Local Scene

Monday, Feb. 10
- Wellness lunch, sign and symptoms of a heart attack and stroke, Warren County Health Department, noon-1 p.m.
- Artisan Guild meeting, Scenic Regional Library, Warrenton, 12:30-2 p.m.
- Adult book club, Scenic Regional Library, Wright City, 6 p.m.
- Bingo, Warrenton Elks Lodge, 6:30 p.m.
- A.G.A., College United Methodist Church, Warrenston, 7 p.m.
- Wright City Lions Club, 678 Westwoods Road, Wright City, 7:30 p.m.
- Alcoholics Anonymous Group 180 meeting, Fellowship Baptist Church, 8:30 p.m.

Tuesday, Feb. 11
- Story Time for Preschoolers, Scenic Regional Library, Warrenston, 10 a.m.
- Take Off Pounds Sensibly, Grace Bible Church, 25445 S Highway 47, Warrenton, 5:30 p.m.
- Pilot Club meeting, Agricultural Heritage Museum, 7 p.m.

Wednesday, Feb. 12
- Take Off Pounds Sensibly, First Baptist Church, 104 Hedeman, Wright City, 9 a.m.
- Bingo, Warrenton Elks Lodge, 10 a.m.
- Story Time for Preschoolers, Scenic Regional Library, Wright City, 10 a.m.
- Mat Pilates, Scenic Regional Library, Warrenston, 6 p.m.
- Class of 2024, 8th grade student & parent night, Warrenton High School commons, 6-7 p.m.
- Warrenton Democratic Club meeting at Scenic Regional Library, Wright City, 6:30 p.m.
- Alcoholics Anonymous Group 180 meeting, Fellowship Baptist Church, 8:30 p.m.

St. Charles County changes name of airport

The St. Charles County Council voted Jan. 27 to rename the county’s airport to reflect the continued growth and economic development in the area. Formerly known as St. Charles County – Smart Field Airport, the name change is now St. Charles County Regional Airport – Smart Field.

Last year, the Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT) Aviation Section completed an update of the Missouri State Aviation System Plan (SASP), including a review of each airport in the state. The plan lists Smart Field as a “regional business airport,” which concurs with the Federal Aviation Administration’s (FAA) assessment.

“The new name – St. Charles County Regional Airport – Smart Field – clearly reflects what the airport has become,” says Airport Director Dennis Wiss. “We are serving the region, not just the county. Owned and maintained by St. Charles County Government, St. Charles County Regional Airport – Smart Field is a public facility located nine nautical miles northeast of the central business district of the City of St. Charles. For those driving, the location is at 6390 Grafton Ferry Road in Portage Des Sioux – 15 minutes from St. Charles and 30 minutes from St. Louis.

The airport covers 312 acres and has two runways with asphalt surfaces. It accommodates single-engine aircraft up to 12,500 pounds, and has runway lighting, airport control tower, and fuel service on-site. For more information, visit stcou.com or call 636-627-1377.

Department of Ag holding annual photo contest

The Missouri Department of Agriculture is launching the 11th annual Focus on Missouri Agriculture photo contest to help kickoff National Thank a Farmer week. The department is asking Missourians to submit unique stories and images of agriculture through photographs.

The contest, which runs through June 12, is an opportunity for amateur photos to shape through a breathtaking farm landscape, an aerial shot of harvest, a tractor at rest, or a fun moment showcasing farm life.

The contest is open to Missouri’s amateur photographers of all ages. Participants may enter up to three photos in each of the five categories. The photo contest category is available at agriculture.mo.gov/contests and complete the online form. A complete list of rules and guidelines can be found on the same page. Photos submitted to the contest will be judged on visual impact, creativity, memorable content, and image quality.

To submit your photos, go to agriculture.mo.gov/contests and follow the prompts to submit your photos online. Entries will be judged on visual impact, creativity, memorable content, and image quality. The contest deadline is June 12.

Lumette Bontemps, at his work station, checks her email and updates her to-do list for the day.