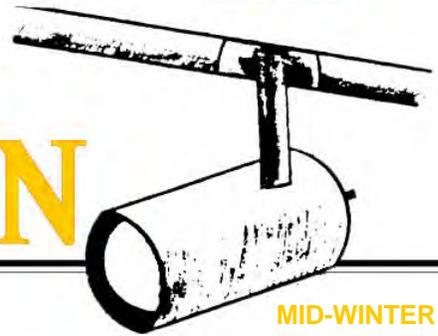


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## Character Counts! RESPONSIBILITY Month

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		<p>1  <b>New Year's Day</b>  VILLAGE and LIBRARY - Closed</p>	<p>2  VILLAGE - Advisory Liquor Commission 7:30 p.m.  FIRE DISTRICT - Board Meeting 7 p.m.</p>	<p>3  VILLAGE - Senior Citizens Commission 6:30 p.m.  Citizens Advisory Council 8 p.m.</p>	<p>4</p>	<p>5  HISTORICAL MUSEUM  Open 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.</p>
<p><b>DISTRICT 4 - Winter Break</b></p>						
<p>6</p>	<p>7  VILLAGE - Finance &amp; Policy Committee 6:30 p.m.  Cultural Arts 6:30 p.m.  Hist. Comm 7 p.m.  Board Meeting 8 p.m.</p>	<p>8  VILLAGE - Commercial &amp; Indust. Cmen. 10 a.m.  Pre-Annexation Hrg. 7 p.m.  LIBRARY - Board Meeting 7:30 p.m.  Book Discussion 7:30 p.m.</p>	<p>9  VILLAGE - Plan Commission 7 p.m.</p>	<p>10  VILLAGE - Community Council 7:30 p.m.  LIBRARY - Basic Searching of the Internet 7 p.m.</p>	<p>11</p>	<p>12  HISTORICAL MUSEUM  Open 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.  VILLAGE - Police Commission, 9 a.m.</p>
<p>13</p>	<p>14  VILLAGE - Pub. Health, Safety &amp; Judicial 6:30 p.m.  Building, Zoning &amp; Development 7 p.m.  LIBRARY - Begin w/Books &amp; Pre-K Storytime, 10 a.m.  Begin w/Books, 11 a.m.</p>	<p>15  LIBRARY - Crafty Characters, 4 p.m.  Job Search on the Internet, 7 p.m.</p>	<p>16</p>	<p>17  VILLAGE - Zoning Board 8 p.m.  LIBRARY - Begin w/Books, 10 a.m.  Bedtime Stories, 7 p.m.  Basic Searching of the Internet, 7 p.m.</p>	<p>18  LIBRARY - Computer Basics, 9:15 a.m.</p>	<p>19  HISTORICAL MUSEUM  Open 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.</p>
<p>20</p>	<p>21  <i>Martin Luther King's Birthday</i>  VILLAGE - Finance &amp; Policy Committee 6:30 p.m.  Board Meeting 8 p.m.  <b>DISTRICT 4 - No School</b>  LIBRARY - Begin w/Books &amp; Pre-K Storytime, 10 a.m.  Begin w/Books, 11 a.m.</p>	<p>22  LIBRARY - Crafty Characters, 4 p.m.  Cut the Clutter with the Clutter Cutter 7 p.m.</p>	<p>23  LIBRARY - Magic &amp; Illusions of Paul Lee, 7 p.m.</p>	<p>24  LIBRARY - Begin w/Books, 10 a.m.  Bedtime Stories, 7 p.m.  Basic Searching of the Internet, 7 p.m.</p>	<p>25  LIBRARY - Computer Basics, 9:15 a.m.</p>	<p>26  HISTORICAL MUSEUM  Open 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.  LIBRARY - "Bob the Construction Guy" Breakfast 9:30 a.m.</p>
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## ISAT results evaluated

In April 2001, District 4 students took the Illinois Standards Achievement Tests (ISAT) which are designed to measure how well children are learning in relation to the Illinois Learning Standards. ISAT testing was introduced to Illinois schools in 1999, when Illinois students in grades 3,5,8 and 10 were tested in the areas of reading, writing and math. In 2000, testing was increased to include the subject areas of science and social science for students in grades 4,7 and 11.

Test results in the form of Individual, District and School Report Cards are released to school districts in October. Local administrators and principals study the data to determine how their students have progressed and what improvements need to be made to increase student learning. The test results are then presented to the school board along with the school improvement plans. The school district is responsible for sending school report cards and individual student reports home to parents.

The state defines student performance levels on the ISAT as follows:

**Level 1 - Academic Warning** - Student work demonstrates limited knowledge and skills in the subject. Because of major gaps in learning, students apply knowledge and skill ineffectively.

**Level 2 - Below Standards** - Student work demonstrates basic knowledge and skills in the subject. However, because of gaps in learning, students apply knowledge and skills in limited ways.

**Level 3 - Meets Standards** - Student work demonstrates proficient knowledge and skills in the subject. Students effectively apply knowledge and skills to solve problems.

**Level 4 - Exceeds Standards** - Student work demonstrates advanced knowledge and skills in the subject. Students creatively apply knowledge and skills to solve problems and evaluate the results.

It is important to understand what these definitions are saying. For example, "Below Standards" does not mean that student cannot read, write or do any mathematics. It means that students who score at Level 2 have not yet met the high expectations we believe they need to meet in order to be successful in life.

