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## CANTON TOWNSHIP FIRE DEPARTMENT

# SAFETY DAY

**Saturday, October 14th**  
**1:00 PM - 4:00 PM**

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## CANTON TOWNSHIP ZONING DEPARTMENT

### Transient Vendor Do Not Knock Registry Application

**NO SOLICITORS**  
**CANVASSERS OR PEDDLERS**  
**INVITED**



**ADDRESS REGISTERED**  
**DO NOT KNOCK REGISTRY**

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### TOWNSHIP MEETINGS

All regular meetings will be on the first and third Tuesdays of each month at 6:00 pm at the Township Office, unless noted otherwise.

# ADMINISTRATION NEWS

## Community Center News

### Welcome Lisa McCoy!

Early next year the Community Center café, kitchen and hallways will undergo a significant remodel (dedicating some of our American Rescue Plan funding). The renovations will present more useful and more attractive spaces for our residents' use. Setting a goal of developing more programming and rental opportunities creates a need for dedicating a part-time position to the Community Center. We are pleased to announce that Lisa McCoy has been hired for the newly created position of part-time Community Center Coordinator/Administrative Assistant. Lisa is now handling all Community Center reservations and

programming. We look forward to Lisa leading our mission of developing the Community Center into a more attractive and highly used community asset.

### Thank you, Jill Miller!

We would like to thank Jill Miller for her years of dedication as our volunteer Community Center Coordinator. Jill conceived of and developed the JoyFULL life programs, consisting of Bingo, 3-Cs and various other successful events.

Canton Township Community Center  
210 38th St SE  
(former Amos McDannel school)  
Reservations 330-806-6039

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# ADMINISTRATION NEWS

## Q & A with your Fiscal Office

**Q: How does the State of Ohio monitor township finances in order to assure proper accounting integrity?**

A: The State of Ohio requires each township to undergo a very thorough audit every two years. In many cases, a private accounting firm is contracted to conduct this audit. Typically, the firm's accountants are on premise for about two weeks reviewing payroll, expense checks, bank accounts, records management, hiring practices etc. The firm then prepares and submits a report to the State of Ohio Auditor's office for a thorough review.

**What does Canton Township require in order to bring on a newly hired employee?**

A: All newly hired employees must submit to a drug test and a criminal background check. Further, there are departmental requirements as well; for instance our road department employees must have a CDL. Fire department employees have requirements specific to the various positions or roles.

**Q: Does Canton Township provide our township businesses, individuals or organizations with advertising or sponsorship opportunities?**

A: Yes, we now accept advertising in our newsletter. Please contact our office if you would like more information on this exciting new opportunity. We also offer sponsorship opportunities for Community Day, which has become a very successful, well attended annual event.

**Q: Does Canton Township purchase property casualty and liability insurance from multiple agencies?**

A: Our township is part of OTARMA (Ohio Township Association Risk Management Authority). OTARMA is a self-insurance pool endorsed by the Ohio Township Association (OTA). The Pool was originally formed in 1987 for the primary purpose of providing townships throughout the State of Ohio with an alternative to traditional property and casualty insurance. The OTARMA Program is designed to provide Ohio Townships with the coverages necessary to properly protect their assets. .

**John Ring**  
Fiscal Officer  
**Teresa Anslover**  
Assistant Fiscal Officer



**Sunday, October 29th**  
**3pm-5pm**




**EMERGENCY ALERT PROGRAM**

Get alerted about emergencies and other important community news by signing up for our Emergency Alert Program. This system enables us to provide you with critical information quickly in a variety of situations, such as severe weather, unexpected road closures, missing persons and evacuations of buildings or neighborhoods.

You will receive time-sensitive messages wherever you specify, such as your home, mobile or business phones, email address, text messages and more. You pick where, you pick how.

**This service was made possible through a grant from our friends at Marathon.**

**Two ways to join:**

1. Download the Everbridge app from your play store, search Canton Township OH, and complete your registration, or
2. Click on the Everbridge link located on our website homepage at [www.cantontwp-oh.gov](http://www.cantontwp-oh.gov)

# ADMINISTRATION NEWS

## THANK YOU to our 2023 Community Day Sponsors

### Grand Patron Sponsors \$1,000



Your Elected Officials  
Mark Shaffer, Trustee  
Christopher Nichols, Trustee  
Keith Hochadel, Trustee  
John Ring, Fiscal Officer  
Personal funds utilized. No taxpayer dollars used.



