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Business Spotlight: Covert Educational Services



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You may recognize the name Kim Covert, from the Dexter Board of Education, or from her work as the Community Education director. Or, you may recognize her as the mother of four children in Dexter. But today, and for the past three years, she's been running her own business in Dexter. This week, I had the opportunity to discuss her business and hopefully provide the reader with some insight as to what she is offering the community.

Covert Educational Services provides a variety of tutoring for students; SAT/ACT prep, college essay writing help, exam prep and tutoring for any class with which a student may be struggling. Kim provides flexibility in services.

The idea came from Kim not being able to find what she needed or wanted for her own children. And, since no two children are alike, services provided are very individual.

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Interview with Jamie Griffin, Candidate for Dexter City Council



Jamie Griffin.
Photo Courtesy of Jamie Griffin.

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Continuing my attempt to help voters get to know the candidates, I had the opportunity to interview Jamie Griffin, who is running for a position on Dexter City Council.

I started by asking Jamie what made her decide to run or what is her why? Jamie explained that she has a PhD in survey research and methodology. Methodology for gath-

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Pictured is Libby Covert utilizing the services at Covert Educational. Photos By Kim Covert



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Washtenaw County Health Department Issues Public Health Emergency Orders

Local orders maintain COVID-19 prevention and control strategies during pandemic

Local News Headlines

Washtenaw County Health Department is announcing local emergency public health orders to keep COVID-19 prevention and control strategies in place in Washtenaw County, given that Michigan Executive Orders are now uncertain. Health Officer Jimena Loveluck has issued countywide orders on the use of face coverings, social gatherings, bar and restaurant capacity and employee health screenings.

The orders confirm that residents, businesses and organizations can and should continue following public health guidance to reduce and prevent the spread of COVID-19 locally:

- Use face coverings in all public settings and anywhere 6 feet of distance cannot be maintained between individuals not living in the same house.

- Limit the size of indoor and outdoor gatherings and require measures to prevent the spread of illness.

- Keep the capacity of bars and restaurants to 50 percent or less.

- Continue to complete mandatory, daily health screenings of employees.

"There is no question that wearing face coverings, keeping distance, cleaning hands and fully cooperating with health officials reduces the spread of COVID-19 and prevents additional cases," says Jimena Loveluck, MSW, health officer for Washtenaw County.

"We must continue working together to reduce the spread of illness and protect everyone's health. The pandemic is not over, and we must remain cautious – even as we work to resume as much normalcy as possible as safely as possible," Loveluck continues.

Washtenaw County has reported a total

of 3,459 confirmed cases of COVID-19 to date. According to the MI Safe Start Map, Washtenaw County is at the second highest risk level (D) for daily cases per million (86.3). Positivity has increased this past week but remains relatively low at 2.2%.

The Real Estate Corner

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Business Spotlight: Covert Educational Services

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Kim mentioned that one child may have a B in a very rigorous course but wants the A. She added another student might be content just passing. I laughed, because she described two of my children. She explains that she has a terrible business model, but if she does her job right, the student will no longer need her. The flexibility she provides is perfect for every family, and every child, which is not always the case with tutoring services and contracts. Kim states that she does not force families to sign a contract. She sees some students just prior to exams and some for extra help throughout the year. And she adjusts for sports schedules and extracurriculars. She serves mostly Dexter students, but also students in Chelsea, Ann Arbor, and surrounding areas.

