

LOCAL SCENE

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

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 19

Warrenton Lions Club, 601 Fairgrounds Road, Warrenton, 7 p.m.

Virtual adult program, all Scenic Regional Library Facebook page, 5 p.m.

Warren County Commission, administration building, 9 a.m.

Wright City R-II School Board meeting, central office, Wright City, 6:30 p.m.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 23

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, Wright City Scenic Regional Library Facebook page, 4 p.m.

Warren County Commission, administration building, 9 a.m.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 24

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

Kiwanis Club of Warrenton Area meeting, Blue Anchor, 209 East Main Street, Warrenton, noon.

Warren County Commission, administration building, 9 a.m.

Wright City Chamber of Commerce meeting, Wil Heiliger Activity



STUDENTS SUPPORT COMMUNITY — National Honor Society members were among many Wright City students contributing to a food collection for families in need to have a complete Thanksgiving holiday meal provided for free. Pictured here, from left, are NHS

areas around town. Sommer is hoping more will come to the school this year.

"We really want to be able to meet families that may not speak up, who may need a little nudge to say 'Just come.' We're here to help," Sommer said.

No students are present on the day of the Thanksgiving Outreach in order to preserve the privacy of families. However, students play a major role in the preparation and collection. At the high school, much of the work is done by National Honor Society.

Each of the NHS members was challenged to individually collect two

motivated to contribute by making the food collection a competition between classes. Each school had a goal of 25 boxes, which Secosh said will easily be surpassed.

"I almost feel overwhelmed," Secosh commented. "Holy moly. They just did so well."

Secosh said being part of the Thanksgiving Outreach highlights the sense of community in Wright City, and how much people are willing to do to help their neighbors.

"We met a few families (last year) who would not have come to my attention. I would not have known they needed something, and they just said, 'This is so wonderful,'

"Obviously the holidays can be pretty hard on people. I find it amazing that our community can get together to provide up to 140 meals, and sometimes more than that," Halleman said. "It's neat that the kids can learn from a young age to help their neighbors, and make it fun in the process."

Halleman said Unite Wright City and the schools have focused on collecting more hats, coats and gloves this year to provide a little extra help.

The Thanksgiving Outreach is Saturday, Nov. 21, at Wright City West Elementary from 10-11 a.m. Items will be given away in a contact-free drive-thru in front of the school,

Beekeeping class offered to veterans

Missouri has the first state chapter of Heroes to Hives, a program that supports veterans who want to learn beekeeping.

New sessions of the free program begin March 2021, says Karen Funkenbusch, state director of the Missouri AgrAbility

sion horticulturist Joni Harper, have made numerous presentations on beekeeping, and Harper began the Missouri Master Pollinator Steward program with retired MU Extension horticulturist James Quinn.

Harper says student

with knowledge as well as personal and professional relationships that open up new opportunities."

Funkenbusch, who heads Missouri's Beginning Farmers and Ranchers program, says Missouri is home to more than 440,000 veterans

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