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Michael Harrington of Fun on the Frets performing at Sounds & Sightings on Thursday Nights.



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To say chalk artist Chris Monaghan and guitarist Michael Harrington were thrilled when they found out that they were each receiving a Chelsea Area Festivals & Events (CAFE) \$1,000

grant, well, that's an understatement.

Monaghan immediately applied when CAFE decided to provide the grants as an extension of their mission to enrich Chelsea, and the surrounding communities, by promoting the presentation of and participation in quality performing and visual **continued on page 4**

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## CEF Awards \$12,395 in Teacher Grants



From: Amy Forehand, Chelsea Education Foundation

With the help of generous donors, the Chelsea Education Foundation (CEF) provides funding for a wide spectrum of educational activities to benefit the students and the staff of the Chelsea School Dis-

trict.

"Contributions made to CEF are given back to the school district through innovative grants for students, teachers, and administrators, and as scholarships to CHS graduates," said Amy Forehand, Impact Committee Chair.

Because of the Covid-19 Pandemic, CEF decided to hold three teacher grant cycles for the 2020-21 school year - the first in

October, the second in January, and the third in April.

"We hope that by providing multiple opportunities, we will help Chelsea teachers and students move through the changing landscape of virtual and hybrid teacher-student interaction. We are please that all COVID Hybrid and Virtual adaptation-related requests were 100% funded for 2020- **continued on page 5**

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# Obituaries

## Rodney Owen Craig



Rodney Owen Craig of Chelsea, Michigan, formerly of Ann Arbor.

Age 73, died Tuesday, March 23, 2021 at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Chelsea after a long illness. He was born June 25, 1947 in Ann Arbor, Michigan, the son of Gerald & Esther (Gillespie) Craig.

Rod graduated from Pioneer High School in 1966, and Washtenaw Community College in 1970. He graduated from Eastern Michigan University with a Bachelor's in social work. He was the owner of Rod's Diner in Ann Arbor from 1994-2003. Rod had been Youth Education Director at Zion Lutheran Church from 1975-1994, and he enjoyed staying in

touch with many of the youth throughout their lives. He was an active member of Chelsea First United Methodist Church, and served as a confirmation mentor. Rod was an advocate for LGBTQ rights, and volunteered as a peer counselor for Alcoholics Anonymous and drug recovery at prisons, including Cassidy Lake. He was part of a cancer support group in Ann Arbor. Rod loved going on road trips, especially to the ocean, Lake Michigan and Route 66. He enjoyed gardening, woodworking, antiques, and he loved to cook.

On Aug. 24, 1968, he married Susan M. Hines, and she survives. Other survivors include a son, Christo-

pher Craig of New Orleans; a daughter, Michelle Craig of Chelsea; three brothers, Gerald "Skip", Gordon (Kathy), and Mark; a sister, Georgeanne Richardson-Craig; nieces and nephews, Jerry & Terry, Anne & Diane, Brian, Brea & Tanner; his honorary grandchildren, Amelia and Ruthie; and great-niece, Scarlett. He was preceded in death by his brother, Mike.

A memorial service will be held at a later date. Burial will take place at Mt. Hope Cemetery, Chelsea. Memorial contributions may be made to Faith in Action of Chelsea or the American Cancer Society. Arrangements by Cole Funeral Chapel.

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# Chelsea welcomes award-winning authors to the first Midwest Literary Virtual Walk

