



136th

ANNUAL CONVENTION

June 10-12

Hilton Branson
Convention Center

ANNUAL CONVENTION

June 10 – 12, 2026 | Hilton Branson Convention Center



CONVENTION HIGHLIGHTS

GOLF



Buffalo Ridge Golf Course
10 a.m. | Wednesday, June 10
1001 Buffalo Rdg Blvd.
Hollister, MO 65672

True to its name, the Tom Fazio-designed Buffalo Ridge – on Golf Digest’s Top 100 – has an actual herd of bison grazing alongside its fairways, something few visiting golfers have ever seen before on a course. Adding new approaches, water features and bunkers, Johnny Morris and Fazio created a course layout to bring players in close contact with nature.



CHAIRMAN’S BANQUET ENTERTAINMENT DEUCES WILD



Forget everything you know about dueling piano shows. At MBA’s convention, Deuces Wild! Dueling Pianos will defy all your expectations and experiences of a dueling piano show!



TRADE SHOW

June 10 & 11

The convention will feature an outstanding exhibit hall filled with ideas, opportunities and information to keep you up-to-date and ahead of the game on current banking products and services. Vendors are available to help you solve your problems and give you the competitive edge toward your bottom line. Prize winners will be announced during the luncheon Thursday, June 11.



ANNUAL CONVENTION

June 10 - 12, 2026 | Hilton Branson Convention Center



CONVENTION SPONSORS

PLATINUM



Entertainment



Opening Keynote
Speaker

GOLD



Speaker Book



Bottled Water



Welcome Gift

ANNUAL CONVENTION

June 10 - 12, 2026 | Hilton Branson Convention Center



CONVENTION SPONSORS

SILVER



Tote Bag



Hotel Key Card



Lanyard



Notepad

BRONZE



Candy Station



Banking Leadership Alumni Reception



Cold Beverage Cups



Large Agenda Sign



Coffee Cups

ANNUAL CONVENTION

June 10 - 12, 2026 | Hilton Branson Convention Center



CONVENTION SPONSORS

BRONZE



Central Bank



OLSEN | PALMER

Chairman's Reception

GOLF SILVER



Golf Item



RESSLER CONSULTING
EXECUTIVE SEARCH

Bottled Water

ANNUAL CONVENTION

June 10 - 12, 2026 | Hilton Branson Convention Center



CONVENTION SPONSORS

GOLF BRONZE

BancCard



Golf Hole Sponsors

FENIMORE
KAY | HARRISON

Cool Cup

armanino

Golf Ball Koozie

ANNUAL CONVENTION

June 10 – 12, 2026 | Hilton Branson Convention Center



COMMITTEES AND BOARDS

2025–2026 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE



Chairman
Patrick Kussman
Regional Missouri Bank
Marceline



Vice Chairman
Tom Klebba
Legends Bank
Linn



Treasurer
Don Thompson
First State
Community Bank
Potosi



Immediate Past Chairman
David M. Gohn
West Plains Bank and
Trust Company



President and CEO
Jackson Hataway
Missouri Bankers
Association
Jefferson City

2025–2026 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Regional Directors

- Region 1** Cort Hegarty, Nodaway Valley Bank, St. Joseph
- Region 2** Brian Alderton, Peoples Bank of Wyaconda, Kahoka
- Region 3** Jacob Wilson, Bank of Weston, Kansas City
- Region 4** Curt Brumley, Community Point Bank, Russellville
- Region 5** Matthew Laumann, Farmers & Merchants Bank, St. Clair
- Region 6** Brian VanFosson, Citizens Bank of Rogersville
- Region 7** James Limbaugh, Montgomery Bank, Cape Girardeau

Government Relations Committee Chair

Lance Boyer, Heritage Bank of the Ozarks, Lebanon

Next Generation Board of Directors Advisory Member

Joseph Klebba, Legends Bank, Jefferson City

At-Large Directors

Louis "Buzz" Eckelkamp, Bank of Washington
Matthew Funke, Southern Bank, Poplar Bluff
Carrie Hutcherson, F & C Bank, Holden
Molly Hyland, Commerce Bank, St. Louis
Shannon Johnson, UMB Financial Corporation, Kansas City
Jack Muench, First Independent Bank, Aurora
Carl Watson, F & M Bank and Trust Company, Hannibal

