Join the Canton Regional Chamber of Commerce, along with our Leadership Stark County and ystark! departments, for the Canton Regional Chamber of Commerce Golf Par-Tee Presented by Huntington Bank at Tam O’Shanter Golf Course. The Golf Par-Tee, happening on Aug. 24, is the second in a two-part golf series presented by Huntington Bank in 2018.

The Chamber Golf Par-Tee will be a scramble format, with a shotgun start. The cost is $115 per golfer which includes:

- 18 holes of play with cart
- Fun contests and prizes
- Golf course refreshments
- A full lunch at the conclusion of play
- A certificate to “come back and play” for 18 holes

Golfers will have the chance to win a number of valuable prizes including (but not limited to) two $250 vouchers from Spirit Airlines from CAK, restaurant gift cards, cash prizes and more!

Register now at www.CantonChamber.org or call 330.458.2071.

Sponsorship opportunities are available by contacting Chris Gumpp at 330.458.2055.
Community Matters.
Let us show you.
**OIL & GAS NEWS**

**PETROCHEMICAL UPDATE**

**BREAKING NEWS**

Chesapeake Energy Corp., the company that put Stark County in the center of the Utica Shale play and deemed Canton, Ohio the “Utica Capital,” has sold all its Utica Shale assets located in Ohio to a Texas based firm, Encino Acquisition Partners for over $2B. Hopefully this action will be positive for all parties involved. Additional updates to follow. (Attend the Utica Summit VI to be held October 10th, 2018 details at www.UticaSummit.com)

**Petrochemical Update:**

Last month’s Oil & Gas News set the stage for the potential petrochemical impact on Stark County. Stark County and the Ohio River area are within a five-hour drive of seventy percent of the plastics market in the United States. Our location, along with quality schools, workforce and abundant facilities allow the area to take advantage of the abundant feedstock that will be produced from the Shell Polymer complex. (We are still awaiting the announcement of a second petrochemical complex in Dilles Bottom, Belmont County, Ohio. While I was skeptical at first, insiders tell me that they will be ramping up for a 2020-time frame to begin construction. Still no announcement of Final Investment Decision (FID)).

**Infrastructure Update:**

A couple of weeks ago I had the privilege of meeting at the White House for the second time with representatives from West Virginia and White House special advisors to discuss infrastructure along the Ohio River Corridor. West Virginia is pushing for I-68 extension from Morgantown to the River (Moundsville, WV). In Stark County, we continue to push for the extension of US30 from Canton to East Liverpool to Pittsburgh. (In southern Ohio, there is also a push for a Columbus to Pittsburgh highway). This infrastructure of four lane highways is critical to the development of the petrochemical industry in our area. These projects are beginning to gather attention at the Federal level, both for economic development, but also for the energy redundancy from potential natural disasters in the gulf coast.

I would encourage everyone to continue to let our state representatives of the importance to Stark County for the US30 project to move forward. This is critical to keeping Stark County well positioned for the opportunities that petrochemical production will provide.

As the title suggests; Oil & Gas News or Petrochemical Update? As the Utica Shale play advances from Upstream to Downstream, we will be renaming these updates “Petrochemical Updates”. Any updates on how the natural gas and future petrochemical complexes will be beneficial for your business would be greatly appreciated.

**Bryce Custer, SIOR, CCIM**
Ohio River Corridor, LLC
bryce@OhioRiverCorridor.com
AultCare QuickConnect Luncheon
Featuring Spectrum Reach

Want to grow your contacts and leads? Join us each month for the AultCare QuickConnect Networking Luncheon where you can obtain business leads through enjoyable networking activities, hear a compelling speaker, meet new business contacts and enjoy a delicious meal. Plus, when you bring a door prize valued at $15 or more, you’ll receive 30 seconds at the microphone to promote your business.

August Topic: Navigating the Changing Media Landscape

Janey Ames (top) has almost 14 years of media experience, and has been both an Account Executive and Sales Manager for Spectrum Reach. Her Digital Media Sales Certification from the Interactive Advertising Bureau (IAB) helps her stay ahead of the many changes happening in this space.

