

ANN ARBOR RADIO
2024 1st Q ISSUES & PROGRAMS REPORT
1290 AM – WLBY
“Lucy Ann Lance Show” On-Air Guests and Events:

Regular Segments:

Ann Arbor/Ypsilanti Regional Chamber of Commerce – Monday 10:10am

1/15 – **Preventing Frozen Pipes - Nick Pinaire, Owner/President, PuroClean of Ann Arbor** - Winter can wreak havoc on your home, and these tips could save you time and money.

1/22 – **Carol Dunitz, Producer / Actress, Bernhardt on Broadway** - Ann Arbor's Carol Dunitz has made it her life's passion to bring to life on stage the late Sarah Bernhardt, the French stage actress who starred in some of the more popular French plays of the late 19th and early 20th centuries. Now she has a movie musical about Bernhardt in pre-production.

2/19 – **Local Theatre Company Moves to Downtown Ann Arbor - Lauren London, The Penny Seats Theatre Company Executive Director; Chelsea Hohn (Cahoots Co-Working Space Executive Director; Julia Garlotte, Penny Seats Artistic Director** - The Penny Seats Theatre Company is finally returning to downtown Ann Arbor's professional theatre scene through a residency at Cahoots Co-Working Space, on the corner of Fourth Ave and Huron Street.

3/11 – **The Development of Arbor South - Jeff Hauptman, CEO, Oxford Companies** - Located on State & Eisenhower, Arbor South will be a mixed-use development that'll incorporate entertainment, a hotel, retail and dining, as well as more than 1,000 new housing units, all on a former parking lot.

Blue Cross/Blue Shield of Michigan: Monday 9:10 am – Andy Hetzel VP Communications BCBSM

1/1 – **Starting and Sticking to a Routine** - A new year means new resolutions. But how do you keep them?

1/8 – **Working to Improve Access to Mental Health - One** in five Americans has a mental health concern each year, but less than half get treatment.

1/15 – **Health Essentials for Winter** - There are things we can use help getting motivated to do – like keeping our exercise routines on track in the cold Winter months.

1/22 – **How to Avoid Chronic Conditions** - Chronic conditions affect six in 10 adults in the United States. And they account for about 3-point-5 TRILLION dollars in health care spending each year.

1/29 – **Price Edge and Other Rx Cost Savers** - Find out how Price Edge is helping Blue Cross members save money on their prescription drugs.

2/5 – **Heart Health** - High blood pressure is a major driver of heart disease.

2/12 – **Children's Dental Health Month** - Did you know that cavities are the most common chronic disease in childhood?

2/19 – **Tips for Scheduling Doctor Appointments** - These tips will help make your scheduling process smooth and easy.

2/26 – **Alternative Sites of Care** - This program allows Blue Cross members to receive infusion therapies of certain medical drugs in the comfort of their homes, at a doctor's office or at a freestanding infusion center.

3/4 – **Appointments Help Seniors Stay Well** - Those regularly scheduled visits to our doctors are especially important as we get older.

3/11 – **Save and Protect Your Vision** - About 75 percent of Americans use some form of corrective lenses.

3/18 – **Maternal Health Equity Grants** - BCBSM is providing grants to five community-based organizations in areas of our state where infant mortality and maternal mortality are the highest.

3/25 – **Rx Home Delivery - Making It Easy for Seniors** - Blue Cross is working hard to make its pharmacy coverage the best value for their senior members.

UMCU Money Monday – Monday 9:20am – Mark Munzenberger, Financial Education Manager, University of Michigan Credit Union

1/1 – Best Financial Resolutions for 2024

1/8 – Best Financial Resolutions for 2024, Part 2

1/15 – Balance Transfer Offers, Friend or Foe?

1/22 – How to Save Money on Gasoline

2/5 – Talking with Your Teens about Money – Nicole Bernacik, Financial Education Specialist, UMCU

2/12 – How to Build Credit with a Credit Card – Nicole Bernacik, Financial Education Specialist, UMCU

2/19 – 5 Steps to Having Better Money Conversations with your Spouse – Kayton Poehner, Branch Manager UMCU

2/26 – Avoid These 7 New Year Money Mistakes – Kayton Poehner, Branch Manager, UMCU

3/11 – **The Ins & Outs of Mortgages in 2024 - Julian Foster, Mortgage Loan Officer, UMCU** - One of the ultimate American dreams is to buy a home, but this is usually one of the biggest and most expensive financial decisions most of us will make in our lives.

3/18 – **Everything You Need to Know About a Home Equity Line of Credit - Kylie Marceau , Home Equity & Loan Processor, UMCU** - A home equity line of credit, or HELOC, allows you to borrow money using the equity in their home as collateral. Unlike a home equity loan, which lends you a lump sum, a HELOC offers a line of credit you can borrow against when you need to.

