

CITY OF NORTH CANTON

NEWSLETTER

PRIDE IN OUR PAST. HOPE FOR OUR FUTURE. EST. 1831

SPRING 2019

From the MAYOR



David J. Held

"PRIDE IN OUR PAST AND HOPE FOR OUR FUTURE". THE MOTTO OF OUR CITY IS NOT JUST WHAT WE SAY, IT IS WHAT WE BELIEVE.

North Canton has a rich history filled with pride. It is important we now turn our attention to hope for our future with a focus on sustainability. What is sustainability? "Sustainability, or sustainable development, is development that meets the needs of the present, without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs." 1

only showed us your desire for energy savings and sustainability, but also resulted in an award to the City of \$30,000.00 to be used for energy efficiency upgrades at Dogwood Park.

Beyond receiving the \$30,000.00 award, the CES team worked with AEP Ohio through a collaborative process to develop a sustainability roadmap to serve as the framework for the City's ongoing commitment to energy efficiency. The sustainability roadmap identifies key areas the City will focus on in the upcoming years, which include environmental responsibility, economic enhancement and empowering people.

The City of North Canton was proud to partner with AEP Ohio in the Community Energy Savings (CES) Program. The CES team was appointed by the City and brought together a diverse range of local volunteers and representatives from various City departments. The team included retired Police Chief Steve Wilder; North Canton Library "Green" Team, Christina Weyrick and Keri Burick; North Canton Chamber of Commerce, President Doug Lane; City personnel, Brian Hill, John Hockensmith, Laura Brown, Patrick DeOrio, Catherine Farina and Councilman Daryl Revoldt.

Last year residents were asked to participate in a Community Energy Savings survey to access energy efficiency measures in your homes and businesses. The survey gave valuable tips on saving energy and mailed a free home savings kit to your residence. The City set a survey response goal of 400 points and surpassed that goal in the first month. The overwhelming response by our residents not



SPRING/SUMMER HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

The City of North Canton will observe the following holiday schedule for the 2019 Spring/Summer seasons. Please note that this means City Hall will be closed on these dates.

Friday, April 19, 2019
in observance of Good Friday

Monday, May 27, 2019
in observance of Memorial Day

Thursday, July 4, 2019
in observance of Independence Day

Monday, September 2, 2019
in observance of Labor Day

We will present Fall and Winter closings in the Fall/Winter Newsletter.

An environmental responsibility goal is to upgrade city streetlights to energy efficient LED lighting. This will lower operating expenses from reduced maintenance, reduced municipal greenhouse gas emissions and load shed and enhance quality of street lighting for public safety. Another goal to reduce our carbon footprint is determining a baseline energy consumption for local government operations through tracking, reporting and online tools. The City will be working with Johnson Controls Inc. (JCI) on a complete inventory of mechanical, lighting, and HVAC equipment in all municipal buildings to review total energy consumption by building. The goal is to identify areas of energy efficiency and develop a high-level five-year asset management evaluation for the City to allow for proactive planning of equipment replacement within the buildings.

The sustainability plan includes a goal to implement a Building Management System (BMS). A BMS is a series of controls that automate building systems such as lighting and HVAC to ensure these systems are only operational when they are need-

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Greetings Neighbors

From the **COUNCIL PRESIDENT**



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Spring has arrived and what better time for home improvements? Stark County Treasurer, Alex Zumber, has announced a "Fix-It Funds Program". This program, designed to help Stark County taxpayers repair or remodel their homes, is available to most homeowners in the County.

Participating banks* offer county homeowners low interest, fixed rate home improvement loans in return for Stark County depositing funds in their bank. The loans are up to 2% below the bank's current interest rate for home improvement loans. They may be used for property upgrades, remodeling, repairs and code compliance with few restrictions.

All owner-occupied, single-family residences with a home value (not including land) of \$250,000.00 or less (pursuant to the Stark County Auditor's value) whose real estate tax payments are current, are eligible to apply for loans that may range from \$5,000.00 to \$50,000.00.

Please bear in mind that all loans are subject to credit review and approval. There is limited funding available and loans are provided on a first-come, first-serve basis.

***PARTICIPATING BANKS**

Westfield Bank: 4809 Dressler Road, Canton - 330-493-5149

First Commonwealth: 100 Central Plaza South, Canton - 330-280-5206

Farmer's National Bank: 4518 Fulton Drive, Suite 101, Canton - 330-526-7285

I urge residents to take advantage of this great deal and I look forward to seeing all the home improvements!

Daniel J. Peters

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LIVE STREAMING MONDAY MEETINGS

North Canton Council meetings are now live streamed and can be accessed by using the YouTube icon at the bottom of the City's website:

www.northcantonohio.gov



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12 reasons

WHY YOUR COMPANY SHOULD LOCATE IN THE CITY OF NORTH CANTON



1. **North Canton is a Safe Community - Day or Night:**

North Canton provides a wide variety of affordable housing as a very stable socio-economic community dating back generations with perennially strong real property valuations and a visible law enforcement presence. Current office staffs in the Hoover District come and go without trouble day and night. Emergency response time would be 2 - 3 minutes for police, 1 ½ to 2 minutes for fire or EMS.

2. **North Canton City School System Best in Class - Time and Again:** The North Canton City School District earned a "Momentum Award" for the third consecutive year, making it 1 of only 70 Ohio School Districts to do so.

