

Rizzo's holiday collection schedule

Residents are advised to make note of the Rizzo Environmental Services collection schedule during the holiday months.

November: Due to the Thanksgiving holiday, Rizzo will not collect refuse, recycling or yard waste on Thursday, November 26. Residents whose collection date falls on the 26 will have their refuse, recycling and yard-waste collected on Friday, November 27.

December: Because Christmas and New Year's Day both fall on Friday this year, there will be no change to Rizzo's collection schedule. Rizzo will be collecting Monday-Thursday the week of Christmas and New Year's.

For questions or more information, visit www.canton-mi.org or call 866/772-8900.

Annual Tree Lighting event

Kick off the holiday season with the annual Tree Lighting on Wednesday, December 2, from 6 - 8:30 p.m., at the Summit on the Park, 46000 Summit Parkway

Join us for crafts, refreshments, visits with Santa, and lighting of the Canton Christmas Tree at 6:30 p.m. Special festivities will take place both indoors and outdoors.

The event features a special holiday Marketplace, as well as entertainment from Dancing Feet, Spotlight on Youth, and more. Frosty the Snowman will also make an appearance.

No pre-registration required. Activity wristband fees are \$3 per child for Canton residents and \$4 per child for non-residents. Proof of residency will be required to purchase activity wristbands. For additional information, visit www.cantonfun.org.

Yard waste collection ends December 3

Curbside pickup of residential yard waste will end on Thursday, December 3, and will not resume until April, 2016. All yard waste should be placed with your recyclables separately from your trash on your regular trash collection day.

Acceptable yard waste items include: grass clippings, leaves, yard and garden waste, pruning debris, wood debris, and brush. Unacceptable items include: food scraps, animal waste, batteries, chemicals, sod, dirt and clay.

Twigs, branches, brush, pruning, and wood debris must be tied with heavy twine into bundles no longer than three feet, not exceeding 1 1/2 inches in diameter, and weighing no more than 50 pounds. Bundles are limited to six bundles a week.

Grass clippings, leaves, and garden waste must be placed in 30-gallon paper yard waste bags or 32-gallon reusable containers with sturdy handles marked "YARD WASTE." Stickers for reusable containers are available at Canton Treasurer's Office. Containers weighing over 50 pounds or that are over 32 gallons will not be accepted.

Turkey Trot for a good cause

Kick off your Thanksgiving Day with an invigorating run or walk for a good cause. All ages are encouraged to participate on Thursday, November 26 during this year's 13th annual Turkey Trot for A Cause. Onsite registration will be held at the Summit from 8 - 9 a.m.

The course of this 5K chipped-timed event will wind through scenic Heritage Park and Pheasant Run Golf Course ending with refreshments, raffles and run awards. Help make a difference with each step you take. Proceeds will benefit the Epilepsy Foundation of Michigan. Register online at csc.canton-mi.org. For more information, call 483-5600.

**This
Month
in
Canton**

NO WIPES

No wipes in the pipes!

Canton is warning all residents that those “flushable” wipes, aren’t so flushable after all.

Canton’s Public Works Division would like to advise residents that popular bathroom wipes -- pre-moistened towelettes that are often advertised as flushable – are contributing to clogs and backups in Canton’s sanitary sewer system.

Although wipes are advertised as “flushable,” the wipes don’t break down fast enough and end up getting stuck in private sewer leads and the public sewer system. This leads to costly repairs when you factor in the amount of time and money it costs to dispatch crews to unclog pipes and pumps and to replace and repair equipment.

In order to combat this problem Canton is asking residents to follow our “No Wipes in the Pipes” campaign. Signage will be placed at township facilities reminding residents not to flush disposable wipes.

Santa Breakfast

Bring the family to the Summit on the Park for breakfast with Santa Claus, Saturday, December 5, from 9-11 a.m.

During the breakfast, kids can share their wish list with Santa, create a winter craft, and enjoy a Christmas storytime. All children will receive a holiday souvenir, crayons, and placemat. Parents are encouraged to bring a camera.

Online registration is not available. Tickets must be purchased in advance at the Summit on the Park during normal business hours. Ticket sales begin November 3, and will conclude December 1. Ticket prices for ages three and under are \$4 for Canton residents and \$5 non-residents; 4-12 year olds are \$15 for residents and \$18 for non-residents; ages 13 and up are \$19 for residents and \$23 for non-residents.

