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— WE'VE GOT IT —

## ATTENTION--Trash collection routes to change starting November 4

Beginning the week of November 4, GFL will be going to a five-day collection schedule, a change to the current four-day schedule. This modification will ensure better service to our residents, providing more timely pickups of trash, yard waste and recycling. To see if your collection day has changed, please visit [www.canton-mi.org/trash](http://www.canton-mi.org/trash), or just click on the 'Trash Collection' icon on the bottom of the homepage.

### Schools are back in session – Drive safely!

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

Police officers will be focusing on traffic laws pertaining to school buses, school crosswalks and reduced speed limits in school zones. 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 boulevard-type highway, such as Michigan Avenue. To report on-going driver violations at a bus stop or crosswalk, call the Police Department at 734/394-5400.

### Hazardous Waste Round-up on September 7

Canton will hold its annual Hazardous Waste Round-Up on Saturday, September 7 from 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. at Canton's Public Works Building, 4847 Sheldon Road, just south of Michigan Avenue. This free event is open to Canton residents only. To obtain a detailed list of what will and will not be accepted, please call Public Works at 734/397-1011 or visit [www.canton-mi.org](http://www.canton-mi.org).

If you can't make the Canton collection, Wayne County will hold its final Household Hazardous Waste Collection on Saturday, October 19 from 8 a.m. - 2 p.m. at Wayne County Community College, located at 21000 Northline Road in Taylor.

This free event is open to Wayne County residents only and is 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](http://waynecounty.com).

### Chamber's Wine Tasting benefits the LiveLikeMax Foundation

This year's Canton Chamber of Commerce Wine Tasting is on Friday, September 20, 7-9 p.m., and will be held at Art Van in Canton. 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.

Fifty percent of all proceeds will benefit the LiveLikeMax Foundation. This foundation was created after the passing of Max Pardington, in order to bring awareness to the importance of healthy heart checks and to provide them FREE to all high school students. If Max had had a healthy heart check, he may be alive today. This event is sponsored by Beaumont and Jack Demmer Ford. For more information about this foundation please visit [www.livelikemax.org](http://www.livelikemax.org).

Tickets are \$35 in advance, \$40 at the door. To purchase tickets, call the Chamber office at 734/453-4040 or visit [www.cantonchamber.com](http://www.cantonchamber.com). Tickets can also be purchased at Holiday Market.



**This  
Month  
in  
Canton**

# STATUS

## A message from Supervisor Williams



We are pleased to announce that once again Canton Township has successfully completed another annual independent audit of its financial statements and internal control. Most are familiar with the employees they come in regular contact through our outstanding Public Safety Department and the fun team, as I like to call them, in the well qualified group of employees in the Leisure Services Departments that include the Theater, parks, Summit on the Park and golf courses. Throughout Canton Township, we have dedicated employees behind the scenes who work tirelessly to ensure the day-to-day operations, processes and finances are beyond reproach. The purpose of this month's focus article from me is to give a special shout out to those highly skilled individuals who give their all for Canton.

I'm so proud that we have been able to maintain our tradition of managing the revenues that flow through the Township that allow us to deliver the level of services that we do. I believe we have one of the strongest financial teams that I've seen in the state, which is confirmed when talking to Mayors and Supervisors from other communities in our region. Additionally, Canton again received the nationally recognized Government Finance Officers Association's Certificate of Achievement in Excellence in Financial Reporting for its Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for the 26th consecutive year.

Auditors from Plante Moran provided very positive feedback on the organization's people and processes in both the presentation of the audit results to the Township Board, and in a 12-page letter. The full letter and financial statements are available online at [www.canton-mi.org/343](http://www.canton-mi.org/343).

We should all appreciate the job well done.

## Canton DDA to host Shredding Event October 19

Canton's Downtown Development Authority (DDA) will host a Shredding Day event on Saturday, October 19 from 8:30–10:30 a.m. in the IKEA parking lot, located at 41640 Ford Road. This event is open to Canton residents only and ID will be required.

Canton residents can bring up to two boxes or bags of paper to shred. There is no limit to the size of the boxes/bags; however you must be able to lift them out of your vehicle unassisted. Please note, the two box/bag limit will be strictly enforced. All documents will be shredded on site and participants should be prepared for long lines, as this is expected to be a high volume event.