The Ohio Department of Education has recognized Northwood Elementary as 1 of only 310 Ohio Schools to earn an "Overall A Award";

Orchard Hill Intermediate School is 1 of only 81 Ohio Schools to earn the "Momentum Award" three years in a row;

3. **Walsh University continues Record Setting Enrollment:**

Outstanding academic facilities, chapel, residence halls, a new health and wellness complex as well as unique programs in areas such as Bioinformatics and museum studies are all found at Walsh's North Canton Campus.

4. **Sound Municipal Fiscal Policies, Practices and Stewardship through it all from Past to Present:**

Lowest Municipal income tax of any surrounding community – rate unchanged since 1971, while navigating through shutdown of city's largest employer and national, state and local recessions.

5. **Access to Strong, Vibrant Healthcare:** Akron Childrens Hospital Pediatrics, Aultman Hospital and Mercy Medical Center all have a presence within the City Health Corridor, representing tens of millions of dollars in investment and top notch medical care. Aultcare provides lower cost healthcare via a cost effective, high quality network utilizing smaller margins to be more accountable to the local community of individuals and employers.

The North Canton YMCA of Central Stark County is open for health and fitness 5am to 10pm and provides convenient quality day care within walking distance of the Hoover District.

6. **Exceptional Public Safety Forces:** Police, Fire, EMS and our own 911 dispatch services provide fast response and 24/7 police road patrols keep a strong, friendly face with residents and businesses.

7. **Exemplary City Services:** Best maintained streets year-round – winter street maintenance is the envy of the surrounding area. Charlotte and Main Streets corridor designated for widening to improve traffic safety and flow. Over \$3 million in federal, state, and local funding will be used to improve our streets in 2019.

Municipal owned and operated water treatment plant provides high quality water with low inside city rates.

Community and neighborhood parks attract thousands from surrounding locales. Miles of walking trails, a municipal swimming pool and overall growing demand for recreational rental facilities is leading the city to a multi-million dollar expansion of the park system, including a dedicated inclusivity playground.

8. **Strong Brand Recognition:** Businesses near the city try to brand themselves as located within North Canton in order to benefit from long-standing public perception that North Canton is a desirable place to live, work, play and locate a business.

9. **Workforce Development:** Recruiting is readily available at Walsh University which has an accredited MBA program and was ranked as a top 50 accelerated program for 2017. Walsh also has established valuable working relationships with area employers through an internship partnership. Also, workforce training is available within minutes from downtown North Canton through Stark State College and KSU Stark. The employment source and Stark State offer services for hiring/job fairs.

10. **Centrally located in Stark County:** With no hassle commuting into the city and convenient access to interstate highways, north/south and east/west arteries and being 12 minutes from a thriving regional airport gives North Canton businesses access to the world. Closer to home, Main Street is lined with many of North Canton's small businesses, and the priority on maintaining a safe and clean community makes this a walkable experience for residents and visitors.

11. **Culture of Community Support:** Residents have a long proud history of supporting local businesses, organizations and philanthropic causes dating back nearly 100 hundred years with the founding of the Hoover Company.

12. **Strong Sense of Community:** Residents value North Canton's small-town feel, with community events such as the holiday tree lighting, Memorial Day parade, 4th of July race and parade, 720 Market Festival and the Main Street Festival bringing the community together in the City Center. The YMCA and North Canton Public Library are also popular gathering spots throughout the year.

Recycling Right-In 3 Easy Steps...

- 1 When in doubt...THROW IT OUT!**
Make sure that all items are on the Kimble Recycling Center's approved list of accepted recyclables. If the item is not on the list or if you are unsure place it directly into the trash.
- 2 RECYCLABLES MUST BE CLEAN AND DRY.**
Food is considered a contaminate. No dirty peanut butter jars or bottles with water still in them. Cardboard must also be clean and dry. Greasy pizza boxes are not recyclable.
- 3 NO NEED TO SORT OR BAG YOUR ITEMS.**
Place your approved recyclables in your Kimble Recycling Cart all together. Items should be loose and unbagged. Bags are a contaminate at our Recycling Center.

Paper & Newspaper: Paper should be clean and dry. Please no glossy paper or foil wrapping paper. Paper should not be stained by waste. Magazines, mail, newspapers and copier paper are accepted.

Cardboard: Cardboard must be clean and dry. It should be flattened and be emptied of any packing materials. No food contamination such as grease on pizza boxes.

Metal & Aluminum Cans: Only metal or aluminum food and drink cans are accepted. They should be empty, clean and dry before being placed loosely in the recycling cart. No other metal items are accepted.

Glass Bottles: All glass bottles should be empty, clean and dry before being placed loosely in the recycling cart. Please no glassware, mirrors, window panes or light bulbs.

Plastics Jugs & Bottles: Only clean and empty plastic bottles and jugs are accepted. Please do not crush the bottles and keep lids on. No other plastic items are accepted - even if they have a recycle logo.

..... **NOT ACCEPTED**

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|------------------------|---------------------|-------------------|
| • Wood | • Hoses | • Yard Waste |
| • Paint Cans | • Wire Hangers | • Plastic Bags |
| • Anti-Freeze | • Plastic Bags | • Garbage |
| • Wax Cartons | • Styrofoam | • Food or Liquids |
| • Batteries | • Christmas Lights | • Clothing |
| • Light Bulbs | • Toys | • Hoses/Wires |
| • Motor Oil Containers | • Plastic Utensils | • Chains |
| | • Plastic Furniture | • Electronics |



ADDITIONAL HOUSEHOLD RECYCLING INFORMATION
In addition to the Kimble Recycling information included in this Newsletter, please keep in mind the City of North Canton collects household batteries for recycling. Also, you may wish to bring any unused medications to the same site for proper disposal. These containers are in the lower entrance to City Hall. Improper disposal of batteries, medication, motor oil, paint, pesticides and more could lead to pollution of lakes and streams and groundwater, and harm animals. Please be certain to dispose of hazardous materials/chemicals properly.