Annie Keith (bottom) has over 30 years in the media industry and has held a number of different roles, including TV host for Heart to Heart with Annie & Al, and Station Manager for WBNX. She currently works for Spectrum Reach as a Local Sales Manager, a position she has held for the past 11 years.

Wednesday, August 15
11:30 am – 1:00 pm
(Registration begins at 11:00 am)
La Pizzaria
3656 Dressler Rd. NW, Canton 44718
$18/members, $25/non-members
Register by August 13 at www.CantonChamber.org

Featured Entree of the Month: Chicken Parmesan Sandwich with Red Potatoes

REQUEST COPIES OF CANTON INC!

A new issue of Canton Inc., an economic development publication that showcases why Stark County is a great place to do business, is now available. The Canton Regional Chamber of Commerce and Gatehouse Ohio Media/The Canton Repository produce this magazine twice yearly.

By showcasing the business landscape here in Canton, through rich business features and highlights on education, transportation, health care, quality of life and more, we hope to attract new businesses, increase business growth locally, and change the perception of our region.

Need additional copies? Individuals or businesses can request copies by calling the Canton Regional Chamber at 330.456.7253.
The Canton Regional Chamber is celebrating over two decades of great food, fun and fab networking at the 23rd Annual West End Block Party on Aug. 9 presented by Express Employment Professionals.

Join the Chamber and ystark! at McKinley Presidential Library & Museum along with participating businesses including: Belden Brick Company, Classic Collision Center, Furbay Electric Supply Company, Ohio Auto Supply, and Taggart’s/Kennedy’s BBQ. You might just take home some great door prizes from the West End Business Association partners!

You’ll have a good time (and make great connections!) as you enjoy the hometown flavors from Kennedy’s BBQ, Taggarts Ice Cream, Shearer’s Snack Foods and more to be announced soon! Music will be provided by A-Z Sounds Unlimited. Adult beverages will be available as well.

This event is FREE for Chamber members but you must register in advance!

Thursday, Aug. 9
McKinley Presidential Library & Museum
5:30-7:30 pm
Register at www.CantonChamber.org

About Express Employment Professionals:
Express is on a mission to put a million people to work annually. In 2016, the company generated $3.05 billion in sales and employed a record 510,000 people. With over 780 locations throughout the United States, Canada, Express Employment Professional is one of the largest Industrial and Administrative staffing companies in America. Each office is locally owned and operated, and the Canton, OH Express Employment Professionals franchise began operation in 2015 and serves the all of Stark County areas with temporary help and direct hire employees in a variety of fields, including industrial, administrative, and professional staffing. Steve Michaels, Owner of Express Employment, is excited about partnering with the Canton Regional Chamber of Commerce for the Business After Hours series in 2018. “Since our opening in 2015, the Canton Regional Chamber has been a great partner in helping my new business grow and helping make an impact on the community” said Steve Michaels.

The Canton office, located at 4675 Dressler Rd NW is currently accepting applications.

For more information, visit www.expresspros.com/cantonoh.
STARK FORUM - INVESTING IN OUR FUTURE: CONNECTING EDUCATION, TALENT AND WORKFORCE

The Canton Regional Chamber of Commerce, along with its Leadership Stark County and ystark! departments, have brought a new quarterly event to our business community in 2018. The first two events included the following:

- A peek behind the curtain that engaged the mayors of Canton, Massillon, Alliance, North Canton, as well as the Jackson Township Trustees.
- How innovation is reshaping the workplace and our communities.

