

LOCAL SCENE

Please check with individual organizers to find out if your event has been canceled or postponed.

Thursday, July 23

- Farmers Market, Diekroeger Park, Wright City, 3:30-6 p.m.
- W8 Watchers meeting, 107 W. Walton, Warrenton, 5 p.m.
- Take Off Pounds Sensibly, FCFC Church, S Service Rd Warrenton, 5:15 p.m.
- Adult Program, all Scenic Regional Library Facebook pages, 5 p.m.

Friday, July 24

- Seniors to Seniors Artist Showcase, Renaissance Wine Garden, 4 p.m.-8 p.m.

Saturday, July 25

- Fat Heads Car Show, Diekroeger Park, Wright City, 8 a.m.-8 p.m.

Monday, July 27

- Al-Anon, College United Methodist Church, Warrenton, 7 p.m.
- Wright City Lions Club, 678 Westwoods Road, Wright City, 7-10 p.m.
- Alcoholics Anonymous Group 130 meeting, Fellowship Baptist Church, 8-9 p.m.
- Virtual Kids Club, all Scenic Regional Library Facebook pages, 1 p.m.

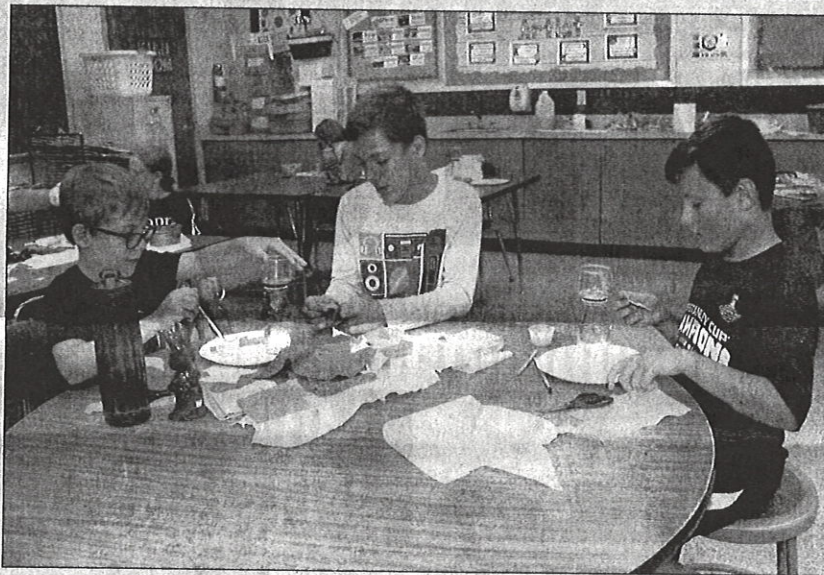
Tuesday, July 28

- Kiwanis Club of Warrenton Area meeting, Oliver's Restaurant, 289 W. Veterans Memorial Parkway, noon.
- Farmers Market, County Fairgrounds, Warrenton, 3:30-6 p.m.

- Virtual storytime for preschoolers, Warrenton Scenic Regional Library Facebook page, 10 a.m.

Wednesday, July 29

- Virtual storytime for preschoolers, Wright City Scenic Regional Library Facebook page, 10 a.m.
- Alcoholics Anonymous Group 130 meeting, Fellowship Baptist Church, 8-9 p.m.
- Take Off Pounds Sensibly, First Baptist Church, 104 Hedeman, Wright City, 9 a.m.
- Virtual teen program, all Scenic Regional Library Facebook pages, 3 p.m.



FINE ART CREATIONS — Students Joshua Ward, Logan Ward and David Beck create 'stained glass' bottles using colored tissue and adhesive as part of a week of activities at the Warren County Fine Arts Camp. Crafts, dance, music and drama were taught at Rebecca Boone Elementary July 13-16. Adam Rollins photo.

CAMP

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difficult to find a facility for the arts camp this year, as organizations have become more cautious about allowing outside use during the pandemic.

"It's a humbling experience. You're basically at the mercy of someone else," she commented. "For them to have enough confidence in what we do to allow this many kids in, without school supervision, is a really nice

thing they do for us."

At the end of the four days of camp, children and their families came out to Bruer Park in Truesdale for the camp's annual performance, in which the kids get to show off everything they've been doing over the last week.

The combination of songs, dances and drama was moved to the park to allow for more social distancing. Despite a bit of heat and any potential concerns over the COVID virus, parents expressed appreciation for the summer activity.

The kids, too, said they

were glad for something to do.

Fourth grader Bailey Daniel said her favorite class was drama.

"It's fun. You have to audition for your roles, and the people get to vote on what character you are. You get to do plays, and it's really funny," Bailey said. "It's the first fun activity (this summer)."

Fellow fourth grader Kai Arntz-George agreed that drama was also his favorite.

"You get to express yourself with costumes and props," he said. "I'm the Sun Chief, so I'm one of the main characters."

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is deeming the "seated" option, will have students learning in the classroom with modifications.

"It will look a little different in every building," said Berger. "We will serve lunch in the classroom across all buildings to eliminate congregations of students."

At the high school, hallways will be one-way travel and multiple passing periods will be utilized to decrease contact. In the elementary buildings, teacher relocation for special classes will limit

time. If we can flatten the curve and preferably start to see it de-escalate, we can go back to voluntary. Right now it's trending to where everybody may have to wear a mask."

R-II will also be offering a virtual learning method for those who wish not to return to the classroom, but prefer to learn remotely. Berger said around 11 percent of surveyed patrons expressed an interest in the virtual learning model.

"All of our patrons can take a virtual option, even if we're ... using the seated model," said Berger. "If you have a vulnerable child, you're going to take a virtual option most likely. There are also parents

"One concern we have is that parents may jump into this virtual model thinking it's going to be like last spring," said Berger. "From taking what we learned in the spring during an abrupt transition and further developing our teachers, it's certainly going to be more rigorous and require the student to engage."

In an effort to simplify the virtual learning process, each student in the R-II District will now have one-to-one access to a personally issued Chromebook computer. The district will be sending out instructions for distribution of those Chromebooks to take place the week of Aug. 18.

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