During the pandemic, my first question for businesses usually relates to, how is it going? It's been



clear the community of Dexter wants to help local businesses survive, but, are you doing okay? Kim acknowledged that she was forced to close in March during the stay at home order. She had to learn to adjust and provide virtual services. She stated

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that she's seen a 300% drop in business, but is grateful that she made it, in part because she is not the sole income earner in her family. Her tutoring business could not provide in person tutoring during the shut down, but adjusted and focused on virtual tutoring. But, with the school closure and everyone being able to pass, there was less incentive for students to get tutoring possibly needed for the desired grade. Spring and Summer showed an adjustment to virtual as well as in person and outdoor sessions. Fall was a new adjustment and shift in business. With many parents opting for virtual learning, Kim has helped parents continue to work, while their children attend school at home. Her tutors are some of the Pod learning facilitators. She is now seeing children she would not have normally seen prior to the pandemic because some children may not always have the self-discipline to maintain focus at home. Kim is now providing in person tutoring with health protocols in place. Tutors are further from the students receiving the help, health assessments of both tutors and students take place and everyone wears a mask. If your family is struggling to adjust to a new style of learning Covert Educational Services is a local business available to help. It can also help with any of the usual educational struggles and is flexible enough to adjust to the needs of different children. To learn more check out their website at <https://coverteducationservices.com/> or call, (734) 223-6538.

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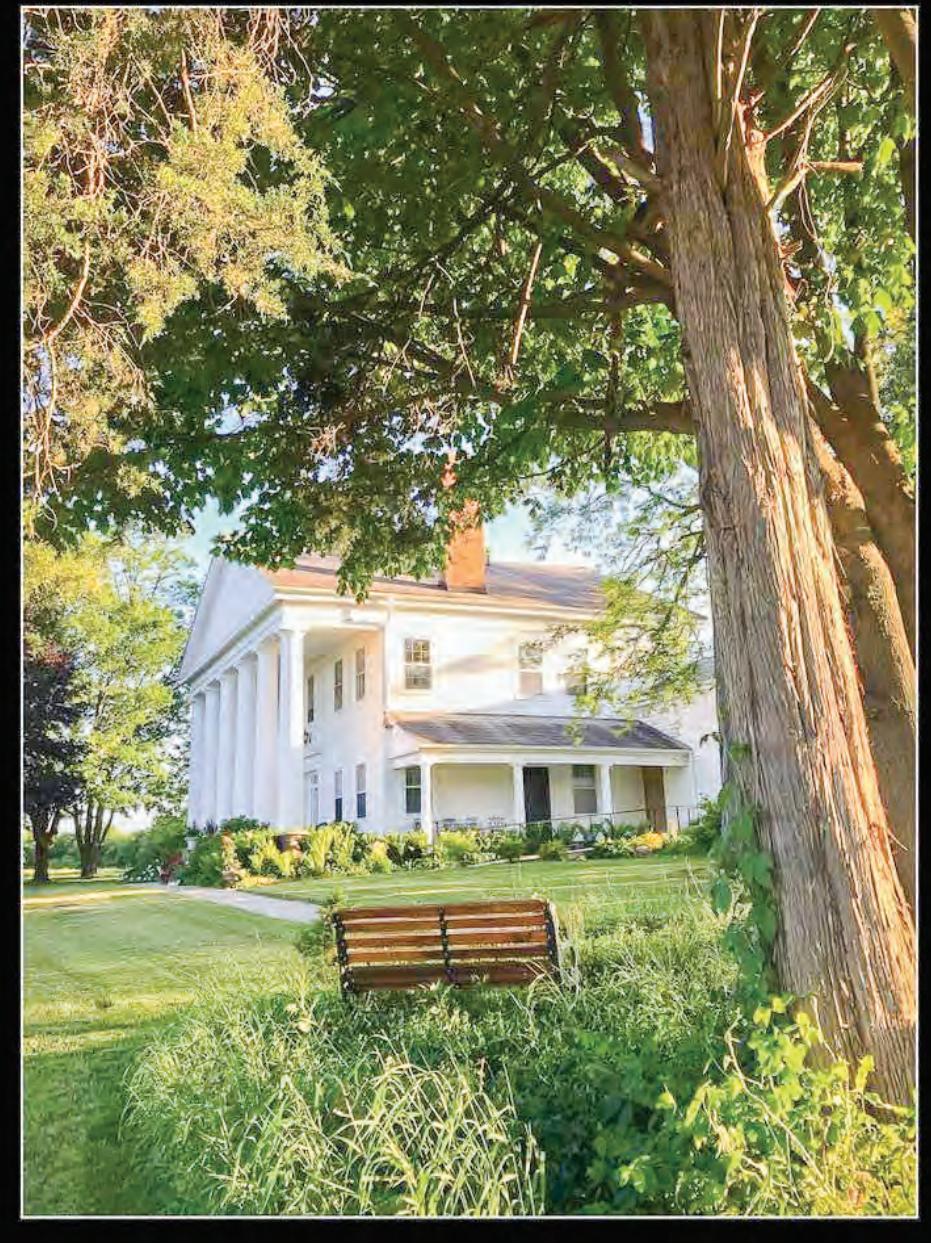