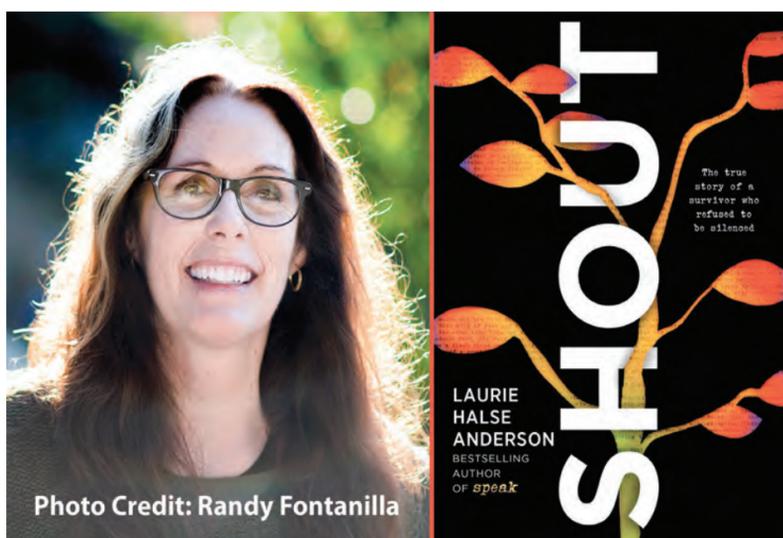


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## From: Shannon Powers

The Chelsea District Library (CDL) is proud to bring one of its favorite annual events, Midwest Literary Walk, directly to your homes! This inspiring literary event will take place on Saturday, April 24, beginning at 1pm and wrapping up around 5pm. Tune in to hear from three award-winning authors: New York Times bestselling young adult author, Laurie Halse Anderson (*Speak & Shout*), critically-acclaimed author Azar Nafisi (*Reading Lolita in Tehran & That Other World*), and National Book Award finalist, Ross Gay (*The Book of Delights & Be Holding*). Anderson, Nafisi, and Gay will each interview with long-standing Lit Walk partner Rich Fah-

le, before engaging in a live Q&A session with the audience. Attendees can register in advance by visiting [midwestliterarywalk.org](http://midwestliterarywalk.org) or calling a librarian at 734-475-8732 x 219.

Reflecting on prior events, one CDL board member remarked "The Lit Walk is always an unexpected deep dive into the minds and worlds of the people who write books we remember long after reading them." This year's virtual event will seek to maintain the intimacy of previous years where attendees are left with the inspiration and joy of having experienced each author's creative process. "I treasure the Midwest Lit Walk," remarks CDL trustee Jan Carr. "It offers me the 'up close and personal' chance to meet well

known and budding authors..."

## Event Schedule:

A full event schedule and author bios may be found at [midwestliterarywalk.org](http://midwestliterarywalk.org).

### 1pm | Laurie Halse Anderson

Throughout her career, Anderson has written powerful, unflinching books for mature teens and adults and is well known for her novel, *Speak*. Her latest, *Shout*, is a memoir in verse, described as a "captivating, powerful read" by Booklist and a manifesto to the #MeToo movement. Anderson will open this year's event by discussing *Shout* and her other works.

### 2:30pm | Ross Gay

Poet and Essayist Ross Gay set out to write every day for one year about something that delighted him. The uplifting result was *The Book of Delights*, a collection of essays described by Kirkus as "provocative and non-cloying" and "charming, and yes, delightful." Gay and Fahle will speak about *The Book of Delights*, and Gay's most recent poetry publication, *Be Holding*.

### 4:00pm | Azar Nafisi

Nafisi's stunning

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memoirs are a testament to strength and resilience, including one of her most popular works, *Reading Lolita in Tehran*, a book about teaching forbidden western literature to young women while living through censorship and political upheaval in Iran. Nafisi will conclude this year's Lit Walk with a discussion of her memoirs, and her most recently published essay collection, *That Other World*, a precursor to *Reading Lolita in Tehran* proclaimed by Kirkus as "graceful" and "discerning."

Copies of Anderson, Gay, and Nafisi's books can be borrowed from CDL in a variety of formats, including print, audiobook, and ebook. Visit [midwestliterarywalk.org](http://midwestliterarywalk.org) for a curated list, or call a librarian for assistance placing holds. Attendees looking to purchase books should visit [literati-bookstore.com](http://literati-bookstore.com). Literati Bookstore is an award-winning independent bookstore and the official bookseller of the 2021 Midwest Literary Virtual Walk. Copies may also be purchased from Lit Walk partner

and charming Chelsea bookstore, Serendipity Books.

Following this year's Lit Walk author talks and Q&A, participants can join in a community book discussion. CDL's oldest book club, Reading Glasses, will discuss *Things I've Been Silent About* by Azar Nafisi on May 5th over Zoom. Register by visiting [chelseadistrictlibrary.org](http://chelseadistrictlibrary.org), and selecting events, event calendar and registration, or call 734-475-8732 x 219 for assistance.