Seating is reserved by table location only on a first-come, first-served basis. For more information, call 394-5460.

Police to increase patrols at local shopping centers

Canton Police Department will be increasing its patrols at local shopping centers and stores Friday, November 27 through December 24.

In addition to regular patrols, police officers will utilize bicycles and semi-marked patrol cars to maintain high-visibility in parking lots and store fronts in an attempt to deter criminal activity.

Shoppers are reminded to stay alert while in stores and parking lots. By following a few basic precautions you can reduce your risk of becoming a victim:

- Don’t leave your purse unattended in a shopping cart.
- Be extra careful with purses and wallets. Avoid carrying a purse if possible, and keep your wallet in an inside jacket pocket.
- Lock your packages and bags in your vehicle’s trunk. Keep your doors locked and windows closed.
- Teach children to go to a store clerk or security guard to ask for help if they become separated from you. They should never go to the parking lot alone.
- If you feel you’re being followed or watched in a parking lot, go back inside the store and ask for security.

The Canton Police Department encourages everyone to practice safe shopping habits throughout the year, taking additional precautions during the holiday season.

EXPO applications now available

Applications to participate in Canton’s 2016 Home Improvement Expo are now available. Space is filling up, so vendors are encouraged to return their applications as soon as possible.

The 2016 Expo will be held March 5 and 6, and is an excellent opportunity for home improvement businesses and builders to promote their products by hosting a booth.

Applications are available at www.canton-mi.org or by calling Canton’s Building and Inspection Services at 394-5200. Completed applications can be sent to 1150 Canton Center Road, Canton, Michigan 48188 no later than December 18.

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International Festival to celebrate cultural diversity

Experience music, dance, and drama from around the world when Canton's International Festival returns to The Village Theater at Cherry Hill on Saturday, November 21.

This cultural and educational festival, held from 11:30 a.m. – 5 p.m., offers participants entertainment and experiences celebrating diverse customs and traditions on The Village Theater's main stage, located at 50400 Cherry Hill Road.

This event is presented by the all volunteer Multicultural Committee of the Canton Commission for Culture, Arts and Heritage. Bring the whole family and travel the globe through music, dance and more! Tickets are just \$2 at the door.

Canton's Fall Harvest Market

Be sure to visit Canton's Harvest Market on Sunday, November 22 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. for all your Thanksgiving celebration needs! Local vendors will be onsite in the Summit's lobby, located at 46000 Summit Parkway, with all your Market favorites during this special pre-Thanksgiving Market. For additional details, visit www.cantonfun.org.

In the spotlight at The Village Theater

After a big Thanksgiving celebration, The Village Theater has just what you need – the Motor City Soul will be performing a high-energy show featuring Soul, Funk, Motown, Rock and Blues on November 28 at 8 p.m.

Come enjoy this seven piece band of seasoned professionals that will make you want to jump up and dance, sing along or just tap your toes to the wide variety of hits we all love. Plus, the orchestra pit will be lowered and open for those who want to come up and dance. Tickets are \$15. For more information, call 394-5300.

The Detroit Circus returns

Back by popular demand, the Detroit Circus will perform next month at a special New Year's Eve show on Thursday, December 31, at 7 p.m., that the whole family will enjoy. Be thrilled as these talented performers dazzle you with their high flying aerial antics on fabric and trapeze, fire dancing and eating, stilt walking and acrobatics, contortion, juggling, feats of mind-bending strength and acro-balance, as well as a variety of circus sideshow acts.

Each ticket includes one non-alcoholic drink and one popcorn, plus exciting pre-show activities such as: face painting, temporary tattoos, photo-ops and strolling circus entertainers in the lobby starting at 6 p.m.

Tickets to this performance are \$20 each. Get yours now and give them as holiday gifts. To order tickets or for more details, visit www.cantonvillagetheater.org or call 394-5300.

In the CLS Spotlight

Canton Club 55+

Age is just a number when it comes to being active and involved in the Canton community. However, there are many perks to being 55 and older in Canton – it gives you access to numerous activities, programs and events at the Summit on the Park.

Canton's Club 55+, located in the Summit's Parkview Room, continues to grow each year with new and creative programs to meet the varied interests and desires of our community. Whether your interest or creative outlet is gardening, fitness, dance, art, or something else, Canton Club 55+ has something for you. Many participants in these programs enjoy learning new do-it-yourself projects, approaches to holistic wellness, how to become more physically fit, and exploring art through the DIA lecture series or onsite visits.

