

Canton Newcomers & Neighbors

Where Women Connect

Canton Connection Membership Newsletter

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Message from Leadership Team

A lot to Love about our February Meeting



Canton Newcomers and Neighbors has great things planned for 2020. After our January hiatus, we meet again at 6:30 PM, on Wednesday, February 5th. Expect some Valentine surprises (hearts and chocolate) along with a speaker from the Detroit Institute of Arts (DIA). Drawing from one of the largest and most significant art collections in the United States, DIA presentations are always rated among our most popular activities. If you are a long-time fan or have never visited this landmark Detroit institution, we have a special treat in store for you. The DIA is our February Out & About destination. Transportation and DIA entrance fee are free of charge. You can even bring a friend, but please pre-register yourself and any guests for this event ASAP, by contacting Trip Coordinator, Diane Sands. The bus is limited to 30 seats so **pre- registration is important**. Plan to meet at the Canton Municipal building at 11:30 AM, on Thursday, February 6th. The bus will leave promptly at noon and return by 4 PM.

Upcoming months will feature a Chili Cookoff (March), the Annual Square Dance Fundraiser (April) and Laughter Yoga (May). Out & About Trips include a Gourmet Chocolate Factory Tour, the Annual Mid-West Literary Walk and Historic Indian Village Home and Garden Tour.

Check the calendar to keep up-to-date with our many Interest Group activities. Book Club and Garden Club are returning to their regular scheduled meeting times in February. If you would like to explore a new group, simply contact the group leader for details and to be added to the group email list. If you did not pick up the 2019/2020 Members Directory at our December gathering, contact Membership Chairperson, Nancy Ellenberger.



Membership Update

New Comers Membership holds strong at 81.

Charity , learning, entertaining and friendship are just 4 aspects that make up this wonderful group . As you all know, I am a big fan of friendship as we all need “girlfriends” in our lives. They enrich our lives so much.

But are you tired of those sissy 'friendship' poems that always sound good, But never actually come close to reality?

Well, here is a series of promises that actually speak of true friendship. You will see no cutesy little smiley faces. Just the stone cold truth of our great friendship.

1. When you are sad -- I will jump on the person who made you sad like a spider monkey.
2. When you are blue -- I will try to dislodge whatever is choking you.
3. When you smile -- I will know you are plotting something that I must be involved in
4. When you are scared -- I will rag on you about it every chance I get.
5. When you are worried -- I will tell you horrible stories about how much Worse it could be until you quit whining
6. When you are confused -- I will use little words.
7. When you are sick -- Stay away from me until you are well Again. I don't want whatever you have.
8. When you fall -- I will point and laugh at your clumsiness.... and then help pick you up
9. This is my oath.... I pledge it to the end. 'Why?' you may ask; 'because you are my friend'
10. Friendship is like peeing your pants, everyone can see it- But only you can feel the true warmth.



Nancy Ellenberger

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Out & About Update

Mark Your Calendar – You must pre-register for the Detroit Institute of Arts Tour

Contact Diane Sands (248-225-4456) dianegsands@gmail.com



Detroit Institute of Arts Tour - Thurs, Feb 6th - Meet at Canton Municipal Building at 11:30 AM - Free Transportation and Entrance Fee - Trip Coordinator [DianeSands](#) (248-225-4456) Enjoy a guided tour highlighting works in the permanent collection, followed by a cookie and coffee reception.



Factory Tour & Chocolate 101 Experience - Sat, March 14th - Carpool meets at Canton Municipal Building at 10 AM - Registration Fee \$15 - Trip Coordinator Diane Sands - Learn about this small business outside of Ann Arbor and their connection to cocoa farmers in Ecuador. See the entire process of making chocolate at an artisan small batch scale - from bean to bar. Includes a tasting of a variety of chocolate bars and other products.



Annual Midwest Literary Walk - Sat, April 25th – Carpool meets at Canton Municipal Building at noon (Event runs 1 PM to 5 PM) - Free Event - Trip Coordinator Diane Sands - Join us for a one-of-a-kind literary celebration that brings nationally acclaimed authors and poets to the quaint downtown of Chelsea, MI.

If you know of a great event or place of interest, please share information with [Diane Sands](#) (248-225-4456).



Garden Club Garden Club – Chase away those winter blues and join us for an informative talk about butterflies and butterfly gardens. We meet at Biggby Coffee, 44532 Michigan Ave, Canton, MI 48188, Feb 20th (3rd Thurs of the month) - 6:30 PM. Our speaker for the evening is [Deb Jackson](#), a Michigan and Northeast Region-Monarch Watch Conservation Specialist, whose interest in butterflies began 40 years ago while growing up near the cornfields in Iowa. What started as a hobby has become her obsession. Learn about the network of monarch enthusiasts she has enlisted to promote breeding of butterflies and the plants on which they feed and what you can do to help with Monarch Butterfly conservation



2019-2020 Charity February YTD \$620.00

Interest Group Leaders

- **Book Club**
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Can we interest you?