3/25 – **Six Dangers of 'Buy Now, Pay Later' Companies - Nicole Bernacik, Financial Education Specialist, UMCU** - As online shopping continues to become more popular, so do 'buy now, pay later' apps and companies.

Fifty Plus Financial News: Monday 9:35am

2/26 – Six Tax Deductions for Seniors in 2024

Beyond The Courtroom: Tuesday 9:20am- Dan Chlebos, Court Consultant / Asst. Professor of Justice & Public Policy / Former Police Chief

1/2 – **Strange but True Laws** - These laws have been on the books for decades and still stand, but they hardly make sense in today's world.

1/9 – **Fairness of the Law** - **Matthew McManus, Attorney/Partner, McManus & Amadeo** - The importance of understanding your client's case and today's law.

1/23 – **Wrongly Convicted** - **Imran Syed, Asst. Professor of Law at Michigan Law / Co-Founder of the Michigan Innocence Clinic, University of Michigan** - The first exclusively non-DNA Innocence Clinic in the country, the Michigan Innocence Clinic has successfully won the release of 41 men and women who had been wrongfully convicted of crimes and served anywhere from a few months to 46 years in prison.

1/30 – **The Death Penalty** - The latest execution of an inmate has some questioning not only the methodology used, but capital punishment altogether.

2/6 – **Title IX & Allegations of Sexual Assault on College Campuses** - **Matthew McManus, Attorney, McManus & Amadeo** - EMU recently agreed to a settlement in a Title IX challenge with alleged sexual assault victims, but the case against the defendants continues.

2/13 – **Search & Seizure and the Fourth Amendment** - The U.S. Constitution, through the Fourth Amendment, protects people from unreasonable searches and seizures by the government. The Fourth Amendment, however, is not a guarantee against all searches and seizures, but only those that are deemed unreasonable under the law.

2/20 – **Reliability of Eyewitness Testimony** - Eyewitness testimony is an important part of criminal investigations. However, research has shown that eyewitness testimony is not always reliable and may lead to innocent people being convicted of crimes they did not commit.

2/27 – **The Role of the Judge** - There are certain expectations of behavior in a court room, with the judge setting the tone.

3/5 – **5 Ways to Keep Disputes Out of the Court Room** - U.S. corporations spend \$20 billion a year in attorney fees to protect their companies. In the 1970s, Alternative Dispute Resolution mechanisms became an accepted practice to close out cases quicker and save money.

3/12 – **Child Custody Disputes** - **Jennifer Kelley, Attorney, McManus & Amadeo** - When parents divorce, children are often the collateral damage. Protecting their best interests should be paramount. But who gets to decide what those best interests are and how do we assure that both parents receive justice when it comes to their role as a parent?

3/19 – **The Parent Convictions in the Oxford School Shooting** - **Frank Rubino, Psychotherapist / Former Cop** - James and Jennifer Crumbley are the first parents to be held criminally responsible for a mass shooting committed by their child. Does this create a legal precedent that could lead to prosecutors filing more cases against parents for the actions of their children? Or, will this lead to greater gun safety?

3/26 – **Police Pursuits** - **Lt. Rene Gonzalez, First District PIO, Michigan State Police** - Michigan State Police will no longer engage in a high-speed pursuit unless the driver or occupant has committed a life-threatening crime or a violent felony. The change is expected to save lives.

Saline Report: Wednesday 9:20am – Michelle Duggan, Saline Chamber Executive Director

2/7 – **Chamber Unveils Annual Report** - **Kolby Miller, Operations Manager** - The chamber attracted forty new members and conducted eight ribbon cuttings for new businesses, as it strengthened its ties to the community.

2/14 – **Foundation for Saline Area Schools** - **Stacey Rumpsa, Executive Director, Foundation for Saline Area Schools** - The Foundation for Saline Area Schools is a non-profit organization that provides private funding to support academic projects, enrichment programs, and other activities aimed at enhancing the quality of education in the Saline school district.

2/21 – **Modern Business Strategies for Companies** - **John Hogan, HMB Group** - The latest enhancements for your business website include video pop-ups and AI chatbots unique to your business.

2/28 – **Basketball Mania at UTEC** - **Jeremy Beber, Senior Acct Executive, UTEC / Saline Area Chamber of Commerce Board Member; Kolby Miller, Office Manager, Saline Area Chamber of Commerce** - Tour UTEC, meet vendors, and enjoy watching all of the opening day basketball games on the video wall.