POOL RATE INCREASE SUMMARY:

When Did Pool Rates Last Increase?
Rates have remained the same since 2016.

Why Increase Rates? While the YMCA has done a great job at increasing attendance and driving up net income, the City is only breaking even after utility and maintenance costs. In order to save for future capital improvements, we need additional revenue. A pool capital reserve account has been established and 20% of net income from the pool will be placed in the account. After the account reaches the target amount, a major renovation of the facility will take place.

What Will be Included in the Renovations?
The renovations will include a replacement or renovation of the locker rooms, front gate, and concessions areas. If additional grants or donations can be secured, we may add things like a new slide or replace elements of the splash park.

Who Is Paying for the Renovations? Some money will come from pool visitors who buy a daily pass or season pass at increased prices. The YMCA has agreed to share more of the profits to increase the capital account. The City will also provide additional money in the annual budget over the next several years. We will seek donations and grant funding to supplement these revenues.

How Did You Calculate the Increase in Rates? The regular daily pass rate was increased \$1 from the 2016 rate for Monday - Friday. For Saturday & Sunday (when crowds are the largest) the weekend daily pass will now be \$2 above the 2016 regular rate. Season passes are then based upon a certain number of regular daily passes. See below for more details.

Residents (Pre-season/In-season):
Single: 8 day passes / 9 day passes
Family: single rate x 2.4
Senior: single rate x .5

Non-Residents (Pre-season/In-season):
Single: 13 day passes/16 day passes
Family: single rate x 2.4
Senior: single rate x .5



LAWN IRRIGATION SYSTEMS AND BACKFLOW PREVENTION

LAWN (TURF) IRRIGATION SYSTEMS: For the protection of the water purveyor's distribution system, all irrigation systems must have an approved backflow prevention assembly that is commensurate with the degree of hazard. Irrigation systems are categorized as high health hazard or moderate health hazard as defined below.

Any irrigation system that contains pumps or injectors for the addition of chemicals and/or fertilizers is considered a high hazard. This risk assessment is also based on the additional hazard posed by bacterial contaminants found on lawns, and on the possibility of changes being made to the irrigation system by the customer. An approved reduced pressure backflow assembly (RPBA), or an approved air gap separation, should be required in all cases where chemicals or herbicides may be injected into the irrigation system, or where an auxiliary water supply is also provided for irrigation water.

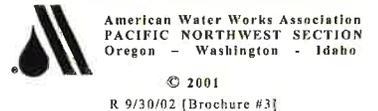
All irrigation systems that are not classified as high health hazard are considered to be moderate health hazards. This risk assessment is based on the hazard posed by bacterial and chemical contaminants found on lawns, and on the possibility of changes being made to the irrigation system by the customer. An approved double check valve assembly (DCVA), or pressure vacuum breaker assembly (PVBA), should be required.

However, an approved PVBA does not provide adequate protection if it is subjected to flooding, back-pressure, elevated piping, or if compressed air is used to winterize the irrigation systems. In these situations, an approved DCVA should be required as a minimum level of protection.

APPROVED BACKFLOW ASSEMBLIES: The water purveyor relies on approved backflow prevention assemblies to protect the public water system. Approved assemblies are manufactured with isolation valves and test cocks to permit field-testing to demonstrate that the assemblies are properly functioning to prevent backflow.

In addition to the above assemblies, plumbing codes also allow the use of atmospheric vacuum breakers (AVB) on lawn irrigation systems without chemical addition. Because an atmospheric vacuum breaker is not designed to be tested, some water purveyors require the installation of approved, testable assemblies. Contact your water purveyor regarding the requirements for isolation of your lawn irrigation system.

NOTE:
All irrigation piping should be considered as a non-potable water system due to an actual or potential health hazard.



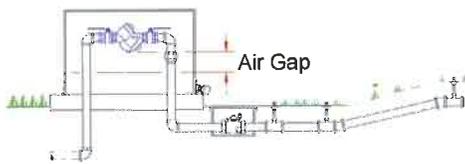
REDUCED PRESSURE BACKFLOW ASSEMBLY FOR ISOLATION OF LAWN IRRIGATION SYSTEM

The reduced pressure backflow assembly (RPBA) shall be installed to isolate irrigation systems using injectors or pumps to apply fertilizer and other agricultural chemicals.

The RPBA must be installed above ground to prevent the relief valve opening from becoming submerged.

The RPBA should be installed in an insulated enclosure to provide freeze protection.

The RPBA shall be tested by a certified backflow assembly tester upon installation, after repair of relocation, and at least annually.



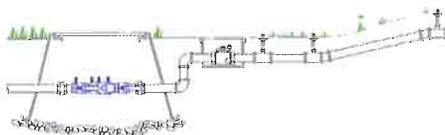
Reduced Pressure backflow Assembly in Above-Ground Enclosure

DOUBLE CHECK VALVE ASSEMBLY FOR ISOLATION OF LAWN IRRIGATION SYSTEM

The double check valve assembly (DCVA) may be installed to isolate all irrigation systems that do not use injectors or pumps to apply fertilizer and other agricultural chemicals.

