

Addison, Medinah Shriners to co-sponsor Bicentennial Parade

The Village of Addison and the Medinah Shriners will be holding a parade in Addison on Sunday, Aug. 26. This will be the first community wide parade in Addison since 2008. The theme of the Parade is "Addison Celebrates the Illinois Bicentennial."

The Medinah Shriners have committed 25 of their parade units to the parade, including flying carpets, clowns, motor corps, big wheels, Highlanders, fire, police, patrol, military, chanters and shrine clubs. The Addison Trail High School Marching Blazers band will perform. State and local dignitaries, and more than 40 Addison-based local taxing bodies, not-for-profit organizations, businesses and community groups are also expected to participate.

The parade route will follow 1.7 miles east on the two eastbound lanes of Army Trail Boulevard from Addison Trail High School to Kennedy Drive. The parade route will be closed to traffic at 1:30 p.m. The parade will step off at 3 p.m. Due to road construction, the parade will be viewable from the south side of Army Trail Boulevard only.

Post-parade festival

Following the parade, there will be a post-parade festival called "The Bicentennial Bash" on the Village Green and Historical Museum Grounds from 4-9 p.m. There will be food, music and entertainment. The opening band will be "The Neverly Brothers" playing music from Elvis to the Beatles. The featured band will be "Hip Pockit" who performs four generations of Soul, Motown, Rock and Pop. On the Historical Museum Grounds, costumed re-enactors from the Living Historians Guild, will depict life and crafts from early 19th Century Illinois. At 6:30 pm, there will be a tree dedication program for the museum's "Bicentennial Johnny Appleseed

Tree" featuring music by the Indian Trail Jr. High Band and Orchestra, remarks by local dignitaries, and a plaque unveiling. The festival will be

capped off by fireworks display.

Parking for the Parade and Bash will be available in the Indian Trail Jr. High parking lot, Village Hall com-

plex parking lot and Green Meadows Shopping Center.

The Parade and Bash are endorsed events of the Illinois Bicentennial

Commission. For more information, contact Susan English, Historical Museum Coordinator at 630-628-1433 or email museum@addison-il.org.

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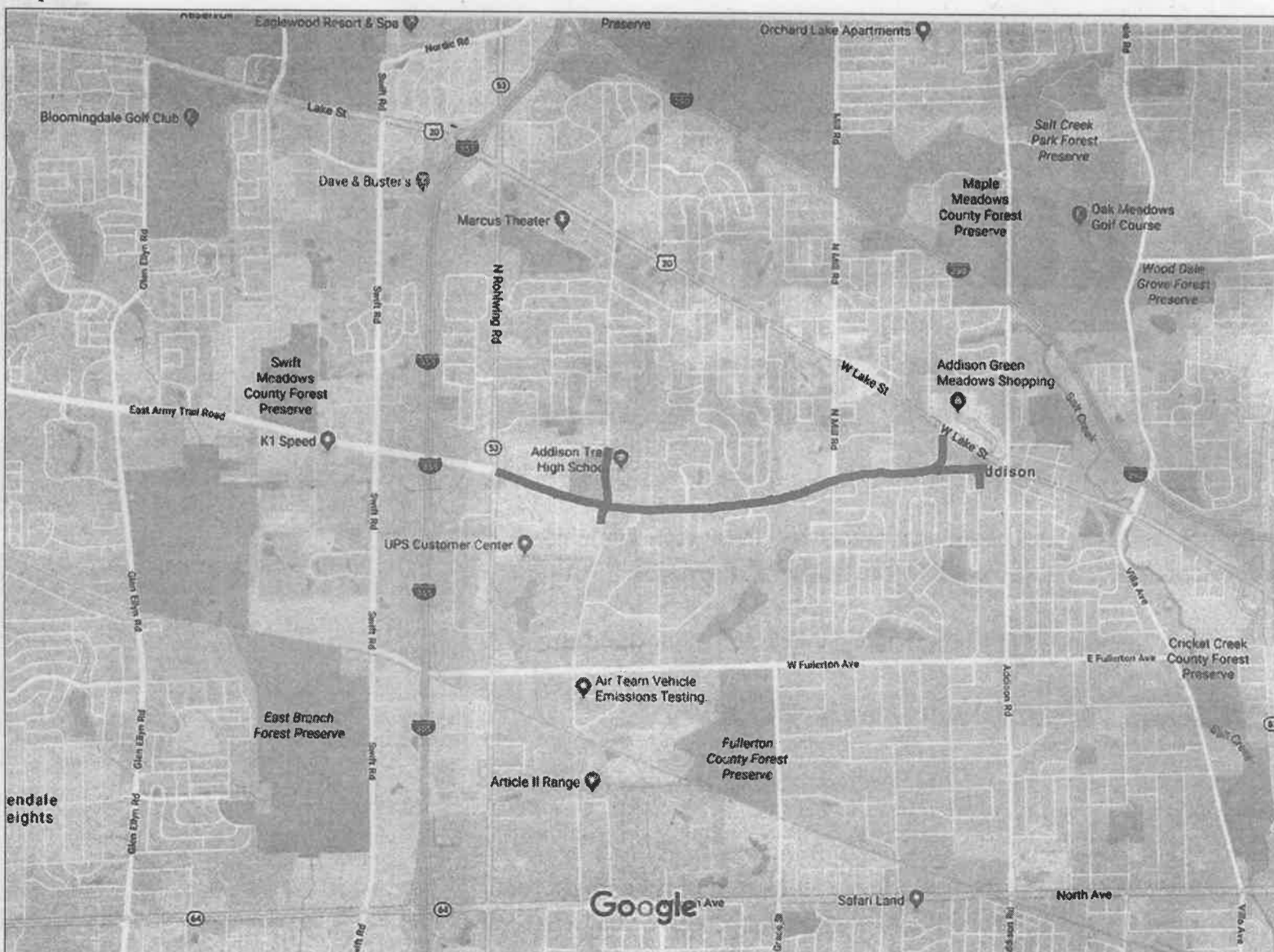
The Village of Addison and Medinah Shriners are co-sponsoring the first community-wide parade in Addison since 2008 on Sunday, Aug. 26. The theme of the parade is "Addison Celebrates the Illinois Bicentennial." The parade will proceed from Addison Trail High School along Army Trail Blvd. to the Village Hall complex by Kennedy Drive.

The following roads will be closed to all vehicular traffic starting at 1:30 p.m.:

- Army Trail Blvd. east from Route 53 to the cul-de-sac including all road intersections along the route
- Kennedy Drive north to Lake St.
- Lombard Road north from Diverser, to Stone Aves.
- May St between Natoma Ave. and Army Trail Blvd.
- No parking on Church St. from Moreland. to Natoma Aves.

Roads are not expected to be reopened until early evening with the exception of Army Trail Blvd. between School St. and the cul-de-sac and May St. between Natoma Ave. and Army Trail Blvd. for the Bicentennial Bash festival from 4-9 p.m. Residents are urged to use alternate routes.

For more information, visit addisonadvantage.org/visitors/history_2/addison_medinah_shriners_parade.php or contact Susan English at 630-693-7549 or museum@addison-il.org.



This is a map that shows the planned route for the parade that the Village of Addison and the Medinah Shriners will be holding on Sunday, Aug. 26, to celebrate the Illinois Bicentennial. Afterwards from 4-9 p.m., a "Bicentennial Bash" will take place on the Village Green and Historical Museum grounds.

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