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Yard waste collection ends November 29

Curbside pickup of residential yard waste will end on Thursday, November 29, and will not resume until April, 2019. All yard waste should be placed with your recyclables separately from your trash on your regular collection day.

In addition to the end of the yard-waste collection season, GFL will also be using the following holiday collection schedule:

November: Due to the Thanksgiving holiday, GFL will not collect refuse, recycling or yard waste on Thursday, November 22. Residents whose collection date falls on the 22 will have their refuse, recycling and yard waste collected on Friday, November 23.

December: Because Christmas and New Year's Day both fall on Tuesday this year, all Monday collections will stay the same. However, if your collection day falls on a Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday it will be delayed by one day the week of Christmas and New Year's.

All refuse, recycling and yard waste must be placed at the curb by 6:30 a.m. to ensure pick-up. GFL 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 GFL at 844/464-3587.

MDOT to close I-275 rest area

On Wednesday, November 14, the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) will permanently close the I-275 rest area located on northbound I-275 between the Michigan Avenue and Ford Road exits. MDOT has determined that this rest area, which was built in 1977, has exceeded its useful service life and would require significant investment to remain open. The estimated cost to replace the building is over \$1 million, plus the continued costs for maintenance, safety, and security. These costs combined are almost three times the typical operating costs of other rest areas.

Once the rest area is closed, crews will demolish the building, remove most of the parking lot and walkways, and replace most of the area with grass. The truck parking area and scales will remain for law enforcement use. Ramp access will be barricaded and locked.

Please note, the I-275 bike trail that borders the eastern edge of the site will not be impacted by the closing. For more information please visit www.michigan.gov/drive.

Prescription Drug Drop Box

The Canton Police Department has a permanent Prescription Drug Drop Box in the lobby of the Public Safety Administration Building, located at 1150 S. Canton Center Road.

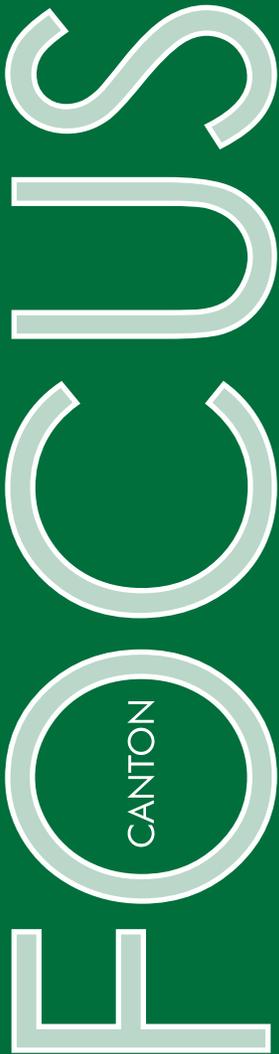
This box is available to the public 24/7 for dropping off pills only--NO LIQUIDS OR NEEDLES. Large pill bottles will not fit in the slot, so pills should be emptied into a plastic bag for disposal.

Letters to Santa

Once again, Canton Leisure Services has made special arrangements with our friends at the North Pole and the U.S. 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 1-30. Santa asks that you print your name and address clearly so he may reply to your letter. Each household will receive a return letter and Santa will take care of the postage.

Canton residents only please. For more information, visit www.cantonfun.org.



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NEWS

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Neighborhood Know-How event

The next Neighborhood Know-How will take place on Thursday, November 15, at 6 p.m. at Summit on the Park. Canton's Legal Manager will be present, as will an Ordinance Officer, to give a short presentation and answer questions.

Neighborhood Know-How is geared toward Homeowner's Association Board Members, but any resident is welcome to attend. Please RSVP by calling 734/394-5185 or emailing ahughesdon@canton-mi.org.

Salute To Canton Award nominees sought

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 18. Please call 734/394-5185 with questions.

Canton Goodfellows "No Child without a Christmas" project in full swing

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

- Join the "No Child without a Christmas 5K Run/Walk" on Saturday, December 1, at the Summit on the Park. For more details, visit www.ezrunevents.com/xmas-5k-run-walk.
- Bring in a new, unwrapped toy or gift card to the Summit on the Park or to the Leisure Services offices in the Canton Administration Building.
- Contribute to the food drive at Holiday Market in Canton on Friday, November 16 – Sunday, November 18.
- Donate at www.cantongoodfellows.org, or mail a check to Canton Goodfellows, P.O. Box 87532, Canton, MI 48187.

