



CITIZEN OF THE YEAR AWARD

Presented to:

DAN KOMPANOWSKI

The Citizen of the Year Award recognizes an individual whose outstanding contributions have significantly benefitted the community. This award celebrates those whose efforts bring people together, fostering a sense of unity and pride among residents.

Nominated by: Dianna Kompanowski and the Village of Itasca

Summary of Nomination:

Dan Kompanowski's impact on Itasca is extensive. His 17.5 years with the Village's Public Works Department ensured that the community had access to clean water. After retiring from this role, Dan returned to the Village to become our Special Events Coordinator. In this position, he played a key part in organizing major community events such as ItascaFest and Oktoberfest. His leadership and tireless efforts have strengthened the community spirit and brought residents together for shared celebrations.

Dan's contributions extend beyond special events. For 29 years, he has served as a Park District Commissioner, overseeing the development and upkeep of our parks and recreational programs, creating spaces where families gather for relaxation, fitness, and community events.

In addition, Dan has been an active member of the Itasca Lions Club for 45 years, helping to organize events, provide resources, and support community members in need. His longstanding dedication to the Lions Club reflects his commitment to making Itasca a better place for everyone.

Dan is the heart of Itasca. His contributions are evident everywhere, and his dedication shines through in every event and program he has helped lead. With his ever-present smile and passion for his community, Dan is the perfect choice for our first Citizen of the Year award.

On behalf of the Village, I thank Dan Kompanowski for his years of exceptional service and commitment. His work has created a stronger, more connected community that will benefit Itasca for years to come.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jeff Pruyn".

Mayor Jeff Pruyn

September 8, 2024