

ISSUES & PROGRAMS (Q2 – 2021)

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ISSUE ONE:

Plymouth-Canton Community Schools News

4/7/21 Newsfile @ 5:30 5:30pm 1:14
P-CEP choirs plan trip to South Korea

4/7/21 Community Focus 5:45pm 15:31
P-CCS families are being asked to choose between Virtual and In-person school options for the 2021-22 school year during the week of April 12-17. The school district is hosting a Virtual Academy Information Night on Wednesday April 7, at 7:00 p.m. on the official P-CCS Youtube page. The meeting will be archived on the Youtube page following the meeting. 88.1 the Park's, Sumedha Sethi, spoke with the Executive Director of Communications and Marketing for P-CCS, Nick Brandon, about the Virtual Academy and the information night.

4/13/21 Newsfile @ 5:30 5:30pm 1:15
P-CEP to hold annual Senior Graduation Vendor Fair

4/21/21 Newsfile @ 5:30 5:30pm 1:19
P-CCS releases Equity and Inclusion survey for community input

4/21/21 Community Focus 5:45pm 13:09
The Plymouth-Canton Community Schools is surveying stakeholders for an Equity and Inclusion study in cooperation with Hanover Research. The study will look at the district's continuing efforts to provide equitable opportunities and a welcoming environment to students, parents, and staff from diverse backgrounds. 88.1 the Park's Public Affairs Director, Kyla Schilling, discussed the plans for the survey with the Executive Director of Communications and Marketing, Nick Brandon.

4/22/21	Newsfile @ 5:30	5:30pm	1:13
Annual SJ5K Charity run-walk to benefit local families in need ready for virtual kickoff			
4/22/21	Newsfile @ 5:30	5:30pm	1:14
East Librarian Kathy Lester elected future president of American Association of School Librarians			
4/28/21	Newsfile @ 5:30	5:30pm	1:21
Educational Excellence Foundation launches "Thank a Teacher" fundraising drive			
4/28/21	Community Focus	5:45pm	15:02
The Plymouth-Canton Educational Park Eco Club has been active in educating students about the environment, while making a difference in the community and on the P-CEP Campus. 88.1 the Park's Daniel Schoenherr spoke with Eco Club Board Members, Alicia Qin, Jamie Zhou, and Jaspreet Kaur, about the group.			
4/30/21	Newsfile @ 5:30	5:30pm	1:13
Annual Birdies for Bird golf outing to be held at Fox Classic golf course			
5/3/21	Newsfile @ 5:30	5:30pm	1:10
EEF launches Thank a Teacher Salute a staff recognition program			
5/4/21	Newsfile @ 5:30	5:30pm	1:21
P-CEP Lightning Robotics qualifies for national finals in remote robot driving competition			
5/4/21	Moments with Merritt	5:45pm	13:03
Voters in the Plymouth-Canton Community passed a 275-million dollar bond proposal in March of 2020. The proposal included improvements addressing equity of facilities, enhancements to safety and security throughout the school district, furniture and playground upgrades, school bus purchases, and infrastructure and technology needs at most facilities. Two of the keys for the bond proposal were equity and safety. Superintendent of Schools, Monica Merritt invited Chief Finance and Operations Officer, Debbie Piesz, and Director of Operations, Tim Gruszczynski, to discuss the progress on the upgrades.			
5/5/21	Newsfile @ 5:30	5:30pm	1:18
Bird Elementary prepares for annual fundraising golf outing			
5/5/21	Community Focus	5:45pm	9:25
COVID-19 has brought many challenges for students and teachers this school year. 88.1 the Park's, Elise Taylor, spoke with Salem French Teacher, Kathy Rokakis, about teaching and learning during a pandemic.			
5/11/21	Newsfile @ 5:30	5:30pm	1:15
P-CCS offers COVID-19 vaccination clinic for district students and families			

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5/12/21 Community Focus 5:45pm 20:42

88.1 the Park will host it's 32nd Auction on Saturday May 15, from 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. The annual auction is broadcast live on the station and listeners can bid on items donated by businesses throughout the community. Proceeds benefit the student radio program for the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools. 88.1 the Park's Avneet Pandher spoke with Assistant Station Manager, John Kreger, to learn more about the station's biggest fundraiser.