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▶ continued from page 1 arts throughout the year.

Then came the explosion of ideas.

“My mind immediately went into overdrive,” he said.

“Originally, I had intended to offer chalk art classes and demonstrations through the public libraries and schools.”

But COVID-19 had other ideas, so his creative brain found another good idea.

He kicked off the “Fun2Chalk” YouTube channel to encourage kids to develop their chalk art skills and learn about something in the process.

“This seemed like the best option allowing people to access it from home,” he said.

Monaghan began filming “Fun2Chalk” at the Wings Farm in Dexter during Halloween.

“We learned about

how the pumpkins grow and the activities available to people when they visit a pumpkin patch. The video then transitions to how to draw jack-o-lanterns using chalk in the driveway.”

The CAFE grant allowed Monaghan to hire professional voice-over talent, get the necessary supplies, and handle post-production activities. He said the “Fun2Chalk” videos are scheduled for release throughout 2021.

“Street art is a very social activity but it also could be viewed as a great outlet for people to be creative during the lockdown,” Monaghan said.

Guitarist Michael Harrington was “surprised and shocked” when he learned that he would be receiving the CAFE grant to help

fund recording sessions celebrating American jazz guitarists of the 1930s.

Harrington, who is a long time fan of Django Reinhardt - one of the most famous early jazz musicians — credits fellow guitarist Brian Delaney with introducing him to the lesser known American jazz guitarists.

“Even relatively knowledgeable modern guitarists typically have rarely, if ever, heard much of this groundbreaking music,” said Harrington, “because the bulk has languished on rare shellac 78 rpm recordings, mostly owned by record collectors.”

He and Delaney - who is also a composer and founder of the Royal Garden Trio — decided to record their own collection celebrating the beginnings of jazz guitar.

“The idea of recording duets in the early jazz guitar style sprouted from both playing live and listening to lots of early jazz guitar duet recordings

from the 1930s — Eddie Lang and Carl Kress, Eddie Lang and Lonnie Johnson, Carl Kress and Dick McDonough,” said Harrington.

He added that due to COVID, the recording process has been slower than they had hoped.

“With our safety and health as the primary concern, we are pre-arranging most of the music remotely so that we can eventually record and work out everything together in the same space. We’re hoping to get most of the recordings finished by fall of 2021.”

The 10-song recording project will include material from a wide-ranging repertoire of both white and Black artists from the dawn of jazz guitar, Harrington said, and will include two original compositions, including the Chelsea-based “Clocktower Stomp.”

“We’re excited to offer “Clocktower Stomp” to Chelsea Area Festivals & Events for use in future event promotion.”



Chalk Artists, Chris Monaghan on his 3-D chalk skateboard drawing.

This is the second of two articles showcasing the contributions to the arts culture in the Chelsea area by artists and performers that received grant funding from the Chelsea Area Festivals & Events.

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# CHELSEA ATHLETICS



## COLE GOING TO STATE MEET



► continued from page 1  
By Dave Merchant  
dmerchant9701@yahoo.com

Cole Munson is one junior from Chelsea High School who has some major wrestling talent. He made it to the state meet for grappling this season.

His two sports are wrestling and foot-

ball. He wrestles at 160 pounds and is nearly perfect this year.

Biggest sports moment he said is pinning the kid to be able to go to states last year.

His brother Corbyn was an excellent wrestler at Chelsea. He is currently wrestling at CMU.

"I wrestled him all the time because we are very close in weight," Cole said.

He likes snowmobiling and his favorite class is Algebra.

His favorite teacher and coach are Mr. French and Coach Taylor.

Future goals for

Cole: State champion or receiving an offer for football and/or wrestling," he said.

Parents/siblings: Mom-Kori Munson, Dad-Chris Munson, Brother-Corbyn Munson, and sister-Kayla Munson.

