



THE CANTON TOWNSHIP

Bulletin

www.cantontwp-oh.gov

Winter 2018

CONTACT INFORMATION:

TRUSTEES

William G. Mittas, *President*
b.mittas@cantontwp-oh.gov

Mark R. Shaffer, *Vice President*
m.shaffer@cantontwp-oh.gov

Christopher B. Nichols
c.nichols@cantontwp-oh.gov

FISCAL OFFICER

Ron Smith
r.smith@cantontwp-oh.gov

FIRE CHIEF

Christopher Smith
c.smith@cantontwp-oh.gov
Phone: (330) 484-6165

ROAD /ZONING / PARKS DIRECTOR

Jonathan Smith
j.smith@cantontwp-oh.gov

TOWNSHIP OFFICE

4711 Central Ave SE
Canton OH 44707
Ph. (330) 484-2501
Fax: (330) 484-2556

TOWNSHIP MEETINGS

All regular meetings will be on
alternate Tuesdays at 6:30 pm at
the Township Office, unless noted
otherwise.



Welcome to Our Activities Coordinator

See page 3



Fire Department Safe Home Project

See page 5



Disc Golfcourse Opens at Faircrest Park

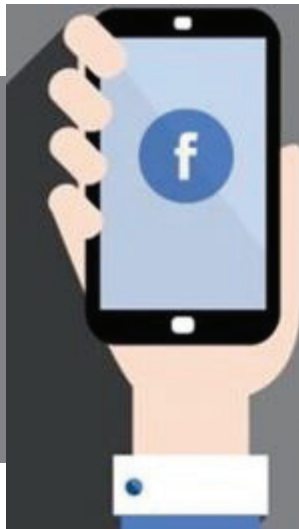
See page 6

Winter Weather Updates

See page 8



*Stay Connected
What's Happening
in Canton Township?*



Canton Township Fire Department
Canton Township Community Center
Canton Township Road and Park
Departments

FOLLOW US

Stay in the know! Join our township email list to receive updates, events and notifications. Send your email address to News@cantontwp-oh.gov. Follow us on Facebook

Collaboration Meeting Conducted



The November 13, 2018 Canton Township Board Meeting held at Station #2 in Waco was the fourth in a continuing series of meetings held between officials from Canton Local Schools and the township.

Ohio Township Association Scholarships

Township officials provided Canton Local with scholarship application paperwork as the Ohio Township Association, which Canton Township is a member of, is offering scholarships again this year. Eligibility requirements and other specific details are included within the paperwork and can be requested from the school. Deadline for all applications to be received is Monday, January 28, 2019.

Community Center Pancake Breakfast

Residents enjoyed two delicious Community Center Fundraiser Pancake Breakfasts this summer.



COMMUNITY CENTER NEWS

Your Community Center has had a busy 2018

The Canton Township Community Center (in the former Amos McDannel School) is hopping with activity almost every day of the week. The use/demand of the center has rapidly increased over the last couple years. The building is used by the school district sports teams, dance classes, karate lessons, community groups, open gym nights as well as exercise classes and senior activity functions. The center is available for rentals of the gymnasium, cafeteria, and community room.



The following is a summary of number of days that all the different groups and rentals used the Community Center;

TOPS 208	Dance Classes 104	Basketball 111
Soccer 44	Zumba Class 38	Softball 12
Bingo 3	Girls Scouts 11	Quilter Group 7
Training 4	Board Games Days 4	Parties 64
Pickle Ball 4	Christmas Mart 2	3 Cs 4
Meetings including Crime Watch & Trustees 8		

If you are interested in renting the center for a function, please contact Susan at 330-484-6165 or email her at s.schnegg@cantontwp-oh.gov.

We now have an Activities Coordinator for the Community Center. Please welcome **Jill Miller**. Jill is volunteering her time in this role. In her position she will be promoting the use of the center and is coordinating regular activities for the senior citizens of Canton Township with her **JoyFULL Life** program. This fall the center has begun hosting bingo, board games days, and the 3 Cs (Cards, Coffee & Conversation) and planning has started for additional activities such as a walking club, exercise



classes, and old-fashioned sock hops. **All activities are free**, and refreshments are served.

If you are interested in any activities or have a suggestion you can contact Jill at 330-639-4994 or email her at comcoordinator@cantontwp-oh.gov.

Current & Upcoming Activities Schedule

Games People Play

on the 1st & 3rd Wednesdays from 1-3pm

Cards, Coffee & Conversation

on the 2nd & 4th Tuesdays from 1-3pm

Bingo is offered on the 3rd Monday of the month
March 13th from 1-3pm

"Spring Splat & Splash" Painting & beverages
with Steveanna Log April 3rd at 1pm

"Spring is Coming"

wreath making by Lilyfield Lane Flowers & Gifts



*Like us on Facebook at
Canton Township Community Center*



Do You Need a Smoke Detector?



