

THE WHITE PAGES

CAPITOL REPORT

WEEK OF JUNE 24, 2019

Summertime in the 32nd Senatorial Distict

Former President Ronald Reagan is quoted as saying "The nine scariest words in the English language are I'm from the government and I'm here to help." I assure you my No. 1 goal is for this phrase to never be a reflection of my office or my staff, whether we are based in Jefferson City or working from home in the district. If you're having issues with a government agency, please contact me at 573-751-2173 or bill.white@senate.mo.gov. I also know there are some issues that are best discussed face-to-face. This summer, my goal is make sure that those who can't make the trip to Jefferson City still have an opportunity to meet with me or my staff in person and discuss their issues. I have rotating office hours throughout several communities that are mentioned below. I hope this capitol report finds you well and that everyone has a safe Independence Day.



On June 24, Sen. Bill White and residents of Joplin joined the lieutenant governor as he signed Senate Bill 397 at the Spiva Center for Arts. This legislation extends the period of time during which a petition to create a museum and cultural district can be filed from five years after a presidential declaration establishes a disaster area, to 15 years after the declaration has been issued.



On May 23, Sen. Bill White thanked the governor, Vicky Mieseler, director at the Ozarks Center and representatives from the Convoy of Hope for visiting Carl Junction to survey storm damage and offer assistance from the state.



On June 22, Sen. Bill White joined Rep. Ann Kelley, R-Joplin to present a Senate resolution in recognition of Hulston Mill Historical Park's 50th anniversary celebration. The Hulston Mill is located in Everton, Missouri and currently serves as a venue for music, dances, re-enactments, primitive skills, horse riding, camping and historical and cultural events. The significance of the mill dates back to the Civil War when the Dade County Missouri Home Guard was called to supply grain to Union General Nathaniel Lyon's army in Springfield, Missouri. This enabled General Lyon to engage Confederate forces near Springfield at the Battle of Wilson's Creek, a battle credited with preventing Missouri from joining the Confederacy.

It's A CELEBRATION



On June 14, Flag Day, Sen. Bill White attended the dedication of the new Patriot's Memorial in Neosho with U.S. Rep. Billy Long and Nick Myers, chairman of the Newton County Republican Cental Committee. The memorial adds flagpoles for each service branch, as well as a memorial dedicated to all current service members, veterans and public service personnel. This project was sponsored by the Neosho Exchange Club.



On June 7, Sen. Bill White attended the 78th birthday celebration of the Carthage Missouri Chamber of Commerce.



On June 22, Sen. Bill White joined Rep. Ann Kelley as they watched several area young people engage in public speaking and present public presentations at the Dade County Youth Fair 4-H Annual Celebration. The youngest presenter was five years old.

2019 July 4th Events

- 6/29 Celebrate America! Greenfield 7/4 Greenfield City Park 6 – 10 p.m.
- 6/29 Celebrate! Neosho 2019 Historic Downtown Neosho 9 – 10 p.m.
- 7/4 Carl Junction Parade Downtown Main Street 10 – Noon
- 7/4 Carthage CelebrationCarthage Municipal Park5-10 p.m.

- 7/4 Joplin Independence Day MSSU
 - 7 10:15 p.m.
- 7/6 Seneca 4th of July Celebration Seneca 7 – 10 p.m.

Upcoming In-District Office Hours

- *The senator, staff or both will be onsite during office hours
- 7/3 Jasper Police Department 109 S Main St., Jasper, MO 64755 7–9 a.m.
- 7/3 Carthage Public Library 612 S. Garrison Ave., Carthage, MO 64836 10-noon
- 7/10 Neosho Public Library 201 W. Spring St., Neosho, MO 64850 9–11 a.m.
- 7/10 Seneca public library 1216 Cherokee Ave., Seneca, MO 64865 1–3 p.m.

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