The DCVA may be installed in a below ground enclosure provided the assembly test cocks are plugged; the test cocks are pointed up; adequate space is provided for maintenance and testing, and any compressed air connections are installed only downstream of the DCVA.

The DCVA shall be tested by a certified backflow assembly tester upon installation, after repair of relocation, and at least annually.



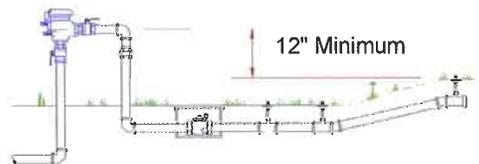
Double Check Valve Assembly in Below-Ground Box

PRESSURE VACUUM BREAKER ASSEMBLY FOR ISOLATION OF LAWN IRRIGATION SYSTEMS

The pressure vacuum breaker assembly (PVBA) may be installed to isolate all irrigation systems that do not use injectors or pumps to apply fertilizer and other agricultural chemicals.

The PVBA shall be installed at least 12 inches above the highest point in the irrigation piping.

The PVBA shall be tested by a certified backflow assembly tester upon installation, after repair of relocation, and at least annually.



Pressure Vacuum Breaker Assembly

For further information contact your local water purveyor or the PNWS/AWWA Cross-Connection Control Committee through the PNWS office at (877) 767-2992.



EARTH DAY Event

Saturday, April 27
from 11am - 2pm

ORGANIC PLANT SALE:

Choose from a selection of organically grown plants from Know Your Roots.

RECYCLE FAIR:

Electronics: Ecycle Solutions of Ohio LLC. says if it plugs in, we'll recycle it. "This service is offered free with the exception of tube TVs and monitors (\$20 each), CFL Bulbs (\$0.50 each), tube style fluorescent bulbs (\$0.25/foot).

COOKING/GARDENING EQUIPMENT:

StarkFresh will accept your unwanted gardening equipment / tools and gently used pots, pans, canning jars and dinnerware.

PAPER SHREDDING:

Bring up to three boxes of paper per household to the City Hall parking lot (next door to the library) for shredding by U-Shredd-It. This program is sponsored by the City of North Canton.

REPAIR CLINIC:

Before you toss that in a landfill, let our Repair Clinic experts try to help you fix it. This year's Earth Day event will feature a Repair Clinic with the experts from C.H.A.M.P., the Canton Hacker and Maker Place.

If you have something broken and it plugs in, uses a battery, or zips, we will work together to try to fix them! If it doesn't do these things, we can still try. Please note: if you have something broken and bring in new parts, C.H.A.M.P. will help install the new parts, but C.H.A.M.P. does not have replacement parts available.



What will eCycle accept?

- Non-alkaline Batteries
- Household Appliances
- Analog Cable Boxes
- Ballasts
- Blu Ray Players
- Broadcasting Equipment
- Camcorders
- Cameras
- Card Scanners
- Cash Registers
- Cell Phones / Mobile Devices
- Check Scanners
- Clocks
- Computers/Laptops (whole or parts)
- Consumer Electronics
- Copiers (large or small)
- Cords (extension and light)
- Digital Cable Boxes
- Disk Drives / Hard Drives
- Docking Stations
- DVD Players and DVDs
- Fans / Blowers
- Fax Machines
- Floppy Discs and Drives
- Hair Dryers
- Household Electronics
- Light Fixtures
- Microwaves
- Modems
- Monitors (Flat Screen)
- MP3 Players
- Medical Equipment (no bio-hazardous equipment)
- Networking Equipment, Hubs and Switches
- Ovens (gas and electric)
- Overhead Projectors
- POS Equipment
- Power Tools
- Printers
- Projectors
- Recording Devices
- Routers
- Satellite Cable Boxes
- Scanners
- Smart Boards
- Software CDs
- Stereo Equipment
- Telecom Equipment
- Telephone Equipment
- Televisions (Flat Screen or Rear Projection)
- Thermal Printers
- Toaster Ovens
- UPS / Battery Back-ups
- Vacuums / Carpet Cleaners
- VCR Players
- Video Game Systems / Controllers
- Video Games
- Washers / Dryers
- Wireless Cards

FEE ITEMS

- Tube Televisions & Monitors - \$20 each
- Fluorescent Light Bulbs small household \$0.50 each
- Fluorescent Light Bulbs: \$0.25 / foot

(eCycle accepts credit cards and cash)

an Epic summer

AT THE NORTH CANTON PUBLIC LIBRARY
KICK-OFF PARTY
Saturday, June 1, 11a.m. to 2 p.m.

REGISTER FOR SUMMER READING PROGRAMS!

- ☀ VISIT ANIMALS FROM THE AKRON ZOO
- ☀ ENJOY FREE ICE CREAM
- ☀ GIVE-A-WAYS FOR ALL AGES

Walsh University President Richard Jusseume Announces Retirement



After 18 years of monumental growth under his leadership, Walsh University President Richard Jusseume has officially announced his retirement.

As Ohio's second longest-serving president of a four-year private university, Richard Jusseume became the sixth president of Walsh University in 2001. Under his guidance over the past 18 years, Walsh has experienced phenomenal growth in almost every facet of its operations including enrollment, academic programming,

faculty and staff, financial resources and physical facilities.

