

SUNFLOWER VILLAGE HOMES ASSOCIATION

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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 located at Hanford Clubhouse

sunflowercanton.com



#### The 12th Annual Egg Hunt

News for and about Members of the Sunflower Village Homes Association

Saturday March 24 - 1 PM Sign-in will begin at 12:45 Hanford Commons Preschool thru 5th grade Bring a basket to use for the hunt



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The Easter Bunny will be hopping by for pictures.

Egg hunt will be held rain (snow?) or shine - the Commons Area could be wet and/or muddy, so please dress your child appropriately.

No pre-registration is required but a cash donation, which will help offset event costs, is highly appreciated.

(at the end of the hunt, if you do not want the plastic eggs your child collected, please deposit them in the storage box provided at the site)

Thank You Girl Scouts and all the other volunteers for their hard work!

## Sunflower Committees

Did you know that Sunflower has several Committees that work behind the scenes with Board Members to help the Board of Directors research, make recommendations and execute projects within the Association? Do you have a talent or some time to spare? Consider joining a Committee and help in continuing to make Sunflower a great place to be! Our current Committees consist of: **Social** - planning events for Sunflower residents **Common Grounds** - keeping the Common areas and Clubhouses looking great by suggesting and implementing improvements **Communication** - working to improve communication

**Communication** - working to improve communication within the Association

Sign - working to get signage for the subdivision Roads - working toward improving residential roads

Contact the Sunflower Office to be put in touch with a Committee Chairperson. 734-453-2022

The Sunflower Board of Directors has one vacancy this year so if you'd like to get involved please also consider joining the Board. Please attend the next Board meeting to be considered.

#### 2018 DUES ARE PAST DUE

If you haven't paid the 2018 annual dues yet, a \$35 late fee has been added to your account and you now owe \$305. Please see Pages 3 & 9 for more information.

If you owe for multiple years, please make payment immediately to avoid further late fees and legal fees.



# Craft Club - Hanford Clubhouse

Fridays - 3/16, 4/20, 5/18 and other dates TBD (7 pm-12 am)Contact Dawn Montagano at 718-4978



Bring your own craft/project to work on and join us! It doesn't matter what you are working on or your level of talent, just come out and enjoy the company of your neighbors.



Mondays 1-3 PM (Hanford Clubhouse)

> March 26 April 23

Contact Pat Greene (455-2569) for more information

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Area Newsletter Rep - to count and deliver the Newsletter to 10-12 homes, 6 times per year by car. We need volunteers in order to get the Newsletters out in a timely manner!

Please call the office 453-2022.

Thank you to the numerous residents who already volunteer!

# 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 Re-strictions of Sunflower Village Homes Association. The storm sewers are in "private" easements and therefore nei-ther 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.

# 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!

## And a good time was had by all...

If you missed Sunflower's first wine tasting event on February 10th, you missed a great party. A special thank you to Vintner's Canton Winery for providing some spectacular wines and making the evening a success. Great neighbors, delicious cheese and some fun music just added to a wonderful evening. If you missed this one, don't worry—we'll do something again soon. Watch the newsletter and Facebook page (Sunflower Events and Information) for information on what activities the social committee is planning. Or better yet, join the social committee and help us plan the next party!! Your help is always welcome!!





# DUES – PAY A SMALL AMOUNT NOW OR A LARGE AMOUNT LATER

Thank you to all the residents who have paid their dues on time! 2018 Dues were due March 1st. A \$35 late fee has been assessed to delinquent accounts. If you have not paid your 2018 dues, please send payment of \$305 by March 31st or additional late charges will accrue.

When a delinquency goes into its second year, the Association files a lien on the subject property. If the liens are not paid, the Association will file a foreclosure lawsuit or a money judgment. Any of these actions will cost the homeowner a significant amount of money.

The Association still offers **payment plans** to homeowners who request one. **Please call the office immediately** - all details are kept confidential. Use of the pools and rental of the Clubhouse is suspended until all dues and charges are paid in full.

As of 2/22 1,074 homeowners (63.8%) have paid their 2018 dues and another 17 are on payment plans. If you are a homeowner who has paid his/her dues or are participating in a payment plan, we appreciate your efforts and we are doing everything we can to hold all homeowners to the same accountability.

If you are an owner who is delinquent on your dues, we highly recommend that you contact the Association and establish a payment plan for past dues and late fees. If the Association is forced to file a lien and foreclosure or a money judgment, the Association Board is committed to pursuing not only payment of dues and late fees, but also reimbursement of any and all associated legal fees.

