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A Message from the Mayor ...



As the cold grip of winter gradually settles upon us and we look forward to enjoying the holiday season with family and friends, it is reassuring to know that despite the challenges we've faced in 2021, we, as a community, not only overcame them but grew stronger.

Our willingness to work together – not only as individuals, but also intergovernmentally, interdenominationally, and commercially – allowed us to leverage our resources to provide for the health and common good of our community.

We celebrated family events like our annual Addison Medinah Shriners Parade, Rock 'n Wheels and Harvest Fest, and look forward to our Christmas Parade, and Tree Lighting. We also held philanthropic and community service events like the Mayor's Community Charity Ball, Shop with a Hero, food drives, workforce development, job fairs, COVID-19 vaccination clinics, and interdenominational prayer services. All have helped us to redefine health in a broader, more holistic manner, incorporating physical, emotional, and socio-economic needs into the definition of a healthy community.



Members of all of the agencies who were involved in the RWJF Culture of Health Prize gathered Oct. 27 to announce the win at Addison Trail High School's Fine Arts Showcase.

This unique "culture of community" has long been an integral part of the *Addison Advantage*. It was recently acknowledged **nationally** when the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation named Addison the recipient of their prestigious *Culture of Health Prize*. This recognition reaffirms what we, as a community, have held as our vision for Addison since its very inception; that is, we grow as a community as

we address the needs of *all* of the community.

As we celebrate the holiday season, I hope each of you takes pride in knowing that our community has been named the *Culture of Health* winner. However, most importantly, be proud that Addison incorporates the true spirit of the holidays in our everyday lives and that spirit of community comes only through our continued dedication and commitment to each other so that we all can realize the *Addison Advantage*.

Best wishes to each of you for a joyous, safe, and healthy holiday season!

Rich Veenstra

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Friday, Dec. 3 from 5 to 9 p.m., Village Green



- 5 - 9 p.m.:** Train Rides in the Village Green
Holiday Craft Fair
Hot Chocolate by Kiwanis Club
Popcorn by Knights of Columbus
- 5 - 7 p.m.:** Visits with Santa in the Gazebo
- 5:30-7 p.m.:** Vagabond Singers perform
- 7 p.m.:** Caroling by School Groups
- 8 p.m.:** Tree Lighting
- 8 - 9 p.m.:** Visits with Santa continue



** All times approximate*

For more information visit ItHappensInAddison.com or  [AddisonEvents](https://www.facebook.com/AddisonEvents)

Be Safe with All Holiday Decorations



Trees, lights and candles become more prominent in our homes and businesses at this time of year. However, it is important to not overlook the dangers that holiday decorations can present.

The Village of Addison's fire code has specific requirements

about the use of live trees and other Christmas decorations.

The Village's codes are in place to protect lives and property. Live trees present a significant fire hazard and must be used carefully.

Cut root trees, including Christmas trees, are permitted in single-family homes and townhomes. However, the fire code prohibits cut root trees in common areas of apartment buildings and condos.

Cut trees are also prohibited in restaurants, theaters, churches, restaurants, residential hotels and motels, bowling alleys, schools, stores, malls, dorms, convents,

monasteries and other similar areas where groups of people gather unless the building has approved sprinklers.

Cut root trees are prohibited in hospitals, nursing homes and day care centers regardless of whether the building is protected by sprinklers.

If you choose a natural-cut tree, make sure you are taking care of it. Keep it watered daily, don't put it near a heat source, never use an open flame such as a candle on a tree, and once the holidays are over, remove the tree safely from your home.

It is also important to use approved lights with a recognized label, usually UL or Underwriters Laboratories, demonstrating they are safe.

If you have any questions regarding live or cut trees, please contact the Community Development Department by calling 630-693-7530 between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday.





Get into the holiday spirit during the first two weekends in December, as the Village of Addison offers free events on Dec. 4 and 5, and again on Dec. 11 and 12.

Join us on the Village Green and at the Addison Historical Museum from Noon until 4 p.m. for Christmas events for children and adults alike.

- Visit with Santa in the Gazebo
- Train rides in the Village Green
- Holiday Craft Fair
- Century House decorated for an Old Fashioned Christmas
- Vagabond Singers perform Classic Carols in the Century House, 2 - 3 p.m.
- Historical Museum Open House



Christmas Parade

Saturdays, Dec. 4 and Dec. 11, at 4:30 p.m.