## Lehmiller Trucking

### Super Patron Sponsors \$750



# ADMINISTRATION NEWS

## Supporting Patrons \$500



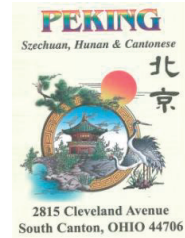
**ADELMAN'S**



**Milhoan Asphalt Maintenance Inc.**  
Paving, Sealcoating, Stripping, and Asphalt Repairs



## General Patrons \$250



Gregory & Deborah Bigelow    Vince Russo Concrete LLC    Dr. Dale & Patience Rush

Chuck & Vera Shaffer    Dean & Penny Bednarz    Meyers Lake Plaza    Bill & Pam Wright

## Miscellaneous Donations

Canton South Dental	Vicki & Noah Mittas	Dan & Judy Gill	Susie & Randy Hein
Chris & Christine Scarpino	Summit Insurance Agency	Tim & Sharon Ewing	The Bug Gurus LLC
Chris & Tamra Neisel	Craig & Cherie Kendrick	Jim & Nancy Abbott	Dick Fritz Tire & Brake



# ADMINISTRATION NEWS

Stark County Prosecutor's Office in Collaboration  
with the Stark County Sheriff's Office

## CANTON TOWNSHIP CRIME WATCH MEETING



**CRIME PREVENTION IS EVERYONE'S BUSINESS!**

You can help to reduce crime by being the "eyes & ears" of your neighborhood. Residents of the Canton Township community are invited to join in on a conversation with local law enforcement on

**WEDNESDAY • OCT. 11TH, 2023  
6:30PM**



**Canton Township Community Center  
210 38th Street SE  
Canton, OH 44707**

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT

**JIM KNIGHT AT JKNIGHT@STARKCOUNTYOHIO.GOV**

### Veterans Wish Tag Tree Program

Canton Township is proud to partner again this year with the Veterans Service Commission of Stark County to offer our location for a Wish Tag Tree. The tree is located in the front entrance of the Community Center, and we welcome residents to stop by and select a tag.

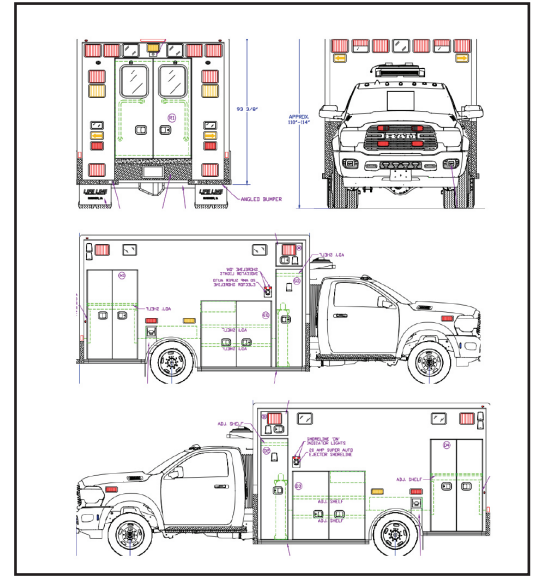


## Fire Department Orders New Ambulances

As a result of the community support of our levy increase request in May, the fire department was able to place an order for two new ambulances. These units are the first two in the process to replace our 22-year-old units.

The units will be built by Lifeline Emergency Vehicles at a cost of \$302,000 each. Although we have ordered these new units now, we

don't expect delivery until late 2025 due to a chassis shortage. In the meantime, we will continue to keep our current units in top condition and ready to respond to emergencies.

