



Wayne County offers two more Hazardous Waste Collections

The final dates for the 2017 Wayne County Household Hazardous Waste Collections will be Saturday, August 12 from 8 a.m. - 2 p.m. at the Westland Shopping Center, located on Warren Road and Nankin Boulevard in Westland and Saturday, October 7 from 8 a.m. - 2 p.m. at Wayne County Community College, located at 21000 Northline Road in Taylor.

These free events are open to Wayne County residents only and are an excellent opportunity to make your home and environment safe by properly disposing of waste. For more information or to obtain a complete list of what will and will not be accepted, please call 734/326-3936 or visit waynecounty.com.

As a reminder, Canton will hold its annual Hazardous Waste Round-Up on Saturday, September 9 from 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. at Canton's Division of Public Works Building, located at 4847 Sheldon Road, just south of Michigan Avenue. This free event is open to Canton residents only.

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.

8th Annual Brew, Brats and Bands at the Barn

This popular fall event returns to Preservation Park on Saturday, September 9 from 6-9 p.m. Ages 21 and over are encouraged to attend this special fundraiser that will benefit the Canton Historical Society.

This unique beer tasting event, scheduled to take place at the Cady-Boyer Barn located at 500 N. Ridge Road, will include seven beer tasting tickets to select from a wide variety of specialty craft beers, brats with fixings, and entertainment provided by "Standing Room Only" and "All Directions."

Tickets are \$25 in advance through September 4 and \$30 at the door. Sponsors of this popular event include: Canton Leisure Services, Holiday Market, Liberty Street Brewing Company, Canton Brew Works, Alphagraphics, Edward Jones-The Regner Group, Kennedy Nemier Insurance Agency, Inc., and Beefests.com.

Get your tickets at the Canton Treasurer's Office, Summit on the Park, and Canton Farmers Market or online at www.cantonhistoricalsociety.org. Remember, designated driver tickets are just \$10. Must be 21 and over to attend. For additional details, call 734/394-5310.

Canton ADA Transition Plan public meeting

Canton Township will hold a special public meeting to collect community input for its Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Transition Plan on Thursday, August 3, at 6:30 p.m. at the Canton Administration Building – Board Room, located at 1150 S. Canton Center.

All individuals who currently reside in Canton, or who utilize a Canton facility or service, are encouraged to attend. Participants are encouraged to RSVP by calling 734/394-5360. CART (Communication Access Real-time Translation) services will also be provided during this public meeting that include real-time captioning and transcription. In addition, Canton residents who are currently registered with Canton Community Mobility Transportation Services may schedule a ride to and from this public meeting by calling 1-888-539-9879 by 2 p.m. on August 2.

For additional information, visit www.canton-mi.org.

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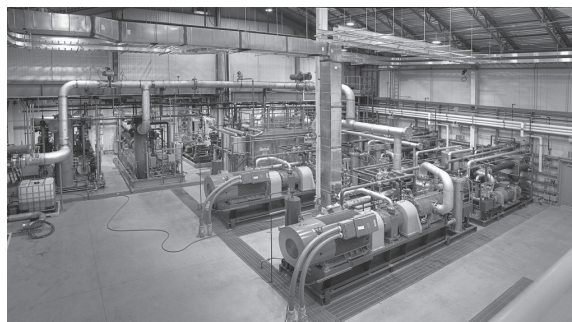
A message from Supervisor Williams



There are a lot of interesting things about Canton that I have recently learned. Even after living here over three decades and serving as a Trustee for eight years, our community continues to surprise and delight me.

Did you know that Canton has a Wayne County Park that you can access from Koppernick Road? The Holliday Forest and Wildlife Preserve contains approximately 550 acres along the valley of Tonquish Creek. The park has 10 miles of trails that end in Westland, where you can then hop on Hines Drive, if you'd like.

Did you also know that the flame you see on the south side of Michigan Avenue near the landfill is much smaller now than it used to be? That is because today, after significant investment by Republic Services (the landfill operator), they are now recycling the by-products from the landfill. Canton's landfill gas is collected through a series of wells and header pipes under vacuum, and ultimately delivered into an adjacent DTE Energy natural gas pipeline. Canton Renewables captures, processes and cleans roughly 1,200 MMBtu (one million British Thermal Units) per day of landfill gas that is collected from the landfill. Canton's was the first landfill gas processing plant to produce and sell renewable natural gas vehicle fuel under the EPA's renewable fuel standard through the common carrier pipeline.



