 1 assessment is a study of the water system to identify potential problems and determine (if possible) why total coliform bacteria have been found in our water system. Level 2 Assessment: A level 2 assessment is a very detailed study of the water system to identify potential problems and determine (if possible) why an E. coli MCL violation has occurred and/or why total coliform bacteria have been found in our water system on multiple occasions. Maximum Contaminant Level or MCL: The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the Maximum Contaminant Level Goal as feasible using the best available treatment technology. Maximum Contaminant Level Goal or MCLG: The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety. Maximum residual disinfectant level or MRDL: The highest level of disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants. ppm: milligrams per liter or parts per million - or one ounce in 7,350 gallons of water. ppb: micrograms per liter or parts per billion - or one ounce in 7,350,000 gallons of water. na: not applicable. Maximum residual disinfectant level goal or MRDLG: The level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants. na: not applicable. mrem: millirems per year (a measurement of radiation absorbed by the body). ppb: micrograms per liter or parts per billion - or one ounce in 7,350,000 gallons of water. ppm: milligrams per liter or parts per million - or one ounce in 7,350 gallons of water. Treatment Technique or TT: A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.

Regulated Contaminants

Disinfectants and Disinfection By-Products	Collection Date	Highest Level Detected	Range of Levels Detected	MCLG	MCL	Units	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
Chlorine	12/31/2021	1	0.9 - 1.1	MRDLG=4	MRDL=4	ppm	N	Water additive used to control microbes
Haloacetic Acids (HAA5)	2021	1	1.32 - 1.32	No goal for the total	60	ppb	N	By-product of drinking water disinfection.
Total Trihalomethanes (TTHM)	2021	10	8.01 - 8.01	No goal for the total	80	ppb	N	By-product of drinking water disinfection.
Inorganic Contaminants	Collection Date	Highest Level Detected	Range of Levels Detected	MCLG	MCL	Units	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination.
Arsenic	04/14/2020	1.5	1.5 - 1.5	0	10	ppb	N	Erosion of natural deposits; Runoff from orchards; Runoff from glass & electronics production wastes.
Barium	04/14/2020	0.064	0.064 - 0.064	2	2	ppm	N	Discharge of drilling wastes; Discharge from metal refineries; Erosion of natural deposits.
Fluoride	04/14/2020	0.692	0.692 - 0.692	4	4.0	ppm	N	Erosion of natural deposits; Water additive which promotes strong teeth; Discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories.
Iron	04/14/2020	0.016	0.016 - 0.016		1.0	ppm	N	This contaminant is not currently regulated by the USEPA. However, the state regulates. Erosion of natural deposits.
Manganese	04/14/2020	44	44 - 44	150	150	ppb	N	This contaminant is not currently regulated by the USEPA. However, the state regulates. Erosion of natural deposits.
Nitrate (measured as Nitrogen)	2021	0.05	0.05 - 0.05	10	10	ppm	N	Runoff from fertilizer use; Leaching from septic tanks, sewage; Erosion of natural deposits.
Selenium	04/14/2020	6.6	6.6 - 6.6	50	50	ppb	N	Discharge from petroleum and metal refineries; Erosion of natural deposits; Discharge from mines.
Sodium	04/14/2020	100	100 - 100			ppm	N	Erosion from naturally occurring deposits; Used in water softener regeneration.
Thallium	2020	3.5	0 - 3.5	0.5	2	ppb	N	Discharge from electronics, glass, and leaching from ore-processing sites; drug factories.
Zinc	04/14/2020	0.012	0.012 - 0.012	5	5	ppm	N	This contaminant is not currently regulated by the USEPA. However, the state regulates naturally occurring; discharge from metals.
Radioactive Contaminants	Collection Date	Highest Level Detected	Range of Levels Detected	MCLG	MCL	Units	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination.
Combined Radium 226/228	04/14/2020	2.02	2.02 - 2.02	0	5	pCi/L	N	Erosion of natural deposits.
Gross alpha excluding radon and uranium	2014	0.579	0.579 - 0.579	0	15	pCi/L	N	Erosion of natural deposits.