Come, learn something new, with other vibrant active adults right here at Canton's Summit on the Park. For more information, visit www.cantonfun.org.

FOCUS on Leisure Services

Zumba Party Hearty fundraiser

Dance to your heart's content during Canton's annual Zumba Party Hearty fundraising event that will be held on Saturday, November 14 from 9 -10:30 a.m. at the Summit on the Park, located at 46000 Summit Parkway.

Admission to the event is a \$5 minimum donation, which will benefit the American Heart Association. Those who like to Zumba and those who've never tried it are welcome to join the dance party. Zumba fitness classes fuse Latin, Pop and Hip Hop music together with easy-to-follow moves to create a unique workout experience.

All ages are welcome. Zumba Party Hearty participants are asked to wear red and bring bottled water. Come ready to move and experience fun, fitness and raffles.

For more information, call 394-5460 or visit www.cantonfun.org.

Fall Fashion Fundraiser

To help us all stay in style this fall, the Summit on the Park is hosting "Catwalk for a Cause" fashion show on Saturday, November 14, starting at 10 a.m.

Proceeds from this special luncheon fundraiser will benefit the Alzheimer's Association of Greater Michigan. Models will show off fashions provided by the Clothing Cove of Milford. A delicious lunch will be served including: Chicken Nicoise Salad, Apple Butternut Squash Soup, and finger pastries. Plus, all fashions on display will be available for purchase after the show.

Tickets for this fundraiser are \$40 and are available online at www.cantonfun.org. For additional information, call 394-5460.

Canton Goodfellows "No Child Without A Christmas" campaign needs your help

The Canton Goodfellows and Canton Leisure Services are teaming up to help brighten the holidays for Canton's neediest children, and you can help in a number of ways:

- Purchase a ticket for the Canton Goodfellows Magic and Comedy Show at 8 p.m. on Friday, November 13 at the Village Theater. Tickets are on sale for \$25 per person and include Hors d'oeuvres. A cash bar and silent auction will also be available. For more information, visit www.cantonvillagetheater.org.
- Sponsor a child or an entire family that you purchase clothing and gifts for. Child sizes, ages, gender and a reasonable "gift wish" are provided to help select gifts. To find out more, email cantongoodfellows@gmail.com.
- Bring in a new, unwrapped toy or gift card to the Summit on the Park or to the Leisure Services administrative offices located in the Canton Administration Building.
- Volunteer your time by fulfilling a 2-3 hour shift during one of the many opportunities.
- Make a check payable to the "Canton Goodfellows" and mail it to P.O. Box 87532, Canton MI 48187, or make your donation online.

To inquire about volunteering, please contact Paula Kosbe at paula.kosbe@canton-mi.org or 394-5191. For more information, visit www.cantongoodfellows.org.

Get unlimited golf in 2016 at PRGC

Purchase an Annual Pass at Pheasant Run Golf Club between November 1 and December 18, and save 10% off the full pass price. Annual golf passes allow for unlimited golf with car and range use throughout the year. Passes are valid for one year from the date of purchase.

For more details, please call the Pro Shop at 397-6460 or visit www.golfprgc.org.

Fellows Creek Golf Club news

November is going to be a great fun-filled month at Fellows Creek Golf Club.

We're proud to announce our first ever Bridal Open House on Sunday, November 29 from 12-5 p.m. This event is free and all brides are highly encouraged to attend. Come see our banquet room set up for 150 and enjoy appetizers and dessert samples!

For more information, visit www.fellowscreekgolf.com.

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

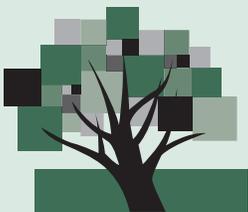
Water Billing
394-5240

Summit on the Park
394-5460

Ordinance Enforcement
394-5335

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

Canton Public Library
397-0999



Gourmet Thanksgiving dinners available

Katherine's Catering, the Summit on the Park Banquet and Conference Center's exclusive caterer, is offering a 10-person Thanksgiving Dinner package for \$225.

With so much going on this time of year, we've made it easier for you to just celebrate and enjoy time with your family. Dinner includes: carved turkey breast, roasted vegetable medley, bistro vegetables; bread stuffing; mashed potatoes; garden salad; corn muffins and butter croissant; plus pumpkin pie.

Orders must be placed by Friday, November 20. For more details including substitutions, add-ons, additional pricing and pick-up/delivery information, please visit www.katherines.com.

