

# Canton, Ohio, since 2015



**TREE CITY USA**

## 2017 Growth Award Recipient



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### City of Canton Tree Commission

The Canton Tree Commission was formed in 2013 by city ordinance (Chapter 917); it is comprised of 5 members appointed by the Mayor and approved by City Council, as well as representatives from several City departments and one local utility company.

The Tree Commission assists the City in developing a comprehensive plan for the planting, maintenance, removal, and replacement of the City's trees. The Tree Commission meets the first Tuesday each month January through June then bimonthly September - November at 6pm at the Canton City Engineer's Office. Meetings are open to the public and all are welcome.



**Canton Tree  
Commission**

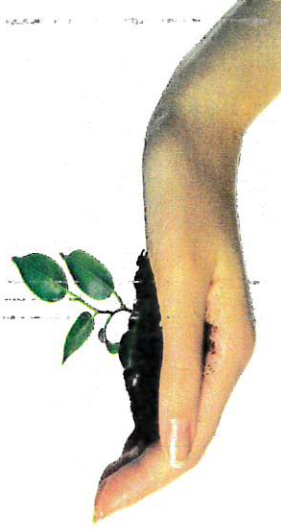
2436—30th Street NE,  
Canton, Ohio 44705

## Canton's Fifth Annual

# Arbor Day Celebration

Friday April 27, 2018

Canton Garden Center in Stadium Park  
1615 Stadium Park Dr. NW, Canton 44718  
11:00am—2:00pm



Presented By  
Canton City

Canton Tree Commission  
Canton Parks & Recreation



## PROGRAM AGENDA

### **11:00 am**

Welcome – Tree Commission Chairperson, Maureen Austin

Arbor Day Proclamation – Mayor, Thomas M. Bernabei

### **11:20 am**

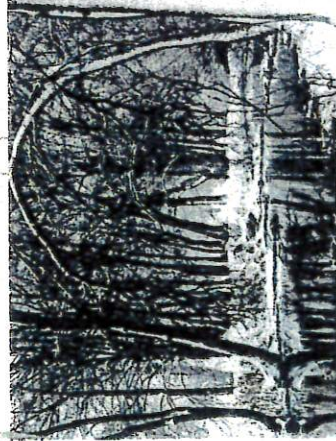
Dedication of Arbor Day tree (donated by Rice's Nursery) - Mayor Thomas M. Bernabei, Dan Moeglin (City Engineer), Doug Foltz (Park Director), Richard Drake (City Arborist)

### **11:30 am to 1:30 pm**

Music by Michael George, a local musician who creates an atmosphere of love, peace and sunshine wherever he plays. Michael will be performing his own music as well as cover material.

### **11:30 am to 2:00 pm**

Activities which include: crafts, a movie (The Queen of Trees), refreshments, seedling give-away, and Photo Contest voting.



"Monument Park Arch" by Margie Blake  
2017 Arbor Day Photo Contest Winner

## INTRODUCTION

### Arbor Day

Welcome to the City of Canton's fifth annual Arbor Day celebration! Arbor Day is celebrated in communities and countries all over the world as a day to celebrate, plant, and care for trees. Our national Arbor Day is designated as the last Friday in April; however many states celebrate Arbor Day on different dates according to the best tree-planting times of the year. The first Arbor Day in America was promoted by J. Sterling Morton and celebrated in April 1872 when an estimated one million trees were planted in the state of Nebraska. One hundred years later, the Arbor Day Foundation ([www.arborday.org](http://www.arborday.org)) was founded to celebrate the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of that first Arbor Day. This organization encourages people to plant, celebrate, and nurture trees, and sponsors the Tree City USA program.

### **2017 Arbor Day Tree Dedication**



Pictured left to right: Dick Drake, City Arborist; Lola Lewis, Regional Urban Forester; Maureen Austin, Tree Commission Chairperson; Thomas M. Bernabei, Mayor; Derek Gordon, Former City Park Director

## ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

### Canton Tree Commission

- Maureen Austin, Chairperson
- John Stone, Vice Chairperson
- Lois Ellis, Secretary
- Patricia Kirk, Member
- Remel Moore, Member
- John Highman, Service Director, Exofficio Member
- Doug Foltz, Park Director, Exofficio Member
- Dan Moeglin, City Engineer, Exofficio Member
- Steve Wingerd, AEP Urban Forester, Exofficio Member
- Lola Lewis, ODNR Urban Forester, Technical Advisor
- Richard Drake, City Arborist, Technical Advisor

### Arbor Day Exhibitors

- Ohio Department Of Natural Resources
- Ohio Chapter of International Society Arboriculture
- Canton City (Mayor, Parks & Recreation, Engineering)

### Arbor Day Contributors

- Bill Smuckler
- Dick Drake

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