

CANTON NEWS UPDATE



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Canton Township Community Groups To Play Key Role in 2025 Liberty Fest

(Canton, MI – May 28, 2025) Canton Township is proud to once again partner with several non-profit community groups during its 32nd Annual Canton Liberty Fest, presented by **Raising Cane's Chicken Fingers**, which will take place on Thursday, June 12, from 1 p.m.–10 p.m., Friday, June 13, from 1 p.m. – 11 p.m., and Saturday, June 14, from 10 a.m.–10 p.m. in Canton's beautiful Heritage Park, located adjacent to the Canton Administration Building, located at 1150 S. Canton Center Road, Canton, MI 48188. Additional major sponsors for this annual community event, include: **IKEA, Leaf Filter Gutter Protection, Menchie's Frozen Yogurt, Michigan Army National Guard, Schoolcraft College, Trinity Health IHA Medical Group, and WeatherGard.** Several area organizations will again participate and support the Canton community in this annual three-day festival, including:

88.1 The Park: WSDP is the student-operated radio station owned by the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools in Canton and can be found at 88.1. FM on the dial. Currently operated out of Salem High School, it has been in operation since February 14, 1972. During Liberty Fest, 88.1 The Park will be broadcasting live on Friday, June 13 from 1-5 p.m. For more information, visit www.881thepark.com.

Canton Historical Society: Established with a commitment to preserving Canton's past, this all-volunteer, 501(c)(3) non-profit organization is dedicated to safeguarding the rich history and cultural heritage of the Canton community. To accomplish this goal, the Canton Historical Society maintains a vibrant museum, historical buildings, and hosts events that celebrate local history. During Canton's Liberty Festival, members will be presenting information about Canton's history while providing rocking chairs for those in need of a short rest while enjoying oldies music during their "Rock 'n Roll" event on Friday, June 13 from 3-9 p.m. near the Heritage Park north pavilion. Learn more about the Canton Historical Society at <https://cantonhistoricalsocietymi.org>.

Canton Lions Club: Celebrating 28 years of hosting the Liberty Fest Pancake Breakfast and over 50 years of dedicated service in our community, the Canton Lions Club is a group that comes together and shares a common interest in community service, supporting the Lions motto "We Serve." The clubs exist so that members may pool their skills, talents and resources for the betterment of the community. This year's annual Pancake Breakfast will be held on Saturday, June 14 from 8 - 11 a.m. (while supplies last) in the Heritage Park north pavilions. Join in the fun and enjoy a stack of golden pancakes hot off the griddle along with sausage, for just \$10 for adults and \$5 for children 12 years of age and younger. This year, the Canton Lions will be working with Chris Cakes of Michigan, who will be serving up fun with every order by flipping pancakes high onto plates for those brave enough to catch one. All proceeds will benefit local Lions Club charities. For more information about the Canton Lions Club, visit https://e-clubhouse.org/sites/canton_mi/.

Partnership for the Arts & Humanities: The Partnership for the Arts & Humanities is the 501(c)(3) organization behind the Village Arts Factory, which is a multipurpose arts complex located in the heart of Canton, Michigan. This unique facility serves as a nexus for the arts, culture, music and community engagement. This historic arts studio complex is dedicated to providing equitable, innovative and inclusive arts programming and experiences for all to enjoy. During Liberty Fest, the Partnership for Arts and Humanities will be hosting the Beer Garden with support from the American Cancer Society's Life is a Cabaret (Relay); Canton Chamber of Commerce; Canton Running Club; Kiwanis Club of Canton; Plymouth-Canton Optimist Club; and St. Thomas a'Becket Catholic Church. Festivalgoers 21+ can enjoy a selection of craft beers and seltzers on: Thursday, June 12 from 4-10 p.m., Friday, June 13 from 2-10:30 p.m.; and Saturday, June 14 from 10 a.m. - 10 p.m. Come cool off with a cold one at its location near the Heritage Amphitheater. Learn more about the Village Arts Factory at www.villageartsfactory.com.

The Plymouth-Canton Optimist Club: Optimist International is a worldwide volunteer organization made up of more than 2,500 local Clubs, whose members work each day to make the future brighter by bringing out the best in children, in their communities, and in themselves. The local Plymouth-Canton Club has served the schools and community since 1949 with numerous community-centered events. During Liberty Fest, the Plymouth-Canton Optimist Club will be hosting BINGO on Thursday, June 12 from 1-4 p.m. and 6-9 p.m. in the Heritage Park north pavilions. For more information, visit www.optimist.org/member/clubdirectory/clubdetail.cfm?club=17325.

For more information on any of these non-profit groups' participation during Canton's 32nd annual Liberty Fest, visit www.cantonlibertyfest.org or call 734/394-5460.

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