

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., Bellflower, 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.

•Alcoholics 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 are the padded observation cells for in-

cells are empty," Harrison commented.

Some minor work remains in the new areas, but other than that Harrison said what's left is to deep-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 some mechanical repairs, Harrison said this will be the first large-scale resto-

bers' belief that the jail operates at a surplus through state and federal payments, neither of those come close to paying for the expansion project or even normal operations. The jail does receive reimbursement for inmates accused of violating state laws, and receives additional funding to house a small number of federal prisoners. But Harrison said that revenue only accounts for about 33 percent of the jail's operating budget.

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The city and members of the public will have an early chance to review and comment on the engineering plans. The general shape of the park designs are scheduled to be submitted in August 2020.

Initial plans for the park will include at least one full-size baseball field and full-size soccer field, along with other fields of varying sizes, according to the engineering con-

tract. 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 new 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 by 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 pris-

East Booneslick Road for a burglary that occurred sometime before noon, according to a police report. Officers arrived to find ambulance staff treating a man with cuts on his head 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 allegedly also admitted to committing the robbery while being recorded, according to police.

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