Garfield Pond begins to take shape in June. When finished, the pond will hold stormwater from the downtown area, and be attractively landscaped.

Downtown Lisle: a busy place this summer!

Rain Barrels of Lisle public art is displayed inside many businesses this year. This one is entitled "Faded Glory."

One of the dewatering well pumps (foreground) dries the site during construction, so a backhoe can excavate the future pond.

For latest on Downtown Lisle, visit www.villageoflisle.org. On the homepage, click on Downtown Updates link at lower left.

At official ground-breaking for pond and street projects on April 21: Trustee Boyle, Clerk Seeden, Mayor Broda, Trustees Young and LaFond.

French Market continues to thrive Saturdays 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. at its new location in the Burlington Avenue commuter lot. Come shop!

Main Street reconstruction gets underway. During the first phase, northbound traffic is being detoured. Later, the detour will be switched to southbound traffic. For Main Street business customers, a temporary parking lot on the old Village Hall site is accessed from Burlington Avenue.

Named One of Money Magazine’s TOP 20 “BEST PLACES TO LIVE” IN AMERICA
From the Mayor...

Summer is in full gear. It is great to see the Main Street and Garfield projects underway. I know for our downtown businesses and daily commuters, this is going to be a trying time. I just hope we can all keep our sights on the finish line and a beautiful downtown that we will enjoy for many years. In the meantime, please go out of your way to continue doing business downtown, and monitor the construction progress while you’re there.

Also appropriate for summer is this year’s public art project, Rain Barrels of Lisle. These colorful works of art bring back some old technology, collecting rainwater that can be used to irrigate your gardens and planters. New this year, the benefit auction begins now at www.lislechamber.com and will conclude live in the fall. The rain barrels coincide with our recent initiatives with Clean Air Counts and Greenest Region Compact, regional programs that encourage conservation. Energy conservation issues are here to stay and, both as individuals and as a community, we will work to improve.

Lisle Teens with Character held a wonderful year-end event on May 8th, recognizing the many hours of volunteer work by the teens, as well as their parents. I thank them all for sustaining such a great program. Their help was most recently shown in getting volunteers out for the Village’s Blood Drive at Village Hall on May 22nd. Thanks to the 35 blood donors who gave the gift of life. I’d also like to recognize Donate Life Illinois, a group that is gathering registrations for organ donations, to be forwarded to the Secretary of State’s Office. Did you know that your organs can benefit up to 25 people? Look for this group by the Police booth at the Eyes to Skies Festival, and I hope you too will register as an organ donor.

Speaking of volunteers, thanks and congratulations to the Pillar Award winners (page 5). Among them was Jerry Neuberg, and we mourn his recent passing. Lisle Community Character Alliance makes the awards. To learn more about the Alliance, go to CHARACTER COUNTS on the website.

Finally, don’t forget the annual Secretary of State’s Mobile Drivers Services unit at Village Hall on August 21. It’s a great convenience for our residents. There are many summer activities in Lisle, such as DuPage Dragons and Eyes to the Skies (page 8). I hope to see you at one or more of these events.

OSLAD grant to support pond amenities

The Village of Lisle has been awarded a $400,000 matching grant from the Illinois Department of Natural Resources. This Open Space Lands Acquisition and Development (OSLAD) grant will help add plantings and recreational amenities to the new Garfield storm water retention pond.

Lighted recreational trails will encircle the pond and connect to Main Street via the Garden Walk. A gazebo will jut out into the water where colored fountains will light up the night sky and serve as a beautiful gateway into downtown. It will be carpeted with an abundance of native plantings and restored wildlife areas. A highly interactive children’s play area will feature nature-themed play structures, including a fun water area with interactive jumping splash pads, water jets, and misters.

The entire project is expected to be completed in approximately eight months and should coincide with the completion in 2009 of the new nature-themed streetscape on Main Street.

