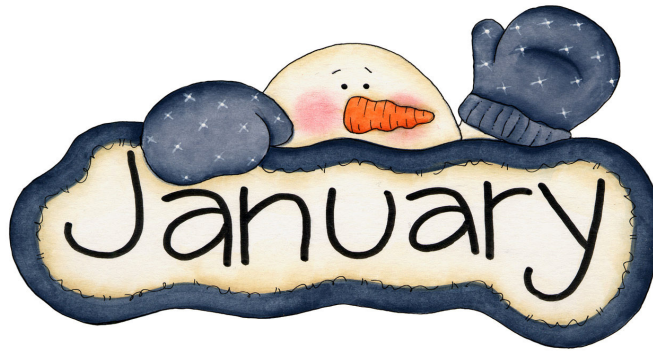




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President message

Happy New Year! Welcome to January! Do you ever wonder where the name for January came from? It's from the feast of the Roman god Janus. He was the god of beginnings, gates, transitions, time, duality, doorways, passages, frames, and endings. So, in January, we look back at the year that just ended and forward to the new year ahead.

Lisle Woman's Club had many successes in 2024 and in 2025 we will be gearing up for many more. Let's take a moment to think about our New Year's resolutions. The most popular New Year's resolutions include exercising more, sleeping more, and eating healthier. But let's not forget volunteering. LWC offers each of us many opportunities to do so. When LWC has activities, why not volunteer?

If you are interested in volunteering to serve on the Nominating Committee to nominate a slate of Officers for the next two-year term, please contact me.

Liz Sullivan
Lisle Woman's Club President

January

- 1 New Year 2025
- 8 LWC meeting 6-8:30 Library
- 23 Garden Gate Marketing Meeting
6:30-8:30 Library
- 30 Garden Gate Kickoff Meeting Park
District 6:30-8:30

February

- 5 LWC Meeting 6-8:30 Library

Our January presenter will be Michelle Cole, who is a Team Leader-Travel Specialist and Magical Vacation Planer. Michelle will be giving us tips and tricks to make your vacation planning worry free. Bring your questions so that Michelle can make your next vacation more pleasant.

Vice President Lorna Turner

Hi Susanne,

I'm not sure if you're the guilty party so if you aren't, can you please share this with whoever was? I just wanted to thank the Lisle Woman's Club for the goodies earlier this week. They were scarfed down within several hours - especially the chocolates (and yes, I did leave some for others 😊).

We really have a nice thing going together and I look forward to continuing on the nice path we're on together! Please extend my and the rest of the Lisle Park District's wishes for a healthy and happy holiday season to the Lisle Woman's Club, and we look forward to doing some fun things in 2025! Dan Lorna is the guilty member!! Thanks Lorna

Fundraising -JANUARY Newsletter

I am pleased to announce that Lorna Turner has agreed to stay on as my vice chair of Fundraising and to continue implement some of her fundraising ideas.

The Village of Lisle has announced a Special Events Grant Program. Applications must be received by March 28, 2025. For details, please visit the Village website. This will be discussed at the January 30th, Garden Gait Kick-Off Meeting.

The Culver's fundraiser on December 12th earned the club \$175 which was 20% of the value of meals purchased. Culver's has been very generous and supportive of LWC events. Thank you to all who participated despite the extreme cold. Please thank your family and friends who also participated.

Correction: \$1000 net was raised from the November Bunco event, not \$1100 as previously reported.

Barb Akkeron will be planning another Bunco in March. A new location must be chosen as Stilins has closed and Paisan is now charging for their space. If you have a recommendation, please email it to both Barbara and me.

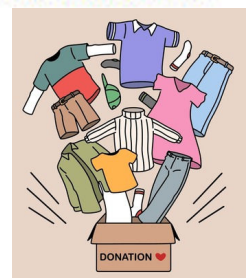
Another restaurant fundraiser will be planned, possibly two. Potentially one in February and one in May. Information will be provided when available.

Lorna is planning a Saver's donation event. As you declutter over the next few months, please put aside the items that Savers accepts. Books and magazines must be donated in boxes. All other "stuff" must be in bags.

More information will be provided when available.

Kathleen Palia, Fundraising Chair

Saver's Fundraising Event



As many of you are aware, Savers has opened up a new location (as of December 5) on Ogden Avenue in the old Staples store. We have procured April 12 as our donation date. For those of you that have been in the club awhile, we have used Savers as a fundraising opportunity in the past, collecting unused items in our own household and donating them to Savers who will pay us by the pound. More details will be provided at the January meeting, but if you should have any questions in the meantime, please contact me directly.

For information about Savers and more detail of what they accept, visit <https://stores.savers.com/il/naperville/community-donation-center-cdc1250.html>

Lorna Turner, Fundraising Vice Chair



Save the Dates!

