LOCAL SCENE

Tuesday, Nov. 26
- Story Time for Preschoolers, Scenic Regional Library, Warrenton, 10 a.m.
- Kiwanis Club of Warrenton Area meeting, Oliver’s Restaurant, 289 W. Veterans Memorial Parkway, Warrenton, noon
- Chicks with Sticks, crochet or knitting lessons, Scenic Regional Library, Warrenton, 1 p.m.
- Take Off Pounds Sensibly, Grace Bible Church, 25445 S. Highway 47, Warrenton, 5:15 p.m.
- Cocaine Anonymous, 116 South Maine St., Belflower, 5:45 p.m.
- Scenes of St. Louis, Historical Wonder, Scenic Regional Library, Warrenton, 7 p.m. RSVP.

Wednesday, Nov. 27
- Vet to Vet breakfast, Oak Pointe, Warrenton, 8-10 a.m.
- 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.
- OATS Transportation Committee meeting, the senior center, 1 p.m.
- A Novel Bunch book club, Scenic Regional Library, Warrenton, 2 p.m. RSVP.
- Mat Pilates, Scenic Regional Library, Warrenton, 5 p.m. RSVP.
- Alchoholics Anonymous Group 130 meeting, Fellowship Baptist Church, 8-9 p.m.

To make room for that new space, the sheriff’s department was moved from the first floor of the courthouse to newly built offices in the basement. Harrison said repurposing the existing spaces was the most cost-effective way to expand the jail using the county’s existing revenue.

“At the end of the day, I am very happy with what we’ve got,” he stated.

Harrison added that one of the notable upgrades is the padded observation cells for inmates are empty,” Harrison commented.

Some minor work remains in the new areas, but other than that Harrison said what’s left is to clean the old housing units. As inmates are shifted into the new dorms, the sheriff plans to begin a rotation of temporarily emptying the old housing units, power washing them and repainting.

Alongside mechanical repairs, Harrison said this will be the first large-scale restoration. The exact number will depend on topography surveys.

The first phase of development would also include a 2,500-foot extension of Wildcat Drive northward across the length of the park. It would intersect with another road along the northern boundary of the park connecting neighborhoods to the east and west.

A pavilion, restrooms, lighting, parking and utilities would all be included in engineering for the initial phase of development. Plans also will include the water, sewer, and electric utilities to serve the park.

Most of the early development will be limited to the southern area of the park. Future development, including playgrounds, more athletic fields, pavilions and walking trails, will be outlined in the master plan submitted for Bax Engineering.

Wright City purchased land for the park in 2018 for about $1.2 million. Money for the purchase and for future development came from the sale of the city’s water and sewer utilities for $10.5 million.

Man charged with armed robbery at Warrenton home

One suspect has been charged in connection with an October break-in and armed robbery in Warrenton.

A warrant was issued Nov. 15 for the arrest of Brian M. Bove, 31, of St. Louis. He is accused of first-degree burglary and first-degree robbery charges that could lead to 10 years or more in prison.

East Booneslick Road for a burglary that occurred sometime before noon, according to a police report. Officers arrived to find an assorted staff taking a man with a gun in his hand and arm.

The victim told police two people came into his residence and held him at gunpoint while demanding money. The victim at shelter in a bedroom.

Police said the suspects stole a checkbook and various other items from the residence. The victim reportedly identified Bove as the person who threatened him with a gun.

Bove is also charged with stealing a firearm and allegedly attempted to commit the robbery.

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