2016 Annual Report

Dear Friends,

Reflecting on all that was accomplished during 2016, we are proud and honored to be a part of the Chelsea community. We are grateful for our loyal, supportive and engaged community. The list of what Becky is even exciting, and we embrace the challenge of remaining essential to you by providing vital and valued resources, services, and programs.

2016 was a memorable year with opportunities to honor the past, celebrate the present, and look to the future. We saw our community come together in heart-felt fund-raising and built on the success of signature events like Chelsea and the Midwest Literary Walk. The Nightingale Community Service Awards honored those who have made a difference in our community, sharing experiences through healthy and sensitive upgrades and redesign.

We secured resources to better keep our community connected. Responding to community input, we added Sunday hours, expanded our digital and print collections and available databases. To ensure access to information, we conducted community-driven 2017-2019 Strategic Plan, which reflects our programs, services, and resources for the next three years.

Thank you for helping create a memorable year at your library! We are proud of our accomplishments and look forward to a great future.

Our commitment to you is to deliver on our mission to engage, inform, and equip people for lifelong learning and exclusive. We hope to see you at the library or out in the community soon!

Lori Cargill
Library Director

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HONORING THE PAST

For more information about the project, **click here**.

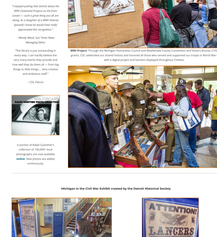
"I enjoyed putting that article about the WWI Centennial Project in the Beacon (cover) – such a great thing we all can do. Doing a display at a WWI Veteran's home was very rewarding. I appreciated this recognition."

– Brenda Wood, Sun Times News Managing Editor

"The library is just outstanding in every way. I am hardly between the library and my home because I can hold way too dear an – from long ago things in little things... Very creative and adventurous staff."

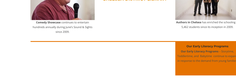
– Lilly Pattison

A person of Noah Guenther's collection of 20,000+ local photographs are now available online (pending rights clearinghouse clearances).


WWI Project. Through the Heritage Committee's work with Chelsea's Veterans Memorial Park, Lori Cargill, CDL Librarian, and Board of Trustees President Jerry Whitcomb, and Jim Lott, Board of Trustees, and Historian of Sylvan Township, gathered information and photographs for a Chelsea Veterans Memorial Park Project. Lori Cargill, CDL Librarian, and Board of Trustees President Jerry Whitcomb, and Jim Lott, Board of Trustees, and Historian of Sylvan Township, gathered information and photographs for a Chelsea Veterans Memorial Park Project.

Michigan in the Civil War Exhibit created by the Dennis Historical Society

2016 by the Numbers


Midwest Literary Walk
Hundreds participated in the Midwest Literary Walk, which celebrated the 100th anniversary of Ernest Hemingway's birth. Participants walked through downtown Chelsea, visiting 10 stations where they read excerpts from Hemingway's works. Thanks to the Friends of the Chelsea District Library, participants received a commemorative bookmark and were entered into a drawing for a Kindle Fire.

Comedy Showcase continues to entertain hundreds annually with the **Chelsea Improv Jug ale** and the **Dangerous** TV programs.

Authors in Chelsea has enriched the schooling of 3,400 students since its inception in 2006.

Red Kelly Literacy Programs
Red Kelly Literacy Program: Supporting adult literacy in our community, this program is a partnership between the Chelsea District Library and Washtenaw Literacy.

Viewing the technology needs of our community has led to the **Chelsea Makerspace Planning Lab** and the **Computer** TV programs.

Giant Sudoku offers friendly competition, a place to sit and relax.

Participation in **Summer Reading** programs has increased, reaching 1,170 participants to date.

CELEBRATING THE PRESENT

Mobile Beacon Wi-FLY Grant
Awarded in November 2016, this grant provided the library with 25 Mobile Beacon Hotspots (free unlimited wireless access for patrons to take home). Patrons can now take the hotspots home for two weeks. Patrons can also borrow hotspots in Vacation, Income Tax Season, and Summer. The grant also allows the library to expand 24/7 offerings of access with the hotspots that help to grow and enhance the library's mobile lending set.

PR XChange Best in Show
Featured on PR XChange Best in Show for 100 Anniversary Coloring Book.

Remodeled Media Center
Acoustical panel installations, providing better sound for Wellness Room programming, **Media Center** lighting improvements, and **Technology improvements**, including wireless access in Kids, Youth, and Makerspace, with probably quieter flexibility and increased sound right.

