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SATURDAYS

- May 28 - MacDonald Bros
- June 4 - Judy Banker Trio
- June 11 - reClassical
- June 18 - Lilly MacPhee
- June 25 - Nathanael Zuellig
- July 2 - Bob Skon Trio
- July 9 - Stacey Murray
- July 16 - Annie & Rod Capps
- July 23 - Keith Parmentier
- July 30 - Tom Hodgson
- Aug 6 - Lilly MacPhee
- Aug 13 - Bill Personke
- Aug 20 - Kevin Brown
- Aug 27 - Katie Geddes Music
- Sept 3 - Loyse Huffman
- Sept 10 - Stacey Murray
- Sept 17 - Anne & Rod Capps
- Sept 24 - Dave Boutette
- Oct 1 - Scott Thacher

WEDNESDAYS

- June 1 - Bill Personke
- June 29 - Tom Girard & Friends
- July 27 - The Instrument Room
- Aug 3 - The Dorkestra
- Sept 28 - Tom Hodgson

CHELSEA FARMERS MARKET

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MARKET MUSIC 2022

Saturdays, 8 to 1pm
Palmer Commons in Downtown Chelsea

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Corner of Old US 12 & MS2
Chelsea State Bank parking lot

Keith Parmentier

Annie & Rod Capps

Lilly MacPhee

Judy Banker Trio

Stacey Murray



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SOUNDS SIGHTS ON THURSDAYS NIGHTS
Thursdays | June 2 - July 28, 2022
6:30 PM - 8:30 PM

SOUNDS SIGHTS FESTIVAL
DOWNTOWN CHELSEA, MICHIGAN
July 29 - 30, 2022
Art Market | Car Show | Social Tent | & More

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THROUGHOUT DOWNTOWN CHELSEA, MI

Western Washtenaw Recycling Authority (WWRA) will partner with the DART Container Corporation and community volunteers to host a #6 foam recycling weekend on Aug. 5, 6, and 7, 2022



able and compostable or renewable materials.

Community recyclers need to know that only EPS #6 foam is acceptable. Examples of acceptable #6 include egg cartons, meat trays, some food take-out containers, medical coolers, and block furniture and electronic packaging.

Items not accepted are building insulation boards and packing peanuts. Packing peanuts can be taken to Recycle Ann Arbor on Ellsworth.

Volunteers will be onsite during collection hours to answer questions and help review foam items. Hours for the event are Friday, Aug. 5, 10 to 4 p.m., Saturday, Aug. 6, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Sunday, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Western Washtenaw Recycling Authority (WWRA) is a not-for-profit partnership of and subsidized by five municipalities (Townships of Dexter, Lyndon, Manchester and Lima, and the City of Chelsea) working together to find alternative ways to handle waste and promote reducing, reusing, and recycling. The townships are served by convenient drop-off centers while the City of Chelsea has weekly curbside recycling pick up. For more information, visit www.WWRARECYCLES.org.

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DART will deliver a trailer to the WWRA Chelsea/Manchester Road bin site, across from the Chelsea Fairgrounds. Volunteers will be onsite to help collect and sort items brought in by community members during collection hours.

Marc Williams, WWRA facility manager, is glad to be bringing this opportunity to the community.

"Western Washtenaw residents are great recyclers. People want to recycle as much as they can, so when this opportunity came along, we decided to see how we could make it happen and it's been a

success since we started in June 2021."

Over the course of the last 14 months, the WWRA has collected several tons of #6 foam.

DART Container makes food and beverage packaging items and actively collects and promotes foam recycling opportunities throughout the country. After recycling #6 foam, DART sells it to "manufacturers of picture frames, interior molding, pens, rulers and foam packaging," according to their website. Additionally, they recycle the paper scrap from their line of insulated cups, creating foodservice products made of recycled, recy-

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From: Shawn Personke

Calling all farmers market fans!

Tickets for the 7th annual 5 Healthy Towns Farm to Table Fabulous Feast are now on sale. And the virtual auction benefiting the Chelsea, Grass Lake, Dexter, Stockbridge, and Manchester farmers markets opens Aug. 7.

