

## A Note From your Chairman

May, 2009

SWING will be having its neighborhood spring cleanup on May 30th from 10:00 a.m. until noon. We will have refreshments as usual after the cleanup. SWING needs volunteers to help. We will be picking up trash from the alleys and streets in our neighborhood.

Youth that register early will be paid \$10 an hour for picking up trash and attending a SWING meeting on May 20th at 5:00 p.m. at Living Hope Christian Fellowship located at 1620 Clark Ave SW. For more information call (330) 412-4151 after 5:00 p.m.

There will be a dumpster at 1640 in the rear ally at Cathi Ct. Anyone wanting to dump trash may use it. **DO NOT PUT BRUSH, TIRES, OR PAINT IN IT!**

We will have C.O.O.L. in the neighborhood working on Henry Street that day. They will be planting flowers, cutting grass, painting, etc. This will be one of

our biggest cleanups ever. So please come out to volunteer. I would like to say "Thank you" in advance to Gary Zink at Sure Fit Auto for donating trash bags.

The SWING Block Party will be held August 4, 2009, from 6-8 p.m. Again we will be needing volunteers. We will give school supplies to neighborhood children and will serve refreshments. So grab your neighbor and come to the 1620 Clark Ave Living Hope Church parking lot. Everyone can have fun. Thank you to all the SWING team members who work very hard to make our neighborhood a better place to live. We care very much about our neighborhood and what

goes on in it.

McGregor school needs old newspapers for their paper drive. Please take your papers to the dumpster at the school. Let's help them make some money!

On April 21, 2009, SWING received a grant from the Stark Community Foundation for \$6,192.00. This grant comes from these investors in our great city: JP Morgan Chase Bank, The City of Canton, The Repository, and the Stark Community Foundation. Thank you to each one of these investors who believes in our neighborhood.

*Sincerely, Corrine Walser,  
SWING Chairman*

***SWING meetings May 20, July 15, Sept. 16, and Oct. 21, 2009, at 5:00 at Living Hope Christian Fellowship at 1620 Clark Ave SW. No June or August Meetings***



***SWING's mission:***

*"We are a group of neighbors attempting to strengthen our community through project involvement and communication."*

# CANTON CITY PHONE NUMBERS

**Mayor William. J. Healy II Cell: (330) 605-8700**  
Auditor 330-489-3226  
Building Dept & Code Enforcement 330-430-7800  
Building Maintenance 330-489-3275  
Civic Center 330-489-3090  
Community Development 330-489-3258  
Council Office 330-489-3223  
Fire Non-Emergency 330-649-5900  
Fire Admin 330-489-3411  
Health Dept 330-489-3231

Human Resources 330-438-4136  
Income Tax 330-430-7900  
Judges 330-489-3078  
Police Non-Emergency 330-649-5800  
Police Tip Line 330-489-3117  
Park Dept 330-489-3015  
Sanitation 330-489-3020  
Street 330-489-3030  
Water Dept 330-489-3308  
Youth Development 330-489-3350

## SWING DIRECTORS

**Chairman:** Corrine Walser  
**Vice-Chairman:** John Zamski  
**Treasurer:** Mary Jones  
**Secretary:** Susan Castello

## Executive Board

Sam Henson  
Victor Johnson  
Mark Anthony



## DATES TO REMEMBER

Mothers Day May 10  
Memorial Day May 25  
Fathers Day June 21  
Independence Day July 4  
Labor Day September 7

# COUNCIL CORNER



Now that warmer weather is approaching, many of us will be heading outdoors. Many of us are pet lovers and have dogs. I want to remind everyone to properly care for their dogs and follow some basic rules to insure that our neighborhoods are

safe and that we all can enjoy the outdoors. This is only a summary. For more information please refer to specific city ordinances on the city's web site. Also the city has an Animal Control Officer who in addition to the Dog Warden and Humane Society can help out with various situations.

Please remember the following: Do not let your dog run free throughout the neighborhood. Please keep your dog properly restrained. The chain must not be so long as to allow your dog to gain access onto a public right of way, such as the sidewalk or street.

Always have your dog on a leash while walking

your dog. Please remember to clean up after your dog. You would not want someone else's dog leaving little presents in your yard, so please be considerate of your neighbors.

Please make every effort to reduce barking, especially during night time hours. Your neighbors need to sleep too. A constantly barking dog can be a violation of the noise ordinance. We all must remember that dogs do bark (That is what they do.), but a constantly barking dog will quickly alienate your neighbors.

Please have your dog (s) up to date on their license tags and shots.



Please remember that the city has a vicious dog ordinance, whereby a dog that qualifies as a vicious dog must be confined using a pen or fence with certain height requirements. Vicious dogs require liability insurance of a minimum of \$100,000. You must be able to prove you have the insurance if asked by the Animal Control Officer or the Dog Warden.

Terry Prater, Ward 5 Councilman [TPrater@trivantage.com](mailto:TPrater@trivantage.com)

Information Systems Manager, Tri Vantage (216) 696-2820 Ext 29745

***All council meetings are open to the public. You can sign up to speak at 7:00. The meeting begins at 7:30.***

*Why keep a dog and bark yourself? - Proverb*

# HAVE A GREAT DAY!

Leaders on the local and national level have told us again and again that these are times of crisis. I would be stupid to disagree, but I don't know that it helps to agree. Does always talking about the problem help?

A few weeks ago I found myself standing behind a lady in her twenties at the drug store. She told her mother who was standing there with her, that Canton is the armpit of Ohio. I disagree! I think Canton has a lot of good people living in it and quite a few of them are working hard to bring improvement to

our circumstances. I see parents trying hard to meet the needs of their families and business owners being creative to keep employees working.

Rather than complaining, which someone told me a long time ago just chases your last few friends away, how about we start focusing on and talking about the blessings we have in our lives: families, friends, a roof over our heads and more. How about we start looking for ways to help the less fortunate and encourage our neighbors so that we can make life easier and more enjoyable for one

another.

We all face challenges every day. But if we can greet each other with a smile and a kind word, then maybe we can ease the pressure in someone else's life and give them hope to continue on. The attitude with which we approach the challenges of life may at times be the only thing we can control, but most of the time has the potential of making all the difference. A positive attitude will often seem to draw good things to us. Life is full of choices. Let's choose today to "Have a great day!"

*Mark Anthony, Pastor*

*Living Hope Christian*





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# SWING BULLETIN BOARD

The SWING Block Party



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SWING is always looking for articles for our newsletter. Write about a neighborhood event, voice your opinion, give recognition, make suggestions, share a recipe or a poem, or thank a neighbor. Submit your contribution to any SWING Team Member or to the chairman at CWalser@neor.rr.com. Contributions may also be mailed to SWING at 1644 Clark Ave

SWING  
Spotlight  
Is on Neighborhood Clean-  
up!  
Mark your calendars!  
Saturday, May 30 from 10  
'til noon!