Headliners Announced for 2016
CANTON BLUES FEST

Northeast Ohio's premier blues festival, Canton Blues Fest, has announced a 2016 lineup that will be rocking downtown Canton this June!

This annual outdoor blues festival, now in its 15th year, will take place on Market Square (301 Market Ave. N) on Friday, June 10, and Saturday, June 11, and will feature headliners Brandon Santini on Friday at 8:30 pm, and Samantha Fish (pictured right) on Saturday at 8:30 pm.

Opening acts Victor Wainwright and Mike Zito will take the stage at 6:30 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, respectively. The jam-packed lineup features 18 unique blues acts on two stages, with live music running daily from noon to 10:30 p.m. Visit CantonBluesFest.com for a full list of festival performers.

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Utica Upstream Happening April 6 at the Pro Football HOF

Utica Upstream, our first oil and gas business development seminar of the year, is upon us.

If you are registered for the April 6 event at the Pro Football Hall of Fame, don't forget that doors open at 7:30 a.m. and the event gets under way at 8.

If you haven't registered, we cannot be sure that there still will be seats available when you receive this copy of Action. Please check anyway by clicking on the events tab on any page of our redesigned website, www.cantonchamber.org.

For more details about the program, you can go to our oil and gas events website, www.uticacapital.com.

We are proud of the team of nine speakers assembled for Upstream, all experts on an aspect of Utica Shale exploration, and proud as well to be bringing oil and gas business education to Canton once again. This is our 11th major seminar since April 2012.

Our purpose at the Canton Regional Chamber is to help the region's businesses to find their economic opportunity in serving and supplying the oil and gas industry.

Sponsors to date include: AEP Ohio, Beaver Excavating, Furbay and Mercy Medical.
VIP Passes, which are on sale now, include complimentary food and beverages in the evening (after 5 p.m.) and incredible views of the stage all day. Two-day VIP passes are available for $80; one-day passes are $50. Purchase online at CantonChamber.org/canton-blues-festival or by calling 330.458.2070.

For more information on the Canton Blues Fest, contact Erin Thompson, event manager, Canton Regional Chamber of Commerce, at erint@cantonchamber.org or 330.458.2072. For sponsorship opportunities contact Chris Gumpp at 330.458.2055.

HEADLINER BIOGRAPHIES:
Friday Headliner – Brandon Santini
Memphis vocalist and harmonica player Brandon Santini is undeniably a worthy player to watch, as the latest surge of young blues artists leave their footprint in blues history. Raised in the Piedmont region of North Carolina, Brandon purchased his first harmonica in 1997 at the age of fifteen when his mother took him to the local music store upon his request. He founded the Blues Music Award-nominated band Delta Highway in 2003 and relocated to Memphis where he absorbed the sounds and culture of the Delta and North Mississippi Hill Country. There, he honed his craft night after night, sweating it out in local Beale Street clubs just like Robert Johnson, Muddy Waters, and B.B. King did decades before him.

Friday Opener – Victor Wainwright
Victor Wainwright is a third generation blues musician from Savannah, Georgia. Though his career began over a decade ago with genuine rock n’ roll honky-tonk, Victor has broadened his artistic scope over the years to include music representing virtually every corner of blues history.
April Oil and Gas News

To the disappointment of some who oppose oil and gas exploration in the Utica Shale counties of Ohio, an extensive study by the University of Cincinnati found “no evidence for natural gas contamination from shale oil and gas mining in any of the sampled groundwater wells of our study.” The study was conducted in five Utica counties of Ohio over 28 months and involved testing of groundwater wells before, during and after hydraulic fracturing for oil and gas.

This study might not have ever received much publicity except for the efforts of Jackie Stewart, Ohio director for Energy In Depth, an organization that publishes the facts and knocks down the myths involving the oil and gas business.

Jackie has been helpful to us in preparing Utica Upstream, our conference on April 6 at the Pro Football Hall of Fame. She will speak about Energy In Depth and the University of Cincinnati research, which she happened to hear about at a public meeting in Carrollton. She told an interesting story about the study on March 17 at the Ohio Oil and Gas Association Winter Meeting in Columbus, and we are happy to have her share it with our guests on April 6.

