

Hedging Our Bets On the Move Always Advancing to Better Serve the HOA

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The Board wishes all the residents of the RiverWoods Subdivision good tidings and a joyful holiday season.

<u>Dogs</u> - Please clean up dog poop from the lawns when walking your pooch. Also, keep your pups on a leash; this is a Canton Ordinance and you can be ticketed.

<u>Dues Information</u> - Annual dues will remain at \$300.00 and are due on or before February 28, 2023.

<u>Annual Meeting</u> - The Annual Meeting will be scheduled for next year in the spring.

Parking - There is no parking on either of the Courts (Shagbark & Pond Run) at any time by residents or guests. Pursuant to Canton Ordinance, please do not park in the fire lanes of the subdivision; guests should be advised as well. Having a vehicle parked in a fire lane could be dangerous if emergency vehicles were trying to gain entrance for a fire or EMS situation. Also, there should be no parking on the lawn, as this is also against Canton Ordinance.

<u>Street Tree Maintenance</u> - Please ensure street trees are trimmed to no lower than 7 ft. above the road.

<u>**Drains</u></u> - If you have drains in front of or on the side of your home, or in your backyard, please clear the leaves and debris from the drains. This ensures the continuous flow of water into the drains and will prevent potential backups.</u>**

NOTE: For proper delivery of the newsletter, please ensure your house number is prominently displayed on your mailbox.

NOTE: LAWN & PROPERTY MAINTENANCE

- Weeds and grass growing in driveways need to be cleared
- Tree debris needs to be cleared from street
- Weeds need to be pulled from around street trees
- Bricks/pavers around trees need to be maintained
- Clean weeds from the streets in front of your house



HANDYMAN QUICK TIPS

When you need a small amount of paint, don't pour it out of the can. Use an old soup ladle. You won't mess up the can rim or slop paint down the side, and you can ladle out exactly what you need. Use a permanent marker to write the exact oil blend for your two-cycle engine on any clean surface of the tool. It'll save you from trying to find your manual or grabbing the wrong mix. (©2022 Home Service Publications, Inc. All rights reserved.)

DID YOU KNOW A Canton Fun Fact!

HISTORY OF CADY-BOYER BARN:

Originally built before the Civil War, the barn was enlarged and remodeled in 1908 by Aruna Cady, son of one of Canton's first pioneering families. The barn was eventually sold to the Plymouth-Canton School District, and was used as the Rotary School Farm from 1970-1981. The farm atmosphere taught children about farm animals and the typical life of the ancestors who probably made a livelihood out of farming. On May 30, 2021, fire destroyed the Cady-Boyer Barn which was located at 500 N. Ridge Road in Preservation Park. (©2006-2022 Canton Township, MI and its representatives. All rights reserved.)



SAFE DRIVING REMINDERS FOR THE CHANGE IN SEASON The changing season and falling leaves may be beautiful, but can pose a hazard to you and your vehicle:

Slippery Roads: Wet leaves can be just as slick as ice. Slow down when driving over large patches of leaves and increase your distance from the car ahead of you. If you do skid on wet leaves, don't panic and don't slam on your brakes. Instead, steer in the direction you want to go and release the gas pedal.

Camouflaged Potholes and People: It's more difficult to spot potholes, road debris and the curb when leaves are strewn across the road. Slow down to avoid hitting something that could damage your car and never drive over a large pile of leaves as kids and dogs may be playing in them.

Fire Hazards: Dry leaves can ignite from the heat of your car's exhaust system or catalytic converter. To avoid this, don't park on a pile of leaves.

Daylight: Daylight savings time has ended and you will begin driving in the dark more often. Maintain a speed that allows you to stop for an obstacle at the far reaches of your headlights.

More Fog: As the air begins to cool, the chance of fog increases. When driving in fog, reduce your speed in order to increase your reaction time. Driving with your low-beam headlights helps you more clearly see the roadway.

Roaming Deer: You're more likely to cross paths with deer during the fall and winter, which is their mating season. Stay especially alert at dawn and dusk, when deer are most active. If you can't avoid hitting a deer, don't swerve—but do brake firmly and stay in your lane.