For more information on how you can help, visit cantongoodfellows.org.

Canton Cares Fund

Are you a proud resident of Canton? Do you want to help Canton grow and continue to be a success? If so, we are now accepting donations through the Canton Community Foundation to help with expenses that go beyond what our taxes pay for. The Canton Cares Fund provides financial support for Canton Township-sponsored programs assisting seniors, veterans, youths and persons with disabilities. It also includes programs assisting Canton residents following natural disaster, mass casualty or significant personal loss, and programs recognizing heroic or "above-and-beyond the call of duty" acts of township employees.

If this is something that interests you, just go to www.cantonfoundation.org, click the "Donate" button and choose Canton Cares Fund in the dropdown box labeled "Select a Fund" to make your donation. Or you can mail a check to Canton Cares Fund at 50430 School House Rd., Suite 200 Canton, MI 48187.

Donating to your community will not go unrecognized. You or your business name will be acknowledged at all events that use the Canton Cares funds.

For more information, contact Jessica Bunjik at 734/934-5185 or jbunjik@canton-mi.org.

Police to increase patrols at local shopping centers

The Canton Police Department will be increasing its patrols at local shopping centers and stores beginning Thanksgiving weekend 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.

Police officials encourage shoppers to be aware of their surroundings and belongings at all times, decreasing the odds of becoming a victim of theft.

FOCUS on Leisure Services

Gourmet Thanksgiving dinners available

The Summit on the Park's exclusive caterer, Katherine's Catering, is once again offering an incredible deal for Thanksgiving Dinner! For \$249, order a Thanksgiving Dinner Package that serves 10 guests, with plenty of additional side options available. This dinner package includes traditional Thanksgiving favorites and more

Check out the menu at katherines.com, and call 734/394-5486 to place your order today. Orders must be placed by 5 p.m. on November 16.

Lifeguard class and positions now available

If you looking for a part-time job, then join the Summit on the Park lifeguard staff. Some perks include free membership to the Summit, flexible scheduling, and great pay starting at \$11 per hour. Not certified? Our next lifeguard class will run November 10, 11, 17, and 18 from 9 a.m.- 5:30 p.m.

For additional information, visit www.summitonthepark.org. Canton Township is an Equal Employment Opportunity Employer.

In the CLS Spotlight

American with Disabilities Act (ADA) Transition Plan Public Meeting

Canton will hold a special public meeting to present the draft of its American with Disabilities Act (ADA) Transition Plan on November 28, at 6:30 p.m. in the Canton Township Board room, 1150 S. Canton Center Road. Canton residents are encouraged to attend to learn more about this plan which will include parameters that will be put into place to ensure that Canton programs, services, and facilities are handicap accessible.

Individuals with disabilities requiring additional auxiliary aids or services must contact Kerreen Conley, Human Resources Manager and ADA Coordinator at 734/394-5260 or humanresources@canton-mi.org no later than 10 days prior to the meeting. Participants planning to attend are encouraged to RSVP to 734/394-5360. Presentation of the ADA Transition Plan will be given to the Canton Township Board during a study session on Thursday, December 6. Canton's ADA Transition Plan will be available for public review starting December 1, online at www.canton-mi.org. Hard copies will also be available for review from December 1-30, at the Summit on the Park front desk, 46000 Summit Parkway. For additional information, call 734/394-5360.

16th Annual Turkey Trot

Lace up your running shoes and join us in supporting the Epilepsy Foundation of Michigan on Thursday, November 22! This 5K chip-timed run and 1-mile walk have become a family tradition the morning of Thanksgiving Day. The scenic course winds through Heritage Park and Pheasant Run Golf Club.

Participants will enjoy running/walking, raffles, and refreshments. Entry fee is \$25 for the 5K and \$15 for the 1-mile walk. Register by November 8 for a guaranteed race t-shirt online at www.cantonfun.org/919. For more information, call the Canton Sports Center at 734/483-5600.

ExpressRide...My Ride to Work!

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 a 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. Commuting by ExpressRide lets you forget about parking, traffic, and pollution, and the buses have free Wi-Fi and comfortable seating.

A one-way cash fare is only \$6.25. Become a regular rider and you can use a ten-ride ticket for \$62.50 or a 30-day unlimited ride commuter pass for just \$125. Be sure to check with your employer, because employees of some businesses are eligible for discounted passes! For more information, including route details, visit myexpressride.org.

