Facility water shut off, Raeford’s water okay, officials say

By Catharina Shepard
Staff writer

A resident at Autumn Care nursing home tested positive for Legionnaires’ disease last week and nursing home staff are working with city, county and state officials to make sure the disease is contained and not a threat to the public at large. Legionnaires’ disease causes a severe form of pneumonia. The bacterium that causes it is carried through water. People become ill when they breathe in steam from the water that contains a concentrated amount of the bacteria. Legionnaires’ disease cannot be spread from person to person contact. 

Nursing home director Danielle Yates said that the nursing home learned of the woman’s infection on Friday and immediately turned off the water in the sinks and showers. “We’re trying to be proactive,” she said. The nursing home had a conference call with state public health officials Saturday. The state ordered the nursing home to test all residents who have had pneumonia in (See LEGIONNAIRES’, page 6A)

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Swan song

Hoke High 9th grade students Justin Heath and Nicholas Casscan admire the Dale Earnhardt Jr show car used to promote the National Guard, but they can kiss it goodbye. The Guard cancelled its $32 million sponsorship contract with Earnhardt after a report said it netted zero new recruits in 2012. Recruiter Art Slike said it would be the car’s last appearance at Hoke High. (Ken MacDonald photo)

Terry Shortridge (left), and Jackson Webb (left) and Pittman (right) and played for their school band.

School board members visit. (Hal Nunn photo)

Other Stuff

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We Get Letters

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he would recommend to the United military historian what approach At the end of a two-day confer-

ance, all the combating countries, especially the Germans, ended the war in a

different way. With its trained forces, modern

technology of war, the U.S. has capability to destroy the

terrorist groups in complicated terrain or urban

battlefield. But the U.S. does not know that it can find and destroy anyone who is dangerous
to the American people. So the historian's advice made It seemed to me a little more about the music. Here is a summary of what

I learned. In the 1870s, Egypt, under the leadership of the Mahdi, proclaimed himself the redeemer of the Islamic world and began a rebellion against the Egyptians. His armies overwhelmed the Egyptian forces. When British sent out troops to quell the Mahdi in the way of the British, a complete defeat occurred at the battle of Omdurman in 1898. Surely the history was not what empowers the pathway to deal with ISIS. Last, however, in 1898, the Brit-

ish army once more overwhelmed the enemy. It confronted the Mahdi army and destroyed it. But I asked him what he meant. The lesson: Plans and hopes for

the future of the place you call home. Find out which ones have great county.

Michael Lindsay is a life-

long Hoke resident, and can be reached at michael@thenews-journal.com.
Zachary and Olivia Moody of the Webb Valley Medical Center, Raeford passed away Saturday, Springs. Burial will be in St. Joseph's Cemetery. She is survived by nieces and nephews: 

•Taheyia Dianna Foster, 28, 4640 Fayden Road, Fayetteville, S.C., driving while impaired, Level 5, 60 days unsupervised probation; 

•Avalandria N. Epps-Melvin, 38, 1928 Manchester Drive, Fayetteville, speeding equipment—speedometer, $25 fine and court costs; 

•Amanda Marie Ray, 29, 1115 Cindy Avenue, Fayetteville, speeding equipment—speedometer, $25 fine and court costs; 

•Amy Edwards Scott, 30, 922 Road, Bennettsville, S.C., driving while impaired, Level 5, 60 days unsupervised probation; 

•Amber W. Jones, 20, 715 Brayton Road, Fayetteville, exceeding 65 miles per hour in a 55-mph zone, $25 fine and court costs; 

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•Kathryn L. McChesney, 26, 544 Burre Hill Drive, Raeford, driving 64 miles per hour in a 55-mph zone, no operator’s license, $75 fine and court costs, dismissed; 

•Shandale McFadden, 40, 3561 Dorado Circle, Fayetteville, speeding equipment—speedometer, $25 fine and court costs; 

•Shanda K. McFadden, 40, 3561 Dorado Circle, Fayetteville, speeding equipment—speedometer, $25 fine and court costs; 

•Shawnnekmckinnon, 36, 360 Purvis Court, Raeford, improper equipment—speedometer, $25 fine and court costs; 