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From Dexter Area Historical Society

Please join us for a drive through dinner and fundraiser in support of Dexter's Gordon Hall to be held on Sunday, October 11 from 5:00 to 7:00

P.M. at The Fillmore 7954 Ann Arbor St. Dexter, Mi. 48130. The cost is \$75 per dinner with a salad, a choice of 3 different entrees and dessert. This fundraiser will help to move

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Interview with Jamie Griffin, Candidate for Dexter City Council

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ering public opinion. Over the last few years she's been helping municipalities gather input. "I have the skillset and we could be doing more of it here." She noted that the last community wide survey was done in 2011. Jamie stated many municipalities are doing surveys annually. She believes surveys are a critical tool for engaging constituents. It's an important and missing piece for building trust and confidence. Jamie believes it's reasonable to engage constituents actively on more than just your own, or the council's own agenda. She thinks it's important to understand the thoughts and wants of the people you represent. Jamie went on to explain that she's always paid close attention to local news wherever she's lived; Wisconsin, Nebraska, Ann Arbor, and now Dexter. She tries to stay up to date and is a researcher by training. Jamie noticed

that there is a facilities website for an inactive facilities committee that has not been updated since 2015. In order to gather information on city facilities, one must go to the city website. She'd like to see the information condensed and easy to find and she sees part of her job on council is to do that for constituents.

I asked Jamie about her platform. Jamie stated she's in favor of evidence based decision making. And stated that she's curious why, since the city has been discussing facilities for so long, why it still has not reached voters.

She brought up the housing task force in 2018. And was shocked that decisions on housing were made prior to the task force reaching any conclusion. She added that there were going to be text amendments to the charter regarding airbnbs or short term rentals. And Jamie would like to see more communication of ev-

idence on decisions. Jamie believes in fiscal responsibility and sustainable growth. Jamie noted that growth in the townships will have an impact on traffic downtown. Thinking outside of the box over time to reflect what citizens want, is important to Jamie. And Jamie is a firm believer in citizen engagement and adds that a direct vote by citizens in massive elections will be the best way to find out what the community wants.

I asked Jamie if she had anything else she'd like to add to potential voters? She encouraged voters to check out her website at www.griffinfordexter.com.

She'd love to do a virtual meet and greet to answer any questions or email. She does want to speak to voters in a way that is comfortable for everyone.

If you are a candidate and would like to be featured, email me at anbingham@gmail.com.

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Dexter Community Schools Begin After Care From Dexter Community Education

After Care for Homeroom students will begin this Thursday, October 8. After Care is available for YF-6th grade students on their scheduled in-building learning

days according to their Group A (Monday/Thursday) or Group B (Tuesday/Friday) schedules. No After Care on Wednesdays.

Questions?: Please contact the Commu-

nity Education office or visit the After Care page of the district website at <https://www.dexterschools.org/.../commun.../afterschool-care>.

