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Samantha Rofloc was recently hired as the new Market Manager for Dexter Farmers Market.

Dexter Summer Farmers Market Opens with a New Manager

By Aimee Bingham Osinski
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The Dexter Summer Farmers Market opened Saturday May 1st. It felt as if Mother Nature knew and rolled out the red carpet. The sun was shining, birds were chirping and the summer market was open for business. It felt, for a moment, that all was right with the world as my daughter stopped browsing and danced with the live music playing.

Sometimes things just fall into place and you need to stop a minute and be grateful for how well everything worked out. I'd heard that Dexter hired a new market manager after the previous manager left. I sent an email, hoping to hear back from someone to provide the community with an introduction to the new manager. I was unaware the market was about to have its opening weekend and the weather would be some of the nicest Michigan has had in 2021. What wonderful luck!

I had the opportunity to chat with Samantha Rofloc just prior to the opening day of the Summer Market. I really appreciate her taking the

time to chat with me. I had no idea how recently she was hired and that the market was about to start. I learned Samantha moved to Dexter not too long ago from Colorado. She explained that the opportunity to work on a small apple orchard presented itself and she took it. She's spent the past few months learning the business of growing and selling apples. I was born and raised in Washtenaw County, attended college here and the idea of packing up and leaving the state to try a new career seems very adventurous to me. Samantha explained that it is time for the younger generation to take over the Frost family orchard. I thought, "oh maybe her husband is from Dexter." No, Samantha stated, his mom was from Dexter but he did not grow up here either. Wow, new state, and new career. Most of us know farming is all encompassing and a labor of love. Agriculture is not a 9-5 job, it's an entire life. Samantha said once she was in Dexter, she really wanted to participate in the community and when she saw an opening for the **continued on page 4**

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Dexter Community Fund Smart Charitable Giving Webinar

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The Dexter Community Fund (DCF) will be hosting a free webinar, Smart Charitable Giving, on financial and tax charitable giving strategies, on Wednesday, May 12, 2021, 7:00 - 7:30 PM.

Maximize the impact of your charitable gifts for the organizations you love and for you and your family. In this 30-minute webinar, Melissa Joy, fi-

nancial planner and Dexter Community Fund Advisory Committee member will summarize:

- How the Tax Cuts & Jobs Act impacted charitable giving
- Opportunities for deductions through stimulus legislation
- How to give through a Donor Advised Fund
- Qualified Charitable Distributions for those over 70.5
- Gifts of appreciated stock

• How to establish bequests to charitable organizations

• How to vet a charitable organization before you give

The information in this presentation would be relevant for anyone who gives to non-profits or tax-exempt organizations and for those who work or volunteer in the non-profit community. We will allow time for questions upon conclusion of the 30-minute presentation.

For more information on the Dexter Community Fund, visit this website.

Please pre-register using one of these convenient options:

Eventbrite: <https://tinyurl.com/yutd5ybb>

Email: Please send your name and email address to: dexterfund@aaacf.org

Telephone: RSVP to Julie Schumaker, DCF Chair, at 734-649-3317



Check out the new Mitten Kid website at www.mittenkid.com



May - October Hours:
Sat. 8 am - 1 pm
Tues. 2pm - 6pm

For More information visit:
https://www.dextertermi.gov/community/farmers_market.php



Mother's Day Wildflower Walk and Brunch Box

May 8 @ 9:00 am - 10:00 pm

Celebrate Mom with a Hudson Mills Metropark tradition! Enjoy a ½ mile guided hike along the nature trails in search of spring flowers. This event is a beautiful way to begin a special weekend with Mom. Add a Brunch Box to your registration and enjoy brunch at the park.

Brunch Box includes: two hard-boiled eggs, 1 vanilla yogurt, granola, 2 mini pastries, 1 cheese stick, assorted fresh fruit, napkin, spoon, salt and pepper packets, and your choice of beverage (juice, coffee, tea, or water).

Brunch Boxes are available for pick-up between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. Social distancing and face coverings are required.

Fun for all ages!

Time: 9 a.m. – 10 a.m. and 11 a.m. – Noon,

Cost: \$3 per child, \$5 per adult, \$8 per Brunch Box

Location: Hudson Mills Metropark, Activity Center

Pre-registration is required by April 30 at 4 p.m.

Pre-register online or by calling 734-426-8211.

