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### Letter from the Mayor

### **Dear Residents,**



Happy New Year! As we begin 2011, I'd like to take this opportunity to share some of the accomplishments of 2010. Despite an economic situation that continues to challenge us all, we have experienced real progress in revitalizing Canton.

We have continued to right-size government, starting 2011 with 76 less employees then we had at the start of 2009. Infrastructure improvements have continued, including major paving projects on Cleveland Avenue and Sherrick Road. We have created jobs in the city by welcoming companies like Ameridial and Medline Industries.

Our neighborhoods grow stronger every day as residents come together to make their community a better place. Thanks to the city's Neighborhood Stabilization Program, we have seen an unprecedented number of demolitions of vacant and dilapidated houses. At the same time, we have increased our effort to get vacant lots into the hands of residents.



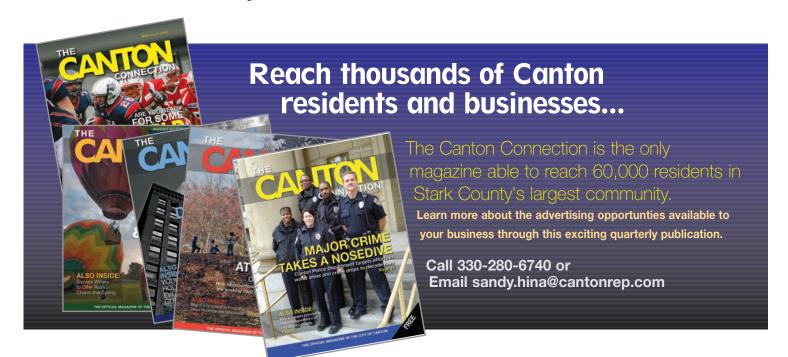
Canton City Schools are also experiencing success. Graduation rates are rising, and the fall of 2010 saw the first class of Mayor's Scholarship recipients start college. I hope you will take the time to find out more about this program and some of the students who are benefiting from it by reading the feature store on page 15.

We will continue to face challenges in 2011, but I am confident we will also continue to see successes. As always, please feel free to contact me via telephone, e-mail or in person whenever you want to share information, request city services or report a problem in your neighborhood. I am honored to serve as your Mayor.

Sincerely,

William J. Healy II

Mayor







### Canton creates jobs through innovative incentive



BY ROBERT TORRES / Director of Economic Development

CANTON MAYOR WILLIAM HEALY RECENTLY JOINED OFFICIALS FROM **JILLITIN OF MEYERS LAKE TO OPEN** 

the new Astoria Skilled Nursing and Rehabilitation Facility. This new center will create 70 jobs at its 47,000 square foot building.

The new facility is located in the Village of Meyers Lake. However, through Mayor Healy's "Jobs 4 US" (Jobs for Utility Service) program, the City of Canton was able to help move the development forward and create incentives for Astoria to hire Canton residents.

Astoria will receive water and sewer services from the City of Canton. In exchange, the facility will pay the city an annual fee in the amount they would have paid in income tax if they were located within city limits. Astoria will receive a deduction in that fee for every one of its employees that lives within the city, creating a financial incentive for the company to hire Canton residents.

The "Jobs 4 US" program was developed with the help of Canton City Engineer Dan Moeglin as a means to create jobs for Canton residents without incurring the costs of annexing the property.

The new facility is located at 3537 12th Street NW in Meyers Lake. The facility has 51 private and 16 semi-private suites and specializes in short-term orthopedic, cardiac, post stroke and post surgical rehabilitation, as well as long-term chronic care stays. In addition, Astoria offers inpatient and outpatient physical, occupational and speech therapy.

The suites are equipped with flat screen TV's and wireless internet connection. The facility also features a putting green, therapy garden, spa, social services, daily activities and fine dining. Astoria accepts Medicare, Medicaid, managed care and private pay.

To receive more information or to arrange a tour of the facility, please call Colleen Neifeldt at 330-455-5500. ♦





**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT** 

# Canton partnership helps residents find new work



BY ROBERT TORRES / Director of Economic Development

THE CITY OF CANTON, STARK STATE COLLEGE OF TECHNOLOGY, BUILDING HEALTHY COMMUNITIES, GOODWILL

Industries and The Employment Source have partnered to create new job opportunities for previously unemployed or underemployed Canton residents.

The partnership secured stimulus funding from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for a three year Environmental Workforce and Job Training Program. This program will allow over one hundred unemployed or underemployed residents to receive instruction through Stark State's environmental technician program.

Accepted candidates receive 280 hours of classroom instruction, resulting in 16 earned credit hours and an Environmental Technician Certificate.

This program is specifically designed to help those who face significant challenges to finding full employment. The grant guidelines limit participation to students who can meet academic requirements, are currently unemployed or underemployed, live in brownfield distressed areas and are drug-free.

The City of Canton is the prime recipient and fiscal agent of the grant. The city is therefore responsible for managing funds, meeting reporting requirements and monitoring compliance with EPA funding requirements. Building Healthy Communities, a program of The Sisters of Charity Foundation, is responsible for publicizing the program, recruiting students and covering administrative costs not included in the EPA funding. Goodwill Industries has provided additional administrative support by offering use of office space, including telephone and administrative support services. Stark State College is responsible for developing a curriculum, providing all instruction and ensuring all academic requirements are met. The Environmental Workforce and Job Training Program also requires placement in employment for those that complete the course successfully.