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Boys Varsity Football

10/9/20 7:00pm (H) vs Lincoln HS
10/16/20 7:00pm (H) vs Jackson HS



Girls Varsity Cross Country

10/10/20 TBA (A) vs Multiple Opponents
10/17/20 TBA (H) vs Multiple Opponents



Boys Varsity Cross Country

10/10/20 TBA (A) vs Multiple Opponents
10/17/20 TBA (H) vs Multiple Opponents



Girls Varsity Field Hockey

10/9/20 5:30pm (H) vs Chelsea HS

10/12/20 7:00pm (H) vs Dearborn HS



Girls Varsity Swimming

10/13/20 6:00pm (H) vs Fenton Senior HS

10/15/20 6:00pm (H) vs Pinckney Community HS



Girls Varsity Volleyball

10/13/20 7:00pm (A) vs Adrian HS

10/15/20 5:00pm (H) vs Multiple Opponents Dexter
Varsity Quad

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200 Medley Relay

1 Dexter A- Lauren Witte; Delaney Parker; Emma Sortor; Charlotte Schultz	1:55.34
2 Huron A- Annaliese Streeter; Sawako Sakamoto; Emily Tran; Jasmine Xu	1:58.05
3 Dexter B- Maddy Matos; Isa Reyes; Lily Witte; Dani Schulz	2:04.47
4 Huron B- Ezgi Poyraz; Ayaka Sakamoto; Cali Streeter; Ece Uyulur	2:10.03
5 Dexter C- Alexis TerBush; Paige O'Connor; Theresa Rutz; Claire Blodgett	2:11.74
6 Huron C- Rihanna Gleason; Sophia Riegler; Sara Abdul-Hak; Amaris Beal	2:40.58

200 Free

1 Huron- Annaliese Streeter	1:58.96
2 Dexter- Hailee Waters	2:02.92
3 Dexter- Laura Walton	2:10.80
4 Dexter- Maddy Matos	2:10.97
5 Huron- Catherine Li	2:17.71
6 Huron- Clara Bowman	2:21.41

200 IM

1 Huron- Emily Tran	2:20.12
2 Dexter- Lauren Witte	2:24.36
3 Dexter- Emma Sortor	2:29.79
4 Dexter- Delaney Parker	2:35.37
5 Huron- Shayla Pawlicki	2:46.47
6 Huron- Cali Streeter	2:50.25

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1 Huron- Zannah Baker	5.69
2 Dexter- Holly Durand	26.80
3 Dexter- Lily Witte	26.81
4 Dexter- Marea Balcom	26.99
5 Huron- Emma Kaipainen	28.16
6 Huron- Kiana Hemati	31.56

Diving

1 Dexter- Lily Witte	276.30
2 Huron- Annie Costello	265.80
3 Dexter- Elysa Grossman	213.70
4 Dexter- Vivian Kinnard	202.75
5 Huron- Julie Park	177.25
6 Huron- Margaret Thomas	133.90

100 Fly

1 Dexter- Emma Sortor	1:05.75
2 Dexter- Isa Reyes,	1:06.54
3 Huron- Jasmine Xu	1:06.83
4 Dexter- Theresa Rutz	1:07.69
5 Huron- Ayaka Sakamoto	1:118.64
6 Huron- Ece Uyulur	1:26.1

100 Free

1 Dexter- Charlotte Schultz	56.32
2 Huron- Zannah Baker	58.02
3 Dexter- Holly Durand	58.51
4 Dexter- Marea Balcom	58.53
5 Huron- Emily Tran	1:00.05
6 Huron- Pooja Yalavarthi	1:07.85





DEXTER ATHLETICS



ON THE SIDELINE: ANKLE-BUSTERS, CARPET BOMBING, WALNUTS AND THE BANE OF MY EXISTENCE



By Don Richter
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The bane of my existence.

This column is usually devoted to my love of three things -- history, sports and the state of Michigan. Today? Not so much. No, today this column will be devoted to my disdain for a certain unwanted "tradition" I grudgingly suffer through each and every year about this time.

I need to vent.

Once late summer hits and the fall season nears, I prepare myself for the coming storm.

It starts slowly, only to progressively worsen hour after hour, day after day, week after week. I sit in my living room and stare out my front window watching everything unfold right before my eyes.

