

Sunflower News

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 is located at the Hanford Clubhouse - 45800 Hanford Rd.

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

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News for and about Members of the Sunflower Village Homes Association

2019 ASSOCIATION DUES ARE NOW DUE \$270

(Last reminder before 3/1 deadline)

2019 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 or Gainsborough drop boxes. Dues must be in the drop boxes at the clubhouse by midnight March 1st or be postmarked no later than March 1st. **Late fees will be charged as of March 2nd** (see chart on page 2). There are 11 lots out of 1,683 that are still unpaid for the 2018 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 21, 2019). 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 2019 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!



13th Annual Egg Hunt

Mark your calendar Saturday - April 13th 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 March 1st. | Work permit is required if under 18.

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)

PLEASE REVIEW THE SNOW REMOVAL TIPS ON PAGE 4!!

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

Association Dues

The 2019 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:

	2019 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!

2019 Dues Vote & Election Results

129 voted to maintain dues at \$270 24 voted to increase dues to \$275



Thank you for taking the time to vote

The following people were elected to the 2019 Board:

Barbara Carson, Andy Kramer, George Kruczek,
Ron LeTourneau & Nate Rebeck
2019 starts with one open position on the Board. Please
call the Office or attend the January Board Meeting for
more information about joining the
Sunflower Board of Directors.

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

GARAGE SALE MAY 16-18 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.

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.



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, 2018 President

A sincere welcome to all new residents of Sunflower Village in the past year. Thank you to all residents for your contributions in making Sunflower a safe residential neighborhood. Sunflower is a wonderful place to raise a family and develop long-lasting friendships with our neighbors. It's always a pleasure to hear the favorable comments from our neighbors who appreciate the well-maintained common areas throughout the seasons. As you stroll around our subdivision you will find our homes and yards looking great which adds so much to living here.

We continue to offer activities year round including the Annual Easter Egg Hunt, Summer Picnic, Movie Night under the Stars, Holiday Decorating Contest, Cookie Exchange, Seasonal Garage Sales, Trunk or Treat for Halloween, Pool Parties, Swim Lessons, and a new Wine and Cheese Tasting event. This year we made a number of improvements to our facilities including purchasing additional pool lounge chairs, replacing shower room partitions, updating the Life Guard's Break Rooms and adding 17 Sign Toppers to street signs as you enter Sunflower. Many of you have seen the new Sunflower Village monument sign on the berm along Canton Center Road. Next year another monument sign will be located at the southeast corner of Beck and Warren which will look terrific when finished. Also, in 2019 we will be painting the interior of the Hanford Clubhouse, making repairs to the Gainsborough tennis court and resurfacing the walking track at the Hanford clubhouse.

I'm pleased to report that our Association's finances are in excellent shape for the current year and the budget for 2019 is completed and very sound. We will be setting aside roughly \$86,000 at the end of 2018 for our Capital Reserve account which is used to maintain or replace our certain common property and facilities. I would like to thank all of the members of our standing committees including the Communications, Road, Finance, Common Ground, Social, Snow, and Sign committees for their hard work during the past year. It's also important to recognize the essential role of our professional staff in supporting the residents and Board on issues large and small. Thank you Amy, Dorothy, Rich, Erika and all of our terrific Life Guards.

I would invite all residents in Sunflower to stop by our offices to meet our staff. Also, I would encourage all homeowners to attend our monthly Board meetings and learn more about our projects. Let us know what ideas you might have for our website, our Facebook page or suggestions to make Sunflower a better place to live. Finally, thank you to all the volunteers who assist us with our many activities during the course of the year.



The Sunflower Sign Committee is very excited to announce that our subdivision has another sign – a much bigger one this time, versus the oval signs located at the 16 entrances. The new sign is located at Canton Center & Brunswick. It is a monument sign, (see picture) which is constructed of brick & mortar. In addition to the sign, landscaping has been added, with sign lighting (that illuminates the sign after dark till morning) and temporary holiday lighting. A look alike sign is planned for spring 2019 at the corner of Warren & Beck Roads. We hope you get a chance to see the new sign soon and are as excited as we are for the sign scheduled in 2019. Stay tuned for more developments as they occur in upcoming Newsletters.

-Sunflower Sign Committee

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 effective-ly!!
- 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.



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:

Dog waste pick up:

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MONTHLY BOARD MEETINGS



3rd Wednesday 7:00 PM

January 16 February 20 March 20

ALL BOARD MEETINGS ARE HELD AT THE HANFORD CLUBHOUSE

All Are Invited to Attend

Sunflower Clubs - Hanford Clubhouse

Craft Club - Fridays (7 pm-12 am) - 1/18, 2/15 & 3/15 Contact Dawn (718-4978)

Book Club - Mondays (1-3 pm) - 1/28, 2/25, 3/25, 4/29 & 5/20 Contact Pat (455-2569)

Euchre Club - Gainsborough Clubhouse Fridays (7pm) - 1/11, 2/8 & 3/8 Contact Becky (904-0468)



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) Dog Walking Babysitting Pet Sitting Adult Babysitter Snow Shoveling Lawn Work

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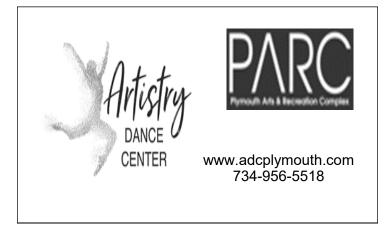




Resident's Name:			
Phone Number:	Lot #		
Check which issues:			
Jan/Feb	May/June	Sept/Oct	
 Mar/Apr	July/Aug	Nov/Dec	

RESIDENT	PHONE
Dave Farmer	313 304-0700
Lori Levi	323-0886
Lori Levi	323-0886
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Catherine Cogo	454-6506
Allison Chen Weber	239-1917
Elizabeth Russo	313-402-7991
Jennifer Troyer	709-0998
Jennifer Troyer	709-0998
Kimberlyn Benjamin	776-9004
Charlie Grech	313 467-3782
Kelly Reed	765-9993
Charlie Grech	313 467-3782
Joan Trainor	812-9690
Kristin Felsburg	664-0361
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Jan Connor	981-6108
Jeffrey Pond	771-0339
Dawn Larkin	248 843-3353
Michelle Jasewicz	718-3517
Patricia Greene	455-2569
Kelly Stott	634-7742
Dawn Riemma	846-9336
Jeff Kulp	354-9463
Vickie Rooda	642-8629
Julie Zimmerman	313 623-8482
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).





2018 ASSOCIATION BOARD

Ron LeTourneau, President	313-300-7013
Jeff Barszcz, Vice President	756-1500
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

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**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.



If you bought your home in 2018 you may not have received a 2019 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).

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Holiday Decorating Contest

1st Place (North of Warren)
Gosse Family - 46564 Bartlett
1st Place (South of Warren)
Brasseur Family - 6573 Marshall
2nd Place (North of Warren)
Krolicki Family - 45700 Gainsborough
2nd Place (South of Warren)
Osmonson Family - 6557 Woodmere
Honorable Mention
Miller Family - 46662 Spinning Wheel
Ploucha Family - 45488 Holmes
Wendt Family - 6682 Edgewood

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