

# 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

<u>The Office will be</u> <u>closed on Wednesday,</u> <u>October 31st.</u>

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



#### Saturday, October 13th - Hanford Clubhouse Parking Lot 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM

Calling all goblins and witches, monsters and super heroes, princes and princesses, and creatures of all sorts. Halloween is coming, and Sunflower is hosting our second 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. Mark your calendars, and plan to join us for an afternoon of spooktacular fun!

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 generous and 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!



MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR THE ANNUAL ASSOCIATION GENERAL MEETING

Wednesday, November 14, 2018 Hanford Clubhouse - 7:00 PM

The 2019 budget will be presented Meet the 2019 Board candidates

#### SUBDIVISION GARAGE SALE

September 20-22Thursday-Saturday9:00 - ?Pay your \$1 fee at the Hanford Clubhouse and pick up your yellow<br/>balloons (the fee helps cover the cost of advertising).

#### 2019 BOARD ELECTION

SEPT/OCT 2018

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 9th. 

#### Welcome to Sunflower



#### **JUST MOVED IN?**

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

NAME

CHILDREN'S NAMES

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_\_ PHONE # \_\_\_\_\_\_

Date we're moving in

Return this form by October 10th to be in the next issue.

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



SCHOOL'S IN SESSION PLEASE DRIVE CAREFULLY

**SLOW DOWN!!** 

#### SUNFLOWER EUCHRE CLUB

Join your neighbors for a game of cards each month. Gainsborough Clubhouse at 7:00PM

> September 14th October 12th November 9th

Call Becky for more information (734) 904-0468



#### 2019 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 9th 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.

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

As a reminder, fireworks are not permitted at any time in the Sunflower common areas. This past 4th of July there were reports of large firework displays behind the Hanford Clubhouse. 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.

#### **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).



#### **2018 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	
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 sunflower canton.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.		
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BOARD MEETINGS 3rd Wednesdays 7:00 PM Hauford Clubhouse

September 19 October 17 @ Gainsborough November 14 December 12

(November & December's meetings are 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.



#### **37th ANNUAL PICNIC**

What a great & HOT day!!

Thank you to Beth Myers, Picnic Coordinator, for her work behind the scenes and to the

15 volunteers, Board Member volunteers, the pool staff, the Sunflower office and maintenance staff, and the Boy Scouts for all of their help. Also, thank you to Larry Pratt for lending his generator.

Thank you to the businesses that donated prizes:

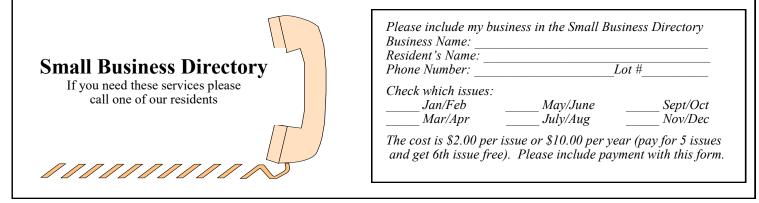
**Black Rock & Grill** Chili's **Buffalo Wild Wings Applebee's Mexican Fiesta Dairy Queen** Sean O'Callaghan's The Burger Spot **Little Caesars** Zack's of Plymouth **Scrambler Marie's TGI Friday's** World of Beer **Ironwood Grill** Sweetwaters Coffee & Tea **Maestro Music Academy Gene Myers, Editing Services** Jacob Matthews Jeweler

Please support them in return!

#### 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.



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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).