Also at Utica Upstream, Dr. Iryna Lendel of Cleveland State University will speak about a topic we generally reserve for Utica Summit in the autumn: the downstream effects on manufacturing and the petrochemical industry that can come from the abundance of energy being discovered in the Utica. Dr. Lendel and her colleague, Cleveland State Executive in Residence Andrew Thomas, led a research team that predicted the viability of ethane crackers in the Appalachian Basin. They also projected supply chain and workforce needs for the industry. This is the first opportunity we have to bring the latest Cleveland State research to our oil and gas business development audience, and we are eager to hear about her university’s work.

The rest of the conference on April 6 will feature updates on the present and future of the Utica from a variety of speakers, all profiled on our event website: www.uticacapital.com.

We will catch our breaths for a day or two following April 6 and then begin to bring you news of our June 8 event, Utica Midstream. The price-based slowdown in Utica drilling is giving the midstream infrastructure companies a chance to catch up on the demand for pipelines and processing plants for Utica energy. To date, representatives from at least three major pipeline projects will make presentations at this conference: the E.T. Rover, the Spectra NEXUS and the Marathon Cornerstone. Details to come.

That you for your continued interest and support. We are invested in oil and gas for the sake of our member businesses that can benefit from the economic activity.

For sponsorship opportunities at upcoming Utica events, contact: David Kaminski davidk@cantonchamber.org (330) 458-2059

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the blues. Composer, producer, vocalist, entertainer and award winning piano player, Victor Wainwright is a raucous high-octane, dynamic performer and crowd pleaser with soul to spare.

Saturday Headliner – Samantha Fish
Only in her mid-20s, Samantha Fish has already released two CDs, played all over the world and shared the stage with artists from Johnny Lang to Buddy Guy. Label mate and sometimes touring buddy, Mike Zito, has long championed Samantha and produced her critically acclaimed albums, Runaway and Black Wind Howlin’. Samantha’s third studio album, Wild Heart, was released in July 2015 and hit #1 on the Billboard Blues Chart.

Saturday Opener – Mike Zito
Mike Zito has been a rising star in the blues/roots world for the past several years as a performer, songwriter and producer. In 2010, the title-track for his Pearl River album, which he co-wrote with Cyril Neville, won the Blues Music Award as “Song of Year” and he also produced last year’s BMA winner for “Best New Artist Debut Album” by label mate Samantha Fish. His last solo CD, Greyhound, was nominated for “Rock Blues Album” and he’s currently nominated as a member of Royal Southern Brotherhood in the same category for that band’s eponymous debut CD at the upcoming Blues Music Awards in May.
Business Excellence Award Winners Announced

The Canton Regional Chamber of Commerce is pleased to announce the 2016 winners of the Business Excellence Awards of Greater Canton.

This year’s Business Excellence Award winners are:

The Beaver Excavating Company
Employers Health
Hilscher-Clarke Electric Company
Ohio Gratings, Inc.
Olde Wood Limited
Peoples Services, Inc.
Surgere, Inc.

The Business Excellence Awards salute companies that have distinguished themselves in areas such as entrepreneurship, longevity, growth, innovation, capital improvements, and consistent involvement in the community.

Winners of the Business Excellence Awards will be honored on Tuesday, May 3, at a ceremony and dinner at The Conference Center, Kent State University at Stark (6000 Frank Ave. NW, North Canton, OH 44720). Tickets are $60, and tables of 10 are available.

The fifth annual Business Excellence Scholarship Award, presented by Day Ketterer and the Canton Regional Chamber of Commerce, will also be presented at the event. The scholarship will be awarded to a local student who writes the winning essay entitled: “The historical role of private business in promoting democracy throughout the world.”

Tickets are on sale now! RSVP online at BusinessExcellenceAward.com or contact Monique Thompson at (330) 458-2070 to register by April 26.

Congratualtions Matthew Hunt and Marcus Wainwright for being named to the 2016 list of Ohio Rising Stars by Super Lawyers®.

Matthew Hunt, a director of the firm, has been named to the prestigious list of 2016 Ohio Rising Stars by Super Lawyers®. Matthew was also named one of the Twenty under 40! award winners (2014) which recognizes Stark County’s younger leaders who have demonstrated dynamic leadership and social responsibility.

