Summer is on our doorstep and you can feel it in the air. Grass seemed to turn green overnight, plants suddenly emerged from the ground and birds started singing at 5am! This is not surprising as Lisle is a great place for “growth.” Many residents and businesses have thrived in the Village for decades. One of these residents is Frank Kaminsky. Frank was born and raised in Lisle and graduated from St. Joan of Arc and Benet Academy. Frank was recently named the 2014/2015 “NCAA All-American and Naismith College Player of the Year!” As you can see from our picture taken April 16, honorary “Frank Kaminsky Day,” he truly “grew up” in Lisle and the entire community is extremely proud of him. We are also very proud of the Benet Redwings, who went on to win the “Girls Basketball State Championship” this season! These talented young people demonstrate they have what it takes to succeed in the world by demonstrating dedication, teamwork, responsibility and more.

For growth to occur, the environment has to be favorable. Lisle residents have continually supported environmentally focused initiatives. This year’s Sustainable Saturday was a huge success, diverting 34,267 pounds of electronics, 2,296 pounds of batteries, 2,320 pounds of scrap metal, 1,500 pounds of home-improvement materials, 1,515 pounds of light bulbs and many other recyclable items from local landfills. To meet this community’s on-going recycling needs, the Monthly Electronics Recycling Events have returned to Lisle on the third Saturday of each month, from 9am to 11am at 4930 Lincoln Ave. (Rte. 53).

To grow often means trying new things and I hope you will like these new initiatives occurring in the Village: a summer concert series at beautiful PrairieWalk Pond, the relocation of the French Market to PrairieWalk Pond, an open house at the Lisle Police Department, new banners along Warrenville Rd. (highlighting one of our major assets, the Corporate Corridor) and new downtown way finding signs.

We will also be removing 950 ash trees on the public parkway and planting 1,200 new trees over the next few years to help re-grow our urban forest after the devastating effects of the Emerald Ash Borer. You’ll find more information about these activities in this edition of Neighbors and at villageoflisle.org.

Finally, congratulations to Mark Boyle, Cathy Cawiezel and Bob Mandel, who were all re-elected to new four year terms on the village board. I look forward to working with them to continue Lisle’s growth and development.

Mayor Joe Broda
May is Building Safety Month

Building codes help keep people and the places in which they live, work and play safe from disasters such as fires, weather-related events and structural collapse. Building Safety Month helps the public understand and appreciate the important role building codes play in construction and improvement projects.

- **Build to code**—Before you begin your next improvement project, call the Village at 630-271-4150 to determine if a building permit will be required for the planned work. When you sell your home or business, many buyers now check the building permit history before making purchase offers. It is much easier and much less expensive to build to code than correct oversights once projects are complete.

- **Smoke and carbon monoxide detectors**—Replace smoke detectors every 10 years and the batteries annually. Install smoke detectors on every level of the home and in each bedroom. Install carbon monoxide detectors within 15 feet of every sleeping room.

- **Call before you dig**—Call 811 to locate utility lines and call the Village at 630-271-4150 to determine if you will need a grading permit for improvements. Depending on what you are planning or if your property is located in the floodplain, a grading permit may be required for improvement projects, including creating raised planting beds or elaborate landscaping plans that alter drainage grades.

Lisle Police Department holds open house

The Lisle Police Department will hold an open house on Tues., May 12 from 5pm until 9pm. The event will help educate the community about the Police Department/National Police Week and build relationships with the community. Attendees can take a tour of the police department, and learn about various police department activities including evidence collection/processing, emergency management functions, the K-9 unit and get the chance to speak with Lisle police officers to gain a better understanding of the role of the police in the community.

ROSS BISHOP VFW POST #5696 presents Village of Lisle Memorial Day

ANNUAL PARADE, REMEMBRANCE CEREMONY & FREE COMMUNITY PICNIC

The parade will begin at 11am at Lisle Junior High School, proceed north on Main St. to the Village Hall, then on to the Lisle Cemetery. A FREE picnic will immediately follow on the grounds of The Museums at Lisle Station Park. Visit villageoflisle.org for complete details
Healthy lawns and a healthy environment

Is more fertilizer better? Many homeowners use up to three times more fertilizer on their lawns than is needed. In addition to being expensive, the excess chemicals wash into local creeks and ponds, turning the local waterways green with algae. Following a few simple guidelines will help keep our water clean and healthy:

- Read fertilizer labels and apply only as instructed.
- Look for organic products and those with slow release nitrogen.
- Spot treat or pull out weeds, instead of using harmful products.
- Use a mulching mower and allow the grass to grow longer.
- Do not treat the space around ponds and creeks.
- Use drought tolerant, native plants which do not require fertilizer.

Get ready

While emergencies can happen at any time, each Midwest season seems to bring its own set of challenges. During spring and summer, there is an increased potential for tornados, damaging storms, power outages and flash flooding. Everyone who lives, works or routinely visits Lisle should subscribe to CodeRED, the automated Weather and Community Alert Notification System and E-notify, the Village’s broadcast email service. To subscribe, visit the Village of Lisle homepage, villageoflisle.org, and choose the “Connect with Us” option. The website also contains detailed information on flooding, including a link to monitor real time water levels of local waterways. You’ll also find extensive flood prevention and other related educational materials on the web by choosing “Services,” then “Flood Information.” Finally, an excellent source of information about a variety of potential natural and man-made emergency scenarios can be found at ready.gov. Business owners can obtain emergency preparedness information for their businesses at ready.gov/business.

