

## On the Table @ Lansing Public Library

Tuesday, May 12, 2015

*The purpose of the evening was to gather together people from six categories in Lansing; Village elected officials; library officials; school officials; not-for-profit officials; representatives from other Village entities and regular citizens to share the positive things happening in Lansing, ideas for new projects and requests for assistance.*

*The following is the list of positive things and ideas generated that evening. Our hope is that this list will inspire people to get involved and help make Lansing the best it can be and possibly generate some new events as well.*

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| Lansing Autumn Fest                    | Support Shop Local               | Henry Ford Workshop                       |
| Touch-a-Truck                          | Instagram Class @Wheaton's       | Coffee with a Cop 5/19                    |
| LACE new sponsorship                   | Golden Apple Teacher – J. Gorley | Friends of Library Concerts               |
| Library Summer Reading                 | Library Block Party              | BUG awards from Golden Ks                 |
| Grand Ole Fourth                       | Paul Schultz Historical Walks    | New trees on Ridge Road                   |
| New Trustees Sworn In                  | Taste of the Holidays Chamber    | Fetching Market                           |
| Halloween Parade                       | Honor Guard                      | Civil Air Patrol                          |
| Easter Bunny Run                       | Phil Martini 5K                  | FD Fill the Boot MDA                      |
| Possible Beer Fest                     | Eisenhower Center                | K of C Cheeseburger Paradise              |
| Athena Award                           | Bethel Church/171 Partners       | C. Granderson's Generosity                |
| P. Thomas Football Camp                | EAA Pancake Breakfast            | Tri-Motors in Plane View                  |
| Santa & Tree Lighting                  | Bohemian Joe's                   | One Trick Pony Nano Brew                  |
| LOOP Bike Ride                         | Ridge Rd. Façade Program         | Memorial Music Program                    |
| Plans to Repave Our Streets            | Lansing Volunteer Group          | Old Timers                                |
| Mock Interviews @TFS                   | Candidates Forum@ Library        | Rotary 6 Scholarships TFS                 |
| LACE 4 Scholarships                    | Old Timers Scholarships          | Rotary 8 <sup>th</sup> grade Citizen Year |
| Code Red Program                       | College Courses for TFS students | LanOakPD/Bethel movies                    |
| 1 <sup>st</sup> Church- Farmers Market | Trinity Lutheran Summer Daycare  | Methodist Walk Up Weds                    |
| Forest Preserve District               | Business Women's BINGO Seniors   | Meals on Wheels                           |
| LARC                                   | Vietnam Veterans Memorial        | New Walmart                               |

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| Ultra Food Remodel   | Chamber Banner Program                           | Phillips Chevrolet            |
| Organic Store by Schultz   | Picnic from the Past-Ballgame                    | Cop on the Roof 5/29          |
| TFS & Library Partnership  | Friends of L fundraising for stage               | Books for groups thru library |
| Visible Music College  | VMC concerts series                              | Memorial choir @ Historical   |
| Amy Todd New @ Chamber   | CopperMuggers Pancake Breakfasts                 | Post Office Food Drive        |
| Our Airport  | Lansing Cruise Nights                            | Techie Trot @ St. Ann         |
| JWC – Martini Tree   | Food Pantry                                      | Youth Center                  |
| New Currency Exchange  | Plans Straighten Torrence@Ridge                  | O’Reilly’s Auto Parts         |
| EPIC Summer @ TFS  | Volunteer Recognition Dinner                     | Round Ball Classic            |
| BINGO @ St. Ann  | 17 all APspanish Students AP credit              | 2 TFS Students Gates scholar  |
| Fox Pointe   | TFS Football Team assist @ LAF                   | All TFS volunteers @ LAF      |
| Parents work on TFS dugout   | Evans Fun Run Spay the Stray                     | Golden Ks give to 60 groups   |
| St. Anthony Home   | Little Yellow Phone Book                         | Lansing Sports Teams          |
| Dedicated Public Works   | Dedicated Police Department                      | Dedicated Fire Department     |
| LBW Military Coupons   | LBW Mentoring HS Girls                           | Animal Control                |
| Lansing Police Participation – Crime Watchers  |  | HUD Housing                   |
| Renovations Being Done on Parks-hope continues; pool gone                              |  | Our Parks                     |
| Community Garage Sale @ LanOak Park  |  | Our Library                   |
| New Bernice Rd Business – Electrical Contractor  |  | Special Olympics              |
| Interior Remodeling Project at the Library this fiscal year                            |  | Reading Fair @ Nathan Hale    |
| Learning Fair @ Memorial Jr. High Bi-annually  |  | 158 Senior Breakfast          |
| Our own Lansing Flag designed by Brad Borys  |  | Civil Air Patrol@171          |
| New Hope church Free Dental Program  | Golden Ks read to Kindergarteners and give books |                               |
| Lansing Country Club expanded programming and events for the public as well as members |  |                               |
| Maureen Grady-Perovich’s involvement with Honor Flights Chicago                        |  |                               |
| Rotary Top Ten Percent of Class Senior Student Luncheon for TFS & Illiana Christian HS |  |                               |
| Rotary recognizes a Senior Student a Month selected by administrators at both HS       |  |                               |
| Rotary recognizes Educator of the Year if a school designates one with a luncheon      |  |                               |

*New ideas and thoughts!*

Expand Use of Ford Hangar    Pop-Up Entertainment Venues Around Town  
Expand Use of Fox Pointe    Library Pet (Vetoed by Director!)  
Jamboree Day    Some Program to Bring Together Seniors & Youth  
Job Center: resume Help, scholarship info, potential job sites, student summer jobs

*Things we would like to see return.*

Economic Development Committee chaired by Mikal Stole comprised of area business people (the façade program was an idea generated here)  
Old Fashion Day perhaps incorporated into Picnic from the Past  
Sidewalk Sales    Steak Fry    Back to School Bash

*I hope I did not miss anything, apologies if I did, but this is a pretty impressive list. Now we need to build on what is already happening. When we look back a year from now I hope some of the new ideas have been brought to fruition. I hope some of our old favorites re-appear with a new look! I hope that some of the ideas and thoughts spark some new projects. They already have here at the library. Sandra and Kelli were talking and decided we needed to do something to let the public know about all the wonderful not-for-profits we have in town that perhaps they would like to join. So Volunteer Fair @ Your Library bringing together not-for-profits and potential members was born. No details as of yet but watch our newsletter and website. Please share this experience with other folks in town you never know where the next great idea will come from. Let me know if you start something new or form a new partnership because of our discussion. I am excited for Lansing's future with so many dedicated people (regardless of your role) out there doing their best to make Lansing the best it can be!*

**“Coming together is a beginning: keeping together is progress: working together is success.”**

**Henry Ford**

**Please feel free to share this information with anyone you think may be interested.**

All the best for a wonderful summer and please keep in touch,  
Debbie Albrecht director, board and staff at your Lansing Public Library