

ADVANTAGES!

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A Message from the Mayor ...

Dear Friends,

I would like to welcome you to our first edition of *Advantages!* This publication will provide an update to our residents highlighting the most important Village news and activities. We hope you enjoy it and find great value in its content. I encourage your comments and suggestions for making future editions even more useful. Additionally, regular information can be found through various sources including ACTV, our Addison Connected App, AddisonAdvantage.org, our Facebook page, our YouTube Channel, and Twitter.

This has been a year of drastic change to our everyday lives. Many of the activities that we have come to take for granted have been curtailed or eliminated. Because of COVID-19, we were forced to close the Village Hall to the public as we moved into a "virtual" world. Clearly, it hasn't been business as usual.


The impact of the virus on the health and safety of our residents has been a major concern, just as the health and viability of our businesses has been. We have initiated COVID-19 educational programs, distributed information and supplies to our residents in efforts to minimize the spread, and we have provided financial relief to many of our businesses by abating licensing fees, relaxing restrictions on hours of operation, signage, and outdoor dining. As we head into the winter months, we will continue to provide support to our residents and businesses in overcoming the effects of the pandemic.

But there's more to 2020 than COVID-19. We've seen remarkable growth in housing, new and significant growth in our industrial parks, and improvements to our infrastructure.

As for celebrating Addison, the annual tree lighting will be different this year, but the lights will be brighter than ever, and able to be enjoyed virtually. With the help of the Fire District and Police Department, Santa Claus will be visiting our neighborhoods on Saturday, Dec. 5 and 19. We're already booking bands for the return of Rock 'n Wheels 2021, and planning for the Addison/Shriners Parade on Aug. 29.

Addison is strong and resilient. We come together when facing adversity. We come together to celebrate our successes. 2020 has proven this to be true, and that is the Addison Advantage!

Respectfully,



Rich Veenstra



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Business Anniversaries Recognized



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INC.**
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Undoubtedly 2020 has been a challenging time, but it has likewise been a monumental year

for some of our businesses.

Although unable to proceed with original plans, Mayor Rich Veenstra and the Village Board honored three family-run businesses this year with the Addison Commercial Excellence Award.



Pioneer Services, Inc., celebrated their 30th anniversary; SWD, Inc., celebrated their 40th anniversary, while Clyde's Donuts celebrated their 100th anniversary. Their dedication to not only their employees, but clients and community make them all model corporate citizens. Congratulations

to them!

To learn more about these businesses, check out "A Bit of Addison History" on our YouTube Channel: VillageAddison.



Pandemic Response

In response to increasing numbers of infections, under Mayor Veenstra's leadership the Village of Addison worked collaboratively with DuPage High School District 88 and Addison School District 4 to address the spread of COVID-19. Working with other municipalities, a decision was made locally to bring essentials to the community and encourage the 3Ws – washing hands, watching distance and wearing a mask. Residents were provided with the tools to put these measures into practice. In the first month alone, nearly 2,000 COVID Essentials Kits, assembled with assistance from the Addison Park District Senior Club, were distributed. These kits include a mask, hand sanitizer, educational literature, and more. Distribution will continue until kits run out.

'Shape of Addison' To Be Held Jan. 27

The 14th Annual Shape of Addison, sponsored and moderated by Itasca



Bank & Trust, Co., will be held at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, Jan. 27, 2021.

As always, Board Presidents from all of Addison taxing bodies – the Village of Addison, Addison Elementary School District 4, DuPage High School District 88, Addison Public Library, Park District and Fire Protection District – will answer questions from residents. However, due to limitations on gatherings, the meeting will not be open to the public.

Watch the meeting live on Addison Community Television (Comcast Cable Channel 6 or AT&T U-Verse Channel 99) or streaming on AddisonAdvantage.org.

Questions can be submitted during the program via phone, or emailed to ShapeOfAddison@Addison-IL.org.



Prime Development

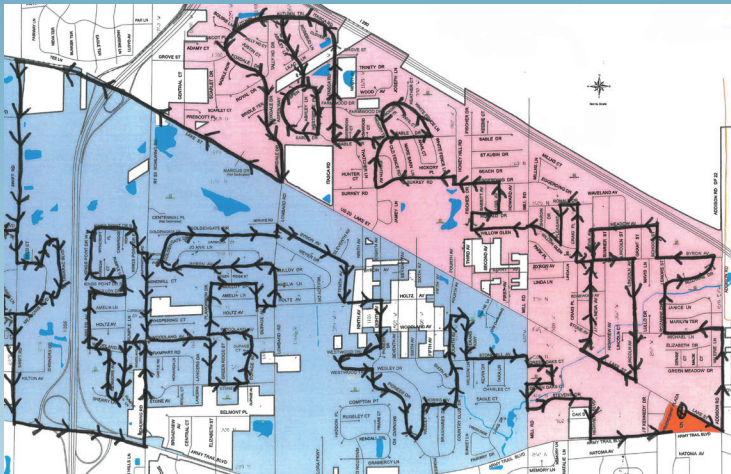
In 2019, Logistics Property Company (LPC), a major warehouse developer, acquired several unincorporated properties on the southeast corner of Lake Street and Swift Road. The properties were annexed into the Village and were readied for redevelopment. LPC recently landed a deal with Amazon to build their Delivery Services facility, a 186,000 sq. ft. building. Amazon will utilize the remaining land space as fleet van parking.

Santa Claus is Coming to Town for a ...

