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Holiday waste collection schedule

Due to the Labor Day holiday, Rizzo Environmental Services will not collect refuse, recycling or yard waste on Monday, September 7 and all collections that week will be delayed by one day. Rizzo will resume their regular collection schedule on Monday, September 14.

All refuse, recycling and yard waste must be placed at the curb by 6:30 a.m. to ensure pick-up. Rizzo will not pick-up refuse or recycling that is placed past the sidewalk on private property.

All recycling must be placed separately from your refuse on the opposite side of your driveway. For questions or more information on solid waste collection, visit www.canton-mi.org or call Rizzo at 866/772-8900.

Summit parking lot construction

The Summit on the Park's east parking lot will be closed for two weeks for resurfacing starting late-September into early October.

There will be no access to the lot, but parking is available in the Summit's west parking lots.

For more information, call Canton's Park Office at 394-5310.

Brew, Brats & Bands at the Barn

Canton Leisure Services is joining the Canton Historical Society, Holiday Market, Liberty Street Brewing Company, Canton Brew Works and BeerFests.com to host its annual Brew, Brats, & Bands at the Barn fundraiser on Saturday, September 12 from 6 - 9 p.m. at Preservation Park, 500 N. Ridge Road.

Each 21 and over attendee can choose from a wide variety of specialty beers. Participants will also receive a commemorative mug, while supplies last. Entertainment will be provided by "The Dale Hicks Band" and "All Directions."

Tickets are \$25 if purchased by September 6 and \$30 at the door. A Designated Driver ticket is \$10. Advance tickets are available online at www.cantonhistoricalsociety.org or at the Canton Treasurer's Office and the Canton Farmers Market.

For more information, call 394-5310.

Hazardous Waste Round-up scheduled for September 12

Canton's annual Household Hazardous Waste Round-up will be held Saturday, September 12, from 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. at Canton's Department of Public Works Building, located at 4847 Sheldon Road.

This free event is open to Canton residents only and ID will be required. To obtain a detailed list of what is and is not acceptable, please call Canton's Public Works Division at 397-1011 or visit www.canton-mi.org.

Fall fun at the Canton Farmers Market

September at the Farmers Market means a bounty of the summer produce with the fall harvest starting to roll in. Market guests can also enjoy: live music, kids' activities, Master Gardener activities and Bartlett-Travis House tours. Check out these special activities planned for September: Cooking with Chef Kristi on September 13, 20 and 27; Master Gardener Plant Exchange will run September 20 - October 11; the Recreation Station Bouncer will be onsite September 13 and 27 (weather permitting;) and Canton Public Library Story Times will be held on September 13 at 10:30 a.m. and 12 p.m.

Check out the Farmers Market web page at www.cantonfun.org under programs for all your Market information or like us on Facebook. See you at the Market!

This Month in Canton

NEWS

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Lotz Road paving update

Construction on the highly anticipated paving of Lotz Road from Cherry Hill Road to Ford Road is expected to begin this month. The bid to construct the project was awarded last month to Toebe Construction. Wayne County anticipates paving to begin mid-to-late September.

For up-to-date information on construction projects going on in Canton follow us at [facebook.com/cantonmsd](https://www.facebook.com/cantonmsd) and twitter.com/cantonmsd.

High water bills? Check for leaks!

Homes with no irrigation systems use, on average, about about 5,000 gallons per person per billing cycle. That means that a four-person household would use on average about 20,000 gallons per cycle.

If you're using a lot more than that, you should check your toilets for a "silent leak." Silent leaks waste about 10,000 gallons per toilet per quarter. To test for a leak, put a few drops of food coloring in the tank of the toilet to give the water a good strong color. Don't flush, and wait about 20 minutes. When you check back, if there's any of the colored water in the bowl, you have a "silent leak." The fix is a handy-man level fix and the parts are about \$20 at the home store.

One water customer went from a quarterly water bill of \$275-\$350 for two people, to under \$150 a quarter because of silent leaks in his toilets. Check your bills – see if you can save some money!

Parked vehicles should not block sidewalks

The Charter Township of Canton has a Traffic and Vehicle Ordinance which states no person shall stop, stand, or park a vehicle on a sidewalk. This includes parking on the sidewalk portion of a residential driveway, therefore blocking the flow of sidewalk traffic.

Pedestrians who are hindered by a vehicle parked in a driveway blocking the sidewalk may call the Canton Police Department at 394-5400 to report the traffic code violation.