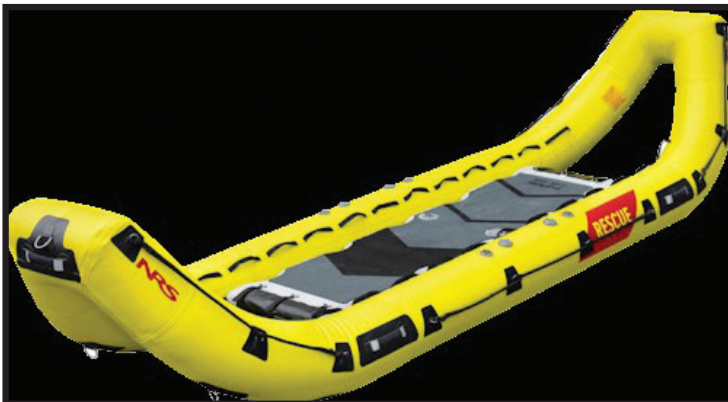


## Marathon Petroleum Grant Provides Funding for New Rescue Boats and Equipment

The department recently took delivery of a new INMAR Rescue Boat with 30 HP TOHATSU motor. The pictured boat replaces a decades-old similar used boat that we acquired from the military. The old boat had far exceeded its life expectancy.

This new boat, motor, and related equipment was purchased using a First Responder Grant awarded to us by Marathon Petroleum. The

grant also covered the purchase of an inflatable rescue raft as well as rescue suits and other related equipment.



## Fire Prevention Community Outreach

Our Fire Prevention & Safety Team is very active in our community doing fire safety inspections on businesses, foster care homes, daycare facilities, as well as doing residential safety inspections and smoke detector installations. The team is also active with community events and going to the schools and businesses for talks and demonstrations. So far, in 2023, the following community focused events have been accomplished.

- 30 Safe Home inspections. Contact our office for more information on Safe Home Program. This is an effective program for insuring our elderly residents re safe in their homes.
- 47 smoke alarms were installed.
- 1 smoke alarm canvas. 35 homes were reached in the area of a fatal fire so assess their smoke detector situation and detectors were installed if necessary.
- 4 foster home inspections
- 3 “Touch a Truck” public events
- 3 school events
- 4 car seats installed in conjunction with the Stark County Safe Kids Program

### Autumn HOME CHECKLIST



- 1. WINDOWS & DOORS:**  
 The only good draft in your house this fall is the one that kicks off fantasy football season! Seal leaky windows and doors with spray foam, caulk or weather stripping.
- 2. ROOF:**  
 At least once or twice a year, check your roof or hire a professional to do so, especially after extreme weather events.
- 3. GUTTERS:**  
 Preventing gutter overflow is important; just make sure you always practice ladder safety when cleaning out fall leaves (or hire a professional).
- 4. SMOKE DETECTOR:**  
 Clocks aren't the only wall hangings worth adjusting during daylight savings time. Make sure you check your smoke and carbon monoxide detectors and replace their batteries as needed.
- 5. ENERGY:**  
 When temperatures fall, consider investing in a programmable thermostat to save energy and money while staying warm.

### Gobble Up Safety!

Let your Thanksgiving Day be full of thanks...not fires!

Each year, there are about 1,800 cooking fires on Thanksgiving Day. Before you fire things up in the kitchen, follow these safety tips:

- Have working smoke alarms
- Never leave food on the stove or in the oven unattended
- Turn pan handles towards the back of the stove
- Don't wear loose clothes and long sleeves that can catch fire



This holiday season, fried turkeys will be on dinner tables. Frying your bird can be dangerous! A turkey fryer can go from start to fire in less than a minute.

If you use a turkey fryer this holiday season, follow these safety tips:

- Fry turkeys outside and away from your home.
- NEVER OVERFILL the oil or put a frozen turkey in the fryer.
- And always keep an eye on your bird.

Logos: NSN (Neighborhood Network), USCPSC (United States Coast Guard Auxiliary), and social media icons for Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, and YouTube.

Find more safety tips at [cpsc.gov](http://cpsc.gov)



CANTON TOWNSHIP FIRE DEPARTMENT

# SAFETY DAY

## Saturday, October 14th

1:00 PM - 4:00 PM • Station No 1  
210 - 38th St. SE • Canton, OH 44707

Enjoy Fire Safety Information, Entertainment & Food  
Canton Twp. Community

- Station Open House
- Demonstrations
- Health Representatives
- Community Displays
- Safe Home Info
- Bicycle Course and Free Helmets
- Children's Activities
- Bounce Houses



## A look at the upcoming winter season

**Snow and Ice-** Winter maintenance operations are the Public Works Department's premier service. Each winter season, our team of maintenance professionals are ready 24/7 to combat any winter conditions Mother Nature brings to Canton Township.