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Marcus Wainwright, an associate with the firm, has been named to the prestigious list of Ohio Rising Stars by Super Lawyers® for 2016. Marcus formerly served as an Assistant Prosecuting Attorney for the Cuyahoga County Prosecutor’s Office. He currently is a mentor with Big Brothers Big Sisters of Summit, Medina and Stark Counties. He also serves on the Board of Directors of Greater East Ohio Area Alzheimer’s Association which serves Akron, Canton, Youngstown and surrounding counties.

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About Spring Network:

NETWORK is presented twice a year by the Canton Regional Chamber of Commerce. It’s the event that always pairs speed networking with a speaker providing a unique opportunity for lead building and learning. At the 2016 Spring Network, you will learn about the importance of the “90 second commercial” using agile training techniques. *

About the Speaker:

Tonya K. McCaulley is a 1996 graduate of Sandy Valley High School, Triple Major from Liberty University, 2015-16 recipient of Woman of the Year from the National Association of Professional Women. Tonya is now the Director of Training and Agile Coach at Rome Agile in the Silicon Valley area living in the Canton area. She has over 17 years of technical and business training. She has taught over 1,000 classes including classes in Europe and India. She has not just taught complex classes but she has created a significant number of exciting Training Programs and Training Curricula.

She specializes in Agile and Scrum, Scaled Agile, critical thinking and risk assessment education. She has the ability to teach at all levels from Novice to the Expert Level. In addition to being an accomplished Trainer, she has mentored a number of Agile Coaches, Scrum Masters, Product Owners and Business Owners on many subjects including how to sell themselves and their business in their own 90 second commercial. She complements her training with her quality management, project leadership and Portfolio Management experience. *

FREE contact follow-up list for all attendees!

Cost: $35

Friday, April 29
Skyland Pines Golf Club & Banquet Facility
3550 Columbus Rd. NE
Canton, OH 44705

8 a.m. registration
8:30 a.m. - noon, networking
Cost: $35 for members and $60 for non-members
Full buffet breakfast included.
No Shows will be billed.

Tabletop Exhibit tables available for $35, contact Molly Romig at mollyr@cantonchamber.org or (330) 458-2077.

Register by April 25 at www.cantonchamber.org or contact Monique Thompson at moniquet@cantonchamber.org or (330) 458-2070.
April AultCare Fast Break Breakfast: Branding, Branding, Branding!
With Glenda Lehman Ervin of Lehman’s Hardware

Join us on April 8 at our AultCare Fast Break Breakfast when it’s All About Branding, with guest speaker Glenda Lehman Ervin of Lehman’s Hardware in Kidron, Ohio.

In a crowded marketplace, how can you get your company to stand out? Consumers are bombarded with hundreds of marketing initiatives each day. Glenda will share strategies on how to get your brand the attention it deserves in a fast-paced, interactive session including games and prizes.

As vice president of marketing for Lehman’s Hardware, Glenda is responsible for advertising, marketing and media relations of their 35,000 square foot retail store and booming e-commerce business, as well as their enormous social media presence, including over 50,000 fans on Facebook.

About Our Speaker:
After working as a journalist for several years, Glenda Lehman Ervin joined a Fortune 200 company, returning to Lehman’s in 1996. She graduated from Taylor University with a double major in journalism and English, and received a master’s from Indiana University.

Glenda serves on a number of volunteer boards and has taught Junior Achievement classes in the local school system for several years.

She has been named a YMCA Woman of Achievement, as well as a Rainmaker, and in 2008 she received the Distinguished Sales and Marketing Award from the Sales & Marketing Executives International. She has done speaking engagements on Lehman’s and multi-channel marketing all over the country.

Friday, Apr. 8
7 am registration
7:30 am program
Courtyard by Marriott
4375 Metro Circle in North Canton
Cost: $18 members
$25 non-members
RSVP by Apr. 6

VINTAGE CANTON Set for May 26

The Canton Regional Chamber of Commerce will host its annual Vintage Canton event on Thursday, May 26, from 4:30 to 9:30 p.m. along Central Plaza North in downtown Canton. Tickets are available for purchase at VintageCanton.org.