If you have any Community Events you would like listed here please email charlachelseaguardian@gmail.com

Another Meeting of The Dexter Forum

By Aimee Bingham Osinski
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I always appreciate having the opportunity to virtually attend Dexter Forum meetings. The questions and topics of interest often help me know what needs clarification and what may or may not be clear to community members. I also enjoy the opportunity to learn about upcoming events within the community. It's always refreshing to know that people from opposite sides of the political spectrum can come together and discuss local politics respectfully and be decent to one another. In a time of keyboard warriors on social media, it is a nice change of pace.

A question was posed in the forum, which made me realize that clarification is needed within the community. The question was whether or not the purchase of the Broad Street property for city offices was a done deal. It is not a done deal. The city is currently doing its due diligence on the property making certain it's viable and a reasonable option. The property is being examined. The city is exploring costs of renovations, maintenance costs, and day to day use such as electricity, heat and cooling. Once all questions have been explored

and answered to the best of anyone's ability, a decision will be made. Each City Council meeting updates are given by the City Manager.

We learned from Ryan Henyard that Zoom allows a person to change the skin tone of the raised hand. The standard color is Simpson's character yellow. There are options for different skin tones. Ryan then brought up an issue that should be on our personal radar and an issue that may arrive in the community in the near future. He mentioned surveillance and facial recognition software. Due to repeated damage to art installations in town the City is considering adding cameras for added security. Facial recognition software has been unreliable for women and African Americans. The potential impact is something we should all be considering, including a potential threat to Freedom of Speech and an encroachment of rights. I was shocked to hear that people with the Ring doorbell may not need to be subpoenaed to turn over video if a crime was committed and the camera potentially caught something. It's an important topic to consider and with the current issue in Chelsea with police surveillance

of a peaceful protest, not one to dismiss as not important to you. Although you may not have experienced it yet, you should educate yourself on your rights and where you stand.

We learned a lot about road work. The Mast Road bridge is being repaired and during the construction it will be down to one lane so avoid if you can. Miller Road is still closed due to an issue with a gas line but it is expected to reopen by the end of May. Scio township is working to extend the trail system between Miller and Peters Roads. And if they can obtain federal dollars they are hoping to put a roundabout in at the intersection of Mast, Huron River Drive and Joy.

Five people have applied to fill the City Council vacancy. Cole Miller, who ran for a position in the last election and Sanam Arab who is a regular at both City Council and The Dexter Forum due to her work with the AHC Committee with the city. The vacancy will be filled by a council vote after a nomination by the Mayor.

The next meeting of the Dexter Forum will take place Saturday May 15th at 8:30 am on Zoom. If you'd like a link email Rephansen@aol.com.



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21st Annual Hit 'em Fore Hospice Golf Benefit Returns to the Grande Golf Club



From: Jayme Bicknell

The 21st Annual Hit 'em Fore Hospice Golf Benefit presented by American 1 Credit Union and TRUE Community Credit Union will return as an in-person event in 2021.

The four-person scramble will take place on Monday, September 13 at the Grande Golf Club in Jackson, MI, a Golf Digest Places to Play 4.5 star-rated golf course.

The two community-oriented financial institutions, both headquartered in Jackson, MI, have set a goal of raising more than \$70,000 for the Henry Ford Allegiance Hospice Home in 2021 and are searching for spon-

sors to help make this year's event a success.

The event's fundraising team will have additional opportunities to support the hospice home leading up to the event. Powder-coated tumblers will be available for a donation, along with an opportunity to purchase a tumbler for a healthcare worker. There will also be 50/50 raffle tickets available on select days throughout the summer at some American 1 and TRUE Community branch locations.

"We are honored to be part of an event that has raised nearly \$375,000 for the hospice home, and are ever-thankful for the invitation from our friends at TRUE to partner with them

on this event," said President/CEO of American 1 Credit Union and Chair of the Henry Ford Allegiance Health Board of Trustees Martha Fuerstenau. "Our local non-profit organizations need our support now more than ever, and we remain boldly committed to reaching our fundraising goals for this event."

The 2021 Hit 'em Fore Hospice Virtual Golf Benefit follows the success of the 2020 event, where American 1 Credit Union and TRUE Community Credit Union shifted gears to a virtual event and raised nearly \$60,000 for the Henry Ford Allegiance Hospice Home.

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of TRUE Community Credit Union and Chair for the Henry Ford Allegiance Hospice Board Chrisy Siders stated, "In these times of such uncertainty, we are thankful for the opportunity to partner with American 1 Credit Union once more to raise funds for the Henry Ford Allegiance Hospice Home. We are humbled to have the opportunity to come alongside families seeking care for their

loved ones at the hospice home and to lift the financial burden they may be carrying – providing support during this key, legacy-defining moment." To become a sponsor, make a tribute donation, or for other fundraising opportunities, visit hitemforehospice.org. All proceeds of the 2021 Hit 'em Fore Hospice Golf Benefit go to the Henry Ford Allegiance Hospice Home.

