

# 2019 CERTIFICATION

## Consumer Confidence Report (CCR)

0530017

Public Water System Name

Rockhill Community Water Association

List PWS ID #s for all Community Water Systems included in this CCR

The Federal Safe Drinking Water Act (SDWA) requires each Community Public Water System (PWS) to develop and distribute a Consumer Confidence Report (CCR) to its customers each year. Depending on the population served by the PWS, this CCR must be mailed or delivered to the customers, published in a newspaper of local circulation, or provided to the customers upon request. Make sure you follow the proper procedures when distributing the CCR. **You must email, fax (but not preferred) or mail, a copy of the CCR and Certification to the MSDH.** Please check all boxes that apply.

- Customers were informed of availability of CCR by: *(Attach copy of publication, water bill or other)*
  - Advertisement in local paper *(Attach copy of advertisement)*
  - On water bills *(Attach copy of bill)*
  - Email message *(Email the message to the address below)*
  - Other \_\_\_\_\_

Date(s) customers were informed:   /  /  2020      /  /  2020      /  /  2020

- CCR was distributed by U.S. Postal Service or other direct delivery. Must specify other direct delivery methods used \_\_\_\_\_

Date Mailed/Distributed:   /  /  

- CCR was distributed by Email *(Email MSDH a copy)*      Date Emailed:   /  /  2020
  - As a URL \_\_\_\_\_ *(Provide Direct URL)*
  - As an attachment
  - As text within the body of the email message

- CCR was published in local newspaper. *(Attach copy of published CCR or proof of publication)*

Name of Newspaper: Starville Daily News

Date Published: 05/31/2020

- CCR was posted in public places. *(Attach list of locations)*      Date Posted:   /  /  2020
- CCR was posted on a publicly accessible internet site at the following address: \_\_\_\_\_ *(Provide Direct URL)*

### CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the CCR has been distributed to the customers of this public water system in the form and manner identified above and that I used distribution methods allowed by the SDWA. I further certify that the information included in this CCR is true and correct and is consistent with the water quality monitoring data provided to the PWS officials by the Mississippi State Department of Health, Bureau of Public Water Supply

Gary Gibson, Board President  
Name/Title (Board President, Mayor, Owner, Admin. Contact, etc.)

06-25-2020  
Date

### Submission options (Select one method ONLY)

**Mail:** (U.S. Postal Service)  
MSDH, Bureau of Public Water Supply  
P.O. Box 1700  
Jackson, MS 39215

**Email:** [water.reports@msdh.ms.gov](mailto:water.reports@msdh.ms.gov)  
**Fax:** (601) 576 - 7800  
**\*\*Not a preferred method due to poor clarity\*\***

**CCR Deadline to MSDH & Customers by July 1, 2020!**



<b>Inorganic Contaminants</b>									
8. Arsenic	N	2018*	.6	No Range	ppb	n/a	10		Erosion of natural deposits; runoff from orchards; runoff from glass and electronics production wastes
10. Barium	N	2018*	.0596	.0581 - .0596	ppm	2	2		Discharge of drilling wastes; discharge from metal refineries; erosion of natural deposits
13. Chromium	N	2018*	.6	No Range	ppb	100	100		Discharge from steel and pulp mills; erosion of natural deposits
14. Copper	N	2015/17*	.4	0	ppm	1.3	AL=1.3		Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits; leaching from wood preservatives
16. Fluoride	N	2018*	.13	.13 - .114	ppm	4	4		Erosion of natural deposits; water additive which promotes strong teeth; discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories
17. Lead	N	2015/17*	1	0	ppb	0	AL=15		Corrosion of household plumbing systems, erosion of natural deposits
<b>Disinfection By-Products</b>									
Chlorine	N	2019	1	.6 - 1.3	ppm	0	MRDL = 4		Water additive used to control microbes
<b>Unregulated Contaminants</b>									
Sodium	N	2019	31000	No Range	PPB	NONE	NONE		Road Salt, Water Treatment Chemicals, Water Softeners and Sewage Effluents.

\* Most recent sample. No sample required for 2019.

As you can see by the table, our system had no 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. 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 Rock Hill Community Water Association 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.



