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## Downtown Dexter Tree Lighting Event

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### Downtown Dexter Tree Lighting Event

Dexter, Missouri - the Historic Downtown Dexter Association (HDDA) will host a Tree Lighting event on Sunday, November 4, 2018 at 5:30 p.m.

The event will be held at the Dexter Welcome Center located at 10 W. South Main St.

Music will be provided by The Show Stoppers of Southeast Missouri.

Hot Chocolate and cookies provided by Bank of Advance.

The tree was donated by Dexter Wal-Mart and the lights by First Midwest Bank.

Come out for this even and if you do please bring a canned good item and place in the Blessing Box next to the Welcome Center!

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## Dexter Chamber of Commerce Weekly Activities

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Dexter Chamber of Commerce weekly events!

#### WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 31:

HAPPY HALLOWEEN: DHS Trunk or Treat from 5:00-7:00pm at Dexter High School

#### **THURSDAY NOVEMBER 1:**

Park and Recreation Board Meeting 500 Fairground Drive at 7:00pm

If you reserved Polar Express tickets money is by 4:30pm Thursday 11/1

#### FRIDAY NOVEMBER 2:

United Methodist Church CHILLI SUPPER from 4:00pm-7:00pm Adults \$5 Kids 12 and under \$3 501 South Walnut Street

#### **SUNDAY NOVEMBER 4:**

Fall into Christmas 12:00-5:00pm

Christmas Tree Lighting at Welcome Center/Train Depot 10 W. South Main at 5:30pm

Sacred Heart Parish Center Annual Turkey Dinner from 11:00am-1:00pm

Reminder: Daylight Savings Time-Fall back 1 Hour!

#### UPCOMING EVENTS: THURSDAY NOVEMBER 8:

December Doe on Sale-Limited Amount Available

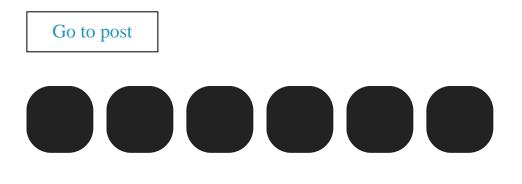
#### FRIDAY NOVEMBER 9:

Veterans Day Program at Bearcat Event Center 9:30am-11:30am City of Dexter and Chamber office Closed

Moonlight Madness 5:00pm-9:00pm

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# The Lunch Box Invites Children to Trick or Treat!

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The Lunch Box Invites Children to Trick or Treat!

Come and join The Lunch Box (formerly the Stoddard County Nutrition Center) on Wednesday, October 31, 2018 for Trick or Treating from 4:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. Rain or Shine!!!

They are located at 21 S. Stoddard Street.

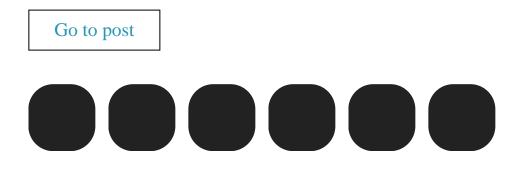
Everyone loves to watch the children come in with their costumes and join in the activities.

There will be candy, a coloring contest, a guess how many contest and kids Halloween trivia.

This is a win for everyone- the kids get candy and fun and the seniors get to remember days gone by of their childhood or taking their children out.

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# McGruff Visits Bell City Schools

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### McGruff Visits Bell City Schools

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

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

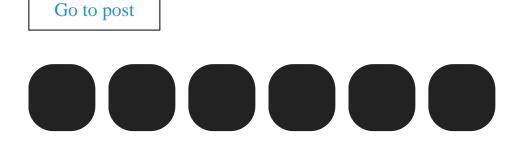
Bernie, Missouri - On Saturday, October 27, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. the Bernie Police Department and the U. S. Drug Enforcement Administration will give the public its 16th opportunity in eight years to prevent pill abuse and theft by ridding their homes of potentially dangerous expired, unused, and unwanted 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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