



# S U M M E R C A N T O N F O R U M

## Easter Bunny to appear in Canton

Celebrate Easter at Canton Leisure Services' *Easter Bunny Breakfast*, which is scheduled for Saturday, March 19, 2016 from 9 - 11 a.m. in the Summit on the Park's Grand Ballroom, located at 46000 Summit Parkway.

Enjoy a tasty buffet that will include all your favorite breakfast items. Children will also have the opportunity to visit with the fluffy guest of honor during the event. Remember to bring your camera for this great photo opportunity.

Tickets are available for \$15.25 resident or \$18.25 non-resident for ages 13 and up, and for \$10.25 for residents or \$12.25 for non-residents for ages 4 -12, and for children 3 years of age and under for \$4.25 resident or \$5.25 non-resident.

All children must be accompanied by an adult. Get your tickets at the Summit now because registration will end on March 12.

Maximize your experience on Saturday, March 19 by attending our annual *Easter Eggstravaganza* from 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. in beautiful Heritage Park. This annual event will give children 11 and under a chance to join in an outside Easter egg hunt, weather permitting. Participants are asked to dress accordingly for wet grounds. No pre-registration is necessary, however there is a per child fee of \$3 for residents and \$4 for non-residents, which can be paid at the event's information booths. Bartlett's Kids Club members can also receive a dollar off admission with membership card.

Continuous egg hunts will be held starting at 10:30 a.m. in two age categories to help keep the "hunting" fair for even our littlest participants.

## Yard waste collection begins next month

Curbside pickup of residential yard waste will begin on April 4 and continue until December 1.

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, Rizzo Environmental Services will hold the first clean-up weekend of 2016 on Saturday, April 23, from 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. at their facility located at 42100 Van Born Road.

For more information, please visit [www.canton-mi.org](http://www.canton-mi.org) or call Rizzo at 866/772-8900.

## A Salute to Canton

Submissions are now being accepted for Canton's community awards. If you would like to nominate someone for the Canton Hall of Fame, Community Achiever, or Community Supporter, please visit <http://www.canton-mi.org/FormCenter/Supervisors-Office-13/Salute-to-Canton-Nomination-Form-84> to fill out the nomination form.

The deadline to submit is April 1. Please call 394-5185 with questions.

## This Month in Canton

### Community Forum on 2016 Water and Sewer Rates

In an effort to educate residents on water and sewer rates, Canton will be hosting a Community Forum on Tuesday, March 15 at 6 p.m. in the Board Room of Canton's Administration Building, 1150 Canton Center S.

The forum is designed to show residents how water and sewer rates are calculated and to answer questions regarding the 2016 rates. The forum is free of charge and open to the public. For more information, please call Canton's Division of Public Works at 397-1011.

# SPRING COLLE

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## Canton Chamber of Commerce Annual Dinner Auction set for April 16

All are welcome to the Canton Chamber of Commerce's 29th Annual Dinner Auction that will be held on Saturday, April 16, at Burton Manor in Livonia, with a "Rock and Roll" theme. The annual event is the largest fundraiser for the Canton Chamber of Commerce.

Tickets are \$75 per person and available to the public. Your admission includes: open bar, strolling dinner, entertainment and the opportunity to participate in both Live auctions and Raffle auctions.

For more information, please call the Chamber at 453-4040. This year's Auction is proudly sponsored by Beaumont Healthcare Center - Canton and Jack Demmer Ford, Inc.

## DPW to host tire collection on May 14

The Wayne County Department of Public Service (DPS) will be holding a tire collection Saturday, May 14 from 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. at Canton's Public Works Building, located at 4847 Sheldon Road.

All tires including car, bicycles, wheelbarrow, and golf cart tires will be accepted with or without the rims attached.

The collection is open to all Wayne County residents and is free of charge.

For more information, please call the Wayne County DPS at 734/326-3936.

## Citizens Police Academy being held this spring

The Canton Police Department is planning a Citizens Police Academy for residents who are interested in acquiring insight and knowledge on how the police department works to serve the community.

Individuals attending the academy will be educated on the policies and operational procedures of the department through presentations, demonstrations and hands-on activities. Students' personal knowledge on law enforcement's role in the criminal justice system will be enhanced, as well as their understanding of the training and education required for police officers to effectively handle the challenges of police work.

"Academy participants will gain insight into the difficult challenges law enforcement personnel face on a daily basis through interesting and informative instruction," said Public Safety Director Todd Mutchler.

