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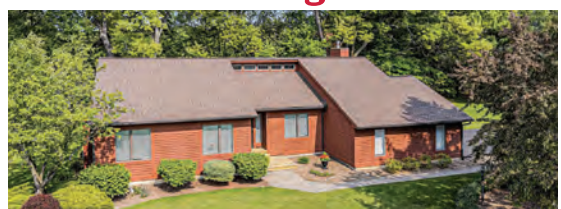
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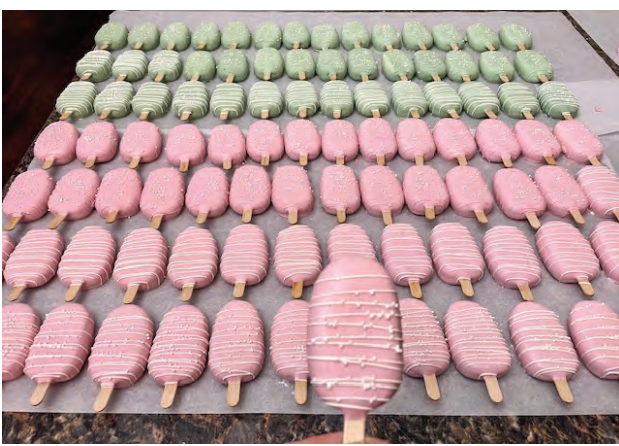
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Business Spotlight: Cake By Kaity



Photos by Aimee Bingham Osinski



By Aimee Bingham Osinski
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For a year or so, I've seen a local baker on social media as I scroll. Cake By Kaity creates the most delicious-looking cake pops locally. As a sweets lover, I really wanted to learn more about the Chelsea business. Kaity Krontz started her business in March of 2022. She bakes out of her home.

Kaity's business really started to take off when she began selling cake pops at Sounds and Sights on Thursday nights. Katina Blanchard at Copper Crate Mercantile and

Unique Rentals offered Kaity vendor space in the Alley on West Middle Street. Word began to spread and Kaity gained regular customers. Once Sounds and Sights was over those regulars began ordering for special occasions and holidays throughout the year.

Kaity has always enjoyed baking but never thought of it as a passion before starting the business. But now she really enjoys the creativity it gives and how each order pushes her to try something new. Her most popular product is her funfetti cake pops. Kaity finds the

fact confusing because she is a chocolate gal. Me too!

Kaity really enjoys being a part of Chelsea's special events. She's had pop-ups with Robin Hills, Ugly Dog Distillery, Withington's, The Collins off Main, and Farm Sudz. You may have tried a cake pop at one of her pop-ups at the annual Christmas Parade, Wine Women and Shopping Chocolate Extravaganza, Sounds and Sights, Backyard Beer Garden, and Robin Hills Farm Holiday events. Cake by Kaity will have a pop-up at the Backyard Beer Garden if you haven't had a chance to try her goodies. Kaity Dreams of being a vendor at the Finder Keepers Market someday.

Kaity Krontz thinks Chelsea is a great place to sell because of our supportive community. "For years I watched the city's business owners and residents uplift and



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SENIOR MOMENT (s) as a Volunteer



There are smiles all around as senior volunteers provide program and organizational support to local organizations.

Submitted by
Maurine Nelson

Senior moments are everywhere in Chelsea! What are these moments? They are seniors, aged 55 plus, helping numerous organizations provide programs to all by volunteering their time and skills. The benefit to individual senior volunteers is well-documented. They benefit from the socialization and the sense of accomplish-

ment in lending their experience and providing a sense of purpose, and social interaction. One recent Chelsea volunteer declared, "Volunteering saved my life!" But how do the organizations benefit? Are the volunteers' contributions helpful? Necessary? A sampling of several organizations found that 50 to 95 percent of all programs implemented by Chelsea organiza-

tions are supported by senior volunteers.

Senior volunteers also provide valuable time to the implementation of programs so it saves money for the organization. Seniors serving on committees and within the organization share expertise from their previous occupations, and help organizations to formulate meaningful and needed programs.

Volunteers also:

Fold, label, and process all mail that goes out to the community from the organization;

Provide "on-call" last-minute help on a daily basis;

Help with all functions of the organization, such as clerical tasks, answering phones, and providing an extra set of eyes on program development.

Bill O'Reilly, Executive Director of the Chelsea Senior Center said, "We could not be who we are and serve the population we do without the substantial help from senior volunteers." Another executive declared, "We could not survive without senior volunteers; the entire organization and its service to others is implemented by volunteers."

Recruiting volunteers is challenging in today's 'busy' environment. However, a majority of the volunteers don't need a specific skill set, only

a willingness to help out and a desire to do a good job. When necessary, on-the-job training is provided by an organizational volunteer coordinator. A few positions working with vulnerable people may require background checks or meeting program requirements.