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The City of Wyoming has available upon request this year's Consumer Confidence Report (CCR). The CCR includes basic information on the source of your drinking water, the levels of any contaminants that were detected in the water during 2021, and compliance with other drinking water rules, as well as some educational materials. Please note, copies will not be mailed out as in the past. You may obtain a free copy at the Wyoming City Hall, 108 E. Williams, Wyoming.

CITY OF WYOMING ANNUAL DRINKING WATER QUALITY REPORT FOR 2021

**Annual Drinking Water Quality Report
Wyoming
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Annual Water Quality Report**

For the period of January 1 to December 31, 2021. The source of drinking water used by Wyoming is Ground Water. For more information regarding this report, contact Greg McCauley at (309) 695-4144 or 695-4831.

Este informe contiene información muy importante sobre el agua que usted bebe. Tradúzcalo ó hable con alguien que lo entienda bien.

This report is intended to provide you with important information about your drinking water and the efforts made by the water system to provide safe drinking water.

If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. We cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline or at <http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead>.

The sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally-occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive material, and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity.

Contaminants that may be present in source water include:

- Microbial contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria, which may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations and wildlife.
- Inorganic contaminants, such as salts and metals, which can be naturally occurring or result from urban storm water runoff, industrial, or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining, or farming.
- Pesticides and herbicides, which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban storm water runoff, and residential uses.
- Organic chemical contaminants, including synthetic and volatile

organic chemicals, which are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can also come from gas stations, urban storm water runoff, and septic systems.

•Radioactive contaminants, which can be naturally occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities. Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the EPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at (800) 426-4791.

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by Cryptosporidium and other microbial contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800) 426-4791.

In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, EPA prescribes regulations which limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. FDA regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water which must provide the same protection for public health.

Source Water Information

Source Water Name	Type of Water	Location
Well 1 (31361)	GW	In WTP, East of Main Street
Well 2 (31362)	GW	70 Ft. S. of Well 1

Source Water Assessment

We want our valued customers to be informed about their water quality. If you would like to learn more, please feel welcome to attend any of our regularly scheduled meetings. The source water assessment for our supply has been completed by the Illinois EPA. If you would like a copy of this information, please stop by City Hall or call our water operator at (309) 695-4144. To view a summary version of the completed Source Water Assessments, including: Importance of Source Water; Susceptibility to Contamination Determination; and documentation/recommendation of Source Water Protection Efforts, you may access the Illinois EPA website at <http://www.epa.state.il.us/cgi-bin/wp/swap-fact-sheets.pl>. Regular scheduled Council meetings are on the Second Tuesday of each

month and start at 6:00 p.m.

Based on information obtained in a Well Site Survey published in 1990 by the Illinois EPA, several potential sources are located within 1,000 feet of the wells. Based on information provided by Wyoming officials, the following changes have occurred: Farm and Home Service (map code 6203) is out of business; Moats Auto Sales/Auto Body (map code 6205) is out of business and used for storage; Wyoming Dry Cleaners (map code 6206) is closed and has been razed and is now fire department property; the antique and furniture business (map code 6207) is closed and used for storage; Wyoming Motors (map code 6204) is out of business and razed and a bank has been constructed on property; Breeze-Illinois Inc. (map code 6218) is closed and used for storage; and the feed lot (map code 6216) is closed and the property is used for construction equipment storage.

The Illinois EPA has determined that the Wyoming Community Water Supply's source water is not susceptible to contamination. This determination is based on a number of criteria including: monitoring conducted at the wells; monitoring conducted at the entry point to the distribution system; and available hydrogeologic data on the wells.

