

# Sunflower News

### SUNFLOWER VILLAGE HOMES ASSOCIATION

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

Wednesday 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. or call for an appointment

453-2022

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

www.sunflowercanton.com

#### SUBDIVISION GARAGE SALE Sontombor 10 21

September 19-21 Thursday-Saturday 9:00 - ?

Pay your \$1 fee at the Hanford Clubhouse and pick up your yellow balloons (the fee helps cover the cost of advertising).

# News for and about Members of the Sunflower Village Homes Association



Adult Trivia Night (21-and-older), at the Hanford Clubhouse on <u>Saturday, September 28th @ 6pm</u>. 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, but teams MAY NOT be larger than eight people. 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.

### 2020 BOARD ELECTION

SEPT/OCT 2019

Are you interested in keeping Sunflower a great place to live? Do you have a strong sense of community? If so, the Association needs you! Please consider a two year term of service on the Board of Directors.

Call the Office today (453-2022) and submit a short biographical paragraph to be published in the November Newsletter. The ballot will be in the November issue.

> DEADLINE FOR DECLARING YOUR CANDIDACY IS 3:00 PM TUESDAY, OCTOBER 8th.

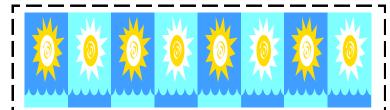


Saturday, October 19th - Hanford Clubhouse Parking Lot Starts at 3:00PM

Halloween is coming, and Sunflower is hosting our third annual Trunk or Treat!!

This event will be fun for the whole family! Bring your children dressed in their Halloween costumes and hop from trunk to trunk as you visit with your neighbors and trick-or-treat right out of the trunk of their cars. Cider and donuts will be provided in the clubhouse.

Registration is now open for anyone who would like to sign up to reserve a space in the parking lot to pass out candy. In order for this event to succeed, we need individuals to participate, provide and distribute candy. If you would like to reserve a spot, please contact the Sunflower Office during business hours at (734) 453-2022 or look for the **Signup Genius on Facebook at Sunflower Village Events & Information.** If you are distributing goodies, we encourage you to be creative — feel free to decorate your cars in any family - oriented manner, and dress in costumes to pass out goodies. It's Halloween! Have fun! The Newsletter serves as legal notice, please read all of it.



POOL UPDATE

We started out with a very rainy start to the summer but the weather changed and it ended well! We had over 1,000 homes use the pools this summer. The pool parties for the kids were a great time - 100 kids

attended the 2 different aged parties. 150 kids took swim lessons from our Red Cross Certified lifeguards. We hear nothing but positive feedback about our swim lessons!

We are very proud of our pool staff for their alertness and quick thinking throughout the summer. We want to acknowledge the life guard staff and give our compliments to them. The pool can be a dangerous place and the staff did an excellent job in recognizing these situations promptly and following safety protocol to ensure the safety of the kids. Accidents can happen within seconds, if your child or guest is not a strong swimmer, please have your eye on them at all times. Please remember that if your child is under 6 - an adult must be in the water with them at all times to help in preventing dangerous situations.

Unfortunately, we had various issues with pool patrons throughout the summer...breaking pool rules, swearing, vaping, refusing to buy guest passes, eating on the pool deck and disrespecting the lifeguard staff. We are hoping that next summer goes much smoother and that the residents/guests will respect the rules and the staff. Pool privileges can be taken away at the Board's discretion.

We'll start hiring our pool staff for next year in January - contact the Office if interested.

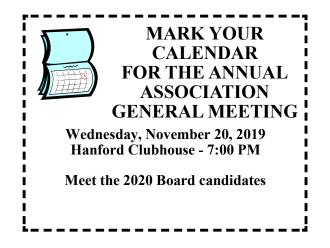
See you next summer!

# 2020 Executive Board

If you are interested in running for a Board position, please submit a short biographical paragraph to the Office (to be printed in the November Newsletter). State why you would like to serve on the Board and a summary about yourself. Plan to join us for a productive year as we plan events and projects for the Association.

