



**SUMMERTIME DREAMS** - It's never too early to start thinking about truckin' the kids up to the ball fields where everyone's forced to run around in shirt sleeves eating hot dogs and drinking cold pop in the 80° heat.



William L. Baldini, 46, of 10 Whispering Pines Drive died unexpectedly on Friday December 27, 1996 after suffering a heart attack while skiing at Greek Peak.

He was born in Ithaca, son of Martje Jansen Baldini and the late William Q. Baldini.

Bill was President of Williams Shoes. His father founded the shoe store in 1949 and Bill had been associated with the store since 1973 following his graduation from Saint Lawrence University.

He was a member of the Immaculate Conception Church and the Ithaca Yacht Club.

In addition to his mother who lives in Ithaca, Bill is survived by his wife Caren and their children Will, Jennifer, Caroline and Daniel, all at home.

He is also survived by his sisters Nancy Howard and Elmerina Brooks, both of Connecticut; several aunts, uncles, nieces, neph-



Barbara M. Hebbard, 56, of Atwater Road, King Ferry died on wednesday, January 1 at the Cayuga Medical Center following a short illness. Mrs. Hebbard was born in Ithaca the daughter of the late I.B. and Helen Van Ostrand Mitchell and resided in Southern Cayuga County for most of her life.

She was a graduate of King Ferry Central School and attended Ohio University. She was the president of Mitchell Farms, Inc. of King Ferry. In addition, she was a charter member of the S.B.W. Band, a volunteer and former member of the Hazard Library, a member of the Order of the Eastern Star of Whitney Point, a Red Cross Blood Mobile Volunteer and an avid gardener.

Mrs. Hebbard also took great pleasure in working with her husband in designing and participating in the construction of the family home.

ews and cousins.

Bill was a loving son and brother and a devoted husband and father. Bill's quiet devotion to his family and friends will always be a cherished memory.

He derived his greatest pleasure in life from taking care of those around him. He gave so much to us all and expected so little.

He will be deeply missed and always remembered by his loving family and those whose lives he touched.

A Mass of Christian burial was celebrated by Rev. Bernard Carges December 31 at the Immaculate Conception Church. Burial followed in Calvary Cemetery.

It is the family's wish that donations in Bill's memory be directed to either: The William Baldini Fund c/o The Special Children's Center, Wilkins Road, Ithaca, NY 14850 or The Lansing Recreation Department c/o Steve Colt, Lansing Town Hall, 29 Auburn Road, Lansing, NY 14882.

She is survived by her husband Wayne B. Hebbard of King Ferry and three sons and two daughters. Her sons are Andrew Hebbard and his wife Lynn of Spencer, Grayson Hebbard of Auburn and Mitchell Hebbard of Auburn. Her daughters are Cynthia Hebbard of Lansing and Claire Robson and her husband George of King Ferry.

Mrs. Hebbard is also survived by two brothers, Grayson B. Mitchell of King Ferry and Francis C. Mitchell and his wife Donna of King Ferry. She also leaves four grandchildren behind her: Nathan, Nicholas and Solomon Robson of King Ferry and Sarah Hebbard of Spencer. Mrs. Hebbard was predeceased by her brother Daniel Mitchell who died in 1995.

Funeral services were held Saturday at the First Presbyterian Church of King Ferry with the Rev. Robert Godbout officiating. Internment will take place in the West Genoa Cemetery, King Ferry, in the spring.

Expressions of sympathy may be made to the Instant Aid Ambulance Fund, Poplar Ridge, NY or to the King Ferry Volunteer Fire Department in memory of Barbara.

# "Lansing Forum" To Hold January 16 Informational Meeting On Zoning

By Harold van Es, Chair, Lansing Forum Committee

What land use control options exist under New York State Law? What are the pros and cons of zoning? What types of land use control currently exists in Lansing? What are other towns' experiences with land use control? These are relevant questions to Lansing, because our town is facing some important decisions on how to control land use and preserve its character into the future.

The Town Planning Board recently completed two years of work on a draft zoning ordinance which is now under review by the Town Board. A public hearing on this document will be held in the near future after which a final ordinance will be adopted. The Lansing Forum is supporting a public discussion on zoning by organizing an informational meeting in which we can learn about the pros and cons of various land use control options, and how other communities are using them.

The meeting will be held on Thursday, January 16 at 7:30 at the Lansingville Fire Station (Rt 34B, 1 mile south of Milliken Station). Speakers will include Jim Hansen of the Tompkins County Planning Department, David Kay of the Local Government Program at Cornell and former chair of the Town of Ithaca Planning Board, and our own Nelson Bills who is an expert on agricultural land use. A question and answer session will follow the presentation.

Why is Lansing drafting a zoning ordinance? Basically, the town has experienced considerable growth pressure in the past decades and is trying to influence future change in ways that will preserve and enhance the quality of life and the environment in Lansing.

In 1971, the Town of Lansing started a comprehensive planning effort to guide future development. Two years later, the Village of Lansing was created in the southern part of the town to meet a desire for greater independence over land use in that area. Since then, the town has seen continued residential and commercial development and many Lansing residents have become concerned about its negative influence on the quality of this community. Concerns include environmental degradation, loss of agricultural land and open space, water availability and sewage disposal, commercial strip development, loss of natural areas, etc. Also, many Lansing residents feel that the town lacks a social, commercial and cultural focal point and that most of our roads don't allow for the use of transportation other than motorized vehicles.

## Lansing 2010

In 1993, a large citizen advisory committee, known as the Lansing 2010 Planning Committee, was formed to provide input to future development. Through ten subcommittees, more than one hundred residents collected information and discussed goals for growth, development and preservation.



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Their recommendations were incorporated into a new Comprehensive Plan which the Town Board approved in 1994. The document includes goals on protection of agricultural operations, the development of clearly-defined focal points for commercial development, the creation of a Town Center in South Lansing, improvement of the road system and considerations for alternative transportation.

The Plan calls for a linkage between future residential and commercial development and the availability of public water and sewage disposal. Also, the Plan includes objectives for the preservation and enhancement of historic and natural features.

Goals for development intensity were established which generally identified the northern part of the town for rural development, the lake shore area for low intensity, and the southern part for moderate intensity growth.

To achieve the goals of the Comprehensive Plan, the Town is considering land use control through zoning, which it is empowered to do under the New York State Town Law.

Traditionally, there have been many different opinions about zoning. Some may think that Lansing needs to become more pro-active about guiding development and protecting resources. Others may feel some apprehension about having restrictions imposed on land use, or they may be concerned about the possible unintended long-range effects of zoning. How are all of these points of view and interests to be taken into consideration and balanced?

The Lansing Forum will be providing an opportunity for Lansing residents to discuss and learn about land-use control options. Through this process, we will all be more able to make informed judgements about the zoning issues that may be presented. Please, come and join us on the 16th!

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