CANTON BLUES FEST

Northeast Ohio’s premier free blues festival, Canton Blues Fest, will be rocking Market Square in downtown Canton for the 16th straight year on June 9 and 10! The Canton Blues Fest is part of the Downtown Canton Event Series presented by KeyBank. VIP tickets are on sale now, giving blues enthusiasts up-close access and fantastic food and drinks.

Headlining the event Friday is Rod Piazza & the Mighty Flyers at 8:30 p.m., with opening act Danielle Nicole at 6:30 p.m. Saturday’s headliner is Robben Ford at 8:30 p.m., with opening act Damon Fowler at 6:30 p.m.

Friday’s Lineup (Main Stage): Blues Open Jam – Zydeco Kings – Travis Haddix – Danielle Nicole – Rod Piazza and the Mighty Flyers

Saturday’s Lineup (Main Stage): Austin Walkin’ Cane – Alan Greene Band – Blues Chronicles – Damon Fowler – Robben Ford

Plus, returning for the fourth year is the “Back Porch” acoustic stage, featuring live music in between sets on the main stage.

Our VIP Passes are the best deal in town! Passes include up-close stage views plus free food and beverages after 5:00 pm. Purchase a one-day pass for $50, or both days for $80.

Go online to www.cantonbluesfest.com for a full list of festival performers or to purchase VIP tickets.

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OUR MISSION: To lead the region in business and community development through collaboration and innovation.
Quality and satisfaction are two values our employers recognize at AultCare.

In addition, we retain 92% of our 2,000-plus employer groups through lasting, personal relationships.

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Let us show you.
One of our speakers at our Utica Midstream conference on June 7 at Wash University represents a company that recently made a $50,000 workforce development grant to Stark State College. James Grech is president of NEXUS Gas Transmission, and NEXUS was at Stark State in late April to present the grant to Dr. Para Jones, president of Stark State.

“We are grateful for this donation and the ability to use it to directly support hands-on training activities related to OSHA safety classes, environmental compliance sampling of soils, water and air, and Department of Transportation-required Operator Qualification training,” said Dr. Jones in a statement released by the college. “These skills and certifications are critical components of the labor force needs related to gas, water and other infrastructure projects throughout the region.”

The college executed a memorandum of understanding with NEXUS to ensure that funds will directly benefit students specializing in training for the oil and gas industry. If dollars are used for a student scholarship, Stark State officials will select the recipient and determine how the funds will be distributed.

“We value the role that Stark State College plays in educating and training the labor force in the region,” said NEXUS spokesman Adam Parker. “Stark State has a positive reputation for attracting and retaining the most talented students and we are proud to support their efforts. Our investment today is rooted in our commitment to help build a highly skilled employee base in communities where we work and operate.”

Our Utica Midstream conference is about the billions of dollars in private investment being made in pipelines and gas processing plants to prepare and transport Utica energy resources to market.

NEXUS, which is building one of the major gas transmission lines in Ohio, is only one of six major midstream companies presenting an update on their work at Utica Midstream. The other companies are Caiman Blue Racer, Marathon Pipe Line, MarkWest, Enlink, and, for the first time at one of our conferences, Kinder Morgan. Attendees also will hear from the Ohio Gas Association, Canine Detection and Inspection Services, and our presenting sponsor, Rockwater Energy Solutions.

We also appreciate sponsorship support from AEP Ohio, Akron Electric, Beaver Excavating, Furbay Oil & Gas, Canine Detection and Inspection and International Union of Operating Engineers Local 18.

We were unable to secure a speaker from Rover Pipeline, which has been experiencing regulatory problems in its construction of its gas transmission line in Ohio. We hope Rover and the appropriate state and federal regulatory agencies resolve issues quickly. The completion of midstream infrastructure projects like Rover’s pipeline will bring Utica gas to new markets. That should create new incentives to find more gas.

For complete details on our Utica Midstream conference, produced in partnership with Shale Directories, go to www.uticacapital.com. Or you can call or write me using the information below.