This can be a challenge, and this is where The Employment Source plays a critical role. Through its database of potential employers, The Employment Source has been able to help identify possible employers and place program participants.

The first class of students hailed mostly from the southeast quadrant of Canton. They began course work assuming they would complete all instruction before being placed in employment.

However, environmental disasters in other parts of the county created a great need for skilled workers, and many students were able to take advantage of real world work opportunities while still completing the curriculum.





These work opportunities have been a welcome boost for city residents that were previously unemployed. Participants in this program have seen first hand how education and a willingness to explore new fields can result in a chance to make positive changes that improve the well being not only of themselves and



their families, but also the environment and nation.

Last May, Stark State was asked to help recruit qualified environmental technicians to work on the oil spill along the Gulf Coast in Florida, Alabama, Mississippi and Louisiana. Nineteen students took jobs in this area to work on the spill with the understanding they would finish the course work after returning from the clean up work. Several other students were hired by environmental clean up companies either as part time employees or stand by candidates.

An additional eleven students were asked to take a break from instruction to work on the oil spill in the Kalamazoo River in Michigan. Since returning, students have been able to use their education and experience to find other work opportunities while attending evening, weekend and regularly scheduled training hours to complete the course program.

The sudden need for trained workers that occurred before students were able to complete the program added an extra challenge for the partnership. All agencies were required to tweak their original plans and programs to accommodate participants taking advantage of the chance to work.

The City of Canton worked with the U.S. EPA to allow for changes in the schedule of course completion. Stark State College was able to adjust course schedules, Building Healthy Communities and The Employment Source served as a link between students and employers, and Goodwill Industries helped coordinate human resources information.

For more information on the program, contact Michael Pressley, Project Coordinator at 330-671-1979. ♦



**CANTON CHAMBER OF COMMERCE** 

# Old Dominion Freight plans distribution facility at Mills Business Park



### BY JESSICA BENNETT

OLD DOMINION FREIGHT LINE, INC. HAS PURCHASED 15.3 ACRES IN MILLS **BUSINESS PARK AND PLANS TO** 

construct a 25,000 sq. ft. distribution center for freight to be distributed locally. The company will be the second business to locate in the park this year, joining Medline Industries in the 141-acre business park.

"We are thrilled to welcome Old Dominion to Canton," said Mayor William J. Healy II. "This is just one more example of how we can help grow our local economy through partnerships and cooperation."

The new Old Dominion facility will create approximately 34 new jobs with competitive salary and benefit packages. In addition, construction of the facility will lead to many more project-based construction jobs. Project investment is estimated at \$9.5 million in land, building and infrastructure. Construction on the project is slated to begin this fall.

"This is another demonstration of the collaborative spirit of our region, and the developments that result through partnerships between business and government. We're proud to have Old Dominion Freight in our community," said Dennis P. Saunier, president and CEO of the Canton Regional Chamber of Commerce.

The City of Canton, led by Mayor Healy, Economic Development Director Robert Torres, and Canton Community Improvement Corporation deputy director Linda Barnes, offered a tax abatement package as an incentive to Old Dominion. The Canton Regional Chamber of Commerce and DeHoff Development were closely involved throughout the process. The Stark Development Board assisted with the original site location.

"Good transportation facilities are key to attracting good businesses and good jobs. We look forward to securing future businesses to the Mills Business Park," said Dan Dehoff, President of the DeHoff Development Company.

### **About Old Dominion Freight Line Inc.**

Old Dominion Freight Line Inc. (NASDAQ: ODFL) is a national less-than-truckload motor carrier providing one-to-five day service among six regions in the United States and next-day and second-day service within these regions. Through its four product groups, OD-Domestic, OD-Expedited, OD-Global and OD-Technology, the Company offers an array of innovative products and services that provide direct service to 48 states within the Southeast, Gulf Coast, Northeast, Midwest, Central

and West regions of the country. In addition to domestic less-than-truckload services, the company offers assembly and distribution services as well as LCL and FCL delivery services to and from all of North America. Central America. South America and the Far East. The company also offers a broad range of expedited and logistical services for both its domestic and global markets, and for more than 75 years, Old Dominion has been helping the world keep promises. For more information, visit www.ODFL.com.

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#### **About Mills Business Park**

Mills Business Park is a 141-acre Class A Business Park located in the City of Canton, only one mile from Interstate 77. Mills Business Park is owned by two 501(c)3 foundations: the Canton Regional Chamber of Commerce Foundation and the DeHoff Family Foundation. The park is suited for high-tech research and design firms, distribution companies and businesses that specialize in light fabrication.

Those interested in developing industry at the site should contact Steven J. Katz, senior vice president of the Canton Regional Chamber of Commerce at (330) 458-2062 or Dan DeHoff, president of DeHoff Development, at (330) 499-8153. ♦

**CANTON SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA** 

### Symphony celebration continues

BY BARBARA MUCCI

MUSIC DIRECTOR, GERHARDT ZIMMERMANN'S 30TH ANNIVERSARY SEASON IS IN FULL SWING AND ON PACE TO BE ONE OF THE SYMPHONY'S MOST MEMORABLE SEASONS EVER!

Thunderous ovations filled Umstattd Hall in 2010. That excitement continues into the new year with amazing KeyBank MasterWorks Series programs on tap. The Orchestra Showcase on January 22 features members of our own Symphony as soloists.

Opera returns to Canton with Rossini's classic, *Barber of Seville* at a special 3:00 p.m. time on February 27. (Get your tickets early...our last Opera sold out!)

