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**CEF and Friends of the Library Support Authors in Chelsea**

The Chelsea District Library (CDL) is pleased to announce that the 9<sup>th</sup> annual Authors in Chelsea will once again be supported by a grant from the Chelsea Education Foundation (CEF). Authors in Chelsea brings nationally known authors to Chelsea schools, providing children close contact with award winning authors to explore the power of writing and encourages students to read and appreciate literature. Authors in Chelsea takes place each year in March.

The CEF award of \$1,000 pays for books by the visiting authors for school classrooms and media centers. This event also receives generous support through the fundraising efforts of the Friends of Chelsea District Library which provides \$2,500 to offset authors' appearance fees. "We are grateful for the support of the Chelsea Education Foundation and the Friends of the Chelsea District Library which allows 1,025 children in grades 1-6 to participate," says Keegan Sulecki, Head of Information Services at CDL.

The 2018 lineup features four distinguished guests, including author Helen Frost and artist Rick Lieder (*Among a Thousand Fireflies*), author Michael Buckley (*The Sisters Grimm* series), and author Nora Raleigh Baskin (*Nine, Ten: A 9/11 Story*). In addition to visiting Chelsea schools' classrooms, this year's guests will also be present for *An Evening with the Authors* for the entire Chelsea community at Washington Street Education Center on March 13 at 6:30pm. "This is an opportunity for parents and children to enjoy the unique experience of meeting and learning from real authors together," says Sulecki. This free event includes an opportunity to purchase books to be signed by the authors, courtesy of Just Imagine.

For more information about Authors in Chelsea, please visit: [chelseadistrictlibrary.org/authors-in-chelsea/](http://chelseadistrictlibrary.org/authors-in-chelsea/)

**About The Chelsea Education Foundation:** The Chelsea Education Foundation provides funding for a wide spectrum of educational activities to benefit the residents of Chelsea, Michigan. A non-profit, tax-exempt organization, Friends and supporters organized CEF in 1990 to provide a link between school, business, and community to help strengthen Chelsea's future.

**About the Friends of Chelsea District Library:** The mission of the Friends of Chelsea District Library is to provide financial assistance for special Library programs, and to supplement materials and equipment; to increase the visibility of the Library in the community; provide volunteer aid to the Library; and to recognize Library staff annually.

About Us: Chelsea District Library is a 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, which includes the City of Chelsea and the Dexter, Lima, Lyndon, and Sylvan townships. Approximately 16,000 individuals visit the library each month. For more information visit [chelseadistrictlibrary.org](http://chelseadistrictlibrary.org).

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