THE PANELISTS WILL INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING LOCAL LEADERS:

JOE CHADDOCK: Superintendent – Stark County Educational Service Center  
TERESA PURSES: Executive Director – Stark Education Partnership (Representing Business and Higher Education)  
DAVE KIRVEN: Executive Leader in the following organizations: Plumbers and Pipefitters Local Union 94, Stark County Oil and Gas Partnership Construction Trades  
SUSAN OLIVERA: Senior Vice President – Aultman Hospital  
JEFF TALBERT: Superintendent of the Alliance City Schools

MIKE GALLINA, Vice President of Communications and Community Outreach for AultCare, will facilitate a conversation between panelists that will frame the following key points:

- What challenges do business, industry, and education face when pursuing and developing talent?
- What successes have taken place that must be replicated and built upon so that our region may compete for and retain necessary talent?
- How does connecting talent to the workplace relate to the recently published Strengthening Stark report?
- What can audience members and business leaders do to make a difference in connecting talent to their workplace and to the regional workplace here in the Stark County area?

Please join us on September 6 from 11:30 to 1:00 at the Kent State University at Stark Conference Center to learn more about this very important topic.

THU., SEP. 6 • 11:30 AM - 1 PM
Kent State University at Stark Conference Center

REGISTER ONLINE AT CANTONCHAMBER.ORG
Do you know an outstanding individual, business or organization whose contributions make our community a better place?

Each year, the Canton Regional Chamber of Commerce recognizes the area’s unsung heroes at the **Community Salute Awards** by honoring select individuals, corporations, businesses and organizations for outstanding contributions to the greater Canton community.

This year’s awards dinner will take place Wednesday, Nov. 7, at The Conference Center, Kent State University at Stark.

**Nominations for these awards are due by Monday, Sept. 10** and can be submitted online at www.CantonChamber.org.

Awards are presented in two categories, the **Award of Merit** and the **Award of Appreciation**.

The Award of Merit is presented each year to a *single individual* for continuous civic activities and dedication that goes beyond business or professional responsibilities.

Awards of Appreciation honor any or all of the following for outstanding performance that benefits the community:

- **Corporations, business and non-profit organizations**: the winner must have enhanced the welfare of Stark County citizens through outstanding success in business or service.

- **Individual business professionals**: the winner must have demonstrated outstanding performance in his or her profession, which ultimately benefits the community at large.

- **Individuals in Chamber of Commerce work**: the winner must consistently and for an extended period, have demonstrated outstanding performance on the Canton Regional Chamber of Commerce, producing benefits to the civic or business community.

- **Individuals in short-term activity**: the winner must have initiated and completed a short-term activity resulting in widespread benefits to the community.

The 2018 Community Salute Awards will begin with a social hour at 5:30 p.m., followed by dinner and award presentation at 6:30 p.m. Tickets are $60. Visit www.CantonChamber.org for more information, to nominate outstanding individuals and organizations in our community, or to register.

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**AultWorks Occupational Medicine** specializes in treating work-related injuries and illnesses. We are certified by the Ohio Bureau of Workers’ Compensation.

Our services include:
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- Pre-placement Physicals
- Random Management Programs
- Mobile Medical Unit

Visit www.aultman.org/aultworks for more information.

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Utica Summit is our annual look at the sustainable downstream benefits of Utica energy. National speakers come here to tell you what’s coming our way.

In the program’s sixth year, the Canton Regional Chamber of Commerce and ShaleDirectories.com and have partnered to produce another conference designed to give insight on energy in Utica and beyond. **We know the coming downstream build out is going to be much bigger than many of us can imagine.** **Hear from experts:**

- **Plastics** – Perc Pineda, PhD, Chief Economist, Plastics Industry Association
- **Infrastructures, Railroads and Trucking** – Taylor Robinson, President, PLG Consulting
- **Economic Development** – Dr. Iryna Lendel, Research Associate Professor and Director of the Center for Economic Development, Cleveland State University

For registration and questions, go online to UticaSummit.com or contact Melissa Elsfelder at 330-458-2073 or melissae@cantonchamber.org.

**Utica Summit VI**
Wednesday, October 10, 2018
The Barrette Center at Walsh University
2020 East Maple St,
North Canton, OH 44720
$395 per person

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**Our Canton-Area Business Counts on CareWorksComp to Help Us Improve Safety and Control Our Ohio Workers’ Compensation Costs**

The Canton Regional Chamber sponsors an Ohio workers’ comp program to help its members significantly lower their Ohio BWC premium.