Taxes due September 14

Just a reminder that Summer taxes are due on September 14. You may pay your taxes on line at www.canton-mi.org/296/Online-Tax-Bill-Payment, by mail, in person or via a 24-hour drop box.

If you have any questions about your bill, or did not receive a bill, please call the Canton Treasurer's Office at 394-5130, Monday - Friday, 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

If you are eligible for a "Senior Deferment," please file your paperwork with the Treasurer's Office prior to September 14. If you are 62 years old or older, and have a household income of \$40,000 or less (proof required via the Mi1040CR 2014 form), we can extend your payment period to February 14, 2016, without penalty or interest.

If you have questions about Senior Deferment, please call the Treasurer's Office at 394-5130.

Schools are back in session – Drive safely!

Canton Police Department reminds motorists to use caution on the roads as schools are back in session this month.

"A lot of children in our community walk and ride bikes to school, especially during the warmer months," says Staff Operations Sergeant Jim Harrison. "Drivers need to be alert and drive with caution, especially around subdivisions and schools."

Police officers will be focusing on traffic laws pertaining to school busses, school crosswalks and reduced speed limits in school zones throughout the community. When approaching school crosswalks, vehicles are required to stop as soon as a crossing guard steps onto the roadway. Drivers are required to stop for flashing lights on a school bus, regardless of the number of lanes on the road. The only exception is a divided highway road, such as Michigan Avenue.

To report an on-going driver violation at a bus stop or crosswalk, call the Police Department at 394-5400.

FOCUS on Leisure Services

Take the Fit Family Challenge

Canton Leisure Services invites families to start a New School Year Resolution with us this Fall! Register your family for FREE and commit to staying fit together.

Awesome activities and opportunities to win cool prizes and incentives await participating families, including: Fitbits, Summit Memberships, and more! Program "graduates" can show off their new endurance and stamina next June during the 2016 Liberty Fest 1-Mile Fun Run!

Activities welcome all abilities, ages, and fitness levels! For more information about this free family program, visit www.cantonfun.org.

Save the Dates!

- September 18 - Family Fitness Fall Kick-Off & Welcome Party at Heritage Park from 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.
- October 9 - Twilight Hike at the Lower Rouge River Recreation Trail from 6 - 7:30 p.m.
- November 6 - Family Fun in the Summit Aquatics Center from 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.
- December 11 - Holiday Zumba Party in the Summit Grand Ballroom at 6:30 p.m.

Programming made possible by mParks and the Michigan Health Endowment Fund.

Community Unity and Peace Rally

The Canton Community is invited to attend a Community Unity and Peace Rally on Saturday, September 26 from 6:30 - 9:30 p.m. in the Heritage Park Amphitheater, located behind the Canton Administration building at 1150 S. Canton Center Road.

This community event, hosted by Canton Public Safety and the Canton Response to Hate Crime Coalition (CRHCC), will include activities such as: Solidarity Walk, Musical Entertainment, Guest Speakers, and a Community Discussion.

All ages are invited to attend this free event promoting inclusion and tolerance that will celebrate Canton's pride and appreciation of its diverse population.

For additional information, please visit www.cantonpublicsafety.org.

Michigan Trail Week

To celebrate Michigan's vast and varied network of trails, the Michigan Recreation and Parks Association, Department of Natural Resources, and the Michigan Trails and Greenways Alliance have designated September 19 – 26 Michigan Trail Week.

With its Trailhead located on Morton Taylor Road at Michigan Avenue, the Lower Rouge Trail is the perfect trail system to explore during this week for hiking, biking and other outdoor activities. So grab your friends and family, head to these Canton trails, and let the adventure begin.

For information on Canton's walking paths and trail system, please visit www.cantonfun.org.

In the CLS Spotlight

Therapeutic Recreation

Canton Leisure Services prides itself on offering inclusive and adaptive recreation opportunities for participants of all ages and abilities.

Over the years, the Therapeutic Recreation program has expanded to offer year-round fun, educational and social activities that meet the varied needs and desires of youth and adults with disabilities. A dedicated staff has witnessed a tremendous amount of growth in participants as they become more physically active in Fit Club, confident in 4th Wall Theater Group, and socially adept in Night on the Town.

Because of the enthusiasm of participants, the program is expanding its offerings this fall to include Adaptive Sports, Theory of Knowledge, Therapaws, Team Building, Job Skills, Moves & Grooves and much more. To learn more about the Therapeutic Recreation program, visit www.cantonfun.org or call 394-5460.

