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(Continued from page 1.) average of 4.0 as well as the overall highest average in the senior class at Central Holmes, thus determining his status as valedictorian.

After graduation, Noah plans to further his academic endeavors at Holmes Community College. Noah’s scholastic performance during his time at Central Holmes Christian School has been exceptional. He has challenged himself, and achieved exceptional results, to complete advanced placement college prerequisite courses, as well as dual credit and dual enrollment college courses, giving him a well-rounded, advanced college preparatory education. Noah has also been active in CHCS Student Council, Honor Society, baseball, and basketball. He has been a member of the Honor Society for six years of which he has served his peers as President. Noah has also served as Class President for the 2018-2019 year. Noah is the son of Stephanie

Diffey and Shane Burton. Miss Laura Kathryn Rutledge’s quest for excellence has produced many accomplishments in her academic and extracurricular pursuits in her years at Central Holmes Christian School. She has undertaken numerous challenges in her school career and has proven herself

a superior scholar and community member, earning the distinction of being named Central Holmes Christian School’s Salutatorian of the Class of 2019. Laura Kathryn also holds a GPA of 4.0. She has served her peers as the 2018-2019 Student Council President and Honor Society Vice-President.

After graduation, Laura Kathryn plans to attend Mississippi State University to pursue a degree in elementary education. Laura Kathryn feels this career field is a perfect fit for her, as she has been interested in the education field and young children for quite some time, and has always enjoyed problem solving and helping people. She hopes to make a difference in the world by becoming a teacher.

Laura Kathryn has demonstrated outstanding academic performance at Central Holmes Christian School and has worked diligently in excelling in many college preparatory, advanced placement and dual credit college courses.

The pursuit of challenges outside of the classroom has also been an important part of Laura Kathryn’s life throughout her high school years. Laura Kathryn was a member of the Central Holmes track team, basketball team, and varsity cheerleading squad. Laura Kathryn’s positive efforts and endless

drive and determination have allowed her to prepare well for her future. Laura Kathryn is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Steven Rutledge.

Central Holmes Christian School will hold its 2019 commencement ceremony on Thursday, May 9 at 7:00 p.m. in the Berman Gymnasium on the Central Holmes Christian School campus.

The Class of 2019 includes Ethan Ables, Luke Allen, Alex Arnold, *Noah Burton, Ryleigh Byrd, *Lanie Davis, Clyde Dixon, Jackson Ellis, *Jaylin Ford, *Selena Gilmore, Maci Harris, Byron Hathcock, *Josh Haymer, *Brantley Holder, *Wes Hudson, *Peyton Kilbrew, Shelby Lindsay, Lake Melton, *Jennifer Phillips, McKenna Polk, Jordan Pritchard, Landon Rawson, Addison Ray, Taylor Robinson, *Laura Kathryn Rutledge, *Luke Smith, *Colton Sumner and Nathan Taylor.

*Denotes advanced honor graduate distinction.

26th April

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Before or after?

Dear Dave,

I’ve started following your plan, and I’ve got a beginner emergency fund of \$1,000 saved. Now that I’m ready to start paying off debt in Baby Step 2, do you recommend paying off credit card balances before or after closing the accounts?

Maeve

Dear Maeve,

I’m really proud of you. Congratulations on starting the journey toward getting out of debt and gaining control of your money!

Honestly, either way is fine. The point is to get rid of them, and stop using the stupid things. I like the idea, and the finality, of going ahead and closing the accounts and cutting up the cards.

Personal finance is 80 percent behavior. Getting credit cards—and credit card debt—out of your life

is a great first step in really learning to behave with your money.

Remember, you don’t build wealth or save money by using credit cards. And you’re naïve if you think you’re going to play around with a multi-billion-dollar industry and beat them at their own game.

The only way to win against credit card companies is by refusing to play around with them!

Dave

Paying extra

Dear Dave,

I’d like to start paying a little extra each month on my car loan, so I can get out of debt faster. Would it be a good idea to write a separate check for this extra amount?

Steve

Dear Steve,

I think that’s a great idea! You can include the extra check in a separate envelope

with the regular payment. In addition, write “principal only” in big, bold letters on the extra envelope and on the extra check. Make sure to also include the account number in the notation line at the bottom.

Follow these guidelines, and you’ll be much less likely to run into problems as result of someone at the bank not paying attention.

Some companies use payment booklets that have a box specifically for entering any amount you want applied directly to the principal. See if this is available to you, as well. Regardless, make sure you keep an accurate, written record of the monthly and overall amounts you’re designating as “principal only.”

Great question, Steve!