Website Redesign
Major redesign of CDL website providing better user experience and navigation of website content.

You Said...

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– **Lilly Pattison**

"We love the flexible hours, the programs and exhibits. What a treasure! Some of the classes we choose to move to Chelsea because of the wonderful library. It just is a treasure! – so a wonderful, essential and Chelsea is so fortunate to have such a library!"

– Attorney Jim Clemens, **CDL Patron**

"I have been from coast to coast and have lived and visited in many libraries to catch up on my reading. Friendly, clean, and useful library you have."

– **Guest**

"I think that is just great. Thanks for sharing and keeping the hotspots. It's really helpful to people who live in the country or just don't have access to internet service. Thanks."

– **CDL Patron**

"I like how you let people take the hotspots home. Very useful, check out books. The staff is very helpful, seems like that's a relief for my mom!! Thanks for letting us use it when I'm with her. Thanks for listening!"

– **Vicky, Youth Patron**

"I have really enjoyed the hotspot I have borrowed from time to time. They are very helpful. Keep up the good work. Thank you. I keep bringing my friends here."

– **First Husband, CDL Patron**

EMBRACING THE FUTURE

Under the leadership of new director, Lori Cargill, CDL strategically plans for the next three years

YOU SPOKE:
We listened in the development of our 2017-19 Strategic Plan, we surveyed the community and results showed:

With the input provided by the community through surveys, focus groups, and creative strategies with community stakeholders, the CDL staff developed creative ideas and programs, which will meet the community's ever-changing needs and expectations. Some of the ideas implemented are:

A collection of unique items to help our patrons "Create, Design, and Learn in a hands-on way.

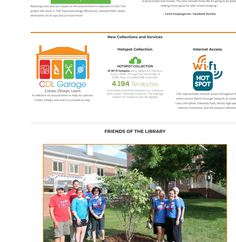
LED Bulb Replacement Project
Reducing energy and impact on the environment is important to CDL! This project will result in 75% impact energy efficiencies, reduced YOY costs, elimination of UV rays and a much lower!

More Collections and Services

Hotspot Collection
HOTSPOT COLLECTION
25 Wi-Fi hotspots were added for checkout in the Fall of 2016 through a grant from the Mobile Beacon Wi-Fly Grant.
4,194 Borrowers
Since January 1, 2016 patrons have checked out hotspots 4,194 times. Patrons have checked out hotspots for Vacation and Income Tax Season.

Internet Access
CDL continues to provide wireless access throughout the entire service district through hundreds of satellite and cable connections. Patrons have high-speed internet connection and the hotspot collection.

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY


Our Friends are instrumental in building a strong library community.

Programs & Collections supported:

- Purple Rose Theatre Reading
- Early Sundays
- Kids Programs
- Authors in Chelsea
- KIDS Kindercounts
- Adult Summer Reading Program
- Star Wars Day
- Midwest Literary Walk
- Chelsea Comedy
- Halloween Storytime
- Lunch Lands
- 10th Anniversary Tree Dedication

HELPING US INSPIRE MORE MINDS, CREATE MORE STORIES, AND TRANSFORM MORE LIVES!

GRANTS

Grantors are integral in CDL's ability to provide first-class programs, exhibits, and resources.

MBS Centennial Project
- Michigan Humanities Council/Historical Society of Washtenaw County
- Community Tourism Action Plan
- Washtenaw County Arts & Culture Commission & Historic Society

Authors in Chelsea
- Chelsea Education Foundation

Wi-Fi Hotspot and Mobile Lab
- Mobile Beacon Wi-Fly Digital Inclusion Grant

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Annual Giving

- Corona Mining Company - 3% 8%

Endowment

- Sally & Fred Dickinson
- Lilly & Jim Pattison
- Kristen Wood
- Jacqueline Hoag
- WCBI Tax Agent
- Midge Schwartz

