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President's Message

What has been your strangest experience during this time of isolation?

How about being locked in with a group of 80+ year-olds? While visiting my 90 and 96-year-old parents at their assisted living facility in Kansas, I was told that visitors would no longer be permitted to enter the building. I smiled. If I didn't leave the building, I wouldn't have to "be permitted" to enter. I stayed four more days, sleeping on my Mom's sofa bed. Oddly enough, it was the best mom and I got along since before I was a teenager!

Have a story that you would like to share? Use our [Canton Newcomers and Neighbors Facebook](#) page to share your stories and thoughts. Laughs may not cure all, but smiles are precious. If you find you can't access us on Facebook, please contact Membership Chairperson, Nancy Ellenberger at N2otter@comcast.net and she'll ensure you are added.

While visiting with Friday Fill-up sponsors to explain about postponing our Square Dance fundraiser, I asked how COVID-19 has affected their work supplying food to children in need. Turns out that recently implemented quotas on grocery items along with layoffs affecting some of their donors have impacted the charity's ability to purchase food for the backpacks that they provide to more than 70 children in Wayne and Washtenaw counties.

We can help then by purchasing some of the following items:

Spaghetti-O's or Ravioli	Peanut Butter
Jelly (squeeze jars)	Applesauce in plastic jars
Spaghetti in one-pound box	Spaghetti Sauce in plastic jars
Rice	Oatmeal (boxes of individual packets)
Peanut Butter	Canned Chili with Beans
Tuna	Tuna Helper
Shelf Stable Milk	

Contributions can be left in the box on my porch (46724 Registry Dr., NW of Ford & Canton Center Rds.), at Cindy Koldys' porch (2017 Brookfield St., SE of Palmer & Sheldon Rds.) or to the donation box at Trinity Episcopal Church, SE of the bridge, just before entering Belleville. Canton donations will be taken to the church on Thursdays for Friday distribution throughout the Covid-19 school closure.

Thank you for being there in spirit for all. Stay safe.

Beth McBain, President
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May we interest you in an Interest Group?

Note: All Interest Group Activities are cancelled until public health ban on group meetings is lifted.

Contact Group Leader for monthly book selection.

Boozy Tuesday

2nd Tuesday – Group leader shares date, time and location.

Couples Bunco

Group leader shares date, time and location.

Please bring a dish to pass and \$5 for prizes.

Ladies Bunko

Group leader shares date, time and location.

Please bring appetizer and \$5 for prizes.

Hostess provides desert.

Chix Flix

4th Tuesday, at Canton Emagine Theater.

Group leader shares date, time and location.

Call Karen Bronkhorst to be added to contact list.

Couples Social

Group leader shares date, time and location.

Euchre

Group leader shares date, time and location.

Game is played at tables of four.

Please bring an appetizer to pass and \$10 for prizes.

Green Thumb Garden Club

3rd Thursday, 6:30 PM at Biggby Coffee, 44532 Michigan Ave, Canton -

Contact Group Leader for presentation topic.

Let's Do Dinner

Group leader shares date, time and location.

Let's Do Lunch

Group leader shares date, time and location.

Matinee Movie Mavens

3rd Tuesday at Canton Emagine Theatre.

Group leader shares date, time and location.

Call Darlene Denning to be added to contact list.

Mexican Train Dominoes

Group leader shares date, time and location.

Please bring appetizer to pass and \$5 for prizes.

Out & About

Daytrips to local places of interest.

Date, time and location announced at general meeting.

Register for event on the Out & About sign-up sheet available during the General Meeting or contact Diane Sands.

Picture this:

At the March General Meeting we learned about the work done at **First Step Women's Shelter**. Thanks to those of you who filled baskets and boxes with personal care items for women and children at the shelter.



We also sampled **HOT - HOT - HOT Chili**

Eleven members participated in our first annual Chili cook-off: Susan Baringer, Suzie Bower, Michelle Jaz, Mary Arrasmith, Trisha Murray, Nancy Ellenberger, Linda Kurtz, Mitzie Sparks, Corrie Barringer, Rose Higgerson and Beth McBain. Everyone present was invited to sample the various chili options and vote for their favorites. After the votes were counted, the honors went to Susan Baringer for the hottest chili - Mary Arrasmith for most original chili recipe - Suzie Bower for best overall.



Our **Out & About Chocolate Makers Tour**, and the samples that went with it, was a big hit with those of us who traveled to this cottage industry located midway between Dexter and Chelsea.



Our thanks to the following local businesses for their generous support of our 2020 fundraiser:

Applebee's Grill and Bar
Atchinson Ford
Bigalora Wood Fired Cucina
Buffalo Wild Wings
Canton Car Wash
Canton Leisure Services
Cherry Hill Village Theatre
Emagine Theatre
English Gardens
Fantasy Flowers
Fellows Creek Golf
First Watch
Fresh Thyme Farmer's Market
Garden Fantasy
Grand Traverse Pie Company
Jenny's Popcorn
Jimmy John's

Jonny Cakes Café
La Bistro - Canton
Lucia Pastry
Salon Magik
MI Yoga Room
Nico and Vali Restaurant
Pampered Chef
Pheasant Run
Scentsy Basket
Sky Zone
Spoon's Place
Super Bowl
T-Rex Arms, LLC
Twisted Rooster
Vintners Winery
Vision without Limits
Zap Zone



And a special thanks to the following members who donated items to the fundraiser:

Connie Anderson
Donna Anderson
Suzie Bower
Amy Caragay
Joanne Darga
Marsha Frantz
Rose Higerson

Michelle Jasewicz
Dorothy Kamykowski
Cindy Koldys
Cyndi Kuczynski
Linda Kurtz
Beth McBain
Connie Moore

Trish Murray
Ann Perla
Debbie Ritter
Diane Sands
Sabina Qureshi

Our **Square Dance Fundraiser** will be postponed until the Covid-19 Pandemic subsides. We will let you know the details when they become available. For now, check out these pics from past events.



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