FOCUS on Leisure Services

The Village Theater in the Spotlight

Enjoy a special night full of music, magic, and comedy on November 16, at 8 p.m., when Lorio Ross invites you to experience the world of comedy-magic and music all under one roof at the Detroit All-Star Band Showcase 2018.

Direct from Las Vegas, world renowned comedy-magician Jeff Hobson is one of the most in demand comedy magicians working today. He will be featured along with the legendary Jerry Ross Band, the acclaimed Newsmaker Band and Detroit's hottest up and coming band, Atomic Radio.

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 3. 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 November 11, join us for Salute to Service, featuring a 6 p.m. reception and 7 p.m. program, as Canton once again honors area service men and service women who have served or who are currently serving in the Armed Forces. The distinguished keynote speaker is Brigadier General Carol Ann Fausone, who was commissioned in 1977 in the United States Air Force as a medical officer. After 36 years of service, she continues to nationally assist veterans. Stage presentations will also feature the Workmen Elementary Choir, directed by Keri L. Mueller. Michigan Military Moms will also be on site collecting care package donations, such as: beef jerky; socks; hand and foot warmers. In addition, monetary donations will also be accepted to offset the \$20 mailing costs per box. Please note that all items must be small enough to fit in a 12" x 12" x 8" U.S. Priority box.

For additional information, visit www.cantonfun.org. Tickets can be purchased at the door or in advance at www.cantonvillagetheater.org, by phone 734/394-5300, or in person M-F from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. at the Village Theater, 50400 Cherry Hill.

Breakfast with Santa is back!

Bring the entire family to the Summit on the Park on Saturday, December 1, from 9-11 a.m. to enjoy a wonderful breakfast with Santa Claus! During the breakfast, kids can share their wish list with Santa, create a winter craft, and enjoy a Christmas story time. All children will receive a holiday souvenir, crayons, and placemat. Parents are encouraged to bring cameras.

Online registration is not available. Tickets must be purchased in advance at the Summit on the Park, 46000 Summit Parkway, during normal business hours. Tickets are on sale now through November 29. Ticket prices for ages three and under are \$4.75 for Canton residents and \$5.75 for non-residents; 4-12 year olds are \$15.75 for residents and \$18.75 for non-residents; ages 13 and up are \$19.75 for residents and \$23.75 for non-residents. Seating is reserved by table location only on a first-come, first-served basis.

For additional information, call 734/394-5460.

Annual Tree Lighting Celebration

Kick off the holiday season with Canton's annual Township Tree Lighting event on Wednesday, December 5, from 6 – 8:30 p.m. The 'official' tree will be lit by the Summit on the Park at 6:30 p.m. and special festivities will take place both indoors and outdoors.

Join us for seasonal entertainment, kids' crafts, activities, refreshments, and visits with Santa! In the spirit of the season, Canton Leisure Services would like to offer this event free of charge to residents. For additional information, please visit www.cantonfun.org.

Club 55+ Open House

Canton Club 55+ is unveiling their new look with an open house on Wednesday, November 7, from 10 a.m. – 12 p.m. Come and enjoy light refreshments as you learn about the many different programs available to those age 55+.

For additional information, call Club 55+ at 734/394-5485 or visit www.cantonfun.org.

**Remember to vote on
Tuesday, November 6**

Important Canton Phone Numbers

Administration Building
734/394-5100

Public Safety (non-emergency)
734/394-5400

Supervisor's Office
734/394-5185

Clerk's Office
734/394-5120

Treasurer's Office
734/394-5130

Water Billing
734/394-5240

Summit on the Park
734/394-5460

Ordinance Enforcement
734/394-5335

GFL (refuse collection)
844/464-3587

Canton Public Library
734/397-0999

Village Theater at Cherry Hill
734/394-5300



Study Sessions planned for Road Program and City vs Township

Canton's Board of Trustees will hold a study session on Tuesday, November 27 to discuss the 2019 Road Improvement Program. During this session, a detailed presentation will be given on how money from the approved road millage will be spent during the first year of the program.

On Tuesday, December 18, the Board will hold a study session to gather information on the pros and cons of a City vs Township form of government. Both study sessions will begin at 6 p.m. in the Board Room of Canton's Administration Building and are open to the public.

For questions regarding the two planned study sessions, please call Canton's Municipal Services Department at 394-5160.