David Kaminski
VP Public Policy and Energy
(330) 458-2059
davidk@cantonchamber.org
June AultCare Fast Break Breakfast with Mark Clendenin, Regional Business Development Manager for the Ohio BWC

Drug addiction affects everyone in Ohio, including workers and employers. Learn what the Ohio Bureau of Workers' Compensation is doing to help reduce the impact of opioid use on employers and employees alike. Attendees will learn more about the actions taken by the BWC in curbing inappropriate drug use, as well as programs that help employers be an active partner in addressing this issue.

**Friday, June 9**
7:30 – 9 am (Registration begins at 7 am)
Courtyard by Marriott
4375 Metro Circle, Canton
$18 Members/$25 Non-Members
Register by June 7 at CantonChamber.org

June AultCare QuickConnect Networking Luncheon with Don Taylor, President & CEO, Welty Building Co.

“Quarterbacking” the Construction at Johnson Controls Hall of Fame Village

Welty Building Co. serves as general contractor for the nearly $700 million Johnson Controls Hall of Fame Village project. At our AultCare June QuickConnect Luncheon, we are thrilled to welcome Welty President & CEO, Don Taylor, who will provide insight on being the “quarterback” of Village construction.

- Hear why Welty and the Pro Football Hall of Fame align to make a great TEAM
- Learn about Welty’s positive work culture and how that has impacted the construction project
- Better understand what it is like to be part of a unique, once-in-a-lifetime, legacy project
- Get a progress update on the stadium and future Village components including the Center for Excellence and Hall of Fame Experience

**Wednesday, June 21**
11:30 am – 1 pm
(Registration begins at 11 am)
Shady Hollow Country Club
4865 Wales Ave. NW, Massillon
$18/members, $25/non-members
Register by June 19 at www.CantonChamber.org
Be among the first to experience the renovated Historic Masonic Temple in downtown Canton and join us for a very special 10th Annual Twenty under 40 Awards Gala produced by ystark! and The Canton Repository.

Twenty under 40! awards recognize Stark County’s younger leaders who have demonstrated dynamic leadership and social responsibility. These are the people who are committed to making a difference in our community. This year, we will award the 200th Twenty under 40! Award to a deserving and dedicated class of community leaders.

We are thrilled to announce that this year’s event takes place at the renovated and now-open-to-the-public Historic Masonic Temple in downtown Canton! Even better, our Twenty under 40! Gala will be the Masonic Temple’s very first event!

At the event, you’ll enjoy their beautifully re-imagined ballroom, which boasts balconies, cafe lighting and seating for up to 600, as well as have the opportunity to take a guided tour of their colossal landmark building, which is steeped in history and gorgeous art deco architecture.

Purchase tickets at ystark.org or by calling 330.458.2070. Attire: business professional or business casual

Twenty under 40! is presented by ystark! and The Canton Repository, and supported by Aultman Health Foundation; Krugliak, Wilkins, Griffiths & Dougherty Co., L.P.A.; Robert J. - Events & Catering; and The Timken Company.

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 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.
Utica Midstream Seminar: Midstream, in the oil and gas business, involves the construction of pipelines and processing plants to deliver Utica energy to its customers. Despite the decline in Utica exploration due to low oil and gas prices, Midstream remains strong.

Utica Midstream, a business development seminar co-produced by the Canton Regional Chamber of Commerce and Shale Directories and presented by Rockwater Energy Solutions, will be June 7, 8 am to 2:30 pm, at Walsh University. Tickets are $180 per person.

Attendees will benefit from the knowledge of industry-leading speakers who will share the latest in Midstream key issues and development.

Speakers include:

Kyle Stewart
Business Development Manager, Rockwater Energy Solutions, presenting sponsor of Utica Midstream
Stewart has been a Business Development manager with Rockwater Energy Solutions since 2012. His primary focus has been on uniting Rockwater’s services to create savings and efficiencies for oil and gas customers in both the Upstream and Midstream market.

Allen Fore
Vice President of Public Affairs, Kinder Morgan, Inc.
Fore has more than 25 years of experience in law, government and public affairs at the local, state, and national levels. At Kinder Morgan, Fore manages corporate public affairs, government relations, and community relations activities for existing company assets and major expansion projects throughout the United States.