3/6 – **Expansion of Washtenaw Christian Academy** - **Washtenaw Christian Academy's Jenna Cummings, Preschool Director; and Annherst Kreitz, Director of Development & Community Relations; Kolby Miller, SACC Office Mgr** - Washtenaw Christian Academy has experienced growth over the last few years, along with a waitlist to get in. Now the school dedicated to providing a Christ-centered, academically challenging education is expanding and launching a capital campaign.

3/13 – **Nu2U Lands Second Location** - **Nu2U Again's Daniel Bradley, President; Allison Bradley, Vice President** - Nu2U Again retail shop celebrates abilities, creating employment opportunities for individuals with differing abilities. Located off Michigan Avenue in Saline, the non-profit is now expanding.

3/20 – **EHM Foundation Provides Hope for Senior Residents** - **Haley Buckmaster | Foundation Director, EHM Senior Solutions** - The Evangelical Homes of Michigan Foundation supports EHM Senior Solutions by raising funds to support charitable care for residents on Medicaid and other care initiatives.

Fifty Plus Health News: Wednesday 9:35am

1/31 – 6 Ways to Eat Well as You Get Older

3/20 – Music may bring health benefits for older adults

A Healthier Michigan: Wednesday 9:50am -

1/3 – **How Patients Can Advocate for Themselves at the Doctor's Office** - Dr. James Grant, Senior Vice President and Chief Medical Officer at Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan - Good health care and self-advocacy are directly related to better understanding of your health.

1/10 – **Benefits of Owning a Dog** - Shanthi Appelö, Registered Dietitian and Health and Wellness Spokesperson at Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan - The bond between a dog and owner can be very special and beneficial.

1/17 – **Beyond BMI: The Role of Weight in Health Outcomes** - Shanthi Appelö, Registered Dietitian and Health and Wellness Spokesperson at Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan

1/24 – **Ways to Combat Winter Restlessness** - Dr. Kristyn Gregory, Medical Director of Behavioral Health at Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan - Crawling under the covers and hunkering down until Spring is not the answer to the winter blues.

1/31 – **What is Addiction Transfer?** - Dr. William Beecroft, Medical Director of Behavioral Health at Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan - We examine how addictions begin and why these behaviors are so attractive to some individuals.

2/7 – **Leading Causes of Cavities in Children** – Dr. Kristi Thomas, Associate Dental Consultant, Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan

2/14 – **Best Steps for Preventing Heart Disease** - Dr. James Grant, Senior Vice President and Chief Medical Officer at Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan

2/21 – **Addressing Social Media Myths about High Cortisol in Women** - Dr. Kristyn Gregory, Medical Director of Behavioral Health at Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan

2/28 – **Signs of Eating Disorders in Children** - Shanthi Appelö, Registered Dietitian and Health and Wellness Spokesperson at Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan

3/6 - **Know the Difference between the 3 Main Types of Colon Cancer Screenings** – Dr. James Grant, Senior Vice President and Chief Medical Officer at Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan

3/13 – **7 Eye-Opening Ways to Save Your Vision** – Dr. Gina Lynem-Walker, Associate Medical Director at Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan

3/20 – **5 Common Household Poisons to Avoid (National Poison Prevention)** – Dr. Crystal Lee, Medical Director at Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan

3/27 – **Why Children and Teens Should Avoid Energy Drinks** - Dr. James Grant, Senior Vice President and Chief Medical Officer at Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan

On The Couch: Wednesday 10:10am - Frank Rubino – Psychologist / Asst. Professor, Concordia University Ann Arbor

1/3 – **You Are Not Alone** - Our culture, for a long time, has pushed people into thinking that they are alone in their faith, in their positions of virtue, and just alone in general. It's an old tactic to keep people isolated.

1/10 – **The Surprising Cost of Health in the New Year**

1/17 – **How to Stop Living in the Past** - Too often we live too long in the past, ruining our present.

1/24 – **What is Mental Illness?** - Where does Mental Illness come from? How does someone get one? When we talk about Mental illness we seldom talk about how it happens.

1/31 – **The Role of a Conscience**

2/7 – **The Importance of True Friendship**

2/14 – **Gambling Addictions** - Gambling is becoming more mainstream with gambling sites targeting sporting events and other platforms with major advertising campaigns. But what happens if you are addicted?

2/21 – **Absent Fathers** - What happens when children are raised without their fathers.

3/6 – **What Happens When Children Undergo Therapy** - Abigail Shrier, author of "Bad Therapy; Why Kids Aren't Growing Up", says therapists are the reason kids aren't growing up and are having so many psychological disorders.

3/13 – **Eggshell Parenting** - An eggshell parent is one who makes the children feel as if they are walking on eggshells all the time. Learn the signs, symptoms, and what to do about it if someone is or knows an eggshell parent.