Primary recruiting venues include:

1. Online advertising on social media, website information, word of mouth, and newsletters;

2. Inviting individuals to join a member drive;

3. Announcements at organizational meetings;

4. Advertising specific tasks in a lo-

cal news publication.

More than 30 organizations and associations in the Chelsea area depend on volunteer support to maintain their level of program offerings. Direct calls to organizations about volunteer opportunities are always welcomed, and The Silver Solutions Network can assist in connecting potential volunteers to appropriate organizations. For more information call Silver Solutions Network at 734-274-1568.

The Senior Moment feature highlights opportunities for older adults through the Chelsea Senior Center and related organizations

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July 1 - Dan Bickel
July 8 - Kevin Brown
July 15 - MacDonald Bros
July 22 - Bill Personke w/Katie Personke
July 29/Sept 2 - Lilly MacPhee
August 5/Sept. 30 - Katie Geddes
August 12 - JTE Band
Aug 19 - A2SO
August 26 - Loyce Hoffman
Sept. 9 - Dave Boutette
Sept 23 Paul Girard Jazz Combo

Saturdays, 8 to 1pm
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May 31 - Scott Thacher
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Sept. 13 - Tom Girard
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CHELSEA ATHLETICS



CHELSEA BULLDOGS VARSITY FOOTBALL

CHELSEA BULLDOGS TAKE A WIN



Photos By Crystal Meads



From: Josh Lucas
 From head coach Josh Lucas: "We beat Edwardsburg 27-14 at home. Outside of two big plays our defense played a great game. Offensively we scored on 4 of our 5 possessions. Luke Anstead was 4-6 for 150 yards and 3 TDS. Max Herten had 3 catches for 111 and 2 TDS. Tyson Hill had over 150 yards total offense and 2 TDS. Our first-ever program win over Edwardsburg, we travel to 0-2 Pinckney next."

CHELSEA BULLDOGS MEN'S CROSS COUNTRY

2023 Early Bird XC Invitational

Mostly flat course with some some hills

@ Huron Meadows Metropark

72 degrees, no breeze

Team Results:

Individual Results

Rank	Team	Points
1.	Adrian	43
2.	Plymouth	56
3.	Ann Arbor Huron	86
4.	Chelsea	103
5.	Arbor Skyline	123
6.	Grand Blanc	126
7.	Ann Arbor Father Gabriel Richard	181
8.	Waterford Mott	249
9.	Waterford Kettering	253
10.	Ypsilanti Community	289

Rank	Runner Name	Time
Race Results		
1.	<i>Connell Alford</i>	15:34.60
19.	<i>Jackie Dell</i>	17:44.20
21.	<i>Beckett Boos</i>	17:57.10
27.	<i>Linus Helzerman</i>	18:20.50
35.	Alex Martin	18:38.40
36.	Brant Maley	18:39.80
43.	Wyeth Angus	18:49.30
59.	Mo Cugliari	19:33.00
61.	Leo Alafita	19:35.20
65.	Mason Maley	19:43.90
70.	Miles Dell	19:55.90
92.	Eric Cameron	21:06.70
99.	Dylan Hodges	21:37.70
112.	Sam Clifton	22:21.10
118.	Cole Voight	22:33.00
119.	Jack Meehan	22:39.50
134.	Sam Woodard	23:57.50
138.	Nathan Krzysik	24:13.80
155.	Luis Solorzano	28:21.30
(160 Total Runners in the race)		
<i>Italics = Medal winners</i>		
(lifetime best in bold)		

Coch Thorburn's comments:

We had nice conditions for a later afternoon race at the Early Bird Invitational held at Huron Meadows Metropark. This course will run fast and provide the opportunity for personal records. As a result, we had 10 season best times, 7 of which were personal records. Connell Alford won the race by a wide margin. He was followed by three other medal winners, specifical-

ly Jackie Dell in 19th place, Italics = Medal winners Beckett Boos in 21st place, and Linus Helzerman in 27th place. Alex Martin was our 5th man and he placed 35th overall with a time of 18:38.40 (a PR). Also, Leo Alafita, Dylan Hodges, Cole Voight,

Jack Meehan, Sam Woodard, and Nathan Krzysik all had PRs. We will continue to keep working hard and look forward to our next race at the Warrior Cross Country Classic held at Lake Erie Metropark on Wednesday, September 6th.



CHELSEA ANNOUNCES NEW HEAD BOYS CROSS COUNTRY COACH

From: Chelsea Bulldogs
 The Bulldogs are

excited to announce Loren Thorburn as their new head boys

cross country coach! Congrats Loren!

The Chelsea Area Chamber of Commerce presents:

THE CANDIDATE FORUM 2023

Chelsea City Council Candidates
September 21st, 2023 | 7:00pm
 Streaming live on Zoom & recorded for later viewing on ChelseaMich.com

All questions must be submitted ahead of time, and no later than September 17th. Only questions that are relevant to all the candidates will be asked during the Forum, and every candidate will have the opportunity to answer every question asked.

