

# ELI Weekly

## Branson – A Close Destination Full of Fun!

If you haven't been to Branson yet, you might want to plan a trip soon. There are so many things to do in Branson, there is no way you can run out of entertainment. Whether you like to shop, eat, watch live shows, go to amusement parks, play miniature golf, or ride go karts, you will surely find something to enjoy in Branson.

One of Branson's major attractions is Silver Dollar City (SDC). This is an amusement park containing rides, shows, crafts, and food. At SDC you can find master crafters creating such arts as blown glass ornaments, candies, and jewelry. SDC is designed to take you back to simpler days. In addition, there is another theme park in the SDC family as well, called Celebration City. There you can experience many thrilling rides and shows! A one day ticket to SDC is \$50.51 and to Celebration City is \$26.78. You can also buy a 3-day pass to both parks for \$70.74.



An interesting museum you might want to visit in Branson is the Titanic. The building is actually shaped like the famous doomed ship and inside you will find 400 priceless artifacts from the actual liner. The ship is anchored in water and once you climb onboard, you might feel like you are on the real ship! Entrance is \$18.82.



Do you like to shop? Well, you will be happy in Branson! There are many outlet malls where you can find designer clothing at a reduced price. You might also check out the Branson Landing, a relatively new spot for shopping. It is an outdoor plaza where you can buy many popular name brands. While there, you should also try the coffee at Gloria Jean's—it is delicious!



In addition to theme parks, there are tons of shows to see in Branson. You can watch musical acts, comedy shows, experience dinner theatre, see amazing Chinese acrobats, or magicians (and that's not even all!) The Showboat Branson Belle is a paddle-wheel boat that will take you on a lake cruise while you eat dinner and enjoy a show.

Another popular Branson attraction is "Ride the Ducks." If you decide to go there, you will board a vehicle that travels on land and water and takes you on a unique tour of Branson. You will even get a "duck call" whistle shaped like a duck's bill. It's a neat experience! It costs \$19.00 to "Ride the Ducks."



If nothing above interests you, you can still find something fun in Branson. Do you like to play miniature golf? There are many places to choose from. You can find many go-kart tracks too. For those of you 21 and older, you might want to try Stone Hill Winery and sample some of Missouri's best wine. Whatever your style, Branson has something for you!

## Activities This Week

**Wednesday, Sept. 19 & Sunday, Sept. 23**

Movie on Campus: **Apocalypto**

This movie, shown as part of Hispanic Heritage Month, takes place during the ancient Mayan Civilization.

**9:00 PM, FREE** at the PSU Theater



**Saturday, Sept. 22**

Football Game: MSU Bears vs. the University of Central Arkansas

**6:00 PM** at Plaster Sports Complex; **FREE** with your ZipCard

Go support the Bears!



For more events and activities, visit: <http://calendar.missouristate.edu/>  
**Also, ALWAYS check the Student Activities Board across from the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor Computer Lab!**

## Announcements

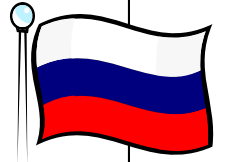


- **Academic Lecture—Wed. 9/19**  
Psychology, Levels 4 &5  
1:00 PM in room 401
- If you have a **new address** or **social security number**, please come to the office to let us know.
- Sunday 9/23 is the 1st day of **Fall!**

## Did You Know....

### **A few interesting facts about Russia:**

Domes are an impressive feature of Russian architecture. Examples include Moscow's Kremlin, the Cathedral of Annunciation, and the Archangel Cathedral.



St. Petersburg is sometimes called the "Venice of the North" due to its many canals and bridges.



Russia is famous for its outstanding achievement in the arts. Many famous writers, music composers, and ballet dancers are Russian.



Lake Baikal in Siberia is the deepest lake in the world.

### What's Showing at The Moxie?

The Moxie is downtown's independent cinema located at the corner of Walnut and Campbell. This week:

- My Best Friend (France)
- Black Sheep
- Drawing Room Debacle
- Interview
- Helvetica
- Rocket Science



See Schedule on the Student Activities Board

## Weather Forecast

**Degrees: High/Low**  
**Forecast for September 17-23**

	<u>Fahrenheit</u>	<u>Celsius</u>
Monday:	85/64	29/18
Tuesday:	85/65	29/18
Wednesday:	85/62	29/17 — chance of rain
Thursday:	84/61	29/16
Friday:	84/61	29/16
Saturday:	86/65	30/18
Sunday:	78/63	26/17 — chance of rain



Weather forecasts are *always* changing, so for the most up-to-date forecast, go to: [www.weather.com](http://www.weather.com), or watch the local news or the weather channel.