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Snow emergencies in Canton

A snow emergency is declared for the purpose of clearing streets for snow removal and allowing accessibility for Public Safety vehicle response. In declaring a snow emergency, consideration must be given to the amount of snow fall and/or severity of weather, along with the ability to commit department resources to ensure compliance.

Canton Public Safety declares a snow emergency when snow accumulation of generally five inches or more is predicted. The following prevailing weather conditions are also taken into consideration:

- Duration of the snow event
- High winds, drifting, blizzard-like conditions
- Warming conditions
- Sleet, freezing rain, etc.

During a snow emergency parking is prohibited on all streets in Canton to provide adequate access for plows and emergency vehicles. Voluntary compliance is appreciated, but the traffic order does provide for enforcement action to be taken up to and including vehicles being ticketed and/or towed.

For more information, please call the Public Safety Department at 734/394-5400.

GFL holiday tree pick-up January 2-11

GFL Environmental USA will only offer curb-side pick-up of natural Christmas trees from January 2-11. Please place your tree at the curb by 6:30 a.m. on your regular refuse collection day with all stands, lights and ornaments removed. After January 11, trees will no longer be accepted at the curb.

For more information on Christmas tree pick-ups, call GFL at 844/464-3587.

Off-Season Farmers Markets return to Summit

The first of three monthly Off-Season Markets will be held on Sunday, February 25 in the Summit on the Park, 46000 Summit Parkway. Markets are also scheduled for March 25 and April 22 at the Summit; all with special winter market hours from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

A variety of vendors will be offering Michigan goods, such as: hoop house produce, apples, cider, sauces, honey, granola, a variety of baked goods, sauces, hand-crafted soap and more.

For more information, visit www.cantonfun.org. See you at the Market!

Dog Park and Dog License renewals

The Clerk's Office is now issuing 2018 Dog Licenses and Dog Park permits. All 2017 licenses and permits expired on December 31. Current rabies and distemper vaccinations are required for dog licenses and dog park memberships. Application can be made in person during business hours or by downloading the forms from www.canton-mi.org and mailing documentation and fees to Canton Clerk's Office, 1150 South Canton Center Rd., Canton, MI. 48188. Attention: Dog License.

Please note that access to the Canton Dog Park via electronic gate access key fobs will be discontinued for any Canton Dog Park member who does not renew their Dog Park membership by April 1, 2018. New Dog Park members are required to submit a refundable key fob security deposit of \$20 at the time of registration that will be returned 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.canton-mi.org or call 734/394-5310.

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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

GFL (refuse collection)
844/464-3587

Canton Public Library
397-0999

**Village Theater at
Cherry Hill**
394-5300



Housing Rehab Program looking for applicants

Does your home's roof leak? Is your furnace constantly being repaired? Canton is now accepting applications for the 2017-2018 housing rehabilitation program. If you are income-qualified and own your own single-family, detached home, your home may be eligible for repairs.

Household size and income qualification limits are as follows:

1 person--	\$38,450
2 persons--	\$43,950
3 persons--	\$49,450
4 persons--	\$54,900
5 persons--	\$59,300
6 persons--	\$66,700
7 persons--	\$68,100
8 persons--	\$72,500

Your home will be inspected and a contractor will be hired to make the repairs. All work will be inspected by Canton's Building Division. There is no cost, only a three-year no-interest lien for the cost of repairs. The program is funded by Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and HUD.

For more information and to download an application, visit www.canton-mi.org/DocumentCenter/View/1157 or call Mike Sheppard at 734/394-5225.

Canton Newcomers and Neighbors

All area women are invited to join Canton Newcomers and Neighbors regardless of how long you have lived in the area. The group's January General Meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 10 at 7 p.m. at 3 and Up Game Lounge, 774 Starkweather in Plymouth.

For more information visit www.cantonwomen.com, and email questions to Nancy Ellenberger at n2otter@comcast.net or Mary Arrasmith at maryarrasmith@yahoo.com.

Treasurer's Corner

Happy New Year! It is my honor and privilege to serve as your Canton Township Treasurer. I hope the best for you and yours in the New Year.