Our results-oriented approach fully integrates accident prevention, risk control and claims management while delivering a significant return on your investment.

For a no-cost, no-obligation analysis of your potential group rating savings, please visit [www.careworkscomp.com/groupratingapplication/Canton](http://www.careworkscomp.com/groupratingapplication/Canton) and complete our Temporary Authorization to Review Information form.

For employers who don’t qualify for group rating, CareWorksComp can still evaluate your best premium discount options.

For more information, contact CareWorksComp’s Robert Nicoll at 1-800-837-3200, Ext. 58595 or email robert.nicoll@careworkscomp.com.
Late summer and fall is when many market-goers would say the Canton Farmers’ Market is at its finest! REMINDER: No market this Sat. Aug. 4 due to the Canton Repository Grand Parade.

The Canton Farmers’ Market is spread over 16 weeks, and late summer and fall bring some gorgeous color to the market’s selection. Each Saturday, shoppers can enjoy a cornucopia of late-summer and fall produce, including pumpkins, gourds, cooler fall crops, and everyone’s favorite – APPLES!

Local selections including artisan breads, organic cheeses, grassfed beef, local honey, baked goods, jams & syrups, and much more are available Saturday mornings from 8 to 11:30 a.m. through October 6. The market is located in the Nadine McIlwain Administrative Building Parking Lot at the corner of Fourth St. NW and McKinley Ave NW.

In addition to the 20+ vendors each week, there are weekly live music and activities, ranging from gardening and cooking tips, to make-and-take art for the kids.

Visit www.CantonFarmersMarket.com for more information, a complete schedule of upcoming market events, and come out and join us before the market closes for the year!
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Small Business Showcase

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CANTON REGIONAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
MAPS AIR MUSEUM
GREEN AREA CHAMBER

SEVENTH ANNUAL
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 11
4:30 - 8:00 pm at MAPS Air Museum

ADMISSION IS FREE!
FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL (330) 833-4400 OR EMAIL DEBBIE BUSBY AT DEBBIEB@CANTONCHAMBER.ORG

THE EXHIBITION GIVES LOCAL BUSINESSES AND ENTREPRENEURS AN OPPORTUNITY TO SHOWCASE THEIR PRODUCTS AND SERVICES WHILE SHOWING OFF NORTHEAST OHIO'S CENTER OF AVIATION HISTORY AND TEACHING OUR BOY SCOUTS AND GIRL SCOUTS ABOUT AVIATION.

2260 International Parkway • North Canton, Ohio 44720
The Pro Football Hall of Fame
Enshrinement Festival Canton Repository
Grand Parade will kick off at 8 a.m. on Saturday, August 4th.

The first grand parade was held in 1963, and it has become one of the largest of the events celebrating the induction of the newest Class of Enshrinees into the Pro Football Hall of Fame. It has grown from 40,000 spectators in the early years to a crowd of nearly 200,000 lining the 2.2 mile parade route and millions more viewing it via television broadcasts.

This year’s celebration will feature members of the Class of 2018 Enshrinees and will include a large contingent of returning Gold Jackets/Hall of Famers. Parade spectators will be treated to the sights and sounds of 12 giant helium balloons, 17 marching and military bands, 10 floats, and 14 specialty units, as well as antique vehicles, animal units, and much, much more. Specialty units like the giant walking flag, St. Helen Unicycle team, The South Shore Drill Team from Chicago, and the Big Idaho Potato are sure to thrill, and spectators will be energized by the Cirque Experience gymnastics team.

Reminder: Spectators will be required to show their tickets before being permitted to sit in reserved areas, and this will be strictly enforced. Great chair or bleacher seats are still available at 330.458.2048 or visit ProFootballHOFEF.com/tickets.

The Canton Repository Grand Parade will enjoy a wide television viewing audience on Fox Sports Ohio, on Sunday, August 12 from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. (or following the Cincinnati Reds live post-game show which could delay the start time just a bit), with a re-air scheduled for Sunday, August 19 from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. Fox Sports Ohio is available to almost six million households saturating Ohio and reaching into portions of West Virginia, Kentucky, Illinois, Indiana, Pennsylvania and New York.

