

From the Mayor...

This issue of Neighbors has a theme that is close to my heart, "Eat, Drink and Be Merry...Locally."

I know the entire community is proud of Rayme's owners Jerri and Gary Nolan, who overcame the devastating effects of the April 2013 Flood to open a beautiful new restaurant in Downtown Lisle.

Jerri reports business has far surpassed expectations, which makes me very happy and proves a valuable point—Lisle is an excellent location for quality businesses to grow and thrive.

So, when you are looking for a place to celebrate this holiday season, consider Rayme and the many other fine restaurants here in Lisle. The Village's Restaurant & Catering Guide lists more than fifty different, unique dining options. Find it on the Village's website, villageoflisle.org.

Approximately fourteen hundred people "Ate, Drank and Were Merry" at the second annual Ale Fest. It's great to see this popular Chamber event return for a second season in Downtown Lisle. A Special Events Grant helped make this and several other events possible and helps achieve a Village Board objective of making Downtown Lisle a destination. Another Special Events Grant will provide a heated dining tent for food trucks which will be part of this year's Lights of Lisle Festival. Now, instead of going home after the parade, stay and have dinner, which will put you front and center for the Tree Lighting Ceremony, which begins at 6pm. You'll find the Lights of Lisle Activity Schedule in this issue and thanks to all the volunteers and the Special Events Grant Committee for making this a wonderful, holiday event with a new twist.

Not only is Lisle a great place to dine, but it is also a great place to live. We hope to bring even more housing options to the downtown in the near future as the proposed development plans for the Old Village Hall site progress. This 2.4 acre site in Downtown Lisle was earmarked for redevelopment in the Downtown Lisle Master Plan. The improving economy and Lisle's many advantages have prompted experienced developer Marquette to propose a mixed-used development for the site. Stay informed by visiting the Village's website, villageoflisle.org for detailed information or subscribe to E-notify for brief updates as they become available. Or become part of the process by attending Village meetings where the project is being discussed in detail. The website lists meeting times and agendas.

Finally, I am proud to report that Lisle is now one of only 66 Illinois communities which have earned the "Storm Ready Community" designation from the National Weather Service. We have made great strides in preparing for any future emergencies that may occur through training, education, expanding communications and promoting early warning alert systems such as CodeRED. Our new Volunteers 4 Lisle Program has attracted talented people who are also working hard to keep us safe and secure. You'll hear more about these activities in my annual State of the Village, scheduled in January 2015.

I join the Village Board, staff and all our volunteers in wishing each of you a joyous holiday season!

Mayor Joe Broda



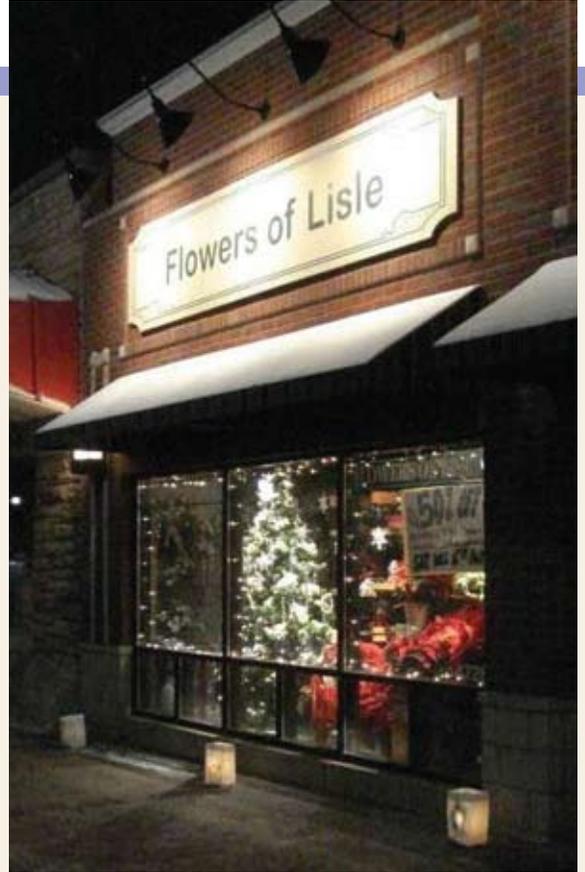
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“Shop Lisle” this Holiday Season

The Village of Lisle would like to encourage residents to shop local this holiday season. Residents who take advantage of retailing and dining opportunities in Lisle play a key role in maintaining businesses and important sales tax revenues essential to funding vital public services. For every retail dollar spent in the Village, 1% goes to help fund public services and projects, including infrastructure improvements.

Besides the convenience and environmental benefits of shopping local (less vehicle miles to travel), Lisle is home to businesses that get involved and support community projects, service organizations, schools, and athletic teams. So choose to shop local this holiday season and know, what you spend in Lisle, stays in Lisle, during the holidays and year-round.



