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Dexter Man Completes Amazing Feat



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By Aimee Bingham Osinski anbingham@gmail.com and 25th that made my jaw drop. He ran the distance of four marathons in 24 hours. 105 miles in twenty-three hours and forty-four minutes. Dan Egeler, a Dexter resident, cancer survivor, and mostly retired attorney completed a race between Oct 24th and 25th that made my jaw drop. He ran the distance of four marathons in 24 hours. 105 miles in twenty-three hours and forty-four minutes. **continued on page 2**

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Dexter City Council Meeting, Monday October 26

By Aimee Bingham Osinski anbingham@gmail.com

The Dexter City Council was able to get back to its regularly scheduled meeting via Zoom on Oct. 26th. Without minutes to approve, the meeting opened with Pre-arranged participation.

Sean Lefere, from Norfolk Development, was present to provide updates on Building three of their current project. Norfolk is currently working with an architect and engineer, and homeowners to finalize plans. Norfolk will be looking for site plan approval in February. When Norfolk has a better idea of the market, it will better define office, retail, and residential space. But Norfolk is waiting to finalize details and base decisions on the needs of the market, which will undoubtedly be influenced by the economy and pandemic. Sean informed the City Council that Norfolk would like to partner with the city on office space. Norfolk needs to know whether or not the city has an interest in a partnership. And, it will need an answer in a relatively short amount of time given Norfolk's time frame. The mayor asked what the process for moving forward to work with Norfolk on office space would be. Sean explained the first step would

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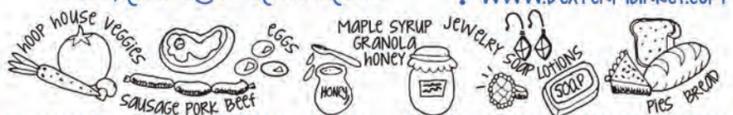
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Action, which assists members of our community who are in need.

The 32nd Annual Chelsea/Dexter Area CROP Walk was held October 4, 2020, with more than 170 walkers. The one-mile route and 5-K route started and ended at St. Paul UCC. Some walked in Chelsea, following COVID-19 guidelines. Others, including Ethel Samuelson of Dexter, 90-years-old, walked when and where they wished. Some families hiked the BTB trail

and other trails. Bill Wade of Dexter UMC participated in his 39th Walk!

Funds raised through CROP Walks across the nation support the work of Church World Service (CWS), helping to feed hungry people locally through Faith in Action, Nationally, and Globally. CWS is an international humanitarian organization, working in more than 30 countries worldwide to empower local communities by providing self-help and develop

Dexter Election Results 2020: Three Elected to Dexter School Board

By Charla Hamilton
 Dexter School Board: 5,983 votes and Brian charlachelseaguardian@gmail.com Elise Bruderly who J Arnold with 5,279 votes.
 Three candidates received 6,517 votes, Jennifer Kangas with were elected to the

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<p>The Ann Arbor's 107one Pet-of-the-Week is Peterman Peterman's tail never stops wagging and given the opportunity, this happy, high-energy young boy would choose playing over anything else in life! If you enjoy an active lifestyle and have the time and energy for a playful dog, Peterman could be your perfect match. He is strong and active and will definitely need an adopter that can keep up with him and handle his strength. If you are looking for an exuberant, playful companion, look no further than this wonderful fellow!</p>	<p>The WTKA Top-Dog-of-the-Week is Bosca Choo choo! All aboard! Meet Bosca, a 2-year-old Lab mix looking for a forever home! Because of our successes, and desire to help animals in struggling communities, HSHV has created a transportation program dubbed "The Love Train." The Love Train brings animals from shelters out-of-state and other communities in Michigan. HSHV's Love Train is part of our ongoing collaborative effort to reduce needless suffering of homeless animals wherever they may be.</p>
<p>The W4 Country Pet-of-the-Week is Dwight Meet Dwight! This adorable kitty is ready for his forever home. He is very active and social and will need a family who can keep up with his playful purrsonality. Dwight is Feline Leukemia (FeLV) positive; FeLV is a serious virus that is contagious to other cats (but not contagious to people or other species of animals). It may cause a shortened lifespan, but FeLV+ cats have so much fun and love to give! If you have room in your heart for Dwight, and preferably a home without other cats, please call HSHV or email adoptions@hshv.org!</p>	<p>The Lucy Ann Lance Show Pet-of-the-Week is Bertha Meet Bertha, the resident Iguana at HSHV! Bertha came to us under some not-so-ideal circumstances, but since she arrived, she's shown us what a confident girl she can be! Iguanas can live for upwards of fifteen years, and require very large enclosures, as well as specialized care and dietary requirements. As a commonly available reptile, few people realize the time, space, and dedication required to share their lives with a true modern-day dinosaur that grows to over five feet long! Do you have ample space, and experience with large lizards? If so, come meet Bertha today!</p>