### Performance of all Students

(percentage)

Grade	Subject	Level	Level	Level	Level
		1	2	3	4
3	Reading	2	31	49	18
	Mathematics	3	11	57	28
	Writing	5	28	64	3
4	Science	7	19	62	12
	Social Science	8	22	61	9
5	Reading	0	37	38	25
	Mathematics	3	25	67	5
	Writing	3	26	59	12
7	Science	11	18	57	14
	Social Science	2	39	50	10
8	Reading	1	37	55	7
	Mathematics	8	35	42	15
	Writing	6	33	58	3

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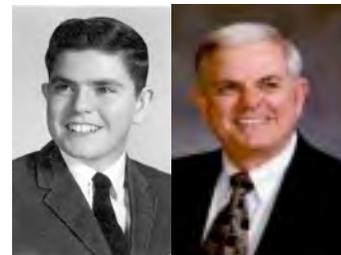
# District 4 educators from Addison

Thomas Romano is the Deputy Superintendent of District 4 schools. A few years back, however, he was a student at Fullerton School. Romano is one of over twenty educators who has made a career in Addison after being taught at District 4 schools.

Romano began his teaching career at Chicago Teachers College. He student taught in Chicago, but when looking for a full time job, he hoped to shorten his commute and he applied for a job in District 4. He began as an 8th grade math teacher at Indian Trail Junior High.

Romano taught for a number of years, but has spent the largest part of his time in District 4 serving in a variety of administrative roles. He began in the district office as Assistant Business Manager before returning to Indian Trail as a Supervisory Principal. His next move was to Wesley School where he served as school principal. He returned to the district office as Assistant Superintendent, with his responsibilities increasing as he was appointed to the position of Deputy Superintendent in 1998.

“I’ve been in the district for both Fullerton building additions. I saw the first one as a student and the second one as an administrator and I find that exciting,” said Romano. “I consider myself very fortunate to have spent my career here. I’ve had really good bosses who have been exciting to work for because they were bright and focused on making our schools better.”



*Tom Romano as an eighth grader and as District 4 Deputy Superintendent.*



*Julie Boksa as a 6th grade student and as a 7th grade math teacher.*

Julie Boksa is a more recent graduate of District 4 schools who has returned to serve as a teacher here. Boksa attended both Wesley and Indian Trail Junior High and says that she always wanted to be a teacher. She currently teaches 7th grade math at I.T. and is enjoying having the opportunity to work with some of the people who were her teachers.

Boksa is active as a faculty sponsor of a variety of after school programs including Spirit Squad, track team and peer tutoring--a program that has I.T. students tutoring younger students at Army Trail each week.

“I don’t think students have changed since I was in school,” said Boksa, “but I like a lot of the changes I see in the way school is taught. I think the middle school concepts that have been adopted--like advisory and grade level teams--are great for the students. I’m really enjoy having those opportunities to get to know my students better.”



Tom Bookler spent his elementary years as a parochial school student at St. Joseph. When he reached junior high age, however, he enrolled at Indian Trail in order to take advantage of the many programs and opportunities offered there. “I remember my time at Indian Trail as being the absolute best,” said Bookler. “The junior high had so many quality teachers and a wide variety of programs available to students.”

Bookler began his teaching career in District 4 as a long-term substitute in the Social Studies department at Indian Trail. The following year he was hired to teach full-time at Lincoln School. His teaching duties included everything from 3rd to 6th grade and learning-disabled to gifted classes over the next 11 years.

Bookler then moved back to Indian Trail. He taught computer class for the next five years when the computer curriculum was first being developed. As District 4 increased its commitment to computer technology, Bookler was recruited to the administrative offices to serve as Assistant to the Superintendent for Educational Technology. “This has been a great place to work because I love change and I’m always learning new things.”



*Tom Bookler as an 8th grader at IT and as Superintendent for Technology.*

# School Closing Information

In extremely cold or hazardous weather, it may be necessary to close schools. The following stations will carry the announcement of any school closing starting at 7:00 a.m. on the day affected:

RADIO: AM stations: 670 WMAQ  
720 WGN  
780 WBBM

TV: CBS Channel 2 WGN Channel 9  
CLTV Channel 27 FOX Channel 32  
ACTV Channels 10 and 17

INTERNET: [www.schoolclosings.com](http://www.schoolclosings.com) (enter *District 4, Addison*)  
[www.asd4.org](http://www.asd4.org)



*Schools were closed for one day following last year's December 11 snowstorm..*

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So how well did District 4 students do? That's a good question but not necessarily one that's easily answered. While every school district aims to have all its students exceed the learning standards that have been established by the State of Illinois, it's safe to say that's not likely to happen. When looking at the results for third grade students on the math test, it's encouraging to see that 85% of the students met or exceeded the state standards. On the other hand, administrators see cause for concern when 57% of the 8th grade students met or exceeded the standards in the same subject area. Armed with volumes of statistical data, administrators work to pinpoint problem areas. Principals and teachers use the information to develop their school improvement plans, continually reassessing the need to try different approaches for educating children effectively.

ISAT testing is only in its third year, but administrators are already tracking students who took the tests in 3rd grade to compare how well they did in 5th grade. As test results accumulate over the next few years, educators will have more opportunities to follow the progress of individual students.