2026–2027 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Chairman	Tom Klebba, Legends Bank, Linn
Vice Chairman	Don Thompson, First State Community Bank, Potosi
Treasurer	Brian Alderton, Peoples Bank of Wyaconda, Kahoka,
Immediate Past Chairman	Patrick J. Kussman, Regional Missouri Bank, Marceline

Regional Directors

- Region 1** Mike Hill, BTC Bank, Bethany
- Region 2** Doug Burnett, Peoples TPNB Bank, Paris
- Region 3** Steve Giles, Central Bank of Kansas City
- Region 4** Mark R. Thompson, Wood and Huston Bank, Marshall
- Region 5** Joe Armour, 1st Advantage Bank, Saint Peters
- Region 6** Scott Harris, Ozark Bank
- Region 7** Neil Miles, Bank of Advance

Government Relations Committee Chair

Mike Dunbar, Security Bank of Pulaski County, Waynesville

Next Generation Board of Directors Advisory Member

Tamekia Juszczyk, CNB St. Louis Bank, Saint Louis,

At-Large Directors

Louis "Buzz" Eckelkamp, Bank of Washington
Matthew Funke, Southern Bank, Poplar Bluff
Carrie Hutcherson, F & C Bank, Holden
Molly Hyland, Commerce Bank, St. Louis
Shannon Johnson, UMB Financial Corporation, Kansas City
Jack Muench, First Independent Bank, Aurora
Carl Watson, F & M Bank and Trust Company, Hannibal

ANNUAL CONVENTION

June 10 – 12, 2026 | Hilton Branson Convention Center



AGENDA

Wednesday, June 10

10 a.m. **Golf Tournament**
Buffalo Ridge Golf Course
1001 Buffalo Ridge Blvd. Hollister, MO 65672



1 p.m. **Registration Opens**

5:30 – 7:30 p.m. **Trade Show Opens**

6 – 7:30 p.m. **Reception & Heavy Hors d'oeuvres in Trade Show**

Thursday, June 11

7:30 – 8:30 a.m. **Breakfast**

7:45 a.m. **Morning Devotional**

7:45 a.m. – 2 p.m. **Trade Show Open**

8:30 – 9:45 a.m. **Welcome and Opening Keynote**



Never Give Up, Never Quit: Turning Adversity into Advantage
Travis Mills, U.S. Army Staff Sergeant, 82nd Airborne (Retired)

In this powerful and deeply human keynote session, retired U.S. Army Staff Sergeant Travis Mills shares his journey of resilience, leadership and purpose after becoming a quadruple amputee while serving in Afghanistan. With honesty, humor and hard-earned wisdom, Mills challenges individuals to rethink limitations, reframe adversity and lead with grit and gratitude. Mills will inspire you to face challenges head-on, strengthen team culture and adopt a mindset that turns obstacles into opportunities in both your professional and personal life.

9:45 – 10 a.m. **Refreshment Break**

10 – 11:15 a.m. **General Session**

- Message from MBA President & CEO Jackson Hataway
- Graduation of 2025 – 2026 Banking Leadership Missouri Class
- Introduction of 2026 – 2027 Banking Leadership Missouri Class

11:15 – 11:30 a.m. **Refreshment Break**

ANNUAL CONVENTION

June 10 – 12, 2026 | Hilton Branson Convention Center



AGENDA

11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.



Staying Ahead in an Evolving Fraud Landscape

Patrick Smith, Senior Vice President of Fraud Operations Management Optimization | American Bankers Association

As fraud schemes grow more sophisticated, banks face an ever-changing mix of persistent threats and emerging risks. Patrick Smith provides a comprehensive look at today's most pressing fraud challenges – from traditional scams fueled by social engineering to the rise of AI-driven schemes and the resurgence of check fraud. Gain practical insights into evolving prevention strategies, innovative industry tools and best practices to strengthen defenses. Together, these topics offer a comprehensive view of the tactics reshaping the modern fraud environment and the tools needed to combat them.

12:30 – 2 p.m.

Awards Luncheon in Exhibit Hall

- Election of Officers
- MBA Century Banks Recognized
- 50 Year Club Induction
- Grand Prize Drawings

2 – 3 p.m.



AI Strategy for Bank Executives: Leading Through Uncertainty, Building for the Future

Jason Rincker, Chief Revenue Officer | Stronghold Data

You keep hearing about AI's possibilities in banking, and banks are already using AI to enhance their operations. In this session, Jason Rincker examines AI's impact on your bank's business models, competitive positioning and long-term growth. Explore how to balance regulatory realities with innovation, what safe adoption looks like today and what steps are necessary to build AI fluency and readiness throughout the next five years.

