

# CANTON NEWCOMERS & NEIGHBORS

WHERE WOMEN CONNECT...

## January 2026 Newsletter

A Great Big THANK YOU to Sharon Hagerman for the great Christmas party at Genetti's. Loved seeing everyone decked out in the holiday finery and we certainly missed those who could not be there. Dinner at Genetti's did not disappoint.

A special thank you to all the members that made up beautiful gift baskets for the raffle. We raised a lot of money for our club.

2026 is shaping up with a lot of activities. Our group will go to tea at the Whitney in February and the Fisher for a performance of Suff's in April. I hope you signed up or called Connie to save your seat. Our meetings are planned and we have some great speakers and activities planned. The DIA announced that we can attend up to four events using their transportation. The board will look at this and get a couple of dates on the calendar. Stay tuned!

Mark your calendar for Wednesday April 15 - this will be the date for our charity BINGO to raise funds for Blue Star Service Dogs. Dinner will be at 6pm and will include tacos and vegetarian alternatives, soft drinks, a cash bar, eight bingo games, a 50/50 raffle, and a few baskets to raffle. The cost is \$40 per person. Tickets will be available beginning at our January meeting. Please consider selling a few to friends and family as we would like to sell out the event. We hope to see you there!

The Board and I hope that everyone had a Merry Christmas spent with family and friends recalling cherished memories. For those that had medical issues or suffered a loss we wish you healing, hope, and the sure knowledge that our group is here to support you.

A quarter of this new century is behind us. I spent some time reviewing goals, plans, and to do lists, and made commitments to myself to tackle those projects and make travel arrangements before life gets in the way. I hope you take a moment to reflect and make plans of your own.

Happy New Year – focus on the good and spread it around!!

*Connie*



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*Contact information for the board members is available in the Canton Newcomers and Neighbors directory.*

### Upcoming Meeting Dates

**Jan 7** *Canton Historical Society*

**Feb 4** *CPR*

**Mar 4** *Meditation and Reiki*

**Apr 1** *Eloise Hospital*

**Apr 15** *Charity Bingo*

**May 6** *Herbs and their usage*

**Jun 3** *Picnic*

*Doors open at 6:30*

*Meeting at 7:00*

**See more about our club at our website**  
**[www.cantonwomen.org](http://www.cantonwomen.org)**

## Membership

Happy New Year!!! Soon we'll be shouting it from the rooftops - saying goodbye to the old year and wishing the best for the NEW YEAR! Please welcome our newest member, Carolann Levis, who now brings our grand total to 66 members! (Carolann's contact information was listed in the email that contained this newsletter. Please add it to your contact list.)

I am looking forward to all of the events and meetings for the coming year, but most of all, the best part is being with all of you. What a great way to start off a new year.

But first, to finish off the year in style:

### Nancy's Nonsense:

What kind of a doctor is Dr. Pepper?

*A Fizzzzzzician*



A weasel walks into a bar. The bartender says "what can I get you?"....."POP" goes the weasel. (I bet that song is now playing in your head.)

Did you know there are more airplanes in the ocean than submarines in the air?  
*Well, that's plane to sea.*

What are you when you're driving a Subaru in reverse?

*U R A Bus*

Here's hoping everyone had a Merry and blessed Christmas.

***Nancy Ellenger, Membership Chair***

## January's meeting - cookies, please!

The holidays are over and what do you do with all those leftover cookies? Bring them to our January meeting, of course.

For our monthly munchies, we're going to try something different. The hospitality committee is asking everyone to bring a dozen or so leftover holiday cookies to the meeting - we'll sample them, share them and enjoy some good conversation over them. Oh, and you can leave the calories behind. (ha)



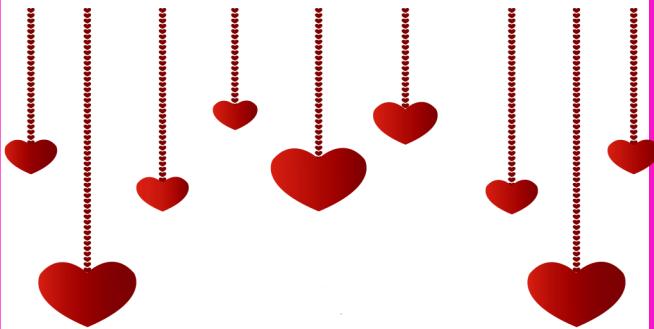
# Valentine's Day Tea

Get Your Valentine's Day Tea!