There will be no live audience at the forum.

The Candidate Forum 2023

The Chelsea Area Chamber of Commerce presents THE CANDIDATE FORUM 2023.

This evening event will allow the residents within the City of Chelsea an opportunity to listen to the candidates for the Chelsea City Council. The questions will be pre-screened and relevant to all candidates.

The Candidate Forum will not have a live audience. It will be live streamed via zoom at

the following link:
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86965074821?pwd=SFNhU2wrFo0W-HFxFQ1F1cU8vSlRtdz09>
 Passcode: 303788

A recording of the Candidate forum will be available for later viewing on ChelseaMich.com.

Questions must be submitted by September 17th, and can be done using the form at <https://chelseamich.com/events/the-candidate-forum-2023/>.

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American 1 Credit Union's President/CEO, Martha Fuerstenau Appointed to Purple Rose Theatre of Chelsea Board of Directors



American 1 Credit Union announced that President/CEO, Martha Fuerstenau, joined the Purple Rose Theatre Board of Directors, located in Chelsea, Michigan.

The Purple Rose Theatre Company (PRTC) is the home of world-class, original American theatre, with roots in the Midwest that takes a handcrafted, artisanal approach to producing new and classic American plays that are nothing less than one-of-a-kind experiences.

"Martha Fuerstenau is a great example of someone who cares. Over the years, she has volunteered her time and served on the boards of several important organizations in the Jackson area, all with the collective purpose of making where we live a better place," stated Jeff Daniels, Purple Rose Theatre Founder and Artistic Director. "Luckily for us, she's bringing that same energy, knowledge and sense of purpose to the Board of Directors at The Purple Rose Theatre Company."

Fuerstenau, who has been part of American 1 since 1984, has held many leadership roles throughout her tenure and is also currently serving as the Chair of the Henry Ford Jackson Hospital Board,

Vice Chair of the Enterprise Group, along with serving as a board member of the Economic Development Corporation of Jackson County. Her past volunteer work includes serving on the Michigan Theatre Board and the Ella Sharp Museum of Art & History Board, including President of the Board of the Ella Sharp Museum.

"Having high-quality, accessible arts and entertainment are important for our local communities," stated Fuerstenau. "As a fan of the Purple Rose Theatre Company, I could not be more honored to contribute my experiences through serving on the Board of Directors and ensuring access to a theater experience relatable to a midwestern, Michigan audience."

WASHTENAW CAMP PLACEMENT SERVES THE MOST CAMPERS IN TWO DECADES



Washtenaw Camp Placement (WCP) is thrilled to announce a significant increase in the number of children served this summer camp season. Camperships were awarded to 161 children who would not have otherwise had the opportunity to attend camp. This is the largest number of campers WCP has sent since 2003. Children who receive camperships are given the opportunity to attend one or two week sleepaway summer camp, tuition free. Sleeping bags and other camping gear are also provided.

"By increasing our ability to serve more of the community we are able to positively impact the future trajectory of additional children," said Executive Director Matthew Tarver-Wahlquist. "Research shows that chil-

dren who have been to sleepaway summer camp are better prepared for life outside of the camp environment, and I am excited to be reaching more Washtenaw County children with our program."

Overnight summer camp is a unique experience where children are immersed in an experience-oriented learning environment. After attending camp, children have a larger affinity for nature, more independence, and more social awareness. For example, activities such as swimming can help save lives while cooperative ropes courses can help build teamwork skills and confidence, potentially leading to improved academic success. The more years that a child is able to attend camp the larger their life impact will be. The skills and confidence gained in camp can transform the lives of children living in

challenging circumstances and lead to better long term success rates in college or vocational training, careers, and family.

One Ypsilanti parent said, "Camp was such a wonderful experience for my son. For the past week, he has recounted many positive memories from camp. My son enjoyed trying zip-lining, getting to know his peers and counselors, and giving fishing a try. My son has said a triumphant 'Yes' to any help I have requested this week. He's been so willing to chip in and assist me with simple tasks around the house. He has also been more expressive and appears more ready to engage in family conversation. Our family wants to say THANK YOU to WCP for all that each member of your team does to organize/prep/plan/gather funds, etc., for camp. This is truly one of the best pro-

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Heydlauff's Appliances

New Living Showroom Debut!



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From: D&B Strategic Marketing

Heydlauff's New Living Showroom was christened! Regional Designers & Builders learned firsthand

more about the featured Sub-Zero, Wolf, & Cove appliances showcased in the 1,000-square-foot New Living Showroom.