For questions about the event please call the DDA office at 734/394-5184.

## GFL Holiday Collection schedule and changes

Due to the Labor Day holiday, GFL will not collect refuse, recycling or yard waste on Monday, September 2 and all collections that week will be delayed by one day. GFL will resume their regular collection schedule on Monday, September 9.

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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](http://www.canton-mi.org) or call GFL at 844/464-3587.

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# FOCUS on Leisure Services

## Experience Canton culture and cuisine

In partnership with the Plymouth Canton Interfaith Community (ICO), Canton Leisure Services (CLS) expands its You Belong Here initiative, inviting residents to explore and celebrate Canton's rich diversity by attending the inaugural 'Culture & Cuisine' experience.

This unique program takes place on Friday, September 20 and 27 from 6 - 8:30 p.m. Round-trip shuttle service will pick guests up from the Summit on the Park and transport them to two unique destinations each night. Participating organizations include: Geneva Presbyterian, The Muslim Community of Western Suburbs (MCWS), Gurdwara Singh Sabha of Michigan, and the Hindu Temple.

Each faith house invites all ages to learn more about their neighbors through a very brief overview of their belief system, samples of cultural cuisine, and engaging musical performances. CLS and ICO hope that through these educational and enjoyable interactions, greater understanding, appreciation and acceptance will prosper in the community.

A very limited number of tickets will be available. A \$10 per person registration fee includes the full experience on both dates, and all proceeds will benefit the Interfaith Community Outreach.

## Do Good Expo to be held on 9/11

The Second Annual "Do Good Expo" will be held at the Summit on the Park on the National Day of Service and Remembrance, which is held annually on September 11.

Canton Leisure Services will gather dozens of local non-profit, volunteer, and service-based organizations in the Summit on the Park's Banquet Center, 46000 Summit Parkway. During this special event from all ages from 6-8 p.m., participants will be able learn about unique volunteer opportunities that are available locally.

Attendees of this free event can take part in one of our hands-on community service projects for all ages, purchase a raffle ticket or support local non-profits by donating the following: canned or pantry food items, new socks, lotion, shaving cream, razors, Chapstick, adult diapers, new toys, arts and craft supplies, new or used childrens' books, new winter hats and gloves and cleaning supplies.

For more information, visit [www.cantonfun.org](http://www.cantonfun.org).

## Heritage Park Story Trail grand opening

On Wednesday, September 11, a public ribbon-cutting ceremony will be held for the grand opening of the Heritage Park Story Trail. Presented in partnership by Canton Leisure Services, Canton Public Library, and Blue Cross Blue Shield, the Story Trail will feature pages of a children's book that are posted over several stations throughout the park. The official ceremony will begin at 5 p.m. at station one, located in the park near the west end of the Canton Public Library. Stop by before heading to the Do Good Expo that starts at 6 p.m. at the Summit on the same day. Find more information at [www.cantonfun.org](http://www.cantonfun.org).

## In the CLS Spotlight

### Virtual 5K to benefit Canton Parks

Canton Leisure Services is hosting a Virtual 5K (3.1 miles) during the month of September to raise funds for local recreation and park opportunities right here in Canton. Participants can run, walk, skateboard, SUP, bike, surf or swim a 5K anytime during the month of September and 50% of your registration fee will benefit local park improvement projects.

This fundraiser is an opportunity for ALL fitness levels to participate and run your own race...at your own pace...and support Canton parks while you're at it. Registration fees are just \$30 per person and include an online training program and a finisher's medal! Half of all registration fees will help put new shaded rest/water refill stations in Heritage Park.

Register at [www.mparksfoundation.org/virtual-5k](http://www.mparksfoundation.org/virtual-5k). For additional information, please visit [www.cantonfun.org](http://www.cantonfun.org).

# FOCUS on Leisure Services

## Special film series at The Village Theater

The Village Theater at Cherry Hill is pleased to announce the launch of a monthly Sensory Sensitive Movie Series starting on Sunday October 6, at 3 p.m. with a special showing of the movie Coco (Rated PG).

The Sensory Sensitive Movie series will feature movies with the sound turned down and the lights turned up to provide a comfortable viewing environment. Reduced capacity shows will allow for more space for moviegoers to walk around, sing, shout, dance, clap and talk. A limited number of weighted lap blankets, headphones and fidget devices will be available for checkout during your visit.