Allegiance Hospice Home is the only residence for end-of-life care in Jackson County. It offers private patient rooms with sleeping space for loved ones, a water therapy spa room with walk-in tub, and features that encourage family gatherings, such as outdoor patios and walking paths, a gazebo and garden, children's playground, and two lounge areas with kitchens.

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Dexter Summer Farmers Market Opens with a New Manager

► continued from page 1 market manager, she applied. Samantha's background is in marketing so it was a great

fit for her. I asked Samantha if she had any plans for the market. She has observed that Dexter

has a lot of artisans and she looks forward to providing a platform for them. She looks forward to providing

more events in the future as things get safer. And she plans on utilizing her background in marketing to grow

the market. I wanted to know what safety measures would be in place at the market. Samantha stated that the farmer's market is classified as a grocery store so even those people who are fully vaccinated will be required to wear a mask. The market is set up to move in one direction. People are asked to stay socially distant and not linger too long while shopping. I let her know that my experience in Dexter has been positive with people respecting the guidelines and businesses to stay safe and not be disruptive. Samantha explained that last year, her orchard had to learn an entire new way of business and the community had been really supportive and the orchard had a great year in spite of Covid. Samantha is excited to be a part of a community that is so supportive of their agricultural roots and she looks forward to helping support it through the farmer's market.

My family and I headed to the market for a bright warm opening day. My six year-old really enjoyed it. She found a hand crafted cat toy, a bracelet, and danced to the live music in the sun.

We also found an Arbor Day stand and were given two trees to plant in our yard! I was impressed by the artistic pies by Owl Hollow Bakery. I purchased a strawberry rhubarb pie that tasted as wonderful as it looked. Everyone at the market was respectful of the guidelines and personal space. It was very nice to be out in the sunshine, supporting local businesses and growers with the community in a respectful and safe way. I'm sure the vendors appreciate the community and support too. The market will be open Saturdays 8am-1pm on Alpine street adjacent to the library at 3233 Alpine St. Because it is considered a grocery store, please wear your mask and follow the safety guidelines so we can all continue to enjoy the market and support our local crafters, artisans and growers without problems. Be sure to give our new market manager a warm welcome. We're very grateful she took the chance on Dexter and is here to help the market continue and provide an opportunity for residents to obtain fresh food directly from local sources. Welcome to Dexter!



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St. Joseph Mercy Chelsea nationally recognized with straight 'A's in patient safety report card



From: Bobby Maldonado

Leapfrog Hospital Safety Grades, which assigns "A," "B," "C," "D," and "F" letter grades to hospitals nationally for patient safety, today announced its spring 2021 scorecard. St. Joe's Chelsea is one of only 27 hospitals

in the United States to be awarded an "A" grade every grading cycle since 2012. For the 19th consecutive time, St. Joe's Chelsea was awarded an "A" for achieving the highest national standards in patient safety.

"These scores reflect a consistent, high-quality level of service that our patients deserve and have come to expect from our hospital,"

said Nancy Graebner, president of St. Joseph Mercy Chelsea. "Amid a global pandemic, we are reminded of the fragility of our health and the health of our loved ones. I speak for all St. Joe's colleagues when I say we are doing everything in our power to protect our patients from harm and working hard so that they may achieve the best health outcome possible."

The Safety Grade assigns letter grades to hospitals across the country based on their performance in preventing medical errors, infections, and other harms. Developed under the guidance of a national Expert Panel, the Leapfrog Hospital Safety Grade uses

up to 27 measures of publicly available hospital safety data to assign grades to more than 2,700 U.S. acute-care hospitals twice per year. The Leapfrog Group's grading system is peer-reviewed, fully transparent, and free to the public.

Also receiving an "A" grade in the

spring 2021 Scorecard was St. Joe's Chelsea sister hospital, Mercy Health Saint Mary's in Grand Rapids.

To see more details on the performance of St. Joe's Chelsea and to access consumer-friendly tips for patients, please visit hospital-safetygrade.org.

Washtenaw Families Against Narcotics Hosts Free Family Forum

From: Mario Nanos

The Washtenaw County chapter of Families Against Narcotics (FAN) is hosting an upcoming family forum on May 10 at 7:00pm, that will focus on "turning the lights back on" through experiences of self-expression. This virtual interactive forum — including discussion, writing prompts and a workbook — will feature TEDx Speaker and Addiction Recovery Advocate Dylan

Lundgren. "Addiction is a chronic state of isolation, disconnection and suppression. It's like living in the darkness. Therapeutic experiences grounded in self-expression and contained in a safe way drastically improve metrics associated with recovery," says Lundgren.