—Dave

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2018 Annual Drinking Water Quality Report
Town of Goodman
PWS# 260006
April 2019

We're pleased to present to you this year's Annual Quality Water Report. This report is designed to inform you about the quality water and services we deliver to you every day. Our constant goal is to provide you with a safe and dependable supply of drinking water. We want you to understand the efforts we make to continually improve the water treatment process and protect our water resources. We are committed to ensuring the quality of your water.

If you have any questions about this report or concerning your water utility, please contact Anthony McMullen at 662.472.2263. We want our valued customers to be informed about their water utility. If you want to learn more, please attend any of our regularly scheduled meetings. They are held on the first Tuesday of each month at 5:30 PM at the Town Hall, Goodman.

Our water source is from wells drawing from the Meridian Upper and Middle Wilcox Aquifer. The source water assessment has been completed for our public water system to determine the overall susceptibility of its drinking water supply to identify potential sources of contamination. A report containing detailed information on how the susceptibility determinations were made has been furnished to our public water system and is available for viewing upon request. The wells for the Town of Goodman have received lower to moderate susceptibility rankings to contamination.

We routinely monitor for contaminants in your drinking water according to Federal and State laws. This table below lists all of the drinking water contaminants that we detected during the period of January 1st to December 31st, 2018. In cases where monitoring wasn't required in 2018, the table reflects the most recent results. As water travels over the surface of land or underground, it dissolves naturally occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive materials and can pick up substances or contaminants from the presence of animals or from human activity; microbial contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria, that may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations, and wildlife; inorganic chemicals, 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 and septic systems; radioactive contaminants, which can be naturally occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities. In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, EPA prescribes regulations that limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. All drinking water, including bottled drinking water, may be reasonably expected to contain at least small amounts of some constituents. It's important to remember that the presence of these constituents does not necessarily indicate that the water poses a health risk.

In this table you will find many terms and abbreviations you might not be familiar with. To help you better understand these terms we've provided the following definitions:

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

Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL) - The "Maximum Allowed" (MCL) is the highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.

Maximum Contaminant Level Goal (MCLG) - The "Goal"(MCLG) is 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 (MRDL) - The highest level of a disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary to control microbial contaminants.

Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level Goal (MRDLG) - The level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk of health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants.

Parts per million (ppm) or Milligrams per liter (mg/l) - one part per million corresponds to one minute in two years or a single penny in \$10,000.

Parts per billion (ppb) or Micrograms per liter - one part per billion corresponds to one minute in 2,000 years, or a single penny in \$10,000,000.

TEST RESULTS								
Contaminant	Violation Y/N	Date Collected	Level Detected	Range of Detects or # of Samples Exceeding MCL/LCL	Unit Measurement	MCLG	MCL	Likely Source of Contamination
Inorganic Contaminants								
10. Barium	N	2018	.0223	.021 - .0223	ppm	2	2	Discharge of drilling wastes; discharge from metal refineries; erosion of natural deposits
13. Chromium	N	2018	.6	.5 - .6	ppb	100	100	Discharge from steel and pulp mills; erosion of natural deposits
14. Copper	N	2015/17*	.1	0	ppm	1.3	AL=1.3	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits; leaching from wood preservatives
17. Lead	N	2015/17*	1	0	ppb	0	AL=15	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits
Disinfection By-Products								
81. HAAS	N	2018	14	No Range	ppb	0	60	By-Product of drinking water disinfection.
82. TTHM [Total trihalomethanes]	N	2018	12.6	No Range	ppb	0	80	By-product of drinking water chlorination.
Chlorine	N	2018	1.3	.08 – 2.6	ppm	0	MDRL = 4	Water additive used to control microbes

* Most recent sample. No sample required for 2018.

As you can see by the table, our system had no contaminant violations. We're proud that your drinking water meets or exceeds all Federal and State requirements. We have learned through our monitoring and testing that some contaminants have been detected however the EPA has determined that your water IS SAFE at these levels.

We are required to monitor your drinking water for specific contaminants on a monthly basis. Results of regular monitoring are an indicator of whether or not our drinking water meets health standards. We did complete the monitoring requirements for bacteriological sampling that showed no coliform present. In an effort to ensure systems complete all monitoring requirements, MSDH now notifies systems of any missing samples prior to the end of the compliance period.

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. Our water system is responsible for providing high quality drinking water, but 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 Mississippi State Department of Health Public Health Laboratory offers lead testing. Please contact 601.576.7582 if you wish to have your water tested.

All sources of drinking water are subject to potential contamination by substances that are naturally occurring or man made. These substances can be microbes, inorganic or organic chemicals and radioactive substances. All 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 the water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1.800.426.4791.

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 microbiological contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline 1.800.426.4791.

The Town of Goodman works around the clock to provide top quality water to every tap. We ask that all our customers help us protect our water sources, which are the heart of our community, our way of life and our children's future.