Jason Stechschulte
Commercial Development Manager, Marathon Pipe Line LLC
In August 2016, Stechschulte assumed his current position where he leads commercial and engineering development of growth projects, including within the Utica shale, for Marathon Pipe Line LLC, a wholly owned subsidiary of Marathon Petroleum Corporation.

Jimmy Stewart
President, Ohio Gas Association
Stewart has been the president of the Ohio Gas Association since 2011. Prior to joining the OGA, he served three terms as an Ohio state representative and in 2008 he was elected to the Ohio Senate where he became Senate Majority Leader, the number-three leadership position.

James C. Grech
President, NEXUS Gas Transmissions LLC
Grech has been the President of NEXUS Gas Transmission LLC since November 2016. Prior to joining the NEXUS project, Grech served as the Chief Commercial Officer and Executive Vice President of CONSOL Energy Inc.

Brent Breon
Vice President of Business Development, Caiman Energy II and Blue Racer Midstream
In his current position, Breon is focused on developing gas gathering, compression, processing, and fractionation opportunities in the Marcellus and Utica Shale.

David Ledonne
VP of Operations, Utica and Appalachia, MarkWest Hydrocarbon
Ledonne is responsible for 800 million cubic feet per day of natural gas gathering and processing in the Utica and Appalachian regions for the MarkWest organization.

Carla Wagner
Canine Trainer/Technical Director, CDIS-K9 Pipeline Leak Inspection
Wagner has been professionally training and handling working dogs for over 17 years in a variety of disciplines including scent detection, wildlife management, therapy/assistance, and search and rescue.

Nathan (Nate) Eschbaugh
Ohio River Valley Commercial Manager, EnLink Midstream
EnLink is a Midstream company that has given our Utica Midstream audiences an update on operations and investments for the last three years.

Reservations can be made at uticacapital.com or by calling 330.458.2070.
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 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

BUSINESS EXCELLENCE AWARDS | RECAP

Nearly 400 people were present May 2nd to congratulate our 2017 Business Excellence Awards winners.


TOP PHOTO - L to R:
Robert Roland, Day Ketterer Ltd.
Stephen Kamph, Perry High School

MIDDLE PHOTO - L to R:
Denny Saunier, Canton Regional Chamber of Commerce
Robb Hankins, ArtsinStark
Sandy Rossetti, TimkenSteel

BOTTOM PHOTO
Front Row – L to R
Brad Cheyney, Bair’s Powersports; Brian Spring, Brookwood Management Company; Clay Cheyney, Bair’s Powersports

Middle Row – L to R
Sam Falletta, Incept; Richard Kiko Jr., KIKO Company; Dan Spring, Brookwood Management Company

Back Row – L to R
Frank Monaco, 415 Group; Dave Grabowsky, Standard Plumbing & Heating Co.; Bill Lemmon, Brookwood Management Company
CANTON REGIONAL CHAMBER/GREATER AKRON CHAMBER NIGHT AT THE AKRON RUBBERDUCKS!

Our Stir After Hours on June 13 takes us just up the road to Akron for America’s summer pastime: baseball! Tickets for this joint Stir After Hours between the Canton Regional and Greater Akron Chambers are only $6!

TUESDAY, JUNE 13TH • 7:05PM
GREATER AKRON/CANTON REGIONAL CHAMBER NIGHT

TICKETS ONLY $6!

It's "This City Reads Night" and fans are asked to bring a new or gently used children's book to the box office to be donated to the This City Reads initiative.

HARRISBURG SENATORS VS AKRON RUBBERDUCKS

MAKE YOUR RESERVATION AT HTTPS://GROUIMPATICS.EVENTS/EVENT/GREATERAKRON2

DEADLINE TO REGISTER IS 6/12 AT 12PM

QUESTIONS? PLEASE CONTACT THE TICKETING DEPARTMENT AT 330-253-5151

AKRONRUBBERDUCKS.COM
The Canton Farmers’ Market is back for its 14th year of providing locally grown produce, fun entertainment, and the freshest food around on Saturdays from 8 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. starting June 17.

