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A Weekly Wrap Up of All Things Addison!

December 18, 2020

Council Update

COVID-19 Update



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On December 16, Dallas County Health and Human Services (DCHHS) reported 2,438 COVID-19 cases, which is 250 more new cases than Dallas County has ever experienced in any one day. Judge Clay Jenkins is encouraging people to plan ahead to avoid crowds this holiday season. The [CDC](#) recommends that the safest way to celebrate the winter holidays is at home with the people who live with you. You can find all of the CDC's [Winter Holiday tips here](#).

As of December 17, Dallas County was reporting a total of 15,509 confirmed COVID-19 cases and 1,413 deaths. To date, Addison has a total of 648 confirmed COVID-19 cases according to DCHHS. DCHHS releases new numbers every Tuesday and Friday and [reports can be found on their website here](#).

Interested in Serving as a Community Partners Liaison?

Each year, the City Council selects residents to represent the Town of Addison with its Community Partners (non-profit organizations). If you are interested in being considered as a liaison for The Family Place, Dallas Cat Lady, Metrocare Services, or Metrocrest Services, please [fill out this application](#) before January 18. Council is scheduled to consider appointments at its second meeting in January.

Town of Addison Holiday Hours

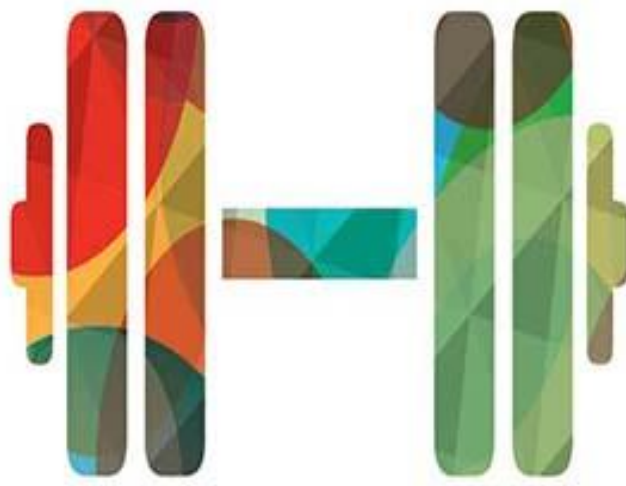
Due to the holidays, there will not be a second Council Meeting in December. Meetings will resume on January 12, 2021.

Town offices, including the Athletic Club, will be closed on December 24, December 25, and January 1. There will not be any changes to the regular trash/recycling service over the next two weeks.

Have a safe and happy holiday!

Around Addison

Athletic Club Implements Mask Only Hours



In response to requests from several Addison Athletic Club (AAC) members, the AAC will begin implementing **Mask Only hours** Monday – Friday from 3pm – 5pm and on Saturdays from 2pm – 5pm beginning January 4, 2021. *Members who visit the AAC during these times will be required to constantly wear a mask as they move about the building, exercise, and change.* The only exception will be if a member is actively swimming.

Currently, the AAC complies with the Governor's Minimum Standard Health Protocols for Gyms and Exercise Facilities (<https://open.texas.gov/>). These protocols allow gym patrons to remove their masks where social distancing is possible to be achieved. However, we recognize that it is important for our members who consider themselves to be in the at-risk category to have safe options for working out and remaining active.

The AAC is closed for one hour daily for disinfecting. Mask Only hours will follow this cleaning. Ultimately, it is each member's responsibility to ensure their personal safety when visiting the facility. However, the Athletic Club staff believes this small change will help serve a need that has been voiced by many members. Thank you for doing your part in helping us protect our community.

If you have any questions about this new procedure, please contact Pat White at pwhite@addisontx.gov.

Lisa Kittredge Recognized for Serving 650 Volunteer Hours



If you call Town Hall during lunch, there is a good chance you will be greeted by Lisa Kittredge. Lisa, who started volunteering for the Town in May of 2014, was recognized on Thursday, December 17 for contributing over 650 volunteer hours to Addison. More than 600 of these hours were spent working at the front desk in Town Hall! Thank you, Lisa, for your enthusiasm and dedication. We appreciate all you do!

Athletic Club Hosts Food Drive for Metrocrest Services

CANNED FOOD DRIVE

**We will be collecting canned goods
and other non-perishable food items
to benefit Metrocrest Services.**



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**DECEMBER 15-31, 2020
THE ADDISON ATHLETIC CLUB**



Metrocrest Services pantry visits this December are four times higher than the number of visits during a typical December. To help support the efforts of this important community partner, the Athletic Club is hosting a canned food drive from now through the end of the year. They are accepting non-perishable food items in addition to canned foods. You can find a [list of urgent pantry needs here](#). Donations can be dropped off at the club in the marked bins.