It happens every year like clockwork. What is it?

What am I talking about?

No, it's not the Detroit Tigers missing the Major League Baseball playoffs.

And no it's not the Detroit Lions being mathematically eliminated from the NFL playoffs, either.

What it is, is the yearly dreaded covering of my lawn with leaves and walnuts. Yes, walnuts -- the bane of my existence.

Why do walnuts exist? Does anyone know? Please, if you have an answer, enlighten me.

I have two gigantic walnut trees that dominate my front and side lawns on the corner lot my house is situated on. Granted, in the spring and summer both trees, with their ample shade, cool my house to the point I don't need air conditioning. Yes, my friends are jealous.

The conversation usually goes like this.

Friend (during

the hottest months of the summer) -- "No way is your house cool enough in the summer with just the shade from your trees."

Me -- You'd think that, but it's actually quite pleasant and comfortable."

Friend -- "You're just saying that. I bet your house is like a sauna."

My friends ALWAYS use the word "sauna" in this instance during our exchanges. Strangely, all the conversations I have with friends about this issue sound basically the same. By the way, does anyone actually use a sauna anymore?

Anyhow, back to the conversation.

Me -- No, it's really cool, I kid you not."

Friend (upon entering my house) -- "Wow, this is nice. You really have air conditioning, don't you? I know you do. Your house can't be this cool with no air conditioning..."

And so it goes, on and on, every year.

That being said, the walnut trees are also quite beautiful to look at in spring and summer. I've lost track of how many people over the years as they're walking by my house comment on the walnut trees' beauty if I'm outside doing yard work and I'm within talking distance.

I always respond in a friendly way, saying behind a fake smile, "Yes, thank you, they are gorgeous, aren't they? I love them." While deep inside I'm vigorously shaking my head no, no they aren't, they're the bane of my existence.

I cry silent tears every night during this time of year.

While my walnut trees are beautiful to look at and they do cool my home during the hot spring and summer months, they also are excruciatingly frustrating to deal with each year.

Why?

One word.

"Walnut." Yes, it's that simple.

And it's not just one walnut. Oh no, it's not even 100 walnuts. Try thousands upon thousands of walnuts,

dropping like little bombs on my roof, on my bushes and flowers, on my lawn and on my sidewalk and onto the street.

And these aren't cute little, marble-like walnuts littering my lawn -- noooo, these are heavy, baseball-sized walnuts that'll put a nasty knot on your forehead if you're ever unlucky enough to be standing in the wrong spot under one of the trees at the "right time."

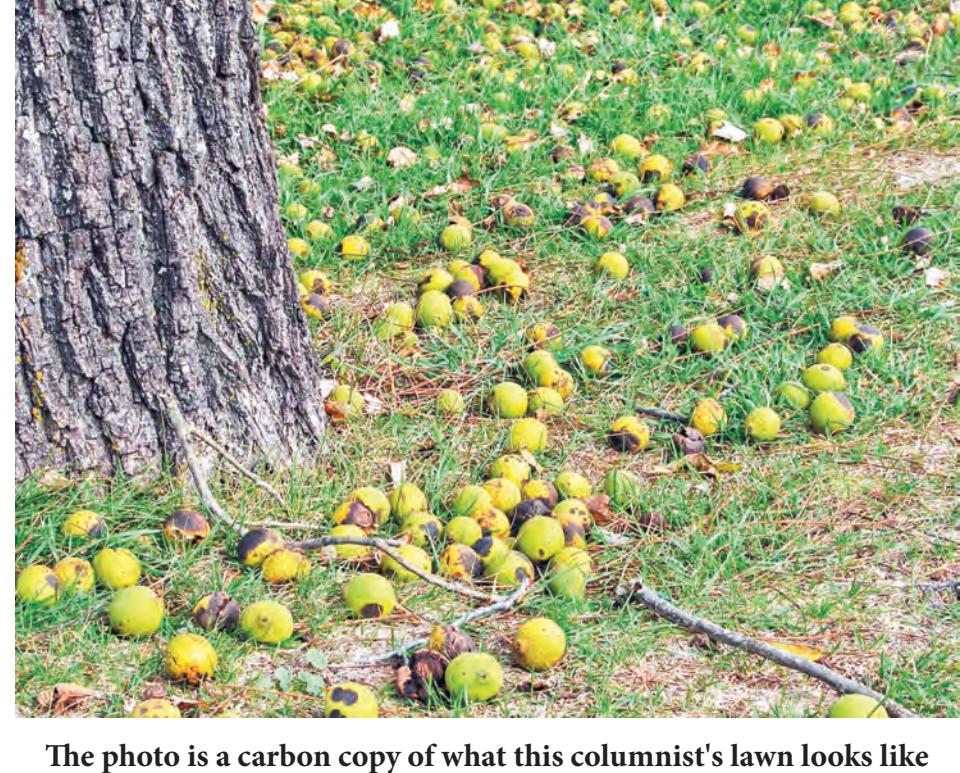
I can't tell you how many times I've been jolted awake at night by loud, thunderous "thuds" back-to-back-to-back-to-back as