Designers & Builders had an opportunity to see firsthand how the

appliances worked; the Wolf coffee machine, steam oven, and beverage fridges were all put to good use. Tresna Taylor, Damian Farrell Design Group won a lovely gift basket filled

with Michigan locally sourced goods, and Rob Riemenschneider, Riemco Design + Build, won a high-end Wolf Blender.

"The new Heydlauff showroom is spectacular showcasing state-of-the-art (luxury) appliances in a well-designed chef-desired kitchen. It is a super open and bright space showing the depth and breadth of its product. So happy to see a fellow business owner in our design industry doing so well", shared Mary Baude, Owner + Principal Designer Whitetail.

Rob Riemenschneider, President Riemco Design + Build, shared his perspective "Heydlauff's new showroom is absolutely stunning! What a great example of top end kitchen appliances, and all the different methods of installing them.. well done!"

"This is just the beginning of our plans to

invite everyone to see our new showroom," said Jake Heydlauff, "Wednesday, September 27, 2023, the Chelsea Area Chamber will have a Ribbon Cutting Ceremony, and Saturday, October 14, 2023, there will be an open house. We are excited to have our friends, neighbors, and business partners stop by to see our expanded inventory".

Starting in September, Heydlauff's will feature a Chef Series that will pair their new state-of-the-art kitchen appliances with local and regional bakers and chefs on the third Saturday of each month starting at 11:00 am. The first series will feature Lakehouse Bakery, Keegan Rodgers, on September 16, 2023.

Heydlauff's Appliances also provides Service Repair for all appliances with their knowledgeable, seasoned team of facto-

ry-certified technicians. When you purchase from Heydlauff's, you will experience their "White Glove Delivery and Installation" services firsthand. No boxes, wrapping, or assembly to worry about, and they remove old appliances.

Heydlauff's Appliances has provided excellent customer service, professional delivery, appliance service, and installation since 1928. Their retail store is located on Main Street in historic downtown Chelsea with a 12,000-square-foot warehouse in Chelsea's Industrial Park, less than one mile from their downtown showroom. Heydlauff's team of experienced service technicians is seasoned and well-versed in appliance repair. For more information contact sales@heydlauffs.com, and visit their website at www.heydlauffs.com.

ALI Announces its September Classes



Watergate, long lines at the gas pump, war protests, Patty Hearst and Kent State. It is that tumultuous decade, the 1970s, that opens ALI's Fall semester as John Hauger continues his exploration of the music of the twentieth century in his **In-Person** class on **September 8**, with the **Music of the 1970s**.

Although founded at roughly the same time in the early nineteenth century and only about fourteen miles distant from each other, Manchester and Saline could not be more different, not just in the number of people and traffic lights, but also in their architecture. Grace Shackman's four part tour of the **Architecture Saline and Manchester** on **Sept 11**,

18, 25 and October 2 will focus on the stories behind the buildings in the two communities.

Immigration "policy" is often as isolated element in discussions about our own ancestors or border walls.. However, beginning with anti-German sentiment from World War I, Katherine Wilson's **In-Person** class on **September 13** broadens the focus to show the **Link Between Anti-Immigration Sentiment, Prohibition, the Mafia and the US Border Patrol**.

During her eighteen years in Korea, Laura Scriven found that country fascinating yet "unexplainably similar" to the world of her native Chelsea. Her first of two **In Person** classes on **Korea: A Traditional Beauty** will be a lecture on **September 12** with insights into the people, food, culture of South Korea. The second class on **October 10** will feature an art project.

What is ikebana? This is more than sticking posies into an

empty wine bottle. In their **In-Person** class on **September 19**, Terre Voegell and Liz Larwa will walk us through the tradition of Japanese flower arranging to "make flowers come alive."

In his **In-Person** class on **September 14**, Dr. Doug Baldwin follows his Spring 2022 course on Helen Keller with a look into the **Life of Blind Superstar Daniel Kish**. Blinded by cancer at the age of 13 months, Kish now "sees" the world by means of echo location, navigating cities he's never been in and even riding a bicycle.

For as long as humans have been able to walk upright, myth, legends and stories have helped us make sense of our often puzzling environments. And in this semester's class on the **World of Folklore** on **September 29**, Steve Daut will have fun with many categories including folk and fairy tales, proverbs and mythology.

The catalog with more class information

on these and the rest of the Fall term classes as well as the enclosed registration form is available for download on the website, www.adultlearnersinstitute.org, as well as at local libraries and various other locations in the area.

Registration for ALI

classes is by mail only. Mail completed registration forms to: **Adult Learners Institute, P.O. Box 134, Chelsea, MI 48118**. Registration fee is \$10 per semester and the class fees range from \$10 to \$35. If you have questions, please call the office at (734) 292-

5540 or visit the ALI web site. -

NOTE: As of September 1, our email will change to: info@alimichigan.org. Our website remains the same at www.adultlearnersinstitute.org.

Chelsea Area Historical Society & Museum

Monday
SEPT 11
7 pm

BE A HOME HISTORY SLEUTH

Find Out How to Research Your Home!