6 – 11 p.m.



Chairman's Reception, Dinner & Entertainment

Deuces Wild



Friday, June 12

8 a.m. Breakfast

8:30 – 8:45 a.m. Message from MBA Chairman

8:45 – 9:15 a.m. Message from Missouri Division of Finance
Mick Campbell, Commissioner of Finance



ANNUAL CONVENTION

June 10 – 12, 2026 | Hilton Branson Convention Center



AGENDA

9:15 – 9:45 a.m.

Message from ABA Chairman

Kenneth Kelly, Chairman and CEO | First Independence Bank, Detroit



9:45 – 10:45 a.m.

Closing Keynote Session | Global Volatility: What Does the Rest of the Year Hold?

Chris Kuehl, Ph.D., Managing Director | Armada Corporate Intelligence



To be honest, it is hard to know what the week holds! The oil sector challenges have swiftly affected the entire global supply chain, but all the old issues remain – inflation, unemployment combined with labor shortage, interest rates and so on. Chris Kuehl addresses these issues and more as he assesses current and future economic conditions.

11 a.m. **Final Adjournment**

ANNUAL CONVENTION

June 10 – 12, 2026 | Hilton Branson Convention Center



GENERAL INFORMATION

Registration Information

To preserve the integrity of our registration process, no one will be admitted into the conference sessions or social events without a name badge. Your name badge will serve as your official ticket to all events.

Member Registration

The fee is for employees, officers and directors of MBA-member banks and MBA associate members. The member fee includes admission to all convention business sessions, social events, the exhibit hall and meal functions.

Spouse/Guest Registration

The fee is for a spouse or guest who is not employed by the bank. This fee also is for guests ages 18 and older. The fee includes admission to all convention events. Spouses must register to attend social functions.

Family Registration

This fee includes one member, one spouse and all children ages 17 and under. The fee includes admission to all social events and meal functions.

Child Registration

The fee for a child age 13 to 17 includes admission to all social events and meal functions. The fee for children ages 12 and under is free. The fee includes Wednesday breakfast, lunch and dinner and Thursday breakfast.

Nonmember Registration

This fee includes admission to the convention business sessions, social events, the exhibit hall and meal functions.

The cost of meals and entertainment included in the member, nonmember and spouse/ guest registration fee for this convention is \$350. This information is provided for your bank's tax records in keeping with the IRS 50% deductible provision under Section 274(n) of the Internal Revenue Code.

Cancellation Policy

Full refunds will be granted for cancellations received at the MBA office by Tuesday, May 19. An administrative fee of \$50 per canceled registration will be assessed if notice is received after Tuesday, May 19. The remainder of the registration fee will be refunded. Because of financial commitments MBA must make to the hotel, refunds will not be granted for cancellations after Monday, June 1. Substitutions are always permitted.

Golf Tournament

YOU MUST BE A FULLY REGISTERED CONVENTION ATTENDEE TO PARTICIPATE. The tournament fee covers green fees, cart, lunch and refreshments. Prizes will be awarded.

Cancellation: NO refunds will be given for cancellations after Tuesday, June 2. The golf registration fee must be paid by May 28.

Attendance Policy

To preserve the integrity of our registration process, no one will be admitted into the conference sessions or social events without a name badge. Your name badge will serve as your official ticket to all events.

Dress Attire

Business or business casual is acceptable for all sessions. Cocktail attire is acceptable for the Wednesday and Thursday receptions.

Disabilities or Dietary Restrictions

If you have any dietary restrictions or disabilities and need assistance, please email elawson@mobankers.com.

Questions

If you have questions concerning any part of this conference, please call the MBA Education Department at 573-636-8151.

Image Use Policy

Registration or participation by an individual in attending Missouri Bankers Association events and activities constitutes an agreement by the attendee to the MBA's use and distribution, both current and future, of the attendee's name, image or voice in print, media, social media, photographs, videotapes, electronic reproductions, and audiotapes of, or reporting, such events, and activities and promoting MBA activities, services and programs. Attendees waive any right to inspect or approve the finished materials and MBA communications and publications and agree that all such images, pictures, video or audio recordings, and any reproduction thereof, shall remain the property of the MBA to use at its discretion. Consent is binding, perpetual and may not be revoked.