Intended for those in recovery and their family and friends, those that are professional addiction treatment professionals will

also benefit from attending this free zoom forum. This forum will explore self-expression and the various principles that make it possible to integrate it into treatment cultures in a powerful way.

This virtual family forum is free, but advance registration is required to attend. To learn more about this event go to WashtenawFan.org, and to register: <https://bit.ly/wfan0521>.

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ON THE SIDELINE: MOTHER'S DAY, GOLDFISH, A SPIRAL STAIRCASE AND LASAGNA



By Don Richter
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Mom.
What is a Mom?
What does that word mean?

I think a Mom is many things to many different people, but I can't think of the word Mom and not think loving, nurturing, protecting and supporting.

I guess I could never be a Mom. I can barely love, nurture, protect and support myself, let alone a child or family of my own.

Or a goldfish.

A what?

A goldfish.

I've had two, yes, count 'em, two, goldfish in my lifetime and sadly both passed away quickly under my watch. I know goldfish normally don't last too long, but if I couldn't take care of a goldfish, I'm sure I wouldn't be a very good parent. I know this is a bit of a reach logically,

but I've also had gerbils and turtles die while taking care of them. Heck, back when I was younger and living at home, our neighbors went on vacation. They asked me if I would look after their pet turtles until they returned from vacation. I was about 10 years old at the time. Of course, all three turtles died under my "watchful eye." To this day, I don't know what I did wrong. I did everything they told me to do before leaving and followed their written instructions. I guess I just don't have that "Mom nurture gene."

I also don't have the "multi-tasking gene" that all successful Moms seem to possess. I'm constantly amazed by Moms of all ages and their seemingly innate ability to multi-task. I definitely don't have the "multi-tasking Mom gene." I kid you not, I have a pot pie on a plate right now next to me as I'm writing this column. It is now officially "Arctic iceberg cold" because it's been sitting next to me, untouched for the past 20 minutes as I attempt to finish this column under deadline. If I stop for one second to take



A lasagna in a glass dish was carried up an icy driveway by an incredible, multi-tasking Mom.

a bite of my pot pie I'll possibly lose my train of thought and be set back another half-hour or so before getting back into my "writing groove." I can only do ONE THING at a time, if I want to try and do something good or, at least, somewhat proficient. I swear, Moms are multi-tasking ninjas.

True story. I once dated a woman who had two kids -- a girl, 7, and a boy, 4. She came over to my house one winter evening. We were going to a family function/get-together at my sister's house. She pulled up into my driveway, got out of the car and proceeded to amaze me with her "Olympic gold-medal multi-tasking" performance. As she walked up my driveway toward

my house, she held the 4-year-old boy in one arm, with the 7-year-old girl following behind, looking like a U.S. Marine with a giant, over-sized backpack full of supplies and a rolled up sleeping bag draped over her shoulders, all the while tugging on Mom's coat. If that wasn't enough, in Mom's other hand was a glass dish filled with lasagna. Since it was winter, my driveway was a bit icy and slippery. Of course, that didn't matter to this amazing woman/Mom as she gracefully glided over the ice in her high heels and skirt like Peggy Fleming. To top it off, she squeezed her phone in the crick of her neck as she finished off a somewhat heated conversation with her deadbeat ex-husband. I was never more in love with that woman than that night and at that moment -- it was amazing to watch. I wish I would have taken a video of it because it was a thing of beauty.

And yes, I did go help her. I didn't just stand there at the door watching her walk up the driveway. I went out and dropped some salt in front of her as she made her way closer to the door. I'm not a total jerk.

I'm kidding. Of course I ran out there grabbed the boy and the lasagna and guided everyone safely up the driveway to the house.

But watching her multi-task like that half-way up the driveway before help arrived is still a sight I marvel at even today. How did she do that?

I would have been on my hands and knees just struggling to make it up the slippery driveway with nothing to carry. But none of the

distractions bothered her.

Why?

Say it with me everyone -- because she's a Mom.

Moms are incredible.