3/20 – **Anxiety** - Carl Jung's work on anxiety is different than what is commonly believed about anxiety today. Part of what he asserts is that anxiety is based on people not living up to their own potential or living their authentic lives.

3/27 – **Mental Health Community Partnerships** - We talk about mental health being a community problem and the need for community partnerships, but where do they come from and what do they do?

Around the Home: Thursday 9:50am – Pete Nowakowski, Marketing & Communications Director, BRAG Ann Arbor;

1/4 – **Homeowner Centered Insurance Policy Concerns** - Andrew T. Ceo, Partner | Vice President of Sales, Hemlock Insurance Group - Whether you are building a home or already living in one, there are a number of ways you can protect yourself from rising costs and unplanned events.

1/18 – **2024 Financial Outlook** - Eric Bradley, SVP/Regional Manager, University Lending Group - An analysis of mortgage and interest rates and where the housing market is headed.

2/1 – **Home, Garden & Lifestyle Show** - Pete Nowakowski, Marketing & Communications Director - Spring is on the way and so is the area's biggest home show. Browse more than 120 exhibits including builders, suppliers, designers and tradespeople, and many more resources to help improve your home.

2/22 – **Residential Solar** - David Boylan, VP of Marketing & Business Development, Stellar Solar - Changes in the solar industry could be coming to Michigan, making it easier for homeowners to save more money.

2/29 – **Managing Your Yard's Most Unwanted Guests** - Steve Searl, General Manager; Terry Straits, Sales Supervisor, Back To Nature Lawn Care, L.L.C. - Mother nature doesn't care what the calendar reads; it's the temperature that dictates when to start critter control in your yard.

3/7 – **Solving Yard Water Issues with Rain Gardens** - Susan Bryan, Ran Garden Coordinator, Washtenaw County Water Resources; Bridget Gruber, Ann Arbor Resident - Learn how homeowners are utilizing county resources to plant rain gardens as a way to control water in their yards.

3/14 – **Spring Tree Care** - Josh Leo, Regional Business Developer, The Davey Tree Expert Company - With the warmer weather arriving early, it's time to inspect your trees and take care of any problems. Here's what to look for when it comes to diseased or damaged trees.

3/21 – **Builders Home Show a Success** - Pete Nowakowski, Marketing & Communications Director, BRAG Ann Arbor - The recent Home, Garden & Lifestyle Show sponsored by the Builders and Remodelers Association of Greater Ann Arbor was well-attended and set the scene for a great home improvement season.

TRAVEL MICHIGAN: Thursday 9:05am/Saturday 10:40am: Nick Nerbonne, Media, Digital and Industry Relations Director, Travel Michigan / Michigan Economic Development Corporation;

1/4 – **From A2 to Detroit** - Unique happenings spanning from Ann Arbor to the Motor City that will leave you enthralled and excited to be a Michigander.

1/11 – **Winter Fun** - Learn how snow is made in Michigan, along with all of the great ways to enjoy our winter.

1/18 – **Lions Victories score with the Economy** - The Detroit Lions host the Tampa Bay Buccaneers this weekend at Ford Field in the divisional round play-off game, attracting millions of dollars into the region.

1/25 – **Up North Adventures** - Explore winter rafting in Gaylord and snowmobiling in the UP.

2/1 – **Michigan's African American History** - Visit the Charles H. Wright Museum of African American History, one of the world's largest permanent exhibit on African American culture.

2/8 – **Romantic Getaways** - Michigan's boutique hotels offer a unique experience to enjoy a romantic time with your loved one.

2/15 – **What Are You Doing for the Long Holiday Weekend?** - With Presidents Day on Monday, we have a few ideas for a quick get-away and a lot of family fun!

2/22 – **Springtime Events in the Mitten** - As the weather gets warmer there are many events for you to take in, including new ones like the NFL Draft in Detroit.

2/29 – **Cherry Bowl Drive In for Sale** - This iconic Up North Michigan drive-in is one of only eight left in the state, it could be yours for \$625,000.

3/7 – **Spring Break Staycation** - Friends heading to warmer climes for Spring Break? Don't be jealous! Start planning your own fabulous vacation right here in Michigan.

3/14 – **St. Patty's Day Fun around the Ann Arbor Area** - Whether you are looking for a delicious corned beef dinner or a fun bar crawl, there are many activities to enjoy this weekend while wearing your green!

3/21 – **Michigan Campground Priority** - Nick Nerbonne, Media, Digital and Industry Relations Director, Travel Michigan/MEDC - A proposed state bill would give Michigan residents priority access to booking campsites two weeks prior to out-of-state residents.

3/28 – **Easter in SE Michigan** - Have fun with the family this weekend at egg hunts and brunches at unique venues throughout the region.