Meeting rooms open for reservations

Canton 501(c)(3) groups can now start submitting meeting room requests online for 2019. Simply go to www.canton-mi.org/Facilities/Facility/Details/Canton-Administration-Building-28 where you can book your room, review the meeting room policy, and find step-by-step instructions on how to reserve a room. Reservations will be approved on a first-come, first-served basis during the week of November 12. Please keep the e-mail confirming your room as this is the only piece of confirmation you will be receiving.

If you booked a room online last year and you encounter a "locked account" when trying to log-in, an email is sent to the email address associated with that account. The email has a link for the user to click on. Once you click on the link, it will unlock the account. You will still need to know the password. If not, you can use the 'forgot password' link. If you still cannot unlock your account, please e-mail meeting.rooms@canton-mi.org with the email you are using and we will unlock it.

Please note: Rooms are only booked one calendar year at a time, so requests dated after December 27, 2019 will be declined.

If you need extra assistance, contact Jessica at 734/394-5185 or jbunjik@canton-mi.org.

Treasurer Slavens' Corner

Happy November! With the cold weather here I hope everyone had the opportunity to winterize their outdoor faucets, pipes, plumbing and sprinkler systems. Also a quick reminder for vacationers: it is important to have someone check your home while you are away, making sure you do not have any leaky faucets, toilets, water heater or humidifier. These leaks will increase your water usage, increasing your water/sewer bill.

I am happy to say our new payment option, IVR, is a success. Many residents have already used this new method of payment by calling 1-833/679-1711. Our website allows you to see all of the payment options for your water/sewer bill. We continue working towards bimonthly water/sewer billing in the future. As we have more information we will keep you informed.

Canton Township is a wonderful community to live in. We have many new residents and returning residents coming to our counter, to turn in their Principal Residence Exemption form. The PRE is important to turn in, to make sure you receive your exemption. Keep in mind if you no longer own and occupy the property you must rescind the PRE. *When moving out of your home, it is important to leave the recycle cart. The recycle cart must stay with the home, the serial number on the cart is assigned to the property address.

I have many residents asking about their winter tax. Your winter tax bill will be mailed out in December, and will be due on February 14, 2019.

This November, I hope you are able to enjoy our beautiful Michigan fall. If you ever have questions or concerns, please call my office at 734/394-5130.



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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

NOVEMBER

- 6** Board of Trustees Study Session. Canceled.
- 8** Zoning Board of Appeals. 7 p.m.
- 12** Veteran's Day Observed: Administration Building closed.
- 13** Board of Trustees Meeting. 7 p.m.
- 17** Coffee with the Trustee. Tim Horton's. 45135 Ford Road. 9 – 10 a.m.
- 19** Planning Commission Meeting. 7 p.m.
- 20** Board of Trustees Study Session. 6 p.m.
- 21** The Emergency Food Assistance Program. 9:30 a.m. – 12 p.m. Summit. Call 394-5185.
- 22** Thanksgiving Day. Administration Building closed.
- 23** Day after Thanksgiving: Administration Building closed.
- 27** Board of Trustees Meeting. 7 p.m.
- 28** DDA Board of Directors Meeting. 8 a.m.
- 30** Canton Waste and Recycling: Recycling only. 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. 42100 Van Born.

VILLAGE THEATER SCHEDULE

NOVEMBER ART EXHIBITION:

"Food for the Soul" through November 27.
Reception November 2 – free and open to the public. 7 – 9:30 p.m.

NOVEMBER 3

Canton International Festival. 11:30 a.m. - 5 p.m. \$2 at the door.

NOVEMBER 4

Breakthrough to Rebirth. Graceful Anointing. 4 p.m. \$20.

NOVEMBER 8-11

Escanaba In Da Moonlight. Spotlight Players. (Biltmore Studio). November 8-10, 7:30 p.m., November 10 - 11, 2 p.m. \$16 - \$18.

NOVEMBER 10

An Evening with the Queens of Jazz: Althea Rene & Jeanette Harris. JazzMasters Entertainment Group. 7 p.m. \$45 - \$55.

NOVEMBER 11

Salute to Service. 6 p.m. Lobby Reception. 7 p.m. Program. FREE.

NOVEMBER 14

The Fixie Show "Timesavers" FTI Agency. 6:30 p.m. \$40 - \$65. Presented in Russian.

NOVEMBER 16-18

A Few Good Men. Better Than Ever Productions. (Biltmore Studio). November 16-17, 7 p.m., November 18 - 2 p.m. \$16 - \$18.

NOVEMBER 16

Detroit All-Star Band Showcase. 8 p.m. \$15.

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