Every home should have a working smoke detector on every level. Does your home have them? Canton Township Fire Department has smoke detectors available to our residents who need them. The department can also come to your home and give recommendations for detector locations and install the detectors for you. Anyone interested in this service can contact our Fire Prevention Bureau at 330-484-6165.

Tips to Keep Safe This Winter

Portable Heaters & Wood Burners

- Use kerosene heaters and space heaters according to the manufacturer's instructions.
- Alternative heaters need their space. Keep anything combustible at least three feet away.
- Make sure alternative heaters have "tip switches," which are designed to automatically turn off the heater in the event they tip over.
- Do not use the kitchen oven range to heat your home. In addition to being a fire hazard, it can be a source of toxic fumes.
- Never refill a space heater while it is operating or still hot.
- Refuel heaters only outdoors.
- Make sure wood stoves are properly installed, and at least three feet away from combustible materials. Ensure they have the proper floor support and adequate ventilation. Feel free to contact our Fire Prevention office for more information about stove installation codes.



Additional Tips

- Be careful when using candles. Keep the flame away from combustible objects and out of the reach of children.
- Make certain that your home has smoke alarms and they are in proper working order.
- Some smoke alarms may be dependent on your home's electrical service and could be inoperative during a power outage. Check to see if your smoke alarms use a back-up battery and install a new battery at least once a year.
- Smoke alarms should be installed on every level of your home and inside and outside of sleeping areas.
- All smoke alarms should be tested monthly. All batteries should be replaced with new ones at least once a year.
- If there is a fire hydrant near your home, keep it clear of snow, ice and debris for easy access by the fire department.
- Never run cords under rugs or carpets where heat might build up or damage to a cord may go unnoticed.
- Use a generator or other fuel-powered machines outside the home. CO (carbon monoxide) fumes are odorless and can quickly overwhelm you indoors.



Canton Township Fire Department

would like to announce a new community service program for our residents.

Safe Home

Home Fall Prevention and Safety Evaluation Program



Every **20 minutes** an older adult dies from a fall in the United States. Many more are injured.

Take a stand to prevent falls

STEAD Stopping Elderly Accidents, Deaths & Injuries



The Home Safe program was established to assist our residents in evaluating the safety of their homes. The primary focus will be assisting the elderly with trip and fall prevention, medication education, and general questions/concerns. We will have a representative meet with the resident and/or family members to evaluate each individual situation. We will then make recommendations and discuss resources that are available to assist with each individual situation.



W.C. Griffith Disc Golfcourse Grand Opening

The W.C. Griffith Disc Golf Grand Opening was a huge success. The morning started with a ribbon cutting ceremony with our hole sponsors followed by a free clinic, hole-in-one contest and tournament. Thank you to our hole sponsors: The Pizza Oven, W.C. Griffith Sons & Family, 2018 Canton Township Elected Officials, Milhoan Asphalt Inc., Quonset Hut, Scott & Edie Hamilton Foundation, D. Griffith & Sons Inc., Smith's Waco Market and T.E. Griffith. Pictured is the ribbon cutting and inaugural ring of fire.



Open Mic Night At Faircrest Park

Another collaboration between Canton Township and Canton Local Schools. Though chilly, the 1st ever open mic night at Faircrest Park was a success. Students enjoyed showcasing their musical talent in the park. Special thanks to Amy Bush, Vocal Music Director CSHS, for helping coordinate the event and Dominick Giovannelli, Thompson's Entertainment, for providing sound equipment.



Movie Night In The Park



The sounds of Jazz Workshop and movies under the stars made Faircrest Park come alive this summer. Two free nights of fun for the whole family to enjoy.

Community Park on Oyer has closed for the season.

Faircrest Park will be open year round to allow access to the walking track and Disc Golf.

Faircrest Park Walking Track

Residents and the CSHS Cross Country team have already started to enjoy the newly installed walking track at Faircrest Park. The outer loop is a ½ mile and the inner loop is ¼ mile.



Road Levy Dollars At Work Yard Waste Site Closing

All of the 2018 road resurfacing projects have been completed. Close to 10 miles of township roads were resurfaced this year. Pictured above is a section of Faircrest ST SE that was paved and striped this past week.