During his tenure, full-time undergraduate enrollment has increased by more than 60 percent, while academically the University has more than doubled its number of undergraduate majors and launched its first doctorate programs in Physical Therapy (2007) and Nursing Practice (2011). During his presidential tenure, the University's endowment has grown from \$2 million to more than \$27 million and the University has marked 18 consecutive balanced budgets. The number of buildings on Walsh's North Canton campus has more than doubled from 11 to 27 buildings on 136 park-like acres, with 10 residence halls (six built in the past 18 years), state-of-the-art athletic facilities and new academic buildings equipped with the latest technology. Walsh also expanded internationally with a campus in Rome, Italy, and a robust Global Learning Program on four continents.

A man of deep Catholic faith with an acute business sense, his knowledge and understanding of Walsh's mission was built upon a lifelong personal relationship with the University's founders, the Brothers of Christian Instruction. Educated by the Brothers from the age of 11, Walsh graduate class of 1967, a student Brother of Christian Instruction, two-time Dean of Students, and a member of the Board of Directors, President Jusseume had been a part of Walsh's history and mission almost from the school's founding in 1960.

President Richard Jusseume and his wife Theresa (Frank) have had a vested interest and profound love for this North Canton University that has been a part of their lives, and family, for more than 40 years. Terie is a 1974 alumnus of Walsh and joined the staff in 2004 to lend her talents and energy to new campus initiatives involving Catholic outreach.

In addition to his contributions at Walsh, President Jusseume has generously given of his time by serving on numerous community and volunteer boards throughout Stark County. In 2005, he was honored as the "Community Leader of the Year" from the North Canton Chamber of Commerce, and in 2009, he was named a "Stark County Mover & Shaker" by About Magazine's Advisory Board.

President Jusseume will stay on as Walsh's leader through the end of this fiscal year (June 30, 2019) and, to ensure a smooth transition for the new president, will remain in a consultant position for the

final year of his contract. A national search is underway to procure Walsh's new president.



TRIVIA NIGHT

at the **MAIN STREET GRILLE**

north canton public library

TRIVIA, APPETIZERS AND PRIZES PROVIDED BY THE LIBRARY!

THIRD TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH

JANUARY FEBRUARY MARCH APRIL MAY 6PM-8PM

TRIVIA APPETIZERS PRIZES

REGISTER YOUR TEAM AT: NCANTONLIBRARY.ORG

live AT THE LIBRARY

THURSDAYS, JUNE 6, JULY 11 AND AUGUST 1 AT 6 P.M.

June 6: Ohio Weather Band performs; Zydeco Bistro Food Truck
 July 11: The Locke Boys performs; Cheezylicious Food Truck
 August 1: Erin Nicole Neal and the Chill Factors perform; Food Truck TBA

north canton public library

Leaving for Vacation? *Here are a few tips!*



Ahh, Summertime!

A time for gathering with friends and family and taking trips out of town. If you have something planned for this summer that is going to take you away from home for an extended period, here are some tips to consider in preparation for your trip:

- Be careful about who you tell of your vacation plans
- Be certain to lock all your doors and windows
- Arrange for a trustworthy friend or neighbor to do some yard upkeep; consider having them park their car in your driveway
- Give someone you trust your emergency contact numbers
- Stop all newspaper and postal deliveries
- Use timers on lights
- Burglars setting out to rob you can easily find keys that are hidden under doormats, above door ledges and in potted plants. Your best option may be just to provide a key to a trusted friend or neighbor.



North Canton YMCA Events/Programs

- **April 7:** Pinewood Derby
- **April 7:** Gymnastics Center Boosters
Quarter Auction
- **April 14:** Egg Splash
- **April 19:** Kids Night Out
- **April 24:** Senior Bus Trip to
Sugarcreek
- **April 27:** Healthy Kids Day
- **May 10-12:** Spring Family Camp at
YMCA Camp Tippecanoe
- **May 14:** Senior Bus Trip to
Greenhouses in Medina
- **May 19:** Princess Party
- **May 22:** Senior Health & Fitness Day
- **May 25:** Dogwood Pool Opening Day
- **June 9:** Kids Warrior Dash
- **June 20:** Senior Bus Trip to the
Ohio Light Opera
- **July 4:** 42nd Annual July 4th Race
- **July 20:** Kids Triathlon
- **September 27:** .. Fall Family Fun Fest

MOSQUITO CONTROL

IS THERE SUCH A THING?

Those pesky, long legged fliers that can transmit several serious illnesses, which include malaria and encephalitis, are everywhere! Together, we can control mosquitos and once again enjoy the great outdoors.

As a property owner it is your responsibility to clear your property of any potential breeding sites. This could be anywhere that holds standing water. Some things you could do, but they are not limited to, covering your trash containers to keep out rain water; cleaning your gutters periodically; changing the water in bird baths and plant pots or drip trays once a week; keeping drains, ditches and culvers clean of weeds and trash so water will drain properly. Remember, standing water could mean you are raising mosquitos!

The City of North Canton will send out a fleet to fog for mosquitos again this summer. We are working with the Stark County Health Department to achieve the best mosquito control in the summer months.

**PLEASE HELP US BY DOING
YOUR PART!**



Upcoming Events at the North Canton Heritage Society

185 Ream Street NW, North Canton, OH

"By Popular Demand:" Local Advertising in New Berlin and North Canton Exhibit: **February 9 - March 28**

Board Game Night: **March 15**

Annual Membership Meeting: **March 19**

Board Game Night: **April 19**

Civil War Soldiers Cemetery Walking Tour: **May 11**

Board Game Night: **May 17**

Membership Appreciation Party: **May 18**

Stark History Challenge: **June 1 - August 31**



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Your City...Your History!