multiple walnuts come crashing down on my roof like an Allied carpet-bombing raid on Nazi Germany during World War II. It sounds like the "Mothman" is landing on my roof in the middle of the night.

I've lost track of how many lawn mower blades I've ruined and/or dulled by chomping up the thousands of walnuts each year as I cut my lawn.

Every walnut sounds as if I'm cutting up a metal baseball wrapped in barbed wire as it clamors around underneath my mower. I think my neighbors hate me. I don't blame them.

More than anything, the baseball-sized walnuts are a physical danger. No, not from dropping from tree branches, but from silently lying in wait under the leaves on my lawn and behind tall grass after their fall from up above. I've tripped and twisted many an ankle each and every year by awkwardly and unexpectedly stepping on one of the camou-



The photo is a carbon copy of what this columnist's lawn looks like covered in baseball-sized walnuts each and every year around this time.

flaged walnuts. I swear

I silently hear the walnuts and trees quietly laughing as I clumsily walk, Jerry Lewis-like

back and forth across my lawn.

People who drive or walk by must think

I'm drunk or on drugs as I bumble and stumble my way back and forth over my lawn.

I swear, I'm totally

fine.

Well, except for the bane of my existence.

Walnuts -- and more walnuts -- and more walnuts.

The local squirrels

love me. I should be charging rent for all the time they spend on my lawn. My lawn is

like an all-you-can-eat buffet for the squirrels.

Anyone out there

need some walnut wood? I've got lots of it. I've been told I could be sitting on a fortune.

Walnuts -- and more walnuts. Make me an offer. You can even have the walnuts, too.

Please, pretty please, I beg of you, take the walnuts. My ankles will thank you.

Walnuts.

The bane of my existence...

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DREADS FALL

By Dave Merchant
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Dexter fell last week to the Gladwin Flying Gs. The locals lost a close game by a score of 26-20.

Offensively quarterback Colin Parachek

25-41, 321 yards, 3 TD, O INT. He also ran the ball twice for 12 yards and a touchdown.

Cole Cabana carries the ball 9 times for 31 yards.

Receiving was led by Cal Bavineau 8 rec

25-41, 321 yards, 3 TD,

Braden Fuson 8 rec

74 yards, 0 TD, Cabana

5 rec 56 yards, 1 TD,

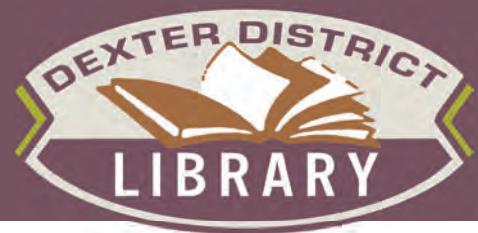
Brennan Parachek 3

rec 34 yards, 0 TD and

on improving our offensive line play and defending the pass," Dexter Coach Phil Jacobs said. "We are young at both position groups."