School Buses: There are buses on the road, so be alert and slow down when driving near bus stops. (©2020 AAA. All Rights Reserved.)



Creamy Chicken and Wild Rice Soup

Ingredients:

- ▶ ½ cup butter
- 1 finely chopped onion
- ¹/₂ cup chopped celery
- 1/2 cup sliced carrots
- 1/2 lb. fresh sliced mushrooms
- ¾ cup all-purpose flour
- 6 cups chicken broth
- 2 cups cooked wild rice

• 1 lb. boneless skinless chicken breasts, cooked and cubed

- ½ tsp. salt and ground black pepper
- ½ tsp. curry powder, mustard powder and dried parsley
- 1 cup slivered almonds
- 2 cups half-and-half

Directions:

Melt butter in a large saucepan over medium heat. Stir in the onion, celery and carrots and sauté for 5 minutes. Add the mushrooms and sauté for 2 more minutes. Add the flour and stir well. Gradually pour in the chicken broth, stirring constantly, until all has been added. Bring just to a boil, reduce heat to low and let simmer. Add the rice, chicken, salt, curry powder, mustard powder, parsley, black pepper, and almonds. Allow to heat through, then pour in the half-and-half. Let simmer for 1 to 2 hours. (Do not boil). Enjoy! (©2022 Allrecipes.com. All rights reserved.)



BE CYBER SMART!

Fraudsters are smart, but you're smarter:



- Imposters pretend to represent a bank, a government agency or close family member. These fraudsters are impersonating through text and phone calls. Even if it looks or sounds legit, banks, etc., will never call you and ask for login information or one-time codes. Ever!
- You found that perfect job online. You get hired quickly and receive a check to buy supplies. You're asked to deposit the check and send back the money you don't use. Unfortunately, the check bounces and now you're at a loss. If ever asked to deposit a check and send money elsewhere, don't do it. It's a scam!
- Pay attention to any email claiming to be a bill, a prize you've won or a security alert. If anything looks odd such as misspelled words, your name not appearing on the email, links that don't appear to go to the right place, requests for you to "verify" account or personal information, delete the message and report it.
- Fraudsters will create a false sense of urgency to get you to act. Don't fall for it.
- Go to the source. Trust your gut. If you're questioning the person who called you (texted you, or sent you an e-mail) hang up and call back the company directly.
- * Never send money to someone you don't know in real life, especially through third party services such as Zelle, Venmo and Cash App. Don't send a payment with gift cards. Legitimate businesses will never request a gift card to satisfy a bill.

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New Neighbors:

No new neighbors have moved into the subdivision.



NEWSLETTER



CANTON NEWS IN BRIEF

YARD WASTE:

Curbside pickup of residential yard waste will end on Friday, December 16, 2022, and will resume in April 2023.

KEEP YOUR DELIVERIES SAFE:

The Police Department reminds residents that with the upcoming holiday season comes a noted increase of "Porch Pirates" stealing packages that have been delivered to porches. Here are some suggestions for safe online deliveries:

- 1. Track deliveries and ask a neighbor or friend to pick up the package if you won't be home.
- 2. Set delivery to your place of business or a friend's or relative's home that will be at home to accept it.
- 3. Request that packages be placed in an out-of-sight location.
- 4. Request "signature required" through the delivery service.

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HEALTHY GROCERY SHOPPING



Buy More Unprocessed Foods: A well-rounded diet should include whole, nutrient-dense foods, such as fresh fruits and vegetable. Stock up on protein sources like fish,

eggs, beans, and nuts. Shop the Edges:

Shop the outer edges of the grocery store, including the produce, dairy and meat sections. Try to

avoid foods from the inner aisles, which tend to be high in carbs, preservatives and sugars.

Create a Meal and Snack Plan:

Make a healthy meal and snack list for the week, and try your best to stick to it. If sweets and fatty foods tempt you when you're at the store, consider ordering your groceries online and having them delivered. (©2022 The Personal Marketing Co. (TPMC). All rights reserved.)

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