Furthermore, in anticipation of the U.S. EPA's proposed Ground Water Rule, the Illinois EPA has determined that the Wyoming Community Water Supply is not vulnerable to viral contamination. This determination is based on a number criteria including: monitoring conducted at the wells; monitoring conducted at the entry point to the distribution system; and available hydrogeologic data on the wells. Furthermore, in anticipation of the U.S. EPA's proposed Ground Water Rule, the Illinois EPA has determined that the Wyoming Community Water Supply is not vulnerable to viral contamination. This determination is based upon the evaluation of the following criteria during the Vulnerability Waiver Process: the community's wells are properly constructed with sound integrity and proper siting conditions; a hydraulic barrier exists which should prevent pathogen movement; all potential routes and sanitary defects have been mitigated such that the source water is adequately protected; monitoring data did not indicate a history of disease outbreak; and the sanitary survey of the water supply did not indicate a viral contamination threat. Because the community's wells are constructed in a confined aquifer, which should prevent the movement of pathogens into the wells, well hydraulics were not considered to be a significant factor in the susceptibility determination. Hence, well hydraulics were not evaluated for this system's ground water supply.

2021 Regulated Contaminants Detected

Lead and Copper

Definitions:

Action Level Goal (ALG): The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. ALG's allow for a margin of safety.

Action Level: The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow. If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. We are responsible for providing high quality drinking water, but we cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and step you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline or at <http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead>.

Lead & Copper	Date Sampled	MCLG	Action Level (AL)	90th Percentile	# Sites Over (AL)	Units	Violation	Likely Source of Contaminants
Copper	9/27/2019	1.3	1.3	0.019	0	ppm	N	Erosion of natural deposits; Leaching from wood preservatives; Corrosion of household plumbing systems.
Lead	9/27/2019	0	15	2.3	0	ppb	N	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of Natural Deposits.

Water Quality Test Results

Definitions: The following tables contain scientific terms and measures, some of which may require explanation. Avg.: Regulatory compliance with some MCLs are based on running annual average of monthly samples. Level 1 Assessment: A Level 1 assessment is a study of the water system to identify potential problems and determine (if possible) why total coliform bacteria have been found in our water system. Level 2 Assessment: A level 2 assessment is a very detailed study of the water system to identify potential problems and determine (if possible) why an E. coli MCL violation has occurred and/or why total coliform bacteria have been found in our water system on multiple occasions. Maximum Contaminant Level or MCL: The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the Maximum Contaminant Level Goal as feasible using the best available treatment technology. Maximum Contaminant Level Goal or MCLG: The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety. Maximum residual disinfectant level or MRDL: The highest level of disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants. ppm: milligrams per liter or parts per million – or one ounce in 7,350 gallons of water. ppb: micrograms per liter or parts per billion – or one ounce in 7,350,000 gallons of water. na: not applicable. Maximum residual disinfectant level goal or MRDLG: The level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants. na: not applicable. mrem: millirems per year (a measurement of radiation absorbed by the body). ppb: micrograms per liter or parts per billion - or one ounce in 7,350,000 gallons of water. ppm: milligrams per liter or parts per million - or one ounce in 7,350 gallons of water.

Regulated Contaminants

Disinfectants and Disinfection By-Products	Collection Date	Highest Level Detected	Range of Levels Detected	MCLG	MCL	Units	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
Chlorine	12/31/2020	1.3	1.2 - 1.4	MRDLG=4	MRDL=4	ppm	N	Water additive used to control microbes
Haloacetic Acids (HAAS)	2021	1	1.47 - 1.47	No goal for the total	60	ppb	N	By-product of drinking water disinfection.
Total Trihalomethanes (TTHM)	2021	10	10 - 10	No goal for the total	80	ppb	N	By-product of drinking water disinfection.
Inorganic Contaminants	Collection Date	Highest Level Detected	Range of Levels Detected	MCLG	MCL	Units	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination.
Barium	02/10/2020	0.0049	0.0049 - 0.0049	2	2	ppm	N	Discharge of drilling wastes; Discharge from metal refineries; Erosion of natural deposits.
Fluoride	02/10/2020	0.62	0.62 - 0.62	4	4.0	ppm	N	Erosion of natural deposits; Water additive which promotes strong teeth; Discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories.
Iron	02/10/2020	0.072	0.072 - 0.072		1.0	ppm	N	This contaminant is not currently regulated by the USEPA. However, the state regulates. Erosion of natural deposits.
Nitrate (measured as Nitrogen)	2021	0.05	0.05 - 0.05	10	10	ppm	N	Runoff from fertilizer use; Leaching from septic tanks, sewage; Erosion of natural deposits.
Selenium	02/10/2020	2.1	2.1 - 2.1	50	50	ppb	N	Discharge from petroleum and metal refineries; Erosion of natural deposits; Discharge from mines.
Sodium	02/10/2020	140	140 - 140			ppm	N	Erosion from naturally occurring deposits; Used in water softener regeneration.
Radioactive Contaminants	Collection Date	Highest Level Detected	Range of Levels Detected	MCLG	MCL	Units	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination.
Combined Radium 226/228	05/15/2020	2.85	2.85 - 2.85	0	5	pCi/L	N	Erosion of natural deposits.
Gross alpha excluding radon and uranium	05/15/2020	14.4	14.4 - 14.4	0	15	pCi/L	N	Erosion of natural deposits.