Winter weather response is managed inhouse by our Public Works Director and Assistant. They take steps to adequately plan and prepare for the approaching winter season. Our plan includes equipment readiness, truck routing, call-out procedures, supplemental seasonal drivers if needed, training, and material inventory control.

**Winter Maintenance Responsibility-** Canton Township maintains 190 lane miles of road in the Township and 2 lane miles for the Village of Meyers Lake. Canton Township does not plow or treat any state, federal, and county roads within our jurisdiction, or private driveways.

**Materials-** Canton Township only uses standard rock salt. We do not use any additional wetting agents currently like brine or calcium chloride. The public works department is going into winter with approximately 1,100 tons of rock salt in our storage facility valued at \$74,000. We also have a reserved order with our salt distributor for an additional 2,200 tons valued at \$149,072.

**Vehicles-** Our Township Mechanic started his winter prep in August when the temperatures were in the 90s. He starts by servicing the plow vehicle fleet by doing his routine maintenance, oil changes, tire inspections, brake inspections, etc. Then he must repair anything that is not up to par and replace anything that looks like it will be an issue during the winter months when we rely on these vehicles the most. He also services the respective salt spreader and plow while that vehicle is in the shop and performs the dry run to find any potential issues.



- **Distance** give snowplows room to work! The plows are wide and can cross the centerline or shoulder. Do not tailgate and try not to pass. If you must pass, use extreme caution and beware of the snow cloud.
- **Speed** – snowplows travel below the posted speed limit – be patient.
- **Vision** – a snowplow operator's field of vision is restricted. You may see them, but they do not always see you. Keep your lights on and a safe distance – snowplows make sudden stops and turns.

Remember that the plow drivers are out there to make the streets safer for everyone. This is a very stressful job. They are always watching traffic, controlling the salt spreader, managing the snowplow, watching for obstructions ahead, and looking in their mirrors for what may be behind them. Give them some respect and room to work so everyone can return home safely.

## Basketball Hoops:

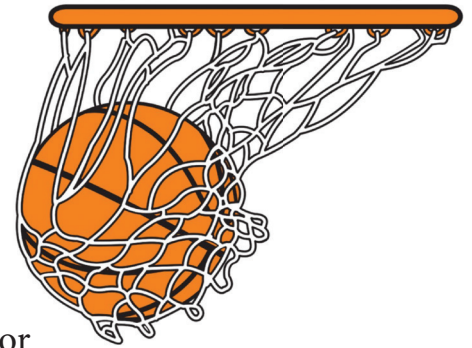
Portable or permanent basketball hoops are very popular throughout Canton Township. Please remember that no basketball hoops are permitted to be placed in the road right-of-way. Canton Township asks that these hoops be moved. With winter approaching, all basketball hoops that are in the right of way will be moved one time by the Public Works Department and tagged. If the hoop returns to the right-of-way, then it will be removed from the property by the Township.

### Section 5571.14 | Object bounding township road may be declared public nuisance.

A board of township trustees or township highway superintendent may determine that an object bounding any township road and located wholly or in part on the land belonging to the road interferes with snow or ice removal from, the maintenance of, or the proper grading, draining, or dragging of the road, causes the drifting of snow on the road, or in any other manner obstructs or endangers the public travel of the road. The board or superintendent then

may declare the object to be a public nuisance and order the owner, agent, or occupant of the land on or bordering upon which the object is maintained to remove it within thirty days. If that person refuses or neglects to comply with the order, the board or superintendent shall have the object removed. The expense incurred in that removal shall be certified to the county auditor and entered on the tax duplicate against that land, to be collected in the same manner as other taxes.

Objects that may be declared to be a public nuisance under this section include a fence, post, pole, athletic or recreational apparatus, rock, or berm, any vegetation, or any other object identified by the board or superintendent as interfering with or obstructing the township road under division (A) of this section.



