Electricity aggregation referendum passes

Through the March 20, 2012 referendum vote, just over 60% of Lisle voters requested that the Village of Lisle seek lower electricity supply rates for its residents and small businesses. With the approval of the referendum, the Village may arrange for the supply of electricity for its residents and small commercial retail customers who have not opted out of such a program.

What's next? This spring, in order to develop and adopt a plan of operation and governance for the electricity aggregation program, the Village will seek public input through two public hearings.

Once the plan is created and adopted, Village staff will work as part of a consortium with other communities or individually with a consultant to seek competitive bids from energy suppliers via a formal Request for Proposals (RFP) process. If a bid is received that meets the goals of the plan, a contract will be negotiated and presented to the Village Board for approval. It is anticipated that the Village would have a program in late summer or early fall, 2012.

Other DuPage County communities also have voted on electricity aggregation: in the March 20 Primary Election, 15 of the 17 communities voted in favor of seeking alternative electric suppliers.

For more information on electric aggregation, please visit the Village website or call (630) 271-4144.

New recycling cart delivery – week of May 14, 2012

Residents that currently receive curbside collection will receive a 65-gallon recycling cart (or only if requested a 35-gal cart) during the week of May 14, 2012.

Optional 35-gallon cart. Anyone preferring a 35-gal cart should contact Republic Services/Allied Waste before May 4, 2012 by calling (630) 964-3232 or via email at lislecart@republicservices.com. Both sizes of carts (65- & 35-gal) are now on display in the lobby of Village Hall, 925 Burlington Ave.

Retire 18-gallon blue bins. The two-wheeled recycling cart with an attached lid will replace the 18-gal curbside blue bins. Residents may easily increase the quantity of recyclables while eliminating the need for multiple curbside bins and prevent fly-away litter on windy days. Please feel free to keep your blue bins for storage, or they may be dropped off at Village Hall for recycling through June 1, 2012.

Recycling will continue to be collected on Tuesdays, FREE of charge, with no recycling cart rental fees. All recyclable materials may be mixed together in the recycling cart. Otherwise, recycling remains unchanged. No plastic bags inside the cart. No limit on the amount of recyclables. Any excess or large recyclables—less than 50lbs—can still be labeled “Recycle” and placed along side the cart.

Because Republic Services uses automated trucks to lift and empty the carts, the cart should be placed no more than 1-2 ft from the curb or street with the cart’s wheels and handles facing away from the curb. Recycling carts are property of Republic Services/Allied Waste. If you move, the recycling cart must stay with the home.

Info will be attached to the cart. Additional info about the Village’s refuse and recycling program is available on the Village’s website.
Village with a stock pile of road salt. Public Works is storing the surplus salt for next winter. Who knows? Maybe we’ll luck out two years in a row and not need much salt next winter!

With the return of spring, so return some great Village programs, services, and events.

Republic Services (the Village’s refuse and recycling hauler) began curbside collection of yard waste on March 20 and will continue weekly pick-up of stickered, bagged and/or bundled yard waste through mid-December 2012.

On Saturday, April 28 the Downtown Lisle French Market reopens. The Market will run rain or shine every Saturday 8:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m., until the end of October.

Start your spring cleaning now because Sustainable Saturday in Lisle returns on April 28 at Benedictine University. This will be the 4th year, the Village has partnered with BU, SCARCE and DuPage County to host this one-day drop-off recycling event. Every year, the list of items for collection gets longer. It’s a great opportunity for responsible recycling! Refer to page 8 of this Newsletter to get all the details.

The Village will continue its branch pickup program for residents beginning the last day of March and through mid-May. All incorporated single-family homes are eligible for this free program. If you participate, be sure to bundle branches and tie bundles with twine or rope (no wire ties, please).

Bundles should weigh less than 50 pounds each and not exceed five-feet in length. Stack piles no higher than two feet and spread them out neatly along front of your property. Page 5 of this Newsletter includes this spring’s collection schedule.

The very popular Dragonfly Landing Splash Pad water features at PrairieWalk Pond will be back on for summer fun beginning Saturday of Memorial Day Weekend.