Don’t become a victim of scams

The Lisle Police Department offers the following information to help protect you from local scams. Scammers may try to sell a quick sealcoating job to residents, using a sticky oil-based sealer or diluted product. The sealcoat tends to become flakey or uneven after several days and does not last very long. Scammers may also try to convince residents that urgent home repairs are needed immediately. Work that is performed is usually substandard or left unfinished. Scammers may also pose as utility workers, village employees or contractors who ask to enter a home to “check on something” such as water pressure, pipes, gas lines and fuses. While the victim is distracted, other scammers burglarize the home.

Recognize the warning signs of a scam

- No company name on truck
- Out of state license plates
- No written price quotes
- False phone number
- Accepts cash only or requires advanced down payments
- No business cards
- Cheap looking flyers
- Knocks on doors to get business
- Hangs signs on telephone poles to attract customers

When in doubt, call the Lisle Police Department (911 or 630-271-4200) to request that an officer be dispatched to check out the circumstances.

Volunteer for River Sweep 2015

River Sweep 2015 will take place on Sat., May 16, from 9am–12pm. Volunteers are needed to help remove trash/debris and to restore areas adjacent to DuPage River streams and tributaries. Since 1991, more than 10,200 volunteers have participated in this annual clean-up and removed nearly 245 tons of trash. To learn more or register for River Sweep 2015, visit The Conservation Foundation at theconservationfoundation.org/sweep or contact Village Stormwater Administrator, Marilyn Sucoe at 630-271-4107 or msucoe@villageoflisle.org.
The Lisle French Market is on the move—
to PrairieWalk Pond.

This year, the market will celebrate its ninth season at this beautiful, nature-inspired location located on Garfield Ave. in Downtown Lisle. The colorful open air vendor booths will be set up along Garfield Ave., which will be partially closed for the market. The market will begin on May 2 and will run on Saturdays from 8am to 1pm through Oct. 31. Parking is free and friendly, leashed pets are welcome.

Concerts at PrairieWalk Pond

PrairieWalk Pond will also be the site of a new summer concert series. These free, family-friendly concerts will occur on Thursdays from 7pm to 8:30pm at PrairieWalk Pond. Attendees are welcome to bring blankets/chairs as they listen to a variety of popular bands under the summer night sky. Concert dates are Thursdays, June 11 and 18 and August 6, 13 and 20. For more information, visit villageoflisle.org.

Dragonfly Landing Splash Pad opens in May

The Dragonfly Landing Splash Pad will open on Sat., May 23, just in time for Memorial Day weekend. The free splash pad is open daily, from 11am to 7pm through Labor Day. There are no lockers or changing station in the area, so please plan accordingly.

Take a guided walking tour of PrairieWalk Pond

Enjoy a free, 45-minute guided walking tour of PrairieWalk Pond and Dragonfly Landing. Tours are held for groups of eight or more and reservations are required. Learn the history of the site, why the pond was constructed, sustainable features incorporated into the design, observe local wildlife and more than 100 different types of native plants. Afterwards dine or shop in beautiful Downtown Lisle. For more information, visit villageoflisle.org or call 630-271-4148.
Village extends Republic Services contract

Republic Services will continue to provide residential garbage, recycling and yard waste collection to incorporated Lisle residents through June 30, 2018. During this time, garbage and yard waste sticker pricing will remain among the lowest of west suburban municipalities with similar programs. Residents who use refuse carts will not experience a pricing increase until the second year of the extension and pricing for multi-family properties using containers will only increase 2.5% during the three year extension. Pricing for the extended contract follows:

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Program specifics

- Curbside garbage/recycling/yard waste are collected on Tuesdays. Republic Services holidays include New Year’s Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day. If the holiday falls on a Tuesday or is observed on Monday, collection will be delayed until Wednesday.
- Items can be placed at the curb as early as 6:00 pm on Mondays and as late as 6:00 am on Tuesdays.
- Bagged/bundled/container yard waste is collected the third week of March through the second week of December.
- Refuse should be in sealed plastic bags with one sticker attached or placed inside a garbage cart. Material inside the 34 gallon bag/can/container should not weigh more than 50 pounds. Call Republic Services to schedule a bulky pick up if you have a heavy item for pickup (attach a refuse sticker to each item).
- Do not separate recyclables. Items accepted include: clear/colored glass containers, aluminum/steel/bimetal cans, plastics (#s 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 7), paper (including office paper, newspapers, magazines, phone books, etc.), corrugated cardboard and chipboard (such as food or tissue boxes).
- To dispose of white goods (stoves, water heaters, refrigerators), please contact Republic Services to schedule a pickup (attach one refuse sticker to each item). Illinois law prohibits disposing of electronics in landfills with your household refuse. For information about environmentally-friendly electronics recycling, please visit villageoflisle.org.
- Hazardous waste (oil-based paint, fertilizers, pesticides, cleaning solvents, flammable materials, motor oil and other automotive fluids) can’t be set out for curbside collection. For information regarding safe disposal of these items, please visit the City of Naperville website naperville.il.us/hhw.aspx.
- To report a service concern, inquire about missed or delayed collections, or establish cart service, please contact Republic Services at 630-964-3232. Additional information regarding the Village of Lisle’s Garbage, Recycling and Yard Waste Collection Program is available at villageoflisle.org.

Monthly electronics recycling collection program returns

In 2012, state law banned electronics from Illinois landfills. Republic Services, the village’s residential waste/recycling hauler, does not collect electronics. To help residents responsibly dispose of unwanted electronics, the Village of Lisle and DuPage County have partnered with New Life Electronics Recycling, Inc. to resume the Monthly Electronics Recycling Collection Program. Events occur on the third Saturday of the month at 4930 Lincoln Ave., (IL Rt. 53) Lisle, from 9–11am (except holiday weekends). Items accepted include: computers, monitors, printers, speakers, keyboards, DVD/VHS players, video game consoles, alarm clocks and more. For more information, visit villageoflisle.org. There is a limit of one cathode ray tube computer monitor or TV per vehicle per event.