Canton Leisure Services, including the Village Theater, has received Sensory Inclusive Certification from KultureCity, a leading non-profit organization committed to creating more inclusive communities nationwide.

Tickets are \$5. For more information or to purchase tickets, please call 734/394-5300 or visit [www.cantonvillagetheater.org](http://www.cantonvillagetheater.org).

## Back-to-School Summit Membership Special

Make the Summit on the Park your fitness and recreation destination! From September 7 - 30, sign up for an Annual Membership and save 10%!

This special offer includes Annual Individual, Couples, Student, Senior and Family memberships (excluding Matinee and payment plans) and is only available at the Summit front desk.

For more information, please visit [www.summitonthepark.org](http://www.summitonthepark.org) or call Summit Membership Services at 734/394-5460.

## Pheasant Run Golf Club update

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. Located at 46500 Summit Parkway, Pheasant Run Golf Club offers challenging golf for all skill levels at a great price. Fall rates will be in effect from September 23 through the end of the season. Eighteen-hole fall rates Monday-Friday are \$39 from open to 4:50 p.m. and twilight is \$26 after 5 p.m. Saturday-Sunday are \$48 from open to 11:50 a.m. and \$39 from 12 - 3:20 p.m. and twilight is \$30 after 3:30 p.m.

For additional information and to reserve a tee time, visit [www.golfprgc.org](http://www.golfprgc.org) or call 734/397-6460.

## Summit Annual Maintenance Shutdown update

Summit members and guests are reminded that the Summit on the Park will close for its Annual Maintenance Shutdown beginning Monday, September 2 at noon and will re-open on Saturday, September 7, at 6 a.m. For more information, visit [www.summitonthepark.org](http://www.summitonthepark.org) or call the Summit front desk at 734/394-5460.

## Canton Club 55+ Senior Games

Calling all adults ages 55 and up! Canton will host its annual Senior Games from September 16-19, with an awards ceremony and luncheon scheduled for September 20. This year's games will kick off with the annual Golf Tournament at Fellows Creek, followed by a



number of indoor, field and court events. Competitions will include: Pickleball, Tennis, Euchre, Will Bowling, various field events and more! These games are open to Canton residents and non-residents, so tell your friends! Register today at online at [www.cantonfun.org](http://www.cantonfun.org) or by calling 734/394-5485.

## Canton Club 55+ Open House

Interested in learning what Canton Club 55+ has to offer? Stop by our Open House on Wednesday, September 25 from 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Enjoy light refreshments as you learn about programs and activities available for active adults.

For more information, visit [www.cantonfun.org](http://www.cantonfun.org) or call 734/394-5485.

## 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



## Lock It or Lose It

To reduce your chances of becoming a victim of theft from, or of, your vehicle, the Canton Police Department is advising residents to take the following simple precautions:

- Always lock your parked vehicle—in driveways, streets, and parking lots
- Don't leave valuables in your parked vehicle
- Do not leave key fobs inside parked vehicles (making it easy for would-be car thieves)
- If you observe suspicious activity around any parked vehicle, call 911

If you discover you've been the victim of a theft, call the Police Department's non-emergency line at 734/394-5400.

## Comedy hypnotist headlines Partnership fundraiser

Community Financial Credit Union is proud to present Comedy Hypnotist, Greg Steele on Saturday, October 5, 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 appetizers from Maraschino's Pub, Picnic Basket Marketplace and Beirut Bakery. Then, at 8 p.m., award-winning comedy hypnotist Greg Steele will take the stage providing a fun, interactive experience with more laughs than a stand-up comic. Audience members become the real stars of the show as they are invited to be hypnotized.

Tickets are \$30 per person including reception and can be purchased at [www.cantonvillagetheater.org](http://www.cantonvillagetheater.org) or by calling 734/394-5300.

Please help support the construction of the Village Arts Factory by contributing to the Partnership for the Arts and Humanities, a registered 501(c)3 organization. Visit [www.partnershipforarts.org](http://www.partnershipforarts.org) for more event details and giving forms or call 734/765-7061.