Village welcomes new economic development coordinator

Peter J. Kelly is the new Economic Development Coordinator for the Village of Lisle. Pete’s past experience includes serving as Economic Development Director in Ansonia, CT and Gallup, NM. He has also worked as Associate Broker for Roger Cox & Associates,

a real estate brokerage firm in New Mexico. Peter’s efforts will support the Village Board’s goal of increasing focus on economic development related activities. He may be reached at pkelly@villageoflisle.org or 630-271-4121.

Downtown Lisle redevelopment project advances

The Village Board approved a resolution to enter into a purchase/sales agreement permitting Marquette Real Estate Investments, LLC. to move forward in the process of purchasing/redeveloping the Old Village Hall site in Downtown Lisle. This 2.4 acre site is located at the north east corner of Main St. and Burlington Ave. and was designated for redevelopment by the Downtown Lisle Master Plan.

Marquette is proposing to construct two, five story buildings which would include 206 high quality apartment units and approximately 15,000 square

feet of new retail, restaurant and commercial space at street level. Spencer Ave., the street separating the two vacant parcels of land, would be vacated to create a pedestrian plaza. The Main St. streetscape would be extended along Burlington Ave.

A series of public hearings/meetings is occurring before the Planning and Zoning Commission and Village Board. During these meetings, the project will be thoroughly reviewed and discussed with the public. At the conclusion of these meeting, the Village Board will vote on the project. If the

project is approved, construction is expected to take approximately one year to complete.

To view status updates, visit villageoflisle.org, choose the “Old Village Hall Site” option. Updates may also be received via E-notify. To register for E-notify, visit villageoflisle.org and choose the Notify Me option. Residents can also attend Village Meetings; visit villageoflisle.org for meeting dates, times and agendas. For more information, contact Community and Economic Development Director Tony Budzikowski at 630-271-4153 or tbudzikowski@villageoflisle.org.

Helpful holiday crime prevention tips

While the holiday season is a special time of year, busy people can become distracted and vulnerable to theft and other holiday crime. The Lisle Police Department wants everyone to have a secure and happy holiday season by taking a minute from the rush to review the following holiday crime prevention tips:

- When attending a holiday party where alcohol will be present, know your safe limit and never drink and drive.
- If you are holiday shopping at night, park in a well-lighted area. Do not park next to vans or cars with tinted windows. Be aware of your surroundings when approaching your vehicle. If something or someone seems suspicious, don't approach your car and alert a security agent. Never leave your car running while it is unoccupied. Don't leave packages or other valuables on the seat of your vehicle where they are clearly visible.
- Keep an updated record of all your credit card numbers at home so you can quickly report

them if they are lost or stolen. Notify the credit card issuer immediately if a credit card is lost, stolen, or misused.

- Be aware that criminals sometimes pose as couriers delivering gifts. Watch for criminals trying to take advantage of the generosity of people during the holiday season by soliciting charitable donations. Ask for identification and find out

how the donation will be used. If you are not satisfied with the answers, do not donate.

- While shopping, teach children to ask for help from a store clerk, security officer, or police officer if they get separated from you. Never allow children to make unaccompanied trips to the restroom. Teach children to immediately inform you if a stranger is bothering them.



Village earns storm ready designation

The Village is now one of 66 Illinois communities that have earned the Storm Ready Community designation by the National Weather Service. Storm Ready communities are better prepared to deal with severe weather through advanced planning, education and awareness. While no community is storm proof, becoming a Storm Ready community can help save lives.

The Village has implemented a variety of measures to expand communications and help the community prepare for severe weather or other disasters. Activities

include: monitoring weather reports and releasing information on multiple communication channels, increasing the number of people who have registered for CodeRED



emergency alerts, training staff on emergency response, educating the public on a variety of emergency related topics, expanding resources through the creation of the Volunteers 4 Lisle program and more. To register for CodeRED and E-notify, visit villageoflisle.org.

Village receives financial award

The Village of Lisle was awarded a "Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting" from the Government Finance Officers Association of United States and Canada. The award recognizes the Village's Annual Financial Report, which demonstrates a constructive "spirit of full disclosure" to clearly communicate the Village's financial condition to the public in an engaging format. The report, produced by the Village's Finance Department, has earned this award eleven years in a row.

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Stay safe on local roadways this winter

The Public Works Department is committed to keeping motorists safe on roadways throughout the winter season. As a reminder, only main roads, school areas, intersections, hills and roadway curves will be salted to bare pavement condition. Secondary roads, dead ends and cul-de-sacs will only be spot salted at intersections. However, during ice storms, ALL roadways will be salted.

