

# OEM CHRONICLE

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## Cyber Security Awareness Month



The [Cybersecurity & Infrastructure Agency \(CISA\)](#) and the [National Cyber Security Alliance \(NCSA\)](#) are continuing the theme of “Do Your Part. #BeCyberSmart.” to encourage individuals and organizations to own their role in protecting their part of cyberspace, stressing personal accountability and the importance of taking proactive steps to enhance cybersecurity. The Boone County Office of Emergency Management recognizes this threat and encourages our community members and stakeholders to learn how to reduce their cybersecurity risk and protect themselves online. Each week will highlight different areas of cybersecurity on social media

Week 1: Be Cyber Smart.

Week 2: Fight the Phish!

Week 3: Explore. Experience. Share.

Week 4: Cybersecurity First.

## Trick or Treating Safety



Halloween is one of my favorite holidays and can be a fun night for children, parents, and communities. It can also be nerve-racking and dangerous if safety tips are not enforced and followed. According to [Safe Kids Worldwide](#), children are twice as likely to be hit by a car and killed on Halloween than on any other day of the year.

Trick or Treat safely by:

- ⇒ Decorating costumes and treat bags with reflective tape
- ⇒ Stay alert while walking and walk on sidewalks or paths whenever possible.
- ⇒ Carry glowsticks or flashlights when out
- ⇒ Talk to your children about dangers associated with trick or treating

## Great ShakeOut Earthquake Drills



The Boone County Office of Emergency Management has registered to participate in this year's Great ShakeOut! The drill will take place on October 21st at 10:21am. We will be conducting a simple “Drop. Cover. Hold On.” drill. We will provide an inside look at the experience through Facebook Live and will share the video on our other social media platforms afterwards. We invite our community partners and stakeholders [to join us by registering](#) for the Great ShakeOut Earthquake Drill. If the date or time doesn't work for you—no worries! You can hold your ShakeOut drill when and where you want! You can choose another date or several dates, and include people in multiple locations (home, work, or school).

## Do1Thing Goal



**Goal for October:** Be able to safely meet your basic needs during an electrical outage.

[>Have flashlights ready in an easily accessible place and check batteries in flashlights and radios](#)

[>Create a power outage plan and decide what you can do before, during and after a power outage to minimize the effect on your household](#)

Do1Thing is a web-based twelve month preparedness program. Every month offers a low or no-cost option for individuals (or businesses) to become better prepared for disasters and emergencies!

# OEM CALENDAR

To see the OEM's most current calendar of events, visit our [homepage!](#)

## OCTOBER

October 1st: October OEM Chronicle Released

October 6th: [Outdoor Warning Sirens](#) Test at 12pm

October 9th: [MU Homecoming Parade](#), TBD

October 9th—10th: [Hartsburg Pumpkin Fest](#), 9am—5pm

October 14th: [CERT](#) Meeting 6:30pm—8pm

October 21st: [Great ShakeOut Earthquake Drill](#) at 10:21am

## NOVEMBER

November 3rd: [Outdoor Warning Sirens](#) Test at 12pm

November 4th: [CERT](#) Meeting 6:30pm—8pm

November 5th: November OEM Chronicle Released