



Democratic Insider

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This week we saw the Republican presidential field get even more crowded with Tim Scott and the disastrous Ron DeSantis 2024 Twitter live campaign announcement. Did you watch it?

Republicans continue to hold the budget hostage as they fight with President Biden to push their far-right agenda. According to a [NY Times](#) article, the deal taking shape would allow Republicans to say that they were reducing some federal spending — even as spending on the military and veterans' programs would continue to grow — and allow Democrats to say they had spared most domestic programs from significant cuts.

The compromise, if it can be agreed upon and enacted, would raise the government's borrowing limit for two years, past the 2024 election, according to three people familiar with it who insisted on anonymity to discuss a plan that was still being hammered out.

With summer upon us, there are a number of events we encourage you to participate in. If you have an event you are hosting, please visit the [Missouri Democratic Party](#) website to share event information that will be shared on the website.

NEWS



Ron DeSantis's very online and very disastrous 2024 campaign announcement

The Florida governor took to Twitter Spaces to announce a presidential run

It wasn't pretty

Ron DeSantis's campaign has been predicated on his competence. Unlike the undisciplined Donald Trump, he won't lash out on Twitter, get consumed by petty grudges, or even inspire an unruly mob to attack the US Capitol. Instead, DeSantis is running as the candidate who gets things done. He touts that he fights "the war on woke" and wins as he transformed the swing state of Florida into a Republican bastion.

Then, on Wednesday night, he announced his presidential candidacy on Twitter Spaces with Elon Musk and billionaire David Sacks.

To put it mildly, it was a disaster. The audio feed cut in and out, users were continually kicked off the app, and, for the first 20 minutes, all anyone could hear was feedback, wait music, and occasional cross-talk as Sacks and Musk tried to figure out just what was going on. It was chaos and anarchy.

Read more at [Vox.com](https://www.vox.com)



Crime bill awaiting Gov. Mike Parson's action includes provisions increasing stipend, expanding reasons for approving payments in 'actual innocence' cases

A bill awaiting action on Gov. Mike Parson's desk would allow more state inmates released after being proven innocent to receive compensation — with a larger payment — but they would have to give up the right to sue the people who put them behind bars.

The bill, passed a day before the Senate descended into complete gridlock, would also fix problems identified by the courts with a 2021 law allowing prosecutors to seek judicial review of past cases and creates a new state-level unit to assist prosecutors with case investigations.

Read more at: [Missouri Independent](https://www.missouriindependent.com)

A promotional poster for the 'Road to 2024 Tour' featuring the Missouri Democratic Party (MDP) and Missouri House Democrats. The poster has a light blue background with a stylized road leading to a horizon. In the foreground, the front of a teal car is visible. The text 'ROAD TO 2024 TOUR' is written in large, orange, bubbly letters along the sides of the road. In the center, a white sign lists the tour dates and locations. At the top left, there are logos for the 'HOUSE DEMOCRATIC CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE Missouri' and the 'MDP'. Below these, it says 'MO House Dems and the MO Democratic Party'. To the right, there is a QR code with the text 'SCAN ME' and an orange arrow pointing to it. Below the QR code is a blue button with the text 'RSVP'.

HOUSE DEMOCRATIC CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE Missouri

MDP

**MO House Dems
and the MO Democratic Party**

Present:

Featuring:
MDP Chair
Russ Carnahan
and
Rep. Crystal
Quade

ROAD TO 2024 TOUR

Tour Dates

- June 3rd- St. Louis City
- June 4th- StL County
- June 5th- Boone County
- June 6th- Clay County
- June 8th- Jackson County
- June 10th- Platte County
- June 11th- Buchanan County
- June 12th- Greene County
- June 13th- St. Charles County

SCAN ME

RSVP

Join the MDP and MO Housed Dems as we meet to discuss the 2023 Legislative session, and the path to victory for Missouri Democrats in 2024!

Scan the QR code to RSVP, or use this link: MoHouseDems.com



Former Missouri House Speaker John Diehl fined \$47K by state ethics commission
After resigning in disgrace in 2015, Diehl was involved in an Independence utility contract that garnered FBI scrutiny

A former Missouri House speaker who was forced to resign in disgrace in 2015 has been fined \$47,000 by the Missouri Ethics Commission for allegedly misusing campaign funds.

John Diehl, a Republican from Town and Country, signed a consent decree with the ethics commission released Tuesday acknowledging probable cause that he violated state campaign finance laws.

While he was fined \$47,000, Diehl will only have to pay roughly \$10,000 if he doesn't violate campaign finance law again in the next two years.

Read more at [Missouri Independent](https://www.missouriindependent.com)



800,000 manufacturing jobs have been added under President Biden.



Democratic Legislative Network!

We're excited to team up with Missouri House Democrats to build a stronger Democratic Legislative Network!