Talking Pictures - Friday 9:25am, Saturday 11:05am– Perry Seibert; Detroit Film Critics Society

1/5 – A review of the movie, "Ferrari"

1/12 – A review of the movie, "The Iron Claw"

1/19 – A review of the movie, "American Fiction"

1/26 – A review of the Oscar nominations

2/2 – A review of the movie, "Nyad"

2/9 – A review of the movie, "Rusten"

2/16 – A review of the movie, "Zone of Interest"

2/23 – A review of the movie, "The Color Purple"

3/1 – A review of the new Netflix film, "The Greatest Night in Pop"

3/8 – Previewing the Oscars

3/15 – A review of The Oscars

3/22 – Perry's Top 10 movies debuting soon, Part 1

3/29 – Perry's Top 10 movies debuting soon, Part 2

Downtown Friday with the Main Street Area Association: Friday 9:10am – Sandra Andrade, MSAA Executive Director;

- 1/5 – **Ann Arbor Art Center Expands Classes - Jenn Cornell Queen, Executive Director, AAAC** - Since increasing its space on West Liberty, the Ann Arbor Art Center is finding ways to appeal to a broader audience by offering more classes, some with a unique twist.
- 1/12 – **Ann Arbor Restaurant Week - Vicki Joling, MSAA Executive Director - Restaurants throughout downtown Ann Arbor and beyond are celebrating the annual Restaurant Week with great deals and opportunities for you to expand your culinary tastes.**
- 1/19 – **Ann Arbor Folk Festival Returns - Barb Chaffer Authier, Marketing Director, The Ark; Vicki Joling, MSAA Executive Director - The Ann Arbor Folk Festival is the largest annual fundraising effort for The Ark, Ann Arbor's non-profit home for folk, roots, and acoustic music.**
- 2/2 – **Galentine's Day - Lisa Roberts, Owner, Rock Paper Scissors - Gals and pals are invited to shop at 30 participating downtown locations on February 10 for this small business crawl.**
- 2/9 – **Valentine's Day Downtown - Vicki Joling, MSAA Executive Director - Elevate your Valentine's Day with the one you love by sharing these unique experiences.**
- 2/16 – **Play, A Scientific Soiree - Charlie Reischl, Development Manager, Ann Arbor Hands On Museum; Vicki Joling, MSAA Executive Director - Science is the life of the party at this event at the Ann Arbor Hands On Museum for adults only.**
- 2/23 – **Southtown - Margaret Poscher, CEO/Owner, Venue by 4M; Vicki Joling, MSAA Executive Director - She is a doctor turned developer, transforming Ann Arbor's Lower Burns Park area. Margaret Poscher envisions a "15 minute neighborhood" where you can walk to everything you need.**
- 3/8 – **Shamrocks & Shenanigans - Caroline Kaganov, GM, Conor O'Neill's; Trevor Step, Events Director, RF Events - Don a bit o' green, lace up your running shoes, and hit the streets of downtown Ann Arbor to celebrate the St. Patty's Day holiday and help a great cause.**
- 3/15 – **Driving Travel and Tourism to the Region - Chad Wiebesick, Director of Public Affairs, Destination Ann Arbor - Ann Arbor is many things, including a bustling university town, culinary hotspot, and a tech hub with a walkable downtown that includes world-class arts and culture. Ann Arbor also lies at the center of a greater collection of communities in Washtenaw County. With so many thriving communities nearby, Ann Arbor has become a cultural melting pot and urban oasis.**
- 3/22 – **Executive Director Search - Sarah Miller, President/CEO, Destination Ann Arbor / MSAA Board Member - You can help shape the future of Main Street Ann Arbor, as MSAA searches for a new executive director.**
- 3/29 – **Blue Llama Celebrates 5th Anniversary - Don Hicks, Owner, Blue Llama Jazz Club - Located in the heart of downtown's Main Street and known for its live jazz music and inspired cuisine, Blue Llama's founder has some exciting news to share.**

50+ Lifestyle News - Friday 9:35am

- 1/26 – New Aging in Place Gadgets at 2024 CES
- 2/2 – 60 year anniversary of the start of Beatlemania
- 2/9 – 60 year anniversary of the Beatles first appearance on The Ed Sullivan Show
- 2/16 – Baby Boomers are now divided into two separate groups, Boomers 1 and Boomers 2

Events around Town: Friday 9:50am– Michael Bright, the Ann Arbor Observer

WLBY Pet of the Week – Saturday 9:15am – Wendy Welch Humane Society of Huron Valley