Please remember Monday, May 28 is Lisle’s Memorial Day Parade, Remembrance, and Picnic. Even more important, please remember to honor the men and women who have served, and are currently serving, in all branches of the United States Armed Services.

Finally, over the past few months, I’ve had the opportunity to participate in a number of business retention visits with Economic Development Director, Catherine Schuster. Through these visits with Lisle businesses, like Leeco Steel and Morrell Food Group, the Village cultivates effective business–government communication.

Retention Visits

While attention is often focused on new businesses coming to Lisle, existing businesses are also very important to the economic vitality of the community.

The Village’s Economic Development Director regularly meets with a diverse array of Lisle businesses to open and maintain communication, assess the local business environment, and help businesses address challenging issues. Retention visits also provide the Village with important information regarding industry outlooks, expansion plans, workforce needs, competitive challenges and the businesses’ overall satisfaction with Lisle. In return, businesses receive valuable resources, referrals, and assistance based on their needs and issues.

Mayor Broda visits with John Morrell Food Group CFO Scott Saunders in February 2012. The company employs 300 people and is one of Lisle’s larger businesses.
Beginning April 13th, the Village's Facebook page, ENJOY! GREEN! LISLE! gets even better. Of course, it's still the source for the latest news and information about the Village. But now, when you “Like” the Village’s Facebook page, you’ll be one of the first to receive weekly valuable coupons for exclusive special offers from some of Lisle’s most popular businesses.

Enjoy an overnight stay in a room with a panoramic view at the newly renovated Hyatt Lisle. Enjoy a delicious Mexican meal at Yerbabuena Mexican Cuisine, fresh seafood at Chinn’s 34th Street Fishery, or a traditional Italian style pizza at Evviva! Or give your special someone a colorful bunch of spring tulips from Flowers of Lisle or fashion earrings from Creme de la Creme Gifts & Accessories? All FREE!

These are just some of the free offers available. These great offers are limited, so don't miss out. Just “Like” the Village of Lisle’s Facebook page, and each week you’ll be one of the first to see this week’s offers. Then print out and bring the coupon to the business to redeem your free offer. Or “go green” by simply showing the store reps the coupon on your mobile device.

You’ll be pleased with the quality products and services available from our local Lisle businesses. And you’ll also learn what’s new in Lisle. So “Like Us” on Facebook, and tell a friend. Offers will run weekly until the end of the year.

Village reaches out on social media

The Village of Lisle invites you to connect with us: “View,” “Follow,” and “Like” us on several social networking sites, including Facebook, Twitter and now YouTube.

In an on-going effort to reach residents, businesses, and visitors who might not get their news from more traditional sources, the Village is now using these social media tools to provide the public with timely information about Village news, events, safety tips, public meetings, and other topics.

These social media sites also allow for greater mobile access to news of Village programs and services via smartphones and tablet devices.

The newest addition is publicly televised meetings and other informational videos posted on YouTube. Visit youtube.com and search “lislecatv.” The first search result will be the Village of Lisle YouTube channel, select it and all available videos will be listed for your viewing.

Connecting with the Village has never been easier. Find and Like us on Facebook. Follow us on Twitter. View us on YouTube.
PrairieWalk Pond: did you know?

Cost: Free to the public

Parking: Free parking is available in the Garfield Parking Lot (observe signs). No parking on Garfield Avenue.

Lighting: Turns on at dusk daily

Fountains: Color lighting runs 8–11 pm daily. Fountains are removed during the winter.

Dragonfly Landing: Children’s Play Area contains three “zones”
1. Nature-themed Play Area – tree house, cattail swingers, climbing frog, leaping lily pads
2. Gathering Zone – shelter with a living green roof and seating
3. Splash Pad – giant flower misters, jet streams, water tunnel, water jellies

Splash Pad opens for season Saturday, May 26

Splash Pad: To activate splash pad features, step on sidewalk button in the middle of Dragonfly Landing. This activates multiple splash pad features at once, but they go on and off in timed 4-minute intervals. Must step on button again to reactivate (goes off to conserve water).

