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Soaring Airplanes

Several children participated in a paper airplane competition Wednesday afternoon, July 3, at the St. Clair Library. The activity was part of the children's club, which takes place Wednesdays at 3:30 p.m. during summer.

Missourian Photo/Elizabeth Barmeier.

Local In Po

State Rel

By Gregg Jones
Missourian Staff Writer

A local attorney and a pharmaceutical company based in Union County are the applicants pre-filing for sales tax exemptions to open medical marijuana dispensaries in Franklin County.

The Department of Health and Senior Services (DHSS) was ordered Monday to release the names of the applicants for growing, manufacturing and dispensing medical marijuana in the state.

There have been 22 total requests in Franklin County. Of those, 14 applications were filed for growing marijuana, six for manufacturing marijuana products and two for dispensing.

The information obtained Monday by *The Missourian* located the applicants by ZIP code, not specifically by name. That means an applicant with ZIP code 63090 may not be in the city of Washington.

Applications

Among the applications is one from Pharma Tech Industries.

Photographs of the crime scene. Upon returning, officers were notified that the pickup truck. The truck had mechanical troubles, so he sender remained inside the vehicle with the business owner until police arrived.



Story Time

St. Clair Library children's programmer Alesia Cullen reads "The Iron Giant" Wednesday afternoon, July 3, to a group of children.

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the list was released to *The Missourian*.

It shows the majority of the properties being appealed are owned by proper-

Copeland added some of the appeals are expected every two years simply because home values are rising and others appeal every cycle on principle.

"It's usually the same people every time," Copeland said. "We had one appeal where the taxes only went up \$5.60."

Increases

Because of the jumps in property taxes this year, the assessor's office was inundated with calls and complaints.

About 45,000 of the 75,000 total parcels assessed went up in value leading Copeland to send out letters to residents reminding them he did not set the tax rate, but instead the various taxing bodies their residences lie in set the tax rates.

After an article was pub-

lished, Copeland said.

Uptick

If there is any positive to taxes going up, it is that the values of homes in Franklin County are on the slow rise, but still haven't fully recovered from the high-water mark of 2012.

"We are seeing a lot more property being bought in the last four years," Copeland said. "That's how the assessments are being calculated."

He gave an example of a property assessed at \$294,000 in 2012. Four years later, in 2016, the assessment was down nearly \$30,000 to \$265,000.

By 2018, the property had recouped about \$20,000 and was assessed at \$287,000, but in 2019, it was still valued at \$1,000 less than it was seven years ago.

It's time to turn that property into liquid instead of just an asset," Brinker said. "With this approval we will proceed accordingly."

In September 2015, the value of the property was appraised at just under \$2.2 million or \$75,000 per acre.

Brinker added there has been no new discussion about a veterans home in Washington in almost two years when both state budget constraints and bed limitations closed the window of possibility.

"We've marketed the property since then, but haven't had any takers," Brinker said. "The prospect of the veterans home and its impact on Washington

WASTEWATER

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stalled, the lagoon will close in late August and early September, according to Ulrich.

In order to close the lagoon, the weather needs to be hot for it dry up.

"We're really hoping to tie everything up this year by late summer," Ulrich said.

The design plans of a subsurface land application system, developed by Cochran Engineering, were approved in April by the Missouri Department of Natural Resources (DNR). The system will consist of an additional septic tank, pump and an extra drain field to the district's existing septic tank system.

Cochran workers have completed the survey fieldwork and geohydrologic evaluation fieldwork was completed by DNR in March.

Background

In 2016, the school district started looking into

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Weekend Missourian: All Ads, Classified Line, Classified Display, Garage Sales, Real Estate - 4 p.m. Thursday. Special Sections - 10 a.m. Wednesday; Preprinted Supplements - 8 a.m. Wednesday; Legals - 4 p.m. Thursday.

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St. Clair Library Events for July

Listed below are St. Clair Scenic Regional Library events for the month of July.

Preschool story time is every Thursday at 11 a.m.

July 6: Lincoln Logs at 11 a.m.

July 10: Children's club at 3:30 p.m. The activity will be stuffed aliens.

July 8: Rock-A-Thon at 10 a.m. Whichever branch can keep its rocking chair going the longest wins. Book bingo at 11 a.m. All winners will receive book prizes.

July 9: Book event at 6 p.m. Authors will discuss "Jumping From Helicopters," which details experiences during the Vietnam war.

July 11: Fishing 101 at 6 p.m. Rods and reels will be provided. Participants will learn about basic equipment, fish identification, how to bait a hook and more.

July 13: Galaxy Glitter Mugs at 2 p.m.

July 17: Glenn Foster will perform a magic show at 10 a.m. Children's club at 3:30 p.m. The activity will be a jumbo version of the game "Sorry!"

July 18: Book to movie club at 5 p.m. There will be a discussion and a showing of "The Sense of an Ending" by Julian Barnes.

July 23: Tales with a tail at 6 p.m. A therapy dog named Bear will make an appearance.

July 24: Children's club at 3:30 p.m. The activity will be nebula-in-a-bottle necklace.

July 25: Adult book club at 2 p.m. There will be a discussion of "Bring Me Back" by B.A. Paris.

July 31: Children's club at 3:30 p.m. The activity will be tie-dyeing shirts. Participants must bring their own shirts.

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