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## LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

Governor Parson Announces Over \$6.3 Million in Grants to Missouri Law Enforcement, Fire Service, and EMS Providers. Click the link below for today's press release.

### PRESS RELEASE

Missouri Senate Appropriations Committee took up the budget this week. They removed the DEI language that was attached to the budget bills in the House. Other changes from the House budget include:

- Restored \$4.5 million for public libraries
- Added \$2 billion for widening I-70
- \$461 million to increase pay for personal care workers who assist people with developmental disabilities
- \$300 million for the Department of Health to build a new psychiatric hospital in Kansas City

Members of the House Budget Committee and Senate Appropriations will go to Conference committee to work out the differences in the budget as early as next week.



## BRANSON/TRI-LAKES AREA TRAILS SUMMIT

Join us for the Branson/Tri-Lakes Area Trails Summit Wednesday, April 26 from 1:30 to 4:00 pm. The purpose of this event is to share current and planned trail systems in the Tri-Lakes Area, hear from trail advocacy groups and event stakeholders, and learn how communities develop connected multi-use trail systems to benefit residents and visitors. To RSVP for this event, click the link below!

**Wednesday, April 26 | 1:30-4:00 pm**

**Branson Chamber and CVB**

**4100 Gretna Road**

**Branson, MO 65616**

[RSVP HERE](#)



## PLUMB NELLIE DAYS FESTIVAL THIS WEEKEND

Downtown Branson is the heart of the Branson community and Plumb Nellie Days pays tribute to the days when the residents of Branson would gather to trade goods and listen to great music. The festival got its

name as townsfolk would dress up as characters and "Plumb Nearly Anything" would be sold at the gathering. Join us for a fun, free experience in Historic Downtown Branson April 21 and 22 behind Dick's 5 & 10 on the corner of Commercial Street and Atlantic Street.

**April 21-22**  
**Downtown Branson**  
**123 Atlantic Street**  
**Branson, MO 65616**

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## **MONASP TOURNAMENT ECONOMIC IMPACT**

The Missouri National Archery in the Schools (MoNASP) State Archery Tournament, hosted by the Missouri Department of Conservation and the Missouri Conservation Heritage Foundation, is the state's archery championship. This year's event was held at the Branson Convention Center March 15-18. Over 4 days, the MONASP events included:

- Approximately 24,500 people (archers, coaches, spectators, vendors, volunteers, staff).
- 906 more archers than 2022 (because of the extra flights on Wednesday).
- More than 250 schools from across the state brought student archers to the competition.

**ECONOMIC IMPACT – \$9,395,640.32**



## VOTE FOR SILVER DOLLAR CITY ON USA TODAY

USA Today is running a poll now for the 10 Best Theme Parks in the USA. Silver Dollar City is in the running. These USA Today polls are extremely important to travelers across the USA and are proven to drive incremental visitors to the surrounding communities, hotels, retail, shows, and attractions, gas stations, and more. Each individual can vote daily on every device through April 24 at 11:00 am CST.

[VOTE NOW](#)



## PURPLE HEART REUNION

Calling all Purple Heart Recipients! Make your plans now to come to Branson and stay at Westgate Branson Woods Resort May 3-5 for this year's Purple Heart Reunion. This event will feature a Meet & Greet, Clay Cooper Show, Fishing Tournament, Painting Class and Dinner/Dance. Contact Ozarks

Kirkwood at 417-335-4668 for more information and to book your spot. We hope to see you there!

[BOOK NOW](#)

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Springfield, MO 65807  
(417) 269-6864  
<http://www.coxhealth.com>

## Little Caesars

1447 HWY 248 Suite E  
Branson, MO 65616  
(417) 544-1234

## Ulrich Marine/Extreme Outdoors

16955 State Hwy 13  
Branson West, MO 65624  
(417) 272-1841

# RENEWED MEMBERS

Branson Visitor TV  
H2R Market Research  
Payable Guide Service (Fishing, Fishing Guide)  
The Brook Wellness Center, Inc.

# RIBBON CUTTINGS

Friday, April 21 | 10:00 am  
Regions Bank  
203 North Commercial Street  
Branson, MO 65616



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