



Annual Butterfly Ball returns

Canton's very popular Valentine's tradition returns on February 5 and 6 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: February 5 at 6:30 p.m.; and February 6 at 2 p.m. or 6:30 p.m. Semiformal or dressy-casual attire is recommended. Please note that no corsage pre-sales will be available.

Ticket sales end on February 1 and each participant is required to have a ticket for entry. Tickets are just \$10.25 for residents and \$13.25 for non-residents. These dances traditionally sell out, so be sure to purchase tickets early. For more information, visit www.cantonfun.org or call 394-5460.



Summit celebrates 20 years

In 2016, Canton's Summit on the Park will be turning 20! Summit members are invited to help us celebrate on the 20th of each month as we mark this milestone with special Member Appreciation activities, refreshments and giveaways. For a schedule of these monthly celebrations, visit www.summitonthepark.org so that you can mark your calendars and be sure to come for a workout, but stay for the celebration!

The entire Canton Community is invited to join us in celebrating 20 years of our great facility on Sunday, February 28. The event will kick off at 1:30 p.m. at the Summit on the Park, located at 46000 Summit Parkway. Come join us for an afternoon of special entertainment, refreshments, open swim, raffles (including an Individual Annual Membership), giveaways and much more.

The Summit on the Park is Canton's 90,000 square-foot Recreation Center that offers daily, three- and six-month, and annual passes. Summit amenities include: Fitness and Aquatic Centers, Dance and Aerobics studio, Gymnasium, Racquetball Court and Indoor Track, Steam Room and Sauna, over 60 fitness classes per week, and more! The Summit is also home to an active Kids' Corner Child Care Center, Canton Club 55+, and a Banquet and Conference Center. In addition it has become a hub for all ages and abilities to participate in a variety of classes, programs, and activities. For more information, call Summit Membership Services at 394-5460.

We invite you and your family to explore and enjoy all that the Summit has to offer. For more information, visit www.summitonthepark.org.

Holiday tree pick-up January 4-14

Rizzo Environmental Services will only offer curb-side pick-up of natural Christmas trees from January 4-14.

Please place your tree at the curb by 6:30 a.m. on your regular trash day with all stands, light and ornaments removed. After January 14, trees will no longer be accepted at the curb.

For more information on Christmas tree pick-ups, please call Rizzo Environmental Services at 866/772-8900

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Keeping Canton safe one neighborhood at a time

The Canton Police Department is kicking off a new program, Partners in Your Safety, designed to build a partnership with law enforcement and neighborhoods by promoting problem solving and creating safer neighborhoods.

Partners in Your Safety will empower individual neighborhoods with the resources and tools necessary to succeed in creating a safe community. Participating neighborhoods will have the opportunity to achieve accreditation status upon completion of the program requirements.

The involvement of individuals residing in each neighborhood is vital to the success of the program. As residents become more involved, they will become aware of incidents and issues occurring in their neighborhoods. In turn, they will be able to move in a direction of crime reduction and prevention, with the guidance and assistance of the Canton Police Department.

For more information, or to start the program in your neighborhood, please call Community Relations Officer Patty Esselink at 394-5194 or email at communityrelations@canton-mi.org.

False alarm charges

Beginning on January 1, the Treasurer's office and Canton Public Safety will start a new list of false alarm runs made by the Canton PD. Canton's False Alarm Ordinance (sec 30-35) states: "In order to defray the expense incurred by the Township to respond to false alarms, alarm users who own/maintain an alarm system which has transmitted a false alarm and received a response by Canton PD, shall pay to the Township a fee as established by this section:

- First and Second Occurrence - no charge
- Third Occurrence - \$100
- Fourth Occurrence - \$200
- Subsequent response - \$300

Failure to pay false alarm charges will result in the charges being added to your taxes.

For more information, please call the Treasurer's Office at 394-5130.

Home Expo returns in March

Canton's annual Home Improvement Expo will be held Saturday, March 5 from 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. and Sunday, March 6 from 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. at the Summit on the Park.

At the Expo, do-it-yourselfers will find more than 100 exhibitors ready to give tips and information on a wide range of home improvement topics such as pools, decks, kitchens and much more. The Expo is free to the public and focuses on home modernization, environmentally friendly home improvement projects, new products and landscaping ideas.

How-to workshops will be held all weekend on a variety of topics from landscaping to new product lines. A hands-on children's project center will be available for kids of all ages, and Expo goers will be able to "Ask the Inspector" how to make their homes safe and code compliant.

The Expo is hosted by Canton's Building and Inspection Services Division, the Canton Chamber of Commerce, and the Observer and Eccentric Newspapers. For more information, call 394-5205.

Steve King and the Dittilies at the Village Theater

Iron Mountain is proud to present "Old Time Rock-n-Roll: A concert featuring Steve King and the Dittilies" on Saturday, March 5, at The Village Theater. This special event is a fundraiser to benefit the Partnership for the Arts and Humanities.

