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Village of Glen Ellyn and Downtown Businesses ‘Go Green’ in July

Village of Glen Ellyn, IL —The Village of Glen Ellyn, along with participating downtown merchants, will be hosting a ‘GreenSpaces’ event throughout the month of July. The new initiative seeks to bring greater public awareness to environmental topics by bringing local retailers together with photographers, sculptors, landscape designers, and artists to transform downtown Glen Ellyn storefronts into GreenSpace art installations.

GreenSpace environmental themes this year include utilizing renewable energy (e.g. solar power), the dwindling Monarch butterfly population, water conservation, minimizing food waste, and recycling/renewing old furniture. The result is an outdoor gallery walk in downtown Glen Ellyn that can be viewed by visitors and residents alike. Over 16 retailers have created GreenSpace windows, including vacant retail properties as well. Artists have created installations for windows large and small, adding pedestrian art that brings attention to Glen Ellyn’s vibrant and historic downtown retail district.

The GreenSpace initiative was spearheaded by the Village’s Environmental Commission and runs through July 31. The Commission has also put together a brief informative video on this collaborative effort, which can be viewed on the Village’s YouTube channel at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tLk9reNouCI>.

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