Live Christmas trees can be recycled at the Public Works Garage starting the day after Christmas. Please remove all lights, ornaments, garland, and tinsel. The drop area will be by the Household recycling area at the rear of the parking lot.

**Only Christmas trees will be accepted, no yard waste.**

## Where did we spend your Road Levy Dollars this year?

The 2022 and the 2023 paving projects were both completed by June this year. Both projects were completed by Northstar Inc. Due to material prices being high and the hopes that they would come down; the 2022 project contract was granted an extension by the Township to be completed by June of 2023. The 2023 project was in conjunction with the City of Canton



Waterline Extension. Funding for this phase of the water project included the paving of one half of every street in the project area by the Water Department. The Township therefore needed to pay for the other half of each street. With this savings we were able to pave more streets and match what the water department was doing. The two projects were as follows:

### List of Streets for the 2022 Asphalt Paving Program:

Deville St NW	15 <sup>th</sup> St NW	16 <sup>th</sup> St NW	Sally Anne Ave NW	33 <sup>rd</sup> St SW
Maplewood Ave	Berrywood Ave SW	Sierra Ave SW	Woodington Ave SW	
Somerset St SW	Ironwood St SW	Groveswood Cir SW	Peerless Cir SW	
Fairknoll Ave SE	Bywood St SE	Ashway Ave SE	Atwood Ave SE	

*2022 total project cost was \$628,488.00 and covered 2.9 miles of streets*

### List of Streets for the 2023 Asphalt Paving Program:

40 <sup>th</sup> St SE	35 <sup>th</sup> St SE	Ironwood St SE	38 <sup>th</sup> St SW	Diane Ave SW
39 <sup>th</sup> St SE	34 <sup>th</sup> St SE	Hollybrook Ave SE	39 <sup>th</sup> St SW	Maplewood Ave SW
Figueroa St SE	33 <sup>rd</sup> St SE	32 <sup>nd</sup> St SW	40 <sup>th</sup> St SW	Forestdale Ave SW
Shaheen Ave SW	George St SW	Dave Ave SW	Ira Circle SW	Springvale Ave SW
Carnwise St SE	32 <sup>nd</sup> St SE	37 <sup>th</sup> St SW	Highview Ave SW	Malhaven St SW

*2023 total project cost was \$502,937.63 and covered 6.7 miles of streets*

**Remember that the City water project picked up half of the cost of the 6.7 miles that were paved in 2023 that would have cost the Township well over 1 million dollars to complete over several years.**

Some other areas where money has already been spent this year were outside of our 2023 paving program. A couple of these large area patches have been completed already and some

are scheduled to be completed this fall. They include Martin Dr SE, Fohl St SW, Leander St NE, and Keiffer Ave SW. These are handled by a separate outside contractor.



# Storm Water MANAGEMENT

**What you can do at home.**

*Anything that enters a storm sewer system is discharged untreated into the waterbodies we use for swimming, fishing and providing drinking water. Polluted storm water runoff is a threat to clean water.*



Roofs, parking lots, streets and lawns prevent storm water from soaking into the ground. As storm water flows over these areas, it can dissolve, pick up and transport things such as automotive waste, lawn chemicals, paints and eroded soil.



When these pollutants make their way into streams and rivers, they can destroy fish, wildlife and aquatic life habitats; lessen aesthetic value; and threaten public health.

## WHAT TO DO

- Keep chemicals, yard waste and other material out of storm drains.
- Choose native plants which don't require a lot of water and are resistant to insects and disease.
- Use a rain barrel or plant a rain garden.
- Control soil erosion - plant ground cover and stabilize erosion-prone areas.
- Control insects naturally - Provide habitat for birds, bats and toads and introduce praying mantises, lacewings, ladybugs and other pest-eaters to your garden.
- Use a commercial car wash or wash your car on a grassy area so the ground can filter the water.
- Check your car and other machinery for leaks and spills. Make repairs as soon as possible.