My own Mom once helped me carry a full couch up a spiral staircase, in a house with no electricity, in complete darkness at one o'clock in the morning. She was 64-years-old at the time. It's a long story. I told her I didn't need her help. I told her not to come over. My friend was on his way. The couch was way too heavy and bulky. She wanted none of it. She heard none of it. Tell your friend not to come over, she ordered. As I waited on my late arriving friend, I made the mistake of sounding frustrated and concerned on the pay phone (kids Google it) near the house of which I was renting the upper floor. That's all it took -- Mama Bear was on her way. I have no idea how she found the strength to help me lug that heavy, thick,

wooden-handled couch up a spiral staircase, but she did. I'll never forget what she did for me that night. My buddy never showed. He fell asleep at his apartment never answering his phone. Maybe it was "Mother's Intuition?" I don't know.

So, what is a Mom?

What does that word mean?

To me, to put it simply, the word "Mom" means everything good in this messed up world. If you're lucky, it also means always having a soft landing spot even during your darkest days.

Happy Mother's Day to all the amazing, awesome, powerful, inspirational and beautiful Moms out there. You are all the closest things to angels on earth.

Now about those goldfish.

Could one of you awesome Moms offer up some advice?

How do you keep one alive?

I'm asking for a friend...



An amazing Mom helped her son carry a couch up a spiral staircase in total darkness at one o'clock in the morning.

May Events

Mother's Day Gift Card Special* (CHE/DEX)

May 1-9

Purchase a gift card and receive a gift bag with an assortment of chocolates!

MOVE 150 (CHE/DEX/STK)

May 10-16

Move 150 minutes during this week and be entered to win a prize! Stop by the Fitness Desk for more information about Move 150.

Bring a Buddy Week! (CHE/DEX/STK)

May 16-22

Members can bring in unlimited buddies! (Youth & Child Policies still apply.)

Senior Health & Fitness Day (CHE/DEX/STK)

Wednesday, May 26

Seniors work out for FREE all day!

Thrive as you Age! (CHE)

Wednesday, May 26 | 12pm-1pm | In-person and Virtual!

Learn how you can live a longer, healthier life through optimizing the human aging process. Critical factors for aging well and increasing quality of life will be discussed. Lead by Kaitlyn Schneider, Medical Integration Coordinator.

*Open to the community.

†Space is limited for in-person.

Members can register via member self-service portal or at the Member Service Desk. Non-members must register at the hosting center by calling 734-214-0220 (CHE) or 734-580-2500 (DEX).



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 100m. 1. Cole Cabana (10th) 11.01 (PR)
 5. Cole Sheldon (12th) 11.75 (PR)
 200m. 2. Cole Cabana (10th) 22.14 (PR)
 7. Jonny Adamczyk (11th) 24.69
 800m. 2. Nathan Gariepy (12th) 2:02.80
 1600m. 7. Josh Lamb (11th) 4:56.46
 3200m. 1. Conor Kolka (12th) 10:00.01
 4. Josh Lam (11th) 10:40.44
 300m Hur. 1. Wilson Kasischke (12th) 42.11 (PR)
 4x400m 1. (W.Kasischke, J.Adamczyk, Micah Davis, N.Gariepy) 3:34.87

4x800m 4. (C.Kolka, Brandon Anderson, M.Davis, N Gariepy) 8:42.85
 Shot Put 4. James Livingston (11th) 40'7.25"
 High Jump 2. Micah Davis (10th) 5'8"
 Pole Vault T1. Cole Sheldon (11th) 14'0"
 T1. Noah Schultz (12th) 14'0"
 5. Clark Sheldon (9th) 12'0" (PR)
 Long Jump. 1. Cole Sheldon (11th) 18'4.5"

Girls Score: No Score Kept
 Top Dexter Performers: Girls:
 200m. 1. Gracie Burns (11th) 26.99 (PR)
 4. Gwen Tataru (12th) 28.10 (PR)
 400m. 5. Gwen Tataru (12th) 1:03.14
 6. Gracie Burns (11th)

1:03.44
 800m. 6. Ashley Mitchell (11th) 2:31.76
 1600m 2. Amanda McGill (11th) 5:32.16 (PR)
 3200m. 3. Hannah McComas (11th) 12:29.57
 5. Megan O'Day (10th) 12:57.76 (PR)
 100m Hur. 5. Meghan McGill (11th) 19.75 (PR)
 300m Hur. 4. Meghan McGill (11th) 53.68
 4x400m 4. (A. Mitchell, G.Tataru, G.Burns, M.McGill) 4:24.86
 4x800m 5. (A.McGill, H.McComas, Katie Varitek, A.Mitchell) 10:34.80
 Shot Put 1. Jamie Giese (11th) 32'7"
 7. Maya Calloway (12th) 26'6"
 Discus 2. Abby Marek

(12th) 102'3" (PR)
 High Jump 1. Haley Craig (12th) 4'10"
 2. Abigail Van Noord (12th) 4'8"
 Pole Vault 1. Sophia Mettes (11th) 11'6"
 2. Josianne Mettes (12th) 11'0"
 3. Mackenzie Stock (12th) 10'6"
 T4. Izabella Behnke (10th) 9'0" (PR)
 T4. Abigail Van Noord (12th) 9'0"

Meet Recap:

Dexter competed at Saline H.S. on Saturday for the Saline "May Day Showcase" Invitational. 7 teams in total for each the boys and the girls side.

