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Lisle projects win Hometown Award

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The Rain Barrels of Lisle summer art project and the Lisle Donate Life Community have been selected as recipients of the Governor's Hometown Award, a recognition given to residents and organizations in Illinois that have made their community a better place to live and work.

The Lisle Area Chamber of Commerce's 2008 summer art project, Rain Barrels of Lisle, involved artists painting 30 rain barrels which were displayed throughout the village before being auctioned to raise money for local charities.

The other Hometown Award recognizes the efforts Donate Life Illinois volunteers Colette Jordan and Chris Seigars of Lisle, who have worked to raise awareness throughout the community regarding the importance of organ and tissue donation.

"Everyday Lisle residents and organizations are making positive contributions in our community by volunteering and the Governor's Hometown Awards bring much-deserved statewide recognition to these projects," said Mayor Joe Broda.

Projects are judged based on the community's population as well as their assigned project categories which include Veteran's Involvement, Clean Up/Beautification, Senior Involvement, Youth Involvement, Parks/Recreation and General.

The judges also will select one project from among the winners to receive the Governor's Cup, a traveling silver trophy which signifies the project has been chosen as most representative of the spirit of Illinois volunteerism.

Broda and the award recipients will travel to the Governor's Mansion in Springfield on Oct. 29 for a reception and a ceremony announcing the winners.