

# S U C C E S S

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## 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.

### Holiday trash collection schedule

Residents are advised to make note of the GFL collection schedule during the holiday months.

**Thanksgiving:** There will be no collection on Thursday, November 28. All Thursday and Friday collection routes will be delayed by one day that week.

**Christmas:** There will be no collection on Wednesday, December 25. All Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday collection routes will be delayed by one day that week.

**New Year's Day:** There will be no collection on Wednesday, January 1, 2020. All Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday collection routes will be delayed by one day that week.

For questions or more information, please visit [www.canton-mi.org](http://www.canton-mi.org) or call GFL at 844/464-3587.

### Yard waste collection ends December 6

Curbside pickup of residential yard waste will end on Friday, December 6, and will not resume until April, 2020.

### Send us your recycling questions!

Canton is in the process of developing a comprehensive educational campaign on recycling and we need your help. Residents are asked to please email any questions about our recycling program to [municipalservices@canton-mi.org](mailto:municipalservices@canton-mi.org). We will use this feedback to guide our key messages.



## Canton Chamber hosts Ultimate Ladies Night Out

Join the Canton Chamber for the Ultimate Ladies Night Out: My Image My Closet. On November 15, women from Canton and surrounding communities will be converging at The Village Theater starting at 5 p.m. for an evening of shopping and fashion! This event will host a Pop Up Shop featuring: jewelry, makeup/skincare and fashion items/accessories. Local celebrities will then hit the catwalk during the Style Show showcasing fashions of Ann Taylor and more. The Style Show will include a segment that will demonstrate how to refresh items in your closet. There will also be a keynote presentation, First Impressions: Branding The New You. Tickets are \$20/person and includes appetizers/desserts, cash bar and entry into Style Show. A portion of the proceeds will benefit Canton's two youth leadership programs Lead Like A Girl and Be A Model Man. There will also be drop boxes available for attendees to donate clothing items to women in need. In addition, FREE child care will be provided for all mothers who are attending this event. Child Care services will be provided by College Nannies, Sitters and Tutors, the official child care service provider of the Detroit Tigers.

Purchase tickets online at [www.cantonchamber.com](http://www.cantonchamber.com) or by calling 734/453-4040.

# This Month in Canton

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## Canton Goodfellows “No Child without a Christmas”

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 opportunities for residents to participate:

- Join the Canton Goodfellows, Canton Leisure Services, and EZ Run Events in the “No Child without a Christmas 5K” Run/Walk. This event will be held on Sunday, December 8, at the Summit on the Park. For more details, including registration and sponsorship opportunities, visit [www.ezrunevents.com/xmas-5k-run-walk](http://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 administrative offices located in the Canton Administration Building.
- Contribute to the annual food drive at Holiday Market in Canton from Friday, November 22 – Sunday, November 24. A list of needed items will be available to shoppers and volunteers will be on hand to collect them.
- Support this year’s campaign with a donation by visiting [www.cantongoodfellows.org](http://www.cantongoodfellows.org), or mail a check to Canton Goodfellows, P.O. Box 87532, Canton, MI 48187.

Please help bring joy to the less fortunate this holiday season. For more information, visit [cantongoodfellows.org](http://cantongoodfellows.org).

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## Seniors: Safe, Sound & Secure seminar

Public Safety is partnering with Leisure Services for its annual Seniors: Safe, Sound & Secure seminar on Wednesday, November 6, from 12 - 3 p.m., at the Summit on the Park, 46000 Summit Parkway in Canton.

Topics for this year’s free event for senior citizens includes personal safety, current trending scams, and fraud protection. Lunch and dessert are provided.

Space is limited; pre-registration is required by calling the Canton Senior Desk at 734/394-5485.

## Prescription Drug Drop Box

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

This box is available to the public 24/7 for dropping off pills only, no liquids or needles allowed. Large pill bottles will not fit, so pills should be emptied into a plastic bag for disposal.

## Gourmet Thanksgiving dinners available

Are you hosting Thanksgiving this year? Do you want to save time and energy on the planning and shopping? Katherine’s Catering, the Summit on the Park’s exclusive caterer, is once again offering an incredible deal for Thanksgiving Dinner!

