

# Village Planning Board Looks At Lighting & Mall Beautification

By Steven Halevy

Lighting Plan Finalization and Mall Beautification Guidelines were the main agenda items at the Village of Lansing Planning Board Meeting on Tuesday, January 28, 1997.

The final comments on the lighting plan were incorporated into the final draft which will be sent to the Board of Trustees before February 15 with a recommendation by the Planning Board that they examine the plan and hold a Public Hearing to get input from the residents.

The most controversial aspect is whether the plan should only limit itself to new construction or if lighting should be updated throughout the village. Availability of funds will likely be a key determinant when the Trustees clarify the issue.

Chair John Reis presented the Conservation Advisory Council's (CAC) recommendations for guidelines concerning safety, traffic flow, and beautification and general improvement at the village's malls. He recognized that the malls are private property, and that any improvements would have to be made as a result of cooperation between the

Village and the individual Mall owners.

Village Code Enforcement Officer Ben Curtis assured the Planning Board that the mall owners' cooperation to date has been outstanding. He expects them to continue to work with the Village in making the malls safer and more attractive places to visit. This matter will be discussed again at the next Planning Board meeting on February 10th.

In the meanwhile, each member of the Planning Board will examine the specific recommendations made for each mall and comment on the viability of the recommendations. Brown will examine Cayuga Mall, Klepack the Triphammer Mall, Dankert the Small Mall and Village Lansing Place, and Halevy Pyramid Mall.

The Planning Board recommended new legislation covering the storage of salt and other dangerous chemicals in the village and sent it on to the Trustees for approval. Legislation covering Flag Lots, Private Roads and Driveways, Drainage Design, Road Shoulder Specifications, and special regulations for some unregulated districts will be discussed at the next meeting.

# Tales From The Lansing Lions' Den

The Lansing Lions Club is growing steadily with three new members being inducted into the Club on February 17, 1997, including two women. It is too early in the year for any fund raisers but soon it will be April and everyone will enjoy the Spring Pancake Breakfast.

Our January 20 speaker, Tom Bruce, gave a hands-on presentation of antique tools. He brought back memories to the older set and enlightened the younger members.

Lion Wendell Hautancimi is recovering at home from a broken hip. Carolyn Longhouse was recently installed as President of the Delta Kappa Gamma honorary

society. Rhoda Ives' mother has made a good recovery.

In trying to work on the history of the Lansing Lions Club we have discovered that the pictures that used to hang on the wall in Chris 'n Greens are missing. If anyone has any idea where these pictures are, please contact Lion Bea Davis at 533-4710.

Any of the Lansing Lions members would be happy to give you information about our club and what it has done for the Lansing community and what it plans to do in the future.

We wish everyone a Happy Valentine's Day!

# Chronic Fatigue Workshop In Lansing Feb. 11

A free workshop to help Lansing residents deal with the causes and effects of chronic fatigue will be offered at 7:00 pm on February 11 by Dr. Robert Brown of the Lansing Chiropractic office on Auburn Road.

The workshop will examine chronic fatigue and present techniques to minimize loss

of energy. Participants will learn to identify symptoms of fatigue, measure their energy status and learn ways to handle energy loss.

Though there is no charge for the workshop, reservations are required. Call 533-4231 for further information and to reserve a place at the workshop.

# 125+ Parents Hear Lickona At PTSO "Character Education" Talk

A Teenager's Perspective By Emily Dill

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take the time to look at things from our parents' perspective. we could actually see that when they yell at us if we come home too late it's not because they hate us, but because we scared them. And when they take our car away for a week, it's not because they want us to be miserable, but because they are trying to discipline us and prepare us for the world.

Listening to all the questions parents asked... "did I do the right thing?" and "What should I do?" made me wonder that while we have our parents to answer all our questions, who do they have to answer theirs? I left that workshop with a few ideas about raising children and a lot more empathy for parents.

By Matt Shulman

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Premature sexual involvement not only carries the risk of contracting a variety of unpleasant, fertility-threatening and mortal diseases, but also carries a long-term emotional price that may involve regret, guilt, self-recrimination, rage over betrayal, loss of self-respect, ruined relationships and clinical depression - or worse.

Parents need to establish a close moral relationship with their children, said Lickona, and to set clear and consistent standards of right and wrong. They also need to form a close partnership with their children's schools. "Where that's occurred, communities have turned around the moral climate," he said.

Lickona's Suggestion

Though Dr. Lickona presented ten ideas to help parents raise good children, the overwhelming theme was respectful, two-way communication. "We don't need to be perfect to be good parents," emphasized Lickona. "We do have to be seen as trying and to be willing to ask forgiveness when we make mistakes."

What Wasn't Addressed

Though the adult audience reacted very positively to Dr. Lickona's presentation, the few middle and high school students in the audience regretted that they and their peers hadn't had a chance to discuss their concerns directly with him.

And several parents commented that while Dr. Lickona's comments could clearly aid parents who are fully engaged in their children's lives, the problem of moral education remains a conundrum for youngsters in dysfunctional family situations.



Dr. Thomas Lickona

Free copies of Dr. Lickona's handouts are available from the Lansing PTSO through Pat Trotter at 533-7657.

# Character Education On The Internet

Jim Dill, Emily's dad, did some research on "character education" before Thomas Lickona's speech using resources on the Internet. He thought that some Lansing parents might be interested and took the time to share these sites with us. Thanks, Jim.

<http://www.ecnet.net/users/uccunnin/chared.html>

The best site by far from Craig Cunningham, Asst Prof at NW Illinois Univ. Full of wonderful information on character education and many, many links to other sites.

<http://www.cortland.edu/www/c4n5rs/brochure.htm>

Dr. Lickona's site at Cortland State University. Lots of information. No links. <http://www.geocities.com/~oflare/characte.html>

A good site with character quote of the day and links from William O'Flaherty, school guidance counselor in North Carolina. His latest quote:

"Sow a thought, and you reap an act; sow an act and you reap a habit; sow a habit and you reap a character; sow a character and you reap a destiny" - anon <http://www.giraffe.org>

A site that teaches you to stick your neck out, dedicated to people who did just that.

If you have any trouble finding these sites, just go to any search engine and type "character education" and follow the links.

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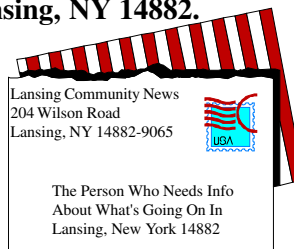


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