Porta Potty/Hand Washing Station: Located in Dragonfly Landing

Reminders
- Bring your own towels: there are no changing station or lockers
- Fishing, swimming, and boating prohibited in the pond
- Respect the wildlife

Another award: The IL Chapter of American Landscape Architects awarded PrairieWalk Pond and Dragonfly Landing the 2011 Honor Award for Environmental Stewardship—the project’s fourth award!

Volunteer Barbara Plichta will be offering guided tours of Prairie-Walk Pond again this year. Those interested please meet under the Dragonfly Landing entrance arch. No reservations. Just come!


Patrolling Lisle streets

The Lisle Police Department’s patrol division uses a variety of traffic enforcement techniques. Each patrol car is equipped with radar devices allowing Officers to monitor speeds, while the patrol car is moving or stationary.

School speed zone enforcement is a high priority which patrol officers perform on a daily basis. Several times a year, the department conducts Roadside Safety Checks, where impaired drivers are identified and removed from our highways. Seatbelt and child-restraint enforcement initiatives are also conducted throughout the year.

Portable speed limit signs have also been used throughout the Village. These high-intensity signs are movable and alert each passing driver to their traveling speed. Vehicles are counted and speeds are recorded for analysis to identify problems areas.

The Lisle Police Department is committed to maintaining safe roadways and reducing accidents throughout the Village.

Pets in spring

Spring is in the air, and with spring come complaints about pets. The animals may do the offending, but it is their owner’s responsibility to prevent the offenses. Please do your part:

- **Clean up** feces promptly and dispose of them in a sanitary manner.
- **Leashes** are required when on public property. Do not allow dogs and cats to run at large.
- **Purchase a Village dog tag** ($10) at the Village Hall Business Office. Bring an up-to-date veterinarian’s certificate of rabies vaccination.
**Public Works**

**Water payments: automatic debit option**

Consider the automatic debit option for paying your Village of Lisle water/sewer bill. As with a check, sufficient funds need to be available in your account at the time of transfer. If a draft is returned to the Village unpaid, all fees associated with non-sufficient funds or closed accounts shall apply and will be charged to your utility account.

Each water/sewer bill is mailed as usual. You have the normal opportunity to review it, and can call the Billing Clerk (630-271-4131) about any questions. At the bottom of both parts of the bill is printed, “PAYMENT WILL BE AUTOMATICALLY DEDUCTED.” On the date payment is due your checking or savings account will be debited for the amount due.

To find out more about Auto Debit, see the Village website, under Residents, Water & Sewer, Water/Sewer Billing & Payment; or call the Billing Clerk at 630-271-4131.

Note: DuPage County bills separately for sewer water treatment costs, and is NOT covered by this service.

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**2012 Street Rehabilitation**

Geneva Construction has been awarded a $1.8M contract for the 2012 Village of Lisle Street Rehabilitation Project. Motor Fuel Tax will cover $1.5M of the cost. Work is expected to begin in June. The following streets will be resurfaced:

- White Birch Drive
- Pine Tree Court
- Buring Tree Court
- Burlington Avenue (Main to Center)
- Wellington Avenue (Keller to 300’ East)
- Cypress Court (South of Ohio)
- Barnwall Court
- Adler Court
- Pleasant Hill Lane
- Lundy Lane
- Harth Court
- Hinterlong Court
- Ory Bridge Court
- Pepper Tree Court
- Shellingham Drive
- Tory Court
- Tyburnry Drive
- Westleigh Court
- Knollwood Court
- Hampshire Court
- Twin Oak Lane
- Acorn Hill Court
- White Oak Lane
- Bloomfield Drive
- Yorkshire Lane
- Collegewood Court
- Main Street RR underpass at BNSF

**Commuter Lots A, B, D, and E** will also be resurfaced. They will remain open during construction; however, individual rows of parking will be closed temporarily during the work. Parking will be available for displaced permit holders in overflow lots during construction.