The Canton Farmers’ Market is a producers-only market that offers fresh, quality products at reasonable prices directly from local growers in Northeast Ohio. Along with fresh local produce, the market offers baked goods, flowers, honey, cheese, eggs and meat, and much more! The market runs every Saturday through October 7. The Market is located at Fourth St. NW and McKinley Ave. NW. The site is perfectly suited with green grass, trees and tons of parking!

On any given weekend, the Canton Farmers’ Market offers community resources, nutrition and health education from Aultman Hospital, cooking demonstrations, live music, organic gardening tips, children’s activities and art projects for people of all ages. The market will be making fresh food available more readily available by offering WIC and senior nutrition (contact the City of Canton for more information.)

The market is managed by the Downtown Canton Special Improvement District and is thankful for its supporters: Aultman Health Foundation, The Canton Repository, Mix 94.1 & News-Talk 1480 WHBC AM, the Canton Regional Chamber of Commerce, and the City of Canton.

Learn more about the Canton Farmers’ Market at CantonFarmersMarket.com.
Leadership Stark County’s partnership with Canton Rotary enhances the mission of both organizations. The goals of both organizations are so closely linked that the partnership is a natural development. The Canton Rotary consists of “community leaders who come together to create positive, lasting change in our communities and around the world” and Leadership Stark County’s mission is to “develop a corps of motivated leaders with a lifelong commitment” to Stark County; working together toward common aims will strengthen both organizations.

The first Canton Rotary scholarship recipient, Kory Miles, will soon graduate from the 30th Class Signature Program. He says that his chance to participate in the Signature Program has been “life-changing,” and has helped him in a time of challenges and growth. The Rotary scholarship is a great investment in our community.

Another facet of the partnership is that Leadership Stark County director Stephanie Werren is now a Rotarian. Stephanie reports that “I truly value the learning opportunities that are given each week, the connections that you make, and the ability to work beside like-minded individuals that are doing so much community good.”

Canton Rotary is also providing a one-year dues free membership to Leadership Stark County program graduates. Membership in the Canton Rotary will provide an ideal outlet for new graduates of the Leadership Stark County Program to become active in the community. A number of graduates have already taken advantage of the offer; the Rotary application for Leadership Stark County graduates is on our website at LeadershipStarkCounty.org.

For those who are not Leadership Stark County graduates, you can learn more about joining Canton Rotary by going to CantonRotary.org and click on Joining Rotary.

Photo: Anne Richards, 18th Signature Program graduate, as she joins Canton Rotary
Saturday, June 3
8 a.m. to done (around 11 a.m.)

Meet at Canton Regional Chamber of Commerce
222 Market Ave. N. - Downtown Canton

Join us for the 14th annual COLOR DOWNTOWN project in downtown Canton. Planting colorful flowers in the downtown flowerbeds continues to be an essential beautification component in the center city and ensures a beautiful cityscape for the community to enjoy in the summer months.

Doughnuts, coffee, water and a tee shirt will be provided for all volunteers. Sign up with Annette at annette@cantonchamber.org or (330) 458-2092.
LeeAnn Burczynski, 18, of Massillon, Ohio, was crowned the 2017 Pro Football Hall of Fame Enshrinement Festival Queen from a field of 40 contestants. The 2017 Enshrinement Festival Queen Pageant was held Thursday, May 4, at The Canton Palace Theatre in downtown Canton. Contestants were judged on the basis of personality, poise, beauty, communication skills, academic achievement and service to community.

LeeAnn is the daughter of Joe and Mary Burczynski. She is a graduate of Massillon Washington High School. She has a passion for mathematics and loves helping others, so she hopes to pursue both through teaching. Five Court members also were selected, and include:

- **Delaney Besse**, 18, of North Canton. Daughter of Gretchen Besse, and Todd and Traci Besse. Graduate of North Canton Hoover High School and will be attending The University of Akron.
- **Grace DiGiulio**, 18, of Canton. Daughter of Michael and Stacey DiGiulio. Graduate of Perry High School, and will be attending The Ohio State University.
- **Andé Green**, 19, of Alliance. Daughter of Gayle Williams and Andrew Green. Graduate of Alliance High School and currently attending The University of Mount Union.

