

Canton Connection Membership Newsletter

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Message from the President,

March Madness could aptly describe next week's meeting.

This is the last chance to “get it together” for the only fundraiser we do all year to keep our dues low and add a boast to our chosen charity, Friday Fill-Up. Thank you to the members who have already signed-up for what to bring for our April 4th **Square Dance Fundraiser**, for those who have something in mind and for those of you who are sure to find something to bring as you look through here!

A special thanks to Jeanne Medley for baking the delicious heart-shaped sugar cookies we enjoyed at our February meeting while appreciating the “Art of Love.” This month everyone is invited to cook, cook chili that is, as we have our first annual **Chili Cook-Off**. Simply bring a crockpot full of your best. Who knows, you may be the one voted as making the Most Original, Hottest or Overall Best Chili!

Our March's speakers will be from **First Step**, Wayne County's primary non-profit agency providing comprehensive services for victims of domestic and sexual abuse since 1978. While many of us are familiar with this agency and some have even volunteered there, we've asked our speakers to not only share the many ways in which the agency serves, but also to provide us with some basic training to better support those we suspect or know are victims of domestic abuse.

This will be quite a meeting – so many ways to serve: bring supplies for victims of abuse who arrive at First Step without anything, bring prizes to raise funds for Friday Fill-Up and our club, and finally, bring a pot of your favorite chili to be served at our meeting. On the final one, bring only if you have a favorite recipe to enter in our Chili Cook-Off. Otherwise, simply bring yourself hungry!

Thank you in advance for your generosity to the two groups we've identified to serve this month, First Step & Friday Fill-Up. It's a blessing to be part of such a giving group of women like you.

Beth McBain, President



You can donate personal care items for First Step at our March meeting:

Kleenex*	Laundry Soap*	Body Wash*	Baby Wipes*
Toilet Paper	Laundry Softener*	Hand Sanitizer*	Diapers
Paper Towels	Dish Soap	Liquid Hand Soap*	Baby Bottles

*many of these products can be bought in a good size for First Step at a dollar store! *

For the complete list of donations appreciated at First Steps temporary emergency housing, see <http://www.firststep-mi.org/cms/wp-content/uploads/2020/02/2020-Wish-List.pdf>



During the 40-week school year, Friday Fill-Up! provide 50 children in food insecure households an extra boost of nutrition: a backpack with 2 breakfasts, 2 lunches, and 3 snacks. They also provide an item to help the family stretch their food budget. Breakfast includes cereal & milk or oatmeal; lunch might be canned pasta or soup. An applesauce cup and fruit cup along with 2 vegetable cups are included each week. Snacks include goldfish, granola bars, snack crackers, and occasionally some cookies. The extra item for the family includes a full-size box of macaroni & cheese, tuna & tuna helper, or a box of spaghetti and sauce. All items are shelf stable, easily opened, nutritional, balanced and kid approved. \$1200 feeds all 50 kids for a month. It is our objective to raise at least that much for Friday Fill-Up at our Square Dance Fundraiser this year. Encouraging your friends to Saturday, April 4th and taking time to bid on fun-to-win items in both the silent auction and the raffles will make that happen. Do it for the kids!

Membership Information I hope each and every one of the Canton Newcomers is able to help in some way to contribute towards our annual fundraiser to support our Friday Fill up Charity. Every little bit helps us make this event a great success. Not only for the children of the area but for our group as well. So here is what I am asking of each of you and I hope you will be able to contribute. Please bring to the March meeting one \$2.00 scratch ticket – not much to ask is it ? If each member brings one ticket and we average 45 people per meeting can you imagine what a great surprise basket that would make for our auction? It would thrill me to no end to see my Newcomer friends make this idea of mine come to a mind blowing success. Please ???!!!!!!

A BIG New Comer welcome to our newest member Trisha Murray. A big warm welcome to you and hope you find great fellowship, laughter, learning and many activities to enjoy.

Now for a giggle or two for this month of March:

Q: What should you say to a runner in the St. Patrick's Day marathon?

A: Irish you luck

Q: Why didn't St. Patrick visit the farmer to tell him a secret?

A: He wanted to avoid his shepherd spy. (shepherd's pie)

Q: What did the Irish referee say when the soccer match ended?

A: Game clover.

Q: What do you get when you cross four leaf clovers with poison ivy?

A: A big rash of good luck

See you all at the March Meeting

Nancy Ellenberger
Membership



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Out & About Update

Mark Your Calendar –



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. **People registered for the O&A trip please bring \$15 participation fee (in cash) to the March meeting.**



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](mailto:dianegsands@gmail.com) (248-225-4456). dianegsands@gmail.com



Garden Club– Thank you, [Deb Jackson](#), a Michigan and Northeast Region-Monarch Watch Conservation Specialist. We enjoyed all the wonderful information given to our group. A book she recommends, *Raising Butterflies in the Garden* By, Brenda Dzedzic. *Knowledge is power!*

Garden Club- March 19th meeting will feature Master Gardener Ginny Dean talking about roses and working with Canton Soil.