The Dreads will host Ypsilanti Lincoln

tonight.



Dexter District Library 2020 Fall Events for Kids, Tweens and Teens

Upcoming Fall Events at Dexter District Library

Tuesdays at 10:30 am, September 15 to November 17

Virtual Fall Story Times

Fall Story Times for ages five and under will be offered on Tuesdays at 10:30 am on our DDL facebook page from September 15 to November 17. Everyone is welcome to join Ms Krista for a fun morning of picture, pop-up and interactive books, flannel-board stories, songs, puppets, finger plays and other activities that encourage a love of reading to your child. Registration is not required.



Wednesdays at 4:00 pm, September 23, September 30, October 7 and October 14

Let's Learn Ukulele

Join this fun four-part virtual series as Hudson Music Center staff teaches us to play the ukulele, including basic chords, strumming patterns and songs. Reserve one of the Library's ukuleles for check out using the online catalog or call 734-426-4477. Geared towards grades 5 through 12, but everyone is welcome to attend. Registration is required and is available at <https://dexter.lib.mi.us/events/lets-learn-ukulele/>. Zoom details and music will be emailed to registered participants prior to the program.

Bi-weekly Thursdays at 11:00 am, September 24 to November 19

Preschool Super Stories

Kids ages five and younger are invited to join Ms Krista this fall on our DDL facebook page every other Thursday at 11:00 am. We will read a longer picture book and share an activity related to the book. Everyone is welcome. Future dates: October 8, October 22, November 5 and November 19.

Bi-weekly on Wednesdays at 4:30 pm, September 30 to November 11

Club Create

Kids in grades K through 2 are invited to join us on facebook, every other Wednesday at 4:30 pm beginning September 30. Ms Krista will share fun challenges, activities and craft ideas that you can try at home. She will also highlight a few new chapter books and readers. Everyone is welcome. Future dates: October 14, October 28 and November 11.

Saturday, October 10 at 11:00 am

Close-Up Magic with Gary Thison

Teens and kids of all ages are invited to enjoy an hour of up-close magic tricks and lessons from a professional magician. Learn some of the tricks of the trade as Gary both entertains and teaches his audience with close-up demonstrations of his favorite illusions.

Monday, October 12

Grab & Go Preschool Craft Bags

Beginning October 12, we will be giving out craft bags for toddlers and preschoolers ages 5 and younger. Call the Library from the parking lot and we'll bring the bags out for you. There's a limit of three bags per family until supplies run out, all bags have the same crafts.

Thursday, October 15 at 4:30 pm

What We're Reading

Kids in grades 3 through 6 are invited to join us on our facebook page where we will share what we have been reading and highlight new books in our collection that they may want to check out. This month's theme is: Spooky Books.

October 16 through 24

Halloween Craft Competition

Teens and tweens in grades 5 through 12 are invited to make a stuffed monster using the materials provided by the Library. Add your own optional embellishments to make it unique then email a picture of your final product to dalson@dexter.lib.mi.us for a chance to win a gift card. Please note: you will need your own needle and thread for this project. Registration is required and runs from October 1 through 15. Pick up materials from October 16 to October 24. Last day to submit a picture is October 29. Full contest details and materials pick-up information will be sent to registered participants.

Thursday, October 22 at 4:30 pm

All Star Readers Book Club

All Star Readers Book Club for grades 3 and 4 will meet again on Thursday, October 22 from 4:30 to 5:30 pm. Registration is required and begins on September 24. The book we will be discussing is *I Survived...* by Lauren Tarshis. Books will be available for pick up when registration begins. Join us for a fun, lively afternoon with Ms Krista leading our discussion, everyone is welcome. A link to our Zoom meeting room and a password will be sent to you prior to October 22.