Please submit your paragraph and declare your candidacy by October 8th at 3pm to be placed on the ballot. If submitted after the deadline, appointment to the Board will be considered at the January Board meeting if there are still openings.

The Association would like to have a full Board of Directors, please consider sharing your time and talent with the neighborhood. Giving a little time goes a long way in enhancing our community.



### **Dogs at Large** Sunflower Village reminds residents that it is unlawful for unleashed animals to be in any place open to the public (Commons Areas). In addition, leashed animals in a public place need to be under reasonable control by their owner/handler at all times (keep dogs on retractable leashes close at hand).

Thank you!

### **2019 ASSOCIATION BOARD**

Ron LeTourneau, President	313-300-7013
Jeff Barszcz, Vice President	756-1500
Pam Turek, Secretary	459-5348
Andrew Kramer, Treasurer	313-434-0059
Sandy Latack, Assistant Treasurer	355-2717
Michael Brent	810-523-8194
Barbara Carson	451-0154
George Kruczek	765-0877
Beth Myers	248-249-9470
Bob Parker	454-5759
Nate Rebeck	454-3633
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Sunflower Website	sunflowercanton.com
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Sunflower Office for closing information.	Please do not contact Board

Sunflower Office for closing information. Please do not contact Board Members regarding this type of request. Thank you.





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### **38th ANNUAL PICNIC**

What a great & HOT day!!

Thank you to Beth Myers, Picnic Coordinator and to the volunteers, Board Member volunteers & their spouses,

the pool staff, the Sunflower office staff, Maintenance Manager, and the Boy Scouts for all of their help.

Thank you to the businesses that donated prizes:

### Please support them in return!

Crow's Nest Jimmy Johns Jungle Java Little Caesar Pizza Menchie's Plymouth Yoga Room Quick Pass Car Wash Scramblers Super Bowl Sweetwater Coffee and Tea Westbrook Salon

BOARD MEETINGS 3rd Wednesdays 7:00 PM Hauford Clubhouse

September 18 October 16 @ Gainsborough November 20 December 11

> (December's meeting is on the 2nd Wed. due to the Holidays)

All Residents are welcome to attend

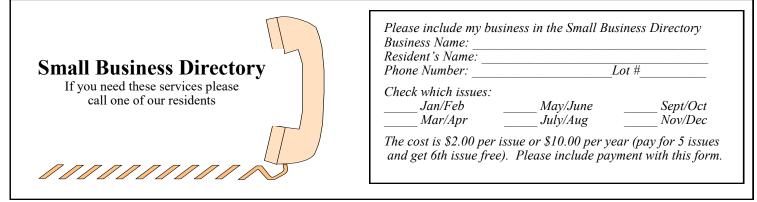
#### ADVERTISEMENTS IN THE SUNFLOWER NEWS DO NOT REFLECT ENDORSEMENT BY THE EXECUTIVE BOARD OR THE ASSOCIATION.

There was a very low amount of volunteers for the picnic. Without residents helping, the picnic can't go on like it does. Please consider helping out next year, it just takes an hour of time and makes a big difference.

# NOTICE TO ALL COACHES



The Sunflower Commons are not available for organized sports teams. Please do not schedule your practices, scrimmages, and/or games on Sunflower Property. Please use your designated field for these events. Sunflower is not compensated for the upkeep of our Commons by any Sports Organization.