FOCUS on Leisure Services

Village Theater's new season

The Village Theater at Cherry Hill will kick off its new season starting this month.

Tickets for the upcoming season are on sale now at www.cantonvillagetheater.org, by calling 394-5300, or in person at The Village Theater Box Office Monday – Friday from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Check out the 2015-2016 performance schedule online and get your tickets today!

Now hiring

Summit on the Park is now hiring lifeguards and swim instructors. Flexible hours available in all shifts - great for college students or second job seekers.

Not trained? If you are interested in earning your certification and ultimately working at the Summit on the Park, sign up for the free Lifeguard Training Course that will be held on weekends of October 2 - 4 and October 9 - 11.

The class will be held Fridays from 5:30 - 9:30 p.m. and both Saturdays and Sundays from 1 - 9 p.m. Participants must attend both weekends of the class and must be 18 years of age or older.

Apply online at www.canton.applicantpro.com. Canton Township is an Equal Opportunity Employer. For additional information, call 394-5467.

Calling all golfers!

A great way to enjoy September's cooler weather is to play 9 or 18 holes of golf at one of Canton's premier outdoor destinations. Pheasant Run Golf Club offers challenging golf at all skill levels at a great price.

For rates and to reserve a tee time, visit www.golfprgc.org or call 397-6460.

Fellows Creek Golf Club Update

Did you know that Fellows Creek Golf Club can host your birthday party, wedding/baby shower, retirement or work holiday party or even your wedding reception?

The Fellows Creek banquet facility can easily hold up to 220 guests with a full-size dance floor and up to 300 guests without it!

For additional information, call 734/728-1300 ext 4 or visit www.fellowscreekgolf.com.

The BLOCK's After School Program

Area parents are reminded that students ages 11 – 17 can once again take advantage of a unique Afterschool Program like no other at The BLOCK Youth and Teen Center, located on the third floor of the Canton Administration Building.

From September - June, The BLOCK Youth and Teen Center provides a safe, supervised and social setting for teens ages 11-17. Open Monday-Thursday 2:30 - 8:30 p.m. and Friday 2:30 - 10:30 p.m.

After School Memberships include pick-ups from your school at dismissal time and transportation to the B.L.O.C.K. Schools with scheduled pick-ups include: Achieve Charter, Canton Charter, Canton Preparatory, Discovery, East, Liberty, PCEP, Pioneer and South Canton Scholars. Room is still available but spots fill quickly. Need more information? We're ready to answer your questions or enroll your child today at 398-5570.

BLOCK Party

Canton's premier Youth and Teen Center is hosting a Free Open House on Friday, September 11, from 7 - 9 p.m. Plenty of family-friendly activities are scheduled to take place in The BLOCK parking lot, located behind the Canton Administration Building (the building's west side). The evening festivities will include: refreshments, prizes, basketball and dodge ball games, and a bonfire with s'mores.

Plus, a DJ will be onsite providing Karaoke opportunities. Party-goers are encouraged to tour the Teen Center and check out all of its amenities, including: foosball, video games, computer lab with internet, The BLOCK café, lounge, quiet study room, pool table, and more! This event is free and open to the public.

For more information, visit www.cantonfun.org.

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

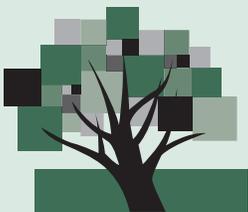
Water Billing
394-5240

Summit on the Park
394-5460

Ordinance Enforcement
394-5335

Canton Waste Recycling
(Rizzo Environmental Services)
866/772-8900

Canton Public Library
397-0999



Summit Annual Maintenance Shutdown and renovation update

Summit members and guests are reminded that starting on Monday, September 7 at noon, the Summit on the Park will close for its Annual Maintenance Shutdown and will re-open, with the exception of the Aquatic Center, on Saturday, September 12 at 6 a.m.

The Summit Aquatic Center will be closed for renovations for a total of five weeks and will re-open on Sunday, October 11 at 7 a.m. Affected areas include: the entire Aquatic Center, Aquatic Center Locker Rooms, as well as the Sauna, and Steam Room.

Regular swim lessons will not be offered during this 5-week shut down and the next session is scheduled to begin October 11; however, Summit Swim School Participants will not be charged for September and October 2015. Summit Swim School programs will resume the week of October 11, as well. As a thank you for your understanding during the renovations, we are extending Early Bird Registration pricing for swim classes through October 10.

