



## Fishing Derby

The Heritage Park ponds will be once again be stocked with rainbow trout and interested residents of all ages are invited to pull out their rods and reels for this annual event on Saturday, May 2.

Spend the morning from 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. enjoying quality leisure time with family, friends, and neighbors making memories reeling in the big fish.

No fishing license is required. A limited quantity of worms/bait will be available for purchase. Onsite registration is just \$5 per participant/fishing ribbon. Proof of residency is required. Don't miss out on one of Canton's popular family traditions! For additional information, visit [www.cantonfun.org](http://www.cantonfun.org).



## Canton continues Sidewalk Repair Program

In an effort to promote safety the following subdivisions will be participating in the 2015 Sidewalk Repair Program: Forest Trails, Hampton Court, Hampton Court West, Mayfair Village 1-2, Windsor Park 1-7, and miscellaneous locations.

Inspections for sidewalks were completed last year, including those reported by residents and Public Works maintenance crews. All sidewalks in need of repair have been marked with "Green Dots" denoting resident responsibility and "Red Dots" denoting Township responsibility.

Property owners with sidewalks in need of repairs must have them completed by Memorial Day. Please note, residents hiring their own contractor must secure a permit from Canton's Building and Inspection Services Division and a permit from Wayne County. Repairs that are not completed by Memorial Day will be done by the Township's contractor in June or July, and invoices for that repair sent in the fall.

Property owners who received a notification letter and have sold their house or are in the process, they must disclose this information. The title company may call Engineering Services at 394-5150 to determine estimated costs to withhold in escrow until invoices are sent.

For more information on Canton's sidewalk program, visit [www.canton-mi.org](http://www.canton-mi.org).

## Wayne County Hazardous Waste Collection on April 4

The Wayne County Department of Public Service will be holding a Household Hazardous Waste Collection on Saturday, April 4, from 8 a.m. – 2 p.m. at the Romulus Civic Center, located at 11111 Wayne Road in Romulus. This free event is open to Wayne County residents only and is an excellent opportunity to make your home and environment safe by properly disposing of waste that is considered toxic, flammable or corrosive.

Only household generated products from Wayne County residents will be accepted. For more information on the April 4 collection or to download a complete list of what will and will not be accepted, visit [www.waynecounty.com](http://www.waynecounty.com).

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## Severe weather awareness

In preparation for the spring season, Canton's Emergency Management Office encourages residents to review thunderstorm, lightning, tornado and flood safety procedures. Canton residents should not be complacent when it comes to severe weather. Michigan's history has many significant severe weather events that unfortunately caused millions of dollars in damages to property along with deaths and injuries.

The best time to prepare for severe weather is before it happens. Have a plan in place for your family and your pets. Purchase a NOAA weather radio. Be sure everyone knows where to go and what to do in case of severe weather, no matter where you are.

For more information contact Canton's Emergency Management Office at 394-5357, krich@canton-mi.org or visit Canton's Public Safety website at [www.cantonpublicsafety.org](http://www.cantonpublicsafety.org).

## Mom-2-Mom Sale to benefit Camp A.B.L.E.

The 9th Annual Mom-2-Mom Sale will be held on Saturday, April 25 from 8:30 a.m. - 1 p.m. in the Summit on the Park Grand Ballroom. The sale is hosted by the Canton Newcomers and Neighbors to benefit Canton's Camp A.B.L.E. program for special needs children.

With over 50 Mom-2-Mom tables available for rent for only \$15 each, the sale offers a wide variety of gently used maternity clothes and items for children of any age from baby on up. A large-item area will offer furniture and larger play equipment. There will also be five child-themed businesses offering new merchandise. Admission is only \$1 for patrons over age 12. Strollers are welcome.

Contact Betty Nolan at 968-9313 or [bnolan101@aol.com](mailto:bnolan101@aol.com) for more information or visit [CantonWomen.com](http://CantonWomen.com).

## Yard waste collection begins

Curbside pickup of residential yard waste will begin April 6 and continue until December 3. All yard waste should be placed with recyclables on the opposite side of your driveway from your refuse. Yard waste and recyclables must always be placed separately from your refuse to avoid confusion during collection. Recycling placed in clear plastic bags and set next to refuse will be considered household waste.

In addition, Canton Waste Recycling will hold the first clean-up weekend of the year on Friday, April 24, from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. and Saturday, April 25, from 8 - 11 a.m. at their facility located at 42100 Van Born Road.