Winter safety tips include:

- Respect the plows. Snow plows are large, heavy machines and visibility may be poor in heavy snow or blizzard conditions. Slow down and give snow plows ample room to maneuver so that all are safe.
- Before winter arrives, check the condition and stability of your mailbox. If your mailbox is leaning or the post is not firmly anchored in the ground, snow plows might inadvertently knock it down as they clear large amounts of heavy and wet snow from roadways.
- When shoveling snow from driveways, deposit the snow onto the parkway and/or yard, not into the street. This will help avoid creating dangerous conditions for both motorists and pedestrians.

Get ready!

Winter emergencies can occur as a result of many different conditions including fires from holiday lights or fireplaces, winter storms, intense cold, flooding and more. Take the time to prepare for emergencies using the helpful resources listed below. Remember to take into account those with special needs (infants, the disabled or medically compromised, seniors, pets).

To learn to prepare for emergencies, visit ready.gov/prepare.

To monitor local weather, visit weather.gov.

To review animal safety info, visit ready.gov/animals.

To review business safety info, visit ready.gov/business.

Online overnight parking option available

Are you a Lisle visitor or resident who needs to park on Village streets overnight? The Village is now accepting Overnight Parking Permission Requests online for your convenience. Simply complete the online form to make your request and avoid unnecessary calls to the Lisle Police Department. Requests must be received



- Residents are encouraged to shovel out fire hydrants that are on or near their property and clear sidewalks of snow for the safety of all pedestrians.
- Please help your neighbors. For many residents, age or medical conditions make it difficult to shovel snow without risking their health.

Using less road salt keeps the environment healthy

Road salt is often used to keep sidewalks and driveways free of ice. However, road salt contains chloride, which can harm local waterways, landscaping and pets. The following suggestions will help reduce the use of road salt:

- Shovel or use a snow blower before you use any product. Never put a de-icing product on top of snow.
- Put down just enough salt to keep high traffic areas clear of ice.
- Using salt brine on your sidewalks and driveway can decrease the use of salt by 30%. Find online recipes by searching the web.
- Direct downspouts away from pavement.
- Read labels carefully and choose a non-chloride de-icer.

prior to 2am. Overnight parking is limited to three requests within a 30 day period. Overnight parking requests will not be granted when there are two or more inches of snowfall. To access the online form, visit villageoflisle.org.

Holiday recycling opportunities

Recycle holiday lights

Lisle residents who would like to recycle an unlimited amount of old, broken or unwanted strands of holiday lights can bring them to the Village Hall Lobby (925 Burlington Ave.), Monday through Friday from Dec. 1, 2014–Jan. 30, 2015 from 7am to 5pm. Lights may also be dropped off Sat., Dec. 6 during the annual Lights of Lisle Festival. Accepted lights include mini-lights (or Italian lights), C7 lights, C9 lights, rope lights, LED lights and extension cords, all free of charge. Garlands and wreaths will not be accepted. For questions, contact Administrative Services 630-271-4100 or lisle@villageoflisle.org.

Christmas tree recycling

The Village has arranged for live Christmas trees to be collected and taken to The Morton Arboretum, where they will be chipped and used for mulch. Trees should be placed at the curb next to the weekly garbage and recycling on Jan. 6 & 13, 2015. Ornaments, tinsel, lights and tree stands should be removed before the tree is placed at the curb. Republic Services will remove the tree at no additional charge.



Video gaming status update

During the Sept. 8 meeting, the Village Board decided to continue the ban on video gaming in Lisle. Thank you to all who provided feedback on this subject.

Warming Centers available in Lisle

As temperatures drop and snow falls, the Village of Lisle would like to remind residents to take precautions to ensure their health, safety, and well-being during days of extreme winter weather. Also remember to protect pets as well.

Residents needing relief from the sub-zero temperatures and snow are encouraged to seek shelter at the Lisle Library District located at 777 Front St., during regular business hours:

Monday–Friday 9:30am–9pm
 Saturday 9:30am–5pm
 Sunday 1pm–5pm

Other warming sites include:

- Lisle Village Hall lobby
- Lisle Police Department lobby
- Lisle Train Station
- DuPage County Administrative Buildings
- Other public places

For additional information and/or non-emergency assistance, please contact the Lisle Police Department 630-271-4200. In case of an emergency, call 911 immediately.



Curbside yard waste collection ends Dec. 9

On Tue., Dec. 9, Republic Services will complete the last curbside yard waste collection until March 2015. Yard waste includes leaves, grass clippings, branches, brush and other organic material. As a reminder, branches and brush refuse must be bundled, using biodegradable fiber, measuring up to four feet long and 18 inches wide, with one yard waste sticker attached to each bundle. Other yard waste should be placed in approved paper yard waste bags or in a rigid container, no larger than 34 gallons, and clearly marked 'Yard Waste,' with one yard waste sticker attached to each container. Yard waste in plastic bags will not be accepted.