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continued from page 1 minutes. I've run exactly one half marathon and understand the mental strength and dedication required to complete twelve miles at once. I cannot fathom what Dan did.

I knew I had to speak to Dan. The world in which we live in is full of constant negativity and trying news. I crave inspirational stories and positive things too. I figured I would hear a story that might bring a smile to the faces of readers. In the process, I found myself smiling and inspired as well.

I figured Dan joined a virtual challenge. But, speaking to Dan, I learned, not only did he complete this feat on his own without the support of a race management company, he thought up the idea and arranged all the logistics, on his own with the support of friends and family.

Dan explained that he's fairly new to running. He stated that he's completed one marathon in his life, prior to the four he just did. Last year, he ran The



Detroit Marathon. The drive was not to be the fastest runner out there but to see if he had the mental strength to cross the finish line. Once he crossed the finish line and knew he could, the thrill was gone. This is a mental quirk, I intrinsically relate to. I completed a half marathon and lost the urge to run. I knew I could do it and my drive to do it was based on whether or not I could finish. I switched from running to triathlons for that reason. Dan was also looking for a new mental challenge. He searched for records and other races. He did not find any other matching feat. So he went for it and created his own race.

I asked Dan about his fundraising efforts. He explained simply, that if he was going to go through torture, others could share in it and benefit from it if he raised money for not for profits. Thus, the Waggin Bark Race was founded.

Dan selected the Waggin Tails Dog Rescue, which helps every dog find a home starting with foster homes so the dog can be placed well. They don't rule out dogs based on age, breed, or health status. They also provide dog training without pain methods to help guarantee success for the dogs in their new homes.

Bark Nation's mission is to end canine cruelty, dog fighting,

and neglect. It partners with law enforcement to provide a safe-haven for dogs being housed as live evidence and then fosters the dogs so they can adjust to life after abuse or neglect. In short, they rehabilitate dogs so they can live out their lives in a permanent home.

I asked Dan about how he trained for the feat. Runners of endurance races typically spend months and months building up to the race mileage. I could not imagine having the time to build for four marathons at once. He explained that his training was a-typical. He said he ran a few twelve-mile training sessions to work out his run-walk pattern, hy-

dration, and a few other details. Dan believed the rest was mind over matter. One foot in front of the other, don't stop until he hits the finish line.

His mileage goal was 105 miles. He also set a lofty fundraising goal of fifty thousand dollars. Dan explains on his website, that the pandemic has hurt both charities by preventing fundraising events. But the need has not stopped and he really wanted to help. And help, he has! The last tally I saw is that Dan has raised one hundred and forty thousand. He's appeared on national news and inspired donations from across the country. Dexter, times are tough, but so is run-

ning four marathons in 24 hours. If Dan can do it, so can we. Let's help Dan cross one hundred and fifty thousand!

"I challenge people out there to think of great things they can do and fight to work to get it done and you will get it done," said Dan Egelor.

Dan, we're all weary and we needed some good inspiring news. Thanks for bringing some light into these dark times. If you'd like to help Dan and support his goal, please check out his website, where you can still donate and we can all be a part of something positive: <https://wagginbarkrace.com/>.