Chelsea wrestling Coach Steve Chapman

had this to say about Cole: "Cole is one of those special young men who as a coach

you love having be part of the team. He has those qualities that will allow him to be successful both on the mat and off. He has worked extremely hard to achieve his success and

we are hopeful he can continue to wrestle at a high level."

Advice to young athletes is strong: "Work through the tough times because that's the time you'll improve," he said.

## CHELSEA BULLDOGS GIRLS TRACK AND FIELD

# SEC INDOOR MEET

From Loren Thorburn

The Chelsea girl's track and field team started our season off well with a small group competing at the SEC Indoor Meet at the new Lincoln Athletic Building (LAB), which houses a 300 meter track. We were excited to be competing again in track and field due to the lost season last year. We earned nine medals in eight events, while achieving a number of personal records (PRs).  
Kendra Patterson

led the way with a first place in the 60 m hurdles with a time of 10.38 (a PR). Kendra also placed 3rd in the 400m dash. Lily Paddock, a freshman, had a PR in the shot put (20' 11") and a PR in the pole vault (6' 6"). Senior, Breanne Black, placed 4th in the pole vault with a 9' jump, which was close to her PR. Laney Smith, a sophomore, ran a fast 60 meter dash in 8.93, which placed her 4th. Lia Spink, a sophomore,

placed 5th in the long jump with a distance of 11' 9.75. This was her first time jumping in a meet. Seren Angus, a freshman, placed 5th in the 1600m run with a time of 6:05.33. Seren did a nice job moving up through the race to medal. Riley Thorburn, a senior, and Trilian Krug, a freshman, raced in together at the end of the 800m run to place 3rd and 4th, respectively. This resulted in Trilan earning a PR in the 800m run with a

time of 2:35.90. Finally, the team of Madeline Collins, Laney Smith, Aleya Smith, and Lia Spink placed 3rd in the 4x400m relay with

a time of 5:17.01, which earned them a medal.

Our next meet is at Ann Arbor Pioneer High School, the Bryan Westfield All-Comers

Women's Track & Field Meet, held on Saturday, 4/3. This meet will be a tune up for the start of the outdoor meet season.

## CHELSEA BULLDOGS BOYS SWIMMING & DIVING

# STATE MEET

By Dave Merchant

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Chelsea boys swim had two compete at the state meet. Mitch Brown fin-

ished 3rd overall with a final score of 450.05. Parker finished 19th in the 200 freestyle with a final time of 1:49.57 and made

the podium in the 100 butterfly, finishing 14th with a time of 54.34.

## CHELSEA BULLDOGS GIRLS BASKETBALL

### LADY BULLDOGS FALL

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The regional semifinals proved to be one of the Chelsea Lady Bulldogs toughest games of the year.

Chelsea fell to Lansing Catholic Central 64-32 to bow out of the season with a 13-3 re-

cord. Chelsea scored the first basket but the rest went south.

At the end of the first they trailed 16-4. At the half it was 28-10 and by the end of the third 42-20. Megan McCalla finished with 10 points.

Chelsea won the district the week before beating Tecumseh 41-33. It was a close game and well played by both.

The Lady Bulldogs were led by Leila Wells with 12 points and 11 points by Emily McCalla.

# Times are tough



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Times can be tough and information can be hard to come by.

Getting in touch with some coaches and players who I want to do features on can be difficult.

In fact it is the hardest thing about this job. I can get info emailed, texted, talk on the phone you name it I can accommodate you in any way.

Winter coaches for the most part were pretty good. I would

like to thank all the Dexter and Chelsea coaches for their content.

Of course not everything worked out as planned.

In February my very dear and loved mother Karen Merchant passed away

due to sepsis which was very hard. I love you mom!

Two weeks later the entire family had Covid-19 and had to be quarantined for two weeks.

Getting ready for Spring I hope all the coaches from Chelsea

and Dexter will get with me.

My easiest contact to use is email or text. I can be reached at (734) 363-9354 or [dmerchant9701@yahoo.com](mailto:dmerchant9701@yahoo.com).

Lastly, hats off to the University of Michigan basket-

ball team. They had a great season and came so close. Look for the team to return strong next year and reach the Final Four. Go Blue!