*Army Trail students pose in front of the paper chain American flag that they created for the lobby of their school. Students, teachers and families contributed to a variety of fundraising drives that were held in the*

*District 4 schools following the September 11 tragedies. Most District 4 schools sent funds to aid the victim relief efforts. Lincoln and Lake Park student councils collected funds that were sent to aid Afghan children.*

*Schools have been filled with student-drawn flags and other expressions of patriotism. Stone School students also had the chance to participate in a patriotic assembly that was held in late November.*

## Parents as Teachers . . .

home visits and playgroups (held at Ardmore School) are available to parents of children ages 0 to 3 who live in the District 4 area. Siblings are welcome to attend playgroups as well.

For information, call Parent Educator Peggy McGuire at (630)681-2212 or (630)279-1561.





# Addison Public Library

## Happenings

- 1/1.....Closed, New Year's Holiday
- 1/8.....Board Meeting, 7 p.m.
- 1/8.....Book Discussion, 7:30 p.m.
- 1/15.....Jobs on the Internet, 7 p.m.
- 1/22.....Cut the Clutter, 7 p.m.
- 1/23.....Magic & Illusions of Paul Lee, 7 p.m.
- 1/26.....Bob the Construction Guy, 9:30 a.m.
- 1/29.....Resumes and Cover Letters, 7 p.m.
- 2/5.....Book Discussion, 7:30 p.m.
- 2/12.....Board Meeting, 7 p.m.
- 2/12.....Job Interviewing Skills, 7 p.m.
- 2/14..Valentine's Day Family Stories, 7 p.m.
- 2/23.....Charlie & the Chocolate Factory,  
11 a.m.
- 2/26.....Changing Careers, 7 p.m.
- 2/27.....J. P. Somersaulter, Animation, 7 p.m.

How can we help you take full advantage of a Library program? Please let Sally Schuster, 458-3308, know of any special needs no later than one week prior to the program.

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## Looking for a Job? The Library Can Help!

The Library recently introduced a new workstation for job seekers in the Adult Services Department. The workstation offers Internet access so that job seekers can find and apply for jobs online. The Internet can help users find information about cover letters and resumes, preparation for interviews, and other tips in the job seeking process. The workstation features *WinWay Resume* software, which offers easy to use resume templates to help patrons prepare professional quality resumes. *Microsoft Office XP* includes *MS Word*, *Excel*, and *PowerPoint*. Patrons can bring their own paper for printing resumes on a laser printer, or they can use paper provided by the Library. There is a charge of 5¢ for each page that is printed. For more information about registering to use the job seekers workstation, please call or stop by the Adult Services Department, (630) 458-3318.

A series of programs addresses the issues of looking for employment. Register at the Fiction Desk, (630) 458-3320, for each session you wish to attend.



### SEARCHING FOR JOBS ON THE INTERNET

Tuesday, January 15, 7 p.m.

Hundreds of job listings, advice for writing resumes and cover letters, databases that allow posting of resumes, and company information are accessible online. Discover more about how to use this valuable tool. Learn about the new job seekers workstation.

### CREATING SUCCESSFUL RESUMES AND COVER LETTERS

Tuesday, January 29, 7 p.m.

A good cover letter will open the door; a successful resume will invite you inside. Join Audrey R. Walker, a corporate trainer and career specialist at the College of DuPage, for this interactive workshop which will emphasize effective cover letters and resumes that will capture a potential employer's attention.



### DEVELOPING JOB INTERVIEWING SKILLS

Tuesday, February 12, 7 p.m.

Once invited inside the door, effective interviewing skills are key to success. Audrey R. Walker, a corporate trainer and career specialist at the College of DuPage, returns to help you define the interviewing process. In this interactive workshop with role playing, learn how to prepare for an interview, how to describe your accomplishments, and what the follow-up process should be.



### WORKING ADULTS AND CHANGING CAREERS:

#### WHAT ARE MY OPTIONS?

Tuesday, February 26, 7 p.m.

Angela Nackovic, the Adult Recruitment Project Manager at the College of DuPage, will help you explore your educational options. She will address opportunities for both the person who is out of work and the person who is looking for a more satisfying career. One option is returning to school. Learn about different ways to take classes and how to pay for them. Nackovic will share information about REACh, Resources for the Education of Adults in the Chicago Area, a consortium of colleges, universities, corporations, and other nonprofit organizations that provide educational and financial information for adults 25 years of age and older.



## Computer Classes

### ➔ BASIC SEARCHING OF THE INTERNET

Thursdays; January 10, 17, 24; 7 p.m.

Fridays; February 8, 15, 22; 9:15 a.m.

Thursdays; March 7, 14, 21; 7 p.m.

The beginning Web searcher learns to use navigating buttons on the toolbar, type in Web addresses, find hyperlinks, save bookmarks, and more.

### ➔ COMPUTER BASICS

Friday; January 18; 9:15 a.m.

Friday; January 25; 9:15 a.m.

Friday; March 1; 9:15 a.m.

Thursday; March 28; 7 p.m.

Beginners, who have previously used a computer mouse, learn the basics about using a computer. This class meets just one day.

Computer training classes are limited to eight people; a \$25 deposit, refunded for perfect attendance, is required. Register at the Fiction Desk, 458-3320.