Saturday, October 24 at 11:00 am

Halloween Story Time

Join Ms Krista on our facebook page for a fun morning of picture books, flannel-board stories, songs, finger plays and other activities celebrating Halloween. Geared for ages five and under but everyone is welcome.

Tuesday, October 27 from 4:00 to 4:30 pm

Tween Book Club

Join us for our fall book club for grades 5 and 6. We'll discuss the book *The Adventurer's Guide to Successful Escapes* by Wade Albert White, pick book titles for future meetings, and do an optional craft. Books and craft materials will be available for pickup through our curbside service. Full details will be emailed to registered participants. Registration is required and begins October 1. Zoom details will be sent one day prior to the Club.

Wednesday, October 28 at 2:00 pm

The Spooktacular Halloween Comedy Show

Watch Silly Scientist Joel juggle eyeballs, get mixed up with multiplying bottles and be shocked by an animated Frankenstein drawing in this head spinning display of Halloween hootenanny. You'll even be illuminated by Joel's far-out flashlight where he encourages Halloween safety. A Zoom Magical Halloween adventure awaits in this exciting-not-scary show for all ages. Registration is required at <https://dexter.lib.mi.us/events/the-spooktacular-halloween-comedy-show/>



Property Tax Hike, Oh My!

Dear Tracy,

I bought my home a year ago and the taxes seemed very reasonable compared to other homes in the same price range. This year my taxes increased by over 20%, and are now higher than the homes around me. I called the township and they indicated that there was no error. Can they increase my property taxes this much at one time?

Jen M.

Dear Jen,

I'm very sorry to hear that you were caught by surprise when your taxes increased. It appears that you purchased a home from a person who had lived there many years.

When purchasing an existing home, every Michigan buyer should confirm the "Taxable Value" and the "Assessed Value" with the local municipality. The prop-

erty's "Assessed Value" is the amount that the local assessor determines is no more than 50% of the market value. This value can increase every year according to the local housing market. The "Taxable Value" may, or may not be, the same amount and is the basis for which your property tax bill is determined.

In 1994, Proposal A passed which capped the amount that the "Tax-

able Value" can increase annually to 5%. However the "Assessed Value" has no cap and can increase at a greater rate. This is why the amounts can vary. When an owner has occupied a home for many years, it is common to see that the "Taxable Value" is much lower than the "Assessed Value". Therefore the owner pays taxes based on the lower value. When a home is sold, the "Taxable Value" often resets up, to the "Assessed Value". If a home is sold for above the "Assessed Value", both figures may increase significantly, to the purchase price.

When purchasing a home, during the inspection period it is important to review the

property's Taxable and Assessed Values. If you see that the Taxable Value and/or the Assessed Value are lower than the purchase price, chances are good that the Taxable Value will adjust up. Your realtor will be able to better advise you on this, please ask.

Here is a great article I found online by Cheryl Withrow.

<https://pocketsense.com/taxable-vs-assessed-value-mean-michigan-property-tax-11399773.html>

If you do not agree with your property assessment you may file an appeal with your local Board of Review, who meets annually. Call your municipality for more information in February.

All indicators point to a robust real estate market this year. Interest rates continue to fall and are at a record low. I encourage anyone planning to buy or sell a property to first consult with a local Realtor who knows the local market. Your Realtor will listen to your goals and guide you expertly through the process of buying or selling a home within the time period that works best for you.

Tracy Rose is an Associate Broker with over 30 years of residential and commercial Real Estate experience. Do you have a question about Real Estate? Send it to Tracy at ask@tracyrose.net.

Dexter Girl Scouts Enjoy Geocaching and Earning Outdoor Art Badge



Photos By Kari Stroschein and Alicia Jenson



(Special Thank You to Kari Stroschein for providing information)

Girl Scout Troop 40626 enjoyed geocaching at Bishop Lake in Brighton over the weekend of October 4. They are hoping

their trackable "Sammy the squirrel" makes it around the world.

Also, the Brownie Girl Scout Troop 40176 met at Community park at the gazebo to earn their outdoor art badge.



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