GARDEN GAIT

JUNE 8, 2025

Meetings

Marketing Strategy Planning

Jan 23, 2025, 6:30 pm

Lisle Library – Oak Rm

Garden Gait Kick Off

Jan 30, 2025 6:30 pm

Lisle Park District

Garden Gait Progress & Issues

Mar 27, 2025, 6:30 pm

Lisle Park District

**Thank you for your participation to
ensure the success of LWC's largest
fundraiser!**

Kathleen Palia, Garden Gait Chair



Environmentally Friendly New Year's Resolutions for 2025

Before we get into new ideas where we can make some improvements, let's take a look back and see some of our environmentally friendly initiatives that we are already implementing:

- Coordinated a Village effort to clean-up Community Park
- Reused our Garden Gait signs from the previous year
- Brought reuseable water bottles to meetings rather than plastic non-reuseable
- Continued our collections program on recyclables
- Adopted Abbeywood Park for clean-up
- Used library books rather than getting new books for the book club
- Donated books for Women in Prisons rather than throwing them out
- Demonstrated using cloth (furoshiki) wrapping for gifts rather than wrapping paper
- Limited the use of paper copies for agendas, newsletters, etc.
- Focused on using recyclable bags rather than get new single use bags at stores
- Provided awareness on dropping off old electronics, textiles, documents and holiday lights at Lisle Recycling Days

I think every committee has contributed to our environmentally sustainable efforts. Thank You!

Here are a few more eco-friendly ideas to think about heading into 2025:

- Turn off the lights when you leave a room
- Make sure the item you throw in the recycling bin is recyclable (cleaned and acceptable)
- Buy secondhand with furniture and clothing...you never know
- Donate you unused items rather than putting them in the garbage
- Cut back on use of paper towels and use cloth instead
- Try using less water when showering, brushing your teeth, etc.
- Unplug appliances when not in use (electricity is still being used called phantom power)
- Only buy the amount of perishable food that you need so you don't throw food out
- Refrain from purchasing balloons for parties (it only contributes to the single use plastic problem)
- Adjust your thermostat to be a few degrees cooler at night during winter. You're sleeping and it will save on your heating bill
- **Raise awareness on good environmental practices with your family members**

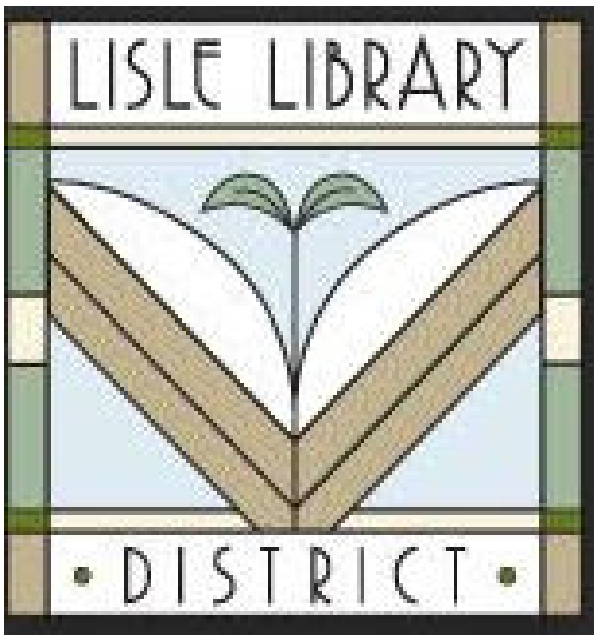
None of us are perfect when it comes to being more eco-friendly but we need to be aware of small steps we can take or simply just being reminded helps.

Thank you again for all you do. We're all on this planet together.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Lorraine





WELL DONE LADIES!

Our own LWC elves charmed the patrons at the Lisle Library on Friday.

They handed out prizes to the Bingo Winners (no chicken dinners) and ran the Photo Booth (say cheese)!

Santa, who is, of course, a card-carrying member of the Education and Library committee, is pleased!

Luisa Education & Libraries Chairman

Lisle Woman's Club:

Thank you so much for volunteering at the LLD Winter Fest on Friday! Your help was greatly appreciated!

Here are two lovely photos from the event. More will appear on the Library's Facebook page in the afternoon.

Thank you again!

Tatiana





Story time and our own member Luisa was the reader! More reading times to come.

Swallow Stories Bookshop



Lorna, on behalf of the Lisle Woman's Club, stopped by to thank the Library for its support throughout the years. We too, greatly appreciate the Woman's Club for their efforts in establishing the District and for their continued support of LLD programs, resources, and staff! Thank you for the wonderful holiday treats!



Last week Luisa Buehler a local author and club member had a wonderful book signing event. Not only did she talk about her books but how they went from thoughts to books. The Swallow Bookstore was a wonderful and comfortable place for this event. Congratulations Luisa!





Club delivered perishable foods the Lisle Township Food Pantry. At our last food drive we collected \$80 in Aldi gift cards so were able to buy gallons of milk, bags of lettuce, apples and so much more! Thank you to everyone who support the Lisle Woman's Club. It is your support that allows us to do this in our own community!





Club was happy to bring perishables to the Lisle Township Food Pantry. We dropped off 10 gallons of milk, 8 dozen eggs and 10 holiday candy bars. Just in time for the holidays!



This week, the Lisle Woman's Club was happy and proud to support our local Lisle Township with food to fill their shelves and gifts for the children. On Thursday we were happy to bring 14 bags and boxes filled with soup, cereal, crackers, and so much more. Through the Township program 20 children received gifts purchased by our members. In two weeks, we will be bringing perishable items purchased with the gift cards that were donated. This project is something that is near and dear to our hearts it's done with love!



GFWC Legislative Action Center: – [Sign up for the GFWC Legislative Action Center \(LAC\)](#)! 2025 is going to be a busy year. Our united voices matter!



Cub celebrated the upcoming holiday with a wonderful dinner at Erik's Deli! We enjoyed a delicious dinner, amazing homemade desserts, played games and had wonderful conversation!



Christmas Party