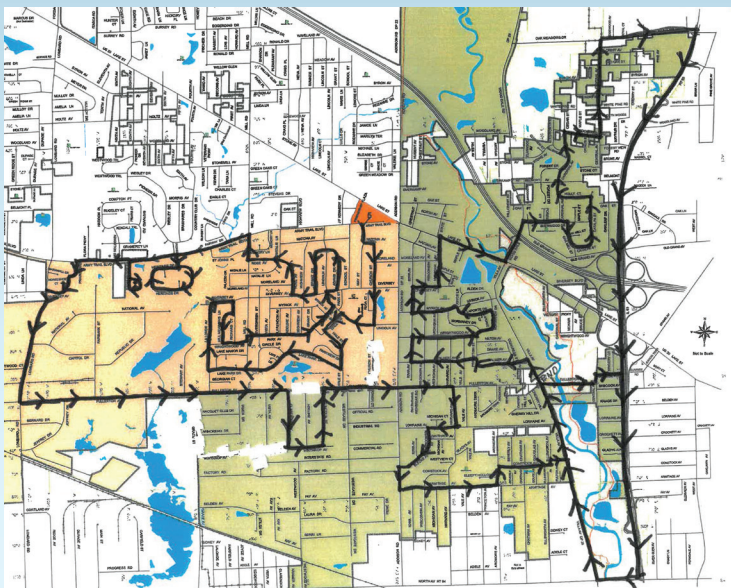
Christmas Parade

**Saturday, Dec. 5 at 4:30 p.m. and
Saturday Dec. 19 at 4:30 p.m.**

**Virtual Christmas Tree Lighting
Dec. 5 at 7:30 p.m.**



Saturday, Dec. 5 Route



Saturday, Dec. 19 Route

The Village of Addison and Addison Police Department are partnering with the Addison Fire Protection District – as well as a certain Jolly Old Elf – to bring some holiday cheer to the community. Addison will host Santa Claus himself, riding through neighborhoods on a fire truck Saturday, Dec. 5 and 19.

“Now more than ever, I think our children need something to celebrate,” said Mayor Rich Veenstra. “And while Santa won’t be available for one-on-one visits, he will travel through Addison to bring some Christmas cheer.”

In addition, Santa will help light the Christmas Tree on the Village Green following the first parade. Tune into our YouTube Channel (VillageAddison) to watch the Virtual Christmas Tree Lighting at 7:30 p.m. on Dec. 5.

Both of the Christmas Parades will start from the Addison Police Department at 4:30 p.m. and slowly wind their way through subdivisions and neighborhoods. Each route is expected to take two to three hours to complete.

On Saturday, Dec. 5, the Christmas Parade will wind through Michael Lane, Farmwood, Foxdale, College Blvd., Green Ridge, Goldengate, Westwood and Green Oaks Court neighborhoods.

On the second Saturday, Dec. 19, the parade will visit Lake Manor, Heritage, Stone Hedge, Home Addison, Normandy Manor, Ardmore/Armitage and Oak Knoll neighborhoods.

Enjoy the holiday lights and come outside to wave to Santa during one of the Christmas Parades. Face coverings and social distancing guidelines are encouraged.

For larger maps, as well as a street-by-street list of each of the routes, visit ItHappensInAddison.com.

The Village Reminds You ...

Village Offices are Open: Village Hall is closed to the public, due to the pandemic, but Village employees are on the job and ready to assist. Finance and Community Development Department staff are working out of the former dispatch center in the Police Department lobby, which has its own walk-up window.

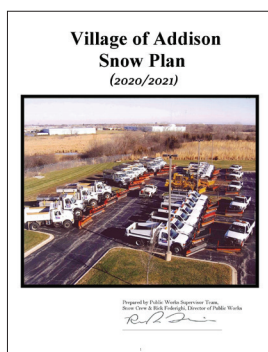
White Drop Box: located in front of Village Hall, near the fountain, the white drop box is a convenient way to drop off payments by check for utility billing, tickets, vehicle stickers or other fees. Place check and remittance stub in an envelope, drive up, drop off and drive away.



Christmas Tree Removal: Christmas tree pickup service is available throughout January. Please place your Christmas tree on the parkway on Sunday night for collection by Village crews on Monday. Nails, tinsel, ornaments and lights must be removed, along with Christmas tree bags and tree bases. Evergreen wreaths and garland containing wire will not be accepted.

Employee of the Quarter Program: If you know of a Village employee that you feel is deserving of recognition, we would love to hear from you. Nominate an employee by visiting our website at AddisonAdvantage.org/services/employee_of_the_quarter.php. The Village Board will recognize those who have gone out of their way to be helpful, and have gone above and beyond what their job calls for.

Winter Safety: The Public Works Department's Snow Plan is available at AddisonAdvantage.org/living_in/new_resident_information/snow_routes.php. Most important for residents to understand is the sequence of road clearing, with priority given to major arterial and high volume streets. Residents should be aware that there is no parking allowed on main arterials after 2 inches of snowfall, and there is a total ban on all street parking after 4 inches, to allow for snow plows to get through. Plow operators do their best, but sometimes mailboxes are damaged during plowing, Please be sure that the face of your mail box is 12 inches from the back of the curb to allow for proper clearance. If your mailbox is damaged, notify Public Works at 630-620-2020.



Planning for Rock 'n Wheels® 2021 has begun!



Watch for details on our 10th Season!
Thursdays in June, July
and August
ItHappensInAddison.com

A Bit of Addison History Available Now for Purchase

With the publication of *Addison: The Vision Continues*, the history of Addison has now been, for the first time ever, chronicled from its founding through 2019.

The reprint edition of *Addison: Village of Friendship* has been updated from the original with an epilogue chapter detailing Village Centennial events held in 1984.

Both are now available for purchase. Visit AddisonAdvantage.org/visitors/history_2/addison_history_book_reprint.php for details.