Canton Renewables facility

Senior Summit set for September 11

Supervisor Pat Williams will host the annual Senior Summit on Monday, September 11, from 8:30 a.m. – 2 p.m.

The day will kick off in the banquet area at the Summit on the Park where participants can browse over 40 vendor exhibits, take part in health screenings, attend interactive presentations, and receive a goody bag. Breakfast will also be available in the gymnasium. The festivities will then continue in the gymnasium with more presentations, followed by a boxed lunch, entertainment, and bingo.

Participants do not need a ticket for this year's event; however, registration is required. To register, or for more information, please call 394-5485 or 394-5185.

Dogs at Large

The Canton Police Department reminds residents that it is unlawful for unleashed animals to be in any place open to the public. In addition, leashed animals in a public place need to be in reasonable control of their owner/handler at all times.

To report a loose or unleashed dog, please call the Canton Police Department at 394-5400.

Protect your belongings

Residents are encouraged to lock their parked vehicles, and remove valuable items from view. Police officers have been taking reports for years from residents who have been victimized by this common crime of opportunity.

Numerous thefts have also been reported this summer from garages when the door was left open. Closing or locking your doors can deter a would-be thief to move on looking for an easier target.

FOCUS on Leisure Services

Take ExpressRide today!

Do you work in downtown Ann Arbor or at the University of Michigan? ExpressRide may be for you! ExpressRide, brought to you by The Ann Arbor Area Transportation Authority, is non-stop service from Canton to downtown Ann Arbor and the University of Michigan Central and Medical Campuses.

You can board the ExpressRide from a free, convenient Park & Ride lot right in Canton. There are so many benefits of ExpressRide. It lets you forget about parking, traffic, and pollution, and the buses have free wi-fi and comfortable seating. When boarding the bus, have your pass, ticket or cash fare ready for the driver.

How much does it cost? A one-way cash fare is \$6.25. However, if you ride regularly, you can purchase a ten-ride ticket for \$62.50 or a 30-day commuter pass for \$125. Be sure to check with your employer, because employees of some businesses are eligible for discounted passes!

For more information, including route details, please visit myexpressride.org.

Summit Cardboard boat races return

Cast off and say "Anchors Aweigh" as you race toward victory in the 4th Annual Summit on the Park Championship Cardboard Boat Race, on Saturday, August 5, starting at 9:30 a.m.

Build your custom vessel no bigger than 5 1/2 feet wide by 10 feet long using only cardboard, duct tape and paint. Then, line up your crew and enter to win! Each boat will be timed individually.

Register online at www.summitonthepark.org or at the Summit front desk. Cardboard Boat Race event fees are: \$10 for Summit members; \$15 for Canton residents; and \$20 for non-residents.

For additional information and race rules, visit www.summitonthepark.org or call 734/394-5460.

Calling all local artists

Area artists are encouraged to enter the 25th Annual Canton Fine Arts Exhibition at The Village Theater at Cherry Hill by August 21, for consideration to be exhibited from October 6 – November 4.

Artists are invited to enter their sculpture, fine arts, photography, ceramics, wall-hangings and mixed media by the deadline. Participation is open to all artists 18 years and older, living or working in Michigan. Entry forms are available online at www.cantonvillagetheater.org or by calling 734/394-5300.

In the CLS Spotlight

Summit Fitness Center renovation and Annual Maintenance Shutdown

The Summit on the Park's Fitness Center will undergo renovations starting Thursday, August 31, and will re-open on September 9 at 6 a.m. This \$140,000 renovation project will include:

- Installation of over 28 new pieces of Precor strength and fitness equipment including a TRX workout "Gym Rax," two FTS Glides and a new Multi Gym.
- New carpeting and 11 new larger TV's
- New floor layout with expanded stretching area

Not a member of the Summit? Come experience all that the Summit has to offer as we unveil our newly renovated Fitness Center the week of September 11, with a Member Appreciation celebration that will feature special membership discounts and more!

In addition, the Summit will close for its Annual Maintenance Shutdown on Monday, September 4 at noon and will re-open, with the exception of the Women's Aquatic Locker Room Showers, on Saturday, September 9 at 6 a.m. The Aquatic Center Women's Locker Rooms are expected to remain closed for renovations until Monday, October 23 at 6 a.m. Alternative accommodations will be made available in the interim. For more information, visit www.summitonthepark.org or call 734/394-5460.