Doors open at 7 p.m. with a reception that will include sample-size treats from local restaurants. Then at 8 p.m., get ready to sing and dance to hit songs from the 1940's through the present, spiced with comedy.

Tickets are \$35 per person, and can be purchased at www.cantonvillagetheater.org or by calling 394-5300.

Visit www.partnershipforarts.org for more details and giving forms or call 734/765-7061.

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Second chance to take Canton's Fit Family Challenge

Area families are invited to start a New Year's Resolution with us this January! If you haven't already registered your family, be sure to sign up by January 15 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. Upcoming activities include:

January, 15 - Fitness Frenzy at the Summit which includes yoga and Wii bowling for all ages;

February 26 - Snowshoeing;

March 11 - Ice Skating at Arctic Edge;

April 16 - Get Outside and Ride Biking Event;

May 20 Water Safety Day.

Register your family online today at www.cantonfun.org with Activity Code #9999.000.

For more information about this FREE family program, call 394-5460.

Canton Leisure Services is hiring

Looking for a job this summer? If you enjoy a fast-paced, exciting work environment, we encourage you to join our Canton Leisure Services team. Open positions may include: Lifeguards; Swim Instructors, Special Event Coordinators; Canton Sports Center staff; Day Camp Counselors; Therapeutic Recreation staff; Golf/Park Rangers; Seasonal Operators and Laborers; and more!

Visit <http://canton.applicantpro.com/jobs> to see a current list of job openings. Seasonal positions will be posted beginning mid-January. The first round of seasonal interviews are scheduled to take place on March 5, 2016. Applicants are encouraged to apply early in the process.

Leisure Services Advisory Committee positions available

The Leisure Services Advisory Committee (LSAC) is currently accepting applications 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, 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.

Interested Canton residents who are active users of 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 February 26. For more information, email to mfalzon@canton-mi.org.

In the CLS Spotlight

Summit on the Park shines for over 20 Years

The new year is starting out on a high note for Canton Leisure Services, with the 20th Anniversary of the Summit on the Park. Over the past 20 years Canton residents have celebrated many exciting milestones and created lifelong memories through Summit on the Park programs. We have been privileged to host weddings, help children excel in swimming, lead recreation classes, and witness the transformation of countless lives through wellness programs. While these past years have been phenomenal for us, we are excited that the New Year brings new goals, new learning opportunities and new accomplishments for each of our members. Keep informed on all the fun coming throughout the anniversary year at www.summitonthepark.org.

FOCUS on Leisure Services

The Village Theater spotlight

Start the New Year off with some unforgettable entertainment at The Village Theater. There's fun for the entire family when the Cashore Marionettes perform at Canton's Village Theater on Saturday, January 23, at 2 and 7 p.m. Experience two amazing performances featuring this acclaimed group who take puppetry to the ultimate level. "Simple Gifts," is a family-friendly performance featuring a series of touching portrayals and poignant scenes from everyday life. Tickets are \$12 each. "Life in Motion," features a portrayal of characters that is powerful, entertaining and a one-of-a-kind evening for adults and children ages 12 and older. Tickets are \$15 for all ages. Get your tickets online at www.cantonvillagetheater.org.

On January 18, Canton Celebrates Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. through song, dance and inspiring words. This tribute to the life and legacy of this civil rights leader, presented by the Commission for Culture, Arts, and Heritage, members of the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Sub-Committee, and Canton Township, will begin at 6 p.m. with a reception featuring an exhibition of area middle school and high school students' artworks. The main stage program begins at 6:30 p.m. Tickets are just \$2 at the door or reserved seats can be purchased online at www.cantonvillagetheater.org.

For more information, visit www.cantonvillagetheater.org or call 394-5300.

Pheasant Run Golf Club update

Seeking a great venue to host your golf league? Pheasant Run Golf Club, located at 46500 Summit Parkway, provides three challenging nines to entertain your league members.

Golf Leagues at Pheasant Run receive many great benefits such as Pro Shop, food and beverage discounts, as well as pre- and post-league green fee specials and discounted range fees on your scheduled league day.

Our Fore Star Grill provides a great post-round back drop to enjoy a beverage along with an entrée from our fantastic menu.

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

Bartlett's Kids Club update

New in 2016, Bartlett's Kids Club will be offering Family Fun Days every third Saturday of the month at the Summit that focus on family time and unplugging from the world of electronics, all while "Staying on the Right Track."

On January 16, from 12 - 1:30 p.m., our families will be making Family Time Capsules/ Memory Jars as well as having a New Year's Dance Party. If your New Year's resolution is to spend more quality time together as a family, this event is a great way to start off the New Year. Pre-registration is required.

This event is FREE for all Summit on the Park members, \$3 per child for Canton residents, and \$4 per child for non-residents. For additional information, visit www.summitonthepark.org

Fellows Creek Golf Club update

Welcome to 2016! Stop by Fellows Creek Golf Club, located at 2936 S. Lotz, to find the best golf membership prices in the entire area.

Also, be sure to check out our First Bridal Open House on January 31 from 12 - 5 p.m.