Jim Hood speaks to his supporters during his watch party at Duling Hall in Jackson, Miss., Tuesday, August 6, 2019. Hood won the Democratic nomination for governor. (Photo by Eric J. Shelton/Mississippi Today)

## Black voters are the overwhelmingly majority of Mississippi Democratic Party's base. Why is party leadership white?

By ADAM GANUCHEAU  
Mississippi Today

Bobby Moak called into the statewide radio show of uber-conservative Paul Gallo on Aug. 6, 2016, for what was his first public interview since taking over as chairman of the Mississippi Democratic Party.

Moak, the former Democratic leader in the House of Representatives who was defeated by the Republicans in November 2015, was pressed for several minutes by Gallo about his position on the state flag, which is the last in the nation containing the Confederate battle emblem.

Many Mississippians believe the emblem is a symbol of hate and shouldn't represent the state with the highest percentage of black residents. Gallo: "Let's play the 'what if game.' If Democrats had power in the Legislature and the Governor's Mansion, what would you do about the state flag?"

Moak: "I think one thing that we can't do is throw out real issues out there. We've got too many issues with education."

Gallo: "Now you're just dancing around it, and that's what people don't like. Here's a yes or no question: If you were in total control, would you, through the Legislature, change the state flag?"

Moak: "Paul, I'm not a member of the Legislature."

Gallo: "No, but you're the chairman of the Democratic Party, and I think your views are respected or at least you'd like to be with the people out there. Would the Democrats change the flag immediately if they were in control of the Legislature?"

Moak: "I don't have a crystal ball, Paul. I have no idea."

Gallo: "Would you push for that as chairman?"

Moak: "Well let's just say this. Your same question is that (Republican Speaker of the House

Philip Gunn) is in control of the Republican majority. He's passed that (the state flag change) needs to occur, and we haven't seen that happen. So let's look in today's realities, and let's talk about some issues that are going to make some difference in people's lives like education, poverty and jobs. Let's don't dance around those issues either, Paul. I mean, my goodness—"

Gallo: "I'm asking because we just had a publisher of a newspaper that thinks we need to change the state flag. I think so, too. I'm asking, as chairman of the Democrat Party, are you in favor, yes or no, of doing that, and will you push for it with the candidates you put forth in the next election cycle?"

Moak: "Well first of all, as chairman of the party I don't put forth candidates. Number two, I don't set policy, that's the Legislature. I used to be there—"

Gallo: "Well what do you do?"

Moak: "Here's what we do, we try to put the pressure in place so that good candidates will come forward."

Six times in four minutes, the brand new chairman of the Mississippi Democratic Party refused to say that Democrats should change the state flag if given the opportunity.

"That was the moment I knew the leadership of the Mississippi Democratic Party didn't represent people who look like me," said Tyrone Hendrix, a longtime political strategist who worked on the presidential campaigns of Barack Obama and Hillary Clinton and helped manage Johnny DuPre's 2011 gubernatorial campaign. At least 70 percent of Democratic voters in Mississippi are black, but the top leader of the Mississippi Democratic Party is white.

As white elected officials and voters have dashed the Democratic Party in down in recent years, white Democrats have misinterpreted their

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## DISC

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band (brynnified at the time) was interested. She said she has gotten more involved in the last two months because it has helped her stay connected with friends within the coronavirus limitations.

"My husband and I didn't have much to do, so we began playing disc golf more," Sager said. "We have a strong community of friends that we are really missing. Disc golf has allowed us to still get to see them during COVID-19 and keep our community going, since it's an outside sport."

The Hattiesburg Disc Golf Association, with around 125 members, has been going strong for about 10 years. It recently added a women's team called the Down South Disc Golf Divas. There are eight women in the newly formed team.

Roberts is one of the members of the new team, but she and her husband have been playing long before the women's team was established.

"I've been playing for about three years, but just started taking it seriously about nine months ago," she said. "This is my first year as an HDGA member and I'm loving it."

But the sport is one that brings people together, even with its competitive players. "Twenty-one-year-old Leanne Fuqua, a nursing major at Southwest Mississippi Community College, said she especially enjoys the camaraderie of the all-female team.

"Having an organization of women who take each other up while staying active is simply amazing," she said. Disc golf wasn't always her thing, Fuqua said, but she has grown to love the sport.