For \$259, you can order a Thanksgiving Dinner Package that serves 10-12 guests, with plenty of additional side options available to personalize your holiday meal. This dinner package includes traditional Thanksgiving favorites. With options for pick-up or delivery, and a choice of a hot and ready meal or one that’s ready to re-heat (with instructions), you can’t beat the convenience and quality of a Katherine’s Thanksgiving! Check out this Thanksgiving Dinner Menu at [katherines.com](http://katherines.com), and call 734/930-4270 to place your order today. Orders must be placed by 5 p.m. on November 22.

## Historical Society hosts holiday event

The Canton Historical Society will present “A Holiday Tea,” on Saturday, December 7 from 1-3 p.m. at the Bartlett-Travis House, located at 500 North Ridge Road.

Spend an afternoon at a historic Canton house decorated for Christmas! Enjoy live music, tea, sandwiches, and small desserts, plus learn a bit of history. Tickets are \$25 and available at the Summit on the Park. Seating is limited--reserve your tickets soon!

# FOCUS on Leisure Services

## 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 \$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 \$125. Check with your employer, because employees of some businesses are eligible for discounted passes! For route schedule information, visit [myexpressride.org](http://myexpressride.org).

## Youth soccer classes

The Canton Soccer Club is offering youth soccer classes for ages 3 - 14. Classes are held on Friday and Saturday mornings at High Velocity Sports through winter. To register visit [www.cantonsoccerclub.com](http://www.cantonsoccerclub.com)

## Volunteers needed for Canton's Meals on Wheels

Wayne County's Meals on Wheels program runs Monday-Friday out of the auxiliary kitchen at the Summit on the Park. Meals are picked up by volunteers in the kitchen at 10:30 a.m. There are approximately 11-15 homes on a route, all of which are located in Canton. Canton Leisure Services is looking for volunteers that can commit to one day per week. Routes are available on Mondays and Wednesdays. Substitutes are available, if you should need a day off.

Interested parties will be required to complete Canton's volunteer application. Call Paula Kosbe at 734/394-5191 or email [paula.kosbe@cantonfun.org](mailto:paula.kosbe@cantonfun.org) for more information on volunteering for the Meals on Wheels program.

## Canton Community Foundation hosts "A Night of Impact"

Join the Canton Community Foundation on Wednesday, November 13, from 5:30-8:30 p.m. for an evening of issues and activism at the first-ever "Night of Impact" at the Village Theatre at Cherry Hill. This event will showcase critical issues facing the community and give you a chance to mingle with local politicians and community activists, ask questions during panel discussions, and learn about ways you can get involved in local nonprofits to make a difference in your community. They'll even provide dinner! This is a FREE event, but please RSVP at [www.CantonFoundation.org](http://www.CantonFoundation.org) or call 734/495-1200.

## In the CLS Spotlight

### Summit receives Christopher & Dana Reeve Foundation Grant

The Summit on the Park's Aquatic Center recently received a High Impact Priority Quality of Life Grant from the Christopher & Dana Reeve Foundation National Paralysis Resource Center (PRC). The \$10,831 award was one of several grants awarded by the Reeve Foundation as part of its Seven High Impact Grants totaling \$232,266 and 73 Direct Effect Quality of Life Grants totaling \$1,244,263. The Quality of Life Grants Program supports nonprofit organizations that empower individuals living with paralysis.

The Summit on the Park Aquatic Center has used this grant to purchase four aquatic wheelchairs, as well as adaptive swimming aids. These new features will enable individuals with special needs to independently enter and exit pool areas without using their own wheelchairs, which could potentially become damp or wet. Additional adaptable water items will also be available, all free of charge, to members of the public with disabilities to assist with water navigation. For more information, visit [www.summitonthepark.org](http://www.summitonthepark.org) or call 734/394-5460.

# FOCUS on Leisure Services

## 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 straight 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](http://www.cantonfun.org).

## Breakfast with Santa is back!

Bring the entire family to the Summit on the Park on Saturday, December 7, 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.

