

One person can and does make a difference!



Anne Wilson With Her Parents at the 2008 Bea Christy Awards Dinner

Anne Wilson, Past Vice President of Colonial Village Neighborhood Association was nominated for the 2008 Bea Christy Award. The Bea Christ Award Dinner was started twenty years ago by the Lansing Neighborhood Council. The Council hosted a dinner to honor and thank people who have a passion for making neighborhoods a better place to live. They are the ones who support, encourage, and are always there to work. They do whatever it takes to see the job through. That dinner, the Bea Christy Award dinner, has since become a Lansing tradition.

Every year around Valentines Day, neighborhood people, family, friends, and city officials gather to share a meal and highlight the fine work these neighbors continue to do. The dinner is a testament to the idea that one person does make a difference.

Anne Wilson was chosen to be CVNA's nominee because of the numerous contributions to the residents of the community and the City of Lansing. Anne:

- Worked on a committee to ensure both neighborhood parks received new equipment and created a safe environment for children of all ages
- Donates valuable time toward children activities and serves as liaison with Elemhurst School.
- Serves on the flower and beautification committee for the parks, boulevards & traffic circles in the area and serves on the CVNA social & refreshments committee, Candidates Night Committee and annual picnic & garage sale committees.
- Shares communication and grant writing skills by diligently writing grants, seeking donations, writing news releases, and articles for the neighborhood newsletter and website.
- Serves on several committees that have had City-wide impact such as the Southside Community Center and CSO project

The Association believes that an active, happy neighborhood breeds a safe, healthy and strong neighborhood. Our nominee's enthusiasm, new ideas and willingness to contribute where needed lends to our success.