- 1/13 – Meet Mina the dog/Love Train puppies/Pets and PJs/Get pets microchipped
- 1/20 – Meet Sweet Willie the cat/Cats & Kids at Tiny Lions/Volunteering at HSHV
- 1/27 – Meet Aspen the dog/Low cost Vaccine clinic on 2/10/Teen "Mew-Vie" night
- 2/10 – Meet Cliff the dog/Pets & PJs/Sensory Story Time
- 2/24 – Meet Greta the dog/ Teen "Mew-Vie" night
- 3/2 – Meet Cheeky the cat/Tiny Tails Story Time/ Teen "Mew-Vie" night/Walk, Wag & Run
- 3/9 – Meet Belinda the dog/Pets & PJs/Sensory Story Time/Walk, Wag & Run
- 3/16 – Meet Hostess the cat/Dog Training classes/Crate games dog training/Walk, Wag & Run on 5/18
- 3/23 – Meet Doc the dog/Coloring with Cats/Friends for Life free vaccine clinic/Walk, Wag & Run on 5/18

LUCY ANN COMMENTARIES:

1/17 - **Warming Shelters** - The county and other agencies have opened up locations as warming centers to help residents get out of the brutally cold weather.

1/25 – Analysis of the Governor’s State of the State

1/25 – Coach Harbaugh makes his decision

2/26 - Primary Election Day Report (includes clip of County Clerk)

3/4 - **Commentary on CUAA's Future** - Concordia University Ann Arbor has announced that it will be back for another school year, but its long term future is still being hammered out and there are faculty and staff cutbacks on the horizon.

GUESTS:

1/2 – **Investing in Ypsilanti's Future - Stewart Beal, CEO, Beal Properties** - This entrepreneur who grew up in Ann Arbor made a commitment to Ypsilanti when he first started his property management company more than 20 years ago. Despite hard times in the community, he's not backing down.

1/3 - **Go Blue! At the Michigan Theater - Russ Collins, CEO/Executive Director** - Watch the University of Michigan Wolverines at the historic Michigan Theater, as they take on the Washington Huskies for the national college football championship on Mon., January 8.

1/4 – **Celebrating Ann Arbor's Bicentennial - Amy Karbo, Director of Communications and Community Engagement, Destination Ann Arbor** - Ann Arbor will kick off its 200th anniversary year with a major event at the Michigan Theater on January 19th to help fund the city's Legacy Projects in honor of the Bicentennial.

1/5 – **Michigan in the CFP National Championship - Doug Karsch, Michigan Football Play-by-Play Announcer** - The voice of Michigan Football reflects on the season past and looks ahead to Michigan playing Washington in Houston Monday in the National Championship game.

1/8 - **Nick Baumgardner, Senior Writer/NFL Draft Analyst, The Athletic** - Previewing the National Championship game.

1/8 - **Analyzing Michigan Football - Sam Webb, Host of the Michigan Insider on WTKA 1050, Publisher of 247Sports.com's The Michigan Insider** - A look at how Michigan has risen to the top in football and what to expect from both the Wolverines and the Washington Huskies in the National Championship.

1/9 - **The Future of Briarwood Mall - Paula Gardner, Business Editor, Bridge Michigan** - The owners of Ann Arbor's Briarwood Mall are reimagining the property, turning a portion of the mall into a village concept.

1/9 – **Michigan Football Press Conference** – Michigan Coach Jim Harbaugh comments following Michigan's victory over Washington in the National Championship game.

1/11 - **Free Homeowner Resources - Aaron Kraft, Housing Program Supervisor, Office of Community & Economic Development, Washtenaw County** - Increased funding for Washtenaw County's Weatherization Program means more residents will be able to take advantage of free services to improve their home and save money.

1/17 - **Heading Off Hypothermia - Dr. Bradley Uren, Emergency Medicine Physician, University of Michigan Hospital Emergency Department** - Bitter cold temperatures throughout Michigan have most of us staying indoors, but if you do have to venture out you should know the signs of hypothermia

1/18 - **United Way for Southeastern Michigan - 2-1-1, A Lifeline in Times of Crisis - Tasha Ball, 2-1-1 Director of Operations** - The 2-1-1 helpline provides referrals to programs to assist with food,

housing, financial assistance, utility assistance and more. Help is available 24 hours a day, every day of the year, from anywhere in the state of Michigan.

1/22 - **Lions Roar to Victory - Al Fellhauer, Former Sports Broadcaster - The Detroit Lions are one win away from Super Bowl LVIII, after beating the Tampa Bay Bucs, 31-23, Sunday at Ford Field in Detroit.**

1/22 - **How Wildlife Survives Winter - Dr. Cody Thompson, PhD, Mammal Collections Manager & Associate Research Scientist, University of Michigan Museum of Zoology** - As we bundle up against the below zero temps and slog through ice and piles of snow, it's hard not to notice the wildlife in our midst who somehow are wired to withstand the ravages of winter. But how do they do it?

