

**HAPPY SUMMER!**

**HOA REMINDERS:**

**Dog Owners** - Please clean up dog poop from lawns when walking your pooch and keep your pups on a leash, per Canton Ordinance.



**NOTE: Late Fees charged on annual dues will be collected. Unpaid late fees become a lien on the property in July of every year.**

**Parking** - No parking on either of the Courts (Shagbark & Pond Run) at any time by residents or guests, per Canton Ordinance. 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.

**Street Trees** - Trim trees to no lower than 7 ft. above the road.

**Drains** - 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 tops of the drains to ensure the flow of water and to prevent back-ups.

**NOTE:** The Board will be following up with letters to homeowners regarding landscaping and property issues. We will be looking at, for example, overgrown shrubs, weeds in streets and driveways, untrimmed trees, missing shutters, needed painting, diamond edging coming out of the ground, in front and back yards, etc.

**NOTE:** Join NextDoor to ask for recommendations, give recommendations, inquire about things happening in our community, etc. - <https://nextdoor.com/g/w6srkm1xt/>

**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
- ◆ Make sure the front of your house, in the street, is clear of all debris including grass clippings and leaves. Advise your lawn care service to clear the streets of grass clippings and leaves.

**HANDY QUICK TIPS - SIX-PACK SHOP ORGANIZER**

Six-pack cartons are useful for storing and transporting items like spray paint, lubricants and caulk. (©2023 family handyman. <https://www.familyhandyman.com>. All rights reserved.)



**WRIST MOBILITY EXERCISES FOR COMPUTER USERS**

- ◆ If you spend your days working on a laptop or keyboard, you may be at risk for hand and wrist injuries.
- ◆ Most common is carpal tunnel syndrome, which causes pain, tingling and numbness.
- ◆ Carpal tunnel can make it difficult to type, pick up small objects or perform various manual tasks.
- ◆ Repetitive movements like texting and scrolling can lead to tendonitis or arthritis.
- ◆ Preventing these debilitating problems before they develop starts with proper posture and ergonomics.
- ◆ Sit up straight with feet on the floor and make sure your chair and desk are the correct sizes for your body.
- ◆ Try these simple stretches to relieve tension:
  - ⇒ Open and clench fists, then touch each finger with thumb.
  - ⇒ Place laced fingers on back of head and stretch elbows backward.
  - ⇒ Dangle arms to your side and touch shoulders with fingertips.
  - ⇒ Circle wrists in both directions.
  - ⇒ Experts recommend taking breaks every 30 minutes and staying hydrated. (©2023 The Personal Marketing Co. (TPMC). All rights reserved.)



**RUSSET POTATO SALAD**

**INGREDIENTS:**

- 1 lb. red russet potatoes, cut into 1/2-inch cubes
- 1/4 cup plain Greek yogurt
- 1 Tbsp. mayonnaise
- 2 Tbsp. stone ground mustard
- 3 Tbsp. grapeseed oil
- 2 Tbsp. lemon juice
- 1 tsp. sea salt
- 1/2 tsp. black pepper
- 1/2 small white onion, finely diced
- 1/4 cup chopped fresh chives



**DIRECTIONS:**

In a medium saucepan, add potatoes and enough water to cover them by an inch. Bring to a boil and cook for 3-4 minutes until tender. Immediately drain potatoes in a colander and rinse with cold water. Set aside.

In a large bowl, combine yogurt, mayonnaise, mustard, oil, lemon juice, salt and pepper. Add diced onion and potatoes. Gently fold to combine all ingredients. Garnish with fresh chives. Chill for several hours before serving. Enjoy! (©2023 The Personal Marketing Co. (TPMC). All rights reserved.)

**DID YOU KNOW . . . A Canton Fun Fact!**

**The William & Jennie Oliver Houk House:**

William had a farm outside of Detroit. Around 1922, he wanted to move to the Cherry Hill area., but his wife said she was not moving to the middle of nowhere unless he built her a new home. Thus, he built the large brick house located at 50530 Cherry Hill Road. The house had every modern convenience, as reported in *The Daily Ypsilantian Press* in July 1924. Mrs. Houk lived in the house until her death in 1957. Currently, the Houk House is the office of The Village Dentist. (©2023 Canton Today, pg. 46. All rights reserved.)





## IDEAS FOR A HEALTHY GRAB 'N GO BREAKFAST

Eating a balanced breakfast can help control weight, increase metabolism and stabilize blood sugar levels. Try these delicious, easy-to-prepare breakfast options.



### Protein Smoothie

Blend a frozen banana with one tablespoon nut butter, one tablespoon flaxseed and a scoop of protein powder.



### Avocado Toast

Toast two slices of bread and top with Ricotta cheese, sliced avocado and a dash of black pepper.



### Apple Sandwich

Spread nut butter and low-sugar granola between two apple slices (sliced thin from stem to bottom).

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## DESIGN TIPS FOR A WELL-FUNCTIONING HOME



Your home should be a place where you can relax and be comfortable and content. But what if your house configuration doesn't fit with your design vision or family circumstances? Consider these steps to make your

house a well-functioning home:

### #1 – PERFECT THE LAYOUT:

Mindfully walk through your home and take stock of how you use your space. Note what works well and what could be improved. Be practical, but don't be afraid to take steps to make it right for you. If your kitchen and dining room are cluttered or cramped, consider multifunctional furniture for storage.

### #2 – ALLOW FLEXIBILITY:

An open floor plan works well when you want to keep an eye on young children, but as they become teens, you may find that having separate areas allows everyone some privacy.

### #3 – PERSONALIZE WITH COLOR:

Colors can impact how you feel in a space, so be sure the shades you choose for your home have a positive impact. Layering colors is a great way to strike the right balance of practicality and personality.

### #4 – DECLUTTER AND ORGANIZE:

Consider your storage needs and create a system for organization. Assigning places to store specific items helps minimize the chance for clutter to take over.

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## New Neighbors:

No new neighbors have moved into the subdivision.

# NEWSLETTER

## HOA APPROVAL NEEDED BEFORE REQUESTING A PERMIT

Canton has over 230 HOAs, each with its covenants and restrictions that require specific regulations for things like solar panel placement, swimming pools, fences, and other exterior modifications or enhancements. **IT IS CRUCIAL THAT RESIDENTS FIRST CHECK WITH THEIR HOA TO MAKE SURE A PROJECT MEETS ALL SUBDIVISION REQUIREMENTS.**

For instance, a six-foot wooden privacy fence does not violate any of Canton's property ordinances. However, your subdivision's covenants and restrictions may only allow wrought iron or aluminum fences up to four feet high. Based on our township ordinance, Canton's Building and Inspection Services Division would review and issue a six-foot fence permit. Still, suppose it violates your subdivision's covenant and restrictions. In that case, they may require the fence to be removed at the homeowner's expense.

Although Canton adheres to property ordinances adopted by the township's governing body, they **DO NOT OVERRIDE COVENANTS AND RESTRICTIONS ESTABLISHED BY EACH HOA.**

## CANTON NEWS YOU CAN USE - HAZARDOUS WASTE ROUND-UP



The Household Hazardous Waste Round-up is held every September at the Public Works facility located at 4847 Sheldon Road just south of Michigan Avenue.

The collection is open to Canton residents only and is an excellent opportunity to make your home and environment safe by properly disposing of waste that is considered toxic, flammable, or corrosive. Call 734- 397-1011 for more information on acceptable items.

This year's event will be held on Saturday, September 9, 2023, from 9am - 2pm at Canton's Division of Public Works Building. (©2023 Canton Focus, February 2023, Vol. 35, Issue 2. All rights reserved.)

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