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 be a letter of intent from the city. The letter would be needed prior to the site plan application and with enough time to work out the details. They would need to decide on the purchase of space or leasing. So, if all the details are to be defined by the site plan application, the letter of intent should be submitted by January.

Michelle Anioli asked about the status of building one and two. She offered advice to Sean and helped him find options.

Paul Cousins wondered if building three would require a reworking of the road. Sean answered no. The building will be 3-4 story, I shaped with a two-story parking option in the rear in the interior of the l.

Jennifer Olmstead of Ann Arbor Spark spoke next. She thanked the council for the support of regional economic development. She explained that a big focus of activities has been a response to Covid. Spark had three grants worth 4.6 million to use in Washtenaw County to help support businesses during this crisis. They received 45 million in requests. But were able to help twenty companies in Dexter with between two thousand and ten thousand dollars in support. It was a huge group effort with a review committee, there was so much need and not enough money. Ann Arbor Spark has put together a resource page with a newsletter and is letting companies know about grants as they become available.

Zach Michels asked what Dexter can do to attract higher-tech companies to the town. Jennifer stated that due to the pandemic, companies have shifted work from home type employment. Therefore, she thinks move-in ready coworking spaces are the trend. Space that is fully connected to the internet and needs no work is going to be a valuable commodity in the future.

Paul Cousins asked if there was

anything Dexter could have done to prevent Medhub from leaving. Jennifer stated she did not believe so. Jennifer stated she believes it was simply the nature of an acquisition situation.

The agenda was approved quickly, and the council went on to hold a public hearing on Water and Sewer Ordinance Amendments. Courtney explained that the City needed to adjust the phosphorus limit and standardize billing and collection language. The state had to approve. All the final changes have been made and that most changes were on the technical industrial side.

None arranged participation was next on the agenda. Jim McCarger brought up a letter from his neighbor, Louis Ceriani, which was a call for affordable housing. The letter referenced a petition circulated. It stated that the author did sign the petition, not because he agreed with it but because he did not want to get into a fight with the woman circulating it and he wanted her to go away.

He went on to discuss Courtney leaving after 13 years. He thinks it's tragic that Jamie would choose to lob hand grenades. He stated that we will be fortunate if we can find somebody as dedicated as Courtney. He hopes she receives better treatment from citizens and he's sad she's leaving.

Paul Cousins requested to speak during non arranged participation. Paul brought up an issue from the prior meeting, the motion to eliminate council reports. He gave an analogy as a former biology teacher of starfish. He spoke of people harvesting clams and oysters hacking the starfish in two, not understanding that starfish can regenerate. Paul believes he was silenced. He stated that reports need not be written, they can be verbal. He believes that he is now like a starfish, hacked into parts. He can no longer give his reports but he can speak

unde public comment and at the end during council comments. Paul made mention of the mayor's use of the term common ground. Paul stated that we don't learn about common ground after the vote has been made.

After the close of non-arranged participation, the council moved forward to the meeting list and the letter submitted by Louis Ceriani. The meeting then moved forward to reports. The treasurer/finance director/assessor Marie Sherry started. She explained that the city is doing really well with progress. And that the city will be live with an invoice cloud for payment processing service on Nov. 9th. The mayor stated that it was a well presented budget document.

Dan Schlaff, the public services superintendent, stated that leaves are going well, hydrants are winterized, sewer main is complete and that snow plows are getting ready.

Michelle Anioli, the Community Development manager brought up a request for a temporary special event permit for fireworks. There was concern that it may draw people during the pandemic. Michelle explained that he does this at a number of sites throughout the state and he always gets his paperwork completed early. She also explained that they cannot use Covid to deny the permit. Michelle discussed the business above where Noggins was located, which did not reopen after the lockdown. The space above would be ideal for office space. She also stated that there will be a Christmas tree in monument park. She's found a local vender to provide a 14ft tree and it will be beautiful. Student rep, Alex Gilbert asked if it was possible to incorporate other symbols along with the Christmas tree so that other religions will feel represented. The decision was made to have Alex work on adding things for inclusiveness. An update on Millenium place,

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if the owner asks the chief for a written list of violations, Michelle will ask for a copy of the list from him. But if he does not, she will get the list from the Chief. Donna asked if Michelle would be watching for other fireworks displays that do not have permits. Michelle said she would be watching for that.

