Main Street RR underpass reopened

Main Street has reopened after repairs were made during April and May. The improvements are both functional and aesthetic. Concrete cracks were injected with epoxy and joints caulked, to lessen seepage. Lighting fixtures, conduit, and wiring were replaced. Loose concrete was removed, cleaned, and patched. Concrete and metal surfaces were painted. New metal safety railing was installed above the tunnel. A WSMTD grant of ~$57,000 will help defray the total cost of $174,000, which is being paid from commuter parking fees.

No changes to LEAP refuse/recycling

Refuse and recycling pickups for residences within the Village of Lisle corporate limits have NOT changed. The Village’s contract with Allied Waste (formerly BFI) runs through May 2008.

Confusion has arisen since Allied changed requirements for waste pickup services in nearby unincorporated areas of Lisle Township. There are no changes for Village of Lisle residents.

Lisle memorabilia on sale

Get a keepsake of Lisle to share with your family and guests. The 50th Anniversary commemorative book and DVD are now for sale at Village Hall.

*Lisle: The Movie* ($18.95)
*Lisle: A Pictorial History* ($25)

Call before you dig!

Save the trouble and expense of severed utility lines.

NEW NUMBER FOR JULIE

811

French Market

Saturdays 9:00am–1:00pm
Downtown Lisle

New! — Weekly Special Events

Come for the fun and leave with goodies! Musicians, demos, giveaways vary weekly. Check Village website for up-to-date list of special events. For example, on June 30th Hands & Paws will be demonstrating dog care.

One additional volunteer market “ambassador” is needed, 1X/mo, 8:30–1:30. Call Catherine Schuster at 630–271–4148.

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From the Mayor
With spring comes change, and so it is this year with the Village Board election. We welcome new Trustee Mark Boyle at an exciting time in Lisle’s history. Congratulations also to Trustees Kim Brondyke and Ed Young, both re-elected to 4-year terms, and to Trustee Lee LaFond, elected to a 2-year term (vacated by new County Board member Mike Connelly).

As we welcome Trustee Boyle, we say good-bye to Trustee Ann Duker, who did not seek a third term. Ann brought a wealth of experience to the position, and she has championed our beautification efforts in the community. Ann typified the spirit of volunteering to the community, often coming to Board meetings directly from her office. Hopefully she is rewarded with the knowledge that she has contributed to the future direction of Lisle.

The month of May always brings a new round of (re)appointments to advisory boards and commissions. I would like to provide a special welcome to the following first-time appointees: Dennis Hoornstra (BOFPC); Jim Pielsticker (Police Pension); and Randy Russell (Econ. Dev.). I offer a hearty thanks to all who volunteer for the community.

Speaking of volunteering, Lou O’Brien (Econ. Dev.) has donated a great deal of time to line up events for the French Market each Saturday. Her efforts are making it an even better market. Lisle Teens with Character (LTWC) celebrated their second annual awards night on May 17th. It was a great evening, and the accomplishments and volunteer service of these teens is becoming a model for other communities.

Main Street has re-opened after about six weeks of work on the RR bridge. I know that a street closing like this in the downtown can be frustrating to drivers and downtown businesses. There will be more work coming this fall when new storm water and water main is installed downtown, and of course, next spring when construction on downtown Main St. begins. (See timeline on p. 4.) I urge everyone to keep in mind the end goal of a revitalized downtown. The disruption necessary prior to achieving that goal will be minimized as much as possible. I’m sure that as we work together, we will create a downtown that is a source of pride.

Our annual Illinois Mobile Driver Services are scheduled for 9:30–2:30 August 23rd at Village Hall. This convenient way of securing a variety of driver services from the Sec. of State has been well received by residents, and I hope you can take advantage of it this year.

From the comments I’ve heard about the Village’s new gateway signs, it seems like this project has been a big success in the eyes of residents. I hope everyone enjoys a much more attractive “Welcome to Lisle” that these signs provide. Have a great summer!

Pillar Awards recognize Lisle citizens
Lisle Community Character Alliance recognizes the pillars of good character. Pillar Awards made on May 18th:

Cindy Pistine – RESPECT (student) for turning in $200 she found in the LSHS locker room.

