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Reverse 9-1-1 Services Available for Cell Phones

Recently the Douglass community experienced a situation involving the capture of an escaped convict in close proximity to the City limits. The Butler County Sheriff's Department utilized Reverse 9-1-1 to both inform citizens that a manhunt was ongoing and to also notify citizens when the suspect had been captured. This is one example of how the Reverse 9-1-1 system can be used to notify residents in the event of an emergency.

The system is automatically loaded with landline phones from 9-1-1 databases. Cell phones or VoIP phone systems must be self-registered.

In order to receive Reverse 9-1-1 calls, please consider self-registering a mobile phone or VoIP number online, using the steps listed below:

1. Visit the Butler County website at www.bucoks.com
2. Select the heading "Departments".
3. In the next menu area, select "Emergency Communications (E 9-1-1).
4. In the menu on the left side of the screen, select the option labeled "Reverse 9-1-1 Self Registration".
5. At this point in the process, several options appear. You can register a number; revise a previous registration; or select options to review more information about the system.

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Around the Community

IMPORTANT WATER SYSTEM UPDATES

The City of Douglass recently received notification from the Kansas Department of Health and Environment regarding a locational running annual average (LRAA) that exceeded the maximum guidelines established by the EPA. This is considered a Tier 2 Violation and requires that public notice must be issued. A copy of the required notice is included in this newsletter. If you do not receive water from the City of Douglass, then please disregard this notice and information.

Background Information:

What is the City of Douglass' source of water? The City's primary water source is water that originates through the City of El Dorado and is purchased through Rural Water District #6. The City is RWD #6's single largest water user, and also the "end" user in the Rural Water System, but unfortunately the City has no control over the treatment or quality of water purchased from RWD #6. The City also owns and maintains water wells which are used to supplement the water purchased in times of peak demand.

How is the water treated? The City of El Dorado and Rural Water District 6 use combined chlorine to disinfect the water travelling through their systems. The City's water wells disinfect water using free chlorine.

What happens during the disinfection process and how does the City monitor it? The process of blending water treated with combined chlorine and water treated with free chlorine creates organic by-products. The City is required to submit quarterly water samples to KDHE to monitor the presence of Haloacetic Acids (HAA) and Trihalomethanes (TTHM) for monitoring of Maximum Contaminant Levels (MCL). An average of 4 quarters, a locational running average (LRAA) determines compliancy with levels established by the EPA. The City of El Dorado and RWD #6 do an annual "burnout" process which is to eliminate the organics created by the process of combining water disinfected with these two types of treatments. In theory, this should ensure appropriate levels of organics compliant with EPA established MCLs for the next 12 months.

So what happened? A 4-year Water System Detail Information sheet specifically for HAA5 is included in this newsletter. The 3rd quarter of 2016 had an unusually high reading and resulted in a 4 quarter average of 63 ug/L. This exceeds the MCL of 60 ug/L established by the EPA and KDHE. The City's unusually high reading in the 3rd quarter of 2016 was during a scheduled "burnout" period during which RWD #6 was unable to properly manage water treatment throughout their system.

What does this mean to you? It is important to note that the water you are receiving is (and has been) safe to drink, cook with, bathe in, etc. There are no immediate health risks associated with this type of violation. If there had been, you would have been notified immediately. Some people, however, who drink water containing haloacetic acids in excess of the MCL over many years may have an increased risk of getting cancer. It is also important to note that it is anticipated that the rolling 4-quarter average will drop below the maximum MCL level after the next quarter's sampling process.

How do you get more information? If you have questions, please contact KaLyn Nethercot, City Clerk/Administrator, City of Douglass, 316-747-2109 or by e-mail at knethercot@cityofdouglassks.com.

Complete water system information is also available online through the Kansas Department of Health and Environment website. Simply go to www.kdheks.gov and in the lower right-hand corner of the page in the area titled "Online Resources", choose *KANSAS DRINKING WATER WATCH.* (The HAA5 Summary page in this newsletter was produced through the Kansas Drinking Water Watch system.) On the next screen, select "Public Access"; the map that is displayed will allow you to choose any geographical area in the State and access years worth of water system data tracking and history.

Water System Detail Information

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Water System No.:	KS2001510	Federal Type:	C
Alternate State No.:	G7500	Federal Source:	SWP
Water System Name:	DOUGLASS, CITY OF		A
Principal County / City Served	BUTLER / DOUGLASS	Activity Date :	01-01-1950
Local Name			

This list displays HAA5 Summaries for the last 2 years by default. If you need to search for a specific date range, use the following date fields (you can also pick a date from the pop-up calendar next to the field) and click on Search.