Mail your letters to Santa

All the children in the Canton community are invited to write dear ol' Saint Nick a letter. Canton Leisure Services has made special arrangements with our friends at the North Pole and the US Post Office to deliver your wish list to Santa.

To mail your letter to Santa, please drop it in our North Pole Express Mailbox in the Summit on the Park lobby from November 2 - 30. During his down time, Santa and his elves will write you a letter back. Santa just asks that you print your name and address clearly so that he may reply to your letter. Each household will receive a return letter and Santa will take care of postage. Canton residents only please.

Historical Museum toy exhibit

All are invited to the Canton Historical Museum's current exhibit featuring toys! Come reminisce about your favorite childhood fun and games. The exhibit runs until November 21. The Museum is open Tuesdays, 1-4 p.m.; Wednesdays, 6-8 p.m.; and Saturdays, 11 a.m.-3 p.m. Admission is free but donations are appreciated. The museum is located at 1022 S. Canton Center Rd. For more information, visit www.cantonhistoricalsociety.org or call 397-0088.

Tell us what you think of your police and fire departments

Now is the time to evaluate your police and fire department in 10 questions or less. During the month of November 2015, the Public Safety Department is offering citizens the opportunity to rate the department's police, fire and emergency medical services.

The online survey can be accessed from the home page of the department's website at www.cantonpublicsafety.org.

Included in the short survey is the chance for residents to select an area of concern they feel is most important for the police department to focus its resources—either criminal activity, traffic enforcement, or crime prevention.

Survey results will be reviewed by Public Safety officials to identify any potential issues or areas of concern. Officials will also review and take into consideration the community's ranking of areas of concern, utilizing police resources to fit with the needs of the community, when possible.

Results of the survey will be available to the public in early 2016 via the department's website, Canton FOCUS newsletter, and various local and social media outlets.

Canton salutes area service men and women

On Wednesday, November 11, Canton will continue its tradition of honoring area service men and women during our "Salute To Service" event at The Village Theater. Doors open at 6 p.m. and the program begins at 7 p.m.

Additionally, items for service men and women will be collected for the Michigan Military Moms, including: disposable hand and foot warmers; foot and body powder; Q-tips; Beef Jerky; hot chocolate mix; wipes; granola/power bars; and monetary donations to offset postage. Please note that all items must be small enough to fit a 12" x 12" x 8" U.S. Priority box.

For more information, call 394-5460.



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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

NOVEMBER

- 2** Planning Commission Meeting. 7 p.m.
- 3** Board of Trustees Study Session. Canceled.
- 10** Board of Trustees Meeting. 7 p.m.
- 11** Veteran's Day. Administration Building closed.
- 12** Zoning Board of Appeals. 7 p.m.
- 13** Rizzo Environmental Services: Recycling only. 10 a.m. – 4 p.m.
- 17** Board of Trustees Study Session. 7 p.m.
- 18** DDA Board of Directors Meeting. 8 a.m.
- 18** The Emergency Food Assistance Program. 9:30 a.m. – 12 p.m. Call 394-5185.
- 22** Harvest Market – Summit on the Park 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.
- 24** Board of Trustees Meeting. 7 p.m.
- 26** Thanksgiving Day. Administration Building closed.
- 27** Day after Thanksgiving. Administration Building closed.

DECEMBER

- 2** Annual Tree Lighting. Summit on the Park. 6 p.m.
- 5** Santa Breakfast. Summit on the Park. 9 - 11 a.m.
- 5** Christmas in the Village. Cherry Hill Village. For more info email social@mychv.com.

VILLAGE THEATER SCHEDULE

NOVEMBER 13-15, 20-22

Almost, Maine. Spotlight Players. 8 p.m. \$16.

NOVEMBER 13

Canton Goodfellows Magic and Comedy Show. 8 p.m. \$25.

NOVEMBER 14

Brazilian Blast. Michigan Philharmonic 7:30 p.m. \$30/\$25/\$10.

NOVEMBER 15

Elden Kelly and Carolyn Koebel in concert! Guitar virtuoso and percussionist. Smokin' Sledgog Records. 7:30 p.m. \$20.

NOVEMBER 21

Canton International Festival. 11:30 a.m. \$2.

NOVEMBER 28

Motor City Soul--Soul, Funk, Motown, Rock and Blues: a favorite 7-piece band for all ages. 8 p.m. \$15.

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

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