The overall mission of the Citizens Police Academy is to develop positive relationships between citizens and police officers, enhancing cooperation, understanding, and general good will.

"We recognize the value of transparency in police work, and believe in the age-old concept that the police are the public and the public are the police," said Mutchler.

"Last year the department held its first Citizens Police Academy in over 30 years, and it was extremely well received by participants," said Mutchler. "We appreciate the public's interest in our agency and look forward to the opportunity of providing this worthwhile, educational program to the citizens of our community," adds Mutchler.

Canton Police Department's Citizens Police Academy will be held for six weeks on Thursdays from 6-9 p.m., April 14 - May 19 (with one Saturday morning session on May 7).

Class size is limited for this free program. Applicant requirements include the following:

- Canton residents only
- Age 21 and over
- No felony convictions; no misdemeanor convictions in the past three years
- Applicants subject to a background check

Applications are available online at [www.cantonpublicsafety.org](http://www.cantonpublicsafety.org), or in person at the front desk of the Canton Police Department located at 1150 S. Canton Center Road. Applications will be accepted now through March 13. For questions, call Staff Operations Sgt. James Harrison at 394-5411.

# FOCUS on Leisure Services

## Important Dog Park reminder

Access to the Canton Dog Park via electronic gate key fobs will be discontinued for any Dog Park members who have not renewed their membership by April 1.

Annual membership fees are \$25 for residents and \$50 for non-residents. New Dog Park members are required to submit a refundable key fob security deposit of \$20 at time of registration that will be refunded when membership is discontinued and the key fob is returned. Only one key fob per household will be issued.

For additional information, please visit [www.cantonfun.org](http://www.cantonfun.org) or call 394-5310.

## Golf leagues at Pheasant Run

Seeking a great course for your golf league? Pheasant Run provides three championship nines for players of all skill levels. Golf Leagues at Pheasant Run receive many benefits such as pro shop and food/beverage discounts, pre/post-league green fee specials and discounted range fees on your scheduled league day. Our Fore Star Grill provides a great post-round, back drop to enjoy your favorite beverage and great food from our fantastic menu.

For more information, please call the Pro Shop at 397-6460.

## So you think you can sync?

A sensational family-friendly Lip Sync Battle, sponsored by the Youth Advisory Council and The BLOCK Youth and Teen Center, will be held on Saturday, April 30 at 7 p.m. at Canton's Village Theatre.

Interested performers can register individually for \$10 or as a group for \$15. All ages are invited to compete. Prepare your two best songs (music will fade out after 90 seconds). All songs and performances must be in good taste. Cash prizes will be awarded to the top solo act and top group act.

Event information and registration applications can be found at [www.cantonfun.org](http://www.cantonfun.org). Registration ends April 1, at 5 p.m.

Tickets to the show are \$5 and can be purchased online at The Village Theatre or at the door. All ticket proceeds will go to the Youth Advisory Council Endowment Fund, which grants money to local youth organizations. For additional information, visit [www.cantonfun.org](http://www.cantonfun.org).

## Canton Lions seeking new players and cheerleaders

Area boys and girls 7-14 years of age who are interested in football and cheerleading are encouraged to register for Canton Lions Junior Football and Cheerleading starting March 1.

For additional information, visit [www.lionsfootballcheer.com](http://www.lionsfootballcheer.com) or check them out on Facebook at: [www.facebook.com/cantonlions.football.cheer](http://www.facebook.com/cantonlions.football.cheer).

## In the CLS Spotlight

### Making healthy habits and lifelong memories at summer camp

Regardless of age, interest, activity level or ability, Canton is sure to have a camp for the summer vacationer in your home! From preschoolers to teens, from non-stop days at Camp Canton, to adapted Therapeutic Recreation experiences, Canton's highly trained staff will ensure that both rookie and veteran campers make memories that they won't soon forget as they try new things, make new friends, and fill their sofa-free days with sunshine, fresh air, and adventure!

Thanks to generous funding from mParks and the Michigan Health Endowment Fund, Canton's summer camps will be jam-packed with even more special activities that focus on the fitness and health of our participants.

Be sure to check out our summer camps for all ages and interests at our annual Camp Fair on Saturday, March 19 from 10 a.m. - 12 p.m. at the Summit on the Park. For details, please visit [www.cantonfun.org](http://www.cantonfun.org)

# FOCUS on Leisure Services

## Canton Commission for Culture, Arts and Heritage recruits new members

Are you passionate about the arts, cultural diversity and history? Do you have lots of friends and professional contacts? Do you love The Village Theater and Canton Leisure Services or do you wish you knew more about them?