Summary Date From _____ **To** _____

HAA5 SUMMARY

Mon Period	Mon Period Avg. Samples	Mon Period Avg.	Mon Period Avg. Units	Running Annual Avg. Samples	Running Annual Avg.	Running Annual Avg. Units	Analyte Code	Analyte Name
01-01-2018 03-31-2018	0	0.0	UG/L	1	47.0	UG/L	2456	TOTAL HALOACETIC ACIDS (HAA5)
10-01-2017 12-31-2017	0	0.0	UG/L	2	34.0	UG/L	2456	TOTAL HALOACETIC ACIDS (HAA5)
07-01-2017 09-30-2017	0	0.0	UG/L	3	24.0	UG/L	2456	TOTAL HALOACETIC ACIDS (HAA5)
04-01-2017 06-30-2017	1	47.0	UG/L	4	63.0	UG/L	2456	TOTAL HALOACETIC ACIDS (HAA5)
01-01-2017 03-31-2017	1	21.0	UG/L	4	57.0	UG/L	2456	TOTAL HALOACETIC ACIDS (HAA5)
10-01-2016 12-31-2016	1	4.2	UG/L	4	55.0	UG/L	2456	TOTAL HALOACETIC ACIDS (HAA5)
07-01-2016 09-30-2016	1	180.0	UG/L	4	59.0	UG/L	2456	TOTAL HALOACETIC ACIDS (HAA5)
04-01-2016 06-30-2016	1	24.0	UG/L	4	14.0	UG/L	2456	TOTAL HALOACETIC ACIDS (HAA5)
01-01-2016 03-31-2016	1	11.0	UG/L	4	11.0	UG/L	2456	TOTAL HALOACETIC ACIDS (HAA5)
10-01-2015 12-31-2015	1	20.0	UG/L	4	11.0	UG/L	2456	TOTAL HALOACETIC ACIDS (HAA5)
07-01-2015 09-30-2015	1	0.0	UG/L	4	24.0	UG/L	2456	TOTAL HALOACETIC ACIDS (HAA5)
04-01-2015 06-30-2015	1	13.0	UG/L	4	27.0	UG/L	2456	TOTAL HALOACETIC ACIDS (HAA5)
01-01-2015 03-31-2015	1	9.5	UG/L	4	27.0	UG/L	2456	TOTAL HALOACETIC ACIDS (HAA5)
10-01-2014 12-31-2014	1	73.0	UG/L	4	30.0	UG/L	2456	TOTAL HALOACETIC ACIDS (HAA5)
07-01-2014 09-30-2014	1	14.0	UG/L	4	52.0	UG/L	2456	TOTAL HALOACETIC ACIDS (HAA5)
04-01-2014 06-30-2014	1	11.0	UG/L	3	48.0	UG/L	2456	TOTAL HALOACETIC ACIDS (HAA5)
01-01-2014 03-31-2014	1	21.0	UG/L	2	45.0	UG/L	2456	TOTAL HALOACETIC ACIDS (HAA5)

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IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER

CITY OF DOUGLASS, KS
Has Levels of Haloacetic Acids Above Drinking Water Standards

Our water system recently violated a drinking water standard. Although this is not an emergency, as our customers you have a right to know what happened, what you should do, and what we are doing to correct this situation.

When disinfection (such as the use of chlorine) is used in the treatment of drinking water, disinfectants combine with organic and inorganic matter present in water to form compounds called disinfection byproducts (DBP). EPA sets standards for controlling the levels of DBP in drinking water, including Haloacetic Acids (HAA). Compliance is based on the four-quarter average of sample results for each location where HAA samples are collected, called a locational running annual average (LRAA). The HAA standard for any one LRAA is 60 ug/L. Results for a sample we collected on 6/13/2017 shows that our system exceeds the standard or maximum contaminant level (MCL) for HAA. One of the LRAA where HAA samples are collected at the end of Second Quarter of 2017 was 63 ug/L.

What should I do?

$ You do not need to use an alternative (e.g., bottled) water supply. However, if you have specific health concerns, consult your doctor.

What does this mean?

This is not an immediate risk. If it had been, you would have been notified immediately. *However, some people who drink water containing haloacetic acids in excess of the MCL over many years may have an increased risk of getting cancer.*

What happened? What is being done?

Samples are collected quarterly. While it is not anticipated that the 4 quarter averaged levels will continue to exceed the designated MCL, if that were to happen additional notification would be provided.

We anticipate resolving the problem within the 3rd quarter of 2017.

For more information, please contact Name: KALYN NETHERCOT at Phone: 316-747-2109
Or by Mail: 322 S FORREST, PO BOX 412, DOUGLASS, KS 67039

Please share this information with all the other people who drink this water, especially those who may not have received this notice directly (for example, people in apartments, nursing homes, schools, and businesses). You can do this by posting this notice in a public place or distributing copies by hand or mail.

This notice is being sent to you by CITY OF DOUGLASS.