The City Manager, Courtney Nicholls spoke next. Her election update, as of Monday, shows there was a 61% absentee ballot returned already. There was a discussion regarding the ice carving event. The feeling was that, like the scarecrows, the carvings could be on display but an ice carving demonstration might not be a great idea. Many of the events are planned virtually Donna stated a virtual demonstration would work well. There is now a 5 year tree trimming map. But, Paul Cousins wanted to be sure he understood what that meant. If a tree is diseased or dying a call can be made and the city will address the issue no matter if it's on the schedule or not. Tree canopy cover means anything in the right of way. Anything that the city typically addresses or trims.

The mayor reported that the DDA met and accepted the assignment of the substation property. The fire chiefs draft spending plan was announced. The mayor stated he continues to do a good job. He came in with a surplus and continues to build some reserves. His agreement was extended by two years.

The consent agenda was passed.

The consideration and discussion of city office meeting space. The mayor is excited about the Norfolk potential and wanted to get into an agreement with Encore to rent space in the senior center for the time being. However, there is concern for the level of discomfort the seniors will have with meetings happening there during the pandemic. There have been no terms for rental of the space set. And terms will be determined and the City Council will move forward with renting space in the senior center from Encore theater.

Under new business, the resolution regarding conveyance of Dan Huey parcel to DTE passed. The consideration to establish social districts passed.

After some de-

bate regarding how the new City Manager will be selected, The motion passed and Justin Breyer is appointed interim City manager while the search for Courtney's replacement is made.

During public comment Jim McCarger stated that Justin has handled the election very well exhibiting calmness demonstrating how staff and officials can make things go right. He agrees that Courtney should have an exit interview so she can leave the wisdom she'd gained through experience with the city. He believes the council is missing the process skills to come to an agreement regarding the firehall. He encouraged the council to get a facilitator to help with the process of coming to an agreement.

Michele Anioli stated that she forgot to mention that the mayor of Northville visited Millcreek Park that Northville is looking to do something similar and would like to meet with staff and council to learn how the park and pathways were created, but it will not happen before the end of the year.

The meeting adjourned.

Express Employment Professionals Employee of the Month

From Jenny VanDaele

Express Employment Professionals of Ann Arbor nominates associate Andi Duncan as their Employee of the Month for October.

Each month, Express Employment recognizes an associate that exhibits an exceptional work ethic, attitude, and sense of reliability and teamwork. The employee receives a gift basket, a certificate, and a visit from their recruiter to their workplace.

Andi, an employee of Express since August of 2020, was chosen for Employee of the Month based on her supervisor's review and her exceptional attitude. Her supervisor speaks very highly of Andi, and is impressed that she always comes in with a smile on her face and brings positivity to the plant floor. He said, "If you have another employee like Andi, I would take them, she is working out great."

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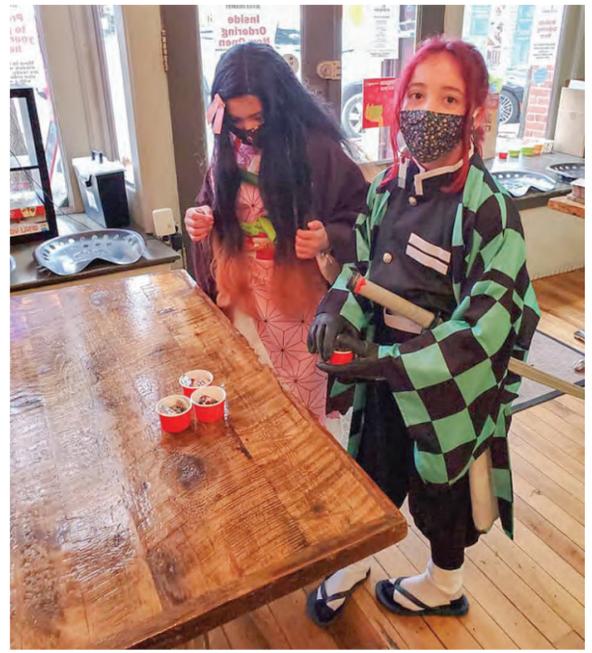
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Boys Varsity Cross Country