The Treasurer's Office has been busy helping our residents with tax payments and questions. Winter property taxes were mailed out December 1. Residents have until February 14 to pay their taxes without penalty, a 3% penalty fee is added on February 15 through February 28. On March 1, delinquent real property taxes are turned over to the Wayne County Treasurer, who will add a 4% administration fee plus interest of 1% per month.

The Treasurer's Office is open for business Monday-Friday, 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. unless there is an observed holiday and the Administration Building is closed.

Canton also has a safety drop box for bills, located on the wall to the right of the main entrance of the Administration Building. This drop box is available 24 hours and allows folks to pay their current taxes and water bills any time.

The Water Department has been busy answering questions and listening to concerns about summer water bills. If you have concerns or questions please contact us, we are happy to answer any questions or listen to your concerns. It is important to make sure your outside faucets, pipes, plumbing and sprinkler system are winterized. If you are going out of town, it is always a good idea to have someone check on your home.

If you ever have questions, please feel free to call my office at 734/394-5130.

Citizens Police Academy coming soon

Information on the next session of the Police Department's popular Citizens Police Academy will be published in the February 2018 edition of the FOCUS newsletter.

Interested residents can also check the department's website in February at www.cantonpublicsafety.org for application information.

FOCUS on Leisure Services

Summit New Year membership special

From now until January 15, enjoy special savings when you purchase a Summit on the Park Annual Membership and bundle it with Two Health & Wellness/Family First offerings.

Selections include: Individual or Group Personal Training Sessions; Registered Fitness Classes; Birthday Party Package; Youth Swim Lessons; or Kids' Corner Visits. This special offer is only available at the Summit front desk.

The Summit on the Park, 46000 Summit Parkway, is a 90,000 plus square-foot facility featuring a fitness center, aquatic center, gymnasium, aerobic studio, racquetball court, indoor track, dry sauna, steam room and much more.

Learn how to make the Summit on the Park your fitness and recreation destination at www.summitonthepark.org. For more information, call Membership Services at 734/394-5460.

Club 55+ Valentine's Day

Area seniors are encouraged to attend a Valentine's Day celebration at Club 55+ on Wednesday, February 14 at 11 a.m. Enjoy finger foods, desserts and special activities. For fees and registration, please call Canton Club 55+ at 734/394-5485.

The Village Theater in the spotlight

On January 20, join us as The Village Theater is magically transformed into Central Park to transport you back to 1981, as Old Friends: A Simon and Garfunkel Tribute Band performs. The show invites audience members to purchase themed-food and participate in lobby activities in a cover-band event like you've never experienced before. Tickets on sale now at cantonvillagetheater.org

The Canton community will honor the memory and legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. with a special tribute on Monday, January 15, at The Village Theater at Cherry Hill. The public is invited to attend a punch and cookie reception to begin at 6 p.m., and the main program at 6:30 p.m. This year's key note speaker will be Dr. Doris Fields, a professor and expert in Interracial/ Interethnic communication, along with Lt. Dale Waltz from Canton Response to Hate Crimes Coalition, The Canton Community Choir, and Northridge Church Choral Ensemble.

Mark your calendars for Wednesday, February 7, at 7 p.m. for a musical fundraiser featuring Broadway tunes sung by 20 local performers who perform in a variety of productions.

All proceeds for this event benefit the American Cancer Society Relay for Life Canton-Plymouth Event. Tickets are \$22 and include the performance, dessert reception, coffee bar, a silent auction and a cash bar. This event is being offered in partnership with the Women's Life Society, Chapter 827, Chicks for Charity and The American Cancer Society.

In the CLS Spotlight

Leisure Services Advisory Committee positions now available

The Leisure Services Advisory Committee (LSAC) is accepting applications for openings to serve on this volunteer committee. The committee is comprised of community members and Leisure Services staff who meet the third Wednesday of every other month (January, March, May, July, September, and November).

LSAC serves as advocates for the Canton Leisure Services Department, providing input and guidance to enhance our community through innovative programs, diverse services and premier facilities. Our facilities include: The Summit, Village Theater, BLOCK Youth and Teen Center, Canton Sports Center, Pheasant Run Golf Club, Fellows Creek Golf Club, trails, historic properties, and nine parks. Interested Canton residents who are active users of Canton Leisure Services should send a resume' and letter of interest outlining their experiences with Leisure Services to: Mary Falzon, Canton Leisure Services, 1150 S. Canton Center, Canton, MI 48188. Applications will be accepted through January 31. For more information, email mfalzon@canton-mi.org.