This year’s event will feature some of the finest quality wines from area wineries and abroad; hand-picked wine selections from distributors and retailers will also be available. The popular Beer Garden will return with a diverse offering of craft beers.

In addition to wine and craft beer, guests can enjoy small tasting plates for a nominal charge from downtown restaurants and Stark County favorites.

Tickets for Vintage Canton are $30 if purchased prior to 5:00 p.m. on May 25, and $40 after that time and at the event. Special group-rate pricing is available for groups of 20 or more at $25 per ticket. The ticket price includes eight wine or craft beer tastings, collectible wine glass, and a variety of breads and cheeses. Non-tasting tickets (no wine or beer) are available for $10.

To purchase tickets, please visit VintageCanton.org or call 330.458.2070.

Tickets are also available at all Fishers Foods locations and both Carpe Diem Coffee Shop locations. The event will be held rain or shine.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

April STIR AFTER HOURS: The Twisted Olive

Join the Canton Regional Chamber and our ystark! department in April for STIR Business After Hours at The Twisted Olive Italian American Kitchen, located in Green. Overlooking the beautiful park landscapes and water features, enjoy an Italian twist close to home.

The Twisted Olive is a property of GV Destinations, and offers the same amazing cuisine as Gervasi Vineyard, featuring Italian American fare and a full bar. This fun, modern, casual dining experience is perfect for family and business luncheons and dinners.

Join us Wednesday, April 20, for a fun evening in The Pub, The Twisted Room, and the outdoor patio, weather permitting.

This event is FREE but reservations are required.

Wednesday, Apr. 20
5:30-7:30 pm
The Twisted Olive Italian Kitchen
5430 Massillon Road
North Canton, OH 44720
RSVP at cantonchamber.org
FREE, but reservations are required

Don’t Miss the Canton Regional Chamber Golf Classic on May 20

Registration opens Monday, April 4

Join the Canton Regional Chamber, along with our Leadership Stark County (LSC) and ystark! departments, for the Canton Regional Chamber of Commerce Golf Classic at Tam O’Shanter Golf Course on Friday, May 20.

The Chamber Golf Classic will be a scramble format, with a shotgun start at 8:00 am. The cost is $125 per golfer which includes:

- 18 holes of play on your choice of two courses: “Hills” or “Dales” (space permitting)
- Contests and prizes
- Hot dogs and beverages at the turn
- A full lunch at the conclusion of play
- A “come back and play” certificate for a round of 18 holes including cart

The Chamber Golf Classic will give golfers a fantastic opportunity to network with Chamber members, business and community leaders and young professionals, all while enjoying the area's only 36-hole course. This is the second consecutive year that the Chamber along with our LSC and ystark! departments have joined forces to produce the event.

Online registration opens Monday, April 4 at www.cantonchamber.org, and early registrants have the opportunity to select between “Hills” or “Dales’ courses.

Sponsorship opportunities are available by contacting Chris Gumpp at 330.458.2055.

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Enshrinement Festival

Queen Committee Chair Named, Pageant Tickets Available

Brenda Stevens has been named chair of the 2016 Pro Football Hall of Fame Enshrinement Festival Queen Committee. This is her second year in that capacity and assisting her with leadership responsibilities will be Debbie Dawson, committee vice-chair.

A Youngstown native, Stevens is a graduate of Campbell Memorial High School, Kent State University, and University of Akron. She is employed as director of multicultural and international services at Malone University. She serves the Stark County area in a wide variety of capacities, including as a board member for VOICS, JOGS, Leadership Stark County, American Heart Association, and Pathway Caring for Children. She is co-chair for the Martin Luther King, Jr. Mayor’s Breakfast and is director of Christian education at Greater Bethel Apostolic Church. In 2014, she received the Outstanding Women of America Beautiful People Award. She and husband Leonard are the proud parents of two and have two granddaughters.

The Queen Pageant will take place Thursday, May 5, beginning at 7 p.m. at The Canton Palace Theatre where 49 outstanding young ladies will vie for the crown. All seats are reserved at $20 each (subject to additional processing fee and handling charge). For tickets, please visit www.profootballhofef.com or call 330.458.2048.