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**Mark your calendar!**

**Spring Branch Pickup**

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See website for how and when to stack your branches for pickup, or call 630-271-4180. Follow the guidelines: avoid having your branch piles “red tagged.”

Next Branch Pickup in September

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**Ash trees attacked**

The **Emerald Ash Borer** has become endemic in our area. If the trend continues unabated, we will lose most of our ash trees, which constituted ~ 18% of the Village's parkway trees. Many ash trees are located on private property, as well.

The Village of Lisle has cut down ~80 ash trees with EAB symptoms. One notable area was along Benedictine Parkway, where ash trees have been replaced with a variety of species.

If you have questions or suspect you may have found adult beetles or evidence of this insect, contact the Village of Lisle Public Works Department at 630-271-4180 or pw@villageoflisle.org.

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**D-shaped exit holes, the diameter of nail holes, are hard to spot. Woodpeckers enlarge these holes, making them more noticeable.**

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**www.villageoflisle.org**
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SunCoke and Leeco Steel each moved their headquarters to Arboretum Lakes at 1011 Warrenville Rd. Both leased and remodeled office space, SunCoke 32,000 sq. ft. and Leeco Steel 21,000 sq. ft. SunCoke employs 105 and Leeco Steel 70 in Lisle.

In addition to these major remodelings along the corporate corridor, some 30 small businesses — some new to Lisle and some expanding— remodeled their spaces.

Commercial building upticks in 2011

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Revising Zoning & Subdivision Code

Progress continues to be made on the comprehensive update of the Village’s development regulations. In order to address the issues identified in the existing code assessment report, the task force has decided to proceed with a Unified Development Ordinance (UDO) that will combine all the Village’s development-related codes into one uniform, modern and user-friendly code.

The task force continues to hold regular meetings to work through the specific code components of the UDO. For more information or to view meeting agendas, meeting summaries, draft codes and other reports, please visit the project’s web page located under the Community Development’s page of the Village website.

DuPage Medical Group under construction at 430 Warrenville Road.

New building

DuPage Medical Group is building a three story, 95,000 sq. ft. medical office building in Lisle, at the intersection of Ivanhoe Ave and Warrenville Rd.

The new building will house a state-of-the-art cancer center for DuPage Medical Group and Rush University Medical Center, part of a partnership to bring university-level cancer care to the western suburbs.

The medical office is designed with two wings: one for the outpatient diagnosis and treatment of cancer, the other serving as a medical office building for primary care, specialty care, and advanced diagnostic services. The expected completion date is December 2012.
Need a building permit?

As a general guideline, projects that require permits include, but are not limited to, the following:

- new construction or additions, basement finishing, or any alteration which changes the original design or floor plan of a structure
- decks, porches, sheds, gazebos, garages, fences, patios
- furnaces, water heaters
- adding electrical outlets and plumbing fixtures
- upgrading electric service
- in–ground and above ground pools, hot tubs
- lawn irrigation systems
- significant grading work or installation of retaining walls

A building permit is required regardless of whether you do the work or hire a contractor. Special regulations apply to properties in the floodplain.

Information. The Village’s website provides general information concerning permits and codes. Contact the Community Development Department at 630-271-4150 for specific questions or interpretations on any of the above, or any other code–related matters.

Bike Route signs

Public Works will soon install throughout the Village a key component of the Village’s proposed bicycle and pedestrian network. A total of 67 bike route signs will be installed around the community in locations identified in the 2009 Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan. They will designate specific local streets as preferred on–street bike routes.

Bicycle & Pedestrian Task Force. This ad–hoc committee facilitates improvement of bikeways and walkways in the community.

Lisle to host vehicle care clinic for senior citizens

Sat., May 12, 8:00am—noon

The Village of Lisle, the Naperville/Lisle Township TRIAD, the DuPage County Sheriff’s Office, and Lisle Senior High School are partnering to offer free vehicle inspections for seniors (55 and older). Participants will receive a multi–point inspection of their vehicle, which includes checking fluids, belts, hoses, tire condition and pressure, and vehicle lighting.

Additionally, officers from the Lisle Police Department and DuPage County’s Sheriff’s Office will be on hand to offer vehicle safety tips and answer questions.