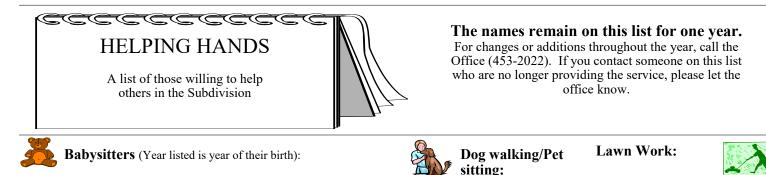


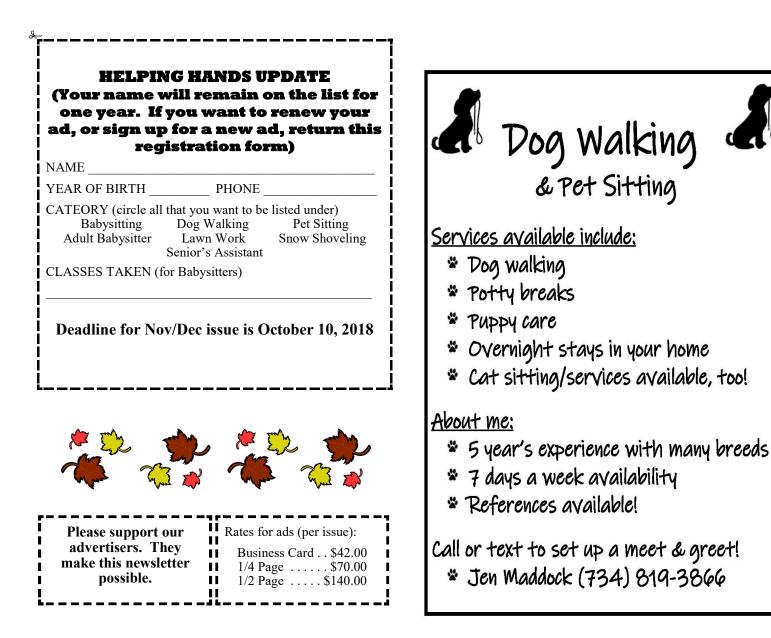
#### SUNFLOWER HAS SIGNAGE!

Sunflower finally has signs!!! In mid-August our Sign Vendor installed the first sign at the corner of Hanford & Lambeth (see picture), 15 more were installed later in August. The 16 signs are installed at all the entrances to the Subdivision. The signs are oval in shape, reflective and say "Sunflower Village." Also, a monument sign is scheduled to be installed at the intersection of Canton Center & Sheldon roads, currently scheduled for the end of September. In the Spring of next year another monument sign, at the corner of Warren & Beck roads, will be installed. Stay tuned for more details in the upcoming Newsletters as they become available. The Sign Committee hopes you appreciate the new Sunflower signs as much as we do.

-Sunflower Sign Committee

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#### SUNFLOWER CRAFT CLUB



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

September 21 - October 19 - November 16 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 - 9/24, 10/22 & 11/26

Contact Pat Greene (455-2569) for more information

September's Book - <u>The One-in-a Million Boy</u> by Monica Wood



#### CALL SANDY 734-812-6596

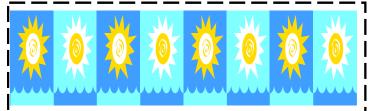


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#### POOL UPDATE

The weather was beautiful this summer and we had a great pool season! 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. 177 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. There were several incidents this summer that involved a struggling child and a life guard jumping in to help in bringing the child to safety. One incident involved calling EMS to the poolthankfully all involved are fine. 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 I 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 I them at all times to help in preventing dangerous situations.

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

See you next summer!

#### 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 2018 so far a few projects are being scheduled using Capital Reserve funds. The projects include; re-strapped the pool lounge chairs, tennis & basketball court re-surfacing, new stall partitions in shower rooms and repair of walking paths behind Hanford & Gainsborough Clubhouses.

#### 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>

#### SPECIALIZED READING TUTORING K-adult

Patricia Greene, M.A. 734-455-2569 Tutoring in my Sunflower Home Dyslexia Struggling readers Comprehension Spelling Writing Orton Gillingham 30 years experience References

#### **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



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#### 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.



Group Rates Available



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.



#### Check-Out This Recent Sale!

Sold in Just a Few Hours! After Less Than 1 Day On The Market

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Sold For The Highest Price Per Sq Ft in 2018

### Just Sold in Sunflower! 45717 Radnor Road

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42078 Ford Rd Canton, MI 48187

RE/MAX



#### 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!** 



#### 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.





Have you checked out the new & improved Sunflower Village Homes Association website lately?

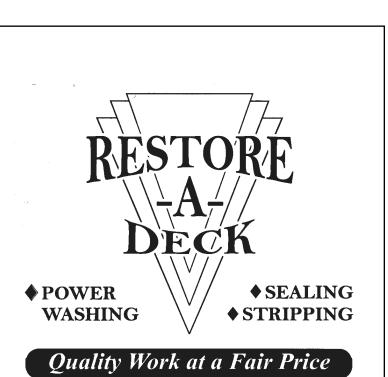
There is a lot of useful information on the site. You can submit updated contact information, check out the Bulletin Board for news updates, join the email list to receive periodic updates from Sunflower and contact the Office. Also, information about clubhouse rentals and pool rules can be found here.

www.sunflowercanton.com



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