With the seventh annual 5 Healthy Towns Farm to Table Fabulous Feast on Sunday, Aug. 21, 2022, at 4 p.m., we're pleased to be back in Chelsea, where the tradition started.

For the past 6

years, the fundraising dinner traveled to each of the five healthy towns. In 2016, Chelsea presented the first dinner, followed by Grass Lake, Manchester, Dexter, and in Stockbridge. In 2021, Grass Lake hosted the event under their community pavilion.

This year's chair, Emily Griswold, manager of the Chelsea Farmers Market, and co-chair Shawn Personke, are excited about working with community members from each of the towns, as well as hosting the event at Robin Hills Farm.

"It's such a beautiful venue," said Griswold. "And we love that they offer kitchen space, nice bathrooms, and a lot of other niceties that we previously had to rent.

As usual, the event is primarily outside, providing plenty of fresh air and space.

Griswold has been lining up the chefs to prepare the food donated and purchased from each of the five farmers markets. While the menu is still being fine-tuned, she is excited to welcome back chefs from Smokehouse 52, Silver Maples, the Cedars of Chelsea, Chelsea Alehouse, Friendly Foods Vegan Kitchen, Roaming Goat, and Moveable Feast. Wesley's Catering is joining the team. Lone Oak Vineyards is providing the wine, and Jolly Pumpkin, the beer.

This year's online auction opens August 7 and runs through 9 a.m. on August 21. At that time, the most popular items head to a live auction format at the dinner. Items

are still being collected, but highlights include a stay near the coast of Italy, a Pickleball Party for 8 at Wolverine Pickleball, and tickets to the Purple Rose Theatre.

Stephen Petty, CEO of the 5 Healthy Towns Foundation, sees the event as so much more than a dinner.

"Over the last few years, the farmers markets have demonstrated that they are far more than a place to find locally grown produce, but that they are also a hub for social connectedness and wellbeing," said Petty.

"Each of the market managers plays an important role in building relationships with farmers and growers, while also creating healthy connections between community members – an increasingly important element of the 5 Healthy Towns mission.

"Another of the primary pillars of the 5 Healthy Towns Foundation," said Petty, "is to encourage people to eat better, which in turn helps ensure better long-term health outcomes. Our farmers markets play an essential role in the five communities to support greater access to fresh, local foods at affordable prices."

He added that the markets also provide a great opportunity for community residents to stay connected locally, offering music and other events that encourage people to come together.

"Our communities love their farmers markets and the Foundation is happy to support the annual Farm to Table event."



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FOAM RECYCLE EVENT!

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August 5-7, 2022

Friday, 10 to 4 pm
Saturday, 9 am to 4 pm
Sunday, 11 am to 4 pm

Location: WWRA Bin Site on 1187 Old Manchester Rd. (near Chelsea fairgrounds)

Do not leave foam unless it is a collection weekend!

Visit our website for more info!
www.wwrarecycles.org

YES



NO



- #6 symbol only (e.g. food containers; egg cartons; cups; packaging that comes with furniture, appliances, computers; and coolers for medicine)
- These are a NO: packing peanuts, the thin, flexible foam sheeting that is used for packaging, foam wrapped in plastic or tape used in packaging, the light blue construction foam that carries the brand name 'Styrofoam.'
- Rinse or wipe foodservice containers
- Bring your foam in any container. Volunteers will help sort/accept your foam.
- If you want a large bag to collect/store your foam, contact us.

In partnership with DART Container

Fresh Air Market - Fashion & Home Show August 19 & 20, 2022



From: D&B Strategic Marketing

#shopchelseamich merchants welcome residents and visitors to enjoy the "Fresh Air Market - Fashion & Home Show" on August 19 & 20, 2022 marks the 46th anniversary of this event.

Fresh Air Market will kick off at 10 am on Friday, August 19. This year, there will be three unique events to add to the festivities:

- "Sherlock Holmes Case of the Missing Hope Stone" scavenger hunt beginning on August 19 at 10 am through 5 pm on August 20. The winner will be awarded a basket of Chelsea goods.

- The Third Annual Fashion & Home Show, in collaboration with the Chelsea Farmers Market will be held on August 20, at 11:00 am at Palmer Commons. The Farmers Market music will pause for 30 minutes to accommodate the catwalk. Fun-loving business owners will display their merchandise including clothing, accessories, and home goods.