11/7/20 TBA (A) vs Multiple Opponents MHSAA State Finals

DEXTER FOOTBALL

DREADS WIN PLAYOFF BATTLE

By Dave Merchant dmerchant9701@yahoo.com

The Dexter Dreads had a great opener to the Division 2 playoffs last week. Dexter defeated Ypsilanti Lincoln 56-28.

Dreads coach Phil Jacobs was pleased with his team and how the playoffs began.

Passing was led by quarterback Colin Parachek 14-27 for

182 yards, and 2 TD.

Rushing had a pair of 100 yard players. Cole Cabana 14 for 147 yards, and 2 TD, C. Parachek 10 for 140 yards, and 3 TD, Brendon Vallerio 6 for 19 yards, and E. Krolewski 1 for 4, and 1 TD.

Receiving Cole Cabana 5 rec for 35 yards, and 1 TD, Brennan Parachek 4 rec for

43 yards, Braden Fusion 3 rec for 93 yards, 1 TD and Cal Bavin-eau 2 rec for 11 yards.

Defensive Stars: Keegan Kipke and Caleb Drenner played very well.

Special Teams: Blake Sislo converted all PAT's for 4 straight games.

Jacobs looks for good things this week and beyond.

"I'm very happy for these seniors and our program to win our first ever playoff game," Jacobs said. "Our coaches did a great job preparing our players for this game."

The 5-2 Dreads will play at Livonia Churchill tonight. It is a rematch from last year's playoffs.

DEXTER GIRLS BASKETBALL

DEXTER GIRLS SWIMMING

DREAD VOLLEYBALL ROLES

DEXTER IS SWIMTASTIC

By Dave Merchant dmerchant9701@yahoo.com

Dexter volleyball has recently enjoyed some quality wins over some good opponents.

The Dreads defeated Pinckney (25-13, 25-12). They defeated Belleville (25-22, 25-21).

They dropped Dearborn (25-14, 25-22). In a five set battle

the locals edged Ann Arbor Skyline (25-21, 11-25, 25-18, 17-25, 15-5).

The lone loss was

to Ann Arbor Huron in three sets (16-25, 18-25, 24-26).



By Dave Merchant dmerchant9701@yahoo.com

In the SEC White world of swimming there is good and there is Dexter good.

The Dreads did not disappoint once again in league action. Dexter took first with 720 points. Chelsea was second with 446 points.

Leading the way for the Mighty Dreads were the 200-meter relay who took first.

The 200 and 400 meter relays took first.

Halle Waters took first in the 200 and 500 meter Free.

Maria Balcom was first in the 50 Free. Emma Sortor won the 100 Butterfly. In the 100 meter back Charlotte Schultz captured the title.

Delaney Parker was first in the 100-meter Breast and Natalie Koenn was second.

Lily White won the diving. Vivian Kinnard was second at diving and Elysa Grossman was bronze.





DEXTER ATHLETICS



DEXTER FIELD HOCKEY DIVISION I STATE CHAMPS!



Photos Courtesy of Keely Tamer

Dexter Field Hockey wrapped up their 2020 season as Division 1 State Champions on October 31st with a 2-1 victory over Ann Arbor Pioneer High School.

Leading up to the finals they had a decisive 5-1 semi-final victory over Saline and a 4-0 victory over Marian in the quarterfinals.