Bob Myers, Director of History Programming at the Historical Society of Michigan, will share information and tips on how to research the history of your home. This is a follow up to last year's program held by CAHS and the library. Myers will also talk about the Michigan Heritage Home Program, a project that recognizes houses that were constructed at least 100 years ago and are in substantially original condition. Handouts will be available.

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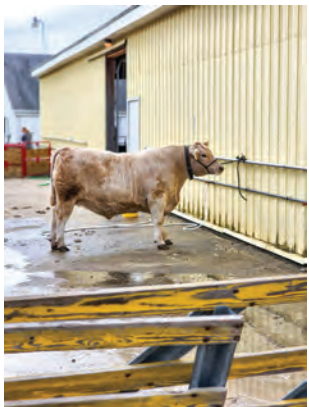
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According to a Chelsea Fair Chronical by Lloyd Grau, The first Agricultural Fair began in Chelsea in 1872. Fair is believed to be taken from the Latin word feria which means, "Holy day." According to yesterdayamerica: "The

Roots of the American Fair, early fairs were usually leisure and religious celebrations." Agricultural Fairs, like the one held in Chelsea, started in the US around 1810. As a Midwesterner Fairs have been a part of nearly every Fall of my life. Fairs are as much a part of fall as the first day of school, bon-

fires, changing leaves, and cider mills.

This year, I initiated my daughter into the Fair tradition of the craft barn. My brother, sister, and I entered the Saline Fair with a cake we baked just for fun and we won! I'm still thrilled about it, nearly 40 years later. So, I wanted to intro-

duce my daughter to the fun of a Fair. This year she baked from scratch chocolate cupcakes with ganache frosting. She had fun baking and got 3rd place. She got a ribbon and some prize money and was thrilled like I was with my cake. Maybe her children will get to experience the same thrill someday.

While contending with some wild weather, the fair was once again, a great success. Favorite events included: the demolition derby, Lost Nations Rodeo, and Ladies Day Program. Fair Parade and Sweepstakes Showmanship.

My daughter and

I admired the various skills on display in the craft barn; baking, canning, crafts, collections, hobbies and our favorite odd veggies were impressive and there's no shortage of talented people in Chelsea. As I was entering my daughter's cupcakes a 16-year-old was entering the most beautiful pies and the volunteers helping were great. They encouraged her to pursue her passion and make a career out of it. I was glad I didn't have to compete against her!

I followed the advice of the community online and bought food from the Kiwanas so the money went back to the community and I bought ice cream from the ice cream shop. The pretzel with cheese and ice cream did not disap-

point and I was happy to support the community.

I caught a bit of the horse pulls. I don't know how they finished overall but I was rooting for Brandon, Studly, and his partner. The name Studly stood out to me and given how strong he and his partner were, he was pretty studly. I was able to walk through the barns and watch as 4H children learned the family business, and how to feed the rest of us. I did not partake in rides but smiled at the bright colors and memories from my own childhood.

The 2023 Chelsea Fair was a great success and the community thanks the all-volunteer Fair Board for continuing to bring midwestern nostalgia and fun to Chelsea.



Celebrate National Library Card Sign-up Month with CDL!



From: Virginia Krueger

September is National Library Card Sign-up Month, a time when Chelsea District Library (CDL) joins the American Library Association and libraries nationwide to remind our community that signing up for a library card is not only the first step on the path to academic achievement and lifelong learning, but also unlocks a wealth of enriching programs, exhibits, and online resources. CDL's mission is to engage, inspire, and equip through evolving services and resources—and signing up for a library card is the first step to accessing all the library has to offer.

Signing up for a library card is easy—visit either the library or a Mobile CDL stop in September and one of our friendly staff members will assist you with the process. Mobile

CDL will be at our district's township halls on the following dates:

- Sylvan Township Hall | Tuesday, Sep. 5 | 6-7pm | 18027 W. Old U.S. Hwy. 12, Chelsea
- Lima Township Hall | Monday, Sep. 11 | 6-7pm | 11452 Jackson Rd., Chelsea
- Lyndon Township Hall | Tuesday, Sep. 12 | 6-7pm | 17751 N. Territorial Rd., Chelsea
- Dexter Township Hall | Tuesday, Sep. 19 | 5-6pm | 6880 Dexter-Pinckney Rd., Dexter

Can't make it to the library or the bookmobile? Applications are available 24/7 on the library's website.

Head of Information Services Shannon Powers shares, "It's almost a cliché now to hear that library cards are keys that open doors to knowledge, but this is true now more than it ever was. Library cards bring you access to hundreds of thousands of paper and

ink books, but also ebooks and audiobooks to download, and films and tv shows to stream at no charge, as well as online databases like Consumer Reports, Value Line, and Homework Help Now. Public libraries, whether physical or digital, only exist when communities are engaged. By signing up for a library card, you're not only gaining access to all these different ways to read and find information, you're also doing one of the best things you can do to support and preserve your local library."