5/17/21 Newsfile @ 5:30 5:30pm 1:13

Longtime P-CCS orchestra teacher Cathy DePentu announces retirement

5/19/21 Newsfile @ 5:30 5:30pm 1:09

Plymouth HS teacher Scott Milam named Michigan nominee in national science teacher contest

5/19/21 Community Focus 5:45pm 15:46

Diana Woodward leads the award winning culinary program at Plymouth-Canton Educational Park. The program is one of the top 50 high school culinary training programs in the country, and includes the Rock Cafe at Salem High School. The program continues to thrive, even during a challenging year that included the COVID-19 pandemic. 88.1 the Park's Sumedha Sethi, spoke with Woodward about the program and what led her to return as a teacher.

5/24/21 Newsfile @ 5:30 5:30pm 1:11

P-CCS hires new Nurse Manager

5/26/21 Newsfile @ 5:30 5:30pm 1:15

P-CCS hires ABM as district's new custodial services partner

6/2/21 Community Focus 5:45pm 11:53

The Plymouth-Canton Community Schools have hired Patrice Williams to fill the position of Nurse Manager/School Health Specialist. 88.1 the Park host, Shravya Ghantasala, talked with Williams about her new role and her years serving the district as a nurse.

6/9/21 Community Focus 5:45pm 11:55

Plymouth-Canton Educational Park and Starkweather seniors graduate this week, following a year filled with many challenges. 88.1 the Park's News Director, Daniel Schoenherr, spoke with Plymouth-Canton Community Schools Director of High Schools, Hal Heard, about the graduation and end of year festivities.

6/30/21 Community Focus 5:45pm 8:11

Plymouth-Canton Educational Park's student group Warriors for a Healthy Mind has been active spreading awareness about mental health at P-CEP and in the community. 88.1 the Park's Avneet Pandher, spoke with the Coordinator for Warriors for a Healthy Mind, Amelia Orlowski.

ISSUE TWO:

Public Safety and Municipal News in Plymouth, Canton and the surrounding communities

4/9/21 Newsfile @ 5:30 5:30pm 1:12

Canton Township launches photo contest to highlight community art and businesses

4/9/21 Newsfile @ 5:30 5:30pm 1:16

Plymouth Downtown Development Authority to host open air market

4/19/21 Newsfile @ 5:30 5:30pm 1:18

Canton Township debuts education campaign to teach residents the right way to recycle

4/23/21 Newsfile @ 5:30 5:30pm 1:14

Wayne County Health Department expands COVID-19 vaccine availability

4/29/21 Newsfile @ 5:30 5:30pm 1:21

Canton Police Department launches Citizen Advisory Committee to increase transparency

5/3/21 Newsfile @ 5:30 5:30pm 1:10

New App aims to track and eliminate train delays at Plymouth railroad crossings

5/10/21 Newsfile @ 5:30 5:30pm 1:18

Local vendors return to Canton Farmers Market

5/11/21 Newsfile @ 5:30 5:30pm 1:15

Canton Township to hold socially-distanced mom-to-mom sale

5/12/21 Newsfile @ 5:30 5:30pm 1:19

Canton Township holds Bark in the Park event for area pets

5/12/21 Newsfile @ 5:30 5:30pm 1:16

Canton Leisure Services moves popular mother-son dance outdoors during pandemic

5/13/21 Newsfile @ 5:30 5:30pm 1:17
City of Plymouth teams up with Rite Aid to run COVID-19 vaccine clinic

5/14/21 Newsfile @ 5:30 5:30pm 1:20
Canton Township cancels Liberty Fest for second straight year

5/18/21 Newsfile @ 5:30 5:30pm 1:12
Canton Township updates mask wearing policies during COVID-19 pandemic

5/24/21 Plymouth Memorial Day Parade 10:00 am 1:30:00
For the second consecutive year, the century-old Plymouth Memorial Day Parade became a caravan of vehicles through the city streets. The highlight of the parade each year is a solemn ceremony at Plymouth's veterans memorial with a wreath laying, the playing of Taps, and a prayer. 88.1 the Park provided the soundtrack of patriotic music for the caravan, and live coverage of the ceremony

5/26/21 Newsfile @ 5:30 5:30pm 1:14
Canton Fire Department will honor lost soldiers at Memorial day event

6/1/21 Newsfile @ 5:30 5:30pm 1:17
Canton BLOCK program returns to normal operations and celebrates 20 years.