Agnes McInerney – CARING for delivering Meals on Wheels for 14 years and recruiting at least eight other volunteers.

Richard Kovling – CITIZENSHIP (posthumously) for his active participation in structuring Lisle Community Character Alliance. He led by example, believing senior citizens should not be bystanders in contributing to the life of the community.

Nominate someone you know! Help Lisle Community Character Alliance honor those of good character who exemplify one or more of these characteristics: trustworthiness, respect, responsibility, fairness, caring, and citizenship. Forms are available for download from the Village website. Awards are made twice yearly, in spring and fall. Nominations are held until the next award date.

VILLAGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Joseph Broda, Mayor
Mark Boyle Lee LaFond
Kimberly Brondyke Joseph Schmitt
Thomas Frey Ed Young
Tim Seeden, Village Clerk
Gerald Sprecher, Village Manager
Meetings held 1st and 3rd Mondays,
Workshops held 2nd Mondays,
each month at 7:30 p.m.

VILLAGE OFFICES
Monday through Friday
Business Office: 7:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Public Works: 7:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Other offices: 8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

POLICE DEPARTMENT
24 hour service
Police Response 9-1-1
Police Administration 271-4200
Public Works 271-4180
Building/Zoning 271-4150
Business Office/Other 271-4100
General Email Lisle@villageoflisle.org
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Have a great summer!
Sprinkling restrictions

Sprinkling is limited to the hours between 5:00–10:00, both mornings and evenings, on an odd–even basis that matches street numbers to calendar days, now through Sept. 15th. This also applies to underground irrigation systems. Hand–held watering is allowed any time. A 2–week permit can be obtained for watering new sod or seed. Call Public Works (630–271–4180) with any questions.

For senior citizens or disabled residents

Phone tax rebate

The Village of Lisle offers a flat $25 phone tax rebate, one claim per household each year. The rebate applies to a primary phone, excluding cellular phones. Application must be made in person at the Business Office no later than July 31, 2007. Applicants must qualify by age or disability during the rebate period: May 1, 2006 — April 30, 2007.

To apply for the rebate, please submit two phone bills to the Business Office—one for May ’06 and one for April ’07. Otherwise, provide bills for any six months during that period. No applications will be accepted after July 31, 2007.

Taxi subsidy

Qualified seniors/disabled may purchase taxi subsidy coupons. With these coupons, residents may travel anywhere within the cab company’s service area. Coupons are used like cash, for fares or tipping the driver.

Each $10 coupon book includes (8) $1 coupons and (4) 50¢ coupons. Participants may purchase up to 5 books/month at a cost of $2.50 each. Coupons worth $50 cost only $12.50. Current coupons expire April 30, ’08.

Once registered for this program, participants may purchase additional coupon books by mail.

For both programs: Applicants must live within Village of Lisle limits. Bring proof of age 65 or older (drivers license, state ID, or passport) or disability (social security form), and anything showing a current address. For additional information, call the Business Office at 630–271–4100.

New Trustee
Mark Boyle

The April election brought one new face to the Village Board—Trustee Mark Boyle. A Pine Hill resident since 1983, Boyle previously served on the Economic Development Commission and the ZBA. He does marketing/real estate research for a national company.

Pet owners

✔ Clean up feces promptly and dispose of them in a sanitary manner.

✔ Do not allow dogs and cats to run at large. Leashes are required when on public property.

✔ Obtain a free Village dog tag at the Village Hall Business Office. Bring an up–to–date veterinarian’s certificate of rabies vaccination.

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### 2007 Cost Share Parkway Tree Program Application

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(Examples: 10’ from N property line, or 7’ S of driveway)

The Public Works Department will mark the site best suited for the success of the tree.

**Questions? Call Public Works at 271-4175.**

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Total number of trees @ $99

Total Cost $ __________

Quantities are limited. Qualified applicants will receive trees on a first come, first served basis, until the allotment is exhausted. Please mail or bring this application to the Village Hall, 925 Burlington Ave., Lisle, IL 60532. Mark the envelope “2007 Tree Program” on the front. Applicants will be notified as to whether the Village can plant a tree for them, and then payment will be due. The Village of Lisle reserves the right to cancel any order.