Guest pianist, Norman Krieger performs Brahm's breathtaking *Piano Concerto #1* on Sunday, March 26 in a program titled Two Great Romantics. All three magnificent concerts take place in Umstattd Hall on the campus of McKinley Senior High School.

SymphonyLand returns in 2011 with all new stories and programs to introduce our youngest audience members (ages

3-6) to the orchestra instrument families. Each trio performance focuses on a different instrument family and is reinforced through the use of children's literature.

SymphonyLand string trio programs are January 12, 13 & 15, woodwinds are February 9, 10 & 12 and the brass trio will be March 16, 17 & 19. Take your child or grandchild on a trip to SymphonyLand for a fun and interactive way to discover the world of music.

Bourbon Street comes to Canton on Saturday, February 12 with the second annual Mardi Gras Ball! Gather your friends and experience the flavors, sights and sounds of New Orleans. You will have a ball! Visit our website and cast your vote for Canton's own Mardi Gras King & Queen.

The Canton Symphony Orchestra has something for everyone. Come celebrate with us!

Detailed information and on-line tickets for all Canton Symphony concerts and educational programming can be found at www.cantonsymphony.org or by calling 330-452-2094.

**ARTSINSTARK** 

### ArtSplash sure to entertain artists of all ages



BY JUDI CHRISTY

WHAT DO YOU GET WHEN YOU TAKE A COLD WINTER SATURDAY AFTERNOON, A LARGE GROUP OF EXCITABLE

children, a couple crates of modeling clay, finger paint and sand and sprinkle it all with music, dance and theatre?

#### **ArtSplash!**

ArtSplash, in its fourth year at The Cultural Center for the Arts, is ArtsinStark's free family festival of arts projects, enter-

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tainment ... and LEARNING!
As part of ArtsinStark's goal of "creating smarter kids," an underlying theme of this year's ArtSplash is SmART-Splash, allowing past SmArts grants recipients to highlight their school's learning projects that not only earned funding from ArtsinStark but also reaped the benefit of creating a link to learning through the arts.

Besides these projects, ArtSplash will include performances by the Canton Ballet, Canton Idol, North Canton Playhouse and the Players Guild Theatre. Area companies, including Diebold, Aultman,



Nationwide and the Timken Company will be on site with hands-on art and learning activities for children of all ages. The Canton Museum of Art will be open as well, with make-and-take projects for children in the Museum classrooms.

Concessions will be available for purchase. ArtSplash takes place Saturday, January 22 from

1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the Cultural Center for the Arts, at 1001 Market Avenue North in downtown Canton. Parking and admission are free!



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**VOICES OF CANTON INC** 

### Voices of Canton honors Singers Emeritus

BY MAXINE HEGNAUER

THIS PAST FALL, PRESENT AND FORMER SINGERS OF VOICES OF CANTON GATHERED IN THE CABLE HALL OF THE CULTURAL CENTER FOR THE ARTS

to honor members who retired after faithfully serving the Voices of Canton Inc for twenty-five years or more. Five singers were awarded Emeritus status in 2008; Bob and Gail Martin, Dorothy Kandel, and Paul and Dorothy von Gunten.

Two more names have now been added to that list. Our first honoree, Teresa Petch, has given 51 years of her life to this organization. And we do mean given ... and given ... and GIVEN. Teresa played many leading roles in the heyday of Canton Civic Opera's theater productions. Not only has she blessed us and our audiences with her musical gifts, but she also has served us in many other ways-- from conducting assistance, to script writing, to hours and hours of work on our music library.

Our second honoree, Ward Scott, has earned our applause – and sincere thanks-- in numerous ways. If you've been around the area long, you'll have heard of Scott's Costume's. Ward and his staff were always available to help costume our casts during theater productions, and he blessed us for well over



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25 years in that capacity. And if you have experienced our Olde Madrigal Feasts or last year's Renaissance Christmas, you'll have seen the amazing fruits of his creativity in our Madrigal costumes. And in more recent years, who can forget Ward's continuing role as Father Christmas in the Candy Cane Christmas Program?

The seven members of this elite group have collectively contributed well over 300 years to the association. Music is their passion and Voices of Canton is blessed to have had them as members.

For more information, visit www.voicesofcanton.org. •



#### TRI-COUNTY WASTE DISTRICT

### Recycling program continues to shine



BY LINDA MORCKEL / Education Coordinator

SINCE CANTON'S CURBSIDE RECYCLING PROGRAM BEGAN IN THE THIRD QUARTER OF 2008, THE RECYCLING RATE HAS

continued to rise and a total of 3,700 tons has been recycled.

Why should you recycle? One reason is because of the energy and natural resources that are saved. Check out what has been saved from recycling all of the materials from Canton's curbside program:

- •Recycling one aluminum can consumes 95% less energy than creating one can from raw materials. By recycling the aluminum cans from Canton's curbside program, enough energy was saved to operate one TV for 269 years.
- •The steel recycled from the curbside program has saved

46 tons of iron ore, 18 tons of coal and .74 tons of limestone.

- •The paper that has been recycled has saved the equivalent of 46,537 trees.
- •The glass recycled from the curbside program has saved 394 tons of sand, 128 tons of soda ash, 128 tons of limestone and 45 tons of feldspar.
- •By recycling the plastics from Canton's curbside program, 4,815 barrels of oil, 28,954 million btu's of energy and 8,863 cubic yards of landfill space have been saved.

