



**HOA NEWS**  
**Happy Spring!**

**NOTE:** *There is no dumping of limbs and/or branches in the common areas.*

**Dues Info** - HOA dues are now overdue. If you have not already done so, please pay your dues immediately to avoid late fees.

**Annual Meeting - Freedom Room, Canton Administrative Building, Wednesday, May 1st from 7.00 pm to 9.00 pm.**

**Parking** - There is no parking on either of the Courts (Shagbark & Pond View) 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.

**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 drains. This ensures the continuous flow of water into the drains and will prevent potential backups.

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

**NOTE:** REPLACING STREET TREES - Remember, if you received a notice that you need to replace one or more street trees, the deadline is June 1, 2024, then fines will be assessed.

**QUICK TIP - FRESHEN UP THE BATHROOM WITH THESE EASY DIY SOLUTIONS**

- \* To get rid of water marks on stainless, wipe with hand sanitizer or baby oil.
- \* To keep the toilet clean, pour 1 cup of white vinegar and 2 tablespoons of baking soda into the bowl. Let it fizz for a few minutes, give the bowl a scrub and then flush.
- \* To clean tiles, mix 1-part white vinegar and 2 parts cold water in a bottle, spray over tiles, wait 30 seconds and then wipe with a damp cloth.
- \* To clean your grout of grime, scrub with a mixture of 1/2 cup baking soda and 2 cups of water and then buff clean.

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**SPRING CLEANING IS HERE, AGAIN, & HERE ARE A FEW TIPS**

**1. Create a housecleaning plan.**

To cut down on the time it takes to clean, start with a plan which you can use every time you scrub the house. Work one room at a time, starting and finishing at the same spot for each room.

**2. Declutter and organize.**

Go from room to room and pick up any clutter. As you pick up each item, consider whether you should put it away, toss it or donate it. If you have any clothes lying around, decide whether to store them in your closet, drop them off in the laundry basket or run the washing machine while you clean the rest of the house. Having a place for everything helps make the process much quicker.

**3. Gather all your cleaning supplies.**

Whether it's a caddy, bucket or tote, having all the cleaning products you need in one portable place makes it much easier to get the job done. You won't waste time looking for supplies while you clean.

**4. Start cleaning from the top.**

When you start cleaning a room from top to bottom, you eliminate the risk of redundant work, as dust falls off the top of higher objects and onto lower surfaces. Cleaning from left to right also ensures that you clean the entire room instead of spot-cleaning from place to place. Make sure the ceiling fans are turned off before you start dusting.

**5. Clean up stray pet hair.**

Use a lint roller on soft areas and lampshades to get rid of any stray pet hair. Wipe the carpets with a damp rubber squeegee before vacuuming. You can also wear rubber gloves and run them over the surfaces of your furniture to grab any stray pet hairs.

**6. Use the vacuum cleaner to its fullest potential.**

Besides using the vacuum to clean carpeted floors, a vacuum can also help clean hard-to-reach places such as kitchen cabinets. When it comes time to vacuum the floors, do so in long rows to more efficiently clean.

**7. Wipe mirrors and glass.**

Use one damp microfiber cloth, followed by one dry cloth, to wipe clean all the mirrors and glass surfaces.

**8. Disinfect countertops and surface areas.**

Using disinfectant products, wipe down hard surfaces, particularly the ones that might deliver germs to people's fingers and faces. Ran out of disinfectant sprays and wipes? Make a nontoxic disinfectant solution by mixing 1/4 to a 1/2 cup of white or apple cider vinegar with 1 cup of water. (©2024 Nationwide. All Rights Reserved.)

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

**Cherry Hill:**

Cherry Hill was originally known as "The Ridge" because of the natural elevation of land that ran diagonally from Plymouth toward Ypsilanti. This ridge was the shoreline of an ancient lake. Its elevation made it an excellent location for a trail because it remained passable even in the rainy season. "The Ridge" became known as "Cherry Hill" taking its name from Cherry Hill House. This same ridge runs south to near Fort Wayne, Indiana and north to near Buffalo, New York. (©2023 Canton Today, p. 44. All rights reserved.)