**Application deadline is 5 p.m. Friday, August 17, 2007.**

The Parkway Tree Planting Program provides trees for parkways that are directly adjacent to Village roads. _All of these trees must be planted in Village right–of–way._ Unfortunately, no trees can be planted along state or county–owned roads, or in areas where the Village of Lisle has inadequate right–of–way behind the curb. Arboretum Woods and some areas within Green Trails have no right–of–way behind the curb.

Public Works personnel will contact applicants and stake the location best suited for success of the trees based on the homeowners’ suggestions and consideration of any conflicts with utilities, visual clearance, spacing requirements, etc. The trees will be planted after they go dormant in late fall.

The trees cost the Village $250–$300 each, but are made available to residents for $99 each. Depending on demand, applicants may, or may not, be limited to one tree.

Tree descriptions can be found on the Village’s website. Use the application form found here or download a copy from the website. Questions? Call Public Works Forestry Dept. at 630–271–4175.

### Timeline for Downtown Projects

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**Main St. RR Bridge**

**Garfield Demolitions Phase II**

**Garfield Lot Resurfacing**

**Main/School & Burlington Watermain & Storm Sewer**

**Timeline for Downtown Projects**
The rendering below shows the potential for fully developing the Garfield Pond site as an inviting oasis in downtown Lisle. The undulating shoreline will help to move water through the pond. Two lighted floating fountains will aerate the water, and add the soothing sight and sound of running water. Attractive landscaping will include native and ornamental plants and trees. Benches along the pathway and a shelter on the west peninsula offer seating. Along the west side, the path will replace the sidewalk along Route 53, bringing pedestrians away from the busy road into the park–like setting. On the east, the path connects to the existing Main Street Garden Walk. There are several potential garden and sculptural focal points. A formal garden and creative play area are shown at the north end.

Near term. The Village has acquired the remaining Garfield area parcels needed to make way for the pond. Over the summer, remaining buildings will be razed.

Currently, the basic pond project is in the design phase, and may go out to bid in September. The base bid will include creation of the pond, installing the path (hard surface along the west side, limestone screenings for the remainder), and basic landscaping. Underground infrastructure for future lighting and an irrigation system will be installed. Work is anticipated to begin in November 2007 and conclude in early summer 2008.

Of course, first and foremost, the pond is to provide stormwater detention for future downtown development, including the old Village Hall site. It will also help clean rain runoff before it is discharged into the East Branch. In a separate contract, Main and School Streets will have a new storm sewer installed this fall, along with water main replacement.

That storm sewer system will tie into the new Garfield detention pond. Public Works Dir. Ray Peterson is shepherding these public works projects.

Future. Econ. Dev. Dir. Catherine Schuster is submitting an application for an OSLAD grant for the shelter, children’s play area, solid surface for the crushed limestone path, lighting, and native landscaping. This portion of the project will proceed when and if a grant is obtained. (The formal garden area is an unscheduled future amenity.)

OSLAD grants are managed in Illinois by the Dept. of Natural Resources. Projects vary from small neighborhood parks or tot lots to large community and county parks and nature areas. Funding up to 50% of approved project costs can be obtained. Grant awards up to $400,000 maximum are available for development/renovation projects. The state program is financed by a percentage of the state’s Real Estate Transfer Tax.
Protect your property from flooding: what you can do

Articles in the Spring issue of this newsletter concentrated on the “what” and “why” of regulations the Village enforces to control flooding, and the flood information services it offers. The articles here concentrate on things you can do to protect your property.

Flood insurance

Most property owners wouldn’t dream of going without fire insurance, but are resistant to buying flood insurance. However, if your property is in the floodplain, over the 30 years of a typical mortgage there is a 26% chance you will experience a flood, and just a 5% chance of experiencing a fire. Damages from a flood may be every bit as devastating as from a fire.