Addison Airport Toll Tunnel Closed for Maintenance December 18-21

The North Texas Tollway Authority (NTTA) is closing the Addison Airport Toll Tunnel from 9pm on December 18 until 5am on December 21 for maintenance. Message boards have been placed nearby to alert motorists. Closures are subject to weather conditions and will be postponed if necessary. If you are heading across town, please plan accordingly.

For more information about upcoming lane closures and traffic-related news along NTTA roadways, go to the "Scheduled Lane Closures" listing at www.ntta.org.

Oncor Tower Replacement Update

Staff was informed that Oncor is currently 25% complete with the wire pulls in the Redding Park area. The wire pull should be 50% completed by the week of Christmas. In order to meet this goal, crews have been working on Sundays.

They are still on schedule with the timeline below:

November 30 – January 30: Line Construction

- A reduced portion of the Redding Trail Dog Park will open for use.
- Closure signs will be placed to minimize pedestrian traffic for construction.
- The trail will be closed to the public.

December 25 – Christmas Holiday

Beginning the week of February 1 – February 27: Clean-up and Restoration

- Oncor will clean-up and repair damage to the landscape and irrigation.
- Addison Parks crews will install the pedestrian light poles and replacement vegetation.

WaterTower Theatre Presents *Ella's Swinging Christmas: A Tribute to Ella Fitzgerald*



A one-woman show, streaming on-demand through January 3, 2021, WaterTower Theatre's (WTT) production of *Ella's Swinging Christmas: A Tribute to Ella Fitzgerald* is a musical treat for all ages. Dallas singer and actress phenomenon, Feleceia Wilson (formerly Feleceia Benton) introduces the WTT audience to a uniquely reimagined experience of Ella Fitzgerald's incredible "Swinging Christmas" album, just in time for the holidays. Ella Fitzgerald recorded the epic holiday 18-tracks, with a studio orchestra arranged and conducted by Frank DeVol. It is her only complete album of Christmas tunes on Verve Records.

Patrons will be able to enjoy *Ella's Swinging Christmas* from the comfort and safety of their own homes. All season ticket holders will receive their digital tickets as part of their 25th season ticket subscription. Single tickets are on sale now. Purchase all tickets on WaterTowerTheater.org.

How to Stay Informed

Addison shares information with the community in a number of different ways. Here are some ways you can stay updated on the latest news:

Website:

- www.addisontexas.net: Find alerts and updates on the homepage and department specific updates on department pages
- www.addisontexas.net/covid19: Find specific COVID-19 updates and resources

Social Media:

- [Addison Facebook](#)
- [Visit Addison Facebook](#)
- [Addison Twitter](#)
- [Visit Addison Twitter](#)
- [NextDoor](#)

Addison Newsletters: For a description of and to subscribe to all of Addison's newsletters, click [here](#).

If you have specific questions, please contact Addison's Marketing Department at marketing@addisontx.gov.

Follow CDC Social Distancing Guidelines



The Town of Addison is taking action to prevent the spread of COVID-19. We would like to encourage everyone to join us. The CDC has encouraged the community to practice social distancing, but also to follow these steps to minimize the spread of any disease:

- Stay home when you are sick.
- Wash your hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds and help young children do the same. If soap and water are not available, use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol.

- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands.
- Avoid close contact with people who are sick.
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces using a regular household cleaning spray or wipe.
- Cover your cough or sneeze with a tissue, then throw the tissue in the trash. If you do not have a tissue, use your sleeve (not your hands).

Below are some symptoms to be aware of:

CORONAVIRUS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● FEVER ● COUGH ● SHORTNESS OF BREATH ● SYMPTOMS APPEAR 2-14 DAYS AFTER EXPOSURE
FLU	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● FEVER ● COUGH ● SORE THROAT ● HEADACHES ● FATIGUE (TIREDNESS) ● MUSCLE OR BODY ACHES ● RUNNY OR STUFFY NOSE
ALLERGIES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● SNEEZING ● ITCHY, RUNNY OR BLOCKED NOSE ● ITCHY, RED, WATERING EYES

If you have any questions or concerns, you can contact Dallas County directly at 972-692-2780 (Hours: 9am - 3:30pm, Monday - Friday).

For additional resources, visit the [Town's website here](#).

Important Numbers and Websites

Town Hall:
972-450-7000

Non-emergency Police Dispatch:
972-450-7156

Missed Trash:
972-392-9300, Option 2

[Request Bulk Trash Pickup](#)

Athletic Club:
972-450-7048

[Addison Website](#)

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[Community Crime Map](#)

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channel 16 for Spectrum subscribers)

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