## Treasurer Slavens' Corner

I hope you have had a great summer! It is hard to believe that September is here and school is back in session. A quick reminder, your Summer taxes are due by Monday, September 16. After this date an interest charge of 1% per month will be added. Our office hours are 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Monday-Friday. However, we will extend our office hours until 6 p.m. on Tuesday, September 3, as well as Tuesday, September 10. If you are unable to stop by our office, you can pay by mail, our 24-hour drop box, online at [www.canton-mi.org/304](http://www.canton-mi.org/304), or by phone (IVR), 833/679-1711.

The Water Billing department has been getting a lot of positive response to the new bi-monthly (every other month) billing. Many residents have found the new bill to be helpful with budgeting and earlier leak detection. There has also been an increase in residents signing up for the eUtilities which is a great tool for looking up your water/sewer bill as well as the history of water usage. Residents can pay their water/sewer bill at the Treasurer's office, by mail, 24-hour drop box, online, by phone (IVR) or sign up for direct deposit.

We have a new website that I hope you have been able to check out. It has a lot of great information regarding your Summer taxes as well as when your water bill is due, water/sewer rates, how to sign up for eUtilities and how to sign up for direct deposit.

As always, we continue to work on improving services to our Canton residents. If you ever have questions or concerns, please call my office at 734/394-5130.

## Canton Neighbors and Newcomers

The Canton Neighbors and Newcomers invite all area women, regardless of how long you have lived here, to meet your neighbors on Wednesday, September 4, at 7 p.m. The free event will be at the Hanford Clubhouse, 45800 Hanford Road. Light refreshments will be served. Visit [www.cantonwomen.com](http://www.cantonwomen.com) or call Nancy Ellenberger at 734/812-4119 for more information.



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# FOCUS

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## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

### SEPTEMBER

- 2** Labor Day. Administration Building closed.
- 3** Board of Trustees Study Session. Canceled.
- 7** Canton's Household Hazardous Waste Round-Up. 9 a.m. – 2 p.m. DPW facility. 4847 Sheldon Rd. 734/397-1011.
- 9** Planning Commission Meeting. 7 p.m.
- 10** Board of Trustees Meeting. 7 p.m.
- 11** Do Good Expo. 6 – 8 p.m. Summit on the Park.
- 12** Zoning Board of Appeals. 7 p.m.
- 13** Canton Clean Up: Recycling Only. 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. 42100 Van Born.
- 17** Board of Trustees Study Session. 6 p.m.
- 18** DDA Board of Directors Meeting. 8 a.m.
- 18** The Emergency Food Assistance Program. 9:30 a.m. – 12 p.m. Summit Banquet Center. Call 734/394-5185.
- 24** Board of Trustees Meeting. 7 p.m.
- 25** Wayne County Commissioner Daub Town Hall meeting. 7 p.m. Summit on the Park.
- 28** Canton Clean Up and Recycling. 8 a.m. – 4 p.m. 42100 Van Born.

### OCTOBER

- 1** Board of Trustees Study Session. 6 p.m.
- 5** Howl at the Moon. 6 – 8 p.m. Canton Dog Park.

## VILLAGE THEATER SCHEDULE

### SEPTEMBER ART EXHIBITION

“Women - Compositions in Color”  
Graciela Bustos, Ilham Mahfouz, and Madalyn Rieksts. Reception September 9. Free and open to the public. 7– 9 p.m.

### SEPTEMBER ART WORKSHOP

Art & Yoga Workshop. September 18. 6 p.m. \$20.

### SEPTEMBER 6

Jazz & Jeans featuring Althea Rene WSG  
Demetrius Nabors. Kappa Foundation. 7 p.m. \$40 - \$50.

### SEPTEMBER 7

Comedy Night at the Village Theater!  
Justin Siekierka. 7:30 p.m. \$14 - \$16.

### SEPTEMBER 13-15, 20-22

Mamma Mia! Spotlight Players.  
7:30 p.m. (Friday and Saturday) 2 p.m. (Sunday). \$16 - \$18.

### SEPTEMBER 28

Julliard String Quartet. Chamber Music Society of Detroit. 7:30 p.m. \$25 – 45.

### SEPTEMBER 27-29 (Biltmore Studio)

Love & Comedy: An Evening of Opera and Operetta. Main Street Opera Theatre. 7:30 p.m. (Friday & Saturday) 2 p.m. (Sunday). \$10 - \$22.

**For tickets, visit [cantonvillagetheater.org](http://cantonvillagetheater.org) or call 394-5300 ext. 3**