

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

The Senate Transportation, Infrastructure and Public Safety Committee approved legislation that would ban all drivers from texting while driving. Drivers would also be barred from watching movies or streaming video from in-car devices. This bill would block local governments from enacting texting bans stricter than state law. SBs 56 (Bean, Dist. 25, Holcomb) and 61 (Razer, Dist. 7, Kansas City) have been combined into Senate Committee Substitute 56.

The House Economic Development Committee passed out the Entertainment Industry Jobs Act this week. HB 133 (Hudson, Dist. 138, Cape Fair) has been referred to the Legislative Oversight Committee, who will hear the bill Monday.

The first bill to be sent to Governor Parson for consideration this session is the Supplemental bill, HB 14, which contains the pay increase for state workers. Senate and House Committees continued meeting this week to advance legislation. We continue to monitor legislation and will keep you updated as session progresses.



STILL SEEKING EMPLOYERS FOR TANEY COUNTY CAREER DAYS

Taney County Career Days is geared toward introducing and educating local students on the possible career paths that exist within our marketplace in seven different industry sectors. Some employers have had the added benefit of identifying future employees by participating in Career Days in the past.

The 2023 Taney County Career Days is to be held at Hollister, Branson, and Forsyth High Schools March 7, 8, and 9. We are asking employers to sign up to represent one of these industry sectors for all three days.

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FIRST IGNITE LUNCHEON OF 2023

Ignite Branson's vision is to foster an environment where young professionals are engaged, energized, and empowered to help shape the future of the Branson/Lakes Area. After a brief hiatus, Ignite is firing back up in 2023 with four luncheons featuring topics specifically geared toward young professionals under 45. Attendees have been invited to stay an extra hour (1-2 pm) after the event to look around and explore the unharnessed attractions. Click the link below to RSVP.

Tuesday, February 28 | 12:00 PM

Fritz's Adventure 1425 W 76 Country Blvd Branson, MO 65616

RSVP HERE





TAKE RENTAL PROPERTY SURVEY

Do you own, manage or rent residential property in TANEY COUNTY?

We need your help and less than 5 minutes of your time. If you are a residential landlord, or manager, in Taney County, please take this survey via the link or the QR code below.

Taney County stakeholders are working on ways to expand and preserve obtainable housing for all residents by updating the 2018 Taney County comprehensive housing study. Locally sourced data is critical and will provide information for the planning team to better understand the current state of the market, which will be used as the foundation for recommendations that are appropriate for our region.

Your responses are very important and will remain confidential. Thank you for your time and help!

TAKE THE SURVEY



VOLUNTEER FOR MONASP TOURNAMENT

Volunteers are critical to the success of the Missouri National Archery in the Schools Program (MoNASP) State Tournament. All volunteers will receive a MoNASP 2023 t-shirt and lunch before or after their shift. Chairs will be provided at all volunteer stations. Volunteers must be 16 or older; volunteers younger than 16 should be accompanied by an adult. Additional information will be sent to volunteers prior to the event. Please use the comments field on the online registration form to list any special requests that you may

have.

March 17-19 MoNASP State Archery Tournament Branson Convention Center

SIGN UP HERE



PINK JEEP TOURS OFFERING DISCOUNTS FOR KC CHIEFS FANS

PINK Jeep Tours in Branson invites Kansas City Chiefs fans to don team attire and enjoy an exclusive discount now through March 3. Fans in Chiefs gear can hop aboard a custom Jeep Wrangler and experience the beauty of the Ozarks at a celebratory 50% off.

You may think you know Branson like the back of your hand, but you've never seen it like this. Tours venture past scenic overlooks, lakeside landmarks and ascend off-road 4x4 trails to the private summit of Baird Mountain, showcasing a panoramic view of Table Rock Lake and more. To learn more about this deal, click the link below.

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16TH ANNUAL ELVIS FESTIVAL

The 16th Annual Branson Elvis™ Festival will be held at Dick Clark's American Bandstand Theater March 24-26. The Ultimate Elvis™ Tribute Artist Contest™ semi-finals will take place Saturday, March 25 at 7:00 pm and the finals will take place Sunday, March 26 at 2:00 pm. This contest is one of a select few tribute competitions sanctioned by Elvis Presley Enterprises, Inc.

March 24-26

Dick Clark's American Bandstand Theater 1600 W 76 Country Blvd, Branson, MO 65616

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NEW MEMBERS

Smiles Made Perfect Dental Partners
153 Payne Stewart Drive
Branson, MO 65616
(417) 544-1570
https://www.smilesmadeperfect.com/

RENEWED MEMBERS

Branson West Marine and Powersports

Brightli

Brilliant Edventures

Grand Jubilee

Landshark Bar & Grill

Redneck Comedy Tour (The)

Springfield-Branson National Airport Taney County Health Department **UTC Hardwoods**

RIBBON CUTTINGS

Thursday, March 2 | 2:00 PM Chick-Fil-A 607 W Main Street Branson, MO 65616

Friday, March 3 | 1:00 PM Faith Community Health 1232 Branson Hills Parkway (behind Mezcal restaurant) Branson, MO 65616







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