



2021 TREE LIGHTING PROGRAM

6:00 pm Start - Santa arrives at 5:50 pm on the Fire Dept. Ladder Truck
(The truck will stay parked on Barker, facing the stage until he is called in)

1. **OPENING SONGS** from the RMHS Madrigal Singers (3-4 songs)

2. **MAYOR'S WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS** - Mayor Gallo

THANK THE SINGERS: "Under the direction of Caitlyn Walsh (names of each kid?)"

Announce the "Upcoming Madrigal Dinner on Sunday, 12/19 at 5:00 pm at the Cotillion in Palatine"

INTRODUCE SANTA - Direct the crowd to his grand entrance on the fire truck; invite Santa on stage and he stays there

EVENT ANNOUNCEMENTS: "Visit with Santa Claus, his reindeer, Kimball Hoot, horse-drawn wagon rides, free hot cocoa and coffee, goodie bags & cookies (while supplies last)"

INTRODUCE & THANK YOU: ELECTED OFFICIALS - names and wards

SPECIAL THANKS TO: "The City of Rolling Meadows and Staff, RM Community Events Foundation volunteers, Historical Museum volunteers, RMHS Madrigal group & Director Caitlyn Walsh and the local RM Scout troops _____ and 168.

INTRODUCE DJ JULES

3. **DJ Jules continues the program** with singing, dancing and audience engagement.

4. **INVITE ONSTAGE:** "RM Historical Museum PAT WRIGHT will do a narrative: 1950's holiday season in Rolling Meadows"

5. **INVITE ONSTAGE:** Local RM Scout troops (2-3 songs)

6. **PREPARE SANTA FOR THE COUNTDOWN:** Call Mayor and family on to stage

-----> Countdown from 10 - 9 - 8 - 7 - 6 - 5 - 4 - 3 - 2 - 1 -----> **LIGHTS GO ON!**

10. **DJ continues with festive songs and audience engagement!** (until 7:30 pm)

11. **SPECIAL THANKS TO:** "Santa's Village Reindeer, County Line Farm & Ponies, Mario's Cart Mexican Food Truck, DJ Jules and SANTA & MRS. CLAUS!"

12. **DON'T FORGET:** Please donate food at the RM Police Dept Food Drive Saturday from 10-2 at Jewel; and TOYS for TOTS donations are due to City Hall / Library tomorrow.