If you don’t have flood insurance, talk to your insurance agent. Most homeowner’s policies do not cover damage from floods. However, because the Village of Lisle participates in the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP), you can purchase a separate flood insurance policy. This insurance is backed by the Federal government and is available to everyone, even for properties that have been flooded. The insurance premium rate depends on the depth of flooding that might occur on your property in a 1% chance flood. Because of strict enforcement of Village regulations and other activities to meet FEMA standards, owners of flood plain property within the Village of Lisle are eligible for a 15% reduction in premiums.

Flood insurance is available to owners and renters (for contents). Around 25% of the claims paid out are for damages to properties outside the floodplain.

Flood insurance is a mandatory requirement when dealing with any lender who uses Federal funds. Usually these policies cover just the building’s structure and not the contents. During the kind of flooding that happens in Lisle, there is usually more damage to the furniture and contents than there is to the structure. So, consider additional insurance. Also, renters can buy flood insurance to protect their possessions in case of flood damages.

At last count, there were around 200 flood insurance policies in Lisle. If you are covered, double check that the building coverage is adequate and make sure you have contents coverage. Remember: even if the last flood missed you or you have done some floodproofing, the next flood could be worse. Flood insurance covers all surface floods.

Don’t wait for the next flood to buy insurance protection. There is a 30–day waiting period before NFIP coverage takes effect. Contact your insurance agent for more information on rates and coverage.

Even if you are not in a floodplain, there still may be some risk of flooding. Anyone can buy flood insurance. Around 25% of the claims paid out are for damages to properties outside the floodplain.

Floodproofing

There are several different ways to protect a building from flood damage. One way is to keep the water away by regrading your lot, or building a small floodwall or earthen berm. These methods work if your lot is large enough, and if flooding is not too deep.

Another approach is to make your walls waterproof and place watertight closures over the doorways and windows that are low. This method is not recommended for houses with basements or if water will get over two feet deep.

A third approach is to raise the house above flood levels. Most wood frame houses can be elevated. This allows flood waters to flow under the house without damaging it, keeping the structure and your belongings safe and dry.

For sewer backups. Many houses, even those not in the floodplain, have sewers that back up into the basement during heavy rains. A plug or standpipe can stop this if the water doesn’t get more than one or two feet deep and if there are no toilets on the lowest level. They can be purchased at a hardware store for under $25. The most effective solution for sewer

Lisle’s flood history


The August 1972 flood was the flood of record, and the most damaging in the Lisle area. A newspaper reported that the water at the Main Street railroad viaduct was almost to the top of the tracks.

Many people remember reading about the 1996 storm being a 100 year or 1% chance storm event. That was true in parts of Naperville and Aurora, but not in Lisle. Storms don’t occur equally over the entire area. The 1996 storm in Lisle had the intensity of around a 4–5% chance storm event.

The most recent flood of 1996 was primarily controlled by levees constructed along the river in the mid–1960s and the floodplain design and development controls imposed by the Village since 1970. However, we should not be complacent about future floods.
backup flooding is installation of an overhead sewer connection. A licensed plumbing contractor can do this work, a building permit is required, and grants are available from the Village of Lisle and/or DuPage County to help with the cost of this work. Contact the Public Works Department at 630–271–4170 for more information.

All of these measures are called floodproofing or retrofitting. More information is available in the Village of Lisle Floodplain Library at Village Hall and Lisle Library. The Floodplain Coordinator can help you determine the most effective methods for your property. Important note: Any alteration to your building or land requires a permit from the Building Department.

If you know a flood is coming, you should shut off the gas, water, and electricity. Lowest openings to a home (basement windows, crawl space) could be sandbagged and personal possessions could be raised above basement and first floor levels. Furniture and appliances could be enclosed in plastic. Preparing a detailed checklist in advance would help ensure that protecting your property can be accomplished quickly and nothing is forgotten. And, when told to evacuate by emergency personnel, do so.

Stay safe in a flood

In the event of a flood, there should be sufficient warning for people in affected areas to take precautions or evacuate.

When a flood occurs, stay safe. Keep these points in mind:

• Do not walk through flowing water. Drowning is the number one cause of flood deaths. Currents can be deceptive; 6” of moving water can knock you off your feet. If you have to walk in standing water, use a pole or stick to ensure the ground is not too far down, and is stable.

