



was established, the building was abandoned. It was later moved to its present location next to the Lansing Town Hall and renovated. It can be seen by appointment. Call the Lansing Town Historian at 607-533-4514.

Annual Events and Festivals

May, Oct – Gigantic Rummage Sale, Lansing United Methodist Church.

May – Firemen's Carnival and Parade, at Fire Station #3, Rt 34B, South Lansing.

June – Super Saturday, Town Fields by the Town Hall.

July 4 – Lions Club Chicken Bar-B-Q, Myers Park.

Aug – Festival, All Saints Catholic Church, third Sunday.

Nov – North Lansing Firemen's Auxiliary, Election Day lunch and dinner.

– **Christmas Bazaar**, Lansing United Methodist Church.

Lodging L

Clarion University Hotel and Conference Center, 1 Sheraton Dr, Ithaca NY 14850. 607-257-2000.

Courtyard by Marriot, 29 Thornwood Dr, Ithaca NY 14850. 607-330-1000.

Econo Lodge Ithaca, 2303 N Triphammer Rd, Ithaca NY 14850. 607-257-1400.

Federal House B&B, 175 Ludlowville Rd, Ludlowville NY 14862. 607-533-7362. www.federalhouse.com.

Homewood Suites, 36 Cinema Dr, Ithaca NY 14850. 607-266-0000; 800-call-home.

John Joseph Inn, 813 Rt 34, Lansing (Box 4959, Ithaca NY 14852). 607-533-0097. www.JJandE.com. Site of the historic Rose Inn. Food is available.

Ramada Inn-Ithaca Airport, 2310 N Triphammer Rd, Ithaca NY 14850. 607-257-3100.

Rogue's Harbor Inn, 2079 East Shore Dr, Lansing NY 14882. 607-533-3535. www.roguesharbor.com.



Malls

Cayuga Mall, N Triphammer Rd. Includes Big Lots, TJMaxx.

The Shops at Ithaca, N Triphammer Rd. Big box stores including Borders, Old Navy, Dick's, Target.

Triphammer Mall – N Triphammer Rd. Speciality shops including Fibers & Fantasy, Ithaca Coffee Co, Knitting Etc., and restaurants.

Speciality Shops S

Anticipation Antiques, 92 Peruville Rd. Open weekends, or by appointment. 607-277-6318 or 607-279-3012. E-mail: anticipationantiques@yahoo.com. Website: www.anticipationantiques.com

Antique Quest, 35 Armstrong Rd. 607-533-8636.

Baker's Acres of North Lansing, 1104 Auburn Rd. 607-533-4653. See #4.

Barnhouse Antiques, 308 Peruville Rd. 607-533-8636.

Cayuga Landscape, 2712 N Triphammer Rd. 607-257-3000.

Country Antiques and Gifts, 1104 Auburn Rd. 607-533-9110.

Indian Chimney Farm, 404 Conlon Rd. 607-533-8866. www.indianchimneyfarm.com.

Michaleen's Florist and Garden Center, 2826 N Triphammer Rd. 257-3203.



Recreational Areas

Ludlowville Park. See #7.

Myers Park. See #6.

The Rink, 1767 East Shore Dr. Ice sports and open skating. An addition, The Field, used for indoor soccer and rented for large events, such as the biennial county quilt show and model railroad shows.

YMCA, Graham Rd, W. 607-257-0101.

Cemeteries

Asbury – N Triphammer Rd, across from #1.

Lake Ridge – Rt 34B north, near county line.

Lansingville – Lansingville Rd.

North Lansing – Rt. 34, across from #3.

Pine Grove – Ludlowville.

Historical Markers H

Asbury Church. See #1.

Ludlowville Inn 1795, Ludlowville Park. See #7.

Rogue's Harbor Inn. See #9.

For more information – Lansing Town Hall, 29 Auburn Rd (mailing address, Box 186), Lansing NY 14882. 607-533-4142. www.lansingtown.com; Louise Bement, Town of Lansing Historian, 607-533-4514.

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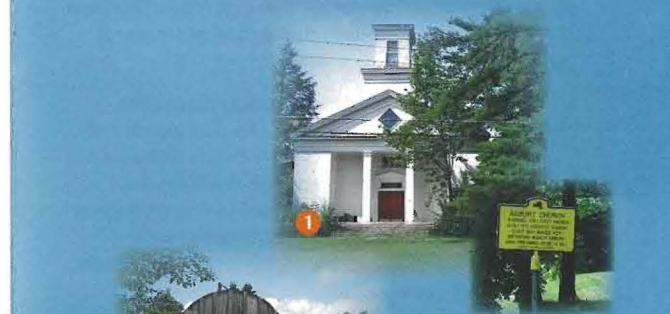
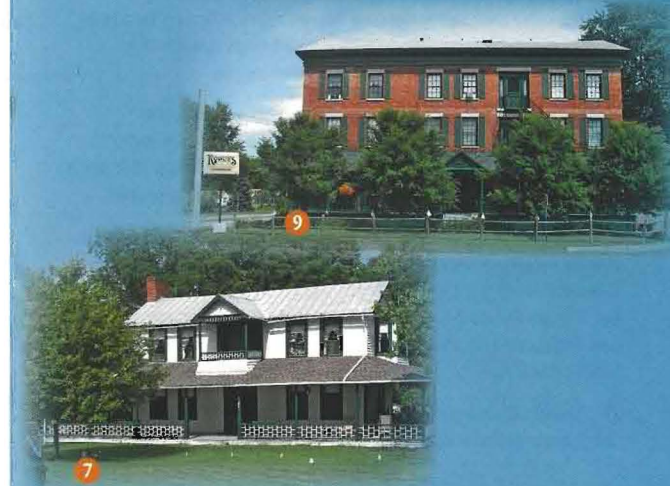
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Destination Lansing