Highlights for the boys included multiple finishes for many individuals.

Cole Cabana finished 1st in the 100m, 2nd in the 200m. Josh Lamb finished 4th in the 3200m run, and 7th in the 1600m. Cole Sheldon won the Long Jump, tied for 1st in the Pole Vault, and finished 5th in the 100m.

Wilson Kasischke won the 300m Hurdles, and also was on the winning 4x400m Relay that consisted of Kasischke, Jonny Adamczyk, Micah Davis, and Nathan Gariepy. Davis also finished 2nd in the High Jump, and Junior James Livingston finished 4th in the Shot Put.

Similarly for the girls there were multiple finishes. Gracie Burns finished 1st in the 100m, 6th in the

400m and was part of the 4x400 Relay that finished 4th. That Relay included Ashley Mitchell, Gwen Tataru, Burns, and Meghan McGill. Mitchell went on to take 6th in the 800m, and was on the 4x800 Relay that took 5th, along with her were Amanda McGill, Hannah McComas and Katie Varitek. McComas also finished 2nd in the 1600m run.

Gwen Tataru in addition to the 4x400 Relay, took 4th in the 100m, and 5th in the 400m. In the field events, Jamie Giese won the Shot Put, and Abby Marek took 2nd in the Discus throw.

CHELSEA @ DEXTER DUAL MEET MAY 4TH, 2021

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Boys Score: Chelsea 75.5 Dexter 61.5
 Top Dexter Performers: BOYS:
 100m. 1. Cole Cabana (10) 11.16
 2. Cole Sheldon (11) 11.84
 200m. 1. Cole Cabana (10) 22.66
 3. Cole Sheldon (11) 24.21 (PR)
 400m. 2. Jonny Adamczyk (11) 53.83

3. Brandon Anderson (9) 56.24 (PR)
 800m. 1. Nathan Gariepy (12) 2:01.97
 1600m. 1. Conor Kolka (12) 4:39.35
 2. Josh Lamb (11) 4:40.31 (PR)
 3200m. 1. Conor Kolka (12) 9:43.88 (PR)
 110m Hur. 2. Wilson Kasischke (12) 16.50 (PR)
 300m Hur. 1. Wilson

Kasischke (12) 42.19
 4x400m 1. Dexter 3:33.99
 Shot Put 2. James Livingston (11) 41'10.5"
 Discus 3. James Livingston (11) 113'8" (PR)
 Pole Vault 1. Cole Sheldon (11) 14'6"
 2. Noah Schultz (12) 14'0"
 High Jump 1. Keaton Murphy-Walsted (9)

5'0"
 3. Devon Durlait (11) 4'10"
 Long Jump 2. Cole Sheldon (11) 17'8.5"

Girls Score: Chelsea 76 Dexter 61

Top Dexter Performers: GIRLS:
 100m. 2. Maggie Jordan (12) 13.98 (PR)
 100m. 1. Gracie Burns (11) 27.47
 2. Gwen Tataru (12) 28.94

400m. 1. Gracie Burns (11) 1:01.70 (PR)
 3. Gwen Tataru (12) 1:03.79
 800m. 2. Ashley Mitchell (11) 2:31.33
 3. Kate Varitek (9) 2:40.94 (PR)
 1600m. 2. Hannah McComas (11) 5:40.55 (PR)
 3. Kate Varitek (9) 5:41.94 (PR)
 3200m. 1. Amanda McGill (11) 11:59.61 (PR)
 300m Hur. 3. Meghan McGill (11) 53.58
 4x800m 1. Dexter 10:22.85

Shot Put 2. Jamie Giese (11) 33'5.5"
 Discus 1. Katie Krueger (11) 97'11" (PR)
 2. Abby Markek (12) 96'8.5"
 High Jump 1. Abigail Van Noord (12) 4'10"
 2. Haley Craig (12) 4'8"
 3. Abby Marek (12) 4'6"

Pole Vault 1. Josianne Mettes (12) 11'0"
 2. Makenzie Stock (12) 10'6"

