

## **QUARTERLY ISSUES/PROGRAMS LIST**

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### **1. Public Concerns/Public Health and Wellness**

**Salvation Army Branson Opens Warming Facility**

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4<sup>th</sup> QUARTER 2019, October through December

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DESCRIPTION OF ISSUE	PROGRAM	DATE	TIME	DURATION	NARRATION OF /DESCRIPTION OF SEGMENT
Salvation Army Branson Opens Warming Facility	News	11/1/19	Daily Newscasts	:30	Halloween Night saw the opening of the Salvation Army Warming Center in Branson for the first time this season. The Warming Center provides shelter for those who need a place to stay when temperatures dip to freezing or below. Those nights, the Warming Center will open at 6:00 pm. The Salvation Army is located in Branson at 1111 Stanley.
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Branson Alderman Meeting Ends Suddenly After Walkout	News	11/27/19	Daily Newscasts	:30	A Branson Board of Alderman meeting came to a sudden stop on Tuesday when three Branson Alderman walked out of the meeting in response to a ruling by the city's mayor, Edd Akers. The walkout came shortly after the board's passing of a measure on first reading that would provide funding for the installation of underground power lines along a section of Highway 76. The measure passed with three "Yes" votes, two "No" votes and one alderman abstaining from the vote. The three aldermen say they left out of frustration with Akers' decision to consider abstaining votes a "No." "The question I asked is, 'If our abstention doesn't mean anything, then why don't we take it off the voting mechanism?'," Alderman Kevin McConnel told Ozarks First. "We're able to vote yes, no or abstain and the mayor kind of finding a loophole with decorum was, I think, in poor taste."

					<p>"I read an entire statement talking about 'If you abstain, then [the mayor has] the option to be able to change it.' So, they knew before they ever voted, that if they did that, then I had the option to be able to do it," Akers said Wednesday.</p> <p>Alderman McConnell clarified he's all for the installation of underground powerlines on 76. He just wants the city to acquire the total cost of the project before the installation begins.</p> <p>The issue will be taken up again on December 10th, 2019 at the aldermen's next scheduled meeting.</p>
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Plato's Cave to Become Affordable Housing	News	12/4/19	Daily Newscasts	:30 seconds	<p>A place initially opened for international workforce housing in Branson is going to become an all-inclusive affordable housing development. Ronda Cady, general manager of Plato's Cave, says they're hoping to help families displaced by the rash of extended stay closures.</p> <p>"We are changing all of our units to studios and one-bedroom apartments," Cady said. "They will have furnishings if you need them. It will be a little bit extra. And we will be doing it in the next few weeks."</p>
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Silver Dollar City Gets Top Christmas Award Again	News	12/13/2019	Daily Newscasts	:30	<p>Silver Dollar City has taken the top spot for "Best Theme Park Holiday Event" in USA Today's 10Best poll for the fourth time* announced Friday by the newspaper. The 1880s-style theme park's "An Old Time Christmas" festival grabbed the top spot after 4 weeks of online voting from fans and guests along with local, regional and national celebrities and influencers. An Old Time Christmas has been a staple of the Silver Dollar City experience since 1988, beginning with strands of lights decorating Town Square and some Christmas caroling for entertainment. Since</p>

					<p>that first celebration, this festival has grown to be one of the park's most popular festivals, and it continues to grow year after year. This year added an 8-story multi-effects Christmas tree with hundreds of thousands of lights, capable of projecting angels, falling snowflakes and carolers onto its evergreen branches with a million points of illumination, part of the new Joy on Town Square.</p> <p>In additional recent features, Silver Dollar City was named number one in Big 7 Travel's The 50 Most Festive Cities In The World, The Daily Meal's The Most Amazing Christmas Light Displays in America, HuffPosts' 19 Lesser-Known Amusement Parks Worth Visiting Around The World, The Points Guy's 9 Can't-miss Theme Parks During the Holidays and MSN Travel's The Most Christmas-y Towns in All 50 States. These recent accolades join Good Morning America, Wall Street Journal and The TODAY Show recognizing An Old Time Christmas.</p>
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New Bridge over Buffalo National River	News	12/30/2019	Daily Newscasts	:30	Construction has begun on a new bridge over the Buffalo National River at Pruitt Landing. The new bridge will replace an 88-year-old structure scheduled for demolition. But the Arkansas Democrat-Gazette reports some people aren't happy about these plans. The state has offered to give it to the county, but the consensus seems to be the county can't afford the upkeep. Ralph Wilcox, National Register and survey coordinator for the Arkansas Historic Preservation Program, says the Pruitt structure may be the last Pennsylvania through-truss bridge remaining in Arkansas. Steve Lawrence, district engineer for the Arkansas Department of Transportation's office near Harrison, says "There are some people over there who are passionate about that bridge. We understand that. When we build a new bridge, the federal requirements are that the old structure be removed or somebody else has to take possession of it."
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