The Board will be considering at its December 18th meeting closing the site, possibly as soon as December 31, 2018, or shortly thereafter (allowing for Christmas tree collection). This consideration is necessary as the Stark-Tuscarawas-Wayne Joint Solid Waste Management District explained in their recent newsletter (mailed to district residents) budgetary constraints will continue into 2019, thereby passing along more of the cost to run yard waste programs to local governments. Our yard waste site reopened in April and through November 30, 2018, Canton Township received \$30,814 in grant funding from the district against \$51,224 in total expenses. This cost includes \$38,900 in removal container fees as well as labor, fuel, and other miscellaneous expenses



Winter Weather Update

Acquiring and storing road salt remains a major challenge for the township. The dilapidated salt shed continues to deteriorate and the road salt supply is expected to be worse than last year due to salt mining production. The Board authorized the Road Superintendent to proactively purchase 500 tons of road salt to be stored at the Lake Township storage facility. Thanks to Lake Township for their ongoing cooperative efforts.

As a reminder, a snow parking ban will be implemented when snowfall reaches 2 inches. All vehicles must be removed from the roadway so that road crews can safely perform necessary road maintenance. Vehicles not removed from roadways are subject to being towed at the owner's expense. Announcements of the snow parking ban will be on made on WHBC, road department facebook page and the Canton Township email notification system.



ZONING NEWS

Grant Funding Approved to Help Offset Teardown Cost

The board approved to sign a funding agreement between Canton Township and Stark County Land Reutilization Corporation. This grant will help offset the teardown and cleanup cost of 2630 6th ST SE.

***Reutilization on Whipple Avenue***

The Zoning Department applied for a grant through the US Environmental Protection Agency under the Stark County Brownfield Program to remove the underground storage tanks at 1652 Whipple Ave NW. Also, a \$100,000 grant was received through the Stark County Land Reutilization Corp to clean up this property.

High Grass Nuisance Assessments

In 2018, 195 letters were sent from the zoning department to notify property owners of high grass nuisance. 71 properties were mowed by the property owners and 124 were mowed by Canton Township. \$85,850 in assessments were placed on the tax duplicate as a lien. A total of \$ 52,197.19 was collected from previously assessed properties.





CANTON LOCAL SCHOOLS

PRESENTS

Fine Arts Events

11.9-10	Canton South HS Musical Addams Family	7:00 p.m.
11.11	Canton South HS Musical Addams Family	2:00 p.m.
11.30	Sound of South Spaghetti Dinner Show	5:00 p.m.
12.1	Chorus for a Cause Community Holiday Concert	7:00 p.m.
12.8	Jingle with Kris Kringle Holiday Event	12:00 p.m.
12.11	Canton South HS Holiday Choir Concert	7:00 p.m.
12.13	Faircrest Middle School Vocal Holiday Concert	7:00 p.m.
12.17	Holiday Bands-In-The-Round Concert	7:00 p.m.
3.7-9	Faircrest Middle School Musical The Lion King, Jr.	7:00 p.m.
3.12	Canton South HS MIOSM Band Concert	7:00 p.m.
3.21	Canton South HS Talent Show	7:00 p.m.
4.15-16	Canton South HS Arts Festival	5:00 p.m.
4.24	Canton South HS Theatre Class performance	7:00 p.m.
4.26	Canton South HS Senior Choir & Theatre Showcase	7:00 p.m.
5.2	Canton South HS Night of Jazz	7:00 p.m.
5.3	Canton South HS Spring Choir Concert	7:00 p.m.
5.7	Canton South HS Spring Band Pops Concert	7:00 p.m.
5.14	Faircrest Middle School Band Concert	7:00 p.m.
5.16	Faircrest Middle School Vocal Spring Concert	7:00 p.m.
5.20-21	Walker Sings!	7:00 p.m.

Check the Canton Local School District website at cantonlocal.org for details, updates and ticket information.

Thank you for supporting Canton Local Fine Arts!

Canton South High School



Performing Arts Center

600 Faircrest St SE, Canton, OH 44707 • 330-484-8010





This Winter Remember to...

Use the Right S.A.L.T.

STUFF

Road salt (sodium chloride) only works above 15°F. For colder temperatures use sand for added traction, or switch to an ice melting product designed to work at colder temperatures.

AMOUNT

Spreading more salt does not improve deicing. One 12 ounce coffee cup full of salt is enough to cover about 10 sidewalk squares. There should be about 3 inches between salt granules. Be sure to sweep up any excess salt.

LOCATION

Salt only belongs on your sidewalk and driveway and never on your lawn, flower beds, the base of a tree and definitely not in a stream! One teaspoon of salt permanently pollutes 5 gallons of water.

TIME

Salt works best when it is applied before the snow falls or right after snow is removed from your driveway or sidewalk. Never apply salt when rain is in the forecast, as it will wash away into our waterways.



For more information on how to reduce storm water pollution, contact us at 330 -451 -7645 or visit our website at www.starkswcd.org



Canton Township

4711 Central Avenue SE

Canton, Ohio 44707

www.cantontwp-oh.gov

PRESORTED
STANDARD
U.S. POSTAGE
PAID
CANTON, OH
PERMIT NO. 149