## WHAT NOT TO DO

- Over water – use trickle irrigation or soaker hoses instead of sprinklers.
- Over apply – follow pesticide and fertilizer directions carefully for the best results.
- Over buy – only purchase what you need and follow the directions for proper storage and disposal.
- Never allow roof gutters to drain directly to the street or storm sewer.
- Mow too low – set the mower blades to cut the grass two or three inches high. Mow often and leave the clippings to retain moisture and provide nutrients to the soil.
- Never put used oil and other fluids down the storm drain. Recycle oil and fluids at a service or recycling center.
- Never rinse oil or chemical spills into the storm drain. Clean up spilled fluids with an absorbent material like kitty litter or sand.

[epa.ohio.gov/pic](http://epa.ohio.gov/pic)

## A New Beginning

A business located at 3941 Navarre Road SW had long been subject to law enforcement attention, zoning attention, concerns from residents, as well as scrutiny and legal action through various State agencies. Following revocation of a liquor license, the building and land was subsequently sold to a private buyer and recently razed without utilizing township funds.



## Cleaning up Canton Township



On August 14, 2023, the Canton Township Zoning Department contracted with Central Ohio Recovery to clean up the property located at 2901-24th St SE. Ten vehicles and four 30-yard dumpsters full of trash and debris were removed from the property.

**NO SOLICITORS  
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INVITED**

ADDRESS REGISTERED

**DO NOT KNOCK REGISTRY**



We now have a Transient Vendor Do Not Knock Registry available to township residents who wish to participate. You must apply in person at the township administration office and bring a photo ID and verification you live at the address.

**FILL OUT FORM AND BRING WITH YOU** →



# CANTON TOWNSHIP ZONING DEPARTMENT

## Transient Vendor Do Not Knock Registry Application

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Name of the person completing the form)

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_  
(The complete address of the residence, house, apartment or other dwelling)

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_  
(The date the form was completed)

STATEMENT: (Provide a written statement that No Transient Vendor shall knock, ring the doorbell or otherwise call at this address, or words of similar import)

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Information that verifies the identity of the person completing the form, i.e. A valid photo I.D. (Attach to form)

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Verification that you are the lawful possessor and occupant at the above address. (Attach to form)

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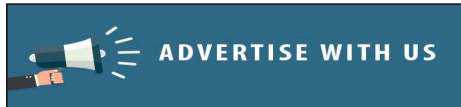
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## CANTON TOWNSHIP NEWSLETTER ADVERTISING POLICY

The township newsletter is published four times a year with circulation of approximately 6,200 Canton Township homes and businesses.

Fee Structure			
1 Issue Commitment <i>price per issue</i>		4 Issue Commitment <i>price per issue (10% Discount)</i>	
Business Card Size	\$75.00	\$68.00	\$ 272.00 \$28 Savings
One fourth (1/4) page	\$125.00	\$113.00	\$ 452.00 \$48 Savings
One half (1/2) page	\$250.00	\$225.00	\$ 900.00 \$100 Savings
Full page	\$500.00	\$450.00	\$ 1,800.00 \$200 Savings

The Canton Township Board of Trustees reserves the right to reject any advertisement for publication. Only retail ads will be accepted.

Please contact Teresa Anslover at 330-484-2501 for more information or visit our website: [www.cantontwp-oh.gov](http://www.cantontwp-oh.gov) to download an application.

## CANTON TOWNSHIP

# CANTON LOCAL SCHOOLS



## CANTON LOCAL SCHOOLS

PRESENTS

# UPCOMING EVENTS



Harlem  
Wizards  
VS



## Canton South Wildcats

Canton South Red Ash Gym  
Thursday, October 26 • 7 - 9pm

We are thrilled that the electrifying Harlem Wizards are set to dash with our Canton Local Staff in an exhilarating basketball showdown!



Online tickets only available at  
[pretix.eu/harlemwizards/cantonoh10-26-23-07-00pm](http://pretix.eu/harlemwizards/cantonoh10-26-23-07-00pm)



Cast and crew includes students from grades 3-12 and, for the first time, an alumni and community choir!

**Friday, November 10 • 7pm**  
**Saturday, November 11 • 2pm & 7pm**  
**Sunday, November 12 at 2 pm**



Tickets are reserved seats only and cost \$10. The remaining tickets will be available at the door one hour before each show. Purchase tickets at [payschoolsevents.com/events/details/28692](http://payschoolsevents.com/events/details/28692)

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