Make plans to join us for a special Valentine's Day Tea at the Whitney. This tea is scheduled for Friday, February 13. There will be sign up sheets at the December and January meetings and your payment will be due at the January meeting.

The tea consists of three courses - fruit and scones, tea sandwiches and desserts.

You are encouraged to wear your hearts and Valentine's Day best!



## Holiday Thanks

A very special thanks to everyone who donated a gift basket for our holiday party. They were all lovely and your generosity was overwhelming. Congratulations to all the lucky winners!

And kudos to everyone who donated to Canton Goodfellows. Including your kind donations, the Summit on the Park was able to collect over 700 toys and gift cards for children in Canton. You are amazing!

- Sharon Hagerman, Charity Coordinator

## Future Newsletters

Thanks to everyone for the articles, photos and tidbits for the newsletters. Please keep 'em coming! But, please be sure to get your information to me in a timely manner. Especially information on activities and game nights. Anything for future newsletters needs to be submitted by the following dates:

February Newsletter	Tuesday, Jan 20
March Newsletter	Tuesday, Feb 11
April Newsletter	Tuesday, Mar 17
May Newsletter	Tuesday, Apr 21
June Newsletter	Tuesday, May 19

Thank you for your understanding!

## Give it up....For Good!

In January, we are collecting books and puzzles for distribution at the Ann Arbor Veterans Administration Hospital. All donations should be in good condition. Books (fiction, biography or history) should be clean - no mildew - and published within the past 3-5 years. Puzzles for adults (no missing pieces) should be taped shut.

Each month that we hold a **Give It Up For Good event**, we will accept new or gently used items to donate to various charities. There is no need to purchase anything new - the goal is to help you eliminate clutter and free up space while doing good!

Questions - see Diane Sands.

Thank you for your contributions.



# Photo Gallery



Couples Bunco - friends having fun.

Fourteen members of the Let's Do Lunch Bunch enjoyed lunch at Outback Steakhouse. They collected 23 pairs of pajamas for First Step in Plymouth.



For more pictures including those from our Holiday Dinner and the lovely finished crafts from our November meeting, please visit the Canton Newcomers and Neighbors Facebook page.



## What's Happening

### **Ladies -**

I hope your holidays were good and you are ready to have a good 2026. Our speaker for our January meeting will be Mike Bonello from the Canton Historical Society. He will tell us facts about local Canton history, upcoming events from the Canton Historical Society, and the Lasko House. Here's what is going on around Canton:

### **Club 55+ and The Summit on the Park (pre-registration is required for most programs)**

Jan 6	Club 55+ Crafting
Jan 8	Club 55+ Movie
Jan 14	Natural Solutions for Arthritis
Jan 19	Surgical solutions for knee pain and joint pain
Jan 24	Bingo and Brunch
Feb 12	Valentine's Day Tea

### **Village Theater**

Jan 8-11	Hairspray
Jan 14	Breakfast at Tiffany
Jan 16	Shine On! A new year, a new you
Jan 17	Teddy Perry and the Refugees
Jan 19	Martin Luther King Jr. Celebrations

### **Village Arts Factory**

Jan 13	New Year DIY Calendar
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### **Greenmead**

#### Stitch Session

Jan 3	Beginning Knitting
	Beginning Crochet
Jan 5	Pontiac Transportation Legacy



Have a good one! Register for the Valentine's Day Tea in February. It was a lot of fun last year.

*Janet*

Interested in even more fun? Check out the Summit's Winter Recreation classes. There are several new seminars and food classes among others.

For more information on these and other classes, please visit [www.cantonfun.org](http://www.cantonfun.org).

# What's Happening this month?

If you are interested in an event, contact the group leader to get on her email list.

**If you sign up and need to cancel, kindly call to let her know.**

**Book Club** will meet on **January 28** at Panera Bread on Michigan Avenue (45555 Michigan Ave - far west side of the Walmart parking lot). Meet at **6:00 pm** if you are planning on eating dinner - book discussion will start at **6:30**. The book for January is *Under the Whispering Door* by T.J. Klune. If you took a book in December and have finished it, please return it to Connie so others can enjoy it.

**Couples Bunco** there is no Couples Bunco in January. There will be a couples game night on Jan 10 (6:00 pm) at Anjali Gamble's home.

**Chix Flix** will be on **Tues. Jan. 13**. If you are interested, please let Karen Bronkhorst know. Karen will e-mail interested parties the movie selection that week.