For questions or more information on refuse, recycling and yard waste collection, please visit [www.canton-mi.org](http://www.canton-mi.org) or call Canton Waste Recycling at 397-5801.

## New program to avoid tax foreclosure

In an effort to help people retain their homes during this difficult period, the Wayne County Treasurer is offering a special one-time only program known as "Interest Reduction Stipulated Payment Agreement (IRSPA)." To qualify for the plans the owner must have a Principal Residence Exemption on the property (aka Homestead), be able to make a down payment of 10% of the outstanding delinquent base taxes, and make monthly payments equal to about 3% of the base tax owed over a maximum period of five years to pay the delinquent taxes. The interest rate on the delinquent taxes will be reduced from 18% to 6% retroactive to the first day of delinquency. You must also make timely payments on your current taxes - you can't get further in arrears.

If the taxpayer makes the agreed payments, the interest rate stays at 6%; failure to stay compliant, and the interest rate will go back to 18% and the house will be subject to foreclosure.

- 1) The program is available now.
- 2) The program will sunset at the end of June 2016.
- 3) The forms are available at the Wayne County Treasurer's office in Detroit. You must make the initial 10% payment and sign the paperwork at that office to become a part of the program.

# FOCUS on Leisure Services

## Summit summer shape up membership special

Do you know a college student who will be home for the summer? Then be sure tell him or her to take advantage of the Summit on the Park's 'Shape Up For Summer' membership special and save!

From April 1 – June 30, Canton residents can purchase a 3-month individual membership for just \$99. The non-resident special rate is \$129 for a 3-month individual membership. Offer cannot be combined with any others and is not valid on prior purchases. Now is the perfect time to get started on the path to health and fitness with a Summit on the Park membership.

For more information, please call Membership Services at 394-5460.

## Start Summer off right with Healthy Kick-Off event

St. Joseph Mercy Health System is teaming up with Canton Leisure Services, IHA and others to offer the area's 4th Annual Healthy Summer Kick-Off on May 2, from 11 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Join Health Reporter Lila Lazarus for this strolling, family-friendly event being held at St. Joseph Mercy Canton, located at 1600 S. Canton Center Road. St. Joseph Mercy Canton will offer a number of free health screenings including skin cancer screenings and more. Plus, receive a FREE bike helmet while supplies last. Refreshments will also be provided and all activities are free. Plus, enter for a chance to win some great prizes.

For more information, call 734/712-7207.

## Gear up for golf!

Pheasant Run Golf Club is now open! Dust off those clubs and get back on the links. Spring rates are in effect through May 3 and are \$38 Monday – Friday and \$48 Saturday - Sunday. Every day after 2 p.m., our 18 hole rate is \$28. Senior rates are \$26 Monday - Friday.

For safety reasons, Pheasant Run Golf Club does not allow pedestrian traffic on the course and jogging or recreational walking is not permitted on the course. Cart paths are reserved for use by golf carts and maintenance equipment only. With golf balls traveling in excess of 100 miles per hour, individuals running or walking on the course could potentially be exposed to danger. Walkers and runners are encouraged to utilize the Lower Rouge Trail and the I-275 Metro Bikeway as outdoor recreational destinations.

Visit [www.golfprgc.org](http://www.golfprgc.org) for additional information. We look forward to seeing you soon!

## Tennis Fun Day

Bring the whole family to Griffin Park on Saturday, May 9 for tennis fun! Canton Sports Center staff will be on the court giving free "mini" lessons for peewees, juniors and adults from 9 - 11 a.m. In case of inclement weather, this Tennis Fun Day will be moved to May 16. Pre-registration is available online at [www.cantonfun.org](http://www.cantonfun.org). Drop-ins are also welcome! For more information on this activity or summer tennis lessons, call the Canton Sports Center at 483-5600.

## In the CLS Spotlight

### Athletics

Canton has long been a community involved in athletics. As the community has grown and evolved, so have the sports that residents participate in. Throughout the years we have consistently seen thousands of participants take the field in soccer, softball, and baseball. As interests change, we have seen a large increase in lacrosse, flag football, cricket and golf. Regardless of the sport, some things have stayed consistent: Canton has outstanding volunteer coaches, training programs and dedicated participants and parents. Their commitment to sportsmanship and athlete development has gone a long way in developing the community pride that we all share.

For more information on athletics in Canton visit [csc.canton-mi.org](http://csc.canton-mi.org).

# FOCUS on Leisure Services

## Club 55+ Cinco de Mayo Celebration

Adults 21 and older are invited to join us Saturday, May 9 from 6-10 p.m. for Club 55+'s First Annual Cinco de Mayo Celebration!