*"Come Together:" An Exhibit on the
Historic Churches of North Canton*

April 6 - May 30

*With support from Ohio
Humanities, a state affiliate
of the National Endowment
for the Humanities.*

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Grilling Safety Tips

Who doesn't love cooking on a grill!? The National Fire Protection Association reported that fire departments responded to an average of 8,900 home fires involving grills, hibachis, and barbecues per year between 2009 and 2013. That's just too high!

HERE ARE SOME TIPS TO MAKE YOUR GRILLING EXPERIENCE A LITTLE SAFER:

- All grills should be used outdoors only, placed well away from the house, deck rails, and overhanging branches.
- Keep your grill clean by removing grease and fat build-up.
- Never leave the grill unattended.
- Check all connections on your propane grill for leaks before using. If you can smell gas, turn off the grill immediately.
- Never add lighter fluid to a charcoal grill once it has already been started.
- Keep children and pets away from the grill. Hopefully these safety reminders will help you have a safe and tasty grilling season.

PLEASE REMEMBER RECREATIONAL FIRES REQUIRE A PERMIT.

Building DEPARTMENT NEWS

The City
CANNOT AND
DOES NOT endorse
any of the
contractors on the
list found on the
City's website.

CONTRACTOR REGISTRATION LIST:

The City of North Canton's Building Department is proud to announce the addition of the current (as of March 2019) Contractor Registration List to the City's website. While you may still call and verify whether a contractor is registered with the City, this tool may help

you decide quicker, easier, or after hours. Please note that the City does not screen any of the contractors who register with the City, but we do make certain they meet with all the statutory requirements for the State and the City. All contractors registered must pay appropriate bond amounts and are required to have a current Bureau of Workers' Compensation (BWC) Certificate.

LICENSED CONTRACTORS:

There are risks involved if you decide against using a licensed contractor. If you are not using a contractor licensed with the State, you do not know if that contractor is qualified to perform the specific work you have hired them to complete. More than likely, they will not have BWC insurance. This opens the homeowner up to potential severe liabilities. For example, if a worker falls from a ladder and breaks his back, and the contractor does not carry workers' compensation coverage, the homeowner may be held liable for any damages. Perhaps that worker is never going to be able to work again...and that leaves YOU responsible for lawsuits being filed against you personally. Many homeowner's insurance policies do not cover this type of claim.

PERMITS:

Permits are required to protect homeowners and the environment. This resource makes certain that all replacements,

installations, improvements, etc. are properly performed and meet all building and zoning codes. Failure to obtain the appropriate permits leaves you subject to penalties of the codified ordinances of the City, which includes, but may not be limited to, double permit fees. Permits ultimately save the homeowner money. When selling your home, should any improvement project permits not be on file, it could prove detrimental to the value of your home. Appraisers generally will not give an improvement value to a home for permits that are lacking.

SUGGESTIONS WHEN HIRING A CONTRACTOR:

The Building Department recommends asking questions when seeking to hire a contractor. Some of those questions may be, but should not be limited to, the following:

- How long have you been working in the industry?
- Are you licensed?
- Do you belong to BIA (Building Industry Association) and NARI (National Association of the Remodeling Industry) or any other professional organizations?
- Do you have insurance that will cover something in my home being broken in the construction/renovation process?
- Do you carry workers' compensation insurance for your employees?
- Will you provide a list of at least three (3) references to contact?
- Will you be the one to pull the required permits, or is this expected of me?
- Who is the onsite project manager?
- What is the projected timeline for this project?
- How often have you found yourself **not** completing a job within the anticipated timeline?
- What is the daily work schedule?
- What is the payment schedule?
- Have you been involved in any legal disputes regarding any previous jobs?

ZONING/CODE INFORMATION:

Please note, fences do require zoning permits. North Canton has unique requirements for flatwork (i.e. sidewalks, driveways, patios, etc.). **Make certain you have a final inspection performed!** Failure to do so is just as bad as not having obtained permits!

North Canton Garden Club Plant Sale

The North Canton Garden Club wishes to invite the community to their Plant Sale.

SATURDAY, MAY 18TH, 2019 • 8:00AM - 2:00PM

Dogwood Park Shelter

241 7th Street NE, North Canton, Ohio 44720

**GET THERE
EARLY FOR
THE BEST
SELECTION!**



Each year, The North Canton Garden Club members in the area, lovingly place them in recycled pots, label and maintain them throughout the spring. These plants are then transported to the Dogwood Shelter and organized so they can be sold at a very reasonable price to local gardeners. The Club Members are on hand to help with your choices and to answer questions.

“ F R O M O U R G A R D E N S , T O Y O U R S ”



Pesticide Safety

The term "pesticides" may cover a wide variety of synthetic, organic and biological based products. Sometimes, even though you've purchased the smallest packaging available, you find yourself facing the dilemma of not having utilized the entire contents prior to the expiration date. This is a predicament in which many people find themselves. The City would like to provide you with these helpful tips.

