

LOCAL SCENE

Thursday, Aug. 1

- Commission, administration building, 9 a.m.
- Free movie, Warrenton 8 Cinema, showing "The Smurfs," 10 a.m.
- Binkley Exhibit, Warren County Museum, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.
- Alzheimer's Support Group for caregivers, St. John's Lutheran Church, 1 p.m.
- Dino O'Dell music show, Scenic Regional Library, Warrenton, 2 p.m. RSVP.
- Warren County Farmers Market and Artisans, Diekroeger Park, 330-630 p.m.
- WB Watchers meeting, 107 W. Walton, Warrenton, 5 p.m.
- Pickin' and grinnin' Jam session, Deerfield's on Main, 5-9 p.m.
- Dino O'Dell music show, Scenic Regional Library, Wright City, 6-8 p.m. RSVP.
- Grief counseling, Martin Funeral Home, 6-730 p.m.
- Marine Corps League Detachment 1393, Elks Lodge, Warrenton, 7 p.m.
- Warrenton Planning and Zoning Commission, city hall, 7 p.m.
- Warrenton Lions Club, 7 p.m.

Friday, Aug. 2

- Warrenton Elks Lodge barbecue, 10 a.m.-7 p.m.
- Binkley Exhibit, Warren County Museum, 10 a.m.-4 p.m.
- Live music, Lake Creek Winery, 4-7 p.m., barn dances, 7-10 p.m.
- Open mic night, Blue Anchor Coffee & Bistro, 530-830 p.m.
- Movie night, Cedar Lake Cellars, 6 p.m.
- Live music, Deerfield's on Main, 6-9 p.m.
- Alcoholics Anonymous Group 130 meeting, senior center, 8-9 p.m.

Monday, Aug. 5

- Commission, administration building, 9 a.m.
- Blood Drive, Jonesburg Community Building, 2-6 p.m.
- Imagination Station, Scenic Regional Library, Warrenton, 3:15-4:15 p.m. for grades K-fifth.
- American Legion Auxiliary Unit 122 meeting, 1050 East Veterans Memorial Parkway, Warrenton, 6 p.m.
- Warrenton Elks bingo, 630 p.m.
- Al-Anon, College United Methodist Church, Warrenton, 7 p.m.
- Laborers Club, Ruiz, Wright City, 7 p.m.
- Alcoholics Anonymous Group 130 meeting, senior center, 8-9 p.m.

Tuesday, Aug. 6

- Veterans Coffee, senior center, 9-1030 a.m.
- Warren County Commission, administration building, 9 a.m.
- Free movie, Warrenton 8 Cinema, showing "How to Train Your Dragon 4," 10 a.m.
- Story Time for Preschoolers, Scenic Regional Library, Warrenton, 10 a.m.
- Chicks with Sticks, crochet or knitting lessons, Scenic Regional Library, Warrenton, 1 p.m.
- Warren County Farmers and Artisans Market, Warrenton City Hall Pavilion, 330-6 p.m.
- National Night Out, Bruer Park, Truesdale, 5-9 p.m.
- Take Off Pounds Sensibly, Grace Bible Church, 25445 S. Highway 47, Warrenton, 5:15 p.m.
- Cocaine Anonymous, 116 South Maine St., Bellflower, 545 p.m.
- Warrenton Board of Aldermen, city hall, 6 p.m.
- St. Louis Browns, Scenic Regional Library, Warrenton, 6 p.m. RSVP.

Wednesday, Aug. 7

- Take Off Pounds Sensibly, First Baptist Church, 104 Hedeman, Wright City, 9 a.m.
- Story Time for Preschoolers, Scenic Regional Library, Wright City, 10 a.m.
- Warrenton Elks bingo, 10 a.m.
- Kiwanis Club of Wright City meeting, Ruiz Castillo, Wright City, noon.
- Back to school event, Black Hawk Middle School, 1-7 p.m.
- Open house, Warrenton High School, 5-7 p.m.
- Mat Pilates, Scenic Regional Library, Warrenton, 5 p.m. RSVP.
- VFW Post 2180 Auxiliary meeting, Warrenton, 630 p.m.
- VFW Post 2180 meeting, Warrenton VFW, 730 p.m.
- Alcoholics Anonymous Group 130 meeting, senior center, 8-9 p.m.

BRIDGE

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er material from the river to specific depths.

Although the old concrete piers were not drilled all the way to bedrock, Frye said anything remaining is so deep and will be covered over and never seen again.

As on Tuesday, all of the steel was already out of the water and a final sonar scan was scheduled for Wednesday to find any remaining debris.

"The sonar has a very high definition display and will identify even the smallest pieces of steel even if they are buried in the mud," Frye said.

The final pier on the Washington side of the river will be cut down as well and Frye said a very small amount of debris is expected to be removed per year.

Fire officials say the funding will be used to preserve the jobs of six firefighters hired using a federal grant that ran out in early 2019. Without the funding, the district says it will have to scale back from four professional firefighters per shift to two firefighters.

Three previous Wright City Fire tax proposals have been rejected by voters, the most recent of which was turned down by a margin of 108 votes in Warren County last April.

Wright City Fire representatives and supporters are pushing for a higher than average voter turnout to this election.

"Traditionally this single-issue election has seen low turnout. So we're hoping our supporters get out and voice their opinion," said Fire Chief Ron MacKnight.

He said representatives have been making door-to-door visits with local residents. Community supporters have also been making an

dyke on that bank.

"In the next few weeks, we will remove the steel and other demolition debris on the Warren County side of the river," Frye said. "A couple more weeks and we will be done. It's been a great project except for the river rising."

Frye added Marschel Wrecking will move on to other demolition projects of buildings and the company was awarded the contract to remove two Interstate 44 bridges spanning the Meramec River near Interstate 270 in Fenton, but those will be demolished by equipment only and not explosives.

Jason and Joanne Marschel, founders and owners of Marschel Wrecking grew up and live in Warrenton. Frye also is from Warren County.

Marschel Wrecking began body makes an informed decision," MacKnight commented.

Boundaries

Voters who come to fill out a ballot on Aug. 6 could be voting on one or both issues, depending on where they live.

There is some overlap between the boundaries of Warren County R-III School District and Wright City Fire Protection District, where residents will vote on both issues. However, many residents live within one district and outside the other, meaning they will vote on just the school tax or just the fire tax.

Only the tax (or taxes) that actually apply to a voter's property will appear on that voter's ballot.

Because the ballot issues are limited to specific areas, voters in some parts of southern Warren County don't have any voting issues at all. Polling places in Dutzow, Lake Sherwood and Marthasville won't be open Aug. 6, as there are no election items in those voting precincts.

SUSPECTS

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early July 29 at a Westwoods Road, side Wright City.

The suspects told tors they were trav vehicle that broke c by. Moore alleged in the door of the restrained a home side using a gar Police said Winsor to watching the h while Moore gath ables from the hom then stole a SUV home, authorities a

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If approved, a re a home valued at would see a tax i \$73.32 per year.

In addition to ing levy, the distr other tax levies th be affected by Pro

The district's de tax levy is 0.6418 \$100 assessed This tax pays va issues from years construction that refinanced, said S er, director of fi said the last bond 2036.

The district's c