**“FREEDOM IS MEANINGLESS  
WITHOUT RESPONSIBILITY—  
AND VICE VERSA.”**

from *What Do You Stand For? A  
Kid's Guide to Building Character*  
by Barbara A. Lewis

**Character Counts!**

## Overdue Fines

Beginning January 2, 2002, overdue fines on all materials except one-day videos are 20¢ per day. The overdue fine on one-day videos remains \$2 per day.

## Highlights from Our Web Page

[www.addison.lib.il.us/3bus.asp#small](http://www.addison.lib.il.us/3bus.asp#small)

If you run your own business or are contemplating a start-up, you'll want to check out our Web site's collection of small business links. You'll find business ideas, information on state and federal laws, tips for writing a business plan, and much more.

## Cut the Clutter with the Clutter Cutter

Tuesday, January 22, 7 p.m.

Are you overwhelmed by stuff? Reme C. Aleck, the Clutter Cutter, is the organizing coach for home and office who can help you get organized. She will show you simple ideas on controlling clutter in your home and in your life. Learn to use baby steps to organize any room in the house, to file paperwork, to use your closet space more efficiently, to make your home safer. Learn to take an overwhelming project, look at it differently, and break it down into small manageable tasks that can be handled in short blocks of time.

Space is limited. Register at the Fiction Desk, 458-3320.

## Book Dedications

Lorraine Svoboda dedicated *A Bend in the Road* by Nicholas Sparks in memory of Arldine Page.

Gail Smith dedicated the large print edition of *Dark Canyon* by Louis L'Amour to her father, James E. Mullany, Sr.

## Book Discussion

*Maus* by Art Spiegelman  
Tuesday, January 8, 7:30 p.m.

*Maus* is Art Spiegelman's tale, in an illustrated format, of the hardships of his parents, Vladek and Anja Spiegelman, during Hitler's reign of power. From Jewish citizens of Poland to prisoners of Auschwitz, Art documents his parents' struggles as they scheme, hide, and try to survive the horrors of Nazi occupation. Intertwined with his parents' story is Art's relationship to his aging father. As Art listens to his father, he struggles to understand Vladek as a man overshadowed by a painful history.

*My Year of Meats* by Ruth Ozeki  
Tuesday, February 5, 7:30 p.m.

Japanese-American, documentary filmmaker Jane Takagi-Little has been hired by the beef industry to produce a TV show to promote beef consumption in Japan. As Jane learns more about the beef industry, she begins to subvert their message. In Japan the show is a hit with viewers. For one viewer the program may be life changing.

## “One World, One Community, One Library: Something for Everyone”

Secretary of State and State Librarian Jesse White awarded the Addison Public Library an LSTA (Library Services and Technology Act) grant for “One World, One Community, One Library: Something for Everyone.” The purpose of this grant is to do more to serve the immigrant population of Addison.

The Library will focus collection development efforts to include the needs and interests of the non-English speaking community.

Items to be funded by this grant include materials for foreign language and adult literacy/ESL (English as a Second Language) collections and additional shelving to house these collections. A computer workstation will be added with online and CD-ROM tools for educational and recreational programs in languages other than English. The grant provides stipends for translators for both Library programs and informational handouts and funds for continuing education for Library staff.

Currently, materials are available in Spanish, Polish, and Italian. Books, music CDs, videos, magazines, and newspapers in languages other than English will be added as shelf space permits.

The Library will offer programs in some of the native languages of our patrons. The Library plans to present story hours for young children, a book discussion, and computer training.

Library staff will be trained to better communicate with patrons. Some members of the staff will learn simple words and phrases such as “Good morning,” “May I help you?” “I'm sorry I'm not fluent in...,” “library card,” etc. The Library will have some of its informational materials translated into other languages, making the Library more accessible.

This LSTA grant will help the Addison Public Library do more to serve the immigrant population of our community. Staff is planning ways to meet these challenges.

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# Kidding Around



## Story Times

*Session 1: Weeks of January 14-February 4*

Registration begins December 29

*Session 2: Weeks of February 25-March 18*

Registration begins February 16

Winter story times are divided into two sessions with separate registration dates for each.

### BEGIN WITH BOOKS

*Mondays, 10-10:30 a.m. or*

*Mondays, 11-11:30 a.m. or*

*Thursdays, 10-10:30 a.m.*

### Birth-35 months with an adult

Spend quality time with your baby or toddler during this story time that includes stories, music, participation, and time to play with our special story time toys. To accommodate families with children of different ages, the 10 a.m. Monday session is held simultaneously with "Preschool Story Time."



### PRESCHOOL STORY TIME

*Mondays, 10-10:30 a.m.*

### Ages 3-5

This story time includes stories, music, and participation. To accommodate families with children of different ages, this story time is held simultaneously with a "Begin with Books" session.

### CRAFTY CHARACTERS

*Tuesdays, 4-5 p.m.*

### Grades K-3

Stories, crafts, and games will revolve around a different theme or book character each week.

### BEDTIME STORIES

*Thursdays, 7-7:30 p.m.*

### All ages, under 7 with an adult

On Thursday evenings all ages are invited to come for a good-night story at the Library. Wear your pajamas and slippers if you like.

