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OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday & Thursday
9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Wednesday
5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

(734)453-2022

Office is located at the Hanford
Clubhouse - 45800 Hanford Rd.

The Newsletter serves as legal
notice, please read all of it.

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BY THE EXECUTIVE BOARD
OR THE ASSOCIATION.

News for and about Members of the Sunflower Village Homes Association

2020 ASSOCIATION DUES ARE NOW DUE \$270

(Last reminder before 3/1 deadline)

2020 annual dues (\$270) are payable from January 1st to March 1st without penalty. Payments can be mailed to the office or delivered in person to the Hanford Clubhouse drop box. Dues must be in the drop box at the clubhouse by midnight March 1st or be post-marked no later than March 1st. **Late fees will be charged as of March 2nd** (see chart on page 2). There are 18 lots out of 1,683 that are still unpaid for the 2019 Dues.

If you are experiencing a financial hardship and you will not be able to pay your dues in full by March 1st, please contact the office to set up a payment plan. We have plans for 2 to 5 payments with the first payment due March 1st and subsequent payments due on the 1st of each month (If you will want to use the pool on opening day your dues must be paid in full by Tuesday, May 19, 2020). A \$3 service fee is included in each payment. A \$35 late fee will be applied each time a payment is 30 days in arrears.

NOTE: Making a partial payment will be considered as a payment plan and service fees will be assessed at \$3/payment.

Dues invoices were mailed to every homeowner of record on December 4th. If you did not receive an invoice please call the office and request a copy. Every homeowner receives one invoice in December and then the January/February Newsletter as reminders. Please return the 2020 registration form with your dues payment even if there are no changes in the information stated. This helps us to keep our records up-to-date.

A lien will be placed on your property if you fail to pay your dues or if you default on your payment plan. The homeowner will be responsible for all legal fees incurred if a lien is filed. If your dues (including all other fees owed) are not paid in full, you will not be able to use the pools or clubhouses until the entire balance has been paid. Thank you for your timely payments!



14th Annual Egg Hunt

Mark your calendar
Saturday - April 4th
1 PM - Hanford Commons
All ages thru 5th grade
FREE!!!

Hunt will be held rain or shine
so please dress appropriately

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

LIFEGUARDS - Red Cross certified lifeguards. Must be 16 or older. Full and part time positions available from early May to Labor Day. Pick up an application at the Sunflower Office. Please apply by February 1st. Work permit is required if under 18.

The Sunflower News is available online at
www.sunflowercantan.com

PLEASE REVIEW THE SNOW REMOVAL TIPS ON PAGE 4!!

Association Dues

The 2020 Dues are \$270/home (bills were mailed in early-December). Dues are payable from January 1st—March 1st without a penalty. If dues are paid after March 1st the following late fees will accrue:

	2020 Dues	Total Late Fee	Total Due
Paid by 3/1	\$270		\$270
Paid 3/2-4/1	\$270	\$35	\$305
Paid 4/2-5/1	\$270	\$70	\$340
Paid after 5/1	\$270	\$105	\$375

Please pay your dues on time to avoid additional charges.

After 5/1 Interest may also be charged at 6% per year.

If the Association has to file a lien against your property for non-payment of dues, you will be responsible for all legal fees incurred.

Please pay on time!

LEGAL REMINDERS



Shoveling or blowing the snow from your driveway into the street creates ruts as it freezes & thaws making the road more hazardous. Also, you can be fined for putting the snow in the street. Please do not put snow into the street. Putting snow into the street prevents the snow plow from plowing effectively!!



If a snow emergency has been declared in Canton you must move your vehicle(s) out of the street per Canton Twp. Ordinance. Residents may call the non-emergency police number to report cars parked in the street during a snow emergency and the vehicles will be ticketed.

STORM SEWERS IN HOMEOWNER'S EASEMENT

It is the responsibility of each individual homeowner to maintain, repair and/or replace the easement and improvements which service each lot (i.e. storm sewer), since this is the portion of the system that is for the sole benefit of each particular homeowner. The responsibility for maintaining and repairing same is set forth in the Covenants and Restrictions of Sunflower Village Homes Association. The storm sewers are in "private" easements and therefore neither Canton Township nor Sunflower Village Homes Association are responsible for their upkeep. The Association is responsible for storm sewers in the commons property of the Association.