Mosquito Hotline 1-800-942-2555

Call this number to report stagnant water or to request to be put on a prior notification list for aerial spraying.
CFLs need proper disposal

CFLs efficiencies of power usage could also hurt the environment if not properly disposed of when they burn out or break. Each CFL contains about 5 mg of mercury gas (barely enough to cover the tip of a pen): light is generated by heating the gas in the glass tube. The mercury in CFLs is safe when contained, but if a bulb should break or be disposed of improperly, CFLs can become unsafe.

Cleanup and disposal guidelines from the US EPA are posted on the Village's website. These cover an 11 step process for broken bulbs, and a 3-step process for burned-out bulbs. Salient features include:

**IF A CFL BULB BREAKS**

Vent the Room
1. Open a window and leave the room for 15 minutes or more. (continued on page 5)

For senior citizens or disabled residents

**Taxi subsidy**

Lisle seniors or disabled persons 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. Once registered for this program, participants may purchase additional coupon books by mail.

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. Currently issued coupons expire April 30, ’01. Older complete coupon books with a 2008 expiration date may be exchanged for coupon books with the new expiration date.

**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, 2008. Applicants must qualify by age or disability during the rebate period: May 1, 2007 – April 30, 2008.

To apply for the rebate, please submit two phone bills to the Business Office—one for May ’07 and one for April ’08. Otherwise, provide bills for any six months during that period. No applications will be accepted after July 31, 2008.

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.

Lisle’s new canine officer Bart with his handler Officer Bill Wise.

radKIDS

July 8th, 9am to 3pm

radKIDS is a program that teaches children, ages 8 to 10 years old, to recognize and escape violent situations, such as potential abductions, bullying, and abuse. It also instructs children on basic safety practices such as playground, fire, and bicycle safety.

What makes radKIDS different from other safety programs is that it provides children the opportunity to practice these skills in a safe setting. They will practice calling 911, avoiding potential danger, and fleeing situations where their safety is in jeopardy. Further, radKIDS teaches children basic physical skills to break free and escape from potential attackers. radKIDS encourages confidence and self-esteem. For more information, please visit the radKIDS website (www.radkids.org).

To register, please call Officer Jodie Wise at (630) 271-4218. Class size is limited to 20 participants. Deadline is July 1st, so register now! The class will be hosted at the Lisle Police Department, at 5040 Lincoln Avenue. Lunch of pizza and soda will be served at no charge.
Prevent stormwater runoff pollution

Rainwater picks up pollutants—sediments, chemicals, bacteria, debris—as it flows over our roofs, yards, driveways, and streets, contaminating downstream water.

Disposal

- **Pick up pet waste.**
- **Pick up debris.** Plastic bags, 6-pack rings, cigarette butts, etc. can choke, suffocate, or disable aquatic wildlife.
- Do not dump anything into storm sewer drains.
- Dispose of hazardous materials (oil, antifreeze, pesticides, paints, solvents) at hazardous waste collection sites—not where they will flow to any of our waterways.

Yard care

- **Minimize fertilizer usage,** and sweep it up from paved surfaces. Excess nutrients cause algal blooms that deplete oxygen in water, killing aquatic organisms.
- **Don’t overwater your lawn.** Excess runoff carries nutrients.
- **Minimize use of salt** on sidewalks and driveways.

- **Use least toxic pesticides** and use them sparingly; learn about Integrated Pest Management (Internet is a good source).
- **Redirect downspouts** away from paved areas.
- **Vegetate** bare spots.

Vehicles

- Maintain vehicles to avoid spills and leaks; recycle motor oil.
- Wash cars at a car wash instead of on the driveway.

**Household Hazardous Waste Disposal**

Don’t pour chemicals on the ground or down a storm drain.  
Dispose of wastes responsibly!

**Drop-off Recycling Center**
1971 Brookdale Rd, Naperville  
(behind fire station, E side of Rt. 59, btwn. Diehl Rd. & N. Aurora Rd.)
open 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Saturdays & Sundays

**Accepted items include:**
Household cleaners, drain openers
Paints (oil based only)
Mineral spirits, strippers, solvents
Insecticides, herbicides
Flammables, automotive fluids
Fluorescent fixtures
Household batteries
Unknown hazardous substances

**Not accepted:**
Latex paint

**Capital projects funding**

As part of the fiscal year budget that began May 1st, the Village Board approved utility taxes on natural gas and electric use, similar to many other communities. While implementation of these taxes has been resisted for many years, the need to ensure revenue for capital projects has required this action. These charges will represent an approximate 5% charge on billed use by the gas and electric utilities. This revenue source will be evaluated annually, but in the immediate future it will serve as a vital source of funding for infrastructure improvements.

