

NIAGARA COUNTY

## **Labs study well water from Lewiston, Porter**

LOCKPORT — Two laboratories are analyzing water samples taken from 12 wells in Lewiston and Porter, Niagara County Environmental Health Director James J. Devald said last week.

Devald told the county Board of Health that the state Health Department's Wadsworth Laboratory is analyzing the water for evidence of radioactivity, while a private company, Eastern Laboratory Services, is checking for chemical contamination and bacteria.

The wells were selected for their proximity to the Lake Ontario Ordnance Works site, where nuclear waste from the World War II atomic bomb project is buried. Devald said the sampling was completed Sept. 14.

Six of the wells are used for drinking water by their owners.