Kayleigh Kriss, mid-day personality of WHBC Mix 94.1, and **Ron Ponder**, owner of Ponder Systems Media and Marketing, were masters of ceremonies, and **Nicole Wohlheter** was choreographer. The **Larry Pindel Trio** provided music throughout the Pageant, and special performances were presented by **EN-RICH-MENT of Stark County** and **Touchdowns and Tutus presented by Canton Ballet**. Participating in crowning of the new Queen and five Court members were **Allelya Tavares**, 2016 Enshrinement Festival Queen, as well as **Debbie Dawson**, chairman, and **Barb Schloneger**, vice chairman, of the Queen Committee.

Judges for the event included **Morris Ellington**, Marketing and Community Relations Specialist, AultCare; **Lisa Waite**, Communications Professor, Kent State University at Stark; and **Cathy Wyatt**, Owner, Carpe Diem Coffee Shops.

Members of the Queen Committee will work with Enshrinement Festival staff to coordinate all activities relating to the Queen and Court during their service as goodwill ambassadors and positive role models throughout the summer via participation in a wide range of community service projects. Further, the Queen and Court will represent the community at all Enshrinement Festival activities, happening from July 23 through Monday, August 7.

**Pictured above (L-R):** Andé Green, Emily Beuter, Morgan Benson, **Queen LeeAnn Burczynski**, Grace DiGiulio, Delaney Besse.
In 2017, the Pro Football Hall of Fame and Enshrinement Festival will proudly mark 54 years of honoring the legends of professional football. The world-renowned Enshrinement Festival celebrates the annual Enshrinement of football players, coaches and contributors. With the addition of this year’s class, the Enshrinees in the Pro Football Hall of Fame total 310.

A complete schedule for this “Celebration of Excellence” can be found in the 2017 official schedule of events of the Pro Football Hall of Fame Enshrinement Festival. Beginning mid-June individuals, area businesses and organizations are encouraged to pick up a supply of this handy rack-sized card at the Canton Regional Chamber of Commerce to distribute to family, friends, customers and clients. It will also be available throughout the community at:

- Pro Football Hall of Fame Museum
- Canton and Massillon Auto Clubs
- Visitors’ Information Center at Akron-Canton Airport

In addition, full event and ticket information can be found at www.ProFootballHOFEF.com.

Continuing a tradition first started in 1977, the 2017 commemorative pins are also currently available. This year’s pin is only $5, and can be purchased at the following area businesses: Canton Regional Chamber of Commerce, Aultman Hospital Gift Shop, Davies Drugs, Heggy’s Nut Shop, and Mercy Medical Gift Shop.

The current and many past year pins can be purchased at the Enshrinement Festival office at the Canton Regional Chamber of Commerce, 222 Market Avenue North. Pins, along with a variety of other souvenirs and gift items including golf shirts, t-shirts, and ball caps will also be available for purchase at all Enshrinement Festival events.
The Pro Football Hall of Fame Enshrinement Festival is welcoming a new event called the “UP, UP & AWAY 5K” to be held on Saturday, July 29, in tandem with the annual Balloon Classic event on the Kent State University at Stark campus.

Scheduled to start at 8 AM, participants can enjoy a 5K course looping the beautiful campus while being surrounded by the excitement of the potential for hot air balloons to both launch from and fly over the campus. This 5K is part of the Ohio Challenge Series, so serious runners who enter with the goal of winning and, therefore, consider it a true “race” are very important to the event. However, we also welcome people who will enter either as recreational runners or walkers who are proud simply to cross the finish line, regardless of their personal time achieved.

All participants will receive a commemorative shirt and finisher’s medal, and while waiting for the awards ceremony can enjoy a cold beverage and family fun including inflatables for the kids and a donut eating contest sponsored by Mary Ann Donuts.

There will be prizes, and the top three male and top three female runners will each receive two 10,000 mile travel vouchers from Spirit Airlines.

CALLING ALL RUNNERS & WALKERS!