CDL strives to meet the needs of all of our community. Children enjoy storytimes, book clubs, and activities that promote early literacy. Teens find a safe place to hang out, game with friends, create cool crafts, and more. All students benefit from online tutoring, homework help, and test preparation. Adults can find continuing education resources, local history and genealogy resources, book clubs, and engaging programs. All ages can enjoy the arts with a variety of exhibits, crafting opportunities, and music performances throughout the

year.

During September, CDL will offer an extra incentive to sign up for a library card with a drawing for all first-time library card applications. Adults and youth will be entered to win a gift card (\$50 for adults, \$25 for youth) to the business of their choice within

the CDL service area. Minors who are old enough to sign their own name may get a library card with a parent or guardian. To sign up for a library card or to learn more about the library's resources and programs, please visit www.chelseadistrictlibrary.org.

About Us: Chelsea

District Library is a not for profit organization whose mission is to engage, inspire, and equip through evolving services and resources. The Library currently serves 16,126 residents in the Chelsea area including the City of Chelsea plus Dexter, Lima, Lyndon and Sylvan townships. More than 16,000 individuals visit the Library each month. For more information visit chelseadistrictlibrary.org.

Local Municipal Group Focuses on Regional Issues – Annual Calendar Updated

Western Washtenaw Regional Advisory Group is the new name for a group formerly known as CAPT/DART (Chelsea Area Planning Team/Dexter Area Regional Team). CAPT/DART was formed over 20 years ago as a non-voting, regional-issues and planning advisory committee, made up of local elected officials and municipal staff from Western Washtenaw communities. The group meets at the WAVE bus offices in Chelsea monthly (calendar below).

The current Chair of the group is Dexter Councilmember Zach Michels and includes representatives from many of the communi-

ties that make up Western Washtenaw County. Please contact Zach at ZMichels@DexterMI.gov to receive notice of meetings and related information. Agendas for meetings typically include local updates and quarterly focus themes of housing and transportation issues. The meetings are public and those interested housing, transportation and other regional issues are encouraged to attend.

2023-2024 WW Regional Advisory Group Calendar
Public Meetings at WAVE offices @ 7:00 pm (unless otherwise arranged)
September 7, 2023 – Quarterly Housing Focus
October 5, 2023 – Regular Meeting
November 2, 2023 – Quarterly Transportation Focus
December – No Meeting
January 11, 2024 – Washtenaw County Update
February 1, 2024 – Quarterly Housing Focus
March 7, 2024 – Quarterly Transportation Focus
April 4, 2024 – Regular Meeting
May 2, 2024 – Quarterly Housing Focus
June 6, 2024 – Quarterly Transportation Focus
July 2024 – No Meeting
August 1, 2024 – Regular Meeting

Hiking Pictured Rocks



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As a child, I never explored Michigan. Perhaps because as a Michigan girl, I spent a lot of time at my grandparents' lake house rather than traveling vacations. As an adult in midlife, I realized that I'd never taken in my own beautiful state like a tourist and I wanted to. I visited Sleeping Bear Sand Dunes for the first time and walked across the Mackinac Bridge on Labor Day last year. This year, I was able to do something I'd wanted to do since during Covid. I finally made it up to Pictured Rocks. All trails selected The Mosquito Falls via Chapel Loop trail, the number one hiking trail in Michigan. It was listed as a moderate hike and we were encouraged to wear waterproof shoes.

The night prior to our departure severe storms rolled through our neck of the woods. I finished packing in the dark but we'd planned the trip at the last minute and if you want to backpack Pictured Rocks you need to reserve a camping site in advance. While we tried to make reservations we noticed there were no open sites. The original adventure plan was to backpack and spread the hike over a few days. Without any place to sleep in Bear Country, we chose a different plan. We rented a two-bedroom house with a kitchen and cable TV. It was very close to the trailhead and much nicer than we planned. Cost-wise, it was about the same which we thought was ironic. We decided to complete the 10-plus mile trail in one day rather than in slow and steady portions.

I studied what we might encounter and found Up North Bears are still afraid of humans and if people take care of food and are loud it's likely that no problems would happen. I am a survivor of highly unlikely things so I bought two canisters of bear spray. Just in case. My son mentioned that his time in the Peace Corps taught him to be over-prepared. We both felt a little better with bear spray. We

hoped we never had to use it. Though I secretly wanted the thrill of catching a glimpse of a bear. The rain followed us North and our first night there were storms. They weren't serious. Just rain and a little lightning but we were glad we weren't camping that night. We ate white fish from Lake Superior, cheese curds, and sampled some local microbrews. We were embracing local traditions as one should while traveling.