The parade broadcast will also be available on Saturday, August 18 at 6:00 p.m.; Sunday, August 19 at 7:00 p.m.; and Monday, August 20 at 8 p.m. on the following:

• WIVM-TV 39.1 and WIVN-TV 29.1
• Spectrum cable channel 989 in Stark Co.
• Spectrum cable channel 15 in Tuscarawas, Holmes and Carroll Counties
• Massillon Cable channel 128 in Stark and Wayne Counties

For a second consecutive year, an expanded reach will be possible again through broadcast on NFL Network. NFLN’s “Good Morning Football” broadcast team will feature what’s happening on the parade route, as well as conduct interviews with members of the Class of 2018 and returning Gold Jackets. Hosts of the program will be Kay Adams, Nate Burleson, Peter Schrager, Colleen Wolfe, and Kyle Brandt. The broadcast will air live on Saturday, August 4, from 7 to 11 a.m. on NFL Network.

For more information, call Erin Adcock at (330) 458-2053, or visit the Enshrinement Festival Web site at www.profootballhofef.com.

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Experience the difference.
Do you know a young professional who would benefit from heightened professional competency, personal leadership development, and meaningful community involvement?

Leadership Stark County is now taking applications for the Spotlight course for Young Professionals in their 20’s to mid-30’s.

Young professionals enrolled will discover their strengths and learn to use them for personal and professional development. The classes use live and in-person interactions to present the history, economic development, and future plans for our community. Class members have the opportunity to engage in a brief service project with an area nonprofit.

Optional add-ons: Individual Leadership Coaching with Jenifer Hill, our Board Certified Executive Coach or the Encounter Stark County one-day tour amplify outcomes for participants. You can sign up for these along with your Spotlight Stark County course.

The Spotlight course includes six sessions beginning on Tuesday, September 25 and continuing through December 4. Class meets at the Canton Regional Chamber of Commerce from 4:00-6:00 p.m.

Open to individuals or employers may sponsor a group of participants. Tuition is $550 and tuition assistance is available to nonprofits and entrepreneurs.

For more information and registration, go to www.LeadershipStarkCounty.org or call 330 458-2095.
AUGUST STARK COUNTY SAFETY COUNCIL LUNCHEON
USING DRONES TO IMPROVE WORKPLACE SAFETY

Presented by Joshua Grappy, USA Program Coordinator, Ohio BWC

Today more and more organizations are using drones to improve workplace safety in high-risk areas, and help them to enhance efficiency. At the August luncheon, Joshua Grappy will discuss FAA regulations, BWC’s usage of drones, how Ohio Employers can create their own drone programs and more.

Josh is a certified remote Pilot in Command (FAA Part 107 remote pilot with a small UAS certification). The UAS program uses drones to document catastrophic workplace accidents investigated by the Safety Violations Investigation Unit.

Thursday, August 9
11:30 am – 1 pm
Alex D. Krassas Event Center
251 25th St. NW, Canton
Cost: $17
RSVP by August 6 at www.StarkCountySC.com

All attendees will have a chance to win a door prize provided by Pure Water Technology.
2018 SAFETY, HEALTH & HUMAN RESOURCES FAIR

Don’t miss the opportunity to advertise your business to almost 400 attendees at the Safety, Health and Human Resource Fair! Save $50 when you reserve your table by September 3.

Products and services at the fair include:

Who should attend:

Display table cost:
Cost: $100 per table ($150 after 9-3)
Includes: 1 display table, linen tablecloth and 2 chairs (no skirting), lunch for two, listing on the SCSC website and in the October SCSC newsletter.

Doors open at 9:30 am for vendors, set-up by 10:30 am. Limited electricity available upon request.

Thursday, September 13
11:30 am – 1:00 pm
Alex D. Krassas Event Center
Buy tables online or register to attend at www.StarkCountySC.com

Contact our team of professionals for all your real estate needs!

