



The Algonquin Citizen

News from the Village of Algonquin

Summer 2012

Utilities Superintendent Named Operator of the Year

Andy Warmus, Utilities Superintendent for the Village of Algonquin, was named Operator of the Year in April by the Illinois Association of Water Pollution Control Operators (IAWPCO). "Andy's contributions to the operations at the Wastewater Treatment Facility have allowed the Village to become an industry leader and a model for other communities," said Village President John Schmitt. "We're proud to have top-caliber staff such as Andy providing services to Village residents and businesses."

Award nominations are submitted by the IEPA while the awards inspection process is conducted by IAWPCO members. There are approximately 5,000 certified wastewater operators in Illinois; all are eligible to be nominated for this award. The purpose of the Illinois Association of Water Pollution Control Operators is to bring together wastewater treatment professionals to educate, encourage the exchange of ideas, and exhibit the latest equipment and technologies. Congratulations Andy!



Andy Warmus has been recognized for his contributions at the Village's Wastewater Treatment Facility.

FY 12/13 Budget

On April 3, 2012, the Village Board unanimously approved the Fiscal Year 2012-2013 annual budget for the Village of Algonquin. The Village's \$35 million budget is used as a tool to assist Village officials in making sound and rational choices for the provision of public services. The FY 12/13 budget maintains core service levels without any tax increases or new taxes. More info is available online at www.algonquin.org.

Founders' Days Festival

The 2012 Algonquin Founders' Days Festival will be held **July 26 - July 29 in Towne Park**. The full schedule of events is available online at

www.algonquinfoundersdays.com.

Public Art Program

The award-winning Algonquin Public Art Program is once again soliciting the temporary loan of paintings, drawings, photographs, mosaics, and especially outdoor sculptures. **Artists interested in submitting an artwork for display consideration must complete and submit an application packet by August 3, 2012.**

The application is available online at www.algonquin.org or call Ben Mason at 847-658-4184 to request an application by mail or fax.

Cool off at the Pool!

Trying to beat the heat this summer? Look no further than the Algonquin Pool and Splashpad, located south of Algonquin Road on Longwood Drive. Enjoy the interactive splashpad area, lap pool, and pool deck complete with chaise lounge chairs and concessions! **Open swim hours are available daily.** Also, it's still not too late to purchase a season pool pass to make your visit easy and affordable. For additional information about the Algonquin Pool & Splashpad, please visit www.algonquin.org/pool.

Summer Concert Series

The Village of Algonquin is pleased to invite you and your family to this year's Algonquin Summer Concert Series! **Concerts are held weekly on Thursday nights at Riverfront Park beginning at 7:30 p.m.** Below is this year's lineup:

June 28:	Bopology	(Big Band)
July 5:	R-Gang	(Motown/R&B)
July 12:	Weekend Drive	(Classic Rock)
July 19:	Liberty's Teeth	(Pop)
July 26:	Pirates Over 40*	(Caribbean)
August 2:	HiFi Superstars	('80s-'90s Cover)
August 9:	Billy Croft & the 5 Alarm	(Country)
August 16:	Tropixplosion	(Calypso/Reggae)

* Pirates Over 40 will perform at Towne Park for Founders' Days. For more info, visit www.algonquin.org/recreation.

Every Drop Counts - Water Conservation Regulations

In May, Village staff visited local elementary schools where students learned the importance of water conservation and how to save water. Simple ideas for saving water include: cover your swimming pool when not using it, do only full loads of dishes/clothes, turn off water when brushing your teeth, water landscaping early morning or at night, use a rain barrel, set your mower blades higher and fix leaks right away. The Village reminds you that summer watering restrictions are in place. To check current water system status, see signs posted on primary streets in the Village, call Village Hall 847-658-2700, or look on the Village's website www.algonquin.org.



CONSERVATION: Green signs indicate outside water use is permitted except for watering landscaping and lawns which is prohibited between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.

EVEN/ODD: Yellow signs indicate even/odd days for watering before 9:00 a.m. and after 6:00 p.m. Even addresses may only water on even calendar days, and odd addresses may only water on odd calendar days before 9:00 a.m. and after 6:00 p.m.

EVEN/ODD 6:00-9:00 A.M.: Orange signs indicate even/odd days for watering only between the hours of 6:00 a.m. and 9:00 a.m. Even addresses may only water on even calendar days, and odd addresses may only water on odd calendar days from 6:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.

RESTRICTED: Red signs indicate no outside water use is allowed at any time. This includes all use of water outside, such as washing vehicles, power washing, and watering landscaping.

Historic Structure Identification Signs

Do you own a home or building in the Historic District that was built pre-1930? The Historic Commission is currently gathering contact information of interested parties to purchase historic structure identification signs for these buildings. The sign will include the year of construction and the original owner's name. Interested parties should contact the Historic Commission at 847-658-2233 or historiccommission@algonquin.org.



Gold Leaf Award Winners

The Village would like to recognize the Huntley Fire Protection District, Station Number 4 for constructing the first LEED-Certified building in the Village; the Kanner Residence for converting much of their turf grass to native prairie and woodland plantings; and the Eastview Elementary School Earth Club for their efforts to protect or preserve our natural environment around their school and the greater community. More information is available at www.algonquin.org/eco.

"It's Our River Day"

The Village of Algonquin and the Environmental Defenders of McHenry County are sponsoring the local celebration of the State-wide initiative, "It's Our River Day" on **Saturday, September 15, 2012, from 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. at Cornish Park in downtown Algonquin.** The day will focus on a river clean-up and learning more about the Fox River. There will be fun for all ages. The event is free, open to the public, and groups are welcome. For more information please visit:

www.algonquin.org/eco

Art on the Fox

Mark your calendars for the Art on the Fox Fine Art Show on June 30 and July 1 at Riverfront Park.

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Construction Info

Following are a few of the major construction projects happening in Algonquin this summer:

Western Bypass (IL Route 31): Work has begun on site grading and excavation activities on the proposed route from Algonquin Road north to Main Street. The grading work is expected to be completed in November 2012.

Edgewood Drive: This project includes the complete reconstruction of Edgewood Drive between Hanson Road and Main Street, bridge replacement, and path construction. Traffic on Edgewood Drive is restricted with Algonquin Road as the designated detour route. Work is expected to be completed in 2013.

Spring Creek Farms Subdivision: Project consists of roadway resurfacing and repair of curbs, aprons, and sidewalks with expected completion in Fall 2012.

For additional information on Village construction projects, please visit www.algonquin.org.

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