# Sunflower Office 453-2022



# HELPING HANDS

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A list of those willing to help others in the Subdivision



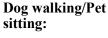
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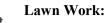
For changes or additions throughout the year, call the Office (453-2022). If you contact someone on this list who is no longer providing the service, please let the Office know.



**Babysitters** (Year listed is year of their birth):

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#### **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 College-Age or Older Babysitter Dog Walking Pet Sitting Lawn Work Snow Shoveling

CLASSES TAKEN (for Babysitters)

Deadline for May/June issue is April 10, 2018

# **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



Scriminages, 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.



## **TENNIS COURTS**

The Gainsborough and Hanford Courts will open Mid April (weather permitting)

Please follow these simple rules:

- \* The tennis courts operate on a first come first serve basis with no reserving of the courts
- \* Limit your time to one hour if someone else is waiting to use the court
- \* The tennis courts should NOT be used for bike riding or rollerblading as the surfaces are of a special composition and any other use besides tennis playing damages the court.
- \* Be considerate of homes bordering the courts. You may enjoy a rousing game of tennis at 6 a.m. on Saturday but some of the surrounding neighbors may not!



#### GOOD NEIGHBOR TIP

Please do not park your car so that it blocks a neighbor's mailbox. They won't get their mail if the mailbox is blocked.

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	Please include my business in th Business Name: Resident's Name: Phone Number:	usiness in the Small Business Directory Lot #	
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If you need these services please call one of our residents	Check which issues: Jan/FebMa Mar/AprJu	ty/June Sept/Oct ly/Aug Nov/Dec	
	The cost is \$2.00 per issue or \$1 and get 6th issue free). Please (Check payable to Sunflower Vi.	include payment with this form.	
BUSINESS NAME	RESIDENT	PHONE	
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Avon	Angela Stratton	454-4493	
Buttons - Political, sports or custom made	Lori Levi	323-0886	
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Chinese Language Tutoring & Translation	Allison Chen Weber	239-1917	
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Creating Connections, LLC (writing, editing, proofreading)	Jennifer Troyer	709-0998	
Global CPA - Tax & Accounting	Owen Ekechukwu, CPA	313 903-3366	
Home Staging & Interior Design	Joyce Sullivan	748-9068	
Jamberry Nail Wraps	Kelly Reed	765-9993	
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Specialized Reading Tutoring	Patricia Greene	455-2569	
Thirty-One	Amy Berry	589-0058	
Thrived Living Health & Wellness Coaching	Kelly Stott	634-7742	
Vintner's Canton Winery	Jeff Kulp	354-9463	

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).

Celeste Davis

#### **DUES - TAX DEDUCTIBLE??**

Your Milestone Events - Balloon décor & event planning

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



## **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

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

#### **BOARD MEETINGS** Wednesday 7:00 PM Hanford Clubhouse (unless noted)

March 21 April 18 - Gainsborough Clubhouse May 16 June 20



Sunflower Board Meetings are open to homeowners. The first 10 minutes are open forum for homeowners to voice concerns. If you feel you need more time to address the Board please call the week before the meeting to be put on the agenda.

#### ALL RESIDENTS ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND

# TOWNSHIP ORDINANCES

Since Sunflower has a substantial turn-over rate of homeowners each year, we feel it's necessary to repeat certain information on a regular basis. If you've read this information before then please bear with us as we try to inform new homeowners who might not be aware of the information. The Association receives numerous calls regarding ordinance violations. These complaints may be called directly to the Canton Township Ordinance Department. They will handle the call in an expedient manner. The following summarized list are good reminders for Spring:

- Trees are to be pruned so public sidewalks have clear headroom of 7 feet (this includes trees that Wayne County planted between your sidewalk and the street).
- Grass is not to be taller than 5 inches
- No junk or unlicensed vehicles except in a completely enclosed garage.
- Temporary parking of boats and campers is permitted for 48 hours prior to and after use of the recreational vehicle - unless a special permit is obtained from Canton Township (permit is to be displayed on the boat or camper (see article on page 11 for further clarification).
- Dogs must be leashed and homeowners must clean up after their dogs. Fecal matter must be disposed on the owners property (please do not use the trash cans in the Commons to dispose of fecal matter - it's unsanitary and unpleasant).
- Cars may not be parked at the end of a driveway so as to block the sidewalk.