- The Chelsea Chamber of Commerce will be coordinating a Chelsea Community Garage Sale during the two-day Fresh Air Market. To learn more, visit this link.

"We want to convey to our customers that

we have more to offer than traditional sidewalk sales. Chelsea's commercial district has become a diverse community of home goods stores, garden shops, clothing and accessories, restaurants, wine, beer, non-alcoholic beverages, jewelry, markets, and so much more!" said Jennifer Fairfield, owner of the Garden Mill. The #shopchelseamich independent merchants are locally owned businesses that exemplify the uniqueness of Chelsea.

#shopchelseamich's newest member, Jay Friend, Owner of Withington's, shared, "Since we opened our doors

six months ago, we've seen huge support from community shoppers AND businesses. We're excited to keep working with other businesses on creative collaborations and to continue serving the community of Chelsea and beyond. We always see a huge business boost when the city businesses participate together and bring people into town. We're thankful for events put on by #shopchelseamich and look forward to the Fresh Air Market!"

More details to come on the #shopchelseamich website www.shopchelseamich.com and social media Face-

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La Jolla Fine Jewelry • La Maison
Chelsea Consignment
Chelsea Farmers Supply • The Garden Mill
Vintage Barn Boutique
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CHELSEA ATHLETICS



ON THE SIDELINE:

JAMES EARL JONES, ARMY MEN, IDLEWILD AND HISTORY VACATIONS



By Don Richter
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I was on vacation last week.

It had been over a year and a half since I had any significant vacation time off. Last year at this time I was couch-bound and on crutches with a leg injury. It was not fun.

Last week, however, was fun. Well, I guess it was as fun as any history buff could have. I decided to hit the road and go on a “history tour” of northern Michigan last week.

I know, I’m a loser. Most people take a week off work and go on a cruise to some tropical island location or go to Vegas or overseas to Europe. My old college roommate posted pictures of his vacation with his wife in Italy last week.

Me?

I was in Manistee, Michigan in a random shoe store gazing in awe at the size 37 AA shoes of the world’s tallest man, Robert Wadlow. Wadlow passed away in Manistee in 1940. He died of an infection caused by one of his leg braces. Wadlow stood 8-feet, 11 inches. He was 22 when he died. For comparison, Shaquille O’Neal stands at 7-feet, 1-inch and has a shoe size of 23.

While my old college roommate was taking incredible photos of the Sistine Chapel’s ceiling, I was removing my shoe and taking a picture of it next to Wadlow’s.

I guess art is in the eye of the beholder, right?

Also in Manistee, I visited the Ramsdell Theater. The Ramsdell Theater is where a young James Earl Jones first acted in a play. He actually



My size 10 shoe next to Robert Wadlow’s size 37 AA shoe in Manistee, Michigan.

started at the theater as a stage hand and worked his way up to actor.

After seeing the Ramsdell Theater, I continued on the “James Earl Jones” leg of my “history tour” of northern Michigan. In the tiny town of Brethren, Michigan (about 25 minutes east of Manistee), I visited the now empty, but still standing, Dickson High School — the school Jones graduated from in 1949. It was in Dickson High School where an English teacher helped Jones overcome his stuttering problem by having him read poetry in front of the class. For most of his young life, Jones was a self-imposed mute because of his stutter. I’ve always thought it was interesting and a bit inspirational that a man known worldwide for his booming, deep voice was, at one point in his life, a mute and a stutterer. Jones is one of only a handful of entertainers to achieve “EGOT” status — winning Emmy, Grammy, Oscar and Tony awards. However, despite all those accolades for his acting ability, he is probably most well-known throughout the world as the voice of Darth Vader in the “Star Wars” movie series.

I also visited Ben-

zononia, Michigan, which is about a half-hour north of Manistee in northwest Michigan. I had to pay homage to Benzonia’s most famous resident, Bruce Catton. Catton is widely regarded as one of the country’s preeminent Civil War historians. His book, “A Stillness at Appomattox” won Catton a Pulitzer Prize. The local historical museum in Benzonia has a large and impressive display of Catton memorabilia, including his Pulitzer Prize-winning book and the Presidential Medal of Freedom he was awarded a year before he passed away by then President Gerald Ford — a fellow Michigander from Grand Rapids.

