

# ADVANTAGES!

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## A Message from the Mayor ...

Dear Friends,

As the days begin to grow shorter, we are reminded that the summer many thought might not happen because of the pandemic is rapidly coming to an end. Although we had to wait until July to officially kick-off the summer festivities, the excitement, energy, and attendance we've seen clearly indicated that this was a season of celebration.

Rock 'n Wheels broke records in the number of vendors, the number of non-profit organizations, and the number of attendees. The annual Addison/Medinah Shriners' Parade didn't miss a step as it returned from last year's hiatus, bigger and better than ever, highlighted by the appearance of the Navy Band Great Lakes.

Our businesses, particularly our restaurants and entertainment venues, experienced a resurgence in volume that approached pre-pandemic levels. Sale of new homes at both the Enclave and the Highlands continue to accelerate at a record rate as new residents are experiencing "the Addison Advantage."

While summer may be ending, there are still plenty of activities to look forward to. Harvest Fest, a celebration of fall will take place on the Village Green on September 16 and again on September 23. Both evenings will feature live bands, food, and an opportunity to get together with friends and family before the snow falls.

For those looking for a way to have a great evening with dinner and dancing while helping to support 16 local charitable organizations, there's the annual Mayor's Community Charity Ball on November 13 at the Medinah Shrine Center.

So yes ... this has been, and will continue to be, a time to celebrate our community, our accomplishments, and the many advantages that we all share. But lest we become complacent, we must also acknowledge that there is still the shadow of the pandemic that can once again impact our daily lives.

While we have had a summer we can celebrate, it is incumbent on each and every one of us to protect ourselves, our families, and our community by complying with prudent health practices. Moreover, I highly encourage you to consider getting vaccinated if you haven't already. Eradicating COVID-19 will be a true reason to celebrate!

Stay well,

Rich Veenstra



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## Vehicle Stickers Due

As a reminder, vehicle stickers must be displayed on your windshield no later than Oct. 1. The last day to purchase stickers without a late fee is Thursday, Sept. 30. Come in early, avoid the last day rush! Please allow extra time for return mail if you choose to mail in your renewal, or use the drop box in front of Village Hall.

## Sign Up for CodeRED

When incidents of an urgent nature happen, the Village will communicate the news as quickly as possible through many different avenues, including our website and social media. The quickest way, however, is CodeRED.

CodeRED allows us to notify the entire community, OR to target a particular neighborhood, with a message delivered via phone call, email and/or text message.

If you are not receiving CodeRED messages, we encourage you to sign up on the Village website at [AddisonAdvantage.org/services/code\\_red.php](http://AddisonAdvantage.org/services/code_red.php). Or you can text the word ADDISONCODERED to 99411.

This service is one that you must sign up for yourself, so that you can pinpoint your residence on a map.

## Mayor's Community Charity Ball Returns

After the cancellation of the 2020 event, the *Mayor's Community Charity Ball* will host its 30th event on Nov. 13 at Medinah Banquets, and tickets are on sale now.

Sixteen Addison-based charities and service organizations cooperatively fundraise through this gala event, which includes dinner, dancing, entertainment and open bar, as well as a cash raffle and silent auction.

"I've said many times that I believe the *Mayor's Ball* typifies who we are as a community," said Mayor Rich Venstra, host of the event. "Last year really proved that. Despite canceling the Ball, we received more than \$17,000 in donations for our charities."

Tickets to the event are \$100 per person, a portion of which goes back to the charity of your choice. The last *Mayor's Ball*, held in 2019, raised more than \$68,000, all of which went to the local organizations to help the Addison community.

Raffle tickets can also be purchased from any of the participating charities, for a chance to win \$1,500, \$1,000 and \$500 prizes. Tickets are \$5 each or a book of 5 for \$20. The winners will be drawn at the event, but they need not attend to collect.

The Silent Auction offers hundreds of items for bid, covering everything from restaurant gift certificates to jewelry, and fur coats to sports memorabilia. The Silent Auction is entirely online, and bidding can be done by those in attendance, as well as those at home. Bidding starts one week prior to the event, and concludes at 10 p.m. Nov. 13.

To purchase tickets, or to learn more about the event and the participating Addison charities and service organizations, visit [ItHappensInAddison.com](http://ItHappensInAddison.com).

For more information, or to become a sponsor, call Doree Krage in the Village of Addison Community Relations Department at 630-693-7550, or email [DKrage@Addison-IL.org](mailto:DKrage@Addison-IL.org).



**The Mayor's Ball Silent Auction contains items for any budget, from home decor to jewelry. Bidding will be available online for anyone interested, beginning a week before the event.**





The Addison Police Department reminds residents that September is National Preparedness Month. Remember the importance of being prepared for all kinds of emergencies.

Residents should start by making a plan. First, identify potential risks in your areas, such as weather. The plan should include how you will communicate with your family during and after the disaster.

It is also important to build a kit, which will include all of your necessities in case you need to evacuate your home. Most important are your medications and personal identification documents. Check your insurance coverage and prepare your home adequately to withstand possible impact.