If you want to start recycling, or have questions, please call Canton's Recycling Department at 330-489-3000 or check out their website at http://recycle.cantonohio.gov/ ♦

#### CANTON CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

### Recycling extends to the Canton City School District

BY ROBYN MATULICH / Communications Specialist

IN AN EFFORT TO KEEP GOING GREEN, THE CANTON CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT IMPLEMENTED A DISTRICT WIDE RECYCLING PROGRAM THIS SCHOOL YEAR.

All buildings have recycling dumpsters located on their property and a cash reward is offered to the building that recycles the most.

This program is not only financially beneficial, but also teaches students the merits of recycling, keeping their space neat and clean and helping the environment. Canton City Schools appreciate the support of Abitibi Paper Retriever Company, Stark-Tuscarawas-Joint Solid Waste Management District.

Slesnick Steel and Recycling and the City of Canton for their support of this program.

Many of the schools use the recycling program as an incentive for the students to achieve academically and to be on their best behavior.

Students who score high on tests or exhibit proper classroom behavior are rewarded by transporting the

blue paper collection bin to the dumpster area. Bins are later emptied by school personnel and returned to classrooms.

It is extremely important for children to understand how recycling can have a positive impact on the future of our planet. Currently, Americans use over 67,000,000 tons of paper per year, or 600 pounds per person. Every year more than 900 million trees are cut down to provide raw materials to produce paper in the United States.

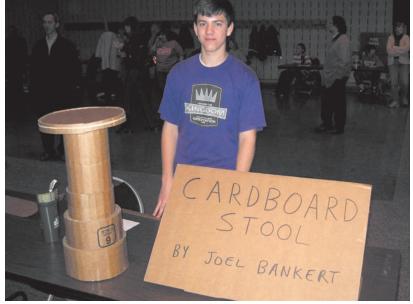
In addition to the district recycling program, students have had the opportunity to participate in the annual Mayor's Young

> Inventor Challenge for the past three years.

Students have the chance to create inventions out of recycled materials and show off their creations at the Canton Memorial Civic Center, Prizes are awarded to city youth in several catagories.

The event continues to grow each year and reenforces to students the importance of protecting our planet.

For more information on the Canton City Schools visit http://www.ccsdistrict.org/ ◆



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POLICE DEPARTMENT

# Citizens Police Academy offers a glimpse inside Canton PD



BY CAPT. JACK ANGELO III

THE CITIZENS POLICE ACADEMY IS A GREAT OPPORTUNITY FOR RESIDENTS TO RECEIVE AN INSIDE PERSPECTIVE

of the operations of the Canton Police Department.

This nine-week academy includes K-9 training demonstrations, information on Police Departments units including Internal Affairs, SWAT, and the Vice/Gang Task Force, an introduction to firearm safety, policies on use of force and self defense, information on the court system, and much more. Participants will also have the unique opportunity to ride along with a police officer on duty.

The Citizens Training Academy is located at 1430 Cherry Avenue SE at the former fire station. Training sessions will take place on 8 consecutive Tuesdays, beginning February 1, 2011 and concluding on March 22, 2011. All sessions will begin promptly at 6:00 p.m. and will end at 8:30 p.m.

Light refreshments will be served. Enrollees are requested to attend all 8 sessions. There is no charge for this program.

Participants must be 21 years of age or older. Applications will be accepted until January 24. A total of 25 residents will be accepted.

A background check will be conducted as part of the application process. Applicants not accepted this year will be retained and considered for the next Citizens Academy.

Applications for the academy may be printed from the web site cantonohio.gov or are available for pick-up and return at the Canton Police Department Information Desk located at 221 3rd Street SW.

If you have questions or need additional information, please contact Captain Jack Angelo at (330) 438-4531. ♦

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### Runoff Rundown: Road salt



BY CHRIS BARNES / Assistant City Engineer

IT'S COLD AND THE SNOW IS FLYING! WHILE SOME OF US WOULD LIKE TO AVOID THE OUTDOORS AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE DURING THIS TIME OF YEAR, UNFORTUNATELY WE'RE

forced to deal with snow and ice buildup on our driveways and streets. This means shoveling, snow-blowing or plowing and adding a de-icing agent like sodium chloride ("road salt") for safer and easier travel.

Road salt works by lowering the freezing point of water, keeping ice and snow from bonding to pavement. This allows for easier removal by snowplows and shovels. But have you ever stopped to consider the effects salt has on the environment?

Melting snow and ice as well as winter rains cause salt to run off of drives, sidewalks and streets. The salt-laden runoff eventually makes its way into yards, ditches and storm sewers, and ultimately into plants, the ground and our creeks, lakes and other water bodies, thus contaminating the environment.

The large-scale use of road salt began in the 1950's. About 15 million tons of de-icing salt are used in the United States each year. In 2009, the City of Canton used approximately 10,000 tons of salt to treat a total of 53,391 miles of city streets.

Being sensitive to the negative impacts of salt on our environment, the city has and will continue to use and explore other materials to reduce the amount of road salt applied to our streets. For example, the city utilizes road salt additives such as magnesium chloride and beet juice to reduce the amount of raw road salt usage by up to 30 percent.

Anti-icing agents such as brine (a mixture of rock salt and water) are sometimes applied to streets before precipitation forms on them and prevents ice from bonding to the pavement. Other practices are employed as well, such as keeping salt properly stored under roof when not being used and preventing over-application by ensuring proper settings on applicators.

