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## McGruff Visits Bell City Schools

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McGruff and Chief Deputy Andy Holden visited Bell City Head start and also Elementary on Wednesday, October 24, 2018.

Mr. Holden and McGruff talked to the children about Halloween Safety. The students also received treat bags filled with delicious candies.

If your school is interested in McGruff visiting please contact the Stoddard County Sheriff's Department however time is limited as McGruff is a very busy dog fighting crime in Stoddard County!

**For more information about keeping kids safe during Halloween please click [HERE](#).**

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## The Bernie Police Dept Participating in Prescription Drug Take-Back on Saturday

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## The Bernie Police Dept Participating in Prescription Drug Take-Back on Saturday

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The Bernie Police Department is taking back unwanted prescription drugs October 27 at the Bernie Police Department

Bernie, Missouri - On Saturday, October 27, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. the Bernie Police Department and the U. S. Drug Enforcement Administration will give the public its 16th opportunity in eight years to prevent pill abuse and theft by ridding their homes of potentially dangerous expired, unused, and unwanted prescription drugs. Bring your pills for disposal to the Bernie Police Dept at 206 Crumb Ave Bernie MO. (The DEA cannot accept liquids or needles or sharps, only pills or patches.) The service is

free and anonymous, no questions asked.

Last spring Americans turned in nearly 475 tons (949,046 pounds) of prescription drugs at more than 5,800 sites operated by the DEA and almost 4,700 of its state and local law enforcement partners. Overall, in its 15 previous Take Back events, DEA and its partners have taken in almost 10 million pounds - nearly 5,000 tons - of pills.

This initiative addresses a vital public safety and public health issue. Medicines that languish in home cabinets are highly susceptible to diversion, misuse, and abuse. Rates of prescription drug abuse in the U.S. are alarmingly high, as are the number of accidental poisonings and overdoses due to these drugs. The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration’s National Survey on Drug Use and Health shows year after year that the majority of misused and abused prescription drugs are obtained from family and friends, including someone else’s medication being stolen from the home medicine cabinet. In addition, Americans are now advised that their usual methods for disposing of unused medicines - flushing them down the toilet or throwing them in the trash—both pose potential safety and health hazards.

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# Puxico Police and Fire - Car Smash and Stuff the Truck Event

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**Puxico, Missouri - The Puxico Police and Fire Department will be hosting a Car Smash and Stuff the Truck on Saturday, November 17, 2018 from noon - 5 p.m.**

**Come out and support your local children.**

**All proceeds will go towards the Christmas toy drive.**

Come out and Smash an old car with a sledgehammer or baseball bat. (Great way to relieve some stress)

\$10.00 for 7 swings

\$5.00 for 3 swings

\$ 2.00 a swing

\$50.00 for unlimited hits for 30mins

Children under 10 can use a small hammer

\$10.00 for 15 swings

\$5.00 for 10 swings

\$1.00 a swing

Location: On the corner of East Richardson and Hickman. Next to the Puxico Fire Department in the city parking lot.

Safety Protection will be provided, Under the age of 18 will have to have a waiver signed by parent or guardian.

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# Join the Bernie Chamber of Commerce Annual Downtown Trunk-or-Treat, Parade, and Costume Contest

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Bernie, Missouri - Please join the Bernie Chamber of Commerce Annual Downtown Trunk-or-Treat, Parade, and Halloween Costume Contest on October 31, 2018.

Parade begins at 6 with costume contest to follow. \$50 cash prize awarded to the "Best Trunk"!

5:35 - Trunk-or-Treat vehicles parked & ready in lot across from Main Street Pizza on Drake Street. Enter at the NORTH entrance to get to spots.

5:35 - 6:00 Parade participants meet at the corner of Crumb & Drake Street. Parents are welcome to walk with children. No bikes or skateboards, please.

6:00 - Parade begins, led by Bernie High School band.

### **BUSINESS & COMMUNITY MEMBERS:**

If you have a downtown business, we hope you will join in the festivities! Local business owners, churches, and community members are encouraged to attend and set up in the lot across from Main Street Pizza.

Participants **MUST** be parked there by 5:35 PM. If parking spots are taken, participants are welcome to set up along the sidewalks downtown.

No reserved spots. First come, first served!

### **FREE costume contest immediately following parade!**

Location: Between Celia's Curl Up 'N'Dye and Bernie Fitness Center

#### **AGE GROUPS:**

0 - 3 Years

4 Years-Kindergarten

1st- 3rd Grade

4th - 6th Grade

Age groups will line up in front of judges after their group is called. Judges will award 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place prizes.

Winners will receive a small Halloween gift and will have their photos taken.

Trick-or-treaters will then enjoy the rest of the evening through the downtown area!

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Dexter Chamber of Commerce weekly events for Monday, October 22nd - Saturday, October 27, 2018!

### **Monday: October 22**

-Community Dance at the American Legion CANCELLED will resume 10/29  
-Polar Express Tickets - ON SALE NOW, they go quick, so do not wait! Get them reserved today! Contact the Chamber!

### **Tuesday: October 23**

-Children's Story Hour-Keller Public Library at 10:15 am

**Wednesday: October 24**

-Keller Public Library Board of Directors Meeting-Community Room at 5:15pm

**Friday: October 26**

-Dexter Football vs. St. Gene

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**Saturday: October 27**

Bootheel Counseling Services- 9th Annual Goblin Gallop-5k/1Mile Fun Run and Walk

**Upcoming Events:**

- Full Member Winter Luncheon at Hickory Log December 7th at 11:30am
- Annual Awards Banquet February 9th at Elks Lodge doors open at 5:00pm

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