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BWC payroll true-up reports are due by August 15

Prior to each policy year the Ohio Bureau of Workers’ Compensation (BWC) establishes your estimated premium based on the most recent payroll that was reported to BWC. Once the policy year is completed you must complete the true-up report. The true-up is a reconciliation of your BWC estimated payroll versus your actual policy year payroll used to determine the correct amount of chargeable premium. If your actual payroll exceeds BWC estimates you will owe BWC additional premium based on your higher payroll and if your actual payroll is lower than BWC estimates you will receive a premium credit.

The 2017 rate year ended June 30 and the 2017 policy year true-up (July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018) must be completed by August 15!

The true-up is mandatory and is required of all employers even if you have zero payroll.

The true-up report must be completed online and can be accessed through the BWC webpage through this link: Payroll true-up report

Failure to true-up is costly. BWC can lapse your coverage and/or disqualify your company from any alternative rating programs including group rating.

It is very important to understand that BWC considers the true-up completed when your payroll is reported and any outstanding premium balances are paid.
**August Calendar**

**Fashion Show Luncheon**
www.profootballhofef.com

At the Hall of Fame Fashion Show Luncheon guests will enjoy delicious wine, lunch, and a decadent dessert, followed by a show featuring fashions from casual to dressy and everything in between.

**Friday, August 3**
11:30 am
Memorial Civic Center and Cultural Center

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**Enshrinees’ Gold Jacket Dinner**
www.profootballhofef.com

The 2018 Enshrinees’ Gold Jacket Dinner will witness the Members of the Class of 2018 receive their gold jackets to warm congratulations from the crowd, including many past Gold Jackets who are in town to celebrate.

**Friday, August 3**
5:00 pm
Memorial Civic Center and Cultural Center

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**First Friday**
www.cantonfirstfriday.com

First Friday is a monthly party in the downtown Canton Arts District featuring themed music, performance and visual arts events. Rain or shine, year round. August’s theme: Chalk the Walk

**First Friday, August 3**
6:00-10:00 pm
Downtown Canton Arts District
FREE

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**The Canton Repository Grand Parade**
www.profootballhofef.com

More than 200,000 spectators will join together on Cleveland Avenue to welcome Members of the Class of 2018 Enshrinees and many returning Gold Jackets. Specialty units, giant helium balloons, fabulous floats, and marching bands will dazzle the crowd!

**Saturday, August 4**
8:00-10:30 am
Begins at Cleveland Ave. ~ 5th Street
FREE

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**Enshrinees’ Roundtable**
www.profootballhofef.com

Join us for an unscripted, up-close-and-personal format where Members of the Class of 2018 share stories and memories of their careers.

**Sunday, August 5**
12:30 pm
Memorial Civic Center and Cultural Center

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**Drum Corps International Competition**
www.profootballhofef.com

This 2018 Tour of Champions event at Paul Brown Tiger Stadium lets spectators immerse themselves in the drum corps experience with exclusive fan-member interaction, pre-show and intermission entertainment, and more!

**Monday, August 6**
7:30 pm
Paul Brown Tiger Stadium
Tickets $23-$48

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**Stark County Safety Council August Luncheon**
www.cantonchamber.org

At the August luncheon, learn how drones are being used for workplace safety.

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See article on page four.

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**Canton Regional Chamber Golf Par-Tee**
www.cantonchamber.org

See article on the cover.
**NEW MEMBERS**

**WELCOME** to our newest members, who joined Canton Regional Chamber of Commerce in June. We encourage you to patronize their businesses. If you know of other businesses that would benefit from Chamber membership, please contact the Membership Department at (330) 458-2051.

