



# MRTA Branson Fun Days

\* \* \* November 10 - 20, 2017 \* \* \*

## BIG DAY: Thursday, November 16

Registration Deadline: Wednesday, October 18



It may be November, but it is the Christmas season in Branson. Mark your calendar to come for MRTA Branson Fun Days; join your fellow educators and friends (make new friends) and fall in love with the sights and sounds of Christmas in the Ozarks. Registration is open to all MRTA members and their guests – bring along friends and family for a fun and relaxing time. Our lead hotel this year is the Radisson; all Fun Day activities originate at the Radisson.

**ITINERARY FOR THE BIG DAY: Thursday, November 16.** Chartered luxury coach for the day.

**\*Breakfast.** Included with lodging if staying at the Radisson Hotel Branson.

**\*Clay Cooper's Country Christmas Show.** Celebrating 30 years in Branson.

You don't want to miss this high energy show filled with singing, dancing, trick-roping, comedy, and much more supported by his cast of 24 veteran performers and live band--family fun all wrapped up in an Ozark Mountain Christmas Celebration.



**\*Lunch: Chateau on the Lake.** Branson's only AAA Four Diamond Resort, the Chateau is located on a mountain top, overlooking the pristine waters of Table Rock Lake. The 10 story atrium lobby features cascading waterfalls and lush foliage. Christmas at the Chateau is extra special with the beautiful gingerbread houses created by the Chateau Chefs, on display in the lobby.

**\*Back to the Radisson** for entertainment, reception, hors d'oeuvres, and socializing. What a wide array of fun stuff we have planned for you! The list includes rest, food, cash bar, speakers with valuable information, door prizes, and entertainment. Harry Truman's 4<sup>th</sup> cousin will share Truman anecdotes, some family human interest stories, and stories of his place in history including WW II. Did you know that Truman saved the White House from destruction?

**\*Gift of Lights Christmas Lights Trail.** Add some light to your holidays with this all-new, all-LED drive-thru display featuring over 30 static & animated displays including a 200 foot light tunnel.

**\*Showboat Branson Belle Christmas Show – CELEBRATE.** Make your season merry with this special show starring the powerhouse vocals of *The ShowMen*; pitch-perfect Branson star *Cassandra Faimon-Haygood*, the fastest feet west of the Mississippi *Rhythm*, and magical comedian *Christopher James* all backed by a live band. All this plus a delicious dinner and beautiful cruise on Table Rock Lake make for a simply unforgettable evening.



**OPTIONAL ACTIVITIES: Wednesday, November 15.** We have an afternoon optional choice and an evening choice. You can do either one or both. Transportation included.

**Wednesday afternoon:** *Miracle of Christmas at Sight and Sound Theatre.*

Celebrate the season as the Christmas story unfolds right before your eyes. Witness the event that is central to the season, brought to life on a panoramic stage with spectacular special effects and live animals – on stage and in the aisles. **Cost for this optional show is \$55 including transportation.**



**Wednesday night:** *Presleys' Country Jubilee* – the original show on the strip. A Branson favorite since 1967, join three generations of Presleys' as they perform the best of their regular show the first half and for the 2<sup>nd</sup> half the stage transforms to a holiday setting featuring your favorite Christmas music. **Cost for this optional show is \$38 including transportation.**

### ***COST, LODGING, and REGISTRATION:***

The total cost for all activities mentioned on Page 1 for Thursday, November 16 is \$141 per person. This price includes two musical shows, lunch, afternoon reception, dinner and cruise, Christmas lights tour, and luxury coach transportation for the day.

**Lodging:** Our lead site is the Radisson Hotel, 120 South Wildwood Drive, Branson, MO  
Room Cost: \$85.99 plus tax single/double occupancy, \$90.99 triple, \$95.99 quad. Hot breakfast included with each room for all occupants.

**Guest Room Reservations/MRTA Fun Days Registration:** If you plan to stay at the Radisson, they will take care of both your lodging reservation and MRTA Fun Day registration. Contact Robin at the Radisson at 417-690-4024, **ask for the MRTA Room Block**. When making your lodging reservations, remind Robin to send you the Fun Day registration form. Robin works Monday through Friday, you may need to leave a message and she will return your call. You may also contact Robin by e-mail at [r.quinn@combshospitality.com](mailto:r.quinn@combshospitality.com)

**To Register for MRTA Branson Fun Days if not staying at the Radisson:** Contact Fun Day Coordinator Mary Lynne at 417-365-0060 or e-mail Mary Lynne at [bob-mary@tri-lakes.net](mailto:bob-mary@tri-lakes.net) for the registration form.

For additional information about MRTA Branson Fun Days, contact Mary Lynne Grimes at 417-365-0060 or by e-mail at [bob-mary@tri-lakes.net](mailto:bob-mary@tri-lakes.net).