1/23 - **SPARK Launches Internship Resume Database - Ben Ernst, Talent Programs Manager, Ann Arbor SPARK** - This new initiative at Ann Arbor SPARK offers employers and students an opportunity to connect for internships.

1/23 - **Too Cold for EVs? - Jason Hayes, Director of Energy & Environmental Policy, Mackinac Center for Public Policy** - Issues with electric vehicles continue to rise as the temperature decreases. This energy expert explains what's going on and why the government push to NetZero regulation is flawed.

1/24 - **Mott Report: Teens and Online Gambling - Sarah Clark, Mott Poll Co-Director, CS Mott Children's Hospital National Poll on Children's Health** - A new national poll suggests the expansion of online gambling opens up risks of youth access but few parents believe their child has engaged in digital betting.

1/29 - **Big Hearts for Seniors - Shannon Etcheverry, Director- Silver Club Programs | Director-Turner Senior Wellness Program | Assistant Director-Geriatrics Community Programs at Michigan Medicine** - Do you have a story to tell? Big Hearts for Seniors (BHS) is searching for storytellers to tell their true stories using the theme, "Love Stories" for the 2024 event. The Big Hearts for Seniors annual fundraiser event benefits six community senior programs.

1/30 - **Domino's Delivers Snowplow Money to Ypsilanti - Jenny Fouracre, Senior Director of Communications, Domino's** - Domino's believes nothing should stand in the way of carrying out a hot delicious pizza, including snowy, cold weather.

2/1 - **The Governor, the President, and the Economy - Dr. Timothy G. Nash, Senior Vice President, Emeritus / Director, The McNair Center for the Advancement of Free Enterprise and Entrepreneurship, Northwood University** - What drives inflation? Why is the national debt so high? If we lowered taxes would we be a more prosperous country?

2/5 - **Early Voting in Washtenaw County - Ed Golembiewski, Chief Deputy Clerk / Register & Director of Elections, Washtenaw County** - For nine days before Michigan's Primary Election coming up on February 27th, you have the opportunity to vote early and in-person.

2/6 - **A Call to Lawmakers - David Guenther, VP for Government Affairs, Mackinac Center for Public Policy** - The Center's annual list of policy recommendations provides Michigan lawmakers with a guide of actionable policy reforms.

2/13 - **Hep A Cases in Washtenaw County - Susan Ringler Cerniglia, Public Health Officer, Washtenaw County Health Department** - Health officials are investigating two unrelated Hepatitis A cases in Washtenaw County.

2/20 - **Duane Colicott, Founder, Brick Bash** - A weekend of seeing and playing with LEGO! Piles of LEGO to play with, amazing LEGO creations, hands-on building fun. Vendors will also be onsite should you want to purchase LEGO products. Also, coffee and refreshments will be available. Brick Bash is a fundraiser for the Skyline High School band program.

2/21 - **United Way for Southeastern Michigan Report: Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Program - Megan Thibos, Director, Community Impact Innovation** - Expert tax preparation assistance at no cost to residents of Washtenaw County.

2/28 - **Mott Poll: Noise and Headphone Use in Children - Sarah Clark, Mott Poll Co-Director, C.S. Mott Children's Hospital National Poll on Children's Health** - Excessive or intense noise can be

damaging to a child's ears. When children wear headphones and earbuds, it can be difficult for parents to know how much noise exposure is occurring.

2/29 - Meijer Match Helps Saline Agency - Jamal Aikens, Executive Director, Saline Area Social Service - Meijer on Ann Arbor-Saline Road is teaming up with SASS to help stretch those food dollars even further for those in need.

3/4 - Measles Alert - Susan Ringler Cerniglia, Public Information Officer, Washtenaw County Health Department - A case of measles is being investigated in Washtenaw County with officials urging that residents get vaccinated.

3/6 - Enact Dexter's History - Steve Feinman, Past President, Rotary Club of Dexter - Community members are invited to take part in 200 years of Dexter, Michigan's history in a unique parade this summer.

3/6 - Ann Arbor City Council Strengthens Rights for Renters - Zackariah Farah, Ann Arbor Tenants Union - Ann Arbor City Council has unanimously passed the Early Leasing Ordinance and the Right to Renew Ordinance, giving renters more control of their housing.

3/7 - Feds Propose to Place Gelman Sciences Contamination Site on Superfund List - Erica Aultz, EPA's National Priorities List Coordinator - Public comments are now being accepted concerning a proposal to add Gelman Sciences, which spans portions of the city of Ann Arbor and Scio Township, to the Superfund National Priorities List. Residents have lived with the threat of 1,4-dioxane contamination stemming from the site for decades.