We stopped at a few gift shops and headed back to our little house to relax, watch TV, and call it a night early after a long drive. We did not set an alarm, this was a vacation, after all. But we still woke early and took our time getting ready. I packed peanut butter sandwiches, goldfish, trail mix, and almonds as trail snacks. I wore a hat as a way to protect my long hair from Deer ticks that can jump from shrubs and bushes. I had bug spray, sunscreen, and bear spray. My shoes were waterproof but not hiking shoes and I forgot my hiking sticks at home in the dark. I also forgot a top layer and it was Upper Peninsula cold, 45-50 in the morning. My son was over-prepared and he had two, thankfully. We arrived at the trailhead around 11 am, to realize that the parking lot was full and the road to the parking lot was down to one lane due to all the cars parked. We could not turn around without driving up to the parking lot and miraculously, a spot opened as we did and we were two spots away from the start of the trail. All Trails said the full loop takes an average of 3 hours but the reviews on All Trails said no way and if the point was to enjoy nature, it would take much longer. We selected the path that would allow us to relax on the beach

a few hours in and enjoy our lunch. My son and I decided we wanted to check out every viewing spot because we did not know when we'd be back. We were not taking the trail for granted.

The hike was breathtaking. The views are magical and aside from the cold breeze whipping off Lake Superior it seemed tropical. Waterfalls and bubbling brooks line the hike. Mother nature is majestic. As a nearly 50-year-old woman, I felt the trail was more difficult than moderate. It had just rained so it was muddy and slick. I did not have hiking shoes or my hiking poles. My height and shorter stride provided some challenges with the winding tree roots and mud. The entire 10-plus mile trail took us 7 hours. The majority of the full trail hikers were college student-aged. I wondered out loud if people my age think they're too old? It's beautiful and well worth any discomfort. We did not see any bears but we did see evidence of a bear. The trail takes you right next to cliffs and you balance beam walk over the rocky edges of Lake Superior as it crashes like a bass drum. If you want to hike Pictured Rocks do it. If I were going to do it differently, I'd camp and take it in more leisurely. If I'm not camping I'd bring better shoes and my poles. I'd also pack more food. There were so many people on the trail the threat of bears that are afraid of humans was minimal. I'd pack a roll of toilet paper because the privies at campsites had none. If you've never hiked Pictured Rocks do it. Spend your tourism dollars at home and enjoy the majestic views Michigan has to offer. It did not disappoint. In fact, it was so stunning I'm already planning my next Michigan adventure.



Chelsea High School 2023 Homecoming Parade



From: Bradley Dunn, CHS Student Council, Class of 2026

On Friday October 6 the Chelsea High School Student Council will host the 2023 Homecoming Parade. The parade will feature:

- 1.) The sixteen nominees of Chelsea's excellence award, their alternative to the traditional homecoming king and

queen. The four winners — one per each grade — will be announced that night at the football game during halftime.

- 2.) Many Chelsea High sports teams.
- 3.) Several school clubs.

- 4.) The 'pride' of Chelsea, the high school marching band.
- 5.) Class floats for each grade level.

Here are the details:

1.) The parade will start in the parking lot behind BBQ 52, run through downtown Chelsea, and will end at the football stadium.

2.) The parade will start at 5:15 PM on Friday, October 6th.

If any local businesses are interested in entering a float, please email 6vanhoeb@chelsea.k12.mi.us.

September Events

WIM Hof Method Lecture* (CHE)

September 6 • 6:00pm

Tim Mann, LPC, SCL, Peak-Performance Coach
Certified Wim Hof Method Instructor,
AED/CPR/First Aid Certified.

The Wim Hof Method (WHM) can help you gain control of your autonomic nervous system and open the door to an array of health benefits. For more information and to register, please visit wimhofmethod.com/instructors/timothy-mann-1

Yoga for Parkinson Tuesdays* (CHE)

September 5-26 • 2:00pm-3:00pm

Fee: Mem \$40, Non-Mem \$56

People with Parkinson Disease have been shown to respond favorably to the practice of Yoga. This class is suitable for people with Parkinson Disease as well as their caregivers. For more information, see the Member Service Desk. Registration Required.

Women's Health and Fitness Day* (CHE/DEX)

September 27 • Women work out free all day!

Appetizers and Art* (CHE)

September 27 • 5:30pm-7:00pm • FREE

We will be creating a ceramic pumpkin with Eli from Curiouser Clay. Registration required.

Sign up at Member Service Desk. Limit of 30 people.

Flu Shot Clinic* (CHE/DEX)

September 21 • 9:00am-12:00pm • DEX

October 3 • 9:00am-1:00pm • CHE

Registration required. See Member Service Desk for more details.

*Community welcome!



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Carlene Carter Headlines CDL Song Fest!