Current

- Angelo Angelucci
- Carl Bergren
- Chelsea Rotary Club
- Chelsea Area Garden Club
- Chelsea VFW
- Chelsea Lions Club
- Chelsea Lions Club
- 20th Circuit Court
- Chelsea Lions Club
- Chelsea Lions Club
- Chelsea Tailhouse
- Chelsea Township
- Cobblestone Treasures Store
- Collage Inn
- Community Association
- Michael & Ann Feeney
- Timothy & Judy Flynn
- Friends of Chelsea & Family
- Friends of CDL
- Robert & Marjorie Garrison
- Gerald & Ann Geyer
- Jack & Jeanette Hard
- Nancy & Wilfred Harris
- Dr. & Mrs. Martin Hawkinson
- Eugenia Hoeller
- Jerry Hoeller
- Jim Pierce
- Catherine & Aaron & Joseph & Foster Kaiser Kaiser
- Patricia Lockwood
- Dennis Long
- Dr. Jerry Lundy
- Dianne Mills
- Dorothy & Don Mow
- Jerry Mow
- Kenny Mow
- Carol & Jim Pauly
- Ann & Jim Reid
- Mary & Jim Rentschler
- Robert & Sylvia Sauer
- Dorothy Sauer
- Carol Scheffler
- Carol Scheffler
- Dr. & Mrs. Jerry Vern Warner
- Bernie Bunkelman & Jerry Cornelius
- Wendy's
- Dan Zinn

Sponsors

- Friends of CDL
- Rick Taylor, Rentman Realty
- Parents Club of Chelsea
- Chelsea Village VFW
- Chelsea Lions Club

Chelsea Lions Club – Sponsoring Friends of CDL
sponsoring their Rick Taylor, Rentman Realtors

Community Partners

- Arts Alive! Comedy Showcase
- Arts Alive! Chelsea Comedy
- Artist Road Market
- Ballet Chelsea
- Chelsea Chamber Institute
- Chelsea Birthcare
- Chelsea Chamber of Commerce
- Chelsea Community Fund
- Chelsea Family Services
- Chelsea Farmers Market
- Chelsea First Congregational Church
- Chelsea School District
- Chelsea Senior Center
- Chelsea Theatre
- Cloud Chelsea
- Dancer Historical Society
- Dexter Lions
- Dexter District Library
- Faith in Action
- Friends of Washtenaw County
- Gerald R. Ford Museum Center
- Great Lakes Renewable Energy Association
- Greater Ann Arbor American Legion Post 31
- Lionel Hyde Park
- McKinley Properties
- Michigan Theatre Foundation
- Washtenaw Literacy
- Pollyo's Country Market
- Rentman Realty Company
- Rose Gallery
- Sauce Life Nutrition
- Sylvan Lions
- Scouts & Sigma/Chelsea Festivals
- SRCC Chelsea
- Sylvan Lions
- Transitions Town Chelsea
- Washtenaw Literacy Council
- WBAT

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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Fiscal Year January 1 - December 31 2016

REVENUE	GENERAL FUND	DEBT SERVICE
Property Taxes	$1,899,015	$610,347
State Aid	$9,812	
Fees/Fines	$12,496	
Fines & Fees	$15,129	
Interest Income	$2,011	$170
Donations, Grants & Trusts and Misc.	$10,142	
TOTAL REVENUE	**$1,948,604**	**$610,347**
EXPENDITURES	**GENERAL FUND**	**DEBT SERVICE**
Personnel	$982,570	
Collections	$144,932	
Programming	$60,274	
Plant Expenses	$12,179	
Capital Outlay	$236,277	
Reimbursements Grants & Contracts	$10,000	
Professional Services & Supplies	$154,456	
Capital Lease Payments	$12,648	
Debt Service	$610,000	
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	**$1,612,336**	**$610,000**

COMMUNITY FOUNDATION OF SOUTHEAST MICHIGAN
ASSETS
Fiscal Year January 1 - December 31, 2016

ASSETS	
BALANCE AS OF JANUARY 1, 2016	$70,129
Contributions	$3,693
Fees	-$(99)
Investment Earnings	$5,203
BALANCE AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2016	$79,026

ANNUAL FUND BALANCES
Fiscal Year January 1 - December 31, 2016

FUND BALANCES	GENERAL FUND	DEBT SERVICE FUND
Nonspendable	$13,231	
Restricted		$205,574
Restricted Donations	$8,773	
Restricted Capital Improvements	$100,000	
Unassigned	$1,490,000	

Telecommunications	$18,888	
Supplies	$16,088	
Volunteer Services	$1,500	
Automation	$44,371	
Utilities	$53,464	
Bond Interest & Principal		$615,549
TOTAL REVENUE	**$1,717,997**	**$615,549**

Committed Capital Reserve Fund	$870,800	
Committed Subsequent Year's Expenditures	$38,986	
Assigned Subsequent Year's Expenditure	$59,541	
Unassigned	$204,758	
TOTAL REVENUE	**$1,292,068**	**$205,574**

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Saturday: 10am–3pm
Sunday: 1–5pm

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