6/2/21 Newsfile @ 5:30 5:30pm 1:15
City of Plymouth promotes longtime employee to assistant city manager

6/3/21 Newsfile @ 5:30 5:30pm 1:19
Plymouth's popular "Music in the Air" concert series returns to Kellogg Park

6/7/21 Newsfile @ 5:30 5:30pm 1:18
Canton Police and Fire looking for answers after fire destroys historic Cady-Boyer barn

6/22/21 Newsfile @ 5:30 5:30pm 1:25
P-CCS family and Canton Community mourn the death of Canton police officer Ed Jagst

6/23/21 Community Focus 5:45pm 21:28
The Canton Police Department is mourning the loss of Officer Ed Jagst. Former students at Plymouth-Canton Educational Park will remember Office Jagst for his years serving as a School Resource Office at P-CEP. 88.1 the Park aired a program called On the Beat in April of 2018. Host Saba Mangla spoke with Office Jagst and fellow SRO's Melissa Andes and Andrew Colthurst. We re-air the interview in memory of Ed Jagst and his service to our community.

6/28/21	Newsfile @ 5:30	5:30pm	1:12
	Canton Township announces lineup of Thursday night outdoor concerts		
6/30/21	Newsfile @ 5:30	5:30pm	1:19
	Canton Public Safety launches online survey to gather community input		

ISSUE THREE:

Arts and Educational Events and News in Plymouth, Canton and surrounding communities

4/6/21	Newsfile @ 5:30	5:30pm	1:16
	University of Michigan quiz bowl teams head for national championships		
4/8/21	Newsfile @ 5:30	5:30pm	1:11
	Northville Art House readies for "Art in Bloom" exhibit		
4/13/21	Newsfile @ 5:30	5:30pm	1:15
	Schoolcraft College Foundation aids local restaurants with connections to the school		
4/14/21	Newsfile @ 5:30	5:30pm	1:21
	Northville Art House to offer in-person summer camps for kids		
4/20/21	Newsfile @ 5:30	5:30pm	1:19
	Village Arts Factory to hold perennial plant sale featuring local gardeners to raise funds		
5/13/21	Newsfile @ 5:30	5:30pm	1:17
	Lawrence Tech University debuts area's first scholarship E-sports team		
5/19/21	Newsfile @ 5:30	5:30pm	1:12
	Eastern Michigan University launches pilot program to teach tech to area seniors		
5/20/21	Newsfile @ 5:30	5:30pm	1:09
	Canton's Village Arts Factory hosts "Art in Bloom" event		
5/26/21	Community Focus	5:45pm	10:25
	<p>Dearborn Music is celebrating their 65th anniversary with big news. The record store is opening a new location in Farmington in June. 88.1 the Park listeners may remember they previously had a location in Canton, which closed in 2008. The record industry has been facing many challenges since the early 2000's but is finally seeing growth because of the resurgence of interest in vinyl. 88.1 the Park's Station Manager, Bill Keith, spoke with one of Dearborn Music's owners Rick LeAnnais about the new store, their celebration of 65 years and the changes he's seen in the record business.</p>		
6/7/21	Newsfile @ 5:30	5:30pm	1:18
	Arts and Acts festival returns to Northville Art House this summer		

6/8/21 Newsfile @ 5:30 5:30pm 1:22
Michigan Philharmonic to return to Kellogg Park with traditional summer patriotic concert

6/29/21 Newsfile @ 5:30 5:30pm 1:16
Canton Partnership for the Arts to hold "Beer and Brats" fundraiser in September

6/29/21 Newsfile @ 5:30 5:30pm 1:17
Art in the Park set to return to downtown Plymouth after year absence

ISSUE FOUR:

Local Non-Profit Organizations' News and Events

4/5/21 Newsfile @ 5:30 5:30pm 1:18
Northville's New Hope Center to hold annual camp for kids dealing with loss

4/8/21 Newsfile @ 5:30 5:30pm 1:12
Calvary Baptist Church continues community Blessing Box to help residents in need.

