



# THE WHITE PAGES

## CAPITOL REPORT

WEEK OF NOVEMBER 4, 2019

### A Salute to Veterans

On Monday, November 11, our country will observe Veterans Day, a day that commemorates the service and valor of the men and women who have served in our nation's military.

As a veteran of the United States Marine Corps, Veterans Day is more than just a day of observance, it is a day to acknowledge the courage, dedication and sacrifice of the men and women who proudly serve our country. I am proud to be a veteran. As your senator I will continue to find ways to enhance and improve resources available for veterans across the state.

I encourage everyone to get involved in your local Veterans Day activities. At the end of this report, I have listed several events happening in our community. I hope you enjoy the ceremonies and have a great holiday weekend.

### Conference Highlights: 5G Technology

Last month, I attended a very informative meeting sponsored by the National Council of State Legislators that spurred my interest in the development of 5G technology and its capabilities. Here are few lessons I gained from the meeting:

- 5G is already being implemented in Boston, MA;
- 5G requires more towers;
- 5G has the capability to power real-time robotics and autonomous vehicles;
- 5G has decreased lag time, which means a faster response time for streaming; and
- Verizon customers were the first to utilize a 5G network.

### Assistance for Low Income Families this Winter

The start of the holiday season is not only a time to be thankful for our family, friends and loved ones, but it also marks the beginning of winter. It's no secret that winters in Missouri can be unpredictable, so it is important everyone knows how to winterize their homes.

For some families, this means making sure the pilot light on their furnace is working properly, sealing windows and pulling out the heavier sweaters and blankets.

For families who are concerned about managing their heating costs, I encourage you to take advantage of the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP). The LIHEAP program is a free state assistance program offered through the Missouri Department of Social Services.

Under LIHEAP, there are two ways Missourians can receive assistance with their utility bill. Through the Energy Assistance Program, qualified participants can receive a one-time payment for their primary heating bills from November through March.

Qualified participants can also utilize the Energy Crisis Intervention Program. This program helps participants when their heat has been shut off or they have received a final notice for services to be suspended. The maximum amount a participant can receive is \$800.

To qualify for LIHEAP, participants must be the person responsible for paying their family's heating bill; a legal citizen of the United States; have \$3,000 or less in their bank accounts, retirement accounts or investments; and meet specific income guidelines according to household size and method of heating. For more information, call 1-855-373-4636 or visit their website at [dss.mo.gov/fsd/energy-assistance](http://dss.mo.gov/fsd/energy-assistance).

# CONSTITUENTS IN THE 32ND SENATORIAL DISTRICT



Christopher Huhn, a teacher at Carl Junction High school, was recently named the Southwest Regional Teacher of the year. Senator Bill White was honored to present a Senate resolution to this outstanding educator.



On Oct. 15, Sen. Bill White presented William G. "Kipp" Davis II, High Priest of Tyrian Chapter #52 Royal Arch Masons, a Senate resolution for the American York Rite of Freemasonry, who celebrated their 150th Anniversary.



On Oct. 19, Sen. Bill White and his daughter Jera White, attended the 53rd annual Maple Leaf Festival in Carthage. During the festival, they both enjoyed passing out candy to attendees who braved the weather to watch the parade.

## SAVE THE DATE

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| <p>11/7 18th Annual Gift of Light -<br/>Official Tree Lighting Ceremony<br/>Northpark Mall - Macy's Women and Men's Court<br/>101 North Range Line Rd., Joplin<br/>Begins at 7 p.m.</p> | <p>11/9 32nd Annual Joplin Community Veterans Day Parade<br/>Downtown Joplin<br/>10:00 - 11:30 a.m.<br/>** From 11:30 - 2 p.m. free lunch will be provided to<br/>all families after the parade.</p> |
| <p>11/8 Veterans Breakfast - Free with Military ID<br/>2601 Oak Ridge Ext., Neosho<br/>Please RSVP by Nov. 7 - 417-451-8872<br/>8:30 - 10 a.m</p>                                       | <p>11/9 Stella's Annual Stellabration Veterans Observance Day<br/>Stella Veterans Memorial<br/>Begins at 10 a.m.</p>   |
| <p>11/8 Everton Veterans Day Program<br/>211 School St.<br/>Begins at 2:30 p.m.</p>   | <p>11/11 Neosho Middle School Veterans Day Ceremony<br/>1400 Hale McGinty Dr.<br/>Bgins at 9:45 a.m. Please RSVP by calling 417-451-8650</p>   |
| <p>11/8 Greenfield High School Veterans Day Program<br/>410 S. College St.<br/>Begins at 9 a.m.</p>   | <p>11/11 Lockwood R-1 District<br/>400 W. 4th St<br/>Begins at 10:30 a.m.</p>  |
| <p>11/9 First Annual AutumnFest of the Ozarks<br/>Netwon County Fair Grounds<br/>700 Field Ave. Neosho<br/>10-4 p.m.</p>  | <p>11/11 Missouri Southern State University Veterans Day<br/>Ceremony - Campus oval<br/>Begins at 11 a.m.</p>  |
|   | <p>11/12 Newton County Veterans Ceremony<br/>Newton County Courthouse<br/>123 E. Main St., Neosho<br/>Begins at 11 a.m.</p>  |

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