Tickets must be purchased in advance at the Summit of the Park or, new this year, online at [www.cantonfun.org](http://www.cantonfun.org). Tickets are on sale November 1-29. Seating is reserved by table location only on a first-come, first-served basis. For additional information, call 734/394-5460.

## Historic District Commission position available

The Canton Historic District Commission is accepting applications for a non-paid, board-appointed position for a three-year term. The purpose of the commission is to safeguard the heritage of the Township by preserving the historic districts. Individuals with a demonstrated interest in historic preservation and those who have a knowledge of historic preservation are encouraged to apply. Specifically, individuals with backgrounds in architecture, history, planning, archeology, urban planning, American Studies, cultural geography or anthropology, as well as those with backgrounds in law, business, government and community organizations are also encouraged to apply.

Interested residents should send a cover letter and resume to Gregg King, Canton Township Historic District Commission Staff Liaison, 1150 S. Canton Center, Canton, MI 48188. Application information will be accepted through December 20.

## In the Village Theater spotlight

On November 11, Canton will honor area service men and service women who have served or who are currently serving in the Armed Forces at our annual **Salute To Service** event at The Village Theater at Cherry Hill, located at 50400 Cherry Hill Road. Doors open for this free event at 6 p.m., with the stage presentation scheduled to begin at 7 p.m. including key note speaker Michael Harris, President of the Michigan Paralyzed Veterans of America and a special recognition of Tom Houdek, WWII Veteran and POW. Featured performances include the Workmen Elementary Choir under the direction of Keri L. Mueller, the Willow Run "Tribute" Rosie the Riveter Troupe, and the Harmony Motown Chorus. Donations to the VA Ann Arbor Health System will also be accepted. Suggested items include items for snack packs such as granola bars, portable meal kits and cracker packs; sweat pants, zip up hoodies and short-sleeved colored tees in sizes M-5XL; and large bottles of body wash, shampoo and conditioner. For a complete list of suggested donation items, please visit [www.cantonvillagetheater.org](http://www.cantonvillagetheater.org).

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 23. This cultural and educational festival, which will be held from 11:30 a.m. – 5 p.m., will offer participants entertainment and experiences celebrating diverse customs and traditions on the main stage of The Village Theater. Celebrate the diversity of the Canton community through song and dance from various cultural groups. Tickets are just \$2 at the door (cash only, please). This event is presented by the Multicultural Committee of the Canton Commission for Culture, Arts and Heritage.

For additional information, please visit [www.cantonvillagetheater.org](http://www.cantonvillagetheater.org).



## 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



## 17th Annual Turkey Trot

Lace up your running shoes and join us in supporting the Epilepsy Foundation of Michigan on Thursday, November 28! These 5K chip-timed and 1-mile events 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 at [www.cantonfun.org/919](http://www.cantonfun.org/919). Those registered by November 8 are guaranteed a race T-Shirt. For more information, call 734/483-5600.

## Annual Tree Lighting celebration

Kick off the holiday season with Canton's annual Tree Lighting event on Wednesday, December 4 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, visit [www.cantonfun.org](http://www.cantonfun.org).

## Neighborhood Know-How

The next Neighborhood Know-How event will take place at Summit on the Park on Thursday, November 7 at 6 p.m. Neighborhood Know-How is designed for Homeowner and Condo Association Board members, but anyone is welcome to attend. The next session will deal with questions submitted by our HOA and Condo Board members – public safety, ordinance, and attorneys will be present to help answer all inquiries. To RSVP, please call 734/394-5185.

## Treasurer Slavens' Corner

Happy November! Recently residents have asked about when they can pay their winter tax bill. We will mail winter property tax bills on December 1. The bill will be due February 14, 2020. Winter property taxes cover you from December 1, 2019 - November 30, 2020.

We have new tools for our residents, when it comes to their water/sewer bill. Residents can pay over the phone (Interactive voice response: 1-833-679-1711) and e-Utilities which have been very successful. We are currently working on e-bills for your water/sewer bill, which I plan to introduce in the New Year!

I am sure many residents have had the opportunity to winterize their outdoor faucets, pipes, plumbing and sprinkler systems. It is also a good idea to take a look at your water meter (found in either your basement or crawl space) and familiarize yourself with your water meter. It is best to keep items away from your meter. To read your water meter, read the numbers left to right. The numbers are represented in thousands of gallons. Keeping an eye on your water usage is helpful in detecting leaks early.