## The Magic and Illusions of Paul Lee and Co.



*Wednesday, January 23,*

*7:00-7:45 p.m.*

### All ages, 10 and under with an adult

Tickets available in Children's Services beginning January 12

Paul Lee will make you believe in magic. His amazing, mesmerizing show includes live animals, music, audience participation, and lots of magical fun!

## A "Bob the Construction Guy" Breakfast

*Saturday, January 26, 9:30-10:30 a.m.*

### All ages, 10 and under with an adult

Registration begins January 12

Is your favorite character named Bob? Do you like to build? The Library will become a construction zone as kids have the opportunity to build with special blocks, play building games, and have a light breakfast.

**"FAIRNESS IS PLAYING A GAME BY THE RULES...AND NOT CALLING YOUR SISTER A 'CHEAT' WHEN SHE HONESTLY WINS."**  
from *Fairness* by Sandra Ziegler

### Character Counts!

## Fun & Games in the Library

Every month we offer special in-library games. We'll have *Guess How Many Candies Are in the Jar*, *Find the Book*, etc. So, check us out when you check out your books.

## Valentine's Day Family Stories

*Thursday, February 14, 7-7:30 p.m.*

### All ages, 8 and under with an adult

Registration begins February 2

Celebrate Valentine's Day with your family at this fun-filled evening of stories, participation, and games.

## Charlie and the Chocolate Factory Party

*Saturday, February 23, 11 a.m.-12 noon*

### All ages, 10 and under with an adult

Registration begins February 9

Celebrate "Chocolate Lover's Month" by creating a chocolate factory like the one in Roald Dahl's *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory*. Everyone will invent a new chocolate candy and share samples with other participants during the tour of the completed chocolate factories.

## J. P. Somersaulter, Animation

*Wednesday, February 27, 7:00-7:50 p.m.*

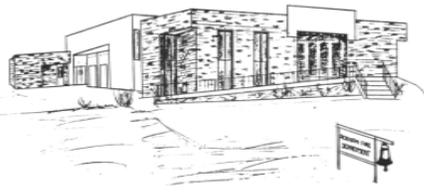
### All ages, 10 and under with an adult

Tickets available in Children's Services beginning February 16

J. P. Somersaulter is an internationally award-winning video/filmmaker and former teacher, who educates kids using what they love: film and video.

Humorously presented, he uses a vast array of cartoon character voices and cartoon drawings to unlock the secrets of filmmaking and animation.





# FLASHPOINT



News from the Addison Fire Protection District #1

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### ADDISON FIRE DISTRICT BOARD CONSIDERS INCREASED STAFFING

The Addison Fire Protection District Board of Trustees is considering a change in the district's emergency staffing requirements. Increased calls for emergency medical services, preparation for future emergency demands and new national standards for staffing could necessitate a staffing increase. To meet the district's emergency needs, Fire Chief Tim Deuschle has recommended to the Board the addition of six new firefighter/paramedics.

In addition to an increased demand for ambulance service, the fire service nationally has been actively pursuing additional personnel to confront the new challenges it faces. In the wake of the tragic events of September 11, the International Association of Fire Chiefs has recommended to the United States Congress, an increase the nations emergency staffing by some 75,000 firefighters.

The fire district board is discussing the funding necessary for the six additional firefighter/paramedics. A possible source of revenue to cover these costs would be to ask Addison residents to approve a special emergency and rescue crew tax. District officials may ask voters to approve an increase of 5 cents per \$ 100 of assessed valuation. The cost to the average homeowner would be minimal since the fire district will be paying off the balance of outstanding general obligation bonds next year. The rate on these bonds is currently 3.59 cents per \$100 of assessed valuation. The net increase to the owner of a home valued at \$200,000 would be an additional \$8.90 per year.

If the fire district board decides to move ahead with a referendum, it would be placed on the March primary election ballot. The last time the Addison Fire Protection District requested a rate increase was in 1975 when voters approved the establishment of paramedic ambulance service. Board members are expected to make a final decision at their January meeting.



### Fill the Boot

Thank you to everyone who contributed during last fall's "Pass the Boot" campaign. On Saturday, October 13, firefighters collected donations at several intersections in Addison to benefit the families of those lost in the September 11 attacks. Through your generosity, we were able to raise over \$9500.00 dollars that were donated to three relief funds.



Snow drifts can make it difficult to find a fire hydrant in an emergency. Please help out by keeping the hydrant by your home clear of snow.



### 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversaries

The Addison Fire District congratulates the following members for completing 25 years of service to this community:

- Deputy Chief Jack Kreft
- Firefighter Mike McDonald
- Firefighter Ed Restoff
- Firefighter Wally Mukukenow



### Upcoming CPR Classes

If you would like to register for a class or to schedule a CPR class for your group or business, please call the Addison Fire District, 628-3100.



