4FRS Public Meeting Summary Report 2024

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Open House – We held our public meeting with our annual Statehood Day event celebration

Number of Participants – 550 people attended the events throughout the day

Local officials invited

City Council Member Bill Otto, Mayor Dan Borgmeyer, Dan Krankeola Director St. Charles CVB

State Elected Officials invited

Senator Bill Eigel, Representative Travis Wilson

Local Stakeholders invited

STC Main Group, Lewis and Clark Boathouse and Museum Staff

No Media attended

Summary

- As part of our annual Statehood Day event, our Public meeting was open house style and consisted of:
 - Historic Building being open for self-guided tours with site interpretive team members inside answering questions and greeting guests
 - Various activities and demonstrations in the backyard at drop-in style tables.
 - We focused on Missouri Symbols again this year and had a wide range from the State Dessert (Ice Cream Cone) to the State Dinosaur Hypsibema missouriensis
 - Birthday Cake in the Interpretive Center
- The Public Meeting portion was combined with Edward "Ted" and Pat Jones-Confluence Point State Park and Katy Trail State Park
- We had a table on our Sidewalk which was a completed CI Project from 2022
 - This year I spent a bit more time walking around and covering stations during the event before and after the public meeting portion.
 - Maria Potter, Dustin Webb, and Quinn Kellner were also at the table on the sidewalk for our public meeting.
 - While walking around and covering rooms for the event I noticed a number of comments asking about what the sites operating hours were, and confusion on how to access the building.
 - We also had many positive interactions with families, and very much benefitted from the new sidewalk and weather for getting people to do drop-ins.
 - One final item on the press release email the address listed for the site was 2000 S
 Main instead of 200.