TOWN OF LANSING

With miles of shoreline and roads overlooking Cayuga Lake, the Town of Lansing has wonderful views. You should see our sunsets! Along the roads, cresting the hills, and through the level fields are beautiful historical homes and prosperous dairy farms. Myers Park, jutting into the lake (see #6), is free to all in the winter; in the warmer months it is a great place for a picnic.

Settlers moving west from the Eastern coastal states began to arrive in 1791; many were Revolutionary War veterans taking up state military land grants. They were mostly farmers, growing grain and foodstuffs, and people who provided needed services: lawyers, ministers, doctors, storekeepers, blacksmiths. Today Lansing still has large dairy farms; a recent trend is organic farming.

From 1890 until 1962 the International Salt Company operated on Myers Point, drawing salt from wells above the salt beds along the shore. Cement was also manufactured at Portland Point nearby, and today just to the north the Cargill Company operates the rock salt mine (see #8). Industry is served by a spur of the Lehigh Valley Railroad which also brings coal for the generating plant on the lakeshore further north.

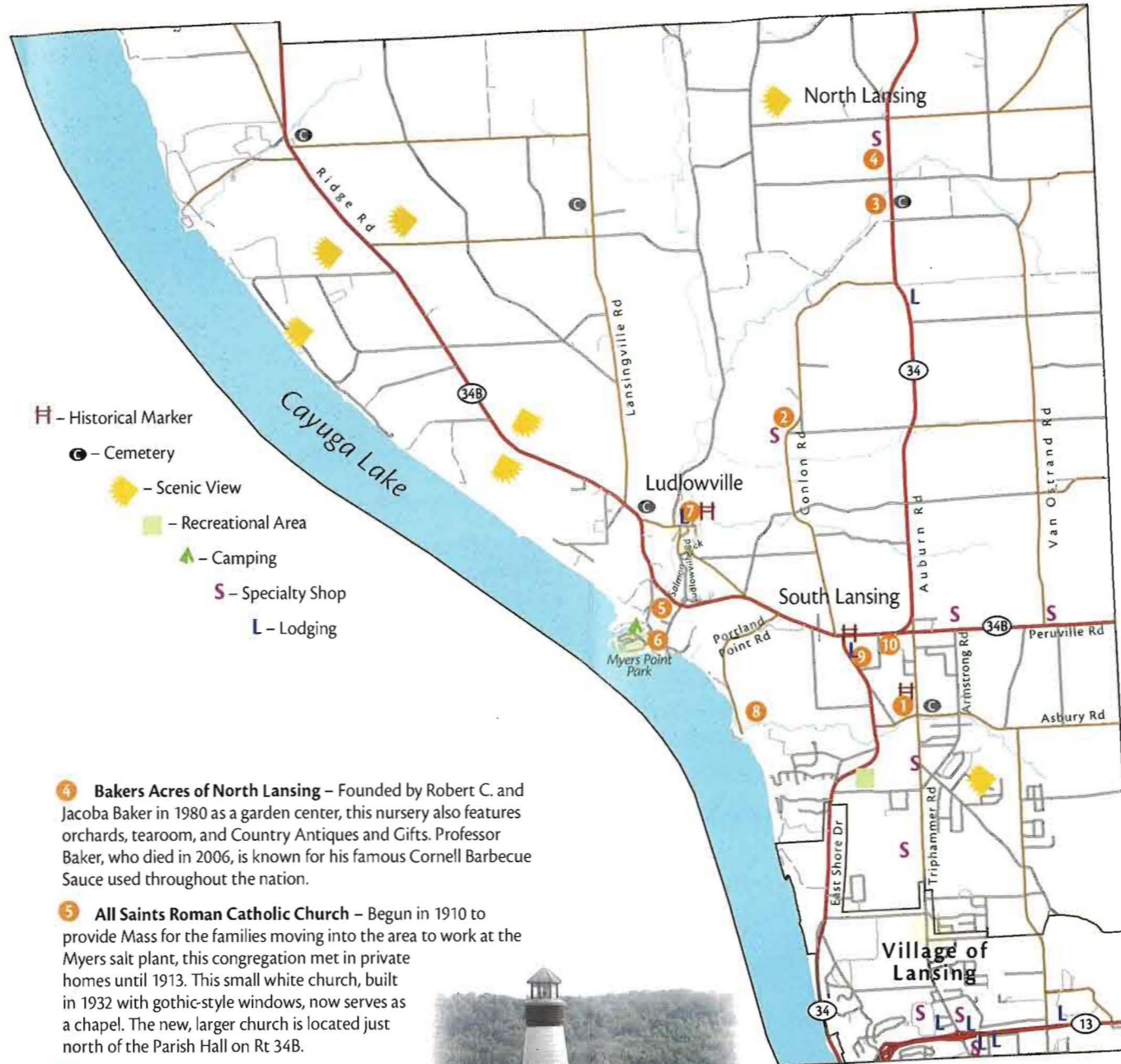
The Village of Lansing, incorporated in 1974, governs the southern end of the town, an area that includes the county airport, the Ithaca Post Office, Convenient Care Center (a branch of the Cayuga Medical Center), and the county's largest mall.