2020 Dues Vote & Election Results

211 voted to maintain dues at \$270
39 voted to increase dues to \$275



Thank you for taking the time to vote

The following people were elected to the 2020 Board:

**Beth Myers, Robert Parker, Jeff Barszcz,
Pamela Turek, Sandy Latack & Gretchen Harrington**

**Thank you to all the Board Members
who serve - many have served numerous terms.**

Let's all build a snowman ...



With all this powdery white snow falling from the sky, who doesn't want to just run and play? Well, here's your chance to gather all your friends, neighbors and family and build the biggest

and best snowman the world ever has seen. Then take a picture and e-mail it to the Social Committee at svhaevents@gmail.com. Title your e-mail with the month your photo was taken (i.e. January Snowman or February Snowman) and in your e-mail include your name and street. We'll pick the best and send a gift card to the family with the best snowman on the North and South side in January and February (four prizes total). And we'll post some of the pictures on the Facebook Page at Sunflower Events and Information. Be sure to follow along to see what's happening around the neighborhood. We can't wait to see what you're going to create!

STATE OF THE VILLAGE

By Ron LeTourneau, 2019 President

Another exciting year of activities at Sunflower Village is coming to a close as we all begin preparation for the Winter and the New Year. A very sincere welcome to all the new residents who moved to Sunflower during 2019, we know that you will enjoy being a part of our community. Sunflower is a great place to raise a family and develop friendships with neighbors while being secure in the knowledge that our community is a safe place to live. Thanks to all of our residents for making contributions to keep our neighborhoods clean and safe. As you visit various parts of our large subdivision you will see that our homes and yards are well maintained which add to the pleasure of calling Sunflower home.

We continue to offer activities year round for our residents including the annual Egg Hunt, the Summer Picnic, Movie Night Under the Stars, the Holiday Decorating Contest, Cookie Exchange, Seasonal Garage Sales, Trunk or Treat for Halloween, Pool Parties, Swim Lessons to name just a few. Also, this year we added Trivia Night which has been well received and very well attended. In addition, a number of important improvements were made this year including a major landscaping project at the Hanford Clubhouse, excavation and installation of our 2nd monument sign at the corner of Beck and Warren, resurfacing the pool interior at the Gainsborough Clubhouse, installation of new restroom stalls in the shower rooms at both pools, and resurfacing the walking paths at both Hanford and Gainsborough.

In addition, the Association is participating in the Canton Township Road program for 2020 having contributed \$40,000 or 20% to this effort which the Township will more than match with their 80% contribution or \$160,000. There will be more to come on that as we await hearing from the Canton Township Engineering Department. We will have more improvements slated for 2020 as we begin projects that are part of our Capital Reserve program.

I'm pleased to report that our Association's finances are in great shape as it applies to both our Operating Account and Capital Reserve Account. We have already made our contribution to the Capital Reserve account for 2019...this year it was \$89,100. The bond ladder program within the Capital Reserve account, which was developed in concert with Merrill Lynch, is making meaningful contributions to Sunflower's cash flow. The funds in the Capital Reserve Account allow us to implement the elements of the Capital Reserve plan itself. I would like to thank all of the members of our standing committees including the Communications Committee, the Road Committee, the Common Grounds Committee, the Social Committee, the Snow Committee, and the Sign Committee. Your hard work and commitment is sincerely appreciated. I would also like to thank our Professional Staff and Life Guards for their work in making the Association's activities and business run smoothly.

I would like to invite all residents to stop by our offices and meet our staff. Also, I would encourage all homeowners to attend our monthly meetings to learn more about our processes and share their ideas and suggestions. We all want to make Sunflower a great place to live.

Sunflower Book Club

**Book Club - Mondays (1-3 pm) - 1/27, 2/24, 3/23,
4/27 & 5/18 @ the Hanford Clubhouse**

Contact Pat (455-2569)

MONTHLY BOARD MEETINGS

3rd Wednesday 7:00 PM



January 15
February 19
March 18

**ALL BOARD MEETINGS ARE HELD AT
THE HANFORD CLUBHOUSE**

All Are Invited to Attend

GARAGE SALE MAY 14-16 9:00 AM - ?

The Association will put up signs and run the ad in the Observer Newspaper. To participate stop by the Office during open hours to register, pay the \$1 registration fee and pick up your balloons.