If so, you're just the person the Canton Commission for Culture, Arts and Heritage is looking for. We have openings for Commissioners who are willing to promote and support the incredible cultural, arts and heritage programs in the Canton community.

The Canton Cultural Commission hosts year-round diverse programs for people of all ages through Canton Leisure Services and The Village Theater with support from local businesses and the community.

As a volunteer commissioner, you must be willing to attend quarterly meetings and volunteer to help with and attend many of the community arts and cultural programs we present, including:

- International Festival
- Liberty Fest
- Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration
- Asian Indian Festival
- Chinese Festival
- Acts of Culture Week
- Canton Historical Museum events

To get involved, please send a resume' and letter of interest outlining your background in the arts to Mary Falzon, Canton Leisure Services, 1150 S. Canton Center, Canton, MI 48188. Applications will be accepted through April 15. For more information, email [culturalcommission@canton-mi.org](mailto:culturalcommission@canton-mi.org).

## Canton Acts of Culture Week returns

Canton's Commission for Culture, Arts and Heritage is proud to present the 6th annual Canton Acts of Culture Week May 1 - 8. This community celebration will feature a variety of cultural offerings at various locations throughout Canton.

Watch for a complete calendar of events at [www.cantonfun.org](http://www.cantonfun.org) starting April 15. For more information, call 394-5362.

## Coming soon to Canton's Village Theater

Enjoy a special 2016 Chinese Spring Festival on Saturday, March 12 from 7-9 p.m. This unique event, presented by the Canton Commission for Culture, Arts and Heritage's Multicultural Subcommittee, will offer mesmerizing traditional performances of Chinese music and dance.

A punch and cookie reception will begin at 6 p.m. Audience members can experience an evening of folk and classical dances performed by Metro Detroit area dance schools, a brilliant vocal performance by soloist Shuping MA, plus beautiful duets and performances by the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools Choir, March Wind Choir, AM Choir and Michigan Chinese Choir. Our special program will also feature pop music by the Desert Band, a Chinese Fashion Show, Yo-Yo performance and a Guzheng performance.

Tickets are just \$5 online at [www.cantonvillagetheater.org](http://www.cantonvillagetheater.org) or at the door. For additional information, call 394-5300.

## Seasonal part-time positions available

Thinking about a summer job? Canton Leisure Services is now hiring for seasonal part-time positions that start in April-June 2016. If you enjoy a fast-paced, exciting work environment, don't miss this opportunity to join a great team this summer! Students, here's your chance to gain valuable work experience in your field of study.

Apply now at <https://canton.applicantpro.com/jobs/>. Open Positions May Include: Lifeguards; Summer Camp Counselors; Summer Camp Supervisors; Therapeutic Recreation Camp Staff; Park Laborers; Pheasant Run Golf Course Staff; Canton Sports Center Staff; and more! Canton Township is an Equal Employment Opportunity Employer. For more information, call 394-5460.

## 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  
(Rizzo Environmental Services)  
866/772-8900

Canton Public Library  
397-0999



## Community Development Block Grant Consolidated Plan Public Hearing

Canton is developing its Annual Action Plan for Program Year 2016 from July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017 and its 2016-2020 Consolidated Plan for Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds.

Canton's Finance Department encourages all parties to participate at a Public Hearing on Wednesday, March 2, at 1 p.m. in the Canton Administration Building Board Room. Otherwise all communications should be addressed in writing to Mike Sheppard, 1150 Canton Center S, Canton, Michigan, 48188.

Canton will provide technical assistance to citizens and groups representative of persons of low and moderate income that request such assistance in developing funding request proposals and in the review of program activities and program performance. In addition, Canton will make adequate provisions to assist non-English speaking residents in interpreting program opportunities and provisions on a case-by-case basis, as well as provide auxiliary aides and services for individuals with disabilities. Requests for special accommodations can be made by calling Mike Sheppard at 394-5225, e-mailing [mike.sheppard@canton-mi.org](mailto:mike.sheppard@canton-mi.org) or in writing to the Finance Department, 1150 Canton Center S., Canton MI 48188 ATTN: Action Plan/Consolidated Plan Public Hearing.

Requests for special accommodations must be made with reasonable advance notice.