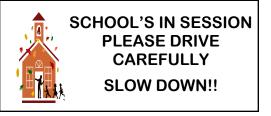


#### **BUSINESS NAME** RESIDENT PHONE Allegro Piano Service Dan Sullivan 451-0769 AMI Services - Repairing leather, cloth & vinyl Dave Farmer 313 304-0700 Amway - Nutrilite & XS Energy & Sports Nutrition Lori Levi 323-0886 Brides & Tailor (Custom made Bridal gowns) Manal Chamseddine 313-265-9947 Buttons - Political, sports or custom made Lori Levi 323-0886 Carlisle Handyman Services Chris Carlisle 313 999-4807 Chinese Language Tutoring & Translation Allison Chen Weber 239-1917 Color Street - nail polish strips Elizabeth Russo 313-402-7991 Creating Connections, LLC (Reiki sessions, angel card readings) Jennifer Troyer 709-0998 Creating Connections, LLC (writing, editing, proofreading) Jennifer Trover 709-0998 Creative Memories - Scrapbooking & card making Kimberlyn Benjamin 776-9004 Global CPA - Tax & Accounting Owen Ekechukwu, CPA 313 903-3366 Grech's Custom Artwork (Illustrations, paintings, sports art & more) Charlie Grech 313 467-3782 Home staging & Interior Design Joyce Sullivan 748-9068 Lawnmower & Snowblower Repair Steve Dickelman 578-5107 Logo's By Grech (Cool, affordable logo design & branding) Charlie Grech 313 467-3782 Joan Trainor Mary Kay 812-9690 Nothin' But Bread Kristin Felsburg 664-0361 Pampered Chef Kitchen Supplies Michelle Jasewicz 718-3517 Pet Nanny Jan Connor 981-6108 Pond's Painting Jeffrey Pond 771-0339 Rodan & Fields Dawn Larkin 248 843-3353 Scentsy - Fragrance Warmers & Bars Michelle Jasewicz 718-3517 Specialized Reading Tutoring Patricia Greene 455-2569 Tastefully Simple Kelly Becker 248 420-5564 Thirty-one Kelly Reed 765-9993 Travel Agent - dmriemma@gmail.com Dawn Riemma 846-9336 Yarn Around It (small crochet gifts) Vickie Rooda 642-8629 Young Living & Norwex Julie Zimmerman 313 623-8482 Your Milestone Events (Balloon décor & event planning) Celeste Davis 679-1534

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).

### **Sunflower Committees**

Have a talent you'd like to share? Or just feel like getting involved with your neighborhood? Join a Sunflower Committee! We've got several and are always looking for volunteers to join them or help plan and work at our events. The Committees are Common Grounds, Roads, Social and Communications. We also have several events a year that we could always use help at as well. Call the Sunflower Office today to find out more info on the Committees and get involved! The Board of Directors and the Committees work hard all year round to make this a great place to live!



### SUNFLOWER EVENTS TO NOTE

September 18 - Wednesday Association Board Meeting 7:00 PM Hanford Clubhouse

September 19-21 (Thurs-Sat) Fall Garage Sale 9:00 AM-?? - Cost - \$1

September 28 - Saturday *Trivia Night* 6:00PM Hanford Clubhouse

**October 16- Wednesday** Association Board Meeting 7:00 PM Gainsborough Clubhouse October 19 - Saturday *Trunk or Treat* 3:00PM Hanford Clubhouse Parking lot

November 1-20 Board Election & Dues Vote

**November 20 - Wednesday** General Meeting 7:00 PM Hanford Clubhouse

December 11 - Wednesday Association Board Meeting 7:00 PM Hanford Clubhouse (2nd week due to Holidays)





# How to share, use and enjoy Sunflower's Common Areas...

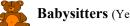
We encourage all residents to utilize our commons areas for your leisure and recreational needs, but remember these are private parks not public parks. Homeowners are not allowed to cut down any trees in Sunflower's Commons. If any feature of the common area is of concern...IE. dead trees...please contact the Office. Also, our commons areas are not to be used as dumping grounds for grass clippings, branches, etc. If you are involved with an "organized" community activity, it is the responsibility of your group to find the appropriate, not just most convenient, place to gather.

The Commons Areas in Sunflower are not an extension of homeowner's backyards. Residents are not allowed to install or leave personal property in the commons areas. This includes, but is not limited to, play structures, barbecue grills, lawn furniture, fences and/or invisible fences and any type of recreational equipment. All personal property belongs in the homeowner's vard. All trees planted in the commons areas must have site approval by the Board. Only two trees behind or beside a lot will be approved. Tree houses may be built on your property but please do not build them in the commons areas. Please do not build bike ramps or paths in the commons which destroys the natural undergrowth in the wooded areas. Thank you for observing these rules in Sunflower...they are intended to enhance the enjoyment of our Common Areas for all of our residents.