3/7 - A Cup of Tea - Samantha Musil, Founder, STEAP Specialty Tea Products; Cheryl Hoeft, Founder, Saline Craft Shows; Brian Puffer, Director of Community Education, Saline Area Schools - These Michigan inspired loose leaf teas draw upon familiar names and flavors, and will be featured at the upcoming Saline Spring Craft Show.

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3/12 - The New Weight Loss Drugs - Robin Erb, Health Reporter, Bridge Michigan - Reporter Robin Erb uncovers who is paying for the expensive new diet drugs in Michigan.

3/12 - Home, Garden & Lifestyle Show: Custom Engraved Stone Signage - Tom Anderson, Owner, Boulder Designs by 5 Rock Creations - Amp up the curb appeal of your home or business with one of these unique handcrafted waterproof boulders.

3/13 - Ann Arbor SPARK: Digital Summer Clinic Looking for Student Interns - Bud Gibson, Director, Eastern Michigan University Center for Digital Engagement - To prepare future job seekers for popular careers, Eastern Michigan University's Center for Digital Engagement, with support from Ann Arbor SPARK, is offering 48 paid internship positions through the Digital Summer Clinic.

3/13 - Home, Garden & Lifestyle Show: Fireplace 101 - Ron Livengood, Co-Owner, Chelsea Hearth & Fireplaces - Learn the options for today's fireplaces.

3/13 - Home, Garden & Lifestyle Show: What to Know about Windows & Doors - Tim O'Bierne, Installed Sales Rep, Man's Lumber & Home - This local expert shares his vast knowledge on installing new windows & doors in your home.

3/13 - Tri-County Sportsmen's League - Dick Cupka, Member/Pistol Chair - Situated on 57 acres in York Township, TCSL is one of Washtenaw County's oldest sporting clubs. Since its founding in 1939, it has grown to one of southeast Michigan's leading sportsmen's clubs, and often has events open to the public as well.

3/14 - Home, Garden & Lifestyle Show: Home Flooring - Tom Mitchell, Commercial Sales, Ann Arbor Carpets Flooring America - This family-owned business has found a way to re-organize its showroom, improving the customer's ability to easily make selections.

3/19 - Michigan's Spending Problem - James Hohman, Director of Fiscal Policy, Mackinac Center for Fiscal Policy - The Mackinac Center's Sustainable Michigan Budget proposal, which limits spending to no more than the growth of the state's population and inflation, seeks to ensure the state budget doesn't grow faster than the average taxpayer's ability to pay for it.

3/19 - Cooking for the Astronauts - Chef Aaron Gaertner, RCTC Culinary Instructor - The RCTC Culinary Arts and Bakery Science program has been named Top Ten in the country. Now the team from the Ypsilanti Community Schools is headed to Houston, Texas to create meals for the astronauts aboard the International Space Station.

3/21 - Realtors Brace for Commission Shake-Up - Sandi Smith, President, Michigan Realtors / Broker and Realtor, Trillium Real Estate - The National Association of Realtors has reached a preliminary legal settlement in a series of lawsuits surrounding real estate commissions. This could mean lower commissions for realtors and possibly greater savings for homebuyers and sellers in the future.

3/21 - \$2 Million for Peace Neighborhood Center - Bonnie Billups, Executive Director; Nicole Banks, Board President - MacKenzie Scott's Yield Giving has selected Peace Neighborhood Center as one of the Yield Giving Open Call's awardees—nonprofits who are working with people and in places experiencing the greatest need in the United States. Peace Neighborhood Center in Ann Arbor received \$2 million.

3/21 - Hittin' the Right Notes at 75 - Peter Madcat Ruth, Harmonica Virtuoso / Musician - This Grammy award-winning legend on the harmonica is celebrating his 75th birthday with a big show filled with other local musical greats in April at The Ark. He shares with us memories of an incredible life and career.

3/22 - County Grant to Attract Seniors to Saline Rec Center - Laura Rutkowski, Recreation Center Manager, Saline Recreation Center - There's a new fitness opportunity for seniors in the Saline Area School District, thanks to a Washtenaw County grant awarded to the Saline Rec Center to support senior's health and wellness goals.

3/25 - AAPS Budget Shortfall & Its Impact - Jeff Gaynor, Board of Education Trustee, Ann Arbor Public Schools - The Ann Arbor School District is facing a \$25 million dollar deficit and layoffs are underway. How did one of the touted best school systems in the nation fall so far?

3/27 - Mott National Poll on Children's Health - Too Sick for School? - Sarah Clark, Mott Poll Co-Director, University of Michigan Health Mott Children's Hospital - 2 in 3 parents say their adolescent or teen worries about how sick days may impact grades.