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Downtown Canton is home to a new craft brewery! **Muskellunge Brewing Company** is located at 425 5th St. NW in Canton’s Downtown Arts District. Inspired by nature and crafted by science, each of the Muskellunge’s finely crafted beers are named after freshwater fish. Their featured brews are crafted on site and include: Black Bullhead Porter; Yellow Perch Creme Ale; Rock Bass Honey Nut Brown; Grass Pickerel IPA; Walleye Kolsch; and Braun Forelle Roggenbier. Check hours and learn more at www.muskellungebrewingcompany.com

**The Pro Football Hall of Fame and Gervasi Vineyard** have partnered for the third consecutive year to produce a co-branded wine featuring the Hall’s iconic logo. The specially labeled wine, a Limited-Edition label, made its debut on Tuesday, July 31, at Gervasi Vineyard. The 2018 Limited Edition Zinfandel is a dry red wine that presents attributes of blackberry, raspberry and black cherry interlaced with nuances of oak. Each wine at Gervasi Vineyard is given a special name. In the Hall of Fame series of wines, the Hall of Fame selected the name “Commitment” for this third edition. This ties into the Hall of Fame’s mission and the core values learned from the Game – commitment, integrity, courage, respect and excellence. Commitment is dedicating yourself to a cause, despite the challenges.

**United Way of Greater Stark County’s Young Leaders Society (YLS)** chose the first two recipients for their new book scholarship on Friday, July 20. Each student is eligible to receive a total of $4,000 ($1,000 per year) to offset the cost of books for college. This new book scholarship initiative is part of the revised education strategic focus that YLS adopted earlier this year. This year’s application process was limited to schools that YLS has partnered with in the past year through mentoring efforts or Hoodies for the Holidays: Canton Harbor High School, CHOICES, Early College CAMP/CAST students and Get Connected students. The two scholarship recipients for this year are Jermaine Brack and Meleah Nelson.

**Consumers National Bank** announced that it has promoted Kennie Baker to Assistant Vice President, Commercial Deposit Specialist. Baker will report to Derek Williams, Senior Vice President of Retail Banking and Operations, and will call on businesses in the eastern Stark, Columbiana and Jefferson county markets. Baker will assist new and existing commercial clients with enhancing their productivity and financial operations by taking advantage of the full suite of cash management services that Consumers National Bank provides, including business deposit accounts. “Kennie has more than 13 years of banking experience and has spent much of her career working with clients the bank’s markets, including two years as Sales & Service Manager at the bank’s Salem branch,” said Williams. “She understands the local environment that our business clients operate in and will be a valuable asset to both our clients and Consumers National Bank,” said Williams.

**415 Group**, an accounting, business consulting and IT services firm, ranks as one of the top 501 IT managed service providers (MSP) worldwide. In the 2018 list released by Channel Futures, the firm is recognized for its strategic IT service and innovative approach. Working with businesses throughout Northeast Ohio, 415 Group’s IT division offers remote Help Desk service, on-site support, virtualization services, security software, disaster recovery and cloud computing. “We strive to provide our clients with exceptional customer service and the latest advances in IT infrastructure, so it’s an honor to have our work recognized,” said 415 Group Partner and Director of IT David Besse. “Our IT division has grown rapidly within the last two years, and we’re excited for the ongoing opportunities that presents for our team.”

**Black McCuskey Souers & Arbaugh, LPA** is pleased to announce that Attorney James D. Schweikert has been named a shareholder and director of the firm. Schweikert is the coordinator of the firm’s intellectual property practice group focusing on patents, trademarks, copyrights, trade secrets and related litigation. He is well versed in mechanical, electro-mechanical, and electrical arts. Schweikert has experience acting as in-house IP counsel to several mid-market clients, reviewing and managing intellectual property portfolios, evaluating technology developments and implementing protection strategies, as well as development and review of non-disclosure, non-competition, and joint development agreements. In addition, Schweikert is experienced in intellectual property litigation support including the analysis of legal claims and the drafting of legal briefs and related motions. Bruce Soares, Managing Partner of the firm, commented, “James does a great job in leading our expanding intellectual property practice group and serving the firm’s clients. We are very pleased to name him as one of the directors of Black McCuskey.”