"I started playing with my boyfriend around July of last year," she said. "I wasn't crazy about it, so I sold all of my discs to Play It Again in Hattiesburg about a month after I started playing. I started playing a lot more around January, and I love it."

Sepina Shepherd is new to the sport. The 38-year-old unit trainer at Pearl-Wallie House has been playing for just two weeks. She said she is proud to be a founding member of the women's team.

"I have to say that I am having the time of my life with these amazing women," she said. "They are all so very encouraging and helpful. Disc golf is a way to bring her family together as well, Shepherd said.

"I have two amazing kids who occasionally come out to watch or even play," she said. "My husband of almost 20 years introduced me to the game."

Michelle Clay said her husband and 11-year-old son have been playing disc golf for a couple years. Clay is a medical technician at Frontier General's Cancer Center but is transitioning to a new career August, when she will begin teaching science at Hattiesburg High School.

Clay has played off and on, she said, but often takes care of the couple's 5-year-old white cat and son play.

"I figure if you can't beat 'em, join 'em, so I've started practicing more and trying to learn the game," she said. "I'm excited about having the ladies league to have something about disc golf that's more for me."

Ginny Garner said her husband had been playing for several years and introduced her to the sport when the couple was dating.

"I picked up a disc about a year ago and I'm enjoying having women to play with," the 29-year-old Pearl source teacher said. "This is my first year as an HDGA member and the members are so encouraging and helpful."

"The great thing about disc golf is that anyone can play. There are set pads for different levels of players and a large support group to learn from."

Disc golf entails throwing a disc into a "hole" while trying to use the fewest number of moves. Like golf, the lower the score, the better a player's chance of winning.

Dan Koehler helped get the local group started in 2010. He has watched the association grow, with more than double the amount of players showing up for this year's season opener.

"In past years, our season-opening tag round usually brought in around 45 players," he said. "This year it was 93."

Shepherd and Garner said the association would like to see more women get involved in the sport.

"They can even bring their children and us other ladies can help with them while the moon play with us," Shepherd said. "We want to give an opportunity for the whole family to be involved in the sport. Disc Golf is the perfect sport where almost anyone can play."

"A league for women helps to grow the sport and provides a similar leveled group to compete with and learn from," Garner said. "While we are a small group, we would love to see more women join disc golf."

## Reopened Mississippi casinos made more this Memorial Day

From Wire Reports

BILOXI, Miss. (AP) — Mississippi's casinos reopened just in time for the Memorial Day weekend and what a weekend it was. Casinos raked in \$5 million more than Memorial Day weekend 2019, when they

reopened. The Mississippi Gaming Commission reported Thursday. This increase was without the Beau Rivage Resort & Casino in Biloxi — the state's largest casino — being open, The Sun Herald reported. Customers will be welcomed back there beginning June 1.

"What we know is there's a lot of pent-up demand out there," Gov. Tate Reeves said during a press conference Thursday.

People want to go out to nice restaurants and casinos after being home for so long, he said.

Casinos reopened May 21 under tight restrictions including 50% occupancy on the casino floor and social distancing requirements.

Silver Slipper Casino in Hattiesburg County opened with only 392 of its 855 total slot machines, and only permitting three active positions at table games that normally accommodate six or more people, according to a press release from parent company Full House Resorts. The total casino win increased by 12.3% despite a 15.9% decrease in customer over the first five days the casino was open, the company reported.

## Local scholars named to Dean's List at Mississippi College

For Starkville Daily News

Carly Cappelman of Starkville

The Mississippi College Office of Academic Affairs this week released the dean's list after the close of fall and spring semesters each academic year.

To be eligible for the Dean's List, a student must maintain a 3.5 grade point average, based on a 4.0 system.

The student must take a full course load of at least 12 semester hours of undergraduate credit with all academic courses impacting their grade point average.

Sara Duncan of Starkville

Emmie Fair of California

Jacob Ginn of Maben

Mosley Hastings of Caladonia

Isaac Jackson of Starkville

Keith Lawrence of Starkville

Glenn Mink of Columbus

Carley Spears of Starkville

Claire Wamboldt of Starkville

Kimmarion Whitted of Columbus

Luke Wilson of Maricopa

2019 Annual Drinking Water Quality Report  
Rock Hill Community Water Association  
RWQP 020017  
April 2020

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