SPORTS: Orwig broke record twice

Continued from Page 16
I'm really excited for," Orwig said. "I've been kind of hovering around the same marks all year and haven't been able to beat my best since March. To come out and have two throws over that was nice."

Orwig said he believes the experience of competing at state last year will help him.

"I know what I have to do different and hopefully can do even better this year," he said.

Newton had similar sentiments after a sectional during which he qualified for state in three events.

Newton was second in the 110 hurdles in 16.74 seconds, second in the triple jump with a leap of 41-5.25 and second in the 300 hurdles with a p.r. of 42.69. First-place in that event went to Carroll, who also had a p.r. of 42.19.

Newton said his main focus is on triple jump, since he placed ninth in that event last year and was seeded 10th in Class 1A after sectionals.

"I'm not a state competitor in hurdles, so triple jump is my best shot," Newton said. "I just have to work on a little bit of footwork here and there."

Carroll said reaching state in the 300 was even better than being named Prom King this spring. He is seeded 11th in Class 1A.

"This was my first event I could qualify in and I really had to go for it. I

was nervous, but I got it," Carroll said, noting his competition with Newton is very friendly. "We started doing hurdles together last year. It's always so fun with him."

Worth noting is that the Wethersfield Sectional included all 11 Lincoln Trail Conference teams, and Stark County had the highest finish among them.

Other medalists at the sectional were Carroll in the 200, Orwig in discus, Colby Stotler in shot put and discus, Arvid Stuede in 110 hurdles and Avery Gerber in the 200. Other Rebels with a personal record were Lane Moodie in the 100 and 400, Cole Kinsella in the 400, Jared Prindiville in the 1600, Stuede in 110 hurdles and Stotler in shot and discus.

• **Girls state track** – Stark County senior Ashley Orwick was 18th in the 1,600-meter preliminaries at state in a time of 2:30.86.

• **Baseball** – Stark

County (5-20) improved as the season went on and won its regional opener, but lost 11-1 to Henry in the Wethersfield Regional semifinals on May 18.

Ryn Hillan batted 2-for-2 for the Rebels, Charlie Roush drove in a run and Dillon Steelman hit safely once. Timothy Giesenhagen pitched. He gave up 11 hits and struck out two.

"We were a young team, with just two seniors, Avery Whittle and Jacob Best. Whittle got two pitching wins late in the season, and Best helped our team in many different areas during his four seasons," Stark County Coach Scott Paxson said. "We had 26 players in the program this season, allowing us to have a JV team that had a 9-7 record.

"We will have a nice group returning for 2023 with expectations of improvement coming from themselves and the coaching staff."

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FOR ANSWERS SEE PAGE 3

Super Crossword

PRIZEWORTHY

ACROSS

1 Classic Pabst beer brand

7 Place for hay or a choir

11 Facial mask offers

15 Barter

19 Flirt to "Am so"

20 "La Traviata" solo, say

21 Many a smartphone message

22 By way of, for short

23 He played V in "V for Vendetta"

25 Dorman [sci-fi writing]

26 German "a"

27 The, in Tours

28 Tarnish

29 Galahad's life

30 Tins of pop

32 Mogadishu resident

33 "Rags to Riches" singer [Broadway]

35 Capital of Italy, in Italy

38 Golfers' positions

40 Built on

41 Jurgan inner self

43 Station, e.g.

44 "Little Birds" actress [Canadian music]

49 Longtime member of the Four Tops [off-Broadway]

54 Fred dancing in films

55 Tile locale

57 Fly of Africa

58 Rice dish

61 Watson who wrote "The Complete Angler"

63 Leaves port

64 Rub roughly

68 Ventriquist with the dummy

71 Hoffman film

72 "Incredible!"