The event will feature amazing entertainment, including: Grupo Fantasia, a five-member Tejano band specializing in folk and popular music originating from the Texas-Mexico border region. This featured act is sponsored by Biggby Coffee on Ford Road and Canton Center with a new location on Sheldon Road and Michigan Avenue.

The celebration will be held in the Banquet Center at Summit on the Park, located at 46000 Summit Parkway and will also feature a delicious South of the Border Buffet and cash bar by Katherine's Catering.

The event is \$38 per person, \$72 per couple or \$280 for a table of eight. Register online at [www.cantonfun.org](http://www.cantonfun.org), in person at the Club 55+ Front Desk or by calling 394-5485.

## Village Theater Call for Artists

The Village Theater at Cherry Hill is still accepting proposals for our 2016 exhibition season. The deadline for submissions is April 13. All media will be considered. The Village Theater's exhibition committee, comprised of local artists and art educators, will make the final decisions on the 2016 exhibition season.

Deliver your 2016 Exhibition Entry Form to the Village Theater at 50400 Cherry Hill Road, Canton, MI 48187 or email your submissions to [villagetheater@canton-mi.org](mailto:villagetheater@canton-mi.org). Forms and other information are available at [www.cantonvillagetheater.org](http://www.cantonvillagetheater.org) - select On Display Now for all the details.

The Village Theater at Cherry Hill remains one of Southeastern Michigan's premier performing arts center, which averages over 5,000 individuals each month visiting the theater.

For additional information, please call 394-5300.

## Celebrate 5th Annual Canton Acts of Culture Week

Canton will once again showcase the arts during the 5th Annual Canton Acts of Culture Week, Saturday, April 24 through May 3. This week-long celebration, presented by the Canton Commission for Culture, Arts and Heritage and sponsored by the Canton Community Foundation, will feature a variety of cultural offerings available at various locations throughout Canton, such as:

The 4th Annual Ladies Dillenbeck Art Exhibition Reception at D & M Art Studio, located at 8691 N. Lilley Road, on Sunday, April 26, from 2 - 4 p.m. Hosted by Sharon Lee Dillenbeck, owner/operator of D & M Art Studio, this exhibition will assemble recent original works of art. For more information, visit [www.dmartstudio.com](http://www.dmartstudio.com).

The Michigan Philharmonic's Middle East Fusion Fest, and special guest, Michael Ibrhim, Music Director of the National Arab Orchestra. Bring the entire family on Sunday, May 3 at 2 p.m. to The Village Theater at Cherry Hill. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for seniors and youth and can be purchased online at [www.michiganphil.org](http://www.michiganphil.org) or by phone by calling 451-2112.

A special "Acts of Fashion Show" is scheduled for Saturday, May 9, at 7 p.m. at The Village Theater at Cherry Hill. Get your tickets now at [www.CantonVillageTheater.org](http://www.CantonVillageTheater.org) for \$12 each. Children 6 and under are free. A portion of the proceeds will benefit the Children's Center and the Michigan Veteran's Foundation. For details, visit [www.actsoffashion.com](http://www.actsoffashion.com). For additional information on any of the above events, visit [www.Cantonfun.org](http://www.Cantonfun.org).

## Coming to The Village Theater

For one night only, a dozen high-energy, globe-trotting dueling piano veterans from Hollywood to Boston will come together at the Village Theater on Saturday, April 4 starting at 7 p.m.

Laugh and sing along as 'Dueling Pianos' International All Star Cast' will have you dancing in the aisles. This show is presented by Dueling Pianos International in cooperation with the Village Theater and will be videotaped.

Videotaped portions of the audience and performance may be used for future promotional purposes. All seats are \$15. Purchase your tickets online at [www.cantonvillagetheater.org](http://www.cantonvillagetheater.org). For additional information, call 394-5300.



## Important Canton Phone Numbers

Administration Building  
394-5100

Public Safety  
(non-emergency)  
394-5400

Supervisor's Office  
394-5185

Clerk's Office  
394-5120

Treasurer's Office  
394-5130

Water Billing  
394-5240

Summit on the Park  
394-5460

Ordinance Enforcement  
394-5335

Canton Waste Recycling  
397-5801

Canton Public Library  
397-0999



## Thefts from vehicles continue to be prevalent

The Canton Police Department continues to take reports of purses, laptops, and cell phones stolen from parked vehicles. If you must leave these items in your vehicle, lock your doors.

Of course, the best way to avoid becoming a victim of theft is to remove all valuables from parked vehicles.