Please join the city in our efforts to reduce environmental impacts from salt. Consider environmentally-friendly alternatives, use only minimal amounts necessary and keep unused salt properly stored and away from direct contact with storm water.





**COLLECTION SYSTEMS** 

### Lift station keep sewers running

BY JAMES DIMARZIO / Collection Systems Superintendent



THE CITY OF CANTON COLLECTION SYSTEMS DEPARTMENT WORKS

year round to keep our sewers working safely and efficiently. One of the key components of keeping things running smoothly is a series of lift stations. These mechanisms, like the one pictured to the left, are located underground and are known as "sanitary lift stations."

A few more facts about sanitary lift stations:

- Lift Stations are pumping facilities that keep wastewater (sewer) flowing throughout the City
- Lift Stations are powered by High Electrical Voltage
- Lift Stations operate 24/7/365
- Lift Station are frequently inspected and cleaned to keep odor and excessive grease out of the sewer lines •

### 2010 Canton City Income Taxes are due April 18, 2011!

Information, including forms and frequently asked questions, can be found online at www.cantonincometax.com/index.html. The Office of the Treasurer can also be reached by phone at (330) 430-7900.



### Snow and ice frequently asked questions



BY KEVIN MONROE / Street Superintendent

SNOW AND ICE SEASON IS UPON US! READ ON FOR TO LEARN HOW WE WORK TO KEEP OUR STREETS SAFE AND CLEAR.

### Why is it that every time I shovel my sidewalk, one of your trucks comes along and plows snow back onto it?

The Street Department aims to get the streets cleaned from curb to curb. By doing this, when we experience winter thaws, the resulting run-off from melting snow more easily drains into the storm sewers along the edges of the street. Unfortunately, we cannot always accomplish this during our initial plow-back. In order to meet our objective of curb to curb plowing, we often have to plow a street numerous times.

### Why does a truck plow the street next to mine, but doesn't plow my street while it's already in the area?

This is due to our policy of focusing our initial efforts on priority routes. Priority routes are the main arterial routes that experience the highest volumes of traffic throughout the city. Once these routes are cleared and passable, we then shift our efforts to secondary routes. We come back to these lower volume streets after we've completed the mains.

#### Why do they drive so fast while plowing snow?

Our operators strive to finish routes as quickly as possible in order to get to as many roads as possible. We encourage our drivers to strike a balance between safety and promptness. We also remind them that we haven't truly done a good job if our constituents are unhappy with the results.

### Why doesn't the city communicate its efforts with the media to let the driving public know what it's doing and what road conditions are?

We do communicate our efforts with local media and news outlets, particularly during heavier snowfalls. We fax information to local radio stations for broadcast at designated intervals to help ensure the motoring public is aware of street conditions.

### Does the department pre-salt streets when snow or freezing rain is forecast? Why not?

Our research has shown that pre-salting streets is inefficient. Because of the crown of the street, most of the salt rolls to the sides, and we end up salting the berm. It is estimated that only 40% of salt dispensed onto dry pavement remains to melt snow. We are looking at other anti-icing methods which more effectively and more efficiently prevent the adherence of snow and ice to pavement.

### Why is it that when I get into Canton, the road conditions are worse than in the community I just left?

Each community selects its own priorities. At the same time, each community faces unique challenges and issues in deciding how to manage its snow and ice removal program. For example, Canton has 50-75 lane miles of high speed roadway to maintain, a priority that not all communities have, but one that impacts our program and to some degree dictates our allocation of resources.

### Is there a priority sequence the city follows in its snow control efforts?

There is a priority system we follow in the handling of snow and ice. This priority favors SARTA bus routes, school routes and high volume traffic routes. Secondary, residential and alleyways are treated after the main arteries are safe.

### I've seen trucks plowing together side by side. Why do they do that?

This practice is known as tandem plowing. During heavier snowfalls, we plow in tandem to expedite the clearing of multilane roads.

#### As a citizen, what can I do to assist the city in its offorts?

- Be patient with our efforts. There are more than 400 miles of streets within the City of Canton.
- Avoid calling the city for special services. There are literally thousands of motorists who are in essentially the same situation as you. We are not positioned to handle large numbers of panic calls.
- Don't shovel or blow snow from your property into the street.

### What are some of the more difficult problems the department faces in its efforts to keep the streets free of snow?

- Parked vehicles make it very difficult to achieve a curb to curb plow-back. Quite often, after the parked vehicles leave, we will receive a call requesting that we plow the snow and open up the
- Excessive traffic during the heavier snowfalls slows our efforts and can cause bottlenecks in our operations.
- Calls from our citizenry demanding that we immediately come to clear a specific location.
- Freezing rain causes more headaches than any other winter road problem. We're hopeful that new anti-icing agents and equipment will help us mitigate the impact of freezing rain.



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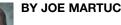
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### LAW DEPARTMENT

### Canton Law

# Department represents you



BY JOE MARTUCCIO / Canton Law Director



appreciate perusing an overview of one of the less flashy city department your taxes support.

The Canton Law Director serves as the city's attorney and one of the city's executive officers under state law, elected at large every four years. His department is like an in-house public sector law firm for the city's council members, elected officials, boards, commissions and department heads.

The department is located in City Hall, conveniently accessible to the many officials and the public it serves. This independently elected position used to be known as the City Solicitor.

The Law Department has two divisions: civil and criminal. The civil division prosecutes and defends civil litigation in local, state and federal courts, drafts and prepares contracts and ordinances, and provides legal advice and representation in diverse areas such as labor relations, civil service, taxation, code enforcement and related health, safety and welfare issues.

