



The Algonquin Citizen

News from the Village of Algonquin

Summer 2015

East Algonquin Road Planning Study Underway

The Village of Algonquin recently hired Gruen Gruen +Associates (GG+A) to perform an economic study of the East Algonquin Road commercial corridor. GG+A will collaborate with Village staff to develop a strategic plan to provide for improved economic utilization of the corridor.

Development of the strategic plan will involve intensive market research and economic analysis of the corridor in relation to the region, and will incorporate concepts involving corridor improvements and strategies for attracting additional economic development opportunities to the area. GG+A will be studying existing building inventory, rental rates, and the feasibility of a number of key development and redevelopment properties. The strategy will help the Village determine the best policies for influencing investment activity and business attraction, retention and expansion for the long term economic success of the corridor. A draft version of the East Algonquin Road plan is expected to be completed by fall 2015.



A planning study for the East Algonquin Road corridor is expected to be completed this fall.

FY 15/16 Budget

On April 7, 2015, the Village Board unanimously approved the Fiscal Year 2015-2016 annual budget for the Village of Algonquin. The Village's \$37 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 15/16 budget maintains core service levels with continued investment in infrastructure. More info is available online at www.algonquin.org/VillageManager.

Tree City USA

The Arbor Day Foundation announced that the Village of Algonquin is again named a Tree City USA community for its commitment to urban forestry. This is the 19th year in which Algonquin has received this designation.

"This designation speaks toward the unrelenting commitment of our urban forestry program in caring for and managing our public trees to enhance the quality of life for our residents as well as to participate in environmentally friendly initiatives," stated John Schmitt, Village President. Algonquin has met the four standards to become a Tree City USA community. Tree City USA communities must have a tree board or department, a tree-care ordinance, a community forestry program with annual expenditures of at least \$2.00 per capita, and an Arbor Day observance and proclamation. Information about Algonquin's forestry program is available at www.algonquin.org/publicworks.

Half-Season Pool Pass Sale

There is still time to enjoy the summer at the Algonquin Swimming Pool and Splashpad. **Half-season pool passes will go on sale beginning July 11 and be available until the end of the season.** This discounted rate offers unlimited visits to the pool for you and your family. A resident family half-season pool pass is \$85, and a resident individual pass is only \$45. For more info, 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 25:	Tony Ocean	(Jazz/Blues)
July 2:	Senn Alan Band	(Country)
July 9:	Liberty's Teeth	(Pop)
July 16:	Gina Glocksen Band	(Rock/Pop)
July 23:	Pirates Over 40*	(Caribbean)
July 30:	R-Gang	(Motown/R&B)
August 6:	Jukebox Hero	('80s)
August 13:	Centerfold	(Classic Rock)

Back again this year will be a variety of food trucks that will serve up great food to go with great music!

*Pirates Over 40 will perform at Algonquin Lakes Park (700 Lake Plumleigh Way) 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 covering your swimming pool when not using it, doing only full loads of dishes/clothes, turning off water when brushing your teeth, watering landscaping early morning or at night, using a rain barrel, setting your mower blades higher and fixing 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 us at 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.

Towne Park Now Open

Towne Park is now open to the public for the summer season! Towne Park has been improved to include a new 100-space parking lot located off of Washington Street, updated restroom facilities, realignment of Crystal Creek, and integration of the park with the Prairie Path recreational trail. In addition, construction for a new pedestrian bridge is forthcoming and will be located on the east end over Crystal Creek.

Rental applications for the park's pavilion and softball diamond are available on the Village of Algonquin's website at www.algonquin.org. Rental rates for Algonquin residents include a \$75 non-refundable park use fee that must be submitted with every park reservation application. The rental rate for non-Algonquin-based individuals/groups/organizations includes a non-refundable park use fee of \$200, unless reserving the park for educational purposes, in which case a fee of \$100 shall apply. Please contact Algonquin Recreation at 847-658-2716 for available dates.



Towne Park is located at 100 Jefferson Street in Algonquin

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Water Billing Conservation Rates

Conservation billing rates are in effect for usage during June, July, and August. **BILLING RATES WILL BE TRIPLED FOR WATER USAGE ABOVE 18,000 GALLONS PER MONTH.** Check your water bill to see what your average usage is, or check your water meter to monitor water usage levels.

Water conservation tips and strategies are available online at www.algonquin.org.

Village Offices Closed

Friday, July 3
Monday, September 7

Founders' Days Festival

The 2015 Algonquin Founders' Days Festival will be held **July 23 - July 26 at Algonquin Lakes Park**. The full schedule of events is available online at

www.algonquinfoundersdays.com

2014 Water Quality Report

The Village of Algonquin provides water quality reports to customers on an annual basis. Among other things, the report lists the regulated contaminants found in the drinking water, as well as health effects information related to violations of the drinking water standards. The 2014 annual water quality report is available online at www.tinyurl.com/Algonquin2014CCR. Please call 847-658-2754 if you would like a paper report delivered to your home.