With the colder weather Canton has many residents who spend winter months in a warmer climate. If you are gone for any length of time it is important to know that water bills are not forwarded. If you wish to have your water/sewer bill mailed to a different address, please call our Water Billing office at 734/394-5240 with the temporary address you would like it mailed to, remembering to change it back when you return.

Another housekeeping announcement to our residents; please keep storm drains in our neighborhood streets cleared. Often leaves, grass and debris will run onto the storm drains blocking them. Keeping the drains cleared, allows water to freely flow into the drains. Whether it is the cold winter months (keeping the snow and ice cleared from the storm drains) or during our rainy season, a heavy rain can cause street flooding when the storm drains are blocked.

With the change of season I hope everyone has a safe and wonderful autumn and a very happy Thanksgiving! If you ever have questions or concerns please do not hesitate to call my office at 734/394-5131 or e-mail me at [dian.slavens@canton-mi.org](mailto:dian.slavens@canton-mi.org).



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# FOCUS

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## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

### NOVEMBER

- 4** Planning Commission Meeting. 7 p.m.
- 5** Board of Trustees Study Session. Canceled.
- 6** Newcomers and Neighbors General Meeting. 7 p.m. Hanford Clubhouse (45800 Hanford Road).
- 11** Veteran's Day. Administration Building closed.
- 11** Salute to Service event. 6 p.m. Village Theater. Free.
- 12** Board of Trustees Meeting. 7 p.m.
- 14** Zoning Board of Appeals. 7 p.m.
- 19** Board of Trustees Study Session. 6 p.m.
- 20** DDA Board of Directors Meeting. 8 a.m.
- 20** The Emergency Food Assistance Program. 9:30 a.m. – 12 p.m. Summit Banquet Center.
- 22** Canton Cleanup: Recycling only. 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. 42100 Van Born.
- 23** International Festival. 11:30 a.m. - 5 p.m. Village Theater. \$2.
- 26** Board of Trustees Meeting. 7 p.m.
- 28** Thanksgiving Day: Administration Building closed.
- 28** Annual Turkey Trot 5K. 9 a.m.
- 29** Day after Thanksgiving: Administration Building closed.

### DECEMBER

- 2** Planning Commission Meeting. 7 p.m.

## VILLAGE THEATER

### SCHEDULE

#### NOVEMBER ART EXHIBITION

Ann Arbor Fiberarts Guild. Reception on November 6 from 7 - 9 p.m. Free and open to the public.

#### NOVEMBER ART WORKSHOP:

Wine & Weave - November 20, 6 p.m. \$20.

#### NOVEMBER 1-3 (Biltmore Studio)

Proposals by Neil Simon. Better Than Ever Productions. Fri-Sat at 7 p.m. and Sunday at 2 p.m. \$16 - \$18.

#### NOVEMBER 2

Imani Winds with Tian Tian. Chamber Music Society of Detroit. 7:30 p.m. \$10 - \$45.

#### NOVEMBER 7-10 (Biltmore Studio)

Calendar Girls. Spotlight Players. Thu-Sat at 7:30 p.m. and Sat-Sun at 2 p.m. \$16 - \$18.

#### NOVEMBER 9

Pokémon Detective Pikachu – Sensory Sensitive Family Showing. 10 a.m. \$5.

#### NOVEMBER 9

The Ultimate McCartney Experience. Music Legends Live LLC. 7:30 p.m. \$15 - \$25.

#### NOVEMBER 16-17 (Biltmore Studio)

Casting Family. TLC Productions. 8 p.m. on Saturday. 2 p.m. on Sunday. \$15.

#### NOVEMBER 17

The Shining Stars – Companions of the Prophet Muhammad (pbuh). Shajara Tayyiba School. 2:30 p.m. \$10.

#### NOVEMBER 27-28, 30

Disney's Frozen Jr. Evalino Productions. Wed-Thur at 7:30 p.m., Sat at 4:30 p.m., 7:30 p.m. \$16 - \$18.