The event will take place at the Village of Lisle Public Works Garage. Although its address is 4905 Yackley Avenue, access via Ohio Street, University Lane, then Varsity Lane. Follow the Public Works facility signs.

Questions? Contact Ken Lange, Fleet Services Supt. at (630) 271-4185.

Thanks to Rob Bollendorf and Al Zubenko, two of the Bike/Ped TF volunteers, for their efforts.

Taxi transportation subsidy program

Current and new program participants must re–register in person at the Village Hall each fiscal year (which begin May 1), providing proof of Village residency and age/disability, prior to purchasing coupons.

Subsidy program

- Once registered, coupons may be purchased through the mail.
- Each $10 book of coupons costs $5. Participants are able to purchase up to $50 worth of coupons each calendar month at a total cost of $25.
- Rides to and from airports and casinos are prohibited.
- Refunds for the purchase price of complete, unexpired coupon books will be given only to participants who are withdrawing from the program.
- Coupons are to be used only by the program participants who have purchased them. Other individuals may ride along as additional passengers, but the program participant who purchased the coupons must also be a passenger.
- Program participants may not sell or give away their coupons to other people.

The Bike/Ped TF has worked with Village staff and served as the advisory committee for the Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan and the Safe Routes to School Program. They also participate in local bicycle and walking advocacy events.

Members include Linda & Rob Bollendorf, Brenda Crosby, Jon Cunningham, Dan Garvy of Lisle Park District, Charlie Johnson, Brian Miller of Bicycles, Etc., Alexander Zubenko and Josh Potter, Village Planner.
Sustainable Saturday in Lisle

Recycle electronics, bicycles, scrap metal, SLA batteries and more

8:00 a.m. to noon, Saturday, April 28, 2012
Benedictine University Rice Center lot

Items accepted include:

- **Electronics** (such as desktop and laptop computers, computer monitors, mice, modems, scanners, televisions, radios, tape players, gaming consoles, power and network cables, telephones, VCRs, keyboards, stereos, fax machines, microwaves, small household appliances, copy machines, and printers)
- **Cell phones**
- **Bicycles** in any condition and helmets (please No Big Wheels or toddler-type bikes)
- **Wheelchairs**
- **Yarn and rulers**
- **Musical instruments**
- **LP records**
- **Sealed-Lead Acid (SLA) batteries** (which include batteries for cars, motorcycles, boats, lawn mowers, sump pumps and sport vehicles): Batteries should be contained in a sturdy box or plastic tub to minimize handling. Residents should keep SLA batteries separate from other items and place them in their vehicle last so that they can be removed by specially trained workers.

The Village of Lisle, Benedictine University and DuPage County encourages you to bring electronics; car, boat and sump pump batteries; bicycles, rechargeable batteries, scrap metal, old textiles and more to the 4th Sustainable Saturday in Lisle. The drop–off event will take place in the Dan and Ada Rice Center parking lot located on the campus of Benedictine University, 5700 College Road, Lisle.

Please note: Due to construction on campus, cars must enter at the traffic light off College Road (south of Maple Avenue) and exit onto College Road northeast of the Rice Center parking lot.

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Lisle French Market

Saturdays, 8:00am–1:00pm
6th year begins April 28
Commuter lot, S of Burlington Ave

Come on down!...for fresh cut flowers, plants, fruits, vegetables and baked goods. Also, the French Market offers one-of-a-kind items such as jewelry, artwork, crafts, clothing and more. Musical entertainment is scheduled for each date. Join in the fun!

Public Tree Planting
Friday, April 27th at 10 a.m.
at PrairieWalk Pond
(parking in Garfield lot)

“Every Tree Counts!”

Arbor Week Festivities
April 22nd–29th
at Morton Arboretum

No hazardous waste will be accepted (including: refrigerators, smoke detectors/alarms, thermostats, freezers, and air conditioners) on Sustainable Saturday.

Monthly electronics collection on Rt. 53 will be cancelled April 21st. Monthly collection on the third Saturday will resume May 19th.