Meet Recap:

The boys tied with Chelsea and the girls came up short against them on Tuesday. The boys score for Dexter was 68.5 and Chelsea was 68.5 also. Top individual performers for the Dexter boys were Cole Cabana winning the 100m, and 200m along with

teammate Cole Sheldon taking 2nd in the 100m, 3rd in the 200, first in the Pole Vault, and a 2nd place in the Long Jump. Dexter took more points in the Vault with Noah Schultz taking 2nd. Senior Conor Kolka was a dual winner in both the 1600m, and the 3200m runs. Wilson Kasischke won the 300m Hurdles, and took 2nd in the 100m Hurdles. Thrower James Livingston took 2nd in the Shot Put, and 3rd in the Discus. Freshman Keaton Murphy-Walsted won the High Jump, and Senior Nathan Gariepy won the 800m run.

On the Girls side, Maggie Jordan took first in the 100m Dash. Teammates Gracie

Burns and Gwen Tataru were a dual threat in the 200m and 400m, with Burns winning both, and Tataru taking a 2nd and a 3rd. Amanda McGill won the 3200m run, and Junior Katie Krueger took the top spot in the Discus, along with teammate Abby Marek taking 2nd, and a 3rd place finish in the High Jump. The High Jump was swept by the Dreadnaughts, with Abby Van Noord taking 1st, and Haley Craig 2nd and Marek rounding out the places. The top spots in the Pole Vault went to Josianne Mettes with 1st, and teammate Mackenzie Stock finishing second.

Dexter's Summer Concert Series 2021

From Dexter Area Chamber of Commerce

Mark your calendars folks! Music will once again fill the air in downtown Dexter on Friday nights this summer. It is with great pleasure to announce that the Dexter City Council approved the request for our Summer Concert Series. The concerts will be held at the gazebo in Monument Park ev-

ery Friday night from June 18 to August 13. The Chamber Board noticed based on past years' attendance, we would only draw up to 100-150 guests. Which is a manageable plan for COVID safety guidelines and to keep our guests feeling safe. We will have numerous yard signs reminding folks of the six-foot rule and face mask requirement. The local Boy Scouts will be on-

site handing out free masks to anyone who needs one. Chamber representatives will also be present to help guide families in the proper safety guideline areas. We are trying to be conscious of the social districting measures and want the whole community to feel safe while in downtown. Stay tuned for an official band lineup coming soon!

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Dexter Creamery Announces Treasure Hunt!



From Dexter Creamery

Dexter Creamery has an exciting announcement to make! Ever wanted to find an actual hidden treasure? Well get your treasure hunting boots ready we will be hiding over \$2000 in actual gold and silver in the Dexter area this summer! Here is how it works, each week we will hide a treasure chest somewhere on public property in the Dexter area. We will release a riddle pertaining to the location where it is hidden. Solve the riddle and search for the treasure! Each week

between June 17th and August 5th either a new treasure will be hidden or if the previous weeks treasure hasn't been located it will grow. The riddle and additional clues will be released first in store and then via social media. This is sure to be an exciting hunt designed to engage the entire family and help you to learn some of the amazing history right in our backyard. This is a free event for everyone, more details will be posted via social media and on our website as we get closer to the event so be sure to follow us

on Facebook and Instagram!

Fine print: The treasure will be on public property within a 5 mile radius of

Dexter Creamery and will not be buried. Please do not dig or destroy anything in your search. Clues will be released in store twice a week 24-48 hours before they are released on social media. The actual treasure will not be in the chest, you must bring the chest in to the Creamery to claim the prize. Each chest will be equipped with GPS tracking so we will know when it has been located.

Dexter Daze 2021: Canceled



Well, not quite what we anticipated... Dexter Daze will not be happening this year. Our 2021, 50th Anniversary Event is Cancelled - and we are sorry!

Who would have thought a rental hall in Dexter, Michigan would have a zoning compliance issue that literally says nothing, but the fact that it says nothing is not to our benefit? What do I mean? I will try to tell you.

The Dexter American Legion was a generous host to our idea of having the Dexter Daze event on their property. With the City's split vote multiple times to the idea of the festival in town, moving to a private venue sounded like a great idea. Knowing that our team could safely hold an event while meeting the requirements of the State of Michigan for special events, we were thrilled to continue our planning. To our knowledge and to the Legion's knowledge, nothing more was needed to be done since they were already zoned commercial and legally able to hold events on their property...Or so we all thought.