1 Asbury Church – Built in 1844 with seating for 300 people, this picturesque church was one of the largest in the region. It was used during the Civil War for war meetings. In October 1962 the Methodist congregation held its last service and joined with two other congregations to form the present Lansing United Methodist Church. The building is a private residence today. **H**

2 Indian Chimney Farm – The farm is home to alpacas and other farm animals and has some beautiful gorges and views. Open by appointment year around, it hosts special farm events on fall weekends. The small Alpaca Gift Shop features clothing and gifts made of alpaca wool.

3 North Lansing Methodist Church – The church, a typical mid-century country church with a square steeple, was built in 1851 as the Methodist Episcopal Church, holding

services there until 1962. The colored glass windows were donated c.1900 by local families. The church is now Faith Baptist Fellowship of North Lansing.



- H** – Historical Marker
- C** – Cemetery
- Sun** – Scenic View
- Green Square** – Recreational Area
- Green Triangle** – Camping
- S** – Specialty Shop
- L** – Lodging

4 Bakers Acres of North Lansing – Founded by Robert C. and Jacoba Baker in 1980 as a garden center, this nursery also features orchards, tearoom, and Country Antiques and Gifts. Professor Baker, who died in 2006, is known for his famous Cornell Barbecue Sauce used throughout the nation.

5 All Saints Roman Catholic Church – Begun in 1910 to provide Mass for the families moving into the area to work at the Myers salt plant, this congregation met in private homes until 1913. This small white church, built in 1932 with gothic-style windows, now serves as a chapel. The new, larger church is located just north of the Parish Hall on Rt 34B.

6 Myers Park – Given to the town by the International Salt Co in 1959, the 24 acres of land by the lake has been transformed from a swamp into a beautiful park and campground, with pavilions, playground, and swimming area. On summer Thursday evenings there is "Music in the Park."



7 Ludlowville – The largest community in the town in the late 19th century, Ludlowville is a charming place to visit. Drive north from Rt 34B on Ludlowville Rd and leave your car at the Ludlowville Park **H**, corner of Mill St. Walking back on Ludlowville Rd, you pass Barr Cottage on the left, a Federal house built in 1810 and remodeled c. 1888. It is still used by the Barr family as a summer cottage. Across the street is the Brick Block; built in 1865 it housed a department and grocery store until the mid-1950s. The building also contained a barber shop, ice cream store and bakery, and the post office until 1973. It was then converted to apartments. Further up the road is the Miller Mansion (at 175 Ludlowville Rd), built c.1813 for a prominent lawyer and the village's first postmaster. The elaborate entry features a leaded glass fanlight and sidelights. Today it is a B&B. **H**

Returning to your car, walk to the far end of the park to see the Salmon Creek falls. If there has been heavy rainfall, the sight will be glorious. **H** The creek, which originates in Cayuga County, after leaving Ludlowville plunges through a deep gorge and empties into Cayuga Lake. The viaduct on Rt 34B high above the gorge was built in 1930.



8 Cayuga Rock Salt – The Cargill Company operates the rock salt mine, comprising more than 18,000 subterranean acres on the eastern side of the lake, with a production potential of 10,000 tons of salt mined daily. Along Portland Point Rd is a treasure trove of fossils from animals that lived over 300 million years ago, including trilobites, brachiopods, and clams of the Devonian Age.

9 Rogue's Harbor Inn – Built in 1830 at the cost of \$40,000, the inn was originally called the Central Exchange, a tavern and stagecoach stop on the route between Ithaca and Auburn where horses were changed. The front porch was added in the late 1800s, and the inn still has a third-floor ballroom with a "spring floor." The inn is a B&B today; the original tavern serves as dining room and bar. **H**

10 One-Room Schoolhouse – Originally located on Peruville Rd near the Van Ostrand Rd intersection, District School # 14 dates from the 1840s. Pupils from grades 1–8 were educated there. In 1948, when the centralized school district