PURCHASING:

- Try to find the least toxic option for your situation.
- Buy the smallest quantity available that is enough to treat the troublesome area. Just because it's on sale or cheaper the more you purchase doesn't mean you should purchase that quantity. Frequently this is how you find yourself with leftover pesticides that will need to be disposed of later.
- Keep in mind organic pesticides can also be hazardous in their concentrated form, so purchasing too much could lead you to expired excess which will need disposed of properly.

STORING:

- Refrain from storing pesticides in freezing or extreme heat temperatures. Ultraviolet light can also detrimental to pesticides leaving them less effective. All of these elements could lead to damage which could result in leaks or burst containers.
- Be certain to follow all storage recommendations listed on the product label.
- While garages and garden sheds may seem ideal for storage, most are not equipped with heating and cooling systems and thus storage here is not recommended.
- It is extremely important that you do not store pesticides near food or in a place that is accessible to children or animals. Make certain all pesticides are clearly labeled.

DISPOSING:

- Most pesticide labels contain a section titled "Storage and Disposal"; please be certain to follow these instructions carefully.
- Never dispose of pesticides in your trash, catch basins, drainage ditches. Improper disposal of any hazardous waste could contaminate wastewater treatment systems, ground and surface water that is used as a drinking water source and could pollute bodies of water if poured into storm sewers.
- The National Pesticide Information Center provides the following information:
- If any product remains in the container it must be disposed of as household hazardous waste;
- To find out where to take your unwanted pesticides, you can contact 1-800-CLEANUP (1-800-253-2687) or talk to the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (330/963-1200). **Remember! State and local laws can be more strict than federal requirements.**
- After emptying a pesticide container rinse it properly for disposal or recycling. **Never reuse a pesticide container for any purpose!**
- Apply rinse water according to label directions; only where the pesticide was intended to be used.
- Do not pour rinse water into any drain or on any site not listed on the product label; it could contaminate the environment.
- If you mixed or diluted a pesticide and you have a little too much left over, try to use it up while following the label. Consider asking a neighbor if they can use any leftover mixtures.

*This article is being provided merely as a guideline and should not be construed as the standard for storage and/or disposal of any harmful chemicals.



Spring/Summer Yard Cleanup

Recently, City Ordinance No. 70-2018 amended Chapter 553.01 (Obstructions on lawn strips and lawn debris in street gutters) of the Codified Ordinances of North Canton. Specifically, the amendment states: "(c) In the interest of public safety, all pavement, driveways, curbs, gutters, sidewalks, and lawn strips shall be edged when necessary to prevent encroachment from the adjacent grassed areas or ground cover." Please this Ordinance in mind as you or your service provider prepare for your spring/summer lawn chores.

As you prepare to landscape your yard, please remember to **never** rake or dump your grass clippings, leaves or other yard debris into storm drains, catch basins or ditches. This will create blockages which can lead to flooding.

Grass Mowing

Please recall that your lawn is required by law to be cut and kept cut to a height not exceeding eight (8) inches on improved property and twelve (12) inches on unimproved property all weeds, grass or rank vegetation on any property owned, controlled or occupied by you within the City of North Canton. Failure to do so may result in the City of North Canton cutting said weeds, grass and rank vegetation on your property and you would be responsible for payment of any costs of mowing or removal by the City.



"PLEASE DON'T FEED THE WATERFOWL"

**PLEASE . . .
DO NOT FEED
WATERFOWL.**



Preserve the health of the waterfowl and our beautiful park. Allow the park ducks to return to their natural habits.

HAND FEEDING CAN CAUSE:

- Poor nutrition
- Spread of disease
- Unnatural behavior
- Pollution
- Overcrowding
- Delayed migration

Many people enjoy feeding the waterfowl, but the effects of this seemingly generous act can be harmful. If you care about our park's waterfowl, please stop feeding them and allow them to return to their natural habits. *Thank you, The City of North Canton.*

Signs like this are posted at a majority of parks throughout the United States. What are waterfowl some ask? Waterfowl are aquatic birds which include over 170 species. In our area the most prevalent are ducks, geese and some swans. Near beach shores waterfowl comprise of gulls, pelicans and herons to name a few. Whether they are in the water or walking on land they are still considered waterfowl. While we realize a tradition of "going to the park to feed the ducks" exists. We need to create new traditions of just enjoying the ducks or taking a picture of the ducks but not throwing snacks at them. Even if they do a convincing job of appearing to be hungry and compelling you to feed them, you should NOT and here is why.

Several reasons exist, but we'd like to address just a few. While the ducks or geese may seem to enjoy the tidbits provided to them, these items are generally

processed foods made for human consumption. Our friendly neighborhood waterfowl weren't designed to digest this type of food. Additionally, when ducks, geese and other animals eat the food we provide, they are most likely not receiving the appropriate nourishment. They are full of what we've fed them and won't keep to their healthy diet that provides all the sustenance they need. Some birds may be classified as "endangered", "threatened" or "of special concern" according to the Audubon Society. This means that they could be struggling to survive. Therefore, your kind gesture could very easily turn into a harmful act as the waterfowl ingest food that is not meant for them. This can cause sickness and may ultimately threaten their survival. It is a proven fact that feeding bread to waterfowl, which has little to no nutritional value, may cause "angel wing", which is a condition where a duck's flight feathers at the end of its wings twist upwards. This could cause a slight reduced range of motion of the affected wing(s), which, in turn, effects its ability for flight.

If you're feeding the waterfowl, it is likely that you are teaching them not to fear humans. Please keep in mind that these ducks and geese do not just hang out in our friendly City of North Canton. They are migratory birds. Open for hunting season in places. Their newfound trust in humans may be the most detrimental thing that happens to them.