ANNUAL CONVENTION

June 10 – 12, 2026 | Hilton Branson Convention Center



HOTEL INFORMATION

The official convention headquarters is the Hilton Branson Convention Center. The Hilton Branson Convention Center is located at 200 E. Main St. in Branson, overlooking the beautiful Lake Taneycomo and the Branson Landing.

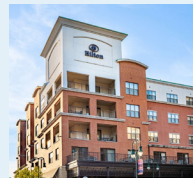
Missouri Bankers Association has secured room blocks at the Hilton Branson Convention Center Hotel and the Hilton Promenade at Branson Landing. Both hotels will continue to accept reservations until the arrival date based on availability. Make reservations as soon as possible. The special room rates will be available until Saturday, May 9, or until the room block is sold out, whichever comes first.

The reservation cut-off date is Saturday, May 9. After that date, reservations will be accepted on a space-available basis. **ALL CONVENTION DELEGATES MAY NOT BE ABLE TO STAY IN THE HEADQUARTERS HOTEL.**

Call the toll-free reservation number at 866-442-0959.



Hilton Branson Convention Center Hotel
200 E. Main St.
Branson, MO 65616
417-336-5400



Hilton Promenade at Branson Landing
3 Branson Landing
Branson, MO 65616
417-336-5500

Reservation guidelines: To secure a guest room reservation, a major credit card will be required. Reservations canceled within 48 hours of arrival will incur a charge for the first night's room and tax charge.

Check-In/Out Time: Check-in time is 4 p.m.; checkout time is 11 a.m. All guests arriving before 4 p.m. will be accommodated as rooms become available. Hotel bellmen can arrange to check baggage for those arriving early when rooms are unavailable and for guests attending functions on departure day. If you choose a late checkout, the fee is \$25 per hour for checkouts after 11 a.m. and before 3 p.m.

Early Departure Fee: If a guest checks out before the guest's reserved checkout date, the hotel will add an early checkout fee to the guest's individual account (currently, one night's room and tax). Guests wishing to avoid an early checkout fee should advise the hotel no less than 48 hours before the day of arrival.

MBA'S 136TH CONVENTION REGISTRATION - JUNE 10-12, 2026

Hilton Branson Convention Center



Please PRINT or TYPE appropriate section(s) below. Please enter the information below EXACTLY as you wish it to appear on your name badge and registration list.

Name of Attendee

Bank/Firm _____

Address _____

City/State/ZIP _____

Name _____

Title _____

Phone _____

Email _____

Spouse* _____

Child* _____

Child* _____

Child* _____

Registration Fees (Check all that apply.)

Family Plan.....\$1200* # _____ \$ _____

Member\$650* # _____ \$ _____

Nonmember.....\$2560* # _____ \$ _____

Nonmember Family\$4600* # _____ \$ _____

Spouse/Guest\$350* # _____ \$ _____

Child\$95* # _____ \$ _____

**All meal functions are included in the registration fees. Spouse, guest and children must be registered to attend these events.*

Golf Tournament – Must be a full registrant to register.

Per Person Fee \$290 # _____ \$ _____

Spouse, guest and children must be registered to attend these events.

Total due \$ _____

- Check enclosed, payable to MBA Invoice the bank
- Credit Card (Please type)

Exp. Date _____ CVV _____

Number _____

Name on Card _____

Signature _____

**Spouse and child(ren) must be registered to attend events.*

***Must be a full registrant to register for golf.*

Buffalo Ridge at Big Cedar Lodge - The tournament fee covers green fees, cart, lunch and refreshments. Prizes will be awarded. Complete the section below. **Cancellation: NO refunds** will be given for cancellations after May 28.

YOU MUST BE A FULLY REGISTERED CONVENTION ATTENDEE TO PARTICIPATE.

GOLF REGISTRATION FEE MUST BE PAID BY MAY 28.

Name _____

Spouse/Guest/Child (if playing) _____

Preferred Golf Partners: You may request preferred golf partners. The rest of your group will be assigned. **Requests of golf partners are not guaranteed.**

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____

Three Ways to Register

- 573-636-8151
- mobankers.com
- Mail check payable to Missouri Bankers Association and form to:

Missouri Bankers Association
 P.O. Box 57
 Jefferson City, MO 65102

YOU MUST BE A FULLY REGISTERED CONVENTION ATTENDEE TO PARTICIPATE IN GOLF. FEE MUST BE PAID BY MAY 28.