News from the

# Village of Addison

Mid-Winter 2002

## From the Mayor's Desk ...



*I t's sad to say, but for most of us, the year 2001 will be defined in our minds by the terrible events of September 11. But for those of us in Addison, we will also carry with us the memory of the Interfaith Memorial Service, that brought*

*together clergy, students and community members in one of the most patriotic and memorable events it has been my privilege to participate in.*

*So many good things happened in the past year, it would be a shame not to remember them, too, as we look back at 2001*

*Our community continues to grow and thrive as a number of new projects were started. Lakeview Place, at the corner of Lake and Lombard, was approved after much constructive input from neighbors and much compromise. This combination retail and condominium complex will surely enhance our community.*

*The same can be said for Villas on Lake, a 21-townhome subdivision to be constructed just south of Krage's Mobil on Lake Street.*

*The Pampered Chef's international headquarters has begun to take shape near Army Trail and Swift Road – we are proud that this flourishing business has decided to stay in Addison.*

*Our entertainment corridor saw further expansion with the opening of La Hacienda Restaurant in Centennial Plaza. It will further expand with Home Run Inn Pizza, which was approved for construction on the north side of Lake Street. And once the Centennial Lake project is complete, we will welcome Hampton Inn to the area.*

*Our own village staff continued to work to make things more efficient and cost-effective for our taxpayers. The "Instant Permit" process, which was designed to make things easier for*

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## Honoring All Veterans

*The following is a guest essay by Ken Marcinkowski, Commander of Addison VFW Post 7446*

Addison Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 7446 thanks our village officials for the recognition of all veterans through the construction of Veterans Circle. This commitment shows that Addison respects the veteran for what he/she has done to keep this great country free. We are proud to be a part of this great community and look forward to continuing to work together for the betterment of Addison.

As part of the project, the VFW plans to sell paver bricks that will be installed at the memorial. People can purchase these pavers to honor friends and relatives who have served our country. We hope to sell these bricks for about \$75, which will include three lines of engraving with 13 characters per line. Watch Addison Community Television Channels 10 and 17, the Addison Press, Village Hall marquee sign and the VFW sign for more details.

Addison VFW Post 7446 has been working in partnership with our village for more than 50 years. We help veterans at Hines Hospital and other needy veterans. We go to our schools teaching flag etiquette and providing flags for their flag poles. We help the boy scouts, our senior citizens and needy families.

If you are a Veteran of a Foreign War, come see us. You deserve to be a member of our organization! You deserve your benefits! Be part of our commitment to helping veterans and worthy organizations.

We are located at 19W080 Lake Street, behind Burger King. You may contact us at 630/628-9804.



**Friendship Circle, at Lake Street and Addison Road, will be transformed into Veterans Circle. Ron Guest (left to right), landscape architect, and Steve Weinstock, public works director, meet with members of the Addison VFW, including Post Commander Ken Marcinkowski (far right.)**

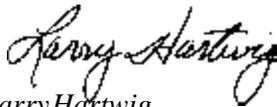
## Mayor's Letter

*continued from page 11 residents needing building permits for relatively simple home improvements, won the Village of Addison a City Management Award for its innovativeness.*

*The Police Department completed its remodeling and celebrated with its grand opening. They also celebrated the fact that they earned the national accreditation from CALEA, putting them in an elite class of law enforcement agencies throughout the country.*

*Village Hall received its finishing touch – a memorial to honor all elected officials who have served Addison, including Village President Anthony Russotto who served this village faithfully for 10 years, and who passed away while in office, in 1995. The memorial fountain now greets visitors to our offices.*

*Happy New Year,*

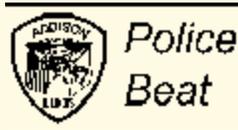


Larry Hartwig  
Mayor



**The Anthony Russotto Memorial Fountain was dedicated in August, and greets visitors to Village Hall and the Police Department**

## Child Automotive Passenger Protection



Keeping our children safe is always a priority, and is something that eventually becomes second nature to most parents – we work to protect them without even realizing we are doing so.

Making their safety a “habit” for us should continue even when we leave the house. Children need to be protected whenever we travel with them.

The law requires anyone who transports children in Illinois in non-commercial vehicles to do so according to the following rules:

- Infants less than a year old and under 20 pounds, must be transported in a rear-facing child safety seat. The child safety seat must be secured in the rear seat of the transporting vehicle.
- Children more than 1 year old and more than 20 pounds but less than 40 pounds should be transported facing forward in an appropriate child safety seat. The child safety seat must be secured in the rear seat of the transporting vehicle.
- Children more than 40 pounds should be transported in an appropriate booster seat or secured by the vehicles seat belt system.
- No child under the age of 12 years old should be transported in the front seat.
- Effective Jan. 1, 2002, all children under the age of 16 must be secured in either a safety seat or with the use of the vehicles seat belt system.

Picking a child safety seat can be confusing with all the options that are available. There is no one seat that is the “best.” The best seat is one that fits the child properly, fits the vehicle it will be used in, and is most convenient to use on every ride.

It’s a good idea to try before you buy. Make sure the child fits and it secures properly in your car. Read the instructions manual completely before attempting to secure the seat.

The Police and Fire Departments have Certified Child Safety Seat Technicians available for free child seat inspections at Fire Station # 1, by appointment only. Please contact: Officer Roger Saran, or Officer John Moffitt, at 543-3080, or Fire Fighter Ron Nettleingham, at 628-3100 for further information, or to make an appointment.

You can also find additional information on the following web sites: [www.safekids.org](http://www.safekids.org), [www.childsafety.org](http://www.childsafety.org), and [www.nhtsa.dot.gov](http://www.nhtsa.dot.gov).