Saturday, July 29, 2017 at 8:00 am

JOIN US AT THE KENT STATE UNIVERSITY AT STARK CAMPUS

Event happening during the annual Balloon Classic festivities

Commemorative shirt and finisher medal for each participant

Spirit Airlines travel vouchers to the top three male and female runners

Family fun including inflatables

Prizes ... and much, much more!

To register go to www.ProFootballHOFEF.com

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CALL (330) 458-2048 or VISIT ProFootballHOF.com/tickets for tickets to:

FASHION SHOW LUNCHEON - THE CANTON REPOSITORY GRAND PARADE - ENSHRIEES' ROUNDTABLE

Call (844) 446-3849 or VISIT ProFootballHOF.com/tickets for tickets to:

CONCERT FOR LEGENDS featuring TOBY KEITH AND KID ROCK

CALL (317) 275-1212 or VISIT ProFootballHOFEF.com/tickets for tickets to:

DRUM CORPS INTERNATIONAL COMPETITION - TOUR OF CHAMPIONS

For our complete schedule of events visit us online: ProFootballHOF.com  ProFootballHOFEF.com
Rules and regulations are no fun and can be confusing. However, it’s important to keep your employees healthy, safe and happy.

At the June Safety Council luncheon, Julie A. Weis, Compliance Assistance Specialist, U.S. Dept. of Labor-OSHA, will get you up-to-speed on the latest OSHA enforcement actions including:

- OSHA inspection statistics and results
- Recent significant OSHA enforcement actions
- Results from a study of OSHA fatality inspections
- OSHA’s enforcement plans and initiatives for the upcoming year

Thursday, June 8
11:30 am-1:00 pm
Meyer’s Lake Ballroom
3218 Parkway St. NW, Canton
$17 per person
Register at www.StarkCountySC.com

About our speaker:
Julie has worked with OSHA for 30 years. Fifteen years as a Compliance Officer performing safety and health inspections.

The position of Compliance Officer was created to enhance OSHA’s outreach efforts to small businesses, labor & other organizations through speeches, seminars, and training sessions.

NOTE! New Location for Stark County Safety Council Luncheons
Due to an impending change in ownership and utilization of the Meyer’s Lake Ballroom, the monthly Stark County Safety Council luncheons will be moving effective July 1, 2017 to coincide with the beginning of the 2018 safety council fiscal year. NEW LOCATION: Alex D. Krassas Center, 251 25th Street NW.

Please contact Connie Cerny of call 330.458.2061 for more information.

Stark County Safety Council Season Pass
July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018

Season pass luncheon tickets are now available! The cost for each pass booklet is $170. By purchasing a season pass, you get 12 luncheon tickets for the price of 10.

The luncheon tickets will be mailed to you prior to the July luncheon. The passes are good for the regular monthly luncheons only. Season pass holders do not need to register each month.
To earn a safety council rebate, employers must meet rebate eligibility requirements in one of 82 BWC-sponsored safety councils.

The following is a breakdown of potential rebates when an employer is an active member of a safety council.

- Employers meeting all safety council rebate eligibility requirements that are not enrolled in a group-rating program will earn a 2-percent participation rebate on their premium and the potential of an additional 2-percent performance bonus.

- Employers meeting all safety council rebate eligibility requirements that are also enrolled in a group-experience-rating program have the potential to earn a 2-percent performance bonus.

- Employers meeting all safety council rebate eligibility requirements that are also enrolled in a group-retrospective-rating program will earn a 2-percent participation rebate.