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Date distributed: 08/28/17

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Douglass Senior Center Menu Calendar
September 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Meals are $5.00, Dine in, Carry out or Delivered. Please call 316-746-3227 by 9:00 AM to reserve your meal. Noon meal only.					**1 Buffet**	**2**
3	**4** **CLOSED**	**5 Bake potato W/Fixins** Salad Strawberry shortcake	**6 Sloppy Joes** Tater Tots Bake Beans Ice cream Cookies	**7 Fried Chicken** Potatoes / Gravy Salad Veggie Rolls Dessert	**8 Buffet**	**9**
10	**11 Mexican Casserole** Spanish Rice Chips Cinnamon roll	**12 Pulled Pork Sandwich** Chips Potato Salad Dill pickle Brownie	**13 Goulash** Veggie Salad Hot Rolls Root Beer Float	**14 Fried Chicken** Potatoes / Gravy Salad Veggie Rolls Dessert	**15 Buffet**	**16**
17	**18 Hamburger-Veg- Soup** Crackers Grill cheese Sandwiches Fruit & Cookies	**19 Chicken & Noodles W/ Potatoes** Pea salad Hot Rolls Dessert	**20 Ham & Beans** Oven potatoes Corn Bread Cookies & Ice Cream	**21 Ham** Sweet Potatoes Salad Veggie Rolls Dessert	**22 Buffet**	**23**
24	**25 Chicken pot pie** Vegie Salad Dissert	**26 Meatloaf** Broccoli & Rice Casserole Toss Salad Bread sticks Dissert	**27 Fish** Mac & Cheese Cole Slaw Cheese biscuits Dissert	**28 Fried Chicken** Potatoes / Gravy Salad Veggie Rolls Dessert	**29 Buffet**	**30**
					Stop in for coffee any morning after 8:00	Menu subject to change

Douglass Senior Center Activities Calendar
September 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 Exercise	**2**
3	**4 Finger Food & Cards** 6:00 PM	**5 Exercise** At 9:00 AM **Quilting** At 1:00 PM	**6**	**7 Cards**	**8 Exercise** At 9:00 AM	**9**
10	**11**	**12 Exercise** At 9:00 AM **Quilting** At 1:00 PM	**13**	**14 Cards**	**15 Exercise** At 9:00 AM	**16 Breakfast** 7:00 – 9:30 am
17	**18 Covered Dish & Cards** 6:00 PM	**19 Exercise** At 9:00 AM **Quilting** At 1:00 PM	**20 Board Meeting**	**21 Cards**	**22 Exercise** At 9:00 AM	**23**
24	**25 Fund raiser** 5:00 – 7:00 Monterrey	**26 Exercise** At 9:00 AM **Quilting** At 1:00 PM	**27**	**28**	**29**	**30**
			Stop in for coffee any morning after 8:00			

All are welcome! We would invite you to come join us any time you can…

Douglass Public Library News

THINGS ARE HAPPENING AT THE DOUGLASS PUBLIC LIBRARY!

Lego Club will now be from 3:30-4:30 on the 4th Monday of each month. This is for ages Pre-K through 5th grade. Pre-K students must have an adult stay with them. No sign-ups are necessary.

Watch for notes coming home regarding LET (Library Explorers on Tuesday) for 2nd-5th grade. Sign-ups will be August 28th-September 11th and the program will start September 19th.

Parents of Sisk Middle Schoolers be sure to check our Facebook page for our BLASTT events. Also be sure to tell your child to listen for an announcement at school regarding this. The first one will be coming up soon.

Attention parents of children 0-5 years old! We will be starting 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten soon. Please watch Facebook for more details or ask us about it the next time you come into the library.

OUT WITH THE OLD IN WITH THE NEW!

We are very excited to announce that the library will be getting new carpet and replacing most of the shelving in the children's area. In order for this to happen we will be closing for a period of time, hopefully not more than 3-4 days. We will give our patrons as much notice as possible so please watch for further details regarding this. It's going to look great when it's finished!

As always please feel free to call the library at 746-2600 with any questions.

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L.O.C.A.T.E.

Livestock, Off-Road Vehicle, Commercial and Agricultural Thefts Electronic Network

Livestock
Off-Road Vehicle
Commercial
Agricultural
Theft
Electronic Network

NO CHARGE,

NO HASSLE!

An online neighborhood watch program for rural populations and commercial equipment owners in South Central Kansas.

The Butler County, Kansas, Sheriff's Office would like to invite you to participate in the Livestock, Off-road Vehicle, Commercial and Agricultural Thefts Electronic Network (LOCATE). The objective of the program is to efficiently get information regarding stolen farm equipment, livestock theft, livestock recovery, commercial equipment and suspicious activities distributed to citizens living or working in Butler and the surrounding counties. The objective is to quickly inform all participants of suspicious activities and crime in your neighborhood, farming community, and construction sites.

Once and individual or business has been put on the distribution list they will be able to receive e-mails from LOCATE.

This program does not take the place of 911. If there is an emergency that requires law enforcement response, call 911. If you have a piece of equipment stolen or there is a suspicious character in your area, call 911.

Visit www.bucosheriff.org

-or-

Send your Name, Address, Phone Number, Email Address and type of business to: locate@bucoks.com, or call 316-322-4257.