While growing up in Benzonia, Catton used to play “army men” with his toy soldiers on Diety Hill in the center of town. The hill is still there. So, of course, I brought a few of my own army men from my youth (no, I don’t still play with them — I swear) and held my own mock battle on Diety Hill just like Catton, a personal inspiration of mine, did a little over a century ago.

I next checked off a “bucket list” location on my “history tour” of northern Michigan by visiting Idlewild. Called the “Black

Eden,” Idlewild was an African-American resort that, in its heyday, saw over 30,000 people living, vacationing and working in this town just east of Baldwin, Michigan. Idlewild’s boom years were from 1940 through the 1960s. Idlewild was one of only a handful of places in the country during the years of segregation where African-American families could go to relax, unwind and enjoy the “good life.” Idlewild had its own post office, fire department, multiple hotels and restaurants, a sprawling lake, beach and clubhouse and a legendary nightlife. At Idlewild clubs like the Paradise and the Flamingo, entertainers such as B.B. King, Etta James, Cab Calloway, Louie Armstrong, Aretha Franklin, Jackie Wilson, The Four Tops and additional Motown stars among many others performed to packed houses. It was said at the time that Idlewild was a “proving ground” and the “Midwest’s Apollo Theater” for African-American entertainers. Nowadays, Idlewild is mainly a ghost town, with the Paradise and Flamingo clubs abandoned and boarded up and the restaurants and hotels all gone. But for anyone who loves history, driving through the town and resort area and past the lake and empty buildings, it’s certainly worth the time and the effort to reach such a significant place.

I finished my “history tour” of northern Michigan by visiting St. Helen, the boyhood home of actor Charlton Heston. Just west of West Branch, St. Helen is a one-stoplight town with quite the entertainment history. I found and checked out the tiny, now-closed schoolhouse in town where five-year-old Heston first acted in a Christmas play. Looking at the little stone schoolhouse, it



The little stone schoolhouse in St. Helen, Michigan where legendary actor Charlton Heston first acted in a Christmas play when he was five-years-old.



My army men on Diety Hill in Benzonia, Michigan — the same hill Pulitzer Prize-winning author Bruce Catton played with his army men as a youth over a century ago.

amazed me to think the legendary actor who would later play Moses in “The Ten Commandments” and win an Oscar for his performance in “Ben-Hur” first took the stage in such a humble, unassuming building in a small northern Michigan

town. I was on vacation last week.

It was fun, for a history buff like me.

It was also too short, time-wise.

I need another week.

Heck, I already need another vacation...

Chelsea Community Fair 2022: August 23-August 27



2022 Schedule of Events



EVERY DAY

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SUNDAY, AUGUST 21

8:30am (gates open at 7am) All day
Youth Horse Show

9am-5pm Green Barn Entries Accepted

9am Tractor Dead Weight Cement Pull in Main Arena—spectators enter through Main Gate ONLY

MONDAY, AUGUST 22

9am Antique Tractor Pull in Main Arena — spectators enter through Main Gate ONLY

TUESDAY, AUGUST 23

CHILDREN'S PARADE MARKS OFFICIAL
OPENING OF FAIR

8am to Noon - Green Barn closed for judging

9am Rabbit Judging followed by Poultry judging

5:00 - Swine judging- Multi Purpose Arena

5:30 - 10 pm K of C Bingo Tent

5:30pm Children's Parade-begins downtown

Immediately following parade - Tricycle Pull and Kid's Day events in Main Arena

7:30pm Figure 8
Demolition Derby
Main Arena



WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 24

Rides begin at 5pm

9am Goat Judging—Multi-Purpose Arena

12pm Dairy Feeder Calf Judging followed by
Beef Judging—Multi-Purpose Arena

5 to 10 pm K of C Bingo Tent

6pm Sheep Judging—Multi Purpose Arena

7:30pm Demolition Derby
Main Arena



THURSDAY, AUGUST 25

Rides begin at 3pm

Senior Citizen Day

All Seniors 65 and older enter Free before 3 pm

11am Draft Horse Pull -Main Arena

1pm Kiddie Peddle-Power Tractor Pull
Multi-Purpose Arena

5 to 10 pm K of C Bingo Tent

7pm Livestock Auction—Multi Purpose Arena

7:30pm Lost Nations Rodeo—Main Arena

Schedule subject to change.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 26