We invite you to join us on Mondays at 7:00 p.m. to hear from legislators, get #MoLeg updates, and action items for you to take to make a difference. [Sign up here](#)



ST. CHARLES DEMOCRATS FIRST CAPITAL DINNER

TOGETHER WE WILL BUILD A BETTER FUTURE

DATE / TIME
JUNE 9TH @ 6:00PM

LOCATION
CHRISTY BANQUET CENTER



**FEATURING KEYNOTE
SPEAKER JESS PIPER**



**THE HONORABLE PAULA BROWN WILL
BE AWARDED THE ROBERT J. KELLEY LABOR
HERO AWARD**



EASY WAYS TO PURCHASE TICKETS:

INDIVIDUAL TICKET \$60 • RESERVED TABLE (8) \$480

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St. Charles Democrats First Capital Dinner

Friday, June 9, 2023

6:00 p.m.

Christy Banquet Center

Featuring Keynote Speaker Jess Piper

**The Honorable Paula Brown will be awarded the
Robert J. Kelley Labor Hero Award**



**MISSOURI
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COUNTY
DEMOCRATS**



**KANSAS
CITY
PRIDE
PARADE**

Please join Jackson, Clay,
Platte, and the Missouri
State Democrats at the
Kansas City Pride Parade!
When: Saturday June 10th

Join MDP and the Jackson County Democrats Clay County Democrats ccDEMScC Missouri Senate Democrats Platte County Democrats Central Committee at this year's Kansas City Pride Parade!

The parade will take place Saturday, June 10. We'll make sure to share more information whenever it becomes available.

Register at [Signupgenius.com](https://signupgenius.com)



Annual BBQ Picnic & **STUMP**

Sunday, June 11

B O O N E C O U N T Y



DEMOCRATS

This is a candidate focused event featuring our Elected Democrats and Candidates running for office in 2024. This is your first chance to get to know them better!

When: Sunday, June 11th, 2023

Registration begins at 11:30am, Food service starts at 12:30, Stump Speeches starts at 1:00 pm

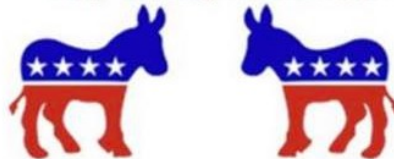
Where: Twin Lakes Recreation Shelter House (bring your comfy lawn chairs!)

2500 Chapel Hill Road, Columbia, MO 65203

For more information, visit the event [Facebook](#) page.



**You are invited to the
Annual Fundraiser Banquet For
Ray County Democrats**



Saturday June 24, 2023

Social Hour/Cash Bar begins at 5:00 pm

Dinner served at 6:00

Tickets are \$50 per person

**Branded Steakhouse
708 Wollard Blvd., Richmond**

**Entertainment, hog raffle and an auction (Pies and various items)
Speakers will be Elad Gross, candidate for Mo. Attorney General,
Maggie Nurrenbern, State Rep. and candidate for Mo. Senate**

**Please purchase tickets by June 9th.
Contact Barbara at (816) 591-5146, Cindy at (816) 582-4656 or a
member of the Ray County Democratic Party**



Join the Ray County Democrats for its Annual BBQ Fundraiser and Banquet. purchase your tickets by June 9th. Contact information is on the flyer below, and please be sure to share this information with other Democrats!



36TH ANNUAL

TRUMAN GALA

WWW.TRUMANGALA.COM

It's that time of year again

tickets for the 36th Annual Truman Gala on June 10th, 2023 are on sale now!


If you want to be in attendance for the biggest annual Democratic fundraiser in Missouri, make sure to purchase one of our ticket options! In the coming weeks, we will be announcing speakers and award winners for this year's event, so stay tuned for more information.

If you are a candidate or organization that would like to purchase an advertisement in this year's program, you can also do that at the link below.

[Purchase Tickets](#)

[Purchase a Program Book](#)

**SPECIAL GUEST
SPEAKER:
AMBASSADOR
KEVIN O'MALLEY**



THE THOMAS JEFFERSON
AWARD: HON.
MARY ELIZABETH DORSEY

BUZZ WESTFALL AWARD:
HON. WESLEY BELL

EAGLETON GRASSROOTS
AWARD PRESENTATION

Join the largest gathering of Democrats in the state as we celebrate St. Louis County Democratic Committee's annual awards and get excited for next year's elections!

Saturday, July 15, 2023 | 6 pm
LiUNA | 4532 S Lindbergh Blvd, STL MO

Sponsorships, Tables, Individual Tickets and Ad Book Sales are available at stidems.org.

- Sponsorships start at \$200
- Early Bird Individual Tickets (deadline 6/15): \$60
- Individual Tickets: \$80
- Early Bird Table of 10 (deadline 6/15): \$700
- Table of 10: \$800
- Ad Book starts at \$25

More information? Call Jessica at 314-954-8592 or check out stidems.org.

The St. Louis County Democrats Annual Gala

The St. Louis County Democratic Central Committee is proud to announce our 42nd Annual Gala. This year we'll be holding it at the beautiful LiUNA Event Center, Saturday July 15, 2023.

Location

LiUNA Event Center

4532 S Lindbergh Blvd

Sunset Hills, MO 63127

For tickets, visit: St. Louis County Democrats

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