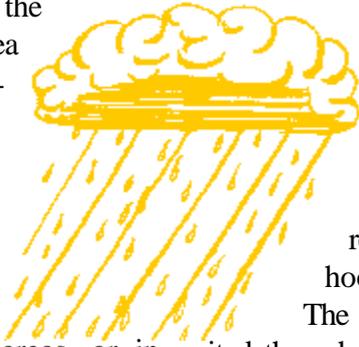
Buckle up and set a good example for the children and teen drivers. Remember ... “Click It or Ticket.”



**Addison Police Officer John Moffitt checks the safety seat for Amanda Leveille. Free child safety seat inspections are available through both the Police and Fire departments.**

## Keeping Floodwaters Out of Your Residence

On October 13, the DuPage County area experienced an extraordinary rain event, and a few areas in Addison experienced scattered flooding. These were generally low lying areas, or in homes with below-grade garages.



those homes that experienced backups of drains and toilets were, in many cases a direct result of illegal hookups.

The village has prohibited these hookups since 1963, and when homes are sold within the village, they are inspected for these illegal hookups.

Homeowners who dealt with this unfortunate situation asked what the Village could do to keep this from happening again.

Since 1987 – when the most severe flooding to ever hit this area devastated thousands of homes – the Village of Addison, with Federal, State and County assistance, has spent more than \$30 million in flood abatement projects, which has alleviated the near-constant flooding our community had to withstand nearly every time it rained.

Despite this progress, we know that the Village must continue to plan additional neighborhood and regional flood control projects. In many cases, homeowners can do two things that will minimize or eliminate flooding in their homes and neighborhoods.

### Illegal hookups

First, no home should have a sump pump connected to the sanitary sewer – these sewers were not meant to handle this water.

During rain events such as the one we recently experienced,

“Any resident who is doing this is directly harming their neighbor,” said Mayor Larry Hartwig. “Please, please disconnect your sump pumps from the sanitary sewer.”

Homes constructed before the ordinance was passed in 1963 are eligible for assistance from the Village in the disconnection. Please contact Environmental Services at 279-2140 for details.

### Overhead sewers

Second, homeowners are encouraged to install overhead sewers to prevent backups.

An overhead sewer system raises the elevation of all wastewater leaving the home through the use of an ejector pump. This keeps wastewater from backing up into the home. These sewer systems have been part of the Village code since 1972, and all new homes are constructed with them.

Following the October 13 rain event, the Village Board reinstated an interest-free loan program to help homeowners pay for the installation of an overhead sewer.

## Alligators, Rats and Spooky Valves



Halloween isn't the only time you might hear scary stories here in Addison.

If you experienced any water in your home during the last storm, you may have been horrified to hear a neighbor or a friend tell you that a “valve” wasn't opened!

Much as the City of Chicago experiences periodic urban myths about alligators in the sewers and “super” rats, here in the Village of Addison nearly everyone eventually hears about the valve that someone “forgot” to turn when it began to rain.

However, much like the alligators and rats, the elusive valve does not exist.

All storm sewers, retention and detention areas operate automatically, without the need for someone to turn them on. Even the Westwood Creek Dam & Pump Station and the Fullerton and Diversey lift stations operate based on the amount of water – there is no manual operator, they function automatically.

It may be little comfort, but rest assured that unfortunate occurrences such as flood damage to homes are not the result of a valve – or its forgetful operator!

“This is the best way we know of to prevent homeowners from experiencing sewer backups,” Mayor Hartwig said.

Installation can range from \$3,000 to \$10,000. Five-year loans of up to \$10,000 are available.

For information about the loan program, please contact the Community Development Department at 693-7530.

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**Water Billing** .....693-7570

**Community Development**  
 Engineering, zoning, building  
 permits, code enforcement .....693-7530

**Community Relations**  
 Cable television, public relations,  
 website information .....693-7550

**Public Works**  
 Streets, water, street lights, tree  
 trimming, branch pickup .....620-2020

**After-hours Request for Service**  
 Street lights, sign repair .....693-7980

**Environmental Services**  
 Recycling, sewer backups,  
 flood control .....279-2140

**Police (Non-Emergency)**  
 Traffic violations, crime prevention,  
 stray animals .....543-3080

**Addison Historical Museum**  
 Hours, information .....628-1433



## New Collection Dept. Hours

Effective January 2002, the Collections Department will be open an additional 1½ hours per week for your convenience.

The new hours will be Mondays 8 a.m.- 6:30 p.m. and Tuesday through Fridays 8 a.m.- 5 p.m.

These hours are more consistent with other Village Departments which are typically open 8 a.m. - 5 p.m., and increases collection hours from 45 to 46 ½ hours, two hours more than the average of 44 ½ offered by surrounding communities.

Additionally, the following payment options are available:

### **Parking Tickets**

- ✓ Use the self-mailer and mail or drop in the white After Hours Drop Box in the Village Hall parking lot – no cash in the Drop Box please.

### **Utility Bills**

- ✓ Automatic Bank Debit program – applications available by calling 693-7563, pick one up at the Village Hall, or download from the website at *www.AddisonAdvantage.org*.
- ✓ Use the envelope enclosed with the utility bill to remit to the lockbox, or mail directly to the Village Hall.
- ✓ White After Hours Drop Box located in the Village Hall parking lot - include a check or money order along with remittance slip in an envelope – No cash in the Drop Box please.
- ✓ Payment at Oxford Bank or the Currency Exchange during normal business hours – including Saturdays.