For additional information, please visit www.fellowscreekgolf.com

Girls Lacrosse League – New in 2016

Registration for Girls Spring Lacrosse League for 3rd – 8th grades is currently underway. Teams will play league games against other local community teams. New and experienced players are welcome. Participants are required to provide their own equipment. Season runs March 1 – June 7. Register online at cantonfun.org or by calling 734/483-5600. For more information, email cott@canton-mi.org.

Youth Baseball/Softball Leagues

Greater Canton Youth Baseball and Softball Association (GCYBSA) will accept registration for its Spring 2016 season from January 10 through March 15, 2016 for girls and boys ages 4-18.

Programs include, Small Ball, T-Ball, Coach Pitch, Kid Pitch, and Girls Softball. Additional details and online registration is available at www.gcybsa.com For more information, call Wendy Mullen at 734/394-5358 or email gcybsa@canton-mi.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



Canton Chamber hosts Wine Tasting event

The Canton Chamber of Commerce's first Annual Wine Tasting will be held on Friday, February 12, 7 - 9 p.m., at Waltonwood at Cherry Hill, located at 42600 Cherry Hill Road.

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 and Waltonwood at Cherry Hill.

Fifty percent of all proceeds will benefit the LiveLikeMax Foundation. This foundation was created after the passing of Max Pardington to bring awareness to the importance of healthy heart checks and to provide them FREE to all high school students. If Max had a healthy heart check, he may be alive today.

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

Winter Markets return to Summit banquet lobby

The first of three monthly Winter Markets will be held on Sunday, February 28 in the Summit on the Park lobby, located at 46000 Summit Parkway.

Markets are also scheduled for March 20 and April 17 at the Summit; all with special winter market hours from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

For more information, visit www.cantonfun.org as well as www.facebook.com/cantonfarmersmarket.

Leadership Canton 2016

There is still time to get your application in for Leadership Canton 2016.

Please visit www.leadershipcanton.com for the application, program schedule, and other program information. All applications must be to the Canton Chamber of Commerce by Friday, January 15.

Please call 734-394-5185 with questions.

CDBG survey

During the coming months, Canton Township will be developing the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Five-Year Consolidated Plan. Public input is an essential part of this process.

The survey can be accessed online through February 1, at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/2B7CBTZ>. A link to the survey can also be found at www.canton-mi.org.

If you do not have internet access and would like to complete a paper survey, please visit the Canton Administration Building, Finance Department, 1150 Canton Center S. or contact Mike Sheppard at 394-5225 or mike.sheppard@canton-mi.org for copies of the paper survey.

The results will be used to inform community leaders on the allocation and use of CDBG funds. Answers will be confidential and no identifying information will be shared.

Earn Summit Bucks

Be sure to take advantage of the Summit's special promotion and earn \$10 worth of Summit Bucks for every \$50 you spend on eligible purchases January 1 -31. Summit Bucks can be redeemed for eligible Memberships and Health and Wellness purchases through February 28.

Eligible purchases include: Summit Memberships, Swim Lessons and eligible Health & Wellness Offerings (including Registered Fitness Classes, Personal Training Packages and Wellness Coaching Packages). Find all Summit Bucks details online at www.summitonthepark.org.

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 394-5460.



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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

JANUARY

- 1** Canton Administrations Building Closed. New Year Holiday.
- 5** Board of Trustees Study Session. Canceled.
- 11** Planning Commission Meeting. 7 p.m.
- 12** Board of Trustees Meeting. 7 p.m.
- 14** Zoning Board of Appeals. 7 p.m.
- 18** Canton Administration Building Closed. Martin Luther King Day.
- 19** Board of Trustees Study Session. Canceled.
- 20** DDA Board Meeting. 8 a.m.
- 20** The Emergency Food Assistance Program. 9:30 a.m. – 12 p.m. Call 394-5185.
- 26** Board of Trustees Meeting. 7 p.m.
- 26** Merit Commission Meeting. 5 p.m.

FEBRUARY

- 1** Planning Commission Meeting. 7 p.m.
- 2** Board of Trustees Study Session. 7 p.m.
- 8** Park Pavilion rentals begin. 9 a.m.
- 9** Board of Trustees Meeting. 7 p.m.
- 11** Zoning Board of Appeals. 7 p.m.
- 15** President's Day. Administration Building Closed.
- 16** Board of Trustees Study Session. Canceled.
- 16** Winter Taxes Due.

VILLAGE THEATER SCHEDULE

JANUARY 9

StageLab24. One Act Plays Written in 24 Hours. TLC Productions. 8 p.m. \$15

JANUARY 18

Canton Celebrates Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Canton Commission for Culture, Arts and Heritage. 6 p.m. \$2.

JANUARY 23

Cashore Marionettes-Simple Gifts. 2 p.m. \$12.

JANUARY 23

Cashore Marionettes-Life in Motion. 7 p.m. \$15

FEBRUARY 12

Bottle Rocket Carbarret in Concert! John Latini and Jamie-Sue Seal. Smokin' Sleddog Records. 7:30 p.m. \$20.

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

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