**The names remain on this list for one year.** For changes or additions throughout the year, call the Office (453-2022). If you contact someone on this list who are no longer providing the service, please let the office know.



Babysitters (Year listed is year of their birth):

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Dog walking/Pet Lav sitting:

Lawn Work:



### 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)

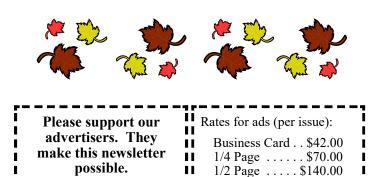
NAME

YEAR OF BIRTH PHONE

CATEORY (circle all that you want to be listed under) Babysitting Dog Walking Pet Sitting Adult Babysitter Lawn Work Snow Shoveling Senior's Assistant

CLASSES TAKEN (for Babysitters)

Deadline for Nov/Dec issue is October 8, 2019





\* Jen Maddock (734) 819-3866



### SUNFLOWER CRAFT

Plan to join the Sunflower Craft Club for an evening devoted to doing your crafts without interruption. The Craft Club meets from 7 PM to Midnight on the following Fridays:

September 20 @ Gainsborough October 18 @ Hanford November 22 @ Hanford Bring your own snacks & drinks

Contact Dawn Montagano (718-4978) for more details.



Mondays 1-3 PM (Hanford Clubhouse)

Book Club will meet again starting in September

Fall Meeting Dates - 9/23, 10/28 & 11/18

Contact Pat Greene (455-2569) for more information

### **Fireworks Not Permitted in Commons**

As a reminder, fireworks are not permitted at any time in the Sunflower common areas. The Sunflower recreation facilities are closed at 9pm and fireworks are not permitted on the property at any time (per the Canton Township Ordinance). We can all agree - we do not want any damage to the clubhouses, pools and surrounding areas. Please do not plan on coming to the common areas to set off fireworks in the future. The areas will be monitored and if necessary police will be called. Thank you for your respect and understanding on this issue.

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CHILDREN'S NAMES	
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Date we're moving in	
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Join your neighbors for month. Gainsborough	a game of cards each
Join your neighbors for month. Gainsborough September 13th October 11th November 8th	a game of cards each

Welcome to Sunflower

Always looking for more people to join in the fun!

### **YOUR AD WOULD LOOK GREAT HERE!**

Advertisers in the Sunflower News report that they get more business from their ad in the Newsletter than from any other venue of advertising.

### Give the Sunflower News a try

Deadline for the November issue is October 1st.

Call (734) 453-2022 to place an ad or get information

### What is our Capital Reserve Account and Why do we need one?

The Capital Reserve Account is, in essence, the Association's savings account. Gordon Advisors, the Association's accountant, urged the Board to have a Capital Reserve Study done. The Board at the time recognized the need for proper reserve planning and setting aside money in anticipation of needed repairs and/or replacements. So the first study was done in 1992 and updates have been done every 3-4 years. The purpose of the Reserve Study is to establish a reasonable yearly reserve contribution necessary to meet future expenditures for major replacements or repairs of the common area elements (i.e. roofs, pools, walking paths, furnaces, painting, lighting, etc.). The Reserve Study looks at 53 common elements that will require repair or replacement during the next 20-30 years.

The ongoing reserve funding preserves the infrastructure and marketability of our community by putting aside funds to offset the anticipated expenditures that will come up in the next 10-30 years - either near term or long term. Periodic updates confirm that the recommended reserve contributions are appropriate or in need of modification due to changes in the property and/or marketplace. Adjustments to future reserve contributions may be necessary as a result of funding untimely or unexpected replacements from reserves. The Reserve Study takes into account that ongoing normal maintenance of common elements will be funded through the operating budget unless specifically identified in the Reserve Study.