FOCUS on Leisure Services

Sizzling entertainment at The Village Theater

The Village Theater at Cherry Hill is teaming up with the Michigan Shakespeare Festival to bring several special performances to Canton this summer. From July 28 - August 13, the Michigan Shakespeare Festival will present its 2017 Season lineup at The Village Theater at Cherry Hill, 50400 Cherry Hill Road. Performances will include: William Shakespeare's "Taming of the Shrew" and "The Tragedy of Julius Caesar" along with "The Seagull" by Anton Chekhov. Don't miss these quality productions from the theater company that is recognized as the official Shakespeare Festival for the State of Michigan.

Experience a unique evening of entertainment when Le PeTiT CiRqUe will perform on Saturday, August 26. Presented by F L I G H T AcroDance Conventions, this pint-sized version of Cirque Du Soleil, comes to Canton direct from Los Angeles. Recent stars of NBC's "Little Big Shots," the multi award-winning Le PeTiT CiRqUe®, is one of the most unique, innovative and inspirational internationally performing shows! Soon to become a national television series, 'Wonderkids', Le PeTiT CiRqUe® features gifted performers between the ages of 6-14. Be mesmerized by prodigies in cirque, martial arts and contortion! Don't miss this once-in-a-lifetime opportunity!

Tickets to any of these performances can be purchased at the door or in advance at www.cantonvillagetheater.org, by phone 734/394-5300, or in person Monday-Friday from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. at The Village Theater, 50400 Cherry Hill Road.

For more information, please visit www.cantonvillagetheater.org.

Back to School Bash

Come celebrate Back to School Days at the Heritage Park Amphitheater, on Saturday, August 26, from 11 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. This free event, presented by Canton Leisure Services and the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools, will offer a variety of student performances and showcases. In addition, local schools, community groups, clubs, and area resource centers will be providing valuable information to position your children for success in the coming school year. Participants can also enjoy giveaways, food, games, and some great deals and Early Bird pricing for Fall Leisure Services classes and programs. Plenty of fun kids' activities will also be available.

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

Second Annual Canton Senior Games

Area seniors are encouraged to come out for a little friendly competition during the Canton Senior Games and Senior Golf Outing which are scheduled to take place August 22-25. There's something for everyone across all skill levels and interests during these friendly games,

Canton Club 55+ will offer a variety of events in which seniors may compete in for a nominal fee for a chance to win in their age categories: 55-64; 65-74; and 75 and older. Events include: Sports Tournaments (Golf, Pickleball, Tennis, Billiards); Cards/Wii Games (Euchre, Mahjong, Pinochle, Trivia, Wii Bowling); Field Games (Bean Bag Toss, Bocce Ball, Softball Throw, Basketball Shot, Ring Toss, Football Toss). Competitions will take place throughout Canton. Registration is available online at www.cantonfun.org. For fees and more information, please call 734/394-5485 or visit www.cantonfun.org

3rd Annual Family Field Day and Movie in the Park

Area families are invited to test their athletic prowess at the North end of Heritage Park on Friday, August 11, at 7 p.m. during the Family Field Day health and wellness event! All ages can participate in the featured events, such as old favorites like potato sack races, shoe kicks, three-legged races and wheelbarrow races. No pre-registration required.

The \$11 per family fee for Canton residents and \$13 per family for non-residents must be paid on-site; cash only. Following the Family Field Day, participants can take in "The Lego Batman Movie" (Rated PG) in the park on the big screen. Food, snacks, and popcorn will also be available for purchase on site. Can't make it to the Family Field Day? Just come for the FREE movie at Dusk! 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

GFL (refuse collection)
866/772-8900

Canton Public Library
397-0999

Village Theater at Cherry Hill
394-5300



Technology Committee forming

Canton is looking for residents interested in participating in a Technology Committee Task Force with a focus on autonomous vehicle technology. Canton is situated at an excellent vantage point to attract technology companies to work on these endeavors due to its location near Mcity, American Center for Mobility at Willow Run, Ford Motor Company and General Motors.

The first meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, September 6, at 6 p.m., in the Lower Level of the Canton Administration Building.

If you are interested in participating, please email kthomas@canton-mi.org.

SEMCOG seeks public input on roads

The Southeast Michigan Council of Governments is seeking input from residents to aid development of the region's long-range transportation plan. The online survey provides opportunities to identify travel issues, rate approaches to improving the system, and rank overall priorities.

