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#### 10th Annual Christmas Reading Date Set

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Dexter, Missouri - The 10th Annual Christmas Reading is slated for Saturday, November 24th beginning at 6:00 p.m. at 130 W. Stoddard Street across from Rainey-Mathis Funeral Home in Dexter.

Greg Mathis began the annual Christmas Reading by reading the Second Chapter of Luke in 2009 and has now become a wonderful tradition.

June Coffey, Lisa's mother and Greg's mother-in-law read the Christmas story from Luke 2 every Christmas Eve to their two boys when they were young. It was a tradition Greg decided to share with others through the Christmas reading. Mrs. Coffey passed away in 2015.

"Too often we tend to get caught up in the rush of the holiday season," Mathis said. "It is simply a reading by a special person in the local community who tells aloud the true story of the first Christmas."

The event is outside and everyone is encouraged to attend. A special guest will read the story of the first Christmas, but you have to attend to find out who the secret guest will be this year.

In case of inclement weather the event will be moved indoors to the chapel at Rainey Mathis Funeral Home.

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Small Business Saturday is November 24, 2018! Shop Local!

Back in 2010 small businesses were really hurting do to our economy. American Express launched Small Business Saturday to help local businesses prosper!

"In an effort to support local shops that make our communities strong, American Express launches Small Business Saturday® on the Saturday after Thanksgiving — to encourage people to Shop Small and bring more holiday shopping to small businesses."

In 2011, the Senate unanimously passes a resolution in support of the day. By 2012, officials in all 50 states participate. It even gets a shoutout from the President of the United States.

In 2017, an estimated 108 million consumers reported shopping or dining at local independently-owned businesses on Small Business Saturday — generating roughly \$12 billion in reported spend.

As shopping small catches on in communities everywhere, Small Business Saturday goes from a cause to a day of community celebration with 90% of consumers being surveyed said Small Business Saturday has had a positive impact on their community.

So Shop Local, Shop Small Business Saturday!

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### Keller Public Library Annual Book Sale

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Dexter, Missouri - The Keller Public Library will have their annual book sale on Saturday, November 17, 2018 between 9:00 a.m 2:00 p.m.
Everyone loves books! They also make great Christmas gifts and stocking stuffers.

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## Annual Community Hayride in Bernie Set

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Bernie, Missouri - The annual Bernie Community Hayride will be held on Saturday, November 10, 2018.
Meet at the Bernie City park at 2:30 p.m.
Hayride will leave by 3 p.m.
Goodie bags and hotdogs will be served after the hayride!

Love small town gatherings! Come out and enjoy the beautiful weather!

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# Bernie Chamber of Commerce Halloween Trunk or Treat!

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Bernie, Missouri - The Bernie Chamber of Commerce Halloween Trunk or Treat and Costume Parade is still scheduled for Wednesday, October 31st in downtown Bernie; however if it is raining the event will be rescheduled for Thursday, November 1st.

They will announce on their Facebook page for updates.

The parade time has been changed from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m. and all Trunk or Treat vehicles need to be parked by 5:55 p.m.

All children wanting to participate will meetal the corner of Crumb St. and Drake St. prior to 6 p.m. Parents are welcome to walk with their children. NO bikes or skateboards etc. The pleading the way.

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Immediately following the costume parade there will be a free costume contest in the parking lot next to Celia's.

For more information contact the Bernie Chamber of Commerce via their Facebook page.

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