What if the Association did not have the Capital Reserve Fund? The Board could choose one of the following options: (1) Secure a loan and incur interest costs (2) Charge a special assessment to each homeowner (3) Not make the necessary repairs and allow the property to fall into disrepair (4) Close a clubhouse and pool to save money for other repairs. None of these options are ideal. Maintaining the Reserve Fund is the best way to be able to make repairs in a timely manner and keep our property values high.

In 2019 so far a few projects are being scheduled using Capital Reserve funds. The projects include; Hanford Clubhouse landscape, monument sign on Warren & Beck, replacement of walking paths at Hanford & Gainsborough Clubhouses, and re-surfacing the Gainsborough Pool.

### COMMONS SENSE

As we all know, our clubhouses, pools and commons, the physical amenities of Sunflower, are some of our greatest assets and really do make this a unique neighborhood. They all need our COLLECTED attention and TLC.

- Please exercise CARE AND RESPECT when using our many commons. Clean up after pets, pick up garbage, and teach our children to respect these areas, also. It's our property. TAKE PRIDE.
- If children use the commons for a game of baseball, please hit the ball away from any homes bordering the commons.
- If you witness vandalism, in progress, contact the Canton Police **IMMEDIATELY**. If you are concerned about any activity that is taking place in the commons (fireworks, paintball guns, BB guns, rocket launching, etc.) call the Police and then let the Office know what you saw.
- Volunteer pick up some trash blowing across the commons, pick some weeds out of some cracks in the sidewalk, help at the picnic. Consider how you can be involved!
- Please keep all dogs on a leash in the Commons to keep everyone safe.
- <u>Fireworks are NOT permitted in the Commons at</u> <u>any time.</u>

### Have something you need to report to the Association?

Please be sure to give the Sunflower Office a call (734-453-2022), send a message through our website or attend a monthly Board meeting. Although, the Sunflower Events committee does have a Facebook page...the Association Board and Office staff does not monitor any other social media pages. If you're putting something important on social media that the Association/Board should know about - please give us a call. Otherwise, it could be missed. The best way to communicate with the Office and Board is via the Office phone number or Board meetings.

### **Community Mailboxes**

If you lose your mailbox key or have any issue with the community mailboxes - please contact the Canton Post Office for a replacement key or help with your issue. Canton Post Office: 734-844-0590



### 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.



Thank you! <u>Thank you</u> to all the volunteers that deliver the Sunflower Newsletter! It is greatly appreciated and without your help, it couldn't be done.



If you're interested in volunteering

call the Sunflower Office or check the box on your Registration form in December. Delivery is 6 times per year and takes approximately 30-45 minutes.

Also, we could always use subs when a volunteer is unavailable to deliver.



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Thank you to our lifeguard staff for a great summer! Swim lessons were a big success! Also, thank you to the staff for working at the picnic - without their help, we couldn't have such a nice event!



SEALING

**STRIPPING** 



# Sunflower Social Committee on Facebook

Follow the Social Committee on Facebook and keep apprised of all of the events happening within our subdivision. You'll also find community information from Canton Township, and information pertaining to our subdivision. You can find us at **Sunflower Village Events and Information**. Come check us out and see what's happening! **Sign up here for the Trunk or Treat!** 



POWER

WASHING

# Box Tops for Education Coupons

The Association is working in conjunction with Cub Scout Pack 834 to collect Box Tops for Education Coupons. 100% of the money earned goes to Tonda Elementary School to help fund various student activities. Sunflower's Office (Hanford Clubhouse) has a collection box where you can drop off your coupons. It's an easy way to help your local school.



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There is a lot of useful information on the site. You can submit updated contact information, check out the Bulletin Board for news updates, read legal documents, join the email list to receive periodic updates from Sunflower and contact the Office. Also, information about clubhouse rentals and pool rules can be found here.



To report a pothole problem or a road in need of repair please call **Wayne County at 1-888-762-3273** or report the problem on-line at http://www.waynecounty.com/dps/complaint.htm