The criminal division, or city prosecutor's office, prosecutes all of the cases within the Canton Municipal Court District, which includes central Stark County. Our prosecutors also advise and assist the law enforcement officers from numerous jurisdictions during the course of their investigations.

In some cases, private criminal complaints may be filed with our office. The prosecutor's office only handles criminal complaints, such as domestic violence, assault, theft and vandalism, only in special cases.

The process for filing these complaints, along with our staff listings and more detailed information may be found at www.cantonohio.gov/law.

The prosecutor's office does not handle any civil complaints, which include things like breach of contract, and landlord/tenant disputes. We cannot collect money for property damage or

personal injury. These types of civil actions must be filed through the Canton Municipal Court.

If you have questions about any city laws, feel free to call our office at 330-489-3251. Canton's codified ordinances are also available through our website by clicking "Law Finder" on the left hand side of the page.

We wish you a safe new year in which your need for our services is only happy and healthy. ♦

### CANTON JOINT RECREATION DISTRICT DEPARTMENT

### Register now for spring and summer rec programs



BY NADINE SAWAYA / Recreation Director

THE CANTON JOINT RECREATION DISTRICT ARE OFFERING A WIDE VARIETY OF PROGRAMS AND ACTIVITIES FOR ALL AGES

this year, including those highlighted below. A complete listing is available online at www.cantonrecreation.com.

#### Youth soccer leagues

The Canton Joint Recreation District is partnering with the Community Soccer Club to offer soccer leagues for children in grades K-12. Registration is open through March and practices begin in April.

Games are played at the Plain Township Parks Sports Complex at the corner of Middlebranch Road and Diamond Street.

Visit www.communitysoccerclub.com for more information.

### 9th Annual Sweetheart Ball

Parents, grandparents and guardians are invited to bring their

K through 5th grade children to the Garden Center in Stadium Park for the 9th Annual Sweetheart Ball on February 11 from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.

This special evening will include dessert and a DJ who will play music that everyone will enjoy. Dress is casual. Tickets may be purchased at the Recreation Office Monday through Friday from 8:30 am to 4:00 pm.

### **Adult Summer Softball Leagues**

Although summer seems far away, it's not too early to sign up for adult summer softball. We will be offering the following leagues: Men's Slow Fumbleball, Men's Slow Pitch, Women's Slow Pitch, Co-ed Slow Pitch, Men's Church Slow Pitch, Women's Church Slow Pitch and Co-ed Church

Slow Pitch. League registration will be held in March.

For more information call the Canton Joint Recreation Office at 330 456-4521. ♦

#### YOUTH DEVELOPMENT

### It's a new season at the Peel Coleman Center

Thank you....

The Canton Joint Recreation

District would like to thank the citi-

zens of Canton for passing our

recent levy. Without your contin-

ued support, we would not be able

to continue to offer programs and

maintain our recreation facilities.

#### BY RAY STRAIN AND CARRIE BROWN

IT'S ALWAYS EXCITING TO EXPRESS THE JOY WE HAVE HERE AT YOUTH DEVELOPMENT. WE ARE EXCITED THAT A NEW SEASON HAS ARRIVED.

With many adventures under construction we are enthusiastically waiting to share with you many unwrapped gifts that you have yet to discover.

In January, Stark State College will begin offering a number of credited college courses from the Edward "Peel" Coleman (Southeast) Community Center. In addition, each Tuesday our classrooms fill with high school students preparing for college with our OGT/ACT prep course led by Canton City School Superintendent Dr. Michelle Evans.

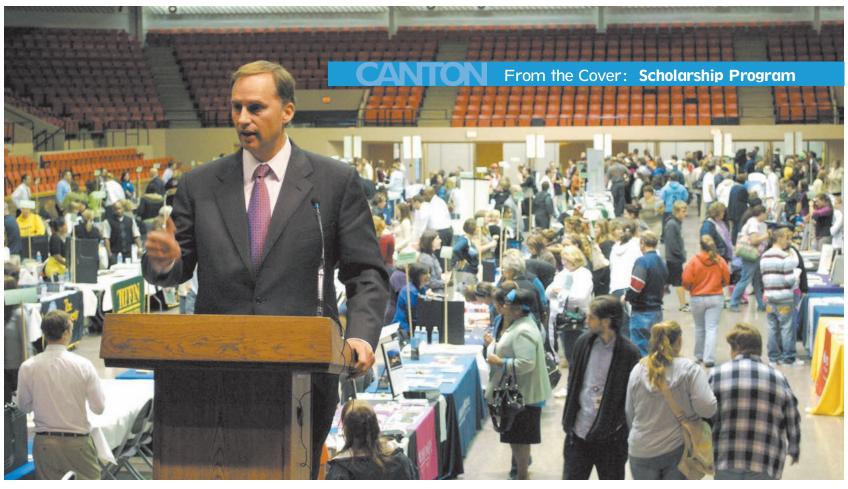
Of course we still have many sports and recreation programs. The YMCA is hosting basketball leagues for youth and adults and the Center's boxing program continues to thrive. We have something for everyone with 20 different programs.

Please inquire about our family oriented and educational programs. We have planned this year's programs with you and the community in mind. Remember, "it's a new season" here at the center.