Results of this survey will be used to help shape priorities for the 2045 Regional Transportation Plan. This plan, to be adopted in 2019, will describe how billions of dollars will be invested in the region's transportation infrastructure and operations. As the transportation needs of the region evolve with changes in population and demographics, travel and lifestyle preferences, the economy, and technology, particular emphasis will be placed on:

- Walking and biking
- Traffic safety
- Pavement condition
- Transit
- Environmental quality
- Traffic congestion/operations
- Freight and border crossings

A link to the survey can be found on Canton's homepage, www.canton-mi.org.

Treasurer Slavens Corner

Summer property taxes are due by September 14. If you meet the following conditions, you may defer your property taxes, penalty-free, until February 14, 2018. If you do meet the following criteria, please stop by the Treasurer's Office and we will prepare the Summer Tax Deferment form. You must bring proof of your total household income from 2016 (typically your 1040 form). Forms must be submitted to the Treasurer's Office no later than September 14. If you have questions, please call the Canton Treasurer's Office at 394-5130.

1. Age 62 or older (or the unremarried surviving spouse of a person who was 62 years of age or older at the time of death); eligible serviceperson, eligible veteran, or an eligible widow or widower of a veteran or serviceperson; permanently disabled, blind, paraplegic, quadriplegic, or hemiplegic; AND whose total household income in the prior taxable year did not exceed \$40,000.

2. Property classified or used as agricultural property can also be eligible for deferment under specific conditions. Please call the Canton Treasurer's Office at 734/394-5130 for more information.

Canton Farmers Market update

The hot temps and rain are creating a bountiful summer harvest. Enjoy a wide assortment of Michigan grown fruits and vegetables, as well as specialty products from local vendors every Sunday from 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. (rain or shine) at Preservation Park, 500 N. Ridge Road.

The Market also offers weekly cooking demos, live entertainment, kids' crafts, as well as Master Gardener seasonal topics. Plus, the Recreation Station Bouncer will be onsite August 7 and 21 (weather permitting). In addition, a Canton Public Library Story Time will be held on August 7. The popular Music with Ms. Carissa returns on August 14. This season's market is generously sponsored by All Saints Catholic School. For Market updates, visit www.canton-mi.org/496 or like us on Facebook. See you at the Market!



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COMMUNITY CALENDAR AUGUST

- 1** Board of Trustees Study Session. 6 p.m.
- 3** Thursday Night Concert Series. 7:30 – 9 p.m. Heritage Park.
- 4** Canton Color Tour Jazz Series. 7 – 9 p.m. Super Bowl.
- 7** Planning Commission Meeting. 7 p.m.
- 8** Board of Trustees Meeting. 7 p.m.
- 10** Zoning Board of Appeals. 7 p.m.
- 10** Thursday Night Concert Series. 7:30 – 9 p.m. Heritage Park.
- 11** Canton Clean-Up – Recycling Only 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. 42100 Van Born.
- 11** Family Field Day with Movie in the Park. 7 – 11 p.m. Heritage Park.
- 11** Canton Color Tour Jazz Series. 7 – 9 p.m. Super Bowl.
- 15** Board of Trustees Study Session. 6 p.m.
- 16** DDA Board of Directors Meeting. 8 a.m.
- 16** The Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP). 9:30 a.m. – 12 p.m. Call 394-5185.
- 18** Canton Color Tour Jazz Series. 7 – 9 p.m. Super Bowl.
- 22** Board of Trustees Meeting. 7 p.m.
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VILLAGE THEATER SCHEDULE

AUGUST ART EXHIBITION:

“Expressions, an Artist Portrait Collection” by Tuesdays at Mary’s ~Women Artists Collaborative Group. Reception on August 8. 7 p.m. Free.

AUGUST 3-4, 6, 12

Julius Caesar by William Shakespeare. Michigan Shakespeare Festival. 2 p.m., 7:30 p.m. \$35 - \$40/person.

AUGUST 5, 12-13

The Seagull by Anton Chekhov. Michigan Shakespeare Festival. 2 p.m., 7:30 p.m. \$35 - \$40/person.

AUGUST 5, 10-11

The Taming of the Shrew by William Shakespeare. Michigan Shakespeare Festival. 7:30 p.m. \$35 - \$40/person

AUGUST 22-24

Canton Idol. BeckRidge Productions. 7:30 p.m. \$10-\$12

AUGUST 26

Le PeTiTe CiRqUe, America’s Only All-Kid Cirque Company. FLIGHT AcroDance Convention. 7 p.m. \$65/person.

For tickets, visit
www.cantonvillagetheater.org
or call 734/394-5300 ext. 3

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