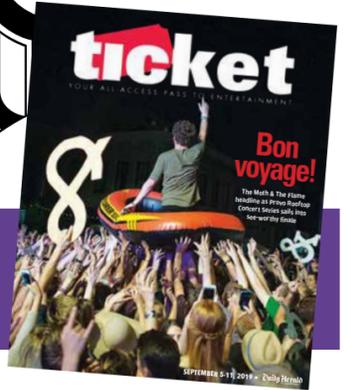


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Payson Lakes under algal bloom warning

Officials issue notice after young girl falls ill

BY ASHLEY STILSON
Daily Herald

The Utah County Health Department issued an algal bloom warning for Payson Lakes on Wednesday after

a 12-year-old girl became sick while recreating at the lake this week.

Health officials stated Big East Lake, Box Lake and McClellan Lake are all under advisory warning, and

the Division of Water Quality is monitoring the water and collecting follow-up samples, a press release stated.

Algal blooms can cause gastrointestinal distress, headaches and rashes, and toxins can also be fatal for livestock or pets.

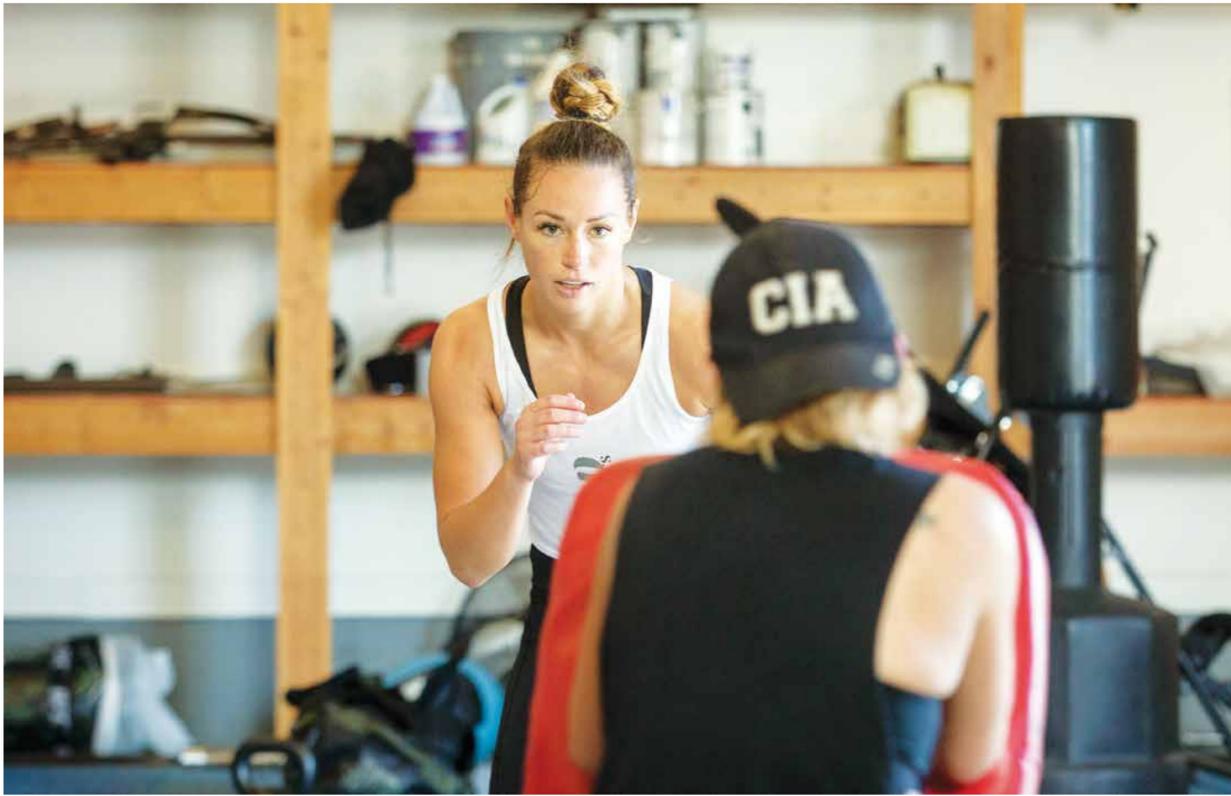
The mother of the girl said she spotted algal on and near the shore of Big East Lake as her daughter played in the lake on Sept. 1 and 2.

"The girl's symptoms are consistent with dermal exposure and ingestion of cyanobacteria," the press release reported.

On July 9, the health department issued a warning advisory for McClellan Lake after noticing filamentous algae along the shore and observing the water was murky and had a green hue.