Ladies Day—All Ladies \$5 before 11 am

Military Day—Free with Military ID

Family Day—Free Admission 11am-3pm

Rides begin at Noon

9:00am Ladies Day Program (registration
begins at 8:30 am)
Multi-Purpose Arena

4 to 10 pm K of C Bingo Tent

7pm Selection of Fair Queen
Multi-Purpose Arena

7pm Tractor Pull, weight transfer
Sled: Super stock/Pro
Stock combo, Super Farm,
Hot Farm, Farm Stock,
NTPL Legendary Pulling
Tractors- Main Arena

SATURDAY, AUGUST 27

Rides begin at 1pm

8:30am Compact Tractor Pull-Main Arena

1pm Chelsea Fair Parade

3 to 10 pm K of C Bingo Tent

7pm Showmanship Sweepstakes
Multi-Purpose Arena

7pm 4-Wheel and 2-Wheel
Truck Pulling Contest,
Added Tractor Class



Amazing Places, Chelsea MI Part 1



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From: Les Maness

The Chelsea Clock-tower in downtown Chelsea, MI is a magnificent site to behold. It was built in 1906, stands 135 feet and has seven-foot-wide clock

faces on four sides of the octagonal brick tower. It once served as a business office and showroom for the Glazier Stove Works and contained a water tank that held over 30,000

gallons of water for the building's fire sprinklers. Today it serves as a beautiful reminder of how classic architecture literally and figuratively stands the test of time.



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Chelsea Area Historical Museum Holds Two Fundraisers to Preserve Historic Boyd House

Local history lovers will have the opportunity to support the Chelsea Area Historical Museum Building Legacy Fund with two fundraisers that will help the organization preserve the museum's home, the

historic Boyd House.

First up, supporters can enjoy a delicious "Concrete for a Cause" shake from Culver's. For every shake sold on Aug. 8 and 9, 2022, Chelsea Culver's will donate \$1 to the museum's fund.

"We're happy for this sweet event at Culver's," said Jan Bernath, president of the Chelsea Area Historical Museum.

"Major projects are coming due," she added, "including painting the exterior,

a new furnace, water heater, and roof."

Bernath has also launched a Building Legacy GoFundMe.

"We're proud of our historical museum and the fact that the building is one of the oldest homes in Chelsea. However, being one of the oldest buildings in town means it needs a bit more TLC and main-

tenance."

Donations of any size can be made at the museum's GoFundMe page or through the museum's website.

<https://gofundme/5a144bf0>

www.chelseahistory.org

The mission of the Chelsea Area Historical Society is to gather and preserve Chelsea area history, educate

the public, and promote the restoration and preservation of historic buildings and sites for future generations. The museum is located in the 1853 Boyd House, at 128 Jackson St., across from the Chelsea Depot. For more information, visit www.chelseahistory.org or call 734.476.2010.



Culver's Aug. 9 & 10!

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July Events

2022

Fitness Challenge: Know Your Numbers (DEX)

July 1–31

Learn more about your blood pressure and resting heart rate. Starting July 1, get a target heart rate worksheet and get your blood pressure taken by the fitness staff. At the end of this challenge you will know your exercise HR zone. This is a good way to control exercise intensity and tie training levels to specific HR. Turn in your target heart rate worksheet at the end (July 31) for a chance to win \$100 FitFunds.

Fitness Challenge: Europe Countries (CHE/STK)

July 11–August 13

Each country on our map will have an exercise to complete. Every 11 countries, earns you one entry into a drawing for a prize! Complete all 44 countries to earn a bonus entry.

Strengthen Your Posture (CHE)

July 5–26

Improve your posture and reduce or prevent chronic back pain. Understanding the need to focus on strengthening your back, shoulders, and core muscles, which are all essential to standing with proper posture and preventing lower back pain.