#### For more information or to file an ordinance complaint, call 394-5335 (M-F 8:30 AM to 5:00 PM)

#### **SLOW DOWN PLEASE!!**

Please be aware of the speed you're driving on our subdivision roads and do not exceed the speed limit of 25. Do not put others in danger by speeding in the neighborhood.

#### **SLOW DOWN PLEASE!**



Spring - we've waited a long time for spring this year! Time to be outside again!! The Commons Areas will become more active as we jog, walk our dogs, play ball, fly kites, etc.

#### PLEASE USE A LITTLE "COMMONS SENSE" WHEN USING COMMONS AREAS.

Please DO NOT BUILD TREE HOUSES in the Commons.

Please NO DUMPING in the Commons and/or storm sewers. That includes grass clippings, shrub trimmings, tree limbs, old couches, motor oil, chairs or mattresses (you wouldn't believe the amount of stuff we find in our wooded areas). Please help us keep our Commons and sewers clean.

Please be respectful of other's property. When playing ball in the Commons, please hit the balls away from the houses. If the ball goes over someone's fence, ring their doorbell to retrieve your ball rather than climb their fence. Wiffle balls are a good choice for the Commons, both for baseball and golf.

#### Remember the **DOGGIE DOO-DOOS and DON'TS:**



DO clean up after your dog ("it is unlawful for any person to permit their dog to deposit fecal matter in any place other than the premises where the dog is

kept, unless such fecal matter is removed immediately and disposed of on the premises where the dog is kept." Canton Township ordinance). Please DO NOT DEPOSIT BAGS OF FECAL MATTER IN THE TRASH CANS AROUND THE CLUBHOUSES. It's your responsibility to dispose of it at your home.

DON'T allow your dog to run free in the neighborhood - there is a leash law in Canton.

**DO** remember your neighbors when your dog is outside and barking for a length of time. Please be mindful of how long your dog is barking as it can be a disturbance to neighbors!

DON'T let your dog run around inside the tennis courts.

CATS that are left free to roam have caused damage to



scratching patio furniture. Their meows throughout the night are disturbing. Please take care that your cat does not bother others.

neighbors property by

#### **SUNFLOWER**



This column addresses items of interest that you, as homeowners, raise.

**Q:** Should we pay our dues since we are moving in April?

A: Please pay your dues now to avoid additional charges. When you sell your home, the Title Company that handles the closing needs to contact the Association for a Status Letter (this will tell them that your dues are paid in full through 12/31/18). The Title Company will then prorate the dues as of your closing date. Your closing statement will show a credit for the portion of the year that you do not own the home and the buyers statement will show a charge for their portion. The Association does not refund any portion of the dues.

If you are planning to sell your home it would be helpful if you would let your Title Company know they need to contact the Association for a Status Letter.



# Welcome to Sunflower



## JUST MOVED IN?

Please fill out this coupon and return it to: Sunflower Office 45800 Hanford Rd. Canton, MI 48187

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

CHILDREN'S NAMES \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

LOT # \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE # \_\_\_\_\_

Date we're moving in \_\_\_\_\_

Return form by 4/10/18 to be included in our next issue

\_\_\_\_\_

## **2018 ASSOCIATION BOARD**

Ron LeTourneau, President	313-300-7013
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Pam Turek, Secretary	459-5348
Andrew Kramer, Treasurer	355-2717
Sandy Latack, Assistant Treasurer	313-434-0059
Barbara Carson	451-0154
George Kruczek	765-0877
Beth Myers	248-249-9470
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.	

**BOARD POSITION** - There is one vacancy on the Sunflower Village Homes Association Board. If interested in an appointment to the Board, please attend the March 21st Board Meeting.



Dear Neighbor,

Please do not place personal items in the Commons. No structures, tree houses, sheds, swing sets, pools, etc. are to remain on the Sunflower Commons property. Please remove and restore the Commons to its original condition.

- The Sunflower Board



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By paying your 2018 dues today or by calling to set up a payment plan, you can freeze your dues at \$305 (saving \$35 to \$70 in additional late fees).

All payment plan details are confidential and you will not be charged additional late fees as long as you keep the payment schedule current. The Association offers payment plans of 2 to 5 payments (a \$3 service fee will be charged for each payment). **Use of the pools and rental of the Clubhouse is suspended until all dues and charges are paid in full.** You must call by March 31st to avoid another late fee.