In addition to the foregoing, leftover food not consumed by waterfowl can contaminate the waters, attract rodents and spread diseases.

With all of the aforementioned points, yes, we are going to say it again and keep on saying it...Please don't feed the waterfowl.

Recreation Rentals

Recreation rentals may now be booked online up to 360 days in advance.

Go to our website northcantonohio.gov and click on the recreation facilities button on our home page.

If you find you need assistance or if you would like to speak with someone regarding your rental, please call 330/499-8223 Option 5. The facilities fill up quickly, especially for graduations, so please be certain to make your reservation before your desired date is taken!

AVAILABLE FACILITIES:

- Outdoor Park Picnic Shelters, available for rental at Price, Witwer and Eastwoods Park
- Ballfields, available at Price and Witwer Park
- Indoor Dogwood Park Pavilion – Half or Full Shelter Rental
- North Canton Civic Center – For larger, more formal events
- North Canton Portico Rental
- North Canton City Hall Conference Room or Chambers - For indoor meetings



720 Market Returns!

The area's beloved open-air, local affair kicks off their 2019 season **Sunday, May 19**, with new and returning one-of-a-kind local makers and bakers, brewers and growers ... too many to list. The **720 Market** celebration takes place at a new location and local gem, Walsh University's Hoover Park, with more Food, Art, Music AND FUN!

This venue is just one of the many new experiences awaiting. A special Make It/Take It program will be featured as well as "Lunch at the Lodge" where you can grab your fave food truck fair, craft beer and coffees and take a seat with your neighbors inside the Historic Hoover Lodge. Shop over 100 local artists and farmers to kick off the market season or simply explore the sites, sounds, spirits and grounds of this treasured community event.

Be sure to save the dates for the remaining two 720 Markets: **Saturday, July 20** (IT'S 720 DAY!!) where you can expect MORE music and MORE fun in the streets of North Canton City Square! **Sunday, September 29**, 720 Market returns to Gervasi Vineyard for their Annual FESTA GERVASI! (Grape Harvest Festival and 720 Market).

For more information follow @720market on FB, Instagram and Twitter. All market details including "How to 720" are available by visiting www.720market.com. See you at 720!

720 MARKET PRESENTS

FOOD
ART
MUSIC
FUN

FEATURING ORIG.

MAKERS / BAKERS
BREWERS & GROWERS

SINCE 2016

720 MKT LET'S GET TOGETHER

MAY 19 ★ JUL 20 ★ SEP 29

WALSH UNIVERSITY'S
HOOVER PARK

NORTH CANTON CITY
SQUARE + ST. PAUL'S

FESTA GERVASI @
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From the Mayor, continued

ed. For example, a BMS would establish a building protocol that would automatically turn off lights and ramp down HVAC systems when the building is not in use. According to the U.S. Department of Energy these types of systems reduce building energy usage by an average of 29%.

Economic enhancement in the sustainability plan includes developing a North Canton Regional Food Plan which looks at strategies to increase the amount of food we buy from local farms and grow in urban gardens. The CES team will look at ways to promote sustainable local farmers markets and ways to encourage community gardening including support of our existing community garden.

Empowering people in the sustainability plan is key. The City will continue to work with outside agencies again this year such as the Stark Water Conservation District in offering educational seminars. In May of last year we held the "Build Your Own Rain Barrel" workshop at the Dogwood shelter. Residents learned the benefits of rainwater conservation while building their own rain barrel to take with them. This year we will be exploring offering a new "Green Cleaning" class. Look for more information to come.

The City of North Canton was the first community in Stark County to offer its residents curb-side recycling. City waste reduction strategies include having recycling containers in all departments. The sustainability plan includes a goal of replacing all paper towel dispensers with blow driers in all municipal buildings. Reducing waste and increasing recycling works hand in hand with protecting natural resources while saving money.

As a resident of this City and father to 6 children I am passionate about sustainability. By thinking and acting sustainably as a community and in the way we manage our local government operations we can reduce our environmental footprint, focus on economic growth and position our City for a future filled with hope.

All the best,
Mayor David Held

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CITY OF NORTH CANTON

145 North Main St.
North Canton, OH 44720

Upcoming events

- **EARTH DAY:**

Community Shred Day

Saturday, April 27, 2019 from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
in the City Hall Parking Lot.

- **MEMORIAL DAY PARADE:**

Presented by the Lions Club

Monday, May 27, 2019 at 9:00 a.m.

Participants MUST be at the Hoover Stadium parking lot NO LATER than 8:15 a.m. The roads will be closed at 8:30 a.m. and NO ONE will be permitted through the road closure, so please be timely in your arrival.



Please support our fallen veterans by attending this event. There will be food trucks, representatives of the armed forces, Warrior Beat, a wreath ceremony and more! We look forward to seeing you at this event!

- **JULY 4TH PARADE:**

Presented by the North Canton Jaycees

Thursday, July 4, 2019.

Please contact the Jaycees for further information and keep an eye on the City's Facebook Page for updates regarding this event.

- **720 MARKET:**

Presented by 720 Market

July 20, 2019

(or 720 on 7/20!).

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- **MAIN STREET FESTIVAL:**

Presented by the Chamber of Commerce -

this event is usually held the third week in August. Please contact the North Canton Chamber of Commerce for additional information and keep an eye on the City's and/or Chamber's Facebook Page for updates regarding this event.