Back to School Drive (CHE/DEX)

July 18–August 5

Chelsea Wellness Center and Dexter Wellness Center are hosting a back-to-school drive benefiting Faith In Action. All donations are greatly appreciated.



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Bored Kids? Lost Railway Museum and Fairy Forest in Grass Lake a Great Solution



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By Aimee Bingham Osinski
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Parents, are you counting down the days until the kids are back in school? Have you heard enough whining about boredom to last a lifetime this summer? Trying to limit day trips and adventures due to inflation and gas prices? Thankfully, Grass Lake has affordable options just down the road.

The Lost Rail-

way Museum is open Wednesday - Saturday 10 am- 4pm. Admission is donation based so give what you can. According to the website, your kid can:

“Imagine the time before paved streets, cars and buses. Village streets bustling with activity and people in the early 1900’s of Grass Lake. The electric Interurban railway system is the primary mode of public transportation. More than

six railways intersected Jackson County and delivered visitors to and from Ann Arbor, Jackson, Battle Creek and Lansing. Now, get ready to see what that time was like at the Lost Railway Museum.”

Among displays are outfits from the era, a mini Grass Lake with a train kids can control, a Model T and a train ride that takes passengers on a ride of the Interurban rail-

way system and ends at the museum. Kids can have a history lesson, some fun, and learn about the technology that made it all possible, without costing parents a tank of gas and their sanity on a long trip. If you need snacks and coffee, the Roaming Goat, at 115 Lake Street has healthy, delicious kid friendly options and tired parents can recaffeinate with coffee and tea. Once the caffeine kicks

in EWalk to 153 Lake to take a walk through the Fairy Forest. As Sophie Boudreau described, “As its name suggests, this spot brings a bit of fairytale magic to life for all who choose to visit. No matter what your age, you’ll find yourself utterly enchanted by this destination.”

The Fairy Forest is currently themed Alice in Wonderland. It is the secret space I dreamed of as a child.

Admission is free. The forest is maintained out of the goodness of the homeowner’s heart. It is a magical place for children and adults alike. If they’re still rambunctious, take the kids to the playground by the lake, also on Lake Street, coincidentally. You have a day of low cost entertainment for the family and yourself that will help keep your sanity during these long days before school starts.



Amazing Places, Chelsea MI Part 2



From: Les Maness Clarkston Clock-tower, the vintage Chelsea Depot and the massive Jiffy Mix building that are all within yards of each other. A stroll along the inviting downtown area reveals eateries like Zou Zou's Cafe & Coffee Bar that are deliciously welcoming. And the art ranges from the lovely Sculpture Walk to Emmy Award winning actor Jeff Daniels', Purple Rose Theatre Company.

CDL Receives Grant from Chelsea Community Foundation for Mobile Library!



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From: Virginia Krueger

Chelsea District Library (CDL) is thrilled to announce the award of a \$25,000 grant from the Chelsea Community Foundation (CCF) for Mobile CDL—an initiative to add a library outreach vehicle to improve access to library materials, services, and technology. Imagine pop-up storytimes at county parks or ball fields. Envision having a mobile office visit neighborhoods without reliable broadband and providing high speed internet, printing, scanning, and computer help. Picture a friendly li-

brarian delivering a browsable collection of books, movies, music, and more! All of this and so much more are possible with Mobile CDL!

Director Lori Coryell shares, "When I started as CDL's library director in 2016, we identified a gap in service between the City of Chelsea and the surrounding townships within the library district. Improving access and library use in the townships has been a topic in both the strategic plan of 2017-19 and the current 2020-23 strategic plan. I am so grateful that the board approved this initiative and that we have such incredible community support from the Chelsea

Community Foundation. CCF's vision is to create permanent positive change in people's lives in the Chelsea School District. With the generous support of CCF, we will work to make this vision a reality!"

CDL staff is busy preparing to add Mobile CDL to library services. The vehicle is ordered and is being built; and materials and staffing schedules are being planned. We anticipate being on the road in summer of 2023. Visit mobilecdl.org for project updates, to participate in a survey to share your Mobile CDL ideas, and to help us reach our goal in our small gifts campaign.



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