**Green Thumb Gardeners** No meeting is scheduled at this time.

**Let's Do Lunch** Please see the sign up sheet at the meeting or contact Mitzie Sparks.

**Let's Do Dinner** will be at **6:00 pm** at Deadwood Bar & Grill, 18730 Northville Rd. Sign up at the January meeting or let Jackie Arzooyan know if you are interested in attending.

**Mexican Train Dominoes** will meet on **Wed, Jan. 14** at 6:00 PM at Karen Bronkhorst's home. Potluck begins at 6 PM and the game starts at 6:30 PM. Sign up at the General Meeting or contact Theresa Goodhart.

**Yarn It All** will meet on **Thurs., Jan 15** at 6:00 pm at Connie's home. You will need size 8 and 10 knitting needles and worsted weight yarn 2-4 oz. skeins. We will be making a hat with a cute brim.

**Mahjong** meets at Connie Moore's house on **Tuesday, Jan 6, 13 and 20** from 1-3 pm. If you are curious to learn, please join us. There are a lot of rules, but it is a fun game and will keep your mind working. We are all just starting out but having a lot of fun!

**Euchre** will meet on **Sat., Jan 17** at Mary Ellis's home.

**All That Glitters Jewelry Club** meets on **Tues., Jan 20**, at the home of Carol Caldwell. We will be making silver tube bracelets.

**Ladies Bunco** Unfortunately we do not have a hostess for January's Ladies Bunco. If you are interested in hosting, please contact Carol Villeneuve.



## Interest Group Leaders

### Book Club

Connie Moore  
or  
Cyndi Kuczynski

### Couples Bunco

Anjali Gamble

### Ladies Bunco

Carol Villeneuve

### Chix Flix

Karen Bronkhorst

### Green Thumb Gardeners,

#### Yarn It All

and

#### Mahjong

Connie Moore

### Let's Do Lunch

Mitzie Sparks

### Mexican Train Dominoes

Theresa Goodhart

### Social Night/Out & About

Cindy Koldys

### Let's Do Dinner

Jackie Arzooyan

### All that Glitters Jewelry Club

Carolyn Caldwell

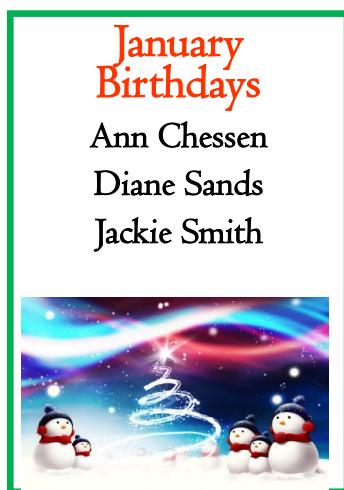
### Euchre

Nancy Ellenberger





Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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4	5	6 Mahjong	7 Meeting	8	9	10 Couples Game Night
11	12	13 Mahjong Chix Flix	14 Mexican Train Dominoes	15 Yarn-it-All	16	17 Euchre
18	19 	20 Mahjong Jewelry Club	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28 Book Club	29	30	31



Share pictures of your events for the next newsletter. Email to: [bethgmyers@gmail.com](mailto:bethgmyers@gmail.com)





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### **CANTON NEWCOMERS AND NEIGHBORS MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION**

**The primary member is any adult female living in Canton or any surrounding community for any length of time and residency.**  
**A prospective member or guest may attend a total of two meetings or interest group activities, and receive one newsletter before being required to pay dues.**  
**Membership events for primary members only are not included.**

**Please check one:**

**New Member**  **Renewing Member**  **Former Member Returning**

**Last Name**  **First Name**

**Address**  **Zip Code**

**Email**  **Spouse's Name**

**Preferred Phone Number**  **Cell Phone**  **Home Phone**

**Birth Month**  **Do you prefer a birthday card**  **Email**

**Occupation**  **If retired, former Occupation**

#### **Required information:**

**Emergency Contact**

**Contact's phone number**  **Relationship**

**Allergies**

**For New and Renewing members from Sep 1, 2025 through Aug 31, 2026, dues are \$35.**

**For New members joining between February and April, dues are \$20 through Aug 31, 2026.**

**For New members joining after April, dues are \$35 from the date joined through Aug 31, 2027.**

**Please submit this form to a Membership Team member at a meeting or mail it our PO Box.**

**Checks are payable to the Canton Newcomers & Neighbors.**

**Date Submitted**  **Cash**  **Check #**  **Credit Card**

**Credit Card payments will be assessed a 3% service fee. Annual dues will be \$36.05**

**This form replaces all other membership forms and is effective until August 31, 2026.**