## April Events

### April Enrollment Special: Spark a Healthy Spring

April 1–7 • (CHE/DEX)

Join with no enrollment fee and primary member pays only \$1!

### April Showers of Savings\*

April 15–30 • (CHE/DEX)

Try your luck and choose your discount or FREE service/product. Pick a discount ticket and save on your purchase of any massage, personal training or logo shop product!

### April Virtual Workshops<sup>†\*</sup>

#### New Outdoor Workout Equipment (CHE)

Thursday, April 15 | IN PERSON TIMES: 12:00pm, 4:00pm (mask required),  
VIRTUAL TIME: 12:00pm, 6:00pm

Learn how to use the new outdoor workout equipment located just outside the Chelsea Wellness Center (CHE) with Tyler Steenrod, Fitness Supervisor, ACSM Certified - Personal Trainer, Physical Activity in Public Health Specialist, and Exercise is Medicine

#### Next Steps: A Medically Integrated Approach (DEX)

Monday, April 26 at 12:00pm

What makes us different from other fitness centers? Chelsea and Dexter Wellness Centers use a medically integrated approach to fitness. Learn about this 8-week program and the 10 specialized pathways we provide with Kamil Lawrence, Fitness Specialist, Personal Trainer ACSM Certified.

<sup>†</sup>Registration Required. Virtual workshop registration opens 5 days in advance of workshop.

\*Community Welcome.

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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## Chelsea Police Department Weekly Summary

**No News to Report this Week**

## Community Wellness Foundation, 5 Healthy Towns, Launches National Search for New Leadership

*This innovative foundation is seeking a Chief Executive Officer to continue its goal of creating the healthiest region in the Midwest*



**From: Matt Pegouskie**

5 Healthy Towns Foundation (5HF) announced a national search for its next Chief Executive Officer to succeed retiring CEO, Amy Heydlauff.

"If you believe in the idea of prevention this is a perfect position," said Ruth VanBogelen, Chair of the search committee.

5HF is a community-wellness foundation that serves the Michigan school districts of Chelsea, Dexter, Grass Lake, Manchester, and Stockbridge with a mission to cultivate personal and community wellness. They envision a region where residents eat better, move more, connect with others in healthy ways, and avoid unhealthy substances.

5HF currently oversees three wellness centers, supports five wellness coalitions with 90+ members, and collaborates closely with One Big Thing partners. One Big Thing is an effort to strengthen connection, engagement, optimism, and resilience in the region. The foundation has \$42,000,000 in charitable and non-charitable assets and an annual funding expectation of approximately \$1,000,000.

5HF is seeking a leader with energy, imagination, and operational experience. The new CEO will oversee the implementation

of the strategic direction set by the Board of Directors, the ongoing operation of 5HF's wellness centers and foundation, and the continued development of relationships with partners and the community.

"Because the organization is relatively young, just 12 years old, the future is full of opportunity for the right person," said VanBogelen "We're looking for a visionary with a track record of bringing together partners to create innovative initiatives that drive lasting community change."

Pat Conlin, 2021 Board Chair added "We want someone who is excited about doing this work. Someone who isn't afraid to think creatively."

The Board of Directors will oversee the process of choosing Amy's successor and has partnered with Michigan-based firm, HR Collaborative, to conduct a national search for 5HF's next chief executive.

"Amy announced her decision to retire to the Board of Directors some time ago, giving us plenty of time to pre-

pare the organization for her departure," said Nicole O'Brien, 5HF Board Representative for St. Joseph Mercy Chelsea. "With assistance from HR Collaborative, our dedicated search committee is interviewing community members and organizations for input into this important decision."

The seven-member selection committee is composed of board members, 5HF staff, and community representatives. Candidates interested in learning more about the position can view the full job description and apply at <https://j.brt.mv/ATS/jb.do?reqGK=27491401&refresh=true>

5HF is an equal opportunity employer that prohibits discrimination and harassment of any type in regard to race, color, religion, age, sex, national origin, disability status, genetics, protected veteran status, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, or any other characteristic protected by federal, state or local laws.

To learn more about 5HF's work, programs, and initiatives, visit [5healthytowns.org](http://5healthytowns.org).

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