74 Delight in

75 Bus stop

77 She's asked to "peel me a grape" in film

79 Call to a pig

81 1982 Dustin Hoffman film

86 "Shameless" actress [television]

88 "The Picture of Dorian Gray" novelist [Irish]

91 Paratcha

92 La — Tar Pits

93 "The Piano" actor Sam

94 Flemish in advance

96 Kids' races on tracks

101 Lyric verses

102 American labor leader [French film]

105 Verbalized

107 Go — (no slouch)

108 Cager's hoop

109 Wert fat

110 Be in a means

113 Blind as —

114 Uncook, e.g.

116 What any of the eight people featured in this puzzle should be?

118 Quat particle

119 Bluray Disc producer

120 Work benefit to

121 Puts into law

122 Squeezed (out)

123 Circus barker

124 Actress Harper

125 Least refined

DOWN

1 Witty Mort

2 Like facts

3 Rules, for short

4 1969 Beatle bride Yoko

5 "— I love thee?"

6 Cooks, as asparagus

7 Kitschy

8 First

9 High-quality

10 Gift label

11 Tarnish

12 "Firework" singer Katy

13 Tree toppler

14 Governor's fiscal concern

15 "Tristram Shandy" author

16 Complained childishly

17 Actor wife of "30 Rock"

18 — Roo

24 Amo, ama, —

29 Distress call

31 Strip down

32 Island group near Fiji

33 Summer shirt

34 Tiny toddler

35 Indian royal

36 Big burden

37 Breath freshener

39 Treble —

42 "Take — from me!"

44 On the train, e.g.

45 Fusion on a hot road

47 Sandusky's lake

48 Merges

49 Seep out

50 In good order

51 Move a bit

52 Capital of Norway

53 Sticky home?

56 Cube — (rum cocktail)

59 Tennis champ Andre

60 Courteous act, to a Brit

62 — secret (didn't blab)

64 Judge's wear

65 "Pardon me!"

66 Done the backstroke, e.g.

67 Prefix with 104-Down

69 House unit

70 Jordanian queen

73 Major combat

76 Word before hall or other

78 Jesuit college in Worcester

80 Part of NYSE

82 Attach with

83 Lost traction on the ice

84 Waste time

85 Bioelectric fishes

87 Tiers go-with

89 Five-armed echinoderms

90 Lots to leave auto in, to Brits

92 "Lowdown" singer

93 Sticky home?

94 Worst of Warcraft, e.g.

95 Nike rival

96 Grand home act, to a Brit

97 Touched comfortably

98 Jewel

99 Stabbed

100 Meat sticker

103 Boxing venue

104 Plastic for a waterbed

106 Suburb of Minneapolis

109 — Piss

110 In time past

111 Makes moist

112 Word before while

115 "The Raven" poet

116 Inclined

117 Plastic denial

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HEY, SON, WHERE DID YOU GET OFF TO?
GERALD!! GIVE YOUR OL' DAD A HOLLER!
INDOORS HE JUST BREAKS STUFF, GET HIM OUTSIDE, WE JUST WORRY HE BREAKS BONES.

Out on a Limb

by Gary Kopervas

MACARONI. NO, ITS LAMB CHOPS.
MACARONI. NO, ITS STUFFED CABBAGE.
MACARONI. NO, ITS BEEF STEW.
FRANCINE ALWAYS HATED COOKING FOR YANKEE DODDLE.

R.F.D.

by Mike Marland

DO YOU TAKE CRYPTO COIN?
NO, BUT WE TAKE LOTS OF OTHER KINDS OF COIN.
PANTS-POCKET...BOTTOM-OF-YOUR-PURSE... COUCH CUSHION...CAR SEAT...JUG...JAR... CIGAR BOX...COOKIE TIN...PIGGY BANK...