CHELSEA DISTRICT LIBRARY

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From: Virginia Krueger

Chelsea District Library's (CDL) annual CDL Song Fest returns for its sixth year on Saturday, September 23. Celebrate the art and craft of songwriting with events throughout the day—culminating with an interview and live performance by Grammy-nominated singer-songwriter Carlene Carter. Song Fest kicks off in the CDL Reading Garden with incredible young local talent at the Teen Showcase, followed by docent-guided tours of the nationally touring photography exhibition 1968: A Folsom Redemption. Then, head up to Robin Hills Farm to grab a bite to eat at The Nest and join us for conversation and concert with this year's featured artist Carlene Carter. The schedule is as follows:

Teen Showcase | 1-3pm | CDL Read-

ing Garden | All Ages | Drop-in

We will be rocking in the Reading Garden with teen bands The Ceiling, Perfect Average, WildChildz, and Hawk Road along with individual performances by Dahlia Berggren, Trilian Krug, and Joseph Gregory.

1968: A Folsom Redemption Docent Tours | 3:30-4:30pm | McKune Room | All Ages | Registration required

Register for a 15-minute docent-guided tour of the nationally touring photography exhibition celebrating the life and career of Johnny Cash. Don't miss this up-close look at one of America's most beloved singer-songwriters.

Conversation & Concert with Carlene Carter | 7-9pm | The Barn at Robin Hills Farm | All Ages | Drop-in

Grammy-nominated singer-songwriter Carlene Carter,

daughter of country music legends June Carter and Carl Smith, and stepdaughter of Johnny Cash will participate in an in-depth interview with WEMU's Jeremy Baldwin and perform live in a not-to-be-missed concert.

Head of Marketing & Communications Virginia Krueger shares, "CDL Song Fest is one of my favorite library events of the year as we explore stories through music. Some of our teen acts got their first taste of the stage in early Song Fests and it is fun to watch how they have grown in talent and poise over the years. This year, it is particularly exciting to have Carlene Carter perform at the same time as we host a photography exhibition celebrating her stepfather's historic Folsom Prison concert."

All CDL Song Fest events are open to the public on a first-come first served basis and do not require tickets for entry. Please visit chelseadistrictlibrary.org/songfest for more information.



Chelsea Police Department Weekly Summary

Incident #: 23-3512

Date: August 28, 2023

Location: 1400 block of S. Main St.

Time: 4:53 pm

INFORMATION: While on routine patrol officers were dispatched to the 1400 block of S.

Main Street for a fraud complaint. Upon arrival the officer's met with the complainant who stated that on August 1st a customer applied for a loan on a purchase and was approved. The com-

plainant stated that on or around August 17th they were notified by mail by the financial institution, that the loan application was determined to be fraudulent. The financial institution determined that there was fraudulent information in the loan application and were demanding

the loan to be bought back immediately. The complainant stated that they had attempted on numerous occasions to contact the buyer who had received the loan and had been unsuccessful. The case remains open pending further investigation to determine the identity of the suspect.

Incident #: 23-3531

Date: August 29, 2023

Location: 500 block of S. Main Street

Time: 7:20 pm

INFORMATION: While on routine patrol officers were dispatched to the 1400 block of S.

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WASHTENAW CAMP PLACEMENT SERVES THE MOST CAMPERS IN TWO DECADES

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grams we've ever been involved with."

WCP is excited about welcoming even more campers into the program in the future as the organization continues to grow. Additional support from generous organizations such as The United Way of Washtenaw County, The Speckhard-Knight Charitable Foundation, The

Kiwanis Club of Ann Arbor, and donations from individuals in the community are creating additional campership opportunities. The higher the number of camperships that are awarded, the larger the overall positive impact will be for the youth of Washtenaw County and the community at large. WCP continues to look for additional partners in the com-

munity to help change the future for more deserving children.

For more information or to send a donation, contact: Washtenaw Camp Placement
Amanda Fales
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afales@washtenaw-campplacement.org
3135 South State Street Suite 350-D
Ann Arbor, MI 48108

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BIGGEST FALL MARKET OF THE YEAR!!
September 17th - 10-4pm

Early Bird shopping is an exclusive shopping opportunity that gives you an hour of shopping in a much smaller crowd and it gives you first dibs at all the amazing goodies!!

Location: Chelsea Community Fairgrounds
20501 W Old US Hwy 12, Chelsea, MI 48118

Come shop local makers, shop owners, vintage dealers, boutique trucks and food trucks!

12 and under free & free parking !!
Enjoy food trucks, vintage camper boutiques and & talented vendors!!!

\$15 Early bird entry is 10am-11am

You must purchase a ticket to enter for Early Bird shopping, no tickets will be sold at the gate. We want to add that you do not have to leave at 11am, but the market will open up for general admission.

Scan QR Code For Tickets

\$5 General admission 11am-4pm

(general admission only available at the gate AND CASH ONLY) General admission starts at 11am. No ticket needed.

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