## CHICKEN

## MANGO TACOS



### Ingredients:

- ◆ 2-3 chicken breasts
- ◆ 6 white corn tortillas
- ◆ Red cabbage, thinly slice and Cilantro, chopped

### Marinade:

- ◆ 1/2 cup orange juice
- ◆ 1/4 cup lemon juice, lime juice, and olive oil, each
- ◆ 5 cloves of garlic, minced
- ◆ 1 tsp. dried Oregano
- ◆ 1/2 tsp. Cumin
- ◆ 2 tsp. salt

### Mango Salsa:

- ◆ 2 mangos, cubed
- ◆ 1/2 onion, diced
- ◆ 1 bell pepper, diced
- ◆ 2 cloves garlic, minced
- ◆ 1/4 cup lime juice

### Directions:

Combine chicken & marinade in large bowl; cover & let sit for 30 minutes. Preheat grill to 400° F. Cook chicken 5-7 minutes on each side. Remove from grill & let rest for 10 minutes. Stir salsa ingredients in medium bowl, add salt to taste. Grill tortillas for 30 seconds. Slice chicken and assemble tacos. Serve warm.

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## BENEFITS OF PHYSICAL ACTIVITY



- \* Regular physical activity is one of the most important things you can do for your health. Being physically active can improve your brain health, help manage weight, reduce the risk of disease, strengthen bones and muscles, and improve your ability to do everyday activities. Adults who sit less and do any amount of moderate-to-vigorous physical activity gain some health benefits. Only a few lifestyle choices have as large an impact on your health as physical activity.
- \* Everyday activities include climbing stairs, grocery shopping, or playing with your grandchildren. Physically active middle-aged or older adults have a lower risk of being unable to do everyday activities than people who are inactive. For older adults, doing a variety of physical activity improves physical function and decreases the risk of falls or injury from a fall. Include physical activities such as aerobic, muscle strengthening, and balance training. Physical activity can be done at home or in a community setting as part of a structured program. For more information, check out <https://www.cdc.gov/physicalactivity/basics/pa-health/>. (©2024 The CDC.gov. All rights reserved.)



### New Neighbors:

No new neighbors have moved into the subdivision.

# NEWSLETTER

## CANTON NEWS YOU CAN USE

- ◆ After a long stretch of difficulties with its current provider, township leaders have chosen a new company to collect refuse, recyclables and yard waste — but residents should be patient during the transition period this summer.
- ◆ At its meeting Feb. 13, the Canton Township Board of Trustees voted 6-0 to approve a five-year, \$26 million agreement with Priority Waste.
- ◆ Priority Waste will take over collections from GFL Environmental during the first week of August with a contract extending to July 31, 2029.
- ◆ Priority Waste's proposal includes weekly curbside collection of refuse utilizing a 95-gallon cart. These carts will be provided to residents before August 1, which will replace the current collection protocol of using 35-gallon containers and garbage bags.

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## REMINDER - REPORTING AN INJURED ANIMAL



No matter what animal you come across, you should first contact a professional who can best advise you on your specific situation. Resources to contact include the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (MDNR), Michigan State University's Veterinary Medical Center and local wildlife rehabilitators:

- ◆ The MDNR can be reached at (517) 284-9453. The MDNR also collects reports of sick or dead birds or mammals through an online form.
- ◆ Michigan State University's Veterinary Medical Center can be reached at (517) 353-5420.
- ◆ To find a licensed wildlife rehabilitator near you, look in the MDNR's directory. (©2023 freep.com. All rights reserved.)

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**\*Missed or Misdirected Mail** - Call Lee Thompson—313-226-8607

**\*Report Road Hazards:** Call 888-762-3273 or go to the website below.

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