While the Aquatic Center is closed, Summit staff has organized alternative fitness opportunities. Starting Monday, September 14, members can take advantage of three back-to-back alternative low-impact land fitness classes each morning Monday - Friday starting at 8:30 a.m. in Dance Studio C.

As an alternative to Monday 7 p.m. Intense Aqua classes, members are encouraged to try the following land group fitness classes: Monday 7 p.m. Yoga, Tuesday 7 p.m. Strength Builder or Tuesday 8 p.m. Pilates Fusion.

For additional fitness opportunities and renovation updates, call the Summit Front Desk at 394-5460 or visit www.summitonthepark.org

Shredding truck returns on September 17

A shredding truck will be available for Canton residents on Thursday, September 17, in the North Pavilion parking lot in Heritage Park (entrance off of Heritage Park Drive), from 9:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Each resident may bring two bags or boxes of paper to shred. You must be able to carry what you bring.

For more information, please call 394-5185.

"Got Fiddle?": A concert showcasing Karin Elizabeth and The Remedy Band.

Join us Saturday, October 10, at The Village Theater for a fundraiser to benefit the Partnership for the Arts and Humanities.

Doors open at 7 p.m. with a welcome reception that will include sample-size treats from Karl's Cabin, The Post Local Bistro and Rusty Bucket.

Then at 8 p.m., get ready to sing along and dance to the sounds of popular tunes from the 70's through today featuring international recording artist Karin Elizabeth on electric violin and fiddle. Remedy is one of Detroit's most unique bands and entertains audiences of all ages.

Tickets are \$35 per person or \$30 if purchased by September 6th for an "early bird special." Tickets are available now at www.cantonvillagetheater.org or by calling 394-5300.

Please help support the growth of cultural arts in our neighborhood by contributing to the Partnership for the Arts and Humanities, a registered 501(c)(3) organization.

Visit www.partnershipforarts.org for more event details and giving forms.

New Secretary of State service

The Secretary of State has a new service called MI-TIME Line. Hold your place in line or make an appointment by calling 734/864-4824, texting "canton" to 561/693-6797 or go online to MI.gov/MiTimeLine. They will call or text when your turn is coming up.



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FOCUS

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR SEPTEMBER

- 1** Board of Trustees Study Session. Canceled.
- 6** Canton Farmers Market. 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. Preservation Park.
- 7** Labor Day. Administration Building Closed.
- 8** Board of Trustees Meeting. 7 p.m.
- 10** Zoning Board of Appeals. 7 p.m.
- 12** Brew, Brats and Bands at the Barn. 6 – 9 p.m.
- 12** Canton Hazardous Household Waste Day. DPW. 9 a.m. – 2 p.m.
- 13** Canton Farmers Market. 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. Preservation Park.
- 14** Summer Taxes Due.
- 14** Supervisor LaJoy Senior Summit. 9 a.m. – 3 p.m.
- 14** Planning Commission Meeting. 7 p.m.
- 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. 42100 Van Born.
- 20** Canton Farmers Market. 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. Preservation Park.
- 22** Board of Trustees Meeting. 7 p.m.
- 25** Canton Clean up and Recycling. 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. 42100 Van Born.
- 26** Canton Clean Up and Recycling. 8 – 11 a.m. 42100 Van Born.
- 27** Canton Farmers Market. 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. Preservation Park.

- 28** Merit Commission Meeting. 5 p.m.
- 29** Board of Trustees Study Session. Canceled.

VILLAGE THEATER SCHEDULE

SEPTEMBER 2-6

The Red Velvet Cake Wars. Spotlight Still Got It Players. 1 p.m. \$18.

SEPTEMBER 2

Justin Hayward with special guest Mike Dawes. The Crofoot. 7:30 p.m.

SEPTEMBER 12

Rock the House/A Rock-and-Roll Cabaret. TLC Productions. 8 p.m. \$15.

SEPTEMBER 18-20, 25-27

The Producers. Spotlight Players. 2/8 p.m. \$18.

OCTOBER 1-31

23rd Annual Canton Fine Arts Exhibition. Free and open to the public M-F 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.; during public performances; visit www.cantonvillagetheater.org for schedule; and 394-5308 by appointment.

For tickets or more information, please visit www.cantonvillagetheater.com or call 394-5300.