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## Boozman Bulletin: This Week in Photos

This week the Senate was out of session so I spent time in north central Arkansas visiting with hardworking Natural State residents. Here are some of the people I met with during stops in Boone, Baxter, Marion, Stone, Independence, Van Buren, Searcy and Newton counties.



The American Legion is celebrating 100 years of service this year. In recognition of this milestone I delivered a [speech on the Senate floor](#) and I'm celebrating with Legionnaires around the state including these members of [American Legion Allen-McKinney Post #44 in](#)

[Harrison.](#)



In Mountain Home I met with members of the Chamber of Commerce and medical professionals at Baxter Regional Medical Center. I also talked with KTLO's Bob Knight about news of the day including the VA Mission Act, which will improve the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) healthcare delivery system and provide veterans with more choices and fewer barriers to care. [Listen to the conversation here.](#)



I visited MicroPlastics, Inc. in Flippin where I got a firsthand look at the tooling operation.





In Mountain View, I toured Excel Boats and I enjoyed having lunch at P.J.'s Rainbow Cafe with Stone County Judge Stacey Avey, Mayor Roger Gardner and local veteran businessman Ronald "Corky" Baker.



Hearing directly from veterans helps me narrow in on the problems we need to address as we continue to improve veteran services. I was pleased to visit with Batesville veterans and hear how the VA supports their needs and their recommendations of what needs to be updated.



I met with members of the Heber Springs Chamber of Commerce. Small businesses are the backbone of our economy. In Washington, I'm supporting policies that promote economic growth so we can help these businesses and owners succeed.



The Nature Conservancy is working to protect our land and water. I'm committed to helping protect these natural resources. During my time in Clinton, I had the opportunity to see the conservation projects along the Upper Little Red River and hear how federal programs help



protect Greers Ferry Lake.



Boston Mountain Rural Health Center was awarded \$285,000 from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services as part of a national effort to combat opioid addiction. I talked with health care professionals about how they are using the funds to implement effective treatment, recovery and prevention methods to fight this epidemic.



Enjoyed excellent food and good company while having lunch with Jasper Mayor Jan Larson

and Newton County Sheriff Glenn Wheeler at Ozark Cafe.



It was great to see so many members of American Legion Post #93 in Jasper. Since 1919, Legionnaires have proudly worked to strengthen our country and our communities while upholding the promise we made to those who have worn our nation's uniform. I'm [honored to recognize the American Legion](#) on its 100 years of advocacy and celebrate this century of service with some of Arkansas's 10,000 Legionnaires.

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#### Quick Takes:

- **Securing the Border:** A humanitarian and security crisis exists along our southern border that requires immediate action. It is in our national interest to secure the border. That is why I [supported President Trump's call for additional resources](#) to fund the construction of a strong border security system.
- **Reducing Veteran Suicides:** I'm leading efforts to improve the VA's operation, oversight and evaluation of its suicide prevention media outreach campaigns as the lead Republican cosponsor of the [Reach Every Veteran in Crisis Act](#). This bill will help Congress and the VA isolate meaningful suicide prevention programs so we can ensure resources are focused on efforts that save lives.
- **Green New Deal Reality Check:** This all-encompassing, far-left wish list is unaffordable, unworkable and unrealistic. I [talked about the massive costs and the government expansion](#) the proposal seeks to achieve under the pretense of ending climate change. Majority Leader Mitch McConnell indicated that senators will have an opportunity to let Americans know where they stand on this poorly designed plan when he brings the Green New Deal up for a vote in the near future. It should easily be voted down.
- **Skype with Students:** I regularly talk with Arkansas classrooms via video chat services like Skype. If you're a student, parent, teacher or administrator in Arkansas, please [reach out to my office for more information](#) or to sign up. I'd love to visit with

more students before the end of the school year.

- **Connect on Social Media:** Stay up to date with what I'm doing for Arkansans via social media. You can find me on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#) and [Instagram](#).



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