• Do not drive through a flooded area. More people drown in their cars than anywhere else. Don’t drive around road barriers; the road or bridge may be washed out. It only takes 2’ of water to float a car.

• Stay away from power lines and electrical wires. The #2 flood killer after drowning is electrocution. Electrical current travels through water. Report downed power lines to ComEd.

• Have your electricity turned off by the power company, before re-entering your flooded home after a flood. Some appliances, such as TVs, keep electrical charges even after they have been unplugged. Don’t use appliances or motors that have gotten wet unless they have been taken apart, cleaned, and dried.

• Look out for animals. Small animals that have been flooded out of their homes may seek shelter in yours. Be cautious around frightened animals.

• Look before you step. After a flood, the ground and floors are covered with debris including broken glass and nails. Floors and stairs that have been covered with mud can be very slippery.

• Be alert for gas leaks. Use a flashlight to inspect for damages. Don’t smoke or use candles, lanterns, or open flames unless you know the gas has been turned off and the area has been ventilated.

If you have any flooding or drainage concerns or questions, or want information regarding retrofitting or property protection, call Mary Lou Kalsted at 630–271–4107.

The Village of Lisle appreciates input from its residents. Request information, or offer suggestions or constructive criticism, on any matter pertaining to Village government. You are invited to use:

• 24 Hour Info Line (630–271–4110)
• email (Lisle@villageoflisle.org)
• this form or a letter (mail to Resident Comment Coordinator, Village of Lisle, 925 Burlington Ave., Lisle, IL 60532·1838, or deposit in the payment drop box at Village Hall)

website: www.villageoflisle.org
New retail grants

To attract desirable new retail stores into the Downtown B–3 Central Business District, the Village has initiated a Retail Grant Program, as recommended by Lisle’s Economic Development Commission. It is based on a successful retail grant program in Elmhurst. It provides matching funds up to $10,000 to retail businesses opening a store. It could also fund major expansion activities of current retail businesses. Funds are limited to interior permanent tenant improvements and build-outs.

Qualifying businesses must be retail and included on the B-3 Central Business List of Preferred Uses. Retail businesses not on the Preferred Uses List will be considered on an individual basis.

The Retail Grant Program will be funded in the same manner as the Façade Improvement and Demolition Grants—by the hotel/motel motel tax. Each year, the Village will establish a budget for the Retail Grant Program dependent on current economic conditions in the downtown. For the 2007/2008 fiscal year, the budget allows $50,000 for up to five retail grants to be awarded, and for a total of $130,000 in either Façade Improvement or Demolition Grants.

Summer Events

Take me out to the ball game!

DuPage Dragons (Central Ill. Collegiate League men’s baseball)
Chicago Bandits (women’s professional softball)

June, July and early Aug dates
Village of Lisle–Benedictine University Sports Complex

Eyes to the Skies Festival

Fri, June 29 carnival only 4–11pm
Sat*, Sun* & Wed* noon–11pm (* fireworks); Mon-Tues 5–11pm
Independence Day Parade, 3:30pm

Benches of Lisle II
downtown Lisle until Depot Days

Lisle Community Band Concerts

(Thursdays at 7:30pm in Community Park)
June 21, July 12, 19, 26, and Aug 2 (Jazz)

Morton Arboretum
— great natural environments to explore + special events —
Theater Hikes: June: The Adventures of Tom Sawyer
July: A Midsummer Night’s Dream
Aug: Treasure Island; Sept: Little Women
Summer Concerts: Ralph’s World – Sat, July 14, 11:00am
Poco / Pure Prairie League – Sat, July 14, 6:00pm
Josh Kelley / Sister Hazel – Sat, Aug 25, 6:00pm
Justin Roberts – Sun, Aug 26, 3:00pm

Mobile Driver Services
Aug 23, 9:30am–2:30pm at Village Hall

The Traveling Wall Sept 5–8

Lisle Depot Days Sept 15–16

See www.lislecvb.com/events for details and more events

Brush Pickup Schedule
for remainder of 2007

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See website for how and when to stack your brush for pickup, or call 630–271–4180.

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