Please visit the city website to view a listing of programs offered or give us a call at 330-489-3350. ♦







# Mayor's Scholarship Program equals Ca\$h for College



BY DEREK GORDON

EARLY IN 2009, MAYOR WILLIAM J. HEALY DECIDED TO TAKE A GAMBLE WITH A CONCEPT, ONE STAFF MEMBER

and no budget. The Mayor's Scholarship was born, and by the end of 2010, the program had twelve participating colleges and universities, 110 applicants, and the first class of Mayor's Scholarship recipients.

Over the past two years, Mayor Healy has traveled across the state of Ohio to recruit new colleges and universities to participate in the program, which asks each institution to provide scholarship dollars available only to students living in the City of Canton. While the first year has been a learning process for everyone involved in the process, the Mayor's goal of providing scholarship money for every student attending public schools in the City of Canton is becoming closer to a reality.

"We are truly overwhelmed by the response to this program," said Mayor Healy. "The support from each institution demonstrates their commitment to providing educational opportunities to students who may not otherwise have believed they could afford college."

Twelve students have received scholarships so far. These students have just completed their first semester at their respective college. Scholarships for the first class range from \$1,000 to \$8,500 annually and are guaranteed for the length of each student's college career as long as they continue to meet the school's academic standards. Current recipients are enrolled

at Malone University, Kent State University – Stark Campus, University of Mount Union, and Bowling Green State University.

While the Mayor continues to pursue new institutions, his administration is also focused on assuring that every student is aware of the program. In September, a Scholarship Fair was hosted by Malone University to allow Canton students to meet with each of the participating institutions and learn more about their programs and scholarship opportunities.

Approximately 200 students and parents were in attendance, and each of the college representatives were thrilled with the turnout and student interaction.

"The sight of parents, students, and college and university representatives discussing the future educational needs of Canton's students was tremendous," said Brock Schroeder, Vice President for Enrollment Management at Malone University. "I am thankful for the initiative that Mayor Healy has made to foster a culture of education in our community. On behalf of Malone University, I can say that we were proud to host this great event for our community, and are looking forward to future events such as this."

Making students aware of the program continues to be a main focus for the administration, and the application process is constantly being reviewed to make the program more accessible and efficient for students, parents and participating institutions.

### From the Cover: Scholarship Program

Scholarship recipients are not forgotten after they begin their college careers. In December, all of the recipients, college representatives and high school counselors were invited to a special luncheon at Pete's Grill and Pizza.

He also informed them of additional opportunities that are now available to them as Mayor's Scholarship Program recipients. In addition to maintaining communication with each recipient and inviting them to city functions, the city provides internship opportunities for each student in one of the city's many diverse departments that offer experience in several fields.

"We want to let these students know that we will not forget about them just because they are away at school. In return, we want them to remember Canton when they think about where they want to apply their education when they enter the workforce," said the Mayor. "To accomplish this, we want to provide opportunities for them while they are in college, so they know that Canton is a viable place to live, work and raise a family."

To learn more about the program, participating institutions and application criteria, please visit our website at www.cantonohio.gov/mayor or call (330) 438-4307. ◆

### Mayor's Scholarship Recipients

Meet some of the first class of Mayor's Scholarship recipients and hear in their own words how they got the scholarship, what they are doing now, and how they plan on using their education in the future.



The Mayor came to McKinley to promote the opportunity for the scholarship. My guidance counselor also urged me to apply. Getting this scholarship was a huge contributing factor in allowing me to attend Malone. I feel like this was the best school for me to further myself and my education, and this scholarship has allowed me to do just that.

The workload in college is much more intense, but I feel that McKinley has well prepared me for it. Time management is now one of the most difficult aspects of college. Balancing class, swimming, studying and sleeping has been a challenge, but I feel that I am adapting quite well.

I plan on finishing college in 4 years, then going on to teach special education at the high school level. I want to work in a school where there is a greater need for better special education among its students.

I have lived and gone to school in the City of Canton my entire life, and I cannot imagine myself having gone anywhere else. I feel that the city has well prepared me, not only in my education, but in my life as a whole. I intend on staying in Canton after college, and hope to teach in CCS district one day.



I grew up in Canton. I went to Gibbs Elementary, then Crenshaw Middle School, and Timken High School and early college.

My teacher had all of her senior classes apply for a bunch of different scholarships. She would make the essay that was required for the scholarship a requirement for her class so we had to do it. The mayor's scholarship was one of the ones she made us do.

My transition from high school to college has been pretty easy. Early college has helped a lot with that since we were doing a lot of college work while in high school.

Now I often volunteer at a nursing home called Legends Care Center. I also work at Multi-Development Services, a non-profit organization in Canton.

After I graduate, I plan on becoming a psychologist. I would like to specialize in schizophrenia and possibly multi-personality disorder.

My advise for students applying to college is to apply early. You may not know that you got in earlier or got the scholarship sooner but you will know it is out of the way and you can apply for more scholarships and different schools.

