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November 3, 2017 | Chelsea, MI | Chelsea District Library (CDL) is pleased to announce the 2017 Veterans Day observance in partnership with the City of Chelsea, American Legion Post #31, and VFW Post & Auxiliary NO 4076 on Saturday, November 11. Local veterans and the public are encouraged to join us for these free events, starting with a Tribute to the Fallen in Veterans Park at 1pm, where City representative Melissa Johnson will introduce this year's speaker, retired U.S Air Force Lt. Col. Dr. Creg Carpenter.

Dr. Creg Carpenter joined the U.S. Air Force in 1998 as an Attending Staff Orthopedic Surgeon at Wright Patterson Medical Center. He later served as Chief of Adult Reconstructive Surgery at Wilford Hall Medical Center and was deployed as an Orthopedic Surgeon during Operation Iraqi Freedom at Al Udeid Air Base, Qatar. Dr. Carpenter graduated from the Wayne State University School of Medicine in 1992. He works in Chelsea, MI and specializes in Orthopedic Surgery and Orthopedic Sports Medicine. Dr. Carpenter is affiliated with St Joseph Mercy Chelsea Hospital and St Joseph Mercy Ypsilanti.

Following this tribute, our honored veterans, their families, and members of the public are invited to reconvene at the Chelsea Comfort Inn at 2pm for light refreshments and a Veterans Story Hour, in partnership with Fisher House Michigan. This "moth-style" storytelling event includes local veterans who will share personal stories of their service in the military to the transition to civilian life. Joining us will be retired U.S. Army Lt. Col. Michael Wise and retired Sgt. Justin Godfrey. Fisher House Michigan provides temporary accommodations for veterans, military personnel and their families while the veteran is receiving medical attention at the VA Ann Arbor Healthcare System. The first Fisher House in Michigan will break ground in 2018.

For more Information call the City of Chelsea, (734) 475-1771 or the Chelsea District Library, (734) 475-8732.

About Us: Chelsea District Library is not-for-profit organization whose mission is to provide equal access to quality resources that serve the lifelong cultural, educational and informational needs and interests of all people. The Library currently serves 15,100 residents in the Chelsea district – City of Chelsea plus Dexter, Lima, Lyndon and Sylvan townships and more than 20,000 individuals visit the Library each month. For more information visit chelseadistrictlibrary.org