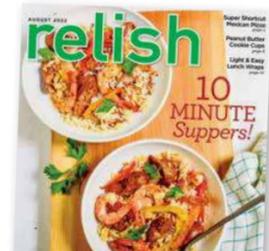


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**Monkeypox cases hit 13 in Missouri**

With a limited supply of vaccines ready, health officials are concerned.

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**Getting a boost to Chiefs camp**

Griffon student-athletes help make training camp run smoothly.

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**FINDING A SPOT**



Downtown parking garages rarely have more than half capacity on a daily basis.

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# Attention turns to downtown parking

By QUINN RITZDORF  
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New projects to Downtown are signs of its latest growth, but the current parking situation may not be able to sustain that development.

On any given day there are plenty of parking spots available. At the worst times, residents may have to walk a couple of blocks. But parking becomes much more congested when events come to town.

“Parking, in general, is probably typically pretty available,” said Parks Director Chuck Kempf. “Obviously, when there’s an event, especially a large event at the Civic Arena, maybe even at Felix Street Square, or at the Missouri Theater, I think then parking can become a little bit of a challenge.”



Vehicles fill up nearly every parking spot near Coleman Hawkins Park on Felix Street in Downtown, St. Joseph.

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This is why there is some concern once the new hotel is developed and the Children’s Discovery Center opens.

“At some point in time we’ll have to think about adding some sort of parking structures

in the future or renovating what we already have,” Kempf said about future events.

Downtown businesses also have varying opinions on the

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**BETTER LIVING**



**When Teddy and Harry visited town**

Terry Jordan looks back to when two U.S. presidents made their way to St. Joe.

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**Acclimating to an electric offense**

K.C. rookie wideout Skyy Moore growing with each practice.

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**New company opens its doors**

Internet company Mercury Broadband holds ribbon-cutting.

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# Gone, not forgotten

Friend of deceased man to pay tribute through balloon release

By ANDREW GAUG  
News-Press NOW

Jessica Noland wants to know what happened to one of her good friends.

On June 19, the body of Michael Zorn was recovered from the Missouri River. Autopsy results are still pending.

“I still can’t process it. There’s too many things being said that don’t make any sense. It’s just hard to accept it,” she said.



Submitted photo

A balloon release will be held for Michael Zorn at 1 p.m., Saturday, Aug. 13, at Lake Contrary Park. His body was found in the Missouri River on June 17.

While she waits for those results, she wants to pay tribute to Zorn through a balloon release at 1 p.m. on Saturday, Aug. 13, at Lake Contrary Park.

“He wouldn’t want us to just not celebrate him.

Like, he was the kind of person that was like, ‘Come on, guys. Let’s do something,’” she said. “I just want everybody to try to just not be so down that he’s gone.”

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# Firehouse 11 turned into a home

By JENNA WILSON  
News-Press NOW

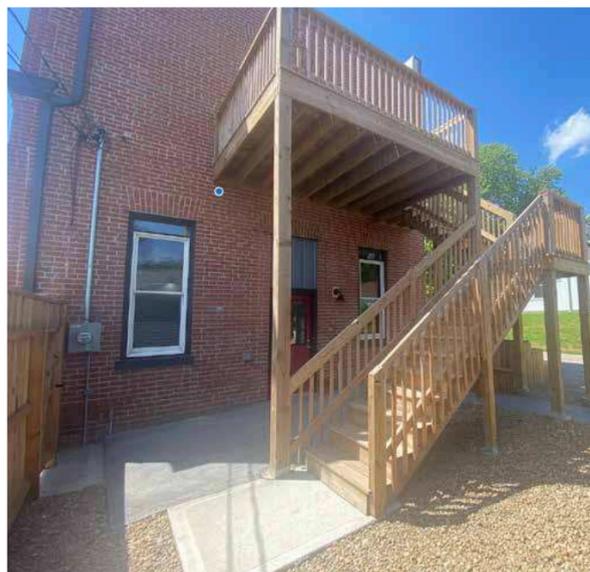
Habitat for Humanity, a nonprofit organization, has been working on the reconstruction of Firehouse 11 for two years, and it’s finally ready for a new beginning.

The old fire station is ready to be sold as a two-bedroom, two-and-a-half-bathroom home. The organization is selling the home through real estate agency Stroud and Associates for \$250,000.

Director of Operations Tim Osborne said this was one of their projects that was outside of their usual work, but they didn’t want to see the history of the building demolished.

The organization wanted the look of the home to be a modern version of the old firehouse.

“We wanted to keep the old feel of old Fire Station No. 11,” he said. “The down-



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After two years of reconstruction, Firehouse 11 is ready to be sold and used for something new, thanks to Habitat for Humanity.

stairs is still an open concept. You can feel where the fire engine sat in this building.”

The new design of the building is set up to where the kitchen, half bath and living room are located

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Back to the heat. A Heat Advisory remains in effect for one more day: Saturday, although it will still be a little steamy on Sunday as well.

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SUNDAY  
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