Book Club

Wednesday, February 26th, 6:30 PM at Biggby Coffee on MI avenue. This month's book, Things you Saved in a Fire by Katherine Center

Boozy Tuesday

Tuesday, February 11th, 6:30 PM at Carrabba's Italian Grill 1900 N. Haggerty Rd. Meet at the bar, discount on some appetizers, small plates and drinks.

Couples Bunco

Saturday, February 29th, 6:30 PM at Karen Bronkhorst's house (734-578-5811) Please bring appetizer to share \$10 to play.

Couples Social

Saturday, February 22nd, 2:30 PM at Super Bowl Ford Rd. Canton. Cosmic bowling \$3.79 per game. Pizza afterwards. Contact Cindy Koldys to sign up.

Ladies Bunko

Friday, February 21, 6:30 PM at Theresa Goodhart's house. (734-233-1226) Please bring an appetizer to share. \$5.00 to play.

Chix Flix

Tuesday, February 25th, 6:30 PM at **Emagine Canton theater**. Movie title will be emailed and or texted to those on the list. Call Karen Bronkhorst (734-578-5811) to be added.

Euchre

Saturday, February 8th, 6:45 PM TBA, Contact Gretchen Gerth (989-948-7082) for details. The game requires tables of 4 players each. The cost is \$10 per person. Please bring an appetizer to pass.

Green Thumb Garden Club

Thursday, February 20th, 6:30 PM at Biggby Coffee on Michigan Ave. Canton. Guest Speaker will talk about Butterfly Gardens.

Let's Do Dinner

Wednesday, February 6th, 6:00 PM at Chopstick House, **Celebrating Chinese New Year**.

Let's Do Lunch

Monday, February 17th, 12:30 PM at Johnny Cakes, 5846 Sheldon Rd. Canton.

Matinee Movie Mavens

Tuesday, February 18^t, 11:00 AM at **Emagine Theatre**. Movie title and time will be e-mailed or texted to those on the list.

Mexican Train Dominoes

Monday, February 17th, 6:30 PM at Beth McBain's house. Please bring an appetizer to share. \$5 to play.

Out & About

Thursday February 6th, 11:30 AM- **Detroit Institute of Arts Trip**- Meet in lobby of Canton Municipal Building-opposite the Library. Bus leaves promptly at noon. Contact trip Coordinator Diane Sands (248-225-4456) to sign up for this trip.

February 2020 Activities Calendar



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2	3	4	5 General Meeting 6:30P M	6 Out & About Detroit Arts 11:30 AM Let's Do Dinner 6:00 PM	7	8 Euchre 6:45 PM
9	10 Board Meeting 7:00 PM 	11 Boozy Tuesday 6:30 PM	12	13	14 VALENTINE'S DAY 	15 Couples Bunko 6:30 PM
16	17 Mexican Train Dominoes 7:30 PM Let's Do Lunch 12:30 PM	18 Matinee Movie Mavens 1:00 PM	19	20 Garden Club 6:30 PM	21 Ladies Bunko 6:30 PM	22
23	24	25 Chix Flix 6:30 PM	26 Book Club 6:30 PM	27	28	29 Couples Bunko 6:30 PM

A Snap from the Past

Square Dance fundraiser is just around the corner. Volunteers are needed – Can you help?









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MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

The primary member is any adult female living in Canton or any surrounding communities for any length of time of residency.

A prospective member or guest may attend a total of two meetings including an interest group, and receive one newsletter before being required to pay dues. Membership events for primary members only are not included.

*Please check one: New member _____ Renewing member _____
Former member returning _____*

Last name _____ *First*
name _____
Address _____ *Zip*
Code _____ *Email* _____
Spouse's name _____

Preferred Phone Number _____ *Please indicate if this is cell phone* _____
or home number _____ *Birth month* _____
Occupation _____ *Minor*
children's names and
ages _____
Member dues are \$25 from September 1, 2019 through August 31, 2020 _____

New members' dues are \$12.50 for joining anytime March 1, 2020 through August 31, 2020 _____

New members may pay \$37.50 for dues anytime March 1, 2020 and through August 31, 2021

Renewing members for next season are \$25 through August 31, 2021 _____

Please submit this form to a Membership team member at a meeting or mail it to PO Box 87985, Canton 48187. Checks are payable to the Canton Newcomers & Neighbors.

Date Submitted _____ *Cash* _____ *Check #* _____

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