## Winter Farmers Markets update

Two more Canton Winter Farmers Markets will be held at the Summit on the Park, located at 46000 Summit Parkway, on Sunday, March 20 and April 17.

Join over a dozen vendors from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. offering a wide assortment of Michigan grown and made products, including: honey, produce, baked goods, jams, artisan cheese and breads, farm-raised meats, and hand crafted items.

For additional details, visit [www.canton-mi.org/496](http://www.canton-mi.org/496). See you at the Market!

## Girls' Night Out

Giving Hope, Women's Giving Circle will hold its annual signature charity event on Wednesday, April 13, 6:30 – 9 p.m. at Fox Hills Golf and Banquet Center in Plymouth.

"Giving Our All for Family, Fun and Fitness" event includes great food and a cash bar, shopping from local shops, a fashion show and a raffle and wine pull.

Proceeds from the event will be used to support St. Joseph Mercy Health System's ShapeDown® program – a weight management program where parents and children (ages 6-18) work together with a social worker, registered dietitian and exercise specialist to learn how healthy eating, an active lifestyle, and effective communication promote weight loss and family unity. Tickets are \$35.

To register go to [www.cantonfoundation.org](http://www.cantonfoundation.org) or call Beth Meade at 495-1200.

## River Day returns on Saturday, May 21

Save the date! Canton's annual River Day Celebration will be held Saturday, May 21 from 8 a.m. – 1 p.m. at Flodin Park, located on Saltz Road at Morton Taylor Road.

River Day is a celebration of the rivers in the southeast Michigan region. Every year, hundreds of volunteers make a difference by helping to preserve the quality of Canton's creeks and streams.

River day takes place rain or shine and volunteers of all ages including residents, students and scout troops are encouraged to participate.

For more information on River Day or to pre-register for the event, call 394-5150.



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# FOCUS

FOCUS is published monthly to provide Canton residents with information on issues and events in the community. If you have any comments contact:

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## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

### MARCH

- 1** Board of Trustees Study Session. 7 p.m.
- 5** Home Improvement Expo. 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. Summit on the Park.
- 6** Home Improvement Expo. 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. Summit on the Park.
- 8** Presidential Primary. 7 a.m. - 8 p.m.
- 8** Board of Trustees Meeting. Canceled.
- 10** Zoning Board of Appeals Meeting. 7 p.m.
- 12** Camp Fair. 10 a.m. - 12 p.m. Summit on the Park.
- 14** March Board of Review. 9 a.m. - 12 p.m., 1 - 4:30 p.m. Board Room.
- 14** Planning Commission Meeting. 7 p.m.
- 15-16** March Board of Review. 1 - 4:30 p.m., 6 - 9 p.m. Board Room.
- 15** Board of Trustees Study Session. 7 p.m.
- 16** DDA Board of Directors Meeting. 8 a.m.
- 16** The Emergency Food Assistance Program. 9:30 a.m. - 12 p.m. Call 394-5185.
- 18** Canton Clean-up - Recycling only 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Call 866/722-8900.
- 19** Easter Bunny Breakfast. 9 - 11 a.m.
- 19** Easter Bunny Extravaganza. 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
- 22** Board of Trustees Meeting. 7 p.m.
- 25** Good Friday. Offices closed.
- 28** Merit Commission Meeting. 5 p.m.
- 29** Board of Trustees Study Session. Canceled.

## VILLAGE THEATER SCHEDULE

### MARCH 5

Old Time Rock-n-Roll featuring Steve King and the Dittlies. Partnership for the Arts. 8 p.m. \$35.

### MARCH 6

Siusan O'Rourke & Zig Zeitler in Concert and The Stonecross Band! Smokin' Sleddog Records. 7:30 p.m. \$20.

### MARCH 11

Detroit Symphony Orchestra Neighborhood Concert Series. Mozart's 'Linz' Symphony. 8 p.m. For tickets call 313/576-5111.

### MARCH 12

Chinese Spring Festival. Canton Cultural Commission Multicultural Committee. 7 p.m. \$5

### MARCH 16-20

Old Ringers. Spotlight Still Got It Players. Various times. \$18.

### MARCH 19

A Night For James. James Taylor Tribute. PMN Enterprise LLC. 7:30 p.m. \$25.

**For tickets, visit  
cantonvillagetheater.com or  
call 394-5300 ext. 3**

Auditorium temperatures are kept between 68-72 degrees. Please dress accordingly.