Middle School Competitive Cheer



Join us for open tumbling! Every Tuesday and Thursday in November 6:00-8:30 at Bates Elementary

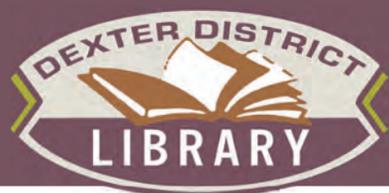


Competitive Season Starts: November 30th



OPEN TUMBLING PRACTICES IN NOVEMBER

The Middle School Competitive Cheer season officially starts on November 30, but anyone interested is invited to join the team for open tumbling practices 6-8:30pm, Tuesdays and Thursdays in November at Bates School. For more info, please email Amy Philage at dextercompcheer@gmail.com



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.

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.

November 1 to November 30

Children's Virtual Art Gallery

The Dexter District Library is happy to present our first ever Children's Virtual Art Exhibit. Young artists ages 12 and under are invited to create their masterpieces using art supplies available at home. The artwork can be any variety of subjects, from fall themes and landscapes, favorite books and characters, current events or pure abstraction. The exhibit will be featured on our website during the months of November and December. Submit your electronic masterpieces – along with your name, age and address – to cjurich@dexter.lib.mi.us. Any child who submits a work of art by November 30 will receive a \$5 gift card to A & W.

November 5 to November 11

Puzzles and Games Craft Kits

Puzzle and Game craft kits for grades K through 5 will be available for curbside pick-up from November 5 to November 11. Call from the Library parking lot and we'll deliver them to our outside table. Registration is required on our website beginning Monday, October 19.

Thursday, November 12 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: Graphic Novels.

Saturday, November 21 at 11:00 am

Thanksgiving 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 Thanksgiving. Geared for ages five and under but everyone is welcome.

TV star Jeff Corwin, Music star Laith Al-Saadi to headline Humane Society of Huron Valley's Compassionate Feast

From Wendy Welch

The Humane Society of Huron Valley's (HSHV's) 14th annual and first time virtual "Compassionate Feast" on Friday, November 6 will star Jeff Corwin, host of ABC's Emmy-award winning Ocean Mysteries with Jeff Corwin. Corwin, a renowned conservationist and environmental journalist, will deliver a hopeful message focused on the positive role which humanity can play in unifying to protect the planet's most threatened animals and natural resources. He'll also do a Q & A with local attendees.

The evening will also feature a special performance by Laith Al-Saadi, animal lover and treasured hometown musician who won America's hearts and a spot in the Season 10 finale of NBC's "The Voice."

"We're looking forward to bringing people together through compassion and to enjoy a wonderful evening of stimulating conversation and fun," says Tanya Hilgendorf, HSHV's CEO. "Having Laith Al-Saadi join us is such a special treat, and we're so excited that he can help spread more joy and love with his incredible musical talent."

Guests will also be treated to humorous bits by Internet sensation dog star Tatum talks, emceed by Matthew Altruda from Ann Arbor's 107.1 radio, and the option to purchase cocktails and a curbside vegan/vegetarian feast.

Tickets can be purchased at www.hshv.org/feast.

All proceeds benefit local injured, abused and homeless animals. HSHV is not affiliated with or funded by any other humane organization and relies on private donations and fundraisers like the

Compassionate Feast to continue serving the community with programs like pet adoption, lost and found, and animal rescue.

Mad Science STEM Programs

From Dexter Community Education

Our incredibly creative friends at Mad Science are offering a short series of live, interactive STEM programs for preschoolers (and a grown-up helper) or school-age children, beginning in Novem-

ber. The live sessions will also be recorded and available for one week so students can "catch up" if they miss or prefer to view it on their own time. Before the program begins, a Mad Scientist will deliver a box of class-specific take-homes and ad-

ditional activities to your home address. Parents will receive Zoom connect information prior to the first class. Visit the link for more info and online registration <https://dexterschools.ce.eleyo.com/.../fall-2020/mad-science>.

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