To qualify for the BWC Safety Council rebate, you must meet the following eligibility requirements:

- Join your local safety council by July 31, 2017
- Attend 10 safety council meetings**
- Send a qualified senior-level manager to a safety council sponsored meeting
- Submit semiannual workplace accident reports for the 2017 calendar year

For more information contact Connie Cerny at connie@cantonchamber.org or 330.458.2061.
Mercy Service League held its inaugural Wine Women & Shoes event on Saturday, May 20, at the Alex D. Krassas Event Center in Canton. The new fundraiser, which sold out several months in advance, offered attendees an upscale afternoon of shopping, wine tasting, silent and live auctions, and a high-energy fashion show, raising more than $250,000 to benefit Women’s Cancer Services at Mercy Medical Center. “When a woman is faced with cancer, many lives are affected,” says Gail Moore, event chair, Mercy Service League. “Women more than anyone often endure the additional burdens of financial challenges, emotional strains, and stress related to their roles within the family. Since Mercy Service League is an organization comprised of women, we are passionate about easing the journey for those women in our community who are touched by cancer by supporting the work of Women’s Cancer Services at Mercy through Wine, Women & Shoes.”

Join fellow craft beer lovers for an exclusive ‘tour’ through Downtown Canton’s Arts District on June 17, 2017 from 12 - 5 PM. Beer connoisseurs will jaunt along a predetermined walking route of multiple celebrated and renowned local pubs. The adventure will include 18 craft beer tastings, all available at the downtown pubs participating in the tour. The Canton Craft Beer Tour (CCBT) is hosted by United Way of Greater Stark County’s Young Leaders Society (YLS). All ticket proceeds benefit YLS activities and community service projects throughout the year.

The Stark County Hunger Task Force has named a new executive director. Maureen Kampman Tate began May 15. She previously served as assistant director of Catholic Charities Serving Portage and Stark Counties, where she was responsible for scheduling, grant writing, fundraising and event programming. She also has worked for the United Way of Greater Stark County and completed the Leadership Stark County program. “I’m very excited about the transition to the Stark County Hunger Task Force,” Tate said. “I’m thrilled to be joining a successful group and continue in the fight of alleviating hunger in Stark County.” Lisa Vitale Arnold, who was a member of the search committee, said Tate’s education and experience with nonprofits and management made her a good fit for the organization. “She’s also very passionate,” Arnold said. “We like seeing that.”

The Goodwill Board of Directors recently announced that Anne Richards has been named as the new President and CEO of Goodwill Industries of Greater Cleveland and East Central Ohio. “I am both honored and humbled to be named the leader of this great organization,” said Richards. “Our employees, along with our board and community partners, are impacting lives every day. We help individuals overcome barriers to employment. We teach parenting skills to people who have lost temporary custody of their children. We respond in the middle of the night to survivors of sexual assault. The list goes on. Your Goodwill does this and so much more. And, we couldn’t do it without the generous support of our donors and shoppers who support our stores and, in turn, help fund these valuable programs. I’m inspired as we look towards our future and continue to build on the foundation Ken Weber left us; expanding our reach and impact in this community.”
NEW MEMBERS

WELCOME to our newest members, who joined Canton Regional Chamber of Commerce in April. 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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For years Brian had crisscrossed America visiting his newspaper customers, eating in lots of restaurants along the way. Visiting St. Louis to do contract work, he was sitting in a barbecue joint, his favorite childhood cuisine, when it dawned on him that his hometown didn’t have any really good barbecue restaurants. An idea began to form.

Soon his enthusiasm sucked in his old high school buddy, Tim Hug, who was a Regional Manager at Arthur Treacher’s fast-food restaurant. In short order, the pair began visiting barbecue restaurants in the Carolinas. They learned from second and third generation pitmasters about low and slow cooking over hickory wood. The dream began to take shape.

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It didn’t all happen fast. By 2004, Brian’s wife, Meredith, was running their own lunch counter, The Lincoln Highway Café so they could establish some vendor relationships. The first Old Carolina Restaurant didn’t open in Massillon until 2006, seven years after the dream first began to take shape and four years after Brian and Tim became a sensation on the competitive rib circuit. A second store in Belden Village opened later that year and things started to get interesting. Still, Brian kept working corporate jobs until 2009 when a third restaurant in Akron opened and it made the business big enough to support both partners.

Today, Brian and Tim’s dream has developed into 14 restaurants with about 300 employees, including Smoke the Burger Joint and Baja West Coast Kitchen, their two newer restaurant concepts. The corporation is now named Ichor, after a Greek mythology term Brian learned in high school and never forgot. Ichor is the fluid that runs in the veins of the gods.