On April 4th, the Scio Twp. supervisor reached out to us looking into the "legality" of allowing an event to be held in their township. Without much information given to us from the supervisor, we went to work looking into the zoning details on the American Legion property. What we found was not conducive for us to hold an event on the "property" at the Legion. In the hall-no problem, but outside of the hall-nope. It did not specifically say we could not, but it did not say we could, and by default, it is a hard "no" on a zoning side. The property is currently zoned C-2.

In the meantime, Scio township's Board of Trustees, were made aware of this as well and was/is attempting to fast track a "Special Event Ordinance" proposal from 2014 that never went anywhere when originally proposed. The zoning supervisor told us that the likelihood that this would even be passed in time for our event is slim, it could take 3-4 months. For us, that meant we had to decide on our next steps. We could wait for the ordinance permit to be adopted and apply for the Special Event Ordinance or we could ask the Legion to apply for a variance, (as they are the property owners).

None of these options seemed to be possible as there are many factors we must consider and knowing this would take time to get through, if it even was able to get through. Additionally, if the Legion were to even apply for a variance, we were told that it would automatically be denied since the Scio Township zoning supervisor cannot legally say yes. Once denied, we would then have to file an appeal to the zoning board for Scio, and the decision would be in their hands. We were not told how long this appeal process could take.

Going through this process, first being denied and then waiting on appeal, meant that we would be keeping our vendors, entertainers and contractors from finding another event to participate in. We couldn't, in all good conscience, do that to them.

So, there you have it. These last 30 days have been quite a learning experience for us, the American Legion and the Scio Township Board. We can't help but believe that this would have been a non-issue pre-Covid: the zoning, ordinances, locations, etc. None of this would even have come into question, but it has now. These are the cards we have been dealt. The Dexter Daze committee has put in many, many extra hours trying to figure any way to make this happen, but we have limited resources and only so much time.

From the bottom of our hearts, thank you to all of those who were by our side and offered words and emails of encouragement. We hope to see you next year!

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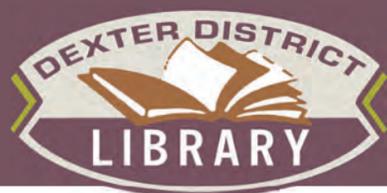
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Dexter District Library 2021 Spring Events for Kids, Tweens and Teens



Upcoming Spring Events at Dexter District Library

Bi-weekly on Wednesdays at 4:30 pm, April 14 to May 12

Club Create

Kids in grades K through 2 are invited to join us on Facebook, every other Wednesday at 4:30 pm. 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.

Dates: April 14, April 28, May 12.

Bi-weekly Thursdays at 11:00 am, March 11 to May 20

Preschool Super Stories

Kids ages five and younger are invited to join Ms. Krista on our DDL Facebook page every other Thursday at 11:00 am. Ms. Krista will read a longer picture book and share an activity related to the book. Everyone is welcome. Dates: March 11, March 25, April 8, April 22, May 6, May 20

Tuesdays, March 23 to May 18 at 10:30 am

Virtual Spring Story Times

Spring Story Times for ages five and under will be offered on Tuesdays at 10:30 am on our DDL Facebook page from March 23 to May 18. 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.

Friday, April 30 to Saturday, May 8

DIY Tea Cup Painting

Pick up your own ceramic tea cup and saucer to paint to hold an indoor plant. This could make a wonderful Mother's Day gift, or keep it for yourself to hold your trinkets. Mother's Day card-making supplies will also be included. Registration is required. Teens in grades 5 through 12 may register on our DDL website beginning April 5. Full details will be provided to registered participants.

Materials Needed: Acrylic craft paint, paint brush

Monday, May 3 to Saturday May 8

Mother's Day Craft Kit

Mother's Day Craft Kits are for kids of all ages. They will be available from May 3 to May 8. Call from the Library parking lot and we'll deliver them to our outside table or you can pick them up inside. Registration is required on our DDL website beginning Monday, April 19.

Saturday, May 15 2:00 pm

Alex Thomas – Virtual Caricature Drawing Workshop

Learn to draw fun caricatures of some of your favorite characters led by a puppet instructor! Whether you are just beginning or more advanced, this workshop will teach you the tips, tricks, and techniques of caricature drawing! Participants will be emailed a link prior to May 15. Registration is required on our DDL website, everyone is welcome.

Thursday, May 20 at 4:30 pm

All Star Readers

All Star Readers Book Club for grades 3 and 4 will meet again on Thursday, May 20 from 4:30 to 5:30 pm. Registration is required and begins on Thursday, April 15. The book we will be discussing is Klawde by Johnny Marciano. Books will be available for pick up when you register. 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 May 20.



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