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The State of the Town

From the Desk of the Town Supervisor Stephen Farkas

I continue to be amazed at the amount of activity in the Town on any given day, at any given time. The Town Hall Complex, is busy from early morning to late in the evening. The Community Center, our Library, Recreation Fields and Town Hall are focal points of a mixture of activities.

The major projects of the Town include Sewer, Water, Planning, Highway, and Recreation. As Lansing grows, so do the demands for services. The level of input, involvement, and anticipation by the residents of the Town, make my job very enjoyable. We welcome suggestions as to where we can improve and also needs of additional services.

Salt Point Under New Management

By Darby Kiley

In January 2006, the Town of Lansing and the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) signed a twenty-five year Cooperative Agreement allowing the Town to maintain and improve the property known as Salt Point. Salt Point is located north of Myers Park, along Salmon Creek and Cayuga Lake. Historically the site of a salt plant, the property was purchased by the State in the 1960's to allow public access for nature resource uses. The Town worked with the DEC to come to an agreement on site management because the Town was concerned about degradation of the unique habitat caused by human impacts.

The Town of Lansing worked with the Cayuga Lake Watershed Intermunicipal Organization (IO) to

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Feel free to contact me by phone (607) 533-8896 or e-mail (supervisor@lansingtown.com) for a time meet at the Town Hall. I would be glad to meet you. For more information about our Town check out our website at www.lansingtown.com

apply for and receive grant funding from the New York State Department of State Division of Coastal Resources. The grant funding is being used for site improvements, including roadways, parking lots, pedestrian trails, and revegetation.

The Town's goals are to restore and preserve the natural features of Salt Point. As one of the few publicly-accessible, natural shoreline areas along Cayuga Lake, the site is unique in its bird-watching and other natural resource opportunities, which have improved significantly since the salt plant was destroyed. However, the open access to the public puts a strain on the natural environment. Attitudes and actions need to change in order for residents and visitors to enjoy Salt Point for what it is - a quiet spot on Salmon Creek and Cayuga Lake.

MUSIC IN THE PARK

Lansing Parks & Recreation Department invites you to bring your dinner, coolers, and lawn chairs and enjoy pleasant Thursday evenings on the lake at Myers Park listening to some great bands.

The schedule will include:

June 28 - 6:30 - The "Ithaca Concert Band"

July 5 - 6:30 - New Orleans All-Star Jazz Band

July 12 - 6:30 - The Ageless Jazz Band

July 19 - 6:30 - Don Barber and the Dukes 60's Rock-N-Roll

July 26 - 6:30 - "Symphonic Steel" Dundee High School's steel drum band

August 2 - 6:00 - The Joe Cavallero Band

August 9 - 6:00 - "Backtalk"

Admission is free but donations will be appreciated!

Parks & Recreation

By Steve Colt

Make your reservation for graduation party pavilions now! We have 7 pavilions in Myers Park along with the pavilion at the ball fields. Pavilions may be reserved now by calling the Parks & Recreation office 533-7388. Prices are \$40 or \$60 based on size and rented by the day.

Make your summer camping reservations now!! We are now taking reservations for campsites; sites may be reserved by calling the Parks & Recreation office 533-7388.



Going to the “Dogs”

By Steve Colt

The Town of Lansing Parks remain to be some of the most dog friendly places in the area hosting many shows and trials as well as being great places to enjoy your pet.

HOWEVER, once again it is time to remind everyone that not only our parks, but also our entire town does have a leash law. In short, the Town’s Local Law #4 of 2005, Section 5 states that all dogs must be on a leash at all times and the leash shall be not longer than 10 feet and also that pets must be cleaned up after. The only place that this does not pertain is on the dog owners private property. Please protect yourself, your pet and respect others by complying with the Town’s Local Law.

The **Summer Recreation Program booklet** is available now. One of the NEW programs offered this year is a Signs of Summer, sign language for students in grades K – 6. There is also a new cooking camp offered. Sign up today.

The **Fall Program booklet** will be coming out and in the schools in June. This booklet will contain program information and registration forms for Fall Soccer, Flag Football, Small Fry Football, Cheerleading and more.

Details are listed on our web page www.lansingrec.com

Town of Lansing Adopts Rapid Access Lock Box Law

By Richard Platt

On July 19, 2006, the Town of Lansing adopted Local Law Number 4 of 2006, Rapid Access Lock Boxes. The law requires business owners and residents with alarm systems connected to a supervising agency to install a “lock box”. The secure box is mounted near the main entry, and provides fire department personnel a key for rapid entry in case of a fire.