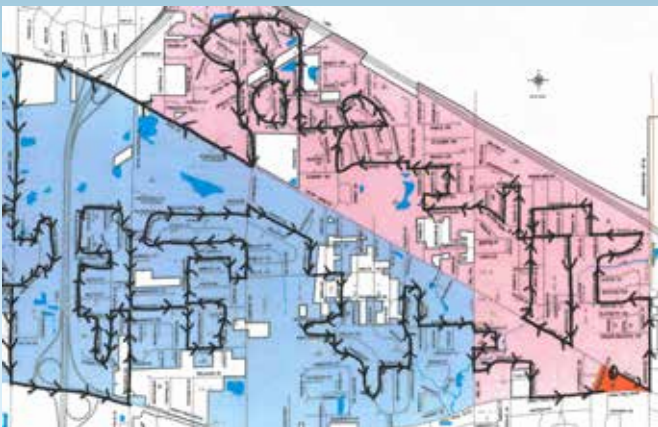


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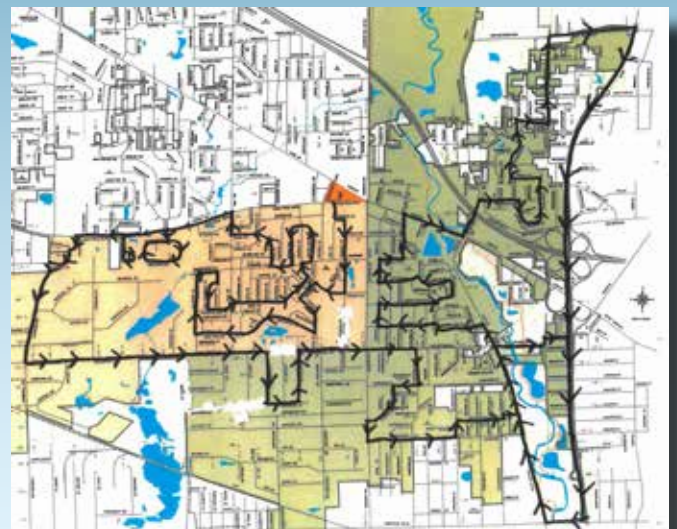
Wave to Santa as he winds his way through Addison neighborhoods.

Track his progress at Glympse.com/!addisonsanta

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



Saturday, Dec. 4 Route



Saturday, Dec. 11 Route



Water Main Projects

The Addison Road Water Main Replacement Project was scheduled for completion in November. In addition to Addison Road, water main replacements started in October for Linda Lane and North Lincoln Avenue. All three projects will help fortify the water distribution system and increase flow in those areas. All hydrants, valves, and service connections will be replaced as part of the projects.

Overnight Parking Reminders

Overnight parking is prohibited by ordinance on all village streets from 2 a.m. - 5 a.m.; however, residents may request overnight parking permission online or by phone.

To request overnight parking:

- Download the free *Addison Connected* mobile app
- Visit AddisonAdvantage.org
- Visit ACDCDispatch.org
- Call the Police non-emergency at 630-543-3080

All vehicles must be in working order, and legally parked. Requests may be made for up to five days per month only. Overnight parking permission will not be allowed after 2 inches of snowfall, or in other emergencies.

'Shape of Addison' To Be Held Jan. 26

The 15th Annual *Shape of Addison*, sponsored and moderated by Itasca Bank & Trust, Co., will be held at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, Jan. 26, 2022.



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, Addison Park District and Addison Fire Protection District – will answer questions from residents.

Watch 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.

Winter Safety Information

The Village of Addison Snow Plan is available on our website – AddisonAdvantage.org – and includes descriptions of the handling of winter storm events.

Most important is to understand the sequence of road clearing to provide safe passage for critical travel and emergency vehicles.

Priority 1: all major arterial and high volume streets; access to public buildings, including schools and municipal facilities.

Priority 2: accessibility to side streets in residential and commercial areas.

Priority 3: accessibility to cul-de-sacs, dead ends, and alleys.

There is no parking allowed on main arterial streets after 2 inches of snowfall, and a total ban on all street parking after 4 inches.

This has increasingly become an issue over the past several years, and inhibits the ability and quality of plowing in your area, as well as being a serious safety concern.

Vehicles parked on the street during these prohibited times will be asked to move by Police, or be towed at the owners expense.