**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 anytime. A 2–week permit can be obtained for watering new sod or seed. Call Public Works at 630–271–4180 with any questions.

*Share the cost of a parkway tree? If residents are interested in cost sharing a tree for adjacent street parkway, call Public Works at 630–271–4180 for information.**

*Call JULIE before you dig! 811*  
Save the trouble and expense of severed utility lines.

**12 Things You Can Do**
Pillar Awards recognize good character traits

Pillar Award recipients at May 5th Village Board meeting: (l to r): Marlee Moen, Joe Knott, Mackenzie Buchelt, Tom Richardt, Mary Jean Houde, Mary Lou Kalsted, Mrs. VanKampen (accepting on behalf of Dave VanKampen), Mayor Broda, Diane Johnson, Jim and Deede Gillfillan, Kristine Turano, Katie Havertape

Marlee Moen (Respect), Benet sophomore, organizes “Camp for a Cause” for neighborhood children.

Joe Knott (Citizenship) devoted much extra effort toward developing incentives as a member of Lisle’s Economic Development Commission.

Mackenzie Buchelt (Responsibility), LdHS 8th grader, helps other kids at White Sox Training Academy.

Tom Richardt (Fairness) is coordinator for social justice and peace at St. Joan of Arc with a long list of accomplishments.

Mary Jean Houde (Trustworthiness) is member of the Village of Lisle Transportation Advisory Commission and historian for the Lisle Chamber of Commerce, among other community services.

Mary Lou Kalsted (Responsibility – Business) for going above and beyond official duties to help a Lisle family resolve a flood insurance issue.

Dave VanKampen (Respect) for his roles in Partners for Parks and Eyes to the Skies Committee.

Diane Johnson (Fairness), Early Childhood teacher at Tate Woods, has incorporated sign language and yoga into her teaching to help students blossom into more communicative children.

Deede and Jim Gillfillan (Citizenship) retirees who plan their travel around their volunteer commitments.

Kristine Turano (Caring) for her active role in the Peach Creek Homeowners Association planning fun events for Peach Creek children.

Katie Havertape (Responsibility) LSHS Social Worker has been the glue that has held the Snow Chapter event planning team together.

Jerry Neuberg and Steve Wandtke, VFW Post 5695 (Caring) for their generosity and support of the DARE program.

CFL disposal cont. from p. 3

2. Shut off the central forced-air heating/air conditioning system, if you have one.

Steps are detailed for cleanup from hard surfaces and from rugs/carpets, plus future carpet cleaning. The intent is to minimize contamination of air and surfaces. For instance, use stiff paper to pick up the glass and powder, or sticky tape for small fragments. Package the cleanup materials and debris in a capped glass jar or sealed plastic bag.

Burned out bulbs should also be sealed in a plastic bag.

Disposal. Take broken or unbroken CFL bulbs to a household hazardous waste (HHW) center. Do not dispose of them in your trash. Also, some retailers, e.g. some Ikea and Ace Hardware stores, accept CFLs for disposal: please call your local store for details and instructions.

Bike & Pedestrian Routes

The Village of Lisle Bicycle and Pedestrian Task Force held a public brainstorming workshop on April 15 at the Lisle Police Station to gather ideas for the Lisle Pedestrian and Bicycle Plan. About 40 people in attendance gave ideas for bike routes, pedestrian improvements, bike parking, pedestrian safety and accessibility. The task force will summarize the public input from the workshop, and prioritize goals and opportunities for the bike plan.

Look for upcoming meetings this summer where preliminary bicycle and pedestrian opportunities and plans will be formulated. Contact Josh Potter, staff liaison to the task force, at 630-271-4150 or jpotter@villageoflisle.org for more information.