## Allow Time for Mail



As a reminder, utility bill payments must be received by the due date in order to avoid a penalty. With additional precautions being used by the post office, make sure your payment is mailed early enough to be received by us by the due date. Please allow a minimum of 5 days for mail processing. If in doubt, there are several options for payment remittance, noted above.

## Christmas tree pickup



Free Christmas tree pickup service is available for residents.

Trees should be placed on the parkway any Sunday night during the month of January. Village crews will begin collecting them on Mondays.

Please keep trees out of snowbanks. Nails, tinsel, ornaments and lights **must** be removed from the trees.

Christmas tree bags and tree bases **must** also be removed.

Evergreen wreaths and garland will not be accepted because the wire used to construct them can damage the chipper machine.

# February 2002

SUNDAY

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TUESDAY

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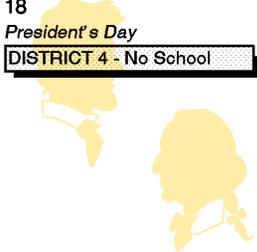
**Unless otherwise noted, meetings are held at the following locations:**

- Village of Addison - One Friendship Plaza ..... 543-4100**
- Addison School District 4 - 222 N. Kennedy Drive ..... 628-2500**
- Addison Public Library - Two Friendship Plaza ..... 543-3617**
- Addison Fire Protection District - 10 S. Addison Road ..... 628-3100**

1	2 HISTORICAL MUSEUM Open 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.
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3	4 VILLAGE - Finance & Policy Committee 6:30 p.m. Cultural Arts 6:30 p.m. Hist. Comm 7 p.m. Board Meeting 8 p.m. LIBRARY - Begin w/Books & Pre-K Storytime, 10 a.m. Begin w/Books, 11 a.m.	5 LIBRARY - Crafty Characters, 4 p.m. Book Discussion, 7:30 p.m.	6 VILLAGE - Advisory Liquor Commission 7:30 p.m. FIRE DISTRICT - Board Meeting 7 p.m.	7 VILLAGE - Senior Citizens Commission 6:30 p.m. Citizens Advisory Council 8 p.m. LIBRARY - Begin w/Books, 10 a.m. Bedtime Stories, 7 p.m.	8 LIBRARY - Basic Searching of Internet, 9:15 a.m.	9 HISTORICAL MUSEUM Open 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. VILLAGE - Police Commission, 9 a.m.
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10	11 VILLAGE - Pub. Health, Safety & Judicial 6:30 p.m. Building, Zoning & Development 7 p.m.	12 <i>Lincoln's Birthday</i> VILLAGE - Commercial & Indust. Cmsn. 10 a.m. Pre-Annexation Hrg. 7 p.m. LIBRARY - Board Meeting 7:30 p.m. Effective Job Interviewing Skills, 7 p.m.	13 VILLAGE - Plan Commission 7 p.m. DISTRICT 4 - AT/IT Jazz Festival at AHS - 7 p.m.	14 <i>Valentine's Day</i> VILLAGE - Community Council 7:30 p.m. DISTRICT 4 - AT/IT Orch. Festival at AHS - 7 p.m. LIBRARY - Valentine's Day Family Stories, 7 p.m.	15 LIBRARY - Basic Searching of Internet, 9:15 a.m.	16 HISTORICAL MUSEUM Open 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.
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17	18 <i>President's Day</i> DISTRICT 4 - No School 	19 VILLAGE - Finance & Policy Committee 6:30 p.m. Board Meeting 8 p.m. DISTRICT 4 - AT/IT Choral Fest. at AHS - 7 p.m.	20	21 VILLAGE - Zoning Board 8 p.m.	22 <i>Washington's Birthday</i> LIBRARY - Basic Searching of Internet, 9:15 a.m. 	23 HISTORICAL MUSEUM Open 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. LIBRARY - Charlie & the Chocolate Party, 11 a.m.
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## Things to Do, Places to Go, People to See

Event	Date/Time	Location	Contact
	"Brigadoon" Student Musical	Feb. 7 - 9 7:30 p.m. Addison Trail High School 213 N. Lombard Road	Dale Bower 628-3413
	TPO Spaghetti Dinner	Feb. 9 4:30 - 7:30 p.m. Addison Trail High School 213 N. Lombard Road	628-3300
	Lutherbrook Bowl-a-Rama	Feb. 9 noon - 2 p.m. & 2 - 4 p.m. Feb. 10 12:30 - 2:30 p.m. & 2:30 - 4:30 p.m. Stardust Bowl 37 E. Lorraine	708/771-7180, ext. 245
	Community Blood Drive	Feb. 10 8:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. St. Joseph's Church 330 E. Fullerton Ave.	628-3331
	Knights of Columbus Communion Brunch	Feb. 10 10:30 a.m. Alta Villa Banquets 430 N. Addison Road	Bill Hermann 847/520-3061
	Junior Wheelchair Bulls Tournament	Feb. 16 NEDSRA 1770 W. Centennial Place	Lonna Converso 620-4500

*This information, provided by event coordinators, was compiled by the Village of Addison Community Relations Department on December 3, 2001. Details are subject to change without notice. Tune to Addison Community Television Channel 10 for the latest information, or check out our website at [www.AddisonAdvantage.org](http://www.AddisonAdvantage.org)*