FOCUS on Leisure Services

Annual Butterfly Ball

Canton's very popular Valentine's tradition returns on February 9 and 10 to the Summit on the Park, offering a unique experience and plenty of special memories! Dads and daughters can enjoy an evening of dancing, refreshments, a special butterfly souvenir, and the highly-anticipated-balloon drop that caps off the festivities.

Choose from three dances that are set to take place in the Summit Gymnasium: February 9 at 6 p.m.; and February 10 at 2 p.m. or 6 p.m. Semiformal or dressy-casual attire is recommended.

Ticket sales end on February 1 and each participant is required to have a ticket for entry. Tickets are just \$11 for residents and \$14 for non-residents. These dances traditionally sell out, so be sure to purchase tickets early. For more information, visit www.cantonfun.org or call 734/394-5460.

Village Theater call for artists

The Gallery@VT would like to invite area artists to apply for a group or solo art exhibition for the 2019 season. The Village Theater is interested in featuring a diverse group of artists of all mediums. Submission will be juried by an exhibition committee comprised of local artists, arts professionals, and art educators.

Please be advised that you are ineligible if you have had a Solo Exhibition at the Gallery@VT within the last five years. Submissions are due by April 12.

For submission information, visit www.cantonvillagetheater.org.

Summit's annual indoor triathlon

Registration is currently underway for 'Conquer the Summit' Annual Indoor Triathlon, which is scheduled to take place on Sunday, March 18 starting at 7 a.m.

Participants ages 14 and up will complete: 10-minute swimming heat, 30-minute biking heat, and a 20-minute running heat; all with 10-minute transition times between each event. Swimming will take place in the 25-yard lap pool. Biking will be held on upright stationary bikes. Running will be done on treadmills.

Participants must provide their own swimsuit, swim caps, goggles, biking and running clothing.

Registration fees are: \$38 for Summit Members; \$43 for Canton residents; and \$48 for non-residents. For details on available heat times and to register online, visit www.summitonthepark.org. For additional information, call 734/394-5460.

Pheasant Run Golf Club update

Seeking a great venue to host your golf league? Pheasant Run Golf Club, located at 46500 Summit Parkway, features three unique nines to provide great variety to your league.

Golf leagues at Pheasant Run receive many great benefits, such as Pro Shop and food and beverage discounts, as well as pre/post-league green fee specials and free range balls on your league day. Enjoy our Fore Star Grill, with its great outdoor patio and a full menu featuring weekly specials. Catch all your favorite sports teams in action on our large screen TVs.

For more information, visit www.golfprgc.org or call 734/397-6460.

Fellows Creek Golf Club update

In-house events are currently being scheduled at Fellows Creek Golf Club and Banquet Center for 2018. Some events will include the annual St. Patty's Golf Scramble, Easter Saturday Brunch, Mother's Day Brunch, and the World's Largest Golf Outing.

Other events will continue to be added to the schedule as Fellows Creek strives to provide a wide variety of events that bring great fun to each participant.

Entry fees are reasonable, and Canton residents and Fellows Creek members often receive discounts to these events.

If you would like more information on Fellows Creek or these upcoming events, visit fellowscreekgolf.com or call 734/728.1300 x.5 to reach General Manager Jeff LeBlanc. Fellows Creek also welcomes private parties, weddings, corporate parties, and golf outings.

To learn how you can book one of these special events, please call 734/728.1300 x.4 to reach Sales Director Brian Brown.

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A message from Supervisor Williams



For the last few months there has been a lot of discussion about the Art Van store being built on Ford Road.

Many residents have taken exception to the size and placement of the building. This may be because for the last 30 years or so, development along Ford Road has trended toward large parking lots in front and large buildings set far back from the road. But believe it or not, there are many residents that have taken issue about the sea of parking in front of shopping centers and wanted to see buildings closer to the road.

The new Art Van building meets the design guidelines for the Ford Road Corridor, which encourage buildings closer to the street and parking to the side or rear. And, in fact, it's not really much taller than the arched roof of the strip center immediately to the west.