Over the years, their roles have become more defined with Brian handling Culinary, Marketing and Corporate Vision while Tim oversees Operations. According to Brian, “I make the promises. Tim delivers on them.” The most important thing they’ve learned along the journey? Never take shortcuts.

The man who vowed to never again have someone tell him he wouldn’t have a paycheck, now has a well-defined hiring philosophy ... look for the things that can’t be taught: Hard work, empathy, genuine niceness and an easy smile. He’s grown to expect compliments on the food, but still gets a kick out of compliments to his staff. Each team member has a daily goal to “Make Happy Happen.”

Every three years they take their General Managers to the old restaurants they visited on their first barbecue roadtrips, and a new dream is forming in Brian and Tim’s minds: 555 restaurants by 2025. Never bet against two men with a plan and a good smoker.

Go to www.NEOBrightestLights.com to learn about the other nominees!
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<td>Color Downtown Volunteers needed!</td>
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<td>Join us for the 14th annual Color Downtown project in downtown Canton. Planting colorful flowers in the downtown flowerbeds continues to be essential beautification component in the center city!</td>
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<td>Meet at the Canton Regional Chamber of Commerce</td>
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<td>TO VOLUNTEER: Email <a href="mailto:annette@cantonchamber.org">annette@cantonchamber.org</a></td>
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<td>Utica Midstream Presented by Rockwater Energy Solutions</td>
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<td>The Canton Regional Chamber’s Utica Capital series continues its sixth year of programming with Utica Midstream.</td>
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<td><a href="http://www.starkcountysc.com">www.starkcountysc.com</a></td>
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<td>Join us as Julie A. Weis, Compliance Assistance Specialist, U.S. Dept. of Labor-OSHA, discusses OSHA enforcement actions.</td>
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<td>This annual outdoor blues festival, now in its 16th year, will take place on Market Square (301 Market Ave. N) in downtown Canton featuring 18 musical acts on two stages.</td>
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<td>The Canton Regional and Greater Akron Chambers are teaming up for an evening of baseball with the Akron Rubberducks! Network with our neighbors to the north; tickets are only $6 each!</td>
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The Canton Farmers’ Market is a producers-only market that gives shoppers an opportunity to buy fresh, quality, seasonal products directly from over 20 local growers and producers in Northeast Ohio.  
Saturdays, beginning  
June 17  
8:00-11:30 am  
Fourth St. NW and McKinley Ave. NW |
| 21    | June AultCare QuickConnect Luncheon [www.cantonchamber.org](http://www.cantonchamber.org)  
Join us for the AultCare QuickConnect Luncheon featuring Don Taylor, President & CEO, Welty Building Co., the project construction manager for Johnson Controls Hall of Fame Village.  
Wednesday, June 21  
11:00 am registration  
11:30 am program  
Shady Hollow Country Club  
$18 members,  
$25 non-members |
| 21    | ystark! Twenty under 40! Awards Gala [www.cantonchamber.org](http://www.cantonchamber.org)  
Join us for the 10th Annual Twenty under 40! Awards Gala produced by ystark! and The Repository. Be among the very first to see the Historic Masonic Temple in downtown Canton while recognizing this outstanding class of young professionals.  
Wednesday, June 21  
6:30-9:30 pm  
The Historic Masonic Temple  
$60 per person |
| JULY 12 | 415 Group OPEN HOUSE [www.cantonchamber.org](http://www.cantonchamber.org)  
You’re invited! Join us for an open house and ribbon cutting ceremony at our new location. Enjoy refreshments and a tour of our facilities.  
Wednesday, July 12  
4:15 p.m.  
4300 Munson St. NW  
Canton, OH 44718  
Please RSVP at [www.415group.com/event](http://www.415group.com/event) |

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Thank you for registering in advance!

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  7337 Cantas Circle NW, Massillon, OH | 330-830-6120
- Mercy Health Center of North Canton
  6200 Whipple Avenue NW, North Canton, OH | 330-966-8689
- Mercy Health Center of Tuscarawas County
  1031 West High Avenue, New Philadelphia, OH | 330-365-5100

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