



**GOOD NEIGHBORS** - Ray Buckley and Community Center Benefactress Frankie Lechner share a light moment at the Lansing Lions' Sunday, April 6th "Spring Ahead" Pancake and French Toast (with eggs & sausage.. and don't forget the real maple syrup) Breakfast. Hundreds came that the Lions may serve.

## Tonight's Town Board Meeting To Continue Water Surcharge Discussion

Among the items to be discussed by the Lansing Town board at tonight's (Wed., Apr. 16) meeting will be a proposal to convert the current graduated use-based surcharge to a flat rate surcharge on water bills. If passed, the proposal would bring Lansing into line with other municipalities (see Table at right), but would also increase residential user's costs by approximately 8.6 percent.

The issue was first raised at the Board's March 5 meeting when NYSEG engineer John Marabella requested relief from the 60 percent town surcharge. He based his request on the fact that NYSEG had paid the entire cost of the 8 mile water line extension that had allowed several neighborhoods to acquire water and had improved fire protection in the western part of town.

At the March meeting, Town Board members and attorney Richard John responded cautiously about changing the rate structure for a single industrial user.

At the April 9 Board meeting, town engineer David Herrick presented a cost scenario of implementing a flat rate surcharge to raise the \$114,000 needed to recover the Town of Lansing's capital investment in water storage tanks and pressure reducing valves as well as their operation and maintenance costs. Based on total water use from 10/95-10/96, a \$0.91/1000 gallon surcharge (equivalent to 36%) for all users was proposed.

## Host Families Needed For No. Irish Children

Anyone wishing to sponsor a child from Northern Ireland for a six week homestay this summer should contact Aurora Rotarian Dale Mangan at (315) 364-8693. PROJECT CHILDREN is being organized by the Ancient Order of Hibernians of Auburn.

## Low Back & Leg Pain Workshop on April 22

A free workshop on treating low back and leg pain without surgery, drugs or needles will be held by Dr. Robert Brown at the Lansing Chiropractic Office at 15 Auburn Road on Tuesday, April 22 at 7:00pm.

Though there is no charge for the program, reservations are required. For further information, call 533-4231.

| 1996 Water Rate Surcharges* |                                  |
|-----------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Municipality                |                                  |
| T-Dryden                    | assessed in tax rate             |
| T-Ithaca                    | 19.6% flat                       |
| T-Lansing                   | graduated by use at 25, 40 & 60% |
| V-Cay Hts                   | 20% flat                         |
| V-Lansing                   | 20% flat                         |

[\* = Data from Bolton Point]

At the heart of the issue is the question of fairness. According to informal statements made by town financial advisor David Allardice of Canandaigua reported by Supervisor Jeanine Kirby, if there's no difference in service or the wear and tear on the system, a differential rate might be seen as discriminatory against industry. Town resident and Bolton Point Exec. Director Kevin Kauffman agrees, but noted that the opinion of some is that commercial and industrial users create higher demand than residential customers. If so, a flat rate surcharge could be seen as discriminatory against homeowners.

As the Board prepares to deliberate, Supervisor Kirby voiced caution saying, "I'm not sure we'll be ready to vote on Wednesday."

## Accessing The World From Cayuga Lake

Don Pakkala will present a program on "Waterways To The World From Harbors On Cayuga Lake" on Wednesday, April 23rd at 7:00pm as the Frontenac Historical Society and Museum on the main street in Union Springs opens its 1997 season.

Pakkala and his wife Nancy have traveled the intercoastal Waterway many times in their 32 foot, 1940 Richardson cruiser, the "White Cap." The Cayuga Lake natives have also sailed throughout the Thousand Islands and Rideau Canal and will bring the "White Cap" to Cayuga Lake once again this summer.

The public is invited to browse the "Waterways to the World" display in the museum beginning at 6:00pm. Visitors will be able to see drawings tracing Cayuga Lake trade back to the War of 1812.

For further information, contact Barbara Manzer at (315) 364-8098.

# Community Calendar

### Wednesday, April 16

Senior Trip to Albany, Leaves Lansing United Methodist Church at 7:00 am  
So. Lansing Sewer Committee meets at Community Center at 8:00am  
Golden Skate for the 50+ skater at the RINK, \$3 includes coffee and bagels, 8:45-10:45 am  
Golf team meets Moravia away at 4:30 pm.  
Varsity Track, JV Baseball & JV Softball at Trumansburg at 4:30 pm.  
Varsity Baseball & Varsity Softball meet Trumansburg at home at 4:30 pm.  
Aurora Rotary meets at United Ministry Church in Aurora at 6:30pm  
Open Swim at Lansing High School pool, 6:30 - 8:30 pm.  
Lansing Town Board meeting at 7:00 pm.  
Spring Concert - 4th grade Band, HS Jazz, HS Orchestra and 7-8 Band at MS aud at 7:30pm

### Thursday, April 17

DeWitt Middle School student award assembly at 7:30am  
Nat'l Crime Victims' Ceremonies at Dryden VFD and GIAC, Remember local victims, 7pm  
JV Baseball & JV Softball at Union Springs at 4:30 pm.  
Varsity Baseball & Varsity Softball meet Union Springs at home at 4:30 pm.  
Lansing Board of Education meets at high school library at 7:30 pm

### Friday, April 18

Spring Rummage sale at Lansing United Methodist Church from 9:00am-5:00pm  
JV Softball meets So. Cayuga at home at 4:00 pm.  
JV Baseball team meets Chenago Valley at home at 4:00 pm.  
Varsity Softball & Varsity Baseball at Southern Cayuga at 4:30 pm.  
Golf team meets South Cayuga at home at 4:30 pm.

### Saturday, April 19

Spring Rummage Sale at Lansing United Methodist Church from 9:00am-noon  
Lansing Lions' ADOPT-A-HIGHWAY Cleanup. Meet at Highway Barn Driveway at 9:15am  
Child Abuse Prevention Month - Exhibit in front of Spencer Gifts in Pyramid Mall from 10:00am  
Chicken Barbecue at Varna Methodist Church, Rte 366, from 4:30 pm.

### Sunday, April 20

No. Lansing Pancake Breakfast (last of the season), No. Lansing Firehall from 8-11:30am  
Patchwork Therapeutic Riding Center OPEN HOUSE, free horse rides, 90 Old Peruville Road, noon to 4:00pm, For information call 898-3808.  
SUPER MACHINE SHOW- Family Fun @ So. Cayuga in Poplar Ridge with trucks, tractors and a giant sand pile (BYO toy trucks), \$3/car, 1-4:00pm Rain or Shine  
Adventures Sundays: Scuba Diving at Cayuga Nature Center, 2:30-4:30 pm. Call 273-6260.

### Monday, April 21 -- No school - Spring Recess

Last day to file nominating petitions for school board candidates.  
Art & Craft classes for seniors at Woodsedge from 9:00 to 10:30 am.  
Golf team at Marathon at 4:30 pm.  
Lansing Village Trustees meet at 7:30 pm  
Boys Scout Troop # 48 regular meeting at the Community Center.  
Finger Lakes Decorative Artists meet at the Lansing Community center at 7:30pm.

### Tuesday, April 22 -- No school - Spring Recess. & First day of Passover

JV Baseball team meets Moravia at home at 4:30 pm.  
Varsity Baseball & Varsity Softball at Moravia at 4:30 pm.



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