The Central Business District Overlay covers all of Ford Road west of I-275 and provides design standards for new development. One of these standards is to, whenever practical, move the parking to the side or rear of the building to avoid a "sea of parking" along Ford Road. The Overlay has reduced front setbacks to encourage this.

What many people may not know is that the new building is going to be Art Van's Michigan headquarters, and that the initial design was larger. However, Art Van modified the design and also added more glass, allowing visibility into the building and visually reducing the mass of the building.

The Art Van site also improves accessibility to businesses on the south side of Ford Road by creating access to the traffic light. This will improve safety and traffic flow getting on and off of Ford Road.

While the design of the building is more contemporary than what the community may be accustomed to, Art Van will act as an anchor for the businesses in that block.

If you are interested in following future developments in the community, Planning Commission meetings are held on the first and third Mondays of each month at 7 p.m. in the Board Room of the Canton Administration Building.

For more information on the Commission and meetings, please visit www.canton-mi.org/189.

As always, your feedback is appreciated.

Hall of Fame, Community Supporter/Achiever nominations

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 www.canton-mi.org/232 for a link to the nomination form. The deadline to submit is Friday, January 19.

Fire hydrant snow removal

When heavy snow falls, fire hydrants can become buried. If you have a hydrant on or near your property, the Fire Department is asking for your assistance in clearing the snow away from it.

Because every second counts when fighting a fire, having the hydrant visible and accessible to firefighters arriving on a scene could make a big difference when time is of the essence.

Chamber Wine Tasting

Canton Chamber of Commerce's Wine Tasting will be held on Friday, February 9, from 7 - 9 p.m. at the Summit on the Park. The event features wine, beer and delicious hors d'oeuvres compliments of Holiday Market. This event is hosted by Holiday Market along with the Canton Chamber of Commerce.

Fifty percent of all proceeds will benefit the LiveLikeMax Foundation. For more information about this foundation please visit www.livelikemax.org.

Tickets are \$35 per person and \$40 at the door. Must be 21 to attend. A limited number of tickets are available. Call the Chamber office at 734/453-4040 or purchase online at www.cantonchamber.com.



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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

JANUARY

- 1** New Year's Day. Administration Building closed.
- 2** Board of Trustees Study Session. Canceled
- 8** Planning Commission Meeting. 7 p.m.
- 9** Board of Trustees Meeting. 7 p.m.
- 11** Zoning Board of Appeals. 7 p.m.
- 15** Martin Luther King, Jr. Day. Administration Building closed.
- 16** Board of Trustees Study Session. 6 p.m.
- 17** DDA Board Meeting. 8 a.m.
- 17** The Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP). 9:30 a.m. – 12 p.m. Call 394-5185.
- 23** Board of Trustees Meeting. 7 p.m.
- 30** Board of Trustees Study Session. 6 p.m.

FEBRUARY

- 5** Planning Commission Meeting. 7 p.m.
- 6** Board of Trustees Study Session. 6 p.m.
- 8** Zoning Board of Appeals. 7 p.m.
- 9** Butterfly Ball. 6 – 8 p.m. Summit on the Park.
- 10** Butterfly Ball. 2 – 4 p.m., 6 – 8 p.m. Summit on the Park.

VILLAGE THEATER SCHEDULE

JANUARY ART EXHIBITION:

Ron DePentu Retrospective Exhibition.

JANUARY 3-30

Interfaith Quilt. Interfaith Community Outreach (ICO). Displayed in lobby.

JANUARY 15

Canton Celebrates Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. 6 p.m. Reception/6:30 p.m. Program. \$2 or donation of one canned good.

JANUARY 19

What? Fields & Tait--Two Magicians Tell the Truth. Keith Fields and George Tait. 7:30 p.m. \$15.

JANUARY 20

Central Park Experience featuring Old Friends: A Simon & Garfunkel Tribute. 7:30 p.m. \$30 adults/\$25 senior and youth

JANUARY 21

Mario the Maker Magician. The Mario Cappello Magic Company. 3 p.m. \$20 adult/\$15 youth.

FEBRUARY 3

Frank Ferrante in An Afternoon with Groucho Marx. 2 p.m. \$30 adult/\$25 senior and youth.

**Tickets: www.cantonvillagetheater.org
or 734/394-5300 ext. 3**

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