4/14/21 Newsfile @ 5:30 5:30pm 1:15
Plymouth Canton Literacy Council seeks volunteers to teach local residents English

4/14/21 Community Focus 5:45pm 8:35
The Plymouth-Canton Community Literacy Council is looking for tutors to work with English learners in our community. They are offering conversational English training opportunities in May. 88.1 the Park Station Manager, Bill Keith, spoke with the Executive Director of the Plymouth-Canton Community Literacy Council, Andrea Hug, about their work.

4/16/21 Newsfile @ 5:30 5:30pm 1:12
Calvary Baptist Church continues community Blessing Box donations to help residents in need.

4/16/21 Newsfile @ 5:30 5:30pm 1:17
Canton's Giving Hope Women's Giving Circle announces grants for local businesses

4/27/21 Newsfile @ 5:30 5:30pm 1:14
Miracle League of Plymouth and Northville Historical Society hold Wines of the World fundraiser

4/29/21 Newsfile @ 5:30 5:30pm 1:21
Plymouth-Canton optimist club launches sunnyside photo contest

5/3/21 Chatting With the Chamber 5:45pm 13:13

The Canton Chamber of Commerce will host their annual golf outing on Friday May 21, at Pheasant Run Golf Club in Canton. The outing will include a Golf Ball Drop to raise money for the Educational Excellence Foundation. Chamber President, Thomas Paden, talks with the Executive Director of EEF, Gretchen Ward, about the outing and the foundation's work for the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools.

5/10/21 Newsfile @ 5:30 5:30pm 1:18

Friends of the Rouge to hold cleanup events in Plymouth and Canton

5/21/21 Newsfile @ 5:30 5:30pm 1:11

Living and Learning Center seeks funds to renovate new home

5/25/21 Newsfile @ 5:30 5:30pm 1:16

Friends of the Rouge builds rain garden at PARC

5/28/21 Newsfile @ 5:30 5:30pm 1:14

Yankee Air Museum announces Wings and Wheels event

6/4/21 Newsfile @ 5:30 5:30pm 1:19

Plymouth Community United Way asks for donations for statewide summer food drive

6/8/21 Newsfile @ 5:30 5:30pm 1:16

Friends of the Rouge seeks community volunteers for clean up event in Dearborn

ISSUE FIVE:

News from the Local Libraries

4/7/21 Newsfile @ 5:30 5:30pm 1:14

Canton Library closes due to COVID-19 safety protocols

4/12/21 Newsfile @ 5:30 5:30pm 1:16

Plymouth Library reopens youth floor to patrons

4/21/21 Newsfile @ 5:30 5:30pm 1:19

Friends of the Plymouth Library to hold outdoor used book sale

4/30/21 Newsfile @ 5:30 5:30pm 1:13

Westland Library elects new director

5/20/21	Newsfile @ 5:30	5:30pm	1:10
Plymouth Library launches summer teen reading program.			
5/27/21	Newsfile @ 5:30	5:30pm	1:14
Plymouth Library Director announces Retirement			
6/3/21	Newsfile @ 5:30	5:30pm	1:15
Canton Library Launches 2021 edition of popular "62 days of summer" program			

ISSUE SIX:

Station Community Service during the COVID-19 pandemic

4/13/21	P-CCS Board of Education Meeting	7:00pm	2:00:00
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6/8/21 P-CCS Board of Education Meeting 7:00pm 2:00:00

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6/10/21 COVID-19 Vaccine Town Hall 5:30pm 30:00

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