Lastly educate yourself and every family member, including children on possible dangers and how to properly respond in an emergency.

October is Cybersecurity Awareness Month. More and more scams happen via electronic devices. Things to keep in mind to stay safe online are: make sure all your antivirus software is up to date, avoid phishing scams and suspicious emails. Further, practice good password management and be careful where you click. Do not forget that you are a target for hackers.

## New Water Billing Portal Now Available

The Village of Addison has implemented a new online payment processing platform through “Paymentus.”

To use the system, all water billing customers that would like to pay online, must create an online account.

Enrolling in the new payment platform is easy and it will provide the ability to set up one-time payments, enroll in Auto Pay, view water bills, set up email payment reminders and easily manage multiple accounts. The platform also has expanded payment options.

Registering is easy and only takes a few minutes. The best part is that there are no user fees!

To get started, visit [https://www.addisonadvantage.org/i\\_want\\_to/pay/index.php](https://www.addisonadvantage.org/i_want_to/pay/index.php)

## Business Updates from Community Development



The Enclave

Redevelopment of the Addison Golf Club into **The Enclave at Mill Creek** is nearing completion, with permits issued on 69 of the 87 single-family home lots. Homes are selling at an average price of \$461,000. Next door, site work has

begun on Phase 3 of the development, **The Townes at Mill Creek**. The Townes will feature a mix of 60 one- and two-story units immediately at the corner of Mill Road and Army Trail Boulevard.

Earlier this year, construction began on the first five new homes at **The Highlands**, the new 60-home development on the former Driscoll School site. Developer Pulte Homes reports that lots are selling quickly, with 12 additional homes in for permits as of July 30.

Now partially open, the stunning new 18,000-square foot clubhouse at **The Preserve at Oak Meadows** will feature a terraced outdoor eating area that overlooks the golf course, Salt Creek, and forest preserve. This building houses a restaurant with banquet facilities, pro



The Highlands



Oak Meadows

shop, locker rooms, and offices to replace the former clubhouse that was destroyed by fire in 2009.

The new **Amazon** delivery service facility at Lake Street and Swift Road is nearly complete. When this partially automated/robotic warehouse opens later this year, it will have 200 employees. At the northeast corner of Lake Street and Army Trail Road, **QuikTrip** is in for a permit for a new gas station and convenience store.

**A&W** is taking over the former Burger King building at 1012 N. Rohlwing Road, just south of Lake Street. They are in for permits to refurbish the façade and add a new outdoor dining area.

This fall, the Village will consider zoning applications for two senior housing projects: revisions to the **Alexandra Pointe** senior housing project (to be located at 1100 W. Lake Street) and a new, approximately 62-unit senior building to be located north of Green Meadows Shopping Center.



Amazon



## HARVEST FEST 2021

THURSDAYS SEPTEMBER 16 & 23  
6-9PM

SEPT. 16TH  
6PM- 8PM -1858 SCHOOLHOUSE BY  
ELIZABETH CARLSON AT THE MUSEUM  
7PM-KARLA AND THE PHAT KATS  
ON THE VILLAGE GREEN

SEPT. 23RD  
6-8PM- HISTORICAL RE-ENACTMENT  
BY LIVING HISTORIANS GUILD  
DUPAGE COUNTY FARM BUREAU  
BOOTH  
AT THE MUSEUM  
7PM DIVA MONTELL'S  
"THIS IS IT DANCE BAND"  
ON THE VILLAGE GREEN

MUSEUM OPEN 6-8 PM  
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# ADDISON

## Uncorked



Enjoy an evening  
of wine tasting,  
craft beer  
& music

Join us and support this  
collaborative fundraiser.

For tickets contact the  
Addison Historical Museum  
(630) 626-1433

Tickets can be  
purchased before the event  
or at the door.

Masks are required to enter  
museum buildings subject to the  
current Restore Basic Phase  
Restrictions.

Addison Historical  
Museum

135 W. Army Trail Road  
(Parking available behind  
St. Paul Church)  
All attendees must be  
21 yrs. or older.

In case of rain, the event will  
move to the Village Hall rotunda.



Fundraiser hosts and sponsors:



## Recycling Extravaganza October 2



The Village of Addison is partnering with Republic Services, USMe, SCARCE, ProShred, Addison VFW, and Addison Trail High School to host a fall recycling event from 8 a.m. to noon on Saturday, Oct. 2. The free event will be open to Addison residents only – proof of residency required. Please stay tuned for additional details by checking [AddisonAdvantage.org](http://AddisonAdvantage.org).

**Acceptable Items:** Electronics, Document Shredding (three box limit, no plastic binders,) Cardboard, TV's (2 per car,) Scrap Metal, Holiday Lights, Eye Glasses, Hearing Aids, American Flags, Keys, Musical Instruments, Records and Books.

**Non-Acceptable:** Hazardous Waste, Smoke Detectors, Furniture, Prescription Drugs, Microwaves.

If you have any questions, please contact Environmental Services at 630-279-2140.