"COMMONS SENSE"

Paint guns and BB guns are not to be used in the Sunflower Commons areas. Canton ordinances 70.115 and 70.116 state that it is unlawful to discharge any air gun, bow and arrow, and slingshot except at an approved target range.

The ordinance also states that a police officer can confiscate these items and legally dispose of them when a violation occurs. Please respect the safety of our community by only using these items where approved.





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Sunflower 2018 Calendar

Watch the Sunflower News & Website for Details

and/or changes

July 18

Board Meeting, 7:00 PM



March 21	Board Meeting, 7:00 PM
(3 <sup>rd</sup> Wednesday)	Hanford Clubhouse
March 24	Easter Egg Hunt
(Saturday)	Hanford Commons - 1 PM
April 18	Board Meeting, 7:00 PM
(3 <sup>rd</sup> Wednesday)	Gainsborough Clubhouse
May 16	Board Meeting, 7:00 PM
(3 <sup>rd</sup> Wednesday)	Hanford Clubhouse
May 17-19	Garage Sale 9 AM-???
(Thurs-Sat)	Register at the Office - \$1.00
May 23	Swim Lesson Sign-up
(Wednesday)	Hanford Clubhouse 6:00 PM
May 26 (Saturday)	Pools Open at Noon
June 18 - June 28 (Mon-Thurs)	Swim Lessons – session 1 Gainsborough Pool 10:00 – 11:30 AM (Friday 6/22 & Friday 6/29 as make-up days)
June 20	Board Meeting, 7:00 PM
(3 <sup>rd</sup> Wednesday)	Hanford Clubhouse
July 9 (Monday)	Children's Pool Party (ages 6-8) 7-9 PM Gainsborough Pool Raindate – July 12
July 9-19 (Mon-Thurs)	Swim Lessons – session 2 Gainsborough Pool 10:00 – 11:30 AM (Fridays 7/13 & 7/20 as make-up days)
July 16 (Monday)	Preteen Pool Party (ages 9-12) 7-9 PM Gainsborough Pool Raindate – July 19

(3 <sup>rd</sup> Wednesday)	Hanford Clubhouse	
July 23-Aug 2 (Mon-Thurs)	Swim Lessons – session 3 Gainsborough Pool 10:00 – 11:30 AM (Fridays 7/27 & 8/3 as make-up days)	
August 4	Picnic 12-3 PM	
(Saturday)	Hanford Commons	
August 15	Board Meeting, 7:00 PM	
(3 <sup>rd</sup> Wednesday)	Hanford Clubhouse	
August 24	Movie Night	
(Friday)	Hanford Commons 8:30PM	
Sept 19	Board Meeting, 7:00 PM	
(3 <sup>rd</sup> Wednesday)	Hanford Clubhouse	
Sept 20-22	Garage Sale 9 AM-???	
(Thurs-Sat)	Register at the Office - \$1.00	
Oct 13	Trunk or Treat	
(Saturday)	Hanford Parking Lot 3-5PM	
Oct 17	Board Meeting, 7:00 PM	
(3 <sup>rd</sup> Wednesday)	Hanford Clubhouse	
Nov 1-14	Dues Vote & Board Election	
Nov 14	Annual Meeting/Board Meeting,	
(2 <sup>nd</sup> Wednesday)	7:00 PM Hanford Clubhouse	
Dec 12 (2 <sup>nd</sup> Wednesday)	Board Meeting, 7:00 PM Hanford Clubhouse (2 <sup>nd</sup> week due to holidays)	
Dec 15	Christmas Decorating	
(Saturday)	Contest Judging 6-9 PM	
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For up-to-date information be sure to check our Website at www.sunflowercanton.com

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FYI - As we get ready for spring and summer, homeowners who own boats and campers will be getting them ready to use. Township ordinances allow



temporary parking of boats and campers for 48 hours prior to and after use of the recreational vehicle in your driveway. However, the homeown-



er can get a permit twice a year for 2 weeks to keep the vehicle/boat in their driveway while they prep it, make repairs or clean it. The permit must be displayed on the vehicle/boat in a visible place.

As we get ready for Lawn mowing season, keep in mind that those of you who live on a court are responsible for mowing the center island. Taking turns around the court helps to share the work and the cost.





Street lights out, call DTE Energy at 1-800-477-4747 Any resident may call.

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





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