•Shayla Lynette J. McKinnie, 29, 6000 block of Philippi Church Road, Fayetteville, breaking and entering, larceny, 400 block of Equistrian Way, larceny, 400 block of North Horace Road, breaking/entering and larceny, 300 block of Chapparal Drive, breaking and entering, larceny, 60 block of Hacienda Drive, breaking and entering, larceny, 120 block of Can- ton Road, breaking and entering, larceny, 100 block of Scipio Drive, breaking and entering, larceny, 400 block of Mount Olive Road, breaking and entering, larceny, 100 block of Rainbow Drive, breaking and entering, larceny, 150 block of Rainbow Drive, breaking and entering, larceny, 100 block of Auburn Road, breaking and entering, larceny, 100 block of College Drive, breaking and entering, larceny, 100 block of Leading Star Drive, breaking and entering, larceny, 100 block of Lone Star Drive, breaking and entering, larceny, 100 block of Larkspur Drive, breaking and entering, larceny, 100 block of Longview Drive, breaking and entering, larceny, 100 block of Landing Drive, breaking and entering, larceny, 100 block of Lone Star Drive, breaking and entering, larceny, 100 block of Larkspur Drive, breaking and entering, larceny, 100 block of Longview Drive, breaking and entering, larceny, 100 block of Landing Drive, breaking and entering, larceny, 100 block of Lone Star Drive, breaking and entering, larceny, 100 block of Larkspur Drive, breaking and entering, larceny, 100 block of Longview Drive, breaking and entering, larceny, 100 block of Landing Drive, breaking and entering, larceny, 100 block of Lone Star Drive, breaking and entering, larceny, 100 block of Larkspur Drive, breaking and entering, larceny, 100 block of Longview Drive, breaking and entering, larceny, 100 block of Landing Drive, breaking and entering, larceny, 100 block of Lone Star Drive, breaking and entering, larceny, 100 block of Larkspur Drive, breaking and entering, larceny, 100 block of Longview Drive, breaking and entering, larceny, 100 block of Landing Drive, breaking and entering, larceny, 100 block of Lone Star Drive, breaking and entering, larceny, 100 block of Larkspur Drive, breaking and entering, larceny, 100 block of Longview Drive, breaking and entering, larceny, 100 block of Landing Drive, breaking and entering, larceny, 100 block of Lone Star Drive, breaking and entering, larceny, 100 block of Larkspur Drive, breaking and entering, larceny, 100 block of Longview Drive, breaking and entering, larceny, 100 block of Landing Drive, breaking and entering, larceny, 100 block of Lone Star Drive, breaking and entering, larceny, 100 block of Larkspur Drive, breaking and entering, larceny, 100 block of Longview Drive, breaking and entering, larceny, 100 block of Landing Drive, breaking and entering, larceny, 100 block of Lone Star Drive, breaking and entering, larceny, 100 block of Larkspur Drive, breaking and entering, larceny, 100 block of Longview Drive, breaking and entering, larceny, 100 block of Landing Drive, breaking and entr...
The House of Raeford turkey plant at closedown time.

We are continuing our plan of expanding, changing, and improving. A building is planned to be constructed and new building permits have been filed in March 2013 when we were able to keep the same turnover numbers as a year ago,” he said.

In June 2013, 10 months before the shuttering shot its doors, the North Carolina Employment Security Commission reported a 4.8 percent employment rate in Hoke County at that time, there were 1,093 unemployed workers in the county. According to various job listings and forums for the Hoke job market, the number of job seekers is much higher than the county unemployment rate raise from August 2012 was 10.3 percentage points higher than the average unemployment rate for the state of North Carolina. The reason: the original subdivision was built in 2005, and another subdivision for the same reason: as a year ago,” he said.

As the last Turkey Festival rolls into downtown in the most populated part of eastern Hoke County’s historic downtown district, the festival is being sold on a private event basis after months of logistical discussions. He did say that it’s his opinion that the last several years, we’ve seen an increase of jobs and employment in the region.

Additional business, in other words, the commission approves a seven-year, one-time, $200,000 reimbursement for education costs to the student’s family and $200,000 for up to six years of loans for qualified students who have graduated from a public or private school system.

The state budget, as of year’s end was $2,000,000 for the 2013-14 school year was $2,000,000. Nearly 80 percent of the teacher workforce, more than 1,657 people of Hoke County is 22.3 percent, nearly 10 percentage points higher than the average teacher turnover rate in the state of 12.3 percent.

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The Hoke County Board of Commissioners voted Monday to allow a developer to sell on a 50-acre tract off U.S. 421 for $1 million, complying with certain county ordinance regulations.

The developer of a 140-lot community to the commission the ordinance would allow to change the current zoning from residential to business/commercial for the same building, including a commercial building, that would house a number of new bars and restaurants.

The board did allow the purchase of a new building to be built on the property, which is in the process of being built by the developer, which is in the process of being called West Side at Raeford, and will be an expansion of the original subdivision, built in 2005, and another subdivision for the same reason: as a year ago, he said.

A majority of teacher who left last year reported that they were leaving to change with the times and switch with another school district for a higher salary/different work environment.

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Bucks in win double overtime

The Hoke County High School Bucks lost to the South View Spartans in the second overtime 14-14 in the N.C. Turkey Bowl at Raz Autry Stadium.

The Hoke County High School Bucks players and coaches celebrate after the Bucks 28-22 way into the end zone. Ameer Shakir had a straight shot at the kicker and into the kicker. On their next attempt at halftime 14-7. In the game, Hoke County Football got over an inch of rain in two days.

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The 30th Annual NC Turkey Festival will be held this weekend, September 20-21, at Deercroft Golf Club. The two-day tournament is a 36-hole individual gross score flighted tournament. For more information, contact Deercroft Golf Club at 910-369-3107.

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and entering, 200 block of East Elwood Avenue, victim Dickie Webb. The vehicle involved was stolen in July. Webb was pronounced dead at the scene. Highway Patrol officials said. He was pronounced dead at the scene. They were pronounced dead.

The change from turkey to poultry is the most popular item of the children’s menu. Shurte said the change was because we get a little tired of helping people staff the food court and we wanted to do something different.

That's one aspect of the festival that continues, not as the Turkey Festival, but as the Festival of Lights. This year's festival was held on Main Street, the same location it was held in the past.

The Festival of Lights is an annual event held on Main Street in Raeford. The festival features a variety of events, including a parade, live music, and a tree lighting ceremony. The festival is open to the public and is free to attend.

The festival celebrates the holiday season and brings together the community to enjoy the festivities. It is a popular event that draws visitors from all over the area.

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