The placement of a lock box reduces property losses by allowing faster access to the interior of the building and eliminates the need to break through a window or door.

To find out how you may obtain a lock box contact:

Lansing Fire Chief Scott Purcell
 (607) 533-7733 (Fire Department)
 email – spurcell@lansingfire.net

New Salt Storage Facility Completed

By Richard Platt

A new salt storage facility for the Town of Lansing was completed in December of 2006. The building is a 70' by 120' pre-engineered steel structure with a durable fabric covering. With the help and advice of Town Engineer, Dave Herrick, Accu-Steel Buildings of Iowa was selected as the bidder who met all the criteria the Town was looking for at a competitive price. The Accu-Steel building has a good guarantee, an excellent track record, and many nice design features not offered by other manufacturers. The foundation was installed by our own Highway crew, led by Scott Weaver. Every person in the highway was involved in one way or another. The gravel pad was placed and compacted several months before construction started. Excavation for footings started as soon as plans were approved. Footings were formed, and after reinforcing steel was placed, the concrete for the footings was poured. The next step was to form the walls, install the reinforcing steel, and pour the walls. Templates held the anchor bolts in place to be



New Salt Storage Building

sure that the steel frame fit perfectly. Over 32,000 pounds of reinforcing steel was installed before pouring, and 249 cubic yards was poured to complete the foundation. The floor was paved before the steel was erected, making an easy job for the steel crew. Thanks to our highway crew, the building fit perfectly. The building was completed in time to stock up on sand and salt for the winter. The completion of the building is a great example of the skill and dedication of our highway department. Our thanks go to all who pitched in.

Stormwater Management Program

By Darby Kiley

Since 2003, the Town of Lansing has been working to institute a Stormwater Management Program as required by State and Federal regulations. The program intent is to reduce pollutant discharges and protect water quality. The program includes Six Minimum Control Measures (MCM):

1. Public Outreach and Education
2. Public Involvement/Participation
3. Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination
4. Construction Site Stormwater Runoff Control
5. Post-Construction Stormwater Management
6. Pollution Prevention and Good Housekeeping

As an example, to fulfill requirements under MCM 4 and 5, the Town of Lansing passed a Stormwater and Erosion Control Local Law in January 2005. The Town's Local Law requires that Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plans (SPPP) be developed for certain construction activities. The Law also requires permanent Erosion Control Facilities on new development exceeding one acre. The SPPP and Erosion Control Facilities are tools to control pollutants in Stormwater and to prevent erosion, sedimentation, and flooding.

Future Town of Lansing Newsletters will provide more information of the Town's Stormwater Management Program and similar efforts around the State.

Highway Update

By Jack French

Roads to be paved: Salmon Creek Rd, .80 miles,
 Davis Rd, 1.2 miles
 Reach Run, .84 miles
 Reach Run Area, .37 miles
 Waterview Circle, .15 miles
 N. Lansing Schl Rd, 1.37 mls
 Searles Rd Ext., 1.42 miles

Total 8.2 miles

Roads to be stone & oiled:

Lansing/Genoa town line .97 miles
 Breed Rd, 1.08 miles

As a result of this springs annual Brush pickup, woodchips are available for free at the Highway Department for all Lansing residents.

For more information or questions call the Lansing Highway Department at 533-4328.

ATTENTION HUNTERS

2007 - 2008 Conservation Information

Licenses will go on sale on Monday, August 13, 2007

Deer Management Permits will be sold beginning August 13th and will end at the end of the business day on October 1st.

2007 - 2008 Season Dates (Southern Zone)

Archery: October 13th through November 16th

Regular Big Game: November 17th through December 9th

Muzzeloading: December 10th through December 18th

THERE WILL BE NO PRICE INCREASES

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Consolidated Water District

By Debbie Crandall

The Consolidated Water District is an annual charge that appears on the Town and County Tax Bill.

The Town Board has notified the Assessment Department that there were omitted and overcharged parcels that occurred on the 2007 Town and County Tax Roll.

The Tompkins County Assessment Department will be placing the 2007 omitted charges onto the 2008 Town and County Tax bills. They will also be refunding the overcharged parcels.

The Assessment Department will be notifying the respective homeowners.

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