Mark your calendar!

Brush Pickup Schedule for remainder of 2008

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See website for how and when to stack your brush for pickup, or call 630–271–4180.
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 floodplain property within the Village of Lisle are eligible for a 15–20% reduction in premiums.

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 came less than 3‘ from the railroad.

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.

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

Flood insurance is mandatory requirement for a property in the floodplain 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 fewer than 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.

30 days

waiting period for flood insurance to go into effect—don’t wait until the water is rising!

Even if you are not in a floodplain, there still may be some risk of flooding. Anyone can buy flood insurance. Around 25% of NFIP 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. Obtain a grading permit first.

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 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 Specialist in the Community Development Department (CDD) can help you determine the most effective methods for your property. Important note: **Any alteration to your building or land requires a permit from CDD.**

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**

- **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.

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)

Comments are invited!

Submitter

Address

Daytime phone #

Date
Red Light Cameras operating at two Lisle intersections

In an effort to enhance safety at some of Lisle’s most dangerous intersections, Red Light Cameras are now operating at two Lisle intersections: Route 53 at Maple and Ogden at Yackley.

Sensors placed in the pavement activate the cameras only when a vehicle enters the intersection during the red light cycle.

A common misconception is that the cameras will be photographing everyone as they drive through the community. No, the cameras activate only when a vehicle enters the intersection during the red light cycle.

Motorists will NOT be cited when entering an intersection on a green or yellow light which turns red before they have a chance to make a left turn, or when yielding to an emergency vehicle or lawfully participating in a funeral procession.

Three photographs will be taken plus 8–10 seconds of digital video. All 3 images, plus a link to view the video footage online, will be provided to the vehicle’s registered owner, to whom the violation is mailed. State law prohibits photographing faces of either drivers or passengers.

Frequently Asked Questions

■ What is a red light violation?
  There are two types of red light violations: (1) right turn on red without coming to a complete stop, (2) entering an intersection after the traffic signal has turned red.

■ If I am in the intersection when the light is yellow and the light changes to red, will I receive a notice of violation?
  No. The automated system only becomes active once the red light is showing. It will not capture a vehicle that enters the intersection prior to the light changing to red. If you entered the intersection on yellow, it is legal to clear the intersection if the light turned red while you were still in the intersection.

■ What do I do if I receive a citation?
  If you receive a citation in the mail you should follow the instructions on the back. Detailed information is provided on how to pay or contest the violation. Should the individual decide to contest the violation, he/she may do so through the Village’s adjudication program.

■ What if I wasn’t driving the car?
  Under Illinois State Law, the registered owner of the vehicle is liable for any automated traffic law violations that occur to the vehicle, regardless of who is operating it.

■ What is the penalty?
  During an initial 30-day warning period, warning citations carry no penalty or fine. Thereafter, violator is a civil penalty (similar to a parking ticket) with a $100 fine.

Additional information about the Red Light Camera Program is posted on the Village’s website. From the Red Light Enforcement screen, click on the document link for detailed information. For immediate questions, please contact the Lisle Police Dept. at 630-271-4200.

Fun Summer Events in Lisle

DuPage Dragons
Collegiate Baseball – Jun, Jul and early Aug
dates
Village of Lisle–Benedictine University Sports Complex

Eyes to the Skies Festival
Wed, Jul 2 only carnival 4–11pm
Thur, Fri, Sat & Sun, Jul 3–6, noon–11pm (fireworks ~9:45)
Independence Day Parade, 3:30pm

Lisle Community Band Concerts
Thursdays at 7:30pm in Community Park – free
Jun 26, Jul 10, 17, 24, and Jul 31 (Jazz)

Concerts 7:30pm & Movies 8:30pm in the Park – free
British Export – Jul 22
Cheney Mills – Aug 8
Harry Potter (Order of Phoenix) – Jul 19
Blades of Glory – Aug 16

The Morton Arboretum
Theater Bike, Theater Hike, Summer Concerts, Asian Celebration, and more!

Depot Days
Sat & Sun, Sept 20 & 21, noon–5pm

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