Snap of February



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Book Club

Wednesday, March 25th, 6:30 PM at Bigby Coffee on MI avenue. This month's book, "Before We Were Yours" By Lisa Wingate

Boozy Tuesday

Tuesday, March 10th, 6:30 PM at Fins Kitchen and Bar Located in the Livonia Marriot at Laurel Park Mall off I275 at 6Mile. There is discount on some appetizers and drinks.

Couples Bunco

Saturday, March 14th 6:30 PM at Anjali Gamble's house. Please bring appetizer to share \$5 to play.

Couples Social

Saturday, March 28th, 4:00 PM at Dave and Busters 19375 Victor Parkway Livonia Contact Cindy Koldys to sign up.

Ladies Bunko

Thursday, March 26th, 6:30 PM at Lorraine Cole's house. Please bring an appetizer to share. \$5.00 to play.

Chix Flix

Tuesday, March 24^h, 6:30 PM at **Emagine Canton Theater**. Movie title will be emailed and or texted to those on the list. Call Karen Bronkhourst (734-578-5811) to be added.

Euchre

Saturday, March 14^t, 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, March 19^t, 6:30 PM at Bigby Coffee on Michigan Ave. Meeting will feature Master Gardner Ginny Dean talking about roses and working with Canton soil.

Let's Do Dinner

Wednesday, March 11^h, 6:00 PM at La Bistro, contact Cindy Koldys (313-712-1213) to sign up.

Let's Do Lunch

Monday, March 16th 12:30 PM at La Shsho Place Mediterranean Middle Eastern Cuisine 1699 N. canton Center Rd.

Matinee Movie Mavens

Tuesday, March 17^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, March 16th, 6:30 PM at Deb Falovell's house. Please bring an appetizer to share. \$5 to play.



Out & About Saturday March 14th - Factory Tour and Chocolate 101- Meet in lobby of Canton Municipal Building-opposite the Library at 10:00 AM.

People registered for the O&A trip please bring \$15 participation fee (in cash) to the March meeting.

Contact trip Coordinator Diane Sands (248-225-4456) to sign up for this trip.

March 2020 Activities Calendar



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4 General Meeting 6:30PM	5	6	7
8	9 Board Meeting 7:00 PM 	10 Boozy Tuesday 6:30 PM	11 Let's Do Dinner 6:00 PM	12	13	14 Out and About 10:00 AM Euchre 6:45PM Couples Bunko 6:30 PM
15	16 Let's Do Lunch 12:30 PM Mexican Train Dominoes 6:30PM	17  Matinee Movie Mavens 1:00 PM	18	19 Green Thumb Garden Club 6:30 PM	20	21
22	23	24 Chix Flix 6:30 PM	25 Book Club 6:30 PM	26 Ladies Bunko 6:30 PM	27	28 Couples Social 4:00PM
29	30	31				

Village Theater: Free Art talk and Coffee Monday, March 2nd 10AM- Flower Wreath Workshop March 18th 6PM-\$15 with discount promo codes found on Facebook site.

Canton Newcomers & Neighbors

Where Women Connect



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CantonWomen.com

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Canton Newcomers & Neighbors



Square Dance

Saturday – April 4, 2020

Plymouth Elks Club

4170 Ann Arbor Red. E., Plymouth, MI

**Doors Open at 6 PM, Dancing from 7-9:30 PM Silent Auction
announced 9:30 PM Cash Bar and light snacks available
\$10 per Guest - \$8 for Newcomer Members**

The Prizes are coming in...

Thank you to the following Businesses for already saying “YES” To providing prizes for our April 4th, 2020 Square Dance Fund Raiser!

Imagine Theater, Fellows Creek Golf, Garden Fantasy, Henry Ford Village, Lucia Pastry, Magik Hair Salon, Applebee’s Grill and Bar, Bigalora Wood Fired Cucina, Cherry Hill Village Theater, Fresh Thyme Farmer’s Mrkt., Grand Travers Pie Co., Vision Without Limits, Sky Zone, Spoon’s Place, The Summit, Super Bowl, Twisted Rooster, Vintner’s Winery.

**And thanks to members who have already committee ...
and to those that are deciding what to bring. A few ideas!!!**

Kitchen Tools for cooking and baking, gift cards, Michigan Lottery Tickets, Gift Cards Baking, Body & Bath products, Gift Baskets.

Make your plans now to help earn funds for Friday Fill-Up and Us

Through your contributions & attendance!

CantonWomen.com

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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