

A Note From your Chairman

It has been a tough, hard winter. As the snow begins to melt, please remember to start picking up trash left over from the winter.

Let's get ready for spring! SWING's spring cleanup will be May 28th, 2011. We will be sending out flyers. Volunteers will be needed to help guide our youth through the streets of our neighborhood.

SWING will hold its **11th annual block party** on August 9, 2011. More information will be forthcoming. SWING will have a membership drive to gain volunteers to help with planning and to follow through with our projects. There will be special door prizes, refreshments, and fun. Watch for the flyer!

Remember that **SWING meets on the 3rd Wednesday of every month except January and February at 5:30 at the Living Hope Fellowship located at 1620 Clark Ave SW.** Come and express your concerns and vision for the neighborhood!

SWING would like to extend a special thank you to the Timken Company for their help on the National Day of Caring. The Timken company donated paint for the park and had some of their employees come down and paint the play ground equipment. The sixth grade students at McGregor also helped paint. These kids were great! Thank you, Aaron, for your patience and kindness! **Thank you, Timken Company!**

SWING appreciates all the volunteers who come and faithfully help us with our projects. We can't forget The Stark Community Foundation, Chase Bank, The Repository, the City of Canton, and the Timken Company.

Let's look back at all of SWING's accomplishments in 2010: block party, cleanups, and a great Christ-

mas party where all of the children who attended enjoyed refreshments and received a gift and a goodie bag. We were glad to get feedback on the surveys we handed out to attending adults.

Our block party was a great success. The inflatables were a big hit as always. Each child received school supplies. Thank you to John Ferraro's office for supplying rulers, to Betsy from the Timken Company who provided t-shirts and bags with the Timken logo for door prizes, and to James Knight for all that he did to keep us safe.

We are looking forward to the new year and to seeing all of you at the May 28 cleanup!

—Corrine Walser, Chairman



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: Patty Creswell
Secretary: Tina Lockett

Executive Board

Victor Johnson
 Mark Anthony



DATES TO REMEMBER

Mothers Day May 8
 Memorial Day May 30
 Fathers Day June 19
 Independence Day July 4
 Labor Day September 5

COUNCIL CORNER



Spring is approaching and many of us will be doing spring cleanup. Obviously, the more we can spruce up around our house and our neighborhood, the better. It improves the curb appeal of not only our own homes, but our neighborhoods as

well. May—just maybe—others will see the work being done and decide to spruce up a bit also. With any luck, it will become epidemic.

As you clean up and throw things out for the trash, remember that our Sanitation Department will not take tires. Please do not leave your tires out to collect rain water. That will quickly become a health hazard. Please don't toss your tires elsewhere hoping that someone else will deal with them.



THE CITY OFFERS HELP! You may take your

tires to the recycling center. They take only tires off the rims from passenger cars and light trucks. The Canton Recycling Center is located at 742 Schroyer Avenue SW and is open Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00p.m.

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

Did you know that you can read the minutes of Canton City Council meetings online? Go to <http://www.cantonohio.gov/council/?pg=minutes> and select the date of interest to you.

You can listen to recordings of previous council meetings at <http://citycouncil.ci.canton.oh.us/>.



HAVE A GREAT DAY!

You may say, “What do you mean. . . *Hope*? Haven’t you looked around? Haven’t you been paying attention to the economy? Have you noticed how many people are out of work or taking wage cutbacks?”

I hear what you are saying, but consider this. If you and I choose to be people of hope, we can be the ones that make things better. . . people of H.O.P.E (Help Other People Excel).

Helping other people means taking our eyes off our own issues

and making an investment in other people. So often in time like these, individuals are tempted to withdraw and do less for others because of the fear of not having enough.

Fear says “*Hoard*” rather than “*Share*.” No person or single family is an island. We all are in this neighborhood together. We reap what we sow. If we share with others, they will share with us. If we make an effort to help others, they will be quicker to help us in our time of need. The

word EXCEL MEANS to distinguish oneself. DISTINGUISH means “to mark as different.”

As those of us who live, work, and worship in the SWING region of Canton move through 2011, let us make a decision to be distinguished as a different kind of neighborhood, one where neighbors EXCEL in helping one another. This kind of attitude will surely make 2011 a better year for all!

—Pastor Mark Anthony

Living Hope Christian Fellowship

1620 Clark Ave SW

SWING THANKS PASTOR MARK ANTHONY AND THE LIVING HOPE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP FOR ALL THEY DO FOR US!





1644 Clark Ave. S.W.
Canton, Ohio 44706

VISIT OUR WEB SITE!
WWW.SWING.CANTONNEIGHBORHOODS.COM

INSIDE:
*News about what's going on in **your** community*

SWING BULLETIN BOARD

The SWING Block Party



will be held August 9

SWING meets monthly on the 3rd
Wednesday at 5:00 at Living Hope Chris-
tian Fellowship at 1620 Clark Ave SW. No
January or February Meetings

Contribute to your newsletter! Have you had a great time at the block parties? the clean-ups? the Christmas parties? Give recognition, voice your opinion, 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 swing@cantonneighborhoods.com. Contributions may also be mailed to SWING at 1644 Clark Ave SW, Canton, OH 44706.

SWING
Spotlight
Is on Neighborhood
Cleanup!
Mark your calendars!
Saturday, May 28 from
10 'til noon!