

Lansing Youth Services
Town Board Report
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Outdoor Adventure: Youth in Outdoor Adventure have been spending a lot of time at Salmon Creek working on lots of skills. Shelter construction is still a favorite for many youth and some have shown a great interest in fire making. One student has compiled his own fire making kit and brings it every week to add additional fire making materials as he encounters them. The group has seen evidence of a raccoon and its kit, a mink, sucker fish, crayfish, and osprey. Friction fires using a cotton ball and two pieces of wood will be the next challenge, the Rudiger Roll. 13 youth served.

Game On!: Game On youth have been busy playing lots of board games like Monopoly, Exploding Kittens, Chess, and Apples to Apples. One student asked to design a game to play on his computer, which turned out to be a similar game to Risk. Different players work together to form alliances and try to take over the world. Although it is on a computer, many students are able to play at the same time and the group has been having a blast. 12 youth served.

Coal Cookin': Coal Cooking has been using a campfire to cook their daily treats. The group made campfire apple pie, with many modifications to the cooking process, campfire chili, and the ever-popular spider dogs. The area where students cook is behind the high school, under a huge willow tree. This willow has since fallen and created another exciting environment to explore. 10 youth served.

Fishin' Friday's: Fishing Fridays began with dry land casting practice at targets in the field. The group then spent each afternoon on Salmon Creek practicing their fishing skills. The large suckers have not been interested in anyone's bait, but the excitement never waned. When the fishing got less exciting for one participant, they took out their gold pan and started panning for treasures. 10 youth served.

Youth Employment: Youth Employees are finishing the school year strong as assistants with three Lansing Youth Services programs, and the Library team has been doing an amazing job. Two assistants are still helping teachers in the high school, and several have expressed interest in working with LYS over the summer. 18 youth served.

LYS Fishing Derby: The Annual Lansing Youth Services Fishing Derby is here! This event is a public event that invites community members out on Cayuga Lake for a morning of fishing, fun, and prizes! This year it will take place on the morning of June 17th 7:30am-11:00am at Myers Park.