## Bark in the Park

On Sunday, May 17, dogs and their owners can stop by the Canton Dog Park for a special event. Join the fun and enjoy live entertainment and local pet vendors, take home free give-a-ways, and let your dogs experience this off-leash dog park. Food will also be available on site for a fee.

This is a perfect time for current members to renew their applications, new members to sign up, or just find out more about the Dog Park. Check out the Dog Park, which is located at Preservation Park with its entrance off Denton Road north of Cherry Hill Road, from 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. during this free event.

Dog owners must show proof of up-to-date vaccination for rabies and DHLPP, signed by an accredited veterinarian. For more information, visit [www.Cantonfun.org](http://www.Cantonfun.org).

## Fair Housing presentation

On Tuesday, April 21, from 6 - 8 p.m. at the Summit on the Park, NLSM (Neighborhood Legal Services Michigan) Elder Law and Advocacy Center will offer a free presentation on Fair Housing. Whether you are a landlord or tenant, learn why it is important to know your rights and duties.

It is unlawful to discriminate when renting, buying or financing. Learn about your legal rights. Discrimination is illegal.

Attorneys will also be on site to offer free one-on-one legal consultations on other civil matters for eligible Canton residents.

Refreshments will be provided. Please call Mike Sheppard at 394-5225 to register.

## Delinquent Property Taxes

Canton cannot accept any late 2014 Property Tax payments in our office. You must pay your delinquent taxes to the Wayne County Treasurer; you may pay by mail, online or in person. The office of the Wayne County Treasurer is at:

International Center  
400 Monroe, 5th Floor  
Detroit, Michigan 48226

Or you can find them online at:  
<http://waynecounty.com/treasurer>

## Annual Mother/Son Dance returns

Celebrate Mother's Day in a special way on Thursday, May 7, or Friday, May 8, in the Summit's Grand Ballroom from 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.

Moms, aunts, grandmothers and others are encouraged to attend this special evening of dancing and memory-making. Enjoy light refreshments and a special balloon drop finale. Souvenir photos will be available for an additional fee. Semi-formal, dressy-casual attire is recommended.

Tickets are on sale now. Both Mother and Son will need tickets. Early bird tickets are can be purchased for \$8 by April 9. Tickets purchased after April 9 are \$9 per person for Canton residents and \$10 per person for non-residents. Those 2 years of age and under are free! Get your tickets by April 30 at [www.Cantonfun.org](http://www.Cantonfun.org) or call 394-5460 for more information.





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# FOCUS

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## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

### APRIL

- 1** Historic District Commission Meeting. 7 p.m.
- 3** Good Friday Holiday – Administration Building Closed.
- 4** Wayne County Household Hazardous Waste Collection. Romulus Civic Center. 35765 Northline Rd. 8 a.m. – 2 p.m.
- 6** Planning Commission Meeting. 7 p.m.
- 6** Curbside yard waste collection begins.
- 7** Board of Trustees Meeting. Study Session. 7 p.m.
- 9** Zoning Board of Appeals. 7 p.m.
- 14** Board of Trustees Meeting. 7 p.m.
- 15** DDA Board Meeting. 8 a.m.
- 15** The Emergency Food Assistance Program. 9:30 a.m. – 12 p.m. Call 394-5185.
- 21** Board of Trustees Meeting. Study Session. 7 p.m.
- 24** Canton Clean-up. 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Canton Waste Recycling. Call 397-5801.
- 25** Canton Clean-up. 8 - 11 a.m. Canton Waste Recycling. Call 397-5801.
- 27** Merit Commission Meeting. 5 p.m.
- 28** Board of Trustees Meeting. 7 p.m.

## VILLAGE THEATER SCHEDULE

### APRIL 4

Dueling Pianos International--  
The All-Star Cast. 7 p.m. \$15.

### APRIL 10

A Night of Comedy  
Iris D. Guidry. 9 p.m. \$25.  
21+ over.

### APRIL 10

Springtime Swan Song  
Michigan Philharmonic.  
7:30 p.m. \$30/\$25/\$10.

### APRIL 17-19, 24-26

Young Frankenstein (Rated PG13).  
Spotlight Players. Various times. \$18.

### MAY 2

Flight of Fancy. Canton Concert Band. \$12.

### MAY 7-9

12 Dancing Princesses.  
Spotlight on Youth. 7 p.m. \$10.

**For show or ticket information,  
visit [cantonvillagetheater.org](http://cantonvillagetheater.org)  
or call 394-5300**