NOTE : Homeowners' Association dues are not tax deductible because they are imposed by the Homeowners' Association, rather than the state or local government. (from IRS Publication 17, Your Federal Income Tax)

SNOW - Help the Association & and your neighbors with Snow Removal by following a few simple suggestions:

- **Please move your car out of the street if a snow storm is predicted.** Parked cars prohibit the plow from being able to plow curb to curb. *Police will ticket cars parked on streets during snow emergencies.*
- Shoveling or blowing the snow from your driveway into the street creates ruts as it freezes & thaws making the road more hazardous. Also, you can be fined for putting the snow back in the street. **Please do not put snow into the street. Putting snow into the street prevents the snow plow from plowing effectively!!**
- Plowing is done if the snowfall is 2" or greater.
- Salting the streets is **NOT** part of our contract. We salt select intersections each time the streets are plowed. (Wayne County spreads sand on icy roads when they deem it necessary).
- For a "normal" snowfall (2-4") plowing will not begin until the majority of the storm is over and the snow plow company then has 24 hours to complete the plowing. For a large snowfall (over 6") plowing will take place throughout the storm to try to keep up with the snow. The plow company will need additional time to clear the snow... (48-60 hours). **Please be patient!**
- **The snow removal company is not responsible for damage to sprinkler heads or lawns that are not clearly marked.**

- Tree branches that overhang the street create a problem for the plow and they are not able to get close to the curb. The plow will go around the area and leave it unplowed if there isn't clearance.
- The plow tries to get as close as they can to the curb but staking your property will let them know where the curb is, especially if you live on a curve or a cul-de-sac.
- When the plow comes through there will be snow plowed back into your driveway or piled up at the end of your driveway. It happens to all of us - we all have to shovel back out. If you are unable to do so, please consider calling one of our snow removal "helping hands" to help you.
- Group Mailbox Members, it is your responsibility to clear out your group mailbox and keep it free from ice. Maybe those who share the box could take turns with that responsibility so everyone can get their mail in a timely manner. **If the area around the box is not safe for the mail carrier, he/she will not leave the mail.**
- Please shovel out fire hydrants near your home for easy access.

Help the neighborhood have a smooth running snow removal season by following the tips mentioned above. A little cooperation goes a long way. And please be patient! It takes time to plow the entire subdivision.

TRIVIA Night

Adult Trivia Night (21-and-older), at the Hanford Clubhouse on **Saturday, March 14th @ 6pm.** Come join a team of your neighbors or gather a team of fellow residents, and sign up to join us for an evening of fun!

Sign up to play and make an appetizer or snack to pass and share with your neighbors and friends. Each team will be asked to bring its own beverages. We'll start the evening at 6:00 for some socializing, then start a special edition of My Trivia Live promptly at 7:00.

A sign-up/registration form will be provided on the Sunflower Events and Information Facebook Page or you can register in the Sunflower Office. Sign up as an individual or couple and we will assign you to a team. If you have a group that you would like to play with, that's OK too, a usual team consists of 6-8 people.

Need more information? Contact the Sunflower Office or visit the Sunflower Events and Information Facebook Page.

Registration is required to attend this event.



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- 🐾 Jen Maddock (734) 819-3866

HELPING HANDS

A list of those willing to help others in the Subdivision

We try to keep this list as current as possible. For changes or additions throughout the year, call the Office (453-2022). If you contact someone on this list who is no longer providing the service, please let the office know.



Babysitters (Year listed is year of their birth):



Dog walking/Pet sitting:



Snow Shoveling:

This page left blank intentionally - call the office.

Dog waste pick up:

HELPING HANDS UPDATE

(Your name will remain on the list for one year. If you want to renew your ad, or sign up for a new ad, return this registration form)

NAME _____

YEAR OF BIRTH _____ PHONE _____

CATEGORY (circle all that you want to be listed under)

Babysitting Dog Walking Pet Sitting
Adult Babysitter Lawn Work Snow Shoveling

CLASSES TAKEN (for Babysitters) _____

Deadline for Mar/Apr issue is Feb 1, 2020



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SAFETY REMINDER

PLEASE be mindful of your speed while driving in the neighborhood particularly when kids are walking to and from school. Also, please be respectful of neighbors when dropping your children off for school - use the school property for picking up and dropping off. Do not block driveways or park too close to the crosswalks on residential streets. Let's keep our streets safe!