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Fighters and their faith



NATALIE BEHRING, SPECIAL TO THE HERALD

MMA Champion Kaitlyn Neil prepares for a her match at a gym in Lehi on July 5. Neil, who was formerly a cheerleader and dancer at Pleasant Grove High School, is one of three competitors fighting this Friday that share the LDS faith.

Three unlikely Utah MMA champions share their LDS faith

BY GENELLE PUGMIRE
Daily Herald

Mixed Martial Artists have many nicknames and faces. There's Frank "Twinkle Toes" Trigg, Steve "Red Nose" Berger, Ryan "Darth" Bader and Cuki "The Flying Cockroach" Beerbohm.

But what about Kaitlyn "Katt-niss" Neil, Carson "the Perfect Storm" Hardman or Westin Wilson?

This Friday in the center ring at the Legacy Fighting Alliance fight night at the Maverik Center in West Valley City, these champions will be fighting for the Utah

MMA Championships.

MMA combines several forms of martial arts and boxing into one art form. Each fight has three rounds and usually involves fighting while standing or striking and on the ground or grappling.

It's not their nicknames or

even their wins that often brings these three fighters the most attention, it's their faith.

Hardman, Wilson and Neil are all active members of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. Hardman and Wilson are

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Lee, Romney decry using Hill funds for border wall

Trump shifts funding as part of emergency order

BY TIM VANDENACK
Standard-Examiner

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Some \$54 million in funding to two Hill Air Force Base projects will be diverted to aid in the construction of the wall between the United States and Mexico, per the call by President Donald Trump for beefed-up border security.

The news sparked concern Wednesday from Utah's two U.S. senators, both Republicans. More specifically, in a joint statement, Sens. Mitt Romney and Mike Lee decried the means used to divert the funds, part of \$3.6 billion to be pulled from a range of U.S. military projects in response to a presidential declaration last February of a national emergency along the border.

"Funding the border wall is an important priority, and the executive branch should use the appropriate channels in Congress rather than divert already appropriated funding away from military construction projects and therefore undermining military readiness," Romney said in a statement

Lee couched his criticism in what he sees as the gradual chipping away of power from Congress.

"Congress has been ceding far too much powers to the executive branch for decades and it is far past time for Congress to restore the proper balance of power between the three branches," Lee said.

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OREM

Sex offender pleads not guilty to molesting teen

BY ASHLEY STILSON
Daily Herald

An Orem man accused of sexually assaulting a teenager multiple times after meeting through an online game pleaded not guilty to eight felony charges in 4th District Court on Wednesday.

Christopher Jeremy "CJ" Prue, 27, was arrested in June and charged with child kidnapping, sodomy of a child and two counts of rape of a child, all first-degree felonies, as well as four counts of unlawful sexual activity with a minor, all third-degree felonies.

On Wednesday, he appeared in 4th District Court in Provo and pleaded not guilty to all charges. The next court hearing is scheduled for Sept. 25.

According to court documents, Prue contacted a 12-year-old boy through an

online Pokemon game in 2014. Between 2014 and 2018, Prue reportedly sexually assaulted the boy in a church parking lot and at the boy's home.



Prue

As the father of the boy was serving as a bishop in The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, Prue reportedly convinced the boy to obtain a key to a church building and would sexually assault him inside the facility, charges state. During interviews with detectives, Prue reportedly admitted to the allegations and stated the assaults ended in 2016. However, investigators learned he had been texting and using social media to try and meet with the teenager again.

This is the second time Prue has been arrested for sexually assaulting a minor. In 2016, he was arrested and charged with molesting a 14-year-old boy who lived near Alpine.

Charges state Prue met the teenager in 2013 through social media apps. The teenager told investigators that Prue gave him gifts, including sex toys, and sometimes paid him for sexual acts.

Prue pleaded no contest to one count of unlawful sexual activity with a minor, a third-degree felony, and the remaining nine felony charges were dismissed. He served one year in jail and was still on probation when he was arrested in June.

If convicted, Prue would face 25 years to life in prison for each first-degree felony. He is currently being held without bail at the Utah County Jail.

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Revere Health marks 50 years

Company started with 3 physicians

BY BRALEY DODSON
Daily Herald

In 50 years, the medical equipment, photographs and other memorabilia buried inside Revere Health's time capsule will likely be seen as archaic and in some cases, obsolete.

A lot is expected to change in health care in the next few years, much like it has in the

five decades Revere Health has been in Provo.

"It's hard to believe we are middle-aged now," said Scott Barlow, the CEO of Revere Health, at a time capsule ceremony Wednesday.

Revere Health employees celebrated the 50-year anniversary Wednesday morning at the organization's Provo campus to look over its history and bury a time capsule that will be unearthed in 50 years.

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