### Participating colleges and universities

- •Malone University (http://www.malone.edu)
  Annual scholarships ranging from \$1,000 \$14,000
- •University of Mount Union (http://www.mountunion.edu)
  Annual scholarships of \$2,500
- •Kent State University Stark (http://www.stark.kent.edu)
  Annual scholarships of \$1,000
- •Walsh University (http://www.walsh.edu)
  Annual scholarships ranging from \$5,000 to full tuition
- •Brown Mackie College North Canton (http://www.brownmackie.edu/north-canton)

Annual scholarships of \$2,500

•Bowling Green State University (http://www.bgsu.edu)
Annual scholarships ranging from \$1,500 to full tuition

- •The University of Toledo (http://www.utoledo.edu)
  Annual scholarships ranging from \$2,500 to full tuition
- •Alexandria School (http://www.alexandria-school.com) Scholarships of \$1,000 per session
- •Ohio Technical College

(http://www.ohiotechnicalcollege.com) Annual scholarships of \$2,500 each

- •Miami University (http://www.miami.muohio.edu)
  Annual scholarships of \$2,500 each
- Fairmont State (http://www.fairmontstate.edu)
  Annual scholarships of \$1,500 each
- •Pepperdine University (http://www.pepperdine.edu)
  Annual scholarships of \$10,000 for graduate school

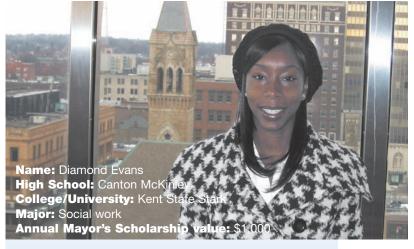


I learned about The Mayor's Scholarship Program from my senior English teacher. She helped us with all different scholarships and the Mayor's Scholarship was one of the ones we did. The scholarship has allowed me to further my education. Without this scholarship, I wouldn't have had enough money to attend Mount Union.

The transition to college has not been that difficult. I enjoy living on my own and having this freedom, but there are some things I miss about living at home. Overall, I think I have transitioned very well.

After I graduate, what I'd really like to do is become a professional musician. I play the guitar, and I would love to do that for the rest of my life. But since music doesn't have that great of job security, I am getting a degree in Chemistry as a backup plan.

I always have and always will consider Canton my home. I do plan on coming back to Canton some time in my future, not necessarily to work here but to come and revisit where I grew up.



I was born and raised in Canton and attended Canton City Schools. In high school, I was involved in cheerleading, Pep Club and Upward Bound.

I heard about this scholarship through my English teacher. It has helped toward the cost of college.

The transition from high school to college has been pretty good. The biggest difference is that I take school more seriously then I did before.

My career goal is to become a social worker and open up group homes in the Canton community. I feel Canton is a great city, and I want to come back and apply my education to help better this community as much as possible.

I encourage all students to apply for the Mayor's Scholarship as well as any other scholarship they qualify for. They really help.

# January 2011

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
2			5	6	7	New Year's Day
	CITY COUNCIL MEETING - 7:30pm Canton City Hall				FIRST FRIDAY – – 6:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m., Downtown Canton Arts District	
9	10  CITY COUNCIL MEETING  - 7:30pm  Canton City Hall	11	Canton Symphony Orchestra presents "SYMPHONYLAND STRING TRIO," – 9:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m., Cable Recital Hall	Canton Symphony Orchestra presents "SYMPHONYLAND STRING TRIO," – 9:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m., Cable Recital Hall	Canton Players Guild presents "CINDERELLA" - 7:00 p.m., Players Guild Theatre	Canton Symphony Orchestra presents "SYMPHONYLAND STRING TRIO," – 9:30 a.m., Cable Recital Hall Canton Players Guild presents "CINDERELLA" – 7:00 p.m., Players Guild Theatre
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# February 2011

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		1	<b>2</b> Groundhog Day	Canton Symphony Orchestra presents AULTMAN PRIMETIME SERIES: VIOLIN & PIANO, – 1:00 p.m., Cable Recital Hall	FIRST FRIDAY – - 6:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m., Downtown Canton Arts District  Canton Symphony Orchestra presents PNC CASUAL FRIDAY SERIES: VIOLIN & PIANO, - 7:00 p.m., Cable Recital Hall	5
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	CITY COUNCIL MEETING - 7:30pm Canton City Hall		Canton Symphony Orchestra presents "SYMPHONYLAND WOODWIND TRIO," – 9:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m., Cable Recital Hall	Canton Symphony Orchestra presents "SYMPHONYLAND WOODWIND TRIO," – 9:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m., Cable Recital Hall	CANTON JOINT RECREATION DISTRICT SWEETHEART BALL, - 7:00 p.m., Garden Center at Stadium Park	Canton Symphony Orchestra presents MARDI GRAS BALL Canton Symphony Orchestra presents "SYMPHONYLAND WOODWIND TRIO," - 9:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m., Cable Recital Hall
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
	CITY COUNCIL MEETING  - 7:30pm Canton City Hall	Voices of Canton presents A VALENTINE'S DAY "SONGS FOR A CAUSE", - 5:30 p.m. and 7:00 p.m., Community Christian Church				
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Canton Symphony Orchestra presents CANTON YOUTH SYMPHONY CONCERT, - 4:00 p.m. Oakwood Middle School	President's Day Most city offices closed. Garbage pickup remains on time.				Canton Players Guild presents "THE ELEPHANT MAN" - 7:00 p.m., Players Guild Theatre	Canton Players Guild presents "THE ELEPHANT MAN" - 7:00 p.m., Players Guild Theatre
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Employer Withholding Tax for February 2011 due First Day of Spring Purim	CITY COUNCIL MEETING - 7:30pm, Canton City Hall					Canton Symphony Orchestra presents KEYBANK MASTERWORKS SERIES CONCERT: TWO GREAT ROMANTICS, - 8:00 p.m., Umstattd Hall
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	CITY COUNCIL MEETING - 7:30pm; Canton City Hall			2010 Annual Payroll Reconciliation due		

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