**Cancellation and full refund can be made through Tuesday, November 7 for all activities except Sight and Sound Theatre which will have an October 24 cancellation deadline.**

**PAYMENT:** Once you receive your registration form from Robin or Mary Lynne to register for MRTA Branson Fun Day activities, you will complete the form and **return it to Angie** at Ozarks' Kirkwood Tour and Travel. The registration form will include Angie's address. **No charges will appear on your credit card until after the November 7 (October 24 for Sight and Sound) final cancellation date.** Lodging room charges at the Radisson Hotel will not be charged until you check out. Robin, Angie, and Mary Lynne will coordinate all through this process. Those registered will receive a letter from Mary Lynne around November 7 with all the specific details.

We will board the coach for the Thursday, November 16 activities at the Radisson Hotel at 9 a.m. For the optional activities on Wednesday, November 15, we will board the bus for Sight and Sound Theatre at 2:30 p.m. and for Presley's Show at 7:15 p.m., also at the Radisson.

**NOVEMBER 10 - 20:** As in past years, discounts will be available to you for many other Branson shows and attractions. These discounts will be available to you November 10 – 20. To receive the discount, you will need a discount card to present to those theatres – that card will be mailed to you with the letter Mary Lynne will send November 7 to all Fun Day attendees. A complete list of the shows and attractions participating in this option is on Page 3 of this flyer.

### **DEADLINE REMINDERS**

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Lead Site: [RadissonBranson.com](http://RadissonBranson.com)

General Branson Information: [ExploreBranson.com](http://ExploreBranson.com)

COME ON DOWN! The Tri-Lakes RTA Unit looks forward to meeting you. The welcome mat is out.



**DISCOUNTED ATTRACTIONS/MUSEUMS/SHOWS**  
**MRTA Branson Fun Days for Retired Teachers, November 10 - 20, 2017**

<u>Name: Attraction/Show</u>	<u>Show Time*</u>	<u>Regular Price</u>	<u>Discount Price</u>	<u>Phone</u>
*M = morning show, A = afternoon show, N = night show				
<b>ATTRACTIONS/MUSEUMS:</b>				
<b>Branson Ferris Wheel</b> 3345 West 76 Country Blvd.	10 a.m. to 8 p.m. (later on weekends)	\$12.00	\$10.00	<b>417-334-1612</b>
<b>Veterans Memorial Museum</b> 1250 West Highway 76 Country Blvd.	9 a.m. to 5 p.m.	\$18.96	\$10.00	<b>417-336-2300</b>
<b>World's Largest Toy Museum Complex – 6 museums</b> 3609 West Hwy 76	9 a.m. to 8 p.m.	\$18.92	\$12.00	<b>417-332-1499</b>
<b>SHOWS:</b>				
<b><i>Americana Theatre, 2905 West 76 Country Blvd.</i></b>				<b>417-544-8700</b>
Janice Martin Cirque Show	A	\$32.00	\$17.00	
Forever Young	A, N	34.99	24.99	
George Dyer	M, N	37.00	27.00	
Patsy Cline and Friends	N	38.00	28.00	
<b><i>Dick Clark's American Bandstand Theatre, 1600 West Highway 76</i></b>				<b>417-339-3003</b>
Brett Family Show	M	\$37.94	\$26.00	
Legends in Concert	A, N	37.39	27.34	
<b><i>Hughes Brothers Theatre, 3425 West 76 Country Blvd.</i></b>				<b>417-334-0076</b>
Hughes Brothers Christmas Show	M, A, N	\$39.99	\$34.99	
Oh Happy Day: Goin' Back to Gospel	M	34.00	29.00	
SIX	A, N	42.29	38.94	
<b><i>Jim Stafford Theatre, 3440 West Highway 76</i></b>				<b>417-330-8080</b>
The Jim Stafford Show	N	\$39.94	\$18.00	
The Billy Dean Show	N	39.94	18.00	
The Magic & Comedy Taylor Reed	A	34.50	18.00	
Rock and Roll Revival	A	34.50	18.00	
<b><i>Mickey Gilley Grand Shanghai Theatre, 3455 West 76 Country Blvd.</i></b>				<b>417-336-0888</b>
Mickey Gilley/Johnny Lee	A, N	\$40.00	\$20.00	
Amazing Acrobats of Shanghai	A, N	40.00	20.00	
<b><i>Caravelle Theatre, 3446 West 76 Country Blvd</i></b>				<b>417-294-0052</b>
Liverpool Legends (Beatles)	N	40.00	20.00	
<b><i>Shepherd of the Hills, 5586 West Highway 76</i></b>				<b>844-558-7245</b>
Christmas on the Trail	4 p.m.	\$44.98	\$38.00	
Price includes Chuckwagon Dinner and Show, Trail of Lights, and Inspiration Tower				
Trail of Lights	dark – 10:30	\$12/person	\$ 8/person	
<b><i>Welk Resort Theatre, 1984 State Highway 165</i></b>				<b>800-505-9355</b>
Million Dollar Quartet	N	\$39.25	\$31.25	

**HOW THIS WORKS**

1. Make reservations in advance for shows – be sure to mention that you have a discount.
2. The discount card will be mailed to you by November 7.
3. Present the discount card at the theater. Most theaters require tickets be picked up two hours in advance. Check out the attractions and shows at [explorebranson.com](http://explorebranson.com).