



THE WHITE PAGES

CAPITOL REPORT

WEEK OF AUGUST 26, 2019

New Beginnings



On Aug. 9, Sen. Bill White joined Rep. Bob Bromley, Lt. Gov. Mike Kehoe, Rep. Lane Roberts and Kelvin L. Parks, director of the Veterans Health Care Systems of the Ozarks, at the ribbon cutting ceremony for the grand opening of the Veterans Administration Clinic in Joplin.



On Aug. 12, Sen. Bill White presented a State of Missouri flag to graduates of the Jasper County Veterans Treatment Court Program. Veterans are paired with a fellow veteran mentor who provides a supportive relationship throughout the treatment program in order to assist the participants with their individualized goals.

On Sept. 9, the Missouri General Assembly will convene the First Extraordinary Session of the 100th General Assembly. Recently, the governor announced he was calling lawmakers back to the state capitol to address an issue of the state law regarding vehicle sales. Previously, state law was interpreted to allow citizens to sell multiple vehicles to offset the sales tax obligation of a new vehicle purchase.

The law came into question when a case involving the Missouri Department of Revenue was heard by the Missouri Supreme Court. The plaintiff in the case had sold four cars and wanted to use tax credits generated from the sale to offset their tax bill from the purchase a new vehicle. On June 25, the courts ruled that only one vehicle could be used as an allowance toward fulfilling the tax obligation associated with the purchase of a new vehicle. As a result, the governor will call lawmakers back to the state capitol to address this issue and clarify state law.

The extraordinary session will run concurrently with the Missouri General Assembly's annual veto session, scheduled for Sept. 11. The extraordinary session will focus only on this one issue. I am confident that we will be able to work through this issue and produce a positive outcome for all Missourians.

In addition, I have had the opportunity to be a part of several events that celebrate our local veterans. Earlier this month, I joined several elected officials and community leaders at a ribbon cutting ceremony for the grand opening of the Veterans Administration Clinic in Joplin, and I also had the pleasure of celebrating with graduates of the Jasper County Veterans Treatment Court Program. It was an honor to be a part of these events, and celebrate the milestones of veterans who are now back with their families and settling into their communities. If you know anyone looking for resources for veterans, I encourage everyone to attend the upcoming Veterans Benefits Expo on Sept. 12, 2019 at Joplin Memorial Hall. Doors open at 10:00 a.m.

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CONSTITUENTS IN THE 32ND SENATORIAL DISTRICT



On Aug. 2, Mike Kelley, chief of staff to Sen. White Senate, presented a Resolution to Battalion Chief Douglas Nolan, who is retiring after 21 years of service with the Joplin Fire Department.



On Aug. 11, Sen. Bill White presented Dr. M. D. Weston, a well-respected optometrist in Neosho, a senate resolution commemorating 50 Years of business in Neosho.

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Labor Day
2019

Upcoming In-District Office Hours

- 8/28 Dadeville Cafe - CANCELLED
105 Margaret Speight Drive, Dadeville, MO 65635
9-11 a.m.
- 9/6 Stella Senior Center Stella
719 Carter St., Stella, MO 64867
5:30 - 7:30 p.m.

Save The Date

- 9/6 Open House - Shoal Creek Conservation
Education Center
201 W. Riviera Dr. Joplin, MO 64804
Doors open at 10:30 a.m.
- 9/12 Veterans Benefits Expo
Joplin Memorial Hall
212 W. 8th St. Joplin, MO 64801
10-6 p.m.

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