There are now six generations of employees in today’s workplace. Are you ready for Gen Z? Nationally recognized communication skills consultant, trainer and coach, former Salem area resident Deborah Easton will present “Generations Working Together” from 1 to 4 p.m. Aug. 17 at Kent State University at Salem, 2491 State Route 45 S. According to Easton, understanding the origins of each generation’s definition of work ethic, good customer service, working methods, expectations of management and teamwork, is crucial to a company’s success. **Kent State University at Stark’s Corporate University** presents professional development training sessions at locations through Northeast Ohio. The Corporate University is pleased to offer the “Generations Working Together” program at the Salem Campus.

**Mercy Medical Center** has received the American College of Cardiology’s NCDR ACTION Registry Platinum Performance Achievement Award for 2018. Mercy is one of only 203 hospitals nationwide to receive the honor. The award recognizes Mercy Heart Center’s commitment and success in implementing a higher standard of care, which includes taking the patient directly into the cardiac cath lab in the Emergency Room for all ST elevation myocardial infarction (STEMI) heart attack patients. This signifies that Mercy has reached an aggressive goal of treating these patients at higher standard levels of care, and reducing damage done during a heart attack, as outlined by the American College of Cardiology/American Heart Association clinical guidelines and recommendations.
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CANTON FOOD TOURS
Canton, Ohio

When Barb Abbott talks people listen ... and eat. As the founder, visionary and creative light behind Canton Food Tours, Barb has turned the dinner hour into story time for thousands of Canton visitors and residents, alike.

It started with a girls adventure in Arizona. Barb Abbott was a young mother on holiday with some of her closest cousins. One night in Scottsdale, they went on a Food Tour, following a guide who filled the night with stories as they moved from restaurant to restaurant through Old Town. Fascinated, Barb talked to the guide while the others were eating. Two years later, she brought the food tour concept to her adopted hometown of Canton, Ohio. What happened during those two years is the real story of how one woman’s curious nature turned into an entrepreneurial success.

Having spotted a good idea she set about developing her own vision for Canton-area food tours. Her vision was a natural extension of her college biology studies and former career as a State Park naturalist. Back then she walked people through the forest trails and wildflower meadows of Quail Hollow State Park telling stories about nature.

Canton Food Tours brought her storytelling talents from dirt paths to brick streets. It also allowed her to pursue her new love affair with Canton where she already volunteered with the Canton Symphony and National First Ladies Historic Site. Her new business made her one of downtown Canton’s leading lights.

To prepare, she learned everything she could about Canton history, often having experts in various fields walk her through downtown to better explain what she saw. She wanted the educational experience to be fun, interactive, and meaningful for both local and out-of-town attendees.

To shore up her business knowledge, she took a business course offered by SCORE. Then she began introducing herself to leading local restaurateurs and chefs, business owners, and museum CEOs to share her vision. Most were initially skeptical, but became supportive. On Sundays (when no one was downtown and she had the city to herself) she began developing different routes, pulling together the stories she would tell and the restaurants she would visit.

She noted which streets were easier to cross, where the sun would shine in visitors eyes when she stopped, which awnings to duck under during rain.

She also worried people wouldn’t pay to hear her stories. Then she remembered the words of Henry Timken she’d read in one of a six volume set on Stark County history given to her by friend Tim Belden. “If you have a good idea, see it through to the finish.” It was time to get going.

She quickly found a small storefront on Market Ave. and turned it into her office. She developed a web site and pamphlet to scatter around town. After two years of study and planning, Canton Food Tours led its first tour.

Six years later, Barb and other Canton Food Tour Guides have brought Canton and its history to life for group sizes from 2 to 75 people (average group size is 10). Her walking tours begin at the McKinley Grand Hotel and stop at four to five restaurants where chefs prepare small plates especially for her group, and tell the story behind their establishment. It’s a different way to eat. A different way to see Canton. A different way to learn about a city more remarkable than many people think.

Today, Barb Abbott has already expanded to Wooster and has other ideas on the horizon. While she started out to see an idea to a finish, she is now starting to realize an entrepreneurial business often has no finish line in sight.

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