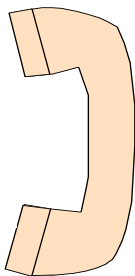
Thank you for your cooperation!



If you live nearby a fire hydrant, please take the time to shovel the snow around it and keep it clear. If the fire department needs access to the hydrant - this will save them a lot of time. Thanks for helping out!

Small Business Directory

If you need these services please
call one of our residents



Please include my business in the Small Business Directory

Business Name: _____

Resident's Name: _____

Phone Number: _____ *Lot #* _____

Check which issues:

_____ *Jan/Feb* _____ *May/June* _____ *Sept/Oct*
_____ *Mar/Apr* _____ *July/Aug* _____ *Nov/Dec*

The cost is \$2.00 per issue or \$10.00 per year (pay for 5 issues and get 6th issue free). Please include payment with this form.

BUSINESS NAME

Allegro Piano Service
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Amway - Nutrilite & XS Energy & Sports Nutrition
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Buttons - Political, sports or custom made
Chinese Language Tutoring & Translation
Creating Connections, LLC (Reiki sessions, angel card readings)
Creating Connections, LLC (writing, editing, proofreading)
Creative Memories - Scrapbooking & card making
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Lawnmower & Snowblower Repair
Mary Kay
Nothin' But Bread
Pampered Chef Kitchen Supplies
Pet Nanny
Pond's Painting
Specialized Reading Tutoring
Tastefully Simple
Thirty-one
Travel Agent - dmriemma@gmail.com
Yarn Around It (small crochet gifts)
Young Living & Norwex
Your Milestone Events (Balloon décor & event planning)

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Lori Levi 323-0886
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Kimberlyn Benjamin 776-9004
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Michelle Jasewicz 718-3517
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Jeffrey Pond 771-0339
Patricia Greene 455-2569
Kelly Becker 248 420-5564
Kelly Reed 765-9993
Dawn Riemma 846-9336
Vickie Rooda 642-8629
Julie Zimmerman 313 623-8482
Celeste Davis 679-1534

PHONE

If you run a business out of your home and would like to be included in the Small Business Directory, please fill in and mail the coupon above along with your payment to the Hanford Office. The cost is \$2.00 per issue or \$10.00 per year (pay for 5 issues and get 6th free).



Brian Spears
Cell: 248-348-6885
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Gretchen Harrington	233-5176
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Bob Parker	454-5759
Nate Rebeck	454-3633

Sunflower Office 453-2022
Sunflower Website sunflowercanton.com

****Homeowners please advise Realtors/Title Companies to contact the Sunflower Office for closing information. Please do not contact Board Members regarding this type of request. Thank you.**

Holiday Decorating Contest



1st Place (North of Warren)

Brydges Family - 7526 Embassy

1st Place (South of Warren)

Wendt Family - 6682 Edgewood

2nd Place (North of Warren)

Sheridan Family - 7416 Chichester

2nd Place (South of Warren)

Perry Family - 46849 Larchmont

Honorable Mention

Sepulveda Family - 7220 Parkway Ct.

Felsburg Family - 46490 Creekside Ct

Jones Family - 45822 Buckley

Thanks for sharing the holiday spirit
with all of us!



New homeowners in 2019

If you bought your home in 2019 you may not have received a 2020 Dues invoice. We depend on the Title Companies to notify us of a change of ownership. If that does not happen, then we don't know that a property changed hands and we more than likely mailed the dues notice to the previous owner. Please call the Sunflower Office today so we can correct our records (453-2022).

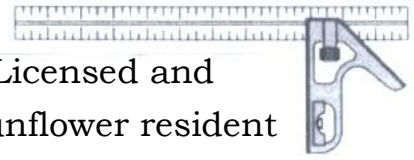
The second and final monument sign is complete! If you haven't seen it yet...be sure to check it out on the corner of Warren & Beck. We are very pleased that Sunflower now has proper signage. Thank you to the Sunflower sign committee who volunteered hours of their time to see this project through to completion! Enjoy the new sign!





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Canton, MI 48187

NAME _____

CHILDREN'S NAMES _____

ADDRESS _____

LOT # _____ PHONE # _____

Date we're moving in _____

Return form by 2/1/20 to be included in our next issue