The Spats

by Jeff Pickering

I'M GOD'S GIFT TO WOMEN.
THAT'S WHY I'M AN ATHEIST.

Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

3				2		1
	1	9	7	8		
		8	6			4
	3		7			6
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	5	3				1
5	4			6		3
	7		9			2
		1	8			7

Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦ Moderate ♦♦ Challenging ♦♦♦ HOO BOY!

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Trivia test

by Fifi Rodriguez

- U.S. STATES: Which state is the smallest in land area?
- MEDICAL: What is a common name for the medical condition called hyperlipidemia?
- PSYCHOLOGY: What is the abnormal fear represented by peccatophobia?
- FOOD & DRINK: What fish is the basis of Worcestershire sauce?
- GEOGRAPHY: Nuzuk is the capital of which island constituent country?
- U.S. PRESIDENTS: Which state has produced the most presidents?
- ART: In which major city would you find the Uffizi Gallery?
- MOVIES: What is the main setting of the "Mama Mia!" movies?
- MYTHOLOGY: What is the name of the Greek god of wine?
- GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: Where is the rock formation called Giant's Causeway located?

Answers

- Rhode Island
- High cholesterol
- Fear of committing sins or imaginary crimes
- Fermented anchovies
- Greenland
- Virginia, with eight presidents
- Florence, Italy
- Skopelos, Greece
- Dionysus
- Northern Ireland

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Answers on Page 3

CryptoQuote

AXYDLBAAXR is LONGFELLOW

One letter stands for another. In this sample, A is used for the three L's, X for the two O's, etc. Single letters, apostrophes, the length and formation of the words are all hints. Each week the code letters are different.

T YIKQ JISA ABNVPQZ YBLQ

VQQU ZEQQM, BUF JISA

AQLQATQZ ZKBRTISZ,

— QNTPJ FTRDTUZIU

TOP 10 MOVIES

- Doctor Strange Multiverse (PG-13)
- The Bad Guys (PG)
- Sonic the Hedgehog 2 (PG)
- Firestarter (R)
- Everything Everywhere All at Once (R)
- Fantastic Beasts: Dumbledore (PG-13)
- The Lost City (PG-13)
- The Northman (R)
- Family Camp (PG)
- The Unbearable Weight of Talent (R)

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The Prairie News Sports



Keagan Newton soars on a triple jump attempt during the Kewanee Wethersfield Sectional last Friday. Newton was second with a jump of 41 feet, 5.25 inches and qualified for state. Photo by Collin Fairfield.



Blake Orwig is almost ready to release the shot put during last Friday's Kewanee Wethersfield Sectional. Orwig won the event with a personal record throw of 52-1.25 and qualified for state. Photo by Collin Fairfield.

Rebels 2nd at sectional, 3 qualify for state

By JEFF LAMPE and PHIL JOHNSON

For The Prairie News

KEWANEE – Led by strong showings in the field events and hurdle races, the Stark County boys track team posted its second-straight runnerup finish at the Wethersfield Class 1A track and field sectional held last Friday.

The Rebels racked up 33 of their 66 points in the field events and added another 32 points in hurdles to finish second to Elmwood-Brimfield (82 points).

Stark County also advanced three

athletes to this week's Class 1A state track meet at Eastern Illinois University: seniors Blake Orwig, Keagan Newton and Colby Carroll. Preliminaries were Thursday and finals will be held on Saturday.

"We're going to state with the idea that, 'Hey, maybe we need to make that next level,'" Rebels Coach Bart Frey said. "Maybe we need to put something around our neck there."

Orwig advanced by virtue of winning the shot put at Wethersfield and by breaking his own school

record two times. He finished with a personal record throw of 52 feet, 1.25 inches to head off to state with high hopes.

A 10th-place finisher at outdoor state last spring, Orwig was second this winter at the Illinois Top Times Indoor Meet – a finish he would much prefer on Saturday. He is seeded fifth after sectionals.

"I wanted another chance. There's a lot of great people around here, but the chance to go to state and face elite competition is something

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Bradford American Legion Post 445 Memorial Day Services

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