At the conclusion of the Pageant, a Queen and five court members will have been selected on the basis of personality, poise, beauty, communication skills, academic achievement and service to community. The Queen and her court will serve as role models and goodwill ambassadors throughout the community, and one of their most memorable experiences will be their ride in the Grand Parade.

The Queen Committee is responsible for working with Enshrinement Festival staff in coordinating all activities relating to the Enshrinement Festival Queen and court and serving as chaperones during their community service activities and official event appearances.

For more information regarding the Queen Pageant or sponsorship opportunities, contact Kathy Lindenberger at (330) 458-2056 or visit the Enshrinement Festival Web site at www.profootballhofef.com.
Chamber and Hall Announce Key Enshrinement Festival Committee Chairs

Hostesses • Security & Logistics • Souvenirs • Special Events • Special Services • Staging

The Pro Football Hall of Fame Enshrinement Festival department of the Canton Regional Chamber of Commerce and the Pro Football Hall of Fame have named the following key committee chairs: Nancy Chapman, Hostesses; Doug Froelich, Security & Logistics; Rich Wilder, Souvenirs; Maureen Schmucker, Special Events; Jerry Gilin, Special Services; and Mark Miller, Staging.

Nancy Chapman retired from Medical Mutual of Ohio Insurance Company in 2013 after 25 years of service and is currently employed in the audiology department at Ohio Head and Neck Surgeons. She has served as an Enshrinement hostess since 1998, and this is her eighth year in the chairmanship role. She is a member of American Health Insurance Plans and Toastmasters of America. Nancy and husband Thomas are parents of two daughters and one son, and proud grandparents of six.

Chapman will be assisted by vice-chairman Daisy Suggs in selecting volunteer hostesses to offer support to each member of the Class of 2016 Enshrinees and their families, Gold Jacket/Hall of Famers and their wives, team owners and other VIPs, as well as assisting with seating for the Concert for Legends and Enshrinement Ceremony.

Doug Froelich graduated from North Canton Hoover High School, Kent State University, and Ashland University. He is a teacher, Language Arts Department chairman, National Honor Society adviser and senior class adviser at Green High School, and also serves on the Green Local School District Leadership Team. This school year, he was named Green Local School District Teacher of the Year and he is a Stark County All-County Teaching Team member.

A long-time Enshrinement Festival volunteer, he has served on the Hall of Fame Hospitality and Enshrinement Committees and the 50th Anniversary Committee, and has chaired the Balloon Classic Committee. This is his second stint as chairman of Security and Logistics, and he is being assisted by vice chairman Adam Harding.

The Security & Logistics committee issues security passes for all personnel servicing the events, oversees deliveries, and monitors movement of people from the perimeter rooms into the main auditorium for the three Civic Center events. The committee also provides security support for the Queen Pageant, Drum Corps Competition, Community Parade, Grand Parade, and Canton Kickoff Celebration committees.

Rich Wilder is employed by Fred Olivieri Construction Company as an estimator/purchasing. A graduate of GlenOak High School and Bowling Green State University, this is his 13th year as an Enshrinement Festival volunteer, previously serving as Enshrinees’ Gold Jacket Dinner chairman in 2012 and 2013. His community activities include being a volunteer for Stark DD Special Olympics and puppeteer for Spring Hill Historic Home Festival, and he is a church elder and deacon. He and his wife have one daughter.

In his second year as chairman of the Souvenirs Committee, he will be assisted by vice chairman Michelle Moyer and a team of highly-energized volunteers who are responsible for selling official souvenir and commemorative items at the majority of Enshrinement Festival events. Many of this year’s souvenir items, including the collector’s pin, will depict the Enshrinement Festival logo, and all items provide lasting memories of the festivities.

Schmucker is a math teacher at Oakwood Middle School in the Plain Local School system. A graduate of Canton Central Catholic High School, she obtained her bachelor’s and master’s degrees from Kent State University. A member of the Hospitality Committee since 2008, she also served as vice chairman of the Special Events Committee in 2013, and this is her second year as chairman of that committee.

Maureen Schmucker is a graduate of Lakeview High School and master’s degrees from Kent State University. A member of the Hospitality Committee since 2008, she also served as vice chairman of the Special Events Committee in 2013, and this is her second year as chairman of that committee.

She is a volunteer for the Stark County Exceptional Olympics and is a lector at St. Louis Church. She and husband Larry are the proud parents of one son and one daughter.

As Special Events chairman, she and vice chairman Sharon Griffith will coordinate the Hall of Fame Board of Trustees Reception, which is staged as the first official function for the Enshrinees and their presenters, returning Hall of Famers and other out of town guests. Additionally, the Special Events Committee provides services such as emergency medical and dental assistance for guests of the Hall of Fame during their stay in Canton, and the committee is always on call to assist the Enshrinees and their families as needed.

Gilin is a graduate of Lakeview High School and RETS and currently serves in training, education and employee development for SD Myers Company. He is a financial literacy volunteer and serves on the Board of Directors for Stark State College Foundation and American Heart Association. He and wife Jackie are the proud parents of three and grandparents of two. (continued on next page)
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• Attend a seminar on board governance, have a chance to be matched with a non-profit for board service
• Take part in a poverty simulation, share a meal at a local nutrition center, tour a homeless shelter
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Each year, a limited number of participants are selected through an application & interview process. Our goal is a diverse class: professionally, geographically, and culturally. The next Signature Program runs September 2016 through June 2017. The program begins with a 2 ½ day retreat and meets for 10 full day sessions once per month.

Tuition is $2,750 all-inclusive and tuition assistance is available for non-profit or small business participants.

Apply online by April 22 at LeadershipStarkCounty.org.

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The Special Services Committee assists many of the event committees with varied duties, including media and sponsor hospitality, registration, transportation, and hosting.

Miller is operations manager at The Home Depot, so he brings a great amount of expertise to his first year as chairman of the Staging Committee, after serving as a volunteer on the committee for the past seven years. He graduated from GlenOak High School and he and his wife Jennifer are the proud parents of three children.

The Staging Committee directs the planning, preparation and production of the Queen Pageant, Enshrinees Gold Jacket Dinner, Fashion Show Luncheon, and Enshrinees GameDay Roundtable. George Krusel is assisting Miller as vice-chairman.
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About the Speakers:

Randy Martin has 38 years of heavy construction experience, including 20 years as a safety director. Randy is a member of the Stark County Safety Council Steering Committee, Vice Chair of Beaver Excavating Safety Committee, Chair of Ohio Contractors Association Safety Committee, and Member of Associated General Contractors of America Safety Committee.

Emmy Elkins has 13 years safety experience in construction & general industry. She is an OSHA Authorized Construction Trainer and Substance Abuse Program Coordinator.
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Redfish Promotions is hosting its first Networking Expo at the Stow Courtyard Marriott. It is $50.00 for a table to display products and services to various members of several local chambers and organizations. These include the Stow-Munroe Falls Chamber, Cuyahoga Falls Chamber, Tallmadge Chamber, HBA, SANEO, Canton Regional Chamber, and Fairlawn Chamber. Refreshments and Appetizers will be provided. Please come join us on May 24th from 6-8 pm for the perfect opportunity to grow your business and show other local businesses the unique services you provide.

Walsh University has appointed Stacie Herman as university registrar. Herman has been serving as Walsh University’s interim registrar since November 2015. In her role as registrar, Herman will oversee the management of the Office of the Registrar while collaborating with a variety of academic areas including the Office of the Provost, Academic Services, Enrollment Management, Academic Advising and Athletic Compliance. The registrar is responsible for coordinating registration, course schedules, degree audits, NCAA Division II student reviews, veterans’ certifications, catalog and curriculum guides, transfer equivalencies and the issuance of grades and transcripts.

Mental Health and Recovery Services Board of Stark County is now officially Stark County Mental Health & Addiction Recovery or StarkMHAR. On January 28, the board of directors unanimously voted to update the Board’s name and logo. The decision to change the name and logo was made in order to better identify the work of the local behavioral health board, to demonstrate a modern and accessible public system of care and to inspire the hope of recovery for county residents through treatment. Get ready to rock at this year’s Angel Auction, Stark County’s premier charitable auction and event presented by the Aultman Women’s Board. The ladies leading the 47th annual gala will be rocking it out to this year’s theme, “Angels Rock.” This year’s event will be held Friday, May 6 at the Canton Civic Center and again will raise funds to benefit the Aultman Cancer Center. Brenda Basso, of Louisville and Leda Kendig, of Jackson Township are leading the efforts for the event this year as auction chairwomen.

The Kiwanis Club of Belden Village has launched registration for the Miles for Kids 5K event May 14 at 9:00 am at Stark State College with a free Kids Fun Run at 8:30 a.m. Online registration is $20 through Feb. 28, $25 through May 7, and $30 through race day, and may be completed at www.runsighup.com. This is an Ohio Challenge Series Event. T-shirts will be provided to runners and walkers pre-registering by May 7. Proceeds from the event, formerly known at Miles for Moms, go to Pathway Caring for Children of Canton in addition to the infant car seat program. Sponsorship opportunities are also available.

Innis Maggiore earned 11 trophies, more than any other entrant, in the 2016 ADDY competition. Presented by the Canton Advertising Federation, these awards recognize creative excellence among advertising and marketing professionals in Greater Stark County. Their award-winning work was on behalf of the following clients: the American Cable Association, Campbell Oil Company/BellStores, GOJO Industries, Mid’s True Sicilian Pasta Sauce, Old Carolina Barbecue Company, Second Harvest Food Bank of the Mahoning Valley, Smoke the Burger Joint, Stark Community Foundation and Trumbull Metropolitan Housing Authority.

Black McCuskey Souers & Arbaugh Law Firm is pleased to announce that Rodney E. Haven has joined the firm as an associate in the intellectual property practice area. He is experienced in writing and prosecuting United States and foreign patent applications for electrical and mechanical inventions, as well as writing and prosecuting patent applications in computer hardware and software technology fields. Haven has experience with trademark prosecution, trade secret protection, copyright law and has conducted trademark and trade dress infringement analysis.

ArtsinStark has launched its 2016 Annual Arts Campaign, with a goal to raise $1.7 million for all the arts in Stark County during the 11 weeks from March 9 to May 25. The drive is being chaired by Jim Porter, CEO/Publisher of The Repository. The theme is how “Art Changes Lives.” Over 200,000 people a year are reached by the arts in Stark County. The majority of these are impacted by the seven largest arts organizations: the Canton Ballet, Canton Museum of Art, Canton Symphony, Massillon Museum, Palace Theatre, Players Guild and Voices of Canton. Over the last 10 years ArtsinStark has awarded those organizations more than $10 million in grants. Another $1.5 million in little grants has been awarded to numerous organizations and individuals throughout the county.

Whitemyer Advertising, Inc., which has represented clients throughout the world for 45 years from a historic log cabin in Zoa, has been acquired by four of its officers: Tom Simmelink, president; Lisa Geers, vice president of media services; Ty Simmelink, vice president of client services; and Dan Mehling, vice president of creative services. The agency name as well as its unique location and way of doing business will be unchanged, according to Tom Simmelink, who was named president in 2002.

Have business news you’d like to share via Biz Bitz? Send your news release to Collyn Floyd, director of marketing, at collynf@cantonchamber.org.
**Utica Upstream**
www.uticacapital.com
Get a clear forecast of what 2016 will bring for the Utica Shale energy business.

**April AultCare Fast Break Breakfast**
www.cantonchamber.org
All About Branding - With Glenda Lehman Ervin of Lehman’s Hardware

**April Luncheon: Stark County Safety Council**
starkcountysc.com
“Why Near Misses Matter”
Presented by Randy and Emme Elkins
Beaver Excavating Company

**Stark County Safety Council Awards Banquet**
www.starkcountysc.com
With Denny Saunier, President and CEO, Canton Regional Chamber of Commerce

**Stir After Hours at The Twisted Olive**
cantonchamber.org and ystark.org
Both Chamber and ystark! members can enjoy after-hours business networking at The Twisted Olive, GV Destination’s Italian-American restaurant in North Canton.

**Spring NETWORK**
cantonchamber.org
Harness your sales prowess and cultivate relationships with 100 NEW CONTACTS

**Business Excellence Awards**
cantonchamber.org
Seven outstanding businesses will be recognized during this special dinner and awards presentation